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Assessments show increased property values

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

Novi residents are finding out something they may or may not want to know — their property is worth more now than it was last year.

That's good news if you're planning to sell your house; bad news when it comes time to pay property taxes.

Vicki Riedel, residential appraiser for the City of Novi, reported that notices of assessment increases have been mailed to more than 85 percent of residential property owners across the city.

"We have 8,200 vacant or improved residential properties in the city, and we sent notices of increases to 7,000 of them," reported Riedel.

"There were a couple of models (homes) in Meadowbrook Glens and Village Oaks subdivisions, for example, which did not get an in-

crease this year, but the increases on others ranged from four to 20 percent depending on how 'like models' are selling at the current time," she added.

Why are assessments going up? The answer is simple, according to Riedel — actual sales figures show that the prices of homes in Novi are also going up.

Assessments are one of two factors which determine how much property tax each individual land owner will pay. The assessment is multiplied by the millage rate established by each individual taxing entity (the city, school district, county, community college and intermediate school district) to determine the amount of property tax.

Each taxing entity sets millage rates sufficient to generate revenues needed to fund operations, but establishment of assessments is

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Housing costs up at least 7 percent

Has the price of buying a home in Novi really gone up seven percent during the past year?

It has according to the Oakland County Equalization Board which determines assessment increases by examining actual sales data.

But there is other data which indicates the cost of buying a home in Novi has gone up considerably more than seven percent.

In fact, one source of information shows that the cost of purchasing a residence in Novi has gone up 17 percent during the past year.

The average selling price of an existing home in Novi was \$84,375 in 1985, according to sales recorded by members of the Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors (WWOOCR). In 1986, the average selling price of an existing residence in Novi jumped to \$98,739, according to WWOOCR statistics.

That's an increase of 17 percent. Vicki Riedel, residential appraiser for the City of Novi, said she's not surprised at the WWOOCR figures.

"When you look at Novi, you see that it's a pretty nice community and people want to live here," she said. "When you have a good community with a good school district, the demand for housing goes up and that leads to increased prices ... and increased assessments."

Another factor in increased housing costs is the general economy, Riedel added. "When interest rates were high a few years ago, the selling prices of residences was correspondingly lower because people could only afford so much in monthly payments.

"Now that interest rates have gone down, people are paying more for houses. Monthly payments re-

main about the same, but payments are loaded with the actual cost of the home instead of the prevailing rate of interest."

The economic depression of the early 1980s also was a factor in the extent of increased assessments this year, Riedel noted, pointing to the Simmons Orchard subdivision as a prime example.

"When the first homes were built in Simmons Orchard a few years ago, they were selling for \$70,000 because of the general economic conditions," she said.

"Today, those same houses are selling for \$100,000 and up."

Riedel said the assessment increases this year were virtually "across-the-board" with every subdivision being affected.

"There were a couple of models (homes) in Meadowbrook Glens and Village Oaks which didn't get increases, but just about everyone else got an increase," she said, noting that 7,000 of Novi's 8,200 residential properties got hit with increased assessments this year.

"Almost all the condos got moved this year ... there hasn't been much movement in the condos for several years," said Riedel.

"There also was a big percentage increase in Simmons Orchard. Dunbarton Pines and Orchard Ridge subdivisions got increases this year, and Village Oaks went up for the first time in about four years. Sales in Village Oaks have been very good."

□ The city's top taxpayer tells what he thinks about the services he receives/12A



Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Planning Consultant Linda Lemke probably knows more about Novi's trees than anyone else in the city

Tree lady

Lemke helps plan Novi from the woods out

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

"When I was little I never thought I'd find a job where I would get to be an Indian."

That's one of Linda Lemke thoughts about her job as registered landscape architect for Brandon Rogers and Associates, the city's planning consultant.

Lemke's 'Indian' job involves hours and hours of walking through the woods of Novi, charting the locations and types of trees and topography.

Lemke began her career in landscape architecture primarily as a designer. She was involved in the Town Center development project for over a year.

The transition from Town Center designer to "tree lady" or "wood nymph," names given her by some of the developers, was a total one.

"It was really odd. The whole year I worked on

the Trammell Crow project I was dressed in my traditional business suit, and that's how everyone saw me every day. Then all of a sudden I was in blue jeans, flannel shirts and hiking boots, and everyone said, 'Boy, do you really look different.' Now when I come in, they all compliment me on how wonderful I look when I dress in my suits," Lemke said.

It's a double life that she's grown used to, and, in fact, she feels fortunate to be able to do so. "I'm comfortable with both looks," she said. "I think it's a great job. One of the great draws of landscape architecture is that you can be inside and outside. This is a little bit more of being outside, but I've really enjoyed it."

Weather is often a factor on her forays into the woods, and Lemke admitted that it's a mixed blessing. She enjoyed watching the woods change with the seasons, from the brilliant green of summer to the flames of fall, but encountered her

share of problems.

"I try to come out when it's dry, but because of deadlines and pressure from developers, you feel obligated to get the work done no matter what the weather.

"I did most of my field work in the summer, when all the trees were out, and all the mosquitos were out. Novi has a lot of wet sites and a lot of mosquitos. I joke that I've changed my perfume to 6-12 repellent. You can't wear any perfume out here, they just come after you."

Mud has been a big problem for her. "I've gotten really bogged down. I usually track mud through the city offices, which they really hate."

Lemke's wardrobe requirements have changed as well. "I've had to boost my casual wardrobe a little bit, changing from pumps to hiking boots."

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Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

The Novi Ambassadors made their official debut when the Novi Jaycees hosted the Michigan Jaycees Winter Convention at the Novi Hilton last weekend. Ready to greet Jaycee conventioners

in the photo above are (left to right) Vic Cassis, Ginger Grig, Gretchen Pugsley, Pam Balagna and Don Grevengood. For more about the convention see Page 9A

Meeting on AIDS at NHS

In an effort to answer community concerns about what some medical experts are calling the greatest public health threat of this century, Novi High School will host an informational meeting March 24 to discuss AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).

Dr. William Siebert of the Infectious Disease Department at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will address the subject at the 7:30 p.m. meeting. A video-tape narrated by two physicians will be shown followed by an open discussion.

"The purpose of the meeting is to share ideas and to find out if community representation is such that we can ascertain how far schools should go with this," said Novi High School Principal Robert Youngberg. "We're not sure it is our role."

Youngberg noted that the AIDS issue was recently mentioned at the eighth grade parent orientation. He also said several high school teachers have received student inquiries about the disease.

The principal said teachers are questioning to what degree they can discuss the disease and what role the schools have in providing information about AIDS.

Whoops!

Our Green Sheet classified computers haven't acted up in a long time ... but they did this week.

Some ads in the Green Sheet are printed with incomplete phone numbers.

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Council approves new subdivision

Construction of 364 residential units on the northeast corner of Beck Road and Ten Mile is expected to get under way this year as a result of action by the Novi City Council recently.

Specifically, the council granted conceptual approval for Developer Max Sheldon to proceed with development of Green Orchard Meadows under the terms of a RUD (residential unit development) Option which had been approved initially in 1980.

Green Orchard Meadows is to be located on an 87.4 acre site. The northern portion of the property is heavily wooded, and the property also contains significant wetlands which make traditional development patterns unfeasible.

According to Planning Consultant Linda Lemke of Brandon Rogers & Associates, the woods are one of the top two best stands in the city. "This is an exceptional area of mature trees and maple trees on rolling topography. Other wooded areas of a mixture of tree species, size and quality occur throughout the site in large blocks," said Lemke in her recommendation to the council.

Sheldon has asked the city to re-affirm the RUD contract for the proposed multi-use development which features a combination of multiples and cluster housing.

The request was complicated by the fact that the council has upgraded several zoning requirements since the time the original RUD contract was approved seven years ago.

Sheldon was seeking approval to build under the terms of the zoning ordinance in effect at the time of the original approval.

The proposed development will have 182 attached and detached cluster units and 182 multiple family dwelling units for a total of 364 units. The overall density for the development would be 4.3 dwelling units to the acre. According to City Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers, the council's reaffirmation of the existing contract permits all woodlands and wetlands on the site to be preserved "except for a small area along Beck Road at the north end of the site."

Council Member Ronald Watson commented that the "cluster looks awful good to me in terms of developing that parcel. One problem I had way back was the number of multiples on it."

Watson proposed that the original RUD be allowed imposing the cluster option parameters including densities, housing types, and setbacks.

Council Member Martha Hoyer said, "We want the flexibility of a plan that saves as much woodlands and wetlands as possible. Most cluster housing is perceived as affirming the RUD contract. There's not that much difference."

Hoyer made a motion to extend the conceptual approval of the RUD incorporating today's standards pertaining to densities, setbacks and landscaping. The motion passed 4-2 with Council Members Nancy Covert and Watson dissenting.



Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Open for business

After months of renovation, the media center at Orchard Hills Elementary School finally has opened. The media center renovation, which got under way long before the start of this school year, has made the facility nearly twice its former size. The extra space

provides students and staff with plenty of room to stretch out and enjoy the center's varied offerings. Waiting to check out books from librarian Bridget Patrick are Heather Marks, 8, (at left), Nichole Williams, 7, and Jodi Carnes, 8.

DSA nomination deadline is today

Anyone thinking about submitting nominations for the Novi Jaycees' Distinguished Service Award (DSA) had better hurry.

Deadline for nominations is today — Wednesday, Feb. 18. Tickets for the DSA, the most prestigious award in the city, is given annually by the Jaycees to the individual whose dedication to service and humanity during the previous calendar year will serve as a lasting reminder and inspiration to others in the community.

Citizens can be nominated by groups or individuals. Nominating forms are available at the Novi Public Library, Novi City Hall and the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. Nominating forms also can be obtained by calling the Novi Jaycees at 348-NOVI.

Nominees must live or work in Novi and have done their volunteer work in Novi. The forms should be returned to receive a \$50 U.S. savings bond.

Individual is deserving of DSA recognition.

The 1986 DSA winner will be announced at the annual Community Recognition Breakfast which will be held at the Sheraton Oaks Hotel on Saturday, March 7. Tickets for the breakfast are priced at \$7 per person, and the menu will include scrambled eggs, bacon, juice, toast, coffee or tea. Reservations for the breakfast must be made prior to March 2 by calling 348-NOVI.

In addition to announcing the 1986 DSA winner, the Jaycees will honor Novi's outstanding youth, outstanding fire fighter and outstanding police officer at the breakfast.

The Jaycees currently are sponsoring their annual essay contest for Novi Middle School students. Seventh and eighth grade winners will be announced at the breakfast. Each winner will receive a \$50 U.S. savings bond.

Planners to study facade issue

A proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance will be considered by the Novi Planning Commission at a meeting tonight (Wednesday, Feb. 18) at 7:30 p.m.

Specifically, the commission will consider an amendment to Section 2520 which relates to exterior building wall facade materials.

City Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers explained at a Feb. 4 public hearing on the proposed amendment that the current facades portion of the zoning ordinance refers to the facades of building exteriors if they are facing any street, road or freeway.

The proposed amendment would add "or residential neighborhood" to that list.

"Not a month goes by," Rogers told the commission, "without the commission granting a 'Section 4' waiver." The planning commission may modify the facade schedule from time to time for specific projects, which are known as "Section 4" waivers.

Rogers began the overhaul of the ordinance in an attempt to pare down the extensive number of waivers currently sought. He reported that several months of study and a number of meetings were held between planning consultants and professional design and architectural talent as well as members of the Novi Chamber of Commerce.

The new amendment to the ordinance was designed to eliminate some of the ambiguity in the "Section 4" waiver, according to Rogers. The amendment would add, "When a waiver is requested under this sub-section, the proposed building design and materials schedule shall be accompanied by a design statement which shall describe how the selected facade materials and material combinations will be consistent with and enhance the building's design concept and how the materials properly relate to buildings in the surrounding area."

The amendment would contain a schedule of the percentages of permitted facades for each zoning district. The commission voted to continue discussion of the schedule to tonight's meeting after several commissioners expressed a desire to have Rogers clarify certain zoning districts, such as the Town Center, and certain facade uses, such as wood.

"Rewriting the ordinance in its entirety was done to indicate the different relationships of a site when certain ornamental facades must be used," Rogers said.

Section 3 of the proposed amendment says, "A building design stands on its overall whole. The intent of this section is to promote integration and mixture of materials where more than one material is used on a building. If only one material is used, architectural detailing and articulation, massing, texture and form must be introduced into the building's facade design."

Support for the amendment was expressed at the Feb. 4 public hearing by Rose Crum, representing the Novi Chamber of Commerce.

Robbery suspects set to stand trial

The three men who allegedly attempted to rob and threatened to shoot television personality Gary Cumberly have waived pre-trial examination and been bound over to stand trial in Oakland County Circuit Court.

The alleged assault occurred as Cumberly was walking his dog near his home in the Village Oaks subdivision shortly before midnight on Feb. 11.

Facing charges of "assault with intent to rob while armed" are Gary Bernard Waters, 19; Christopher Bernard Turner, 19; and Cleatha Woods, 21 — all of Detroit.

An additional charge of "possession of a fire arm in the commission of a felony" has been lodged against Woods.

Detective William Brown of the Novi Police Department said all three suspects waived pre-trial examination and were remanded to stand trial on the charges in circuit court before Judge John N. O'Brien.

Woods remained lodged in the Oakland County Jail on a \$35,000 cash bond with no 10 percent permitted.

The other two suspects have been released on surety bonds. Brown reported a car matching the description.

All three suspects are scheduled to be arraigned on the charges in circuit court on March 9.

The three are charged in conjunction with an alleged attempt to rob Cumberly at gunpoint as he was walking his dog on Village Oaks Drive west of Cranbrook, at approximately 11:50 p.m. on Feb. 11.

Cumberly, a Novi resident and host of "Sunday Times" on WJBK-TV in Southfield, told police he was approached by three suspects in a car. One of the suspects, later alleged to be Woods, exited the vehicle, pointed what appeared to be a small-caliber, semi-automatic pistol at Cumberly and said, "Stay there. I want your money."

After ascertaining that Cumberly was carrying no valuables, the suspects inside the car told the man holding the gun to "waste him." Cumberly told police he jumped into a ditch alongside the road at that point, the car which sped off through the subdivision with its lights out.

The three suspects were apprehended by Farmington Hills police shortly later after a BOI (be-on-the-lookout) bulletin was issued by dispatchers and the officers observed a car matching the description broadcast over the police radio.



Novi News/ANN WILLIS

New office zoning district proposed

A new zoning classification for professional offices is being studied by the Novi Planning Commission.

The proposed new district was introduced by City Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers during the commission's discussion of updating the 1986 Master Plan at its Feb. 4 session.

Specifically, Rogers has proposed that an OS-2 office district be added to the city's zoning ordinance.

"The intent of the district is to allow uses now permitted in the OS-1 (office service district) and permit building heights of three stories (5 feet)," Rogers explained in his introductory letter. "Retail business uses, hotels and motels and other uses of similar nature permitted in the OSC (office service commercial) district, are not included as permitted uses in the proposed OS-2."

The intent of the new district, according to the preliminary draft, is to provide for various types of office uses performing administrative, professional and personal services and for businesses which provide a service as opposed to selling a product.

The current language of the proposed new office district calls for a minimum front yard setback of 50 feet and a minimum side and rear yard setback of 25 feet. The minimum parking setback per lot is listed as 20 feet.

"If we're going to use these as buffers to residential, we should look at setbacks," Commissioner Judith Johnson told Rogers. "No one wants 12.25 feet away."

At the suggestion of Community Development Director James Wahl, the commission referred the proposed new office district to the implementation committee for review and recommendations.

NHS band performs tonight

Novi residents will be able to preview the selections the Novi High School Band will perform in district competition at a special concert tonight (Wednesday, Feb. 18).

The concert will be presented in Novi High School's Fuester Auditorium at 7 p.m. Admission is free, and the public is invited to attend.

Craig Strain, director of the instrumental music program at Novi High School, explained that the Festival Concert is presented each year to give local residents an opportunity to preview the music the band will play in district competition.

In addition, the Festival Concert gives band members an opportunity to polish their performances in front of an audience.

Performing at tonight's concert will be the Concert Band and Symphony Band.

The Concert Band will perform "La Costa" by Eric Osterling, "Russian Sailor's Dance" by Reinhold Gliere and "Excellent Overture" by James Swearington.

The Symphony Band will perform "Vadres March" by Johannes Hanssen, "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral" from the opera Leining by Wagner, "Children's March" by Percy Grainger and "Carnaval from LaFiesta Mexicana" by H. Owen Reed.

Tutors are needed

A new training session for literacy volunteers is being organized by the Novi Community Schools.

Volunteer tutors are needed to help adults learn to read. Nationally, it is estimated that from 20 to 60 million Americans cannot read.

The tutoring session for new volunteers in the Novi area will be held at Novi High School (Room 114) on Feb. 24 and 26, and March 3 and 5 from 6-9 p.m.

Registrations will be taken until Feb. 16 by the Novi Library either in person or by calling 349-0720. For additional information on the program contact Brenda Burrell at the Novi Public Library or Cathy Weiss of the Oakland County Literacy Council at 858-1930.

Make a wish

Last Saturday was a special day around the Erwin's Farms store on Novi Road. It was Valentine's Day and a whole lot more as Kathi and Doug Erwin hosted a fund-raiser for the Make A Wish Foundation of Michigan. The foundation exists to grant the wishes of terminally and critically ill children. Kathi Erwin, left, sells some red and white carnations to Christina Rohn. In addition to the flowers, the Erwins sold pies and hot dogs. The Erwins hope to make the event an annual one, to help pay back the foundation for the help they received in granting the wish of their son Chris.

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Thieves take band instruments

Police are looking for a thief with musical inclinations after two band instruments were reported stolen from Novi Upper Elementary School during the first week of February.

Police Beat

The parent of a student reported the theft of a Suzuki clarinet from the school sometime during the day of Feb. 3. The complainant told police her daughter left the clarinet in the school library and was unable to find it when she returned to retrieve it.

break-in that occurred Feb. 9 between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m.

pieces of women's jewelry.

A coronet was reported stolen at Novi Upper Elementary School on Feb. 6 between 2:30 and 5 p.m. The coronet, which was valued at \$445, was stolen from a music class locker, according to police reports.

Three Romance Lace brasieres and a pair of women's panties were reported stolen from Victoria's Secrets, the fashionable lingerie shop at Twelve Oaks Mall, on Feb. 7.

The vehicle was recovered by Detroit police shortly before 5 p.m. the same day. The car had been stripped of its wheels, tires and doors, according to the Detroit Auto Recovery Squad.

Clothing and electronic equipment valued in excess of \$1,200 were stolen from a residence on Solomon on Feb. 5 between 8 a.m. and 9:30 p.m.

The thief was reported by a clerk who said a black female suspect had brought the undergarments to the counter to purchase. The clerk said she turned toward the cash register to ring up the sale, then turned around to find the woman and the undergarments missing.

Not all stolen cars get "dumped" in Detroit. Some are left in Novi.

The complainant told police he arrived home to find that unknown individuals had gained entry to the residence by prying open the front door. Responding officers said it appeared a crowbar had been used to pry open the door.

Once inside, the responsible party had access to the entire residence without being detected.

A Bell radar detector was stolen from a 1983 Ford while it was parked outside the owner's residence on Montmorency in the Chateau Estates Mobile Home Park during the night of Feb. 10-11.

Stolen property included a Sears videocassette recorder valued at \$300, a 13-inch color television set valued at \$150, three men's sports coats with a combined value of \$450 and two men's sweaters, valued at a total of \$50. Also stolen was \$50 in U.S. currency.

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Some \$200 in cash and a Ruger six-shot revolver were stolen from a residence on Eleven Mile during a

Stolen property included a Sears videocassette recorder valued at \$300, a 13-inch color television set valued at \$150, three men's sports coats with a combined value of \$450 and two men's sweaters, valued at a total of \$50. Also stolen was \$50 in U.S. currency.

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Novi Briefs

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS: It seems like we incorrectly tried to force Joe Palazzolo into early retirement in last week's edition. Palazzolo, the building engineer at Orchard Hills Elementary School, was honored by students at a "Mr. Joe Day" on Feb. 6. A picture of the event appeared on Page 1A of "The News" Feb. 11 edition, reporting that Palazzolo was retiring from his job. Palazzolo was honored by the students, but he is not retiring after 15 years with the Novi Community School District. The News regrets the error.

THE NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION will meet in the Novi Public Library today (Wednesday, Feb. 18) at 7:30 p.m.

The agenda includes consideration of the Section 2520 Facade amendment and a proposed Section 4 waiver for the Soft Shine Car Wash. The commission also will discuss transportation impact review and fees, the natural resources design plan, the natural resources educational program and other 1986/87 budget proposals.

A rezoning request for the proposed Chase Farms subdivision between Eight and Nine Mile has been continued to the planners' March 4 session at the petitioner's request.

ARTS AND CULTURE COMMITTEE: Novi residents interested in developing, implementing and promoting cultural events in the city are encouraged to volunteer to serve on an Arts and Culture Committee.

Twelve representatives from the city will be appointed to the committee. The group will meet monthly to discuss upcoming events and ideas for furthering the arts within Novi.

More information is available from Kelley Simpson of the Novi Parks and Recreation Department by calling 349-1976.

THE NOVI DEVELOPERS MEETING originally scheduled for this Saturday, Feb. 21, has been postponed. The meeting has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 14, at 8:30 a.m. in the Novi Public Library.

AGENTS REPRESENTING landowners at the board of review are now required to submit an authorization letter from the property owner along with the petition.

The new ruling was passed to prevent cases of more than one agent filing petitions on the same property.

Obituaries

FRANCES J. PAINE

Funeral services for Frances J. Paine of Wixom were held at the New Hudson United Methodist Church on Feb. 13.

Mrs. Paine died Feb. 10 in Howell. She was 90 years old.

She is survived by a son, Raymond, and three grandchildren: Cynthia Bousky, Donna Lee Marantz and Kathryn Ames. Seven great grandchildren also survive.

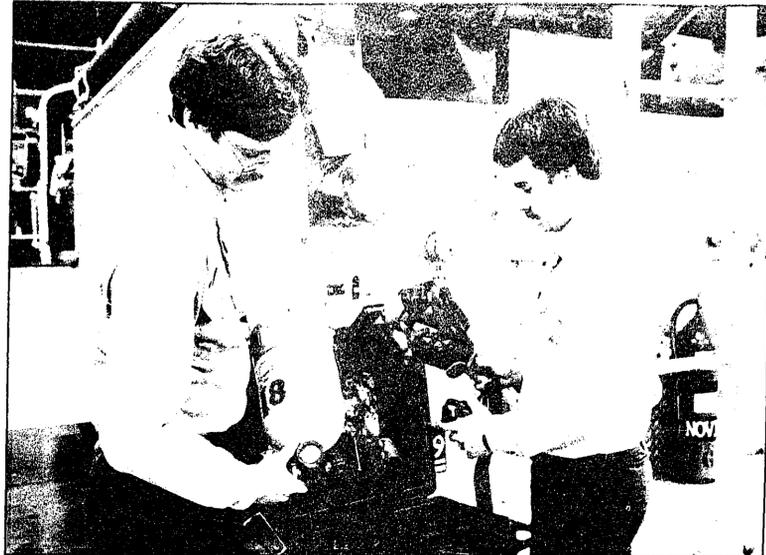
Interment was at Acacia Park Cemetery in Birmingham through the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi.

CAMERON E. ROSE

Funeral services for Cameron E. Rose, one of the most influential persons in the history of the City of Walled Lake, were held Feb. 12 at the Walled Lake United Methodist Church.

Mr. Rose was preceded in death by his wife, Jewell Mercer Rose. He is survived by a daughter, Kay Rose Lands of Ann Arbor, and two sisters, Dorothy McKirren and Mrs. Roy (Helen) Dewey. Also surviving is his sister-in-law and close friend, Arlys Mercer.

Interment was at the Walled Lake Cemetery.



New full-time fire protection officer Dan Ray (left) and Don Christensen do a safety check on fire equipment

Full-time firefighters sworn in

Novi's first full-time fire protection officers were sworn in by City Clerk Geraldine Stipp at the Novi City Council's Feb. 9 meeting.

The four fire protection officers — Donald F. Christensen, Daniel L. Dye, Gordon A. Poyhonen and Daniel W. Roy — have already begun their duties, according to Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan.

Two of the officers are currently training at the Detroit Fire Academy. The other two will attend after their return.

The four officers were hired on a permanent full-time basis by the city in accord with a recommendation by the Police and Fire Committee, a citizen's group studying staffing needs. Lenaghan told the council at the time that a full-time staff was

needed to increase the city's ability to respond to fires that occur during the day.

"We identified within a two-year period that 34 percent of all fires occurring in Novi were happening between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.," Lenaghan said.

The majority of the paid-on-call volunteers who staff the city's fire department are not available for daytime fires, added the fire chief. Currently, there are 47 volunteers registered with the city.

Lenaghan had originally recommended to the committee that eight fire protection officers be hired in addition to one supervisor. The committee pared that request down to the four approved by the council.

The four new officers will staff the

stations during the daytime hours and perform everything from building and equipment maintenance to public education programs. Eventually, the officers will work into building inspection work. They will be responsible for day-time emergency responses as well.

The four officers are all former volunteers with over three years' experience. Each underwent testing by the Michigan Municipal League as well as oral interviews. There were 17 applicants for the four positions.

Each is an emergency medical technician and a state certified driver. "They are already a part of our system, and there will be no transition period necessary," Lenaghan said.

After the retirement of Assistant Chief Ted Kovarik last November, the city retained only two full-time employees in the fire department, the fire chief and the building inspector, until the four new officers were sworn in.

Despite the addition of the four officers, portions of the fire department's annual budget will actually decrease, according to Lenaghan. The fire protection officers will take over many of the duties formerly performed by outside firms through contractual commitments. The officers will cut the lawn outside of the stations, shovel snow and take care of the winterizing of the fire hydrants.

Two of the new officers will be stationed at Fire Station One and two will be at Fire Station Three following completion of their training.

Yerkes house is set for renovation

The Yerkes house, originally built in 1869, may make it into the 21st century.

The Novi City Council recently voted unanimously to rezone the 1.71 acre parcel on which the historic home is located from R-A (residential agricultural) to RM-1 (low density multiple family).

The house is located on the north side of Eight Mile between Novi and Meadowbrook roads.

Patricia Hann, the option holder on the land, told the council she plans to convert the badly run-down historic building into professional offices, while building eight luxury condominiums on the back of the site.

The rezoning makes the restoration of the house (financially possible, according to Hann).

In voting to rezone the parcel, the council followed the recommendation of both Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers and the Novi Planning Commission.

Hann told the council she plans to

start renovating the house immediately to avoid any further deterioration.

The house was built by the Joseph Yerkes' family, the original settlers of the Novi/Northville area, and is the only structure in Novi on the local, state and national historical registers. According to the former owner of the house, Daniel Williamson, the house may be the oldest structure in Novi.

The historical designation on the house allows the structure to be renovated into offices, but precludes the owner from tearing the structure down and constructing a new building on the site. Any variation from the current zoning must be approved by the planning commission.

Hann told the commission "the historic home brings charm" to the entire development. Without restoration of the home, "nobody would want the site for empty ground," she said.

Help for seniors offered by OLHSA

Senior citizens can receive assistance with certain chores in and around their homes through the new Oakland Chores Service.

The Chores Service was started in January by the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA) and is open to people 60 years of age who live in Novi, Walled Lake, Wixom, South Lyon, New Hudson, North and Wauville Lake Villages.

Specific chores provided through the program include heavy house cleaning (windows, walls and floors) and outdoor work (snow shoveling, lawn mowing and gutter cleaning).

Assistance is also available for such minor home repairs as installation of weather stripping, caulking windows; and replacing fuses, light bulbs, electrical plugs, door locks, window latches and faucet washers.

Senior citizens who have the highest priority for receiving chore assistance are those who are low income, homebound, physically unable to perform the chores or who are unable to secure assistance from another adult in their geographic area.

OLHSA is now taking applications from individuals willing to perform the chores. Both males and females who are at least 18 years old are needed. They must have their own transportation. OLHSA will pay \$4 per hour plus mileage for qualified workers.

Anyone interested in receiving assistance or applying for work may call Helen Felt at 349-3780 on weekdays from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

County car deaths down 20 percent

An increase in safety belt use and a decrease in drunk driving offenses are presumed to be principal factors in a 20 percent decrease in traffic fatalities in Oakland County last year.

Some 129 traffic fatalities were reported in the county in 1986 compared to 161 in 1985, according to the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County (TIA).

On a statewide basis traffic fatalities increased 1 percent — from 1,569 in 1985 to 1,584 last year.

"The county's relatively low fatality record last year is particularly remarkable when we consider the substantial increase in traffic fatalities today compared to 20 years ago," said TIA Managing Director Bruce Madsen.

Traffic fatalities in the late 1960s were approaching 200 per year, with 201 reported in 1969. Traffic volumes, the most accurate barometer of exposure, have since increased in Oakland County by an estimated 85 percent.

"If fatalities had kept pace with

Madsen: "The county's relatively low fatality record last year is particularly remarkable when we consider the substantial increase in traffic volumes today compared to 20 years ago"

statistics to an average of the three previous years.

TIA reported the following:
 □ A 38 percent decrease was reported in the younger age groups (15-19 year olds), who were either victims of fatal accidents or drivers involved in fatal accidents.

□ There was a 73 percent increase in fatalities among those in the 55 to 74 age group.

□ Pedestrian fatalities increased 44 percent.

□ Bifurcated Township's fatalities dropped from an average of eight to two, a 75 percent decrease.

□ Farmington Hills dropped from an average of eight traffic deaths to four, a 50 percent decrease.

□ Troy experienced a 36 percent decrease in fatalities, dropping from an average of 10 to seven.

□ Traffic deaths in Pontiac increased 62 percent — from a three year average of eight to 13 in 1986.

TIA reported that both state and Oakland County death figures are provisional; slight increases may be expected due to delayed deaths.

A lifetime resident of Walled Lake,

Other reasons given by TIA for the recent decrease in traffic deaths include improved safety engineering of Oakland streets and highways, better emergency medical services and improvements in vehicle safety design.

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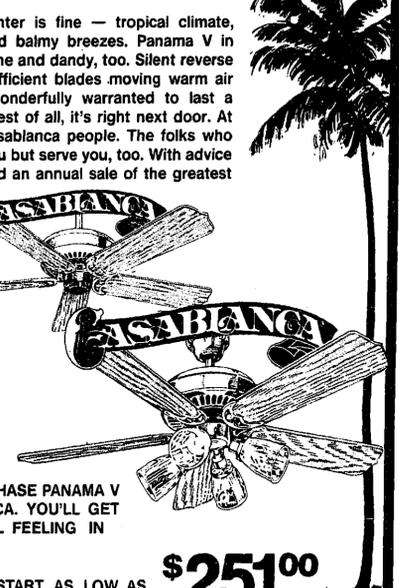
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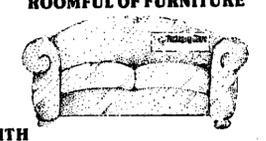
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OUT on a LIMB with LEMKE



Lemke checks the lay of the land



Fielding phone calls from developers is an important part of Lemke's functions



Lemke attacks a pile of plans waiting to be reviewed

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Lemke has a bachelor degree in fine arts from the University of Michigan and graduated with a masters in Landscape Architecture from U-M. The masters program at Michigan is run through Rackham Graduate School and the School of Natural Resources, so she has a strong background in woodlands study.

Weather isn't the only hazard of the job. Unfamiliar woods can be confusing, but Lemke says she's never really been lost. "One time I lost my bearings, so I acted like an Indian and climbed a tree to look around. All I saw was farmland. I didn't see any roads at all. So much for that great idea."

Even after that, she doesn't carry a compass. The woods, which can be intimidating to some people, don't scare her. "I'm an outdoors person. It's always been a love of mine." When confronted with an unfamiliar stretch of forest she takes the aggressive approach.

"Well, you just go out there and do it. You just take a deep breath and you say, 'I guess I'll go in and look at this woods and see what's in there.'"

The thrill of working in the woods, for Lemke, is discovering them. "You don't really know what you're going to find in a woods. Just the beauty is a surprise to me... and the fact that there is so much of really quality woods left."

Lemke feels the city is doing a good job of protecting the trees and handling the flood of development. "The Woodlands Ordinance was a very positive move on the part of the city, and it was definitely in time. There's a lot of woods out here, which was very surprising to me, and they're absolutely gorgeous."

"We, the city staff, are being inundated with a lot of development projects at a very fast pace, and I think that we're handling them well. There is a lot of concern in Novi from the citizens and the city staff and the planning commission and the council not to develop too rapidly and to develop with restrictions. The Woodlands Ordinance is evidence of this."

According to Lemke there are some stretches of woods that would be better developed, and some that should be set aside for parks. "There are some unique areas that should be preserved and not touched at all, but there are other areas where the quality of the trees is not as unique,

with the topography and the rest of the environmental issues, that could be developed."

Raising the money to buy land for parks has been an issue in recent weeks. Lemke said there has been discussion about putting the issue on the ballot. "It's needed, there isn't any question."

Development of the woods is a highly emotional subject, and Lemke says it can be a Catch 22 situation. "You go into the woods as someone who loves nature and there's a little bit of that in all of us, some of us more than others. And you know that the development is going to have an impact on it, so it's going to change."

"And you have mixed feelings, but you have to look at it with what could happen to it, and come up with a blending. You have to create the best plan to get the best outcome."

The overall quality of development projects in Novi is improving, according to Lemke. She is seeing better and better designs and more mixed uses of properties, which can help preserve trees.

"The sensitivity to the sites on the part of the developers is better. And I think the Woodlands Ordinance is encouraging. Every developer who comes in, we hear, is going to test the ordinance. But by the end of the process, they realize the ordinance is fair and they end up with a different perspective on the development, even if they were very sensitive before."

"What we're trying to do, not to get down to the one tree, two trees, three trees level, but to get the developers to preserve large areas that they don't touch at all. And there's lots of parts of the ordinance that encourage that. The larger an area that you can get them to stay out of, the better it is as far as woodland ecology."

Trees are not the only thing affected by development. Novi has a fair amount of wildlife living in the wooded sections of the city. Deer, possum and some fox as well as rabbits inhabit the woods. Lemke has seen some deer, up by Pontiac Trail, but for the most part she has just seen the tracks of the animals.

The Woodlands Ordinance goes a long way to helping the city regulate the developer's use of trees, but Lemke sees a need to go even further. "Preservation methods can be done, but everyone on the site has to understand why we're doing it. You can't police it."

She said construction teams can damage trees without meaning to just by the placement of dirt or equip-

ment. "All the breathing apparatus for the trees go out five times from the canopy. You say you can cut safely to the canopy line, but you're still taking out all these little noses. And if you compress them or put soil on them, you're cutting off their oxygen supply."

Trees can die in as little as five weeks if dirt is piled on top of these sensitive areas. "That's why we've gotten really heavily into protection details such as tree walls and timber walls," Lemke said. Communication with everyone involved with the site is crucial.

"Even parking your car under a tree that has never had that before is compressing. That's the natural thing to do in the summer. You have one tree you plan on saving and everyone on the construction team parks their car under it. You have to think of every detail."

Residents are proving to be unofficial allies in the policing of the Woodlands Ordinance. People call the city, or Lemke, if they think someone is taking down protected trees. "A lot of times there's a

misunderstanding that the ordinance protects every tree. But that's not bad, because we have all our citizens very much aware if anyone is touching any of the trees."

"I've never had any trouble with people in Novi. I think it is indicative of what Novi is. It is still young and is more a city in the country right now."

Although people in Novi care about the woods, Lemke has seen some negative influences on the environment. "You adopt something that is next to you, especially something beautiful and everyone uses our natural resources, but no one takes care of them."

"There are people who enjoy the beauty of the woods and would no more than doing something in their own property, but there are others who use them to dump garbage and clippings."

Lemke must deal with a lot of misconceptions about the role of a landscape architect. "I get a lot of people asking me, well what's wrong with my plants. Most people think

we're park planners or residential designers. In fact it's such a broad field that there are landscape architects in every field."

She puts up with all kinds of rumors from the developers as well. "They started a rumor about me that I've gone through all the developers. It says I'm so mean that I eat tree bark. I admit that I eat certain things out in the field, not because I'm mean, but because there's a lot of natural foods out there."

Her favorite type of woods is a Beech forest. "You have to go in on one natural resource with her husband and dog. She skis and sails when work permits, but that's not very often."

Lemke says she loves her work, and that the people she works with in Novi make it even better. "The people here are educated, but they're not dogmatic. They're very open to hearing different points of view."

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intent, in a lot of cases what we're doing is creating an urban forest." The planners carefully pick the type of commercial trees used in replacement plantings to achieve this effect.

Lemke has big plans for the future of Novi. She is proposing a natural feature system that will include walking trails along the river to connect the various green areas in the city.

All of this takes time and that leaves very little free time for her to enjoy. Lemke teaches a class in garden design one night a week at Schoolcraft College. She lives on Whitmore Lake with her husband and dog. She skis and sails when work permits, but that's not very often.

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Photos by Chris Boyd



Lemke confers with Novi Planning Commission Chairman Ernest Aruffo on a site plan

Nearby

THE SCANDINAVIAN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA will present a concert of patriotic music in honor of Michigan's Sesquicentennial at Southfield High School on Saturday, Feb. 21, at 8 p.m.

One of the featured works will be Aaron Copland's "Lincoln Portrait," narrated by Channel 2 news anchor Kathy Adams. Tickets are priced at \$7 and available at the door. For more information call 644-9203 or 645-0379.

TWO NATURE PROGRAMS will be presented at Kensington Metropark near Milford this weekend, Feb. 21-22.

A program entitled "Woodcarving Demonstration" will be presented Saturday, Feb. 21, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Participants will see how wildlife creatures are carved from wood.

"Tracking Wildlife" on Sunday, Feb. 22, at 10:30 a.m. is a morning walk to explore animals and their activities. Participants should dress for the weather.

Most park programs are free, but advance registration is required. Call toll free 1-800-24-PARKS. A vehicle entry permit also is required.

THE LIVINGSTON PLAYERS will present "The 1940s Radio Hour" at the Millpond Theatre in Brighton on March 6, 7 and 8 and 13, 14 and 15. Novi's Lynn Salow is cast in the role of Anne Collier, while Linda Salow, former area resident, is the director.

"The 1940s Radio Hour" is a nostalgic combination of commercials, jokes, gags and songs from the World War II era. The show includes such big band hits as "Chattanooga Choo-Choo," "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" and "That Old Black Magic."

Tickets are available at Coopers Jewelry in Brighton. For more information call 229-5023 or 632-6100.

"THE KING AND I," the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, will be presented by the Walled Lake Central Music Department at Walled Lake Central High School next week.

Performances are scheduled Tuesday, Feb. 24, and Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 26-28. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. for all four performances. Tickets are priced at \$5 and seats will be reserved. Tickets may be purchased at the door on the night of the performance or by calling the high school at 624-1523.

"BRIGHTON BEACH MEMORIES," the Neil Simon comedy, will be presented at the Eastern Michigan University Theatre in Ypsilanti.

Performances are scheduled Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Feb. 19-21) in the Quirk Theatre. Curtain time is 8 p.m. for all three performances. Call the EMU Theatre Box Office at 487-1221 for ticket information.

CHESAING FOLK ART SHOW: The Village of Chesaning will hold its annual Cabin Fever Folk Art Show on Saturday and Sunday, February 21-22. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

There will be demonstrations and displays of many crafts that kept Grandma busy during the long winter months, including spinning, weaving, quilting, lace-making, tole painting, basket-weaving and wood carving. There also will be old-time music, period costumes and old-fashioned treats in The Olde Home Shoppes, Market Street Square and The Heritage House restaurant.

THE 1987 MRS. MICHIGAN PAGEANT will be held at the Novi Hilton on Sunday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door.

MURDER MYSTERY WEEKEND: The Novi Hilton will host its second annual Murder Mystery Weekend on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 13-15. Designed for "amateur sleuths" and "part-time detectives," the event will involve three days of excitement and intrigue with participants attempting to solve a murder which they will observe.

The theme of the weekend centers on a modeling agency contest for an international advertising campaign. Exciting prizes will be awarded to the sleuth who solves the crime, and various prizes will be given in other categories. For more information or to make reservations call the Hilton at 349-4000.

To have an event listed in Nearby, write to: "Nearby," Novi News, 104 West Main, Northville, MI 48167 at least two weeks in advance of event. Photos and artwork welcome. For information, phone 349-1700.

Turnout low at school hearing

By MICHELE M. FECHT
staff writer

The inevitable overcrowding of Novi's elementary schools and the district's attempt to deal with the problem obviously aren't keeping residents up at night judging by the low turnout at last Thursday's public hearing.

Fewer than two dozen residents attended last week's hearing to comment on administrative recommendations for dealing with the district's student population increase.

It is projected that Novi's enrollment will increase to 3,750 students from its current 3,472 during the 1987-88 school year. An enrollment of 3,750 is expected for 1988-89, and 4,200 students are anticipated by the end of the decade.

To handle the district's growing enrollment, the administration has proposed construction of a new K-4 elementary school, administration and maintenance facility, additional classrooms at three of the district's existing facilities and construction of a walkway between the high school proper and the commons area.

A discussion of the proposals and the community's input was to be addressed at a special board meeting last night (after The News' deadline).

Approximately one-third of the residents at last week's hearing were members of the citizens' committee task force which cited alternatives for dealing with the district's enrollment growth in a report presented to the board in late December.

Among the concerns raised by residents were costs of the projects (the administration has proposed at least a \$5.3 million bond issue for the bulk of the projects), the location of a new elementary school and administration building, inadequate parking space at current elementary buildings and the lack of athletic facilities for students — particularly at the high school.

Byers: 'I've got a real problem with a quarter of a million dollar walkway that kids will use two to three months out of the year. Someone is really going to have to sell me on this.'

One resident told board members she was concerned about the administration's proposal for using the administrative services building site as a possible location for a new elementary school.

"I don't see why it (a new school) has to be built on the administration site," she said. "I also have concerns that the building will not be needed years down the road."

She suggested the board find a site for the facility which also could serve another building function — if an elementary facility should not be needed in the future.

Superintendent Robert Piwko said the administration building site is one of several locations the board is considering. Other possible locations include the land adjacent to the bus garage on Taft, conversion of the middle school football field or possibly another location off the district's Taft Road property.

Piwko told the audience the district is anticipating its enrollment growth occurring west of Taft Road. He said the administration is looking for at least a 10-acre site for a new elementary school.

While the district owns 10 acres of property near Bob-O-Link Golf Club at Nine Mile and Beck Road, the administration has noted that the site is not the ideal location for an elementary school.

Some residents expressed concern that parking at the current elementary facilities is inadequate and asked if additional parking space had been considered part of the proposal for expanding both Village Oaks and Orchard Hills. Piwko noted that parking was not considered in the proposals to add four classrooms to each of the two elementary buildings.

One resident also said he would like to see the district address its athletic facility needs — particularly the lack of practice space at the high school.

The superintendent noted that plans for a new K-4 building might include an expanded gymnasium which could be used when other district athletic facilities are occupied.

Several residents commented on the possibility of new growth in the Novi Woods area this September and

next year and questioned whether the district had considered adding additional rooms to that facility.

Piwko explained that adding four classrooms to Novi Woods (with 25 students per classroom) would bring the capacity of that facility to 616 — far too large for an elementary building.

Noting that Novi Woods currently houses 394 students, Piwko said the facility could handle an additional 100 students before it reaches its functional capacity of 516.

He said new students to the Novi Woods area for the 1988-89 school year would likely be housed at the new elementary facility. The administration said it would hope to complete the new facility by the start of the 1988-89 school year.

Many residents agreed with the proposal to build a walkway between the high school commons and proper area, but had concerns about the projected \$350,000 cost (to be paid for out of a proposed five-year 1-mill building and site fund).

Construction of a walkway is likely to bring some debate at the board table as two trustees went on record last Thursday opposing the concept.

"I've got a real problem with a quarter of a million dollar walkway that kids will use two to three months out of the year," board secretary Raymond Byers said. "Someone is really going to have to sell me on this."

Board Treasurer Sharon Pelchat echoed Byers' remarks. "I'm totally opposed to this much money for a walkway," she said, noting that she was on the board when the high school was designed and has debated the walkway issue for more than a decade.

The board is expected to make a decision on the administration's proposal by its Feb. 26 meeting. Should the board approve the building projects, school officials are looking at putting the bond issue on the regular June school election ballot.

Tax information available at library

Don't look now, but April is coming up quicker than you think, and that means it's income tax time.

The good news is that anyone looking for assistance has to look no farther than the Novi Public Library.

The library has three types of materials for people filing income tax returns — forms, IRS publications and how-to books.

copies of selected Michigan and federal forms in addition to the reproducible income and single business tax form packet from the State of Michigan and the Federal reproducible library kit.

Also available is the Commerce Clearing House complete set of IRS forms.

amples of publication titles include "Tax Benefits for Older Americans" (Publication 554) and "Educational Expenses" (Publication 508).

Anyone looking for guides on how to prepare income taxes may want to consult J.K. Lasser's "Your Income Tax" or Barry R. Steiner's "Pay Less Tax Legally."

Anyone looking for more information on how to prepare income taxes may want to consult the three-volume set of IRS publications which also is produced by Commerce Clearing House. Ex-

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As We See It

PUD option offers valuable trade-offs

Novi's recently adopted PUD (Planned Unit Development) Ordinance has been heralded by planners and city officials as one of the more important amendments ever made to the zoning ordinance.

That makes Sandstone, the 334-acre development in Section 11 and the first project to be developed under the PUD amendment, very important.

Last week Larry Garon of Real Estate Interests, Inc., developers of the ambitious project, presented details of the project. Section 11 is not easily developed. The topography is hilly and the site contains 26 different wetlands in addition to extensive wooded areas that Landscape Architect Linda Lemke says are among the best in Novi.

The proposed project is large with more than 1,500 residential units as well as limited commercial and office development.

Based on the plans presented by the developer at the pre-application conference last week, Sandstone could be a significant asset to the city.

That isn't to say there aren't a few bugs to be worked out. The initial amount of office space presented (300,000 square feet) is far larger than the primarily residential project can accommodate. The developer has already cut that number in half, and, in time, we are convinced the number should go even lower.

The proposed extension of Decker Road from Thirteen to Twelve Mile may not be as extensive as city officials had hoped and may not carry enough traffic to serve as a north-south artery. If changes must be made, now is the time for city engineers to get involved.

Very few specific details were shown on several key areas of the proposed development. The proposed multiple units were described, but no model was shown. The commercial and office developments were discussed, but again no sketches were shown. Instead, Garon centered the discussion on the natural enhancements to the area and the quality of the residential units.



Development

Fair enough. It was only a preliminary conference to present an overall concept and receive input from city officials. The input was by and large positive. But the process is by no means over. The PUD ordinance requires a public hearing, and individual site plans must be approved on an individual basis by the planning commission.

There are trade-offs inherent in a PUD development. The density allowed in the 334-acre Sandstone development will be higher than it is in other single-family districts in Novi.

But the positives outweigh the negatives. The PUD allows the developer to take an acre of land with 26 wetlands and a beautiful stand of trees, and preserve and even enhance those natural resources.

The developers will construct a 24-acre lake in the project. They will construct a 9-hole golf course which will wind around the wetlands areas. Whatever plans they have for the golf holes adjacent to the wetlands will be monitored by the Department of Natural Resources. The bogs in the section will be cleaned up, and the habitats enhanced. The trees will not be touched. The cost of infrastructure improvements such as the road extension, water and sewer lines will be borne by the developer.

To achieve large scale planning of this scope involves such trade-offs. The PUD which hinges on the flexibility and creativity of both developer and planners is not appropriate for every section of land. But it makes good sense for Section 11.

A quality, well-planned and executed project of the nature of Sandstone will allow Novi to protect the environment and develop much-in-demand single-family and condominium housing.

Do citizens care?

It was disappointing and discouraging to see fewer than two dozen residents turn out last Thursday for a public hearing on the school district's proposal for accommodating Novi's increasing student enrollment.

Of the residents attending the hearing, at least one-third served on the facilities task force. That citizens' committee originally proposed alternatives for dealing with the district's inevitable overcrowding.

We are disturbed by what we perceive to be the community's indifference toward this issue. At this time last year, hundreds of residents turned out to voice their opinions about plans for changing the district's attendance boundaries. We believe the cooperative effort of school officials and the community minimized the disruption of redistricting.

While the redistricting issue certainly deserved community feedback, the long term impact of realigning attendance boundaries is not nearly as great as the proposal to build additional facilities and add classrooms to existing buildings.

Redistricting also did not require the community's financial support. Sometime this spring, Novi voters will be asked to approve a bond issue and possibly an additional one-mill for a building and site fund. We hope residents have a clear understanding of the scope of the projects they are being asked to support and the effect their actions will have on school children — both now and into the next century.

With school officials projecting that at least two of the district's elementary schools will be overcrowded by next September, it is essential that action be taken now to alleviate that problem — with or without community feedback.

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Being an adult is kid stuff



By Ann Willis

Growing up is a funny business. At various times in my life I've actually felt like I've made it to the select club of mature people who count in the world and who perform necessary functions without which life as we know it would end.

It is usually a fleeting experience for me, one easily destroyed by the urge to exchange the pumps for the tennis shoes, the brief case for a softball, and the boardroom for a Saturday afternoon in the park.

There are certain signs in my life that tell me I am indeed all grown up. I've been out of college for almost seven years now, I have a lot of credit cards in my own name and the bills that go with them, I own more than one pair of shoes and I haven't carried a back pack in a really long time.

To the IRS and American Express I am Ann Willis, adult. I have been for some time. But the perception in my own mind, and in the minds of a lot of people, is that I'm still a kid.

There are certain milestones you pass on your way to being a grown up. You get a job, you get married and you have children. When a little person calls you Mom, it helps define your role in life.

I have the job, but the other two milestones are still on hold. When somebody in the family throws a buffet, the adult women in the group usually bring a dish. I'm still assigned to clean-up detail, because in most minds, I haven't yet crossed the gap from kid to adult.

It's not just me. My older sister is in the same boat. We can hop from city to city and job to job with friends

and family shaking their heads and hoping the kids will find themselves sooner or later.

It's a belief I share. I think of myself as a little bit of both. I've got the sleepless nights, the upset stomachs and the headaches that define the stress of being a grown-up. But I also still feel perfectly comfortable postponing decisions on money matters, living from pay check to pay check and thinking only as far ahead as Friday night.

The freedom associated with being just a kid is nice. No one depends on me, no one expects me to act in a certain, grown-up way and I tend to approach major decisions with the attitude that if it doesn't work out, I'll just do something else.

It has meant a Jekyll and Hyde existence, but circumstances are changing. I now drive a four-door sedan of a sedate blue. Gone forever is the flashy red two-door. My knees crack with every move I make and it appears unlikely that I'll resume my role as shortstop this season. I'll play golf, a decidedly more grown-up game.

I've discovered I love to cook, and my family has discovered they love having me cook. Although my marital status hasn't changed, slowly but surely the family is coming to realize that the kid is growing up.

My late nights out are spent at city council and planning commission meetings, not at bars. I may not have a small child forcing me into a grown up mold, but I do have a small dog forcing me to be responsible for more than myself. I may not feel like stopping for dinner or getting up early on Saturday, but Lizzie the dog has plans of her own.

I'm growing up without passing the traditional tests, and in spite of myself. Fortunately, the world we live in today allows me to keep the best parts of being a kid, which helps make the worst parts of being an adult easier to bear.

Forum

By Chris Boyd



Pigeon-tied goose

Exposing the cookie menace



Phil Jerome

This is a column about greed and corruption.

About journalists on the take. About the dissolution of values among members of the Fourth Estate... the arbiters of truth, justice and the American way... the individuals responsible for guarding with their lives the public's right to know.

Sure, sure. I know what you're saying. "Oh! Phil only writes about trivial things. His exercise class. His house filled with cats. Red meat."

But this week is different. This week I branch out into new directions... into the sordid world of payola. And the American institution which promotes it.

It happens every year about this time... Girl Scout cookie time.

Actually, I have to give members of our profession pretty high marks when it comes to accepting graft. The bribes we're offered for slanting the news in a particular direction are awesome — new cars, trips to Hawaii, cash payouts.

I'm happy to report that none of those high-priced bribes ever works, however. It's the little things that do the damage. Little things like Girl Scout cookies.

The Girl Scouts showed up in our offices Monday, armed with an assortment of Girl Scout cookies and requesting that we take pictures to promote the annual cookie sale.

And, of course, we agreed. Succumbed to the bribery. In fact, it was disgusting to see how staff members climbed all over each other, claiming to be "Girl Scout Cookie Editor."

The cookies are gone now. Wolfed down in hours by the voracious staffers. The pictures are scheduled... the Girl Scouts will get their publicity. But in the meantime there are a lot of reporters standing around with crumbs on their faces. It's not a pretty sight.

Fire response time questioned

To the Editor:
When I moved into my Novi home this past July, I was disappointed when I realized our van would not fit into our garage. On Wednesday of this week I was grateful instead.

My husband had engine trouble that morning and the van caught on fire. My first call to the fire department was at about 7:55 a.m. when the fire was minimal. After 15 minutes and two more calls to the fire department, a truck finally arrived. However, by then the fire was larger and damage to the van was extensive and beyond repair.

What if the van had been in the garage? Our house would surely have caught on fire. A response time of 15 minutes by the fire department can be detrimental, if not deadly, in some cases.

That same afternoon we received a tax increase notice. It is time for the city to seriously consider using some of our tax dollars to set up a full-time fire department. How can our present volunteer staff handle requests from a city growing to the size Novi is going to be?

Considering all the new homes, the schools, Twelve Oaks Mall, the businesses and the new Town Center now under construction. Could our current volunteer fire department respond to a fire at one of these locations with a considerable degree of effectiveness — not just in extinguishing the fire, but in extinguishing it in a minimal amount of time to lessen the damage and possibly to save any lives threatened by the fire?

Could they respond to two fires at the same time?

Besides paying premium tax dollars, our relatively costly property insurance premiums result, in part, from the fact that Novi must depend on a volunteer fire department.

I would like to see those additional property tax dollars Novi is asking for go towards the improvement of our current fire department services in the way of a full-time staff.

Now is the time, before more irreparable and irreconcilable damage is done.

Vicki Abbott

History to zoning

To the Editor:
There has been an unprecedented amount of rhetoric since the first of the year concerning development and the problem of doing business in Novi. In the Jan. 14 issue of the Novi News you ran three articles on the subject—"Traffic—problems irk developers," "Developers raise housing concerns" and "Cooperation

Letters

keys meetings." In the "Cooperation" article you report, "The purpose of these meetings is to establish cooperation between private enterprise or business and government. With that statement developer Max Sheldon opened the second meeting between city officials, council, planning commissioners, developers and other interested community members on Saturday, Jan. 10. Sheldon and Mayor Patricia Karevich are sponsoring a series of meetings to open communications between the city and developers."

I have heard from many sources that after Laura Lorenzo concluded her input expressing her thoughts on quality of life at the meeting, Max Sheldon advised her that her remarks were communism.

And if you want a story closer to home, here is one from Detroit that goes back to 1905. My source is from a book in our Novi Library, "Michigan — A History of the Wolverine State" by W.F. Dunbar and G.S. May, pages 135 to 138. This is a distilled version.

A fire practically leveled the town of Detroit on June 11, 1805. Arriving after the disaster, Woodward saw it would be wise to rebuild Detroit on a new plan since the old town had been too compact and the streets too narrow, the broadest being no more than 20 feet wide.

The federal government provided a grant of 10,000 acres of land for the new town and provided that each citizen over the age of 17 was to receive a city lot of not less than 5,000 square feet or about 70-foot by 70-foot. Land at this time was selling well under \$50 an acre.

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Sounds familiar does it not? The chapter ends with this quote, "The failure of Detroit to follow Woodward's plan in its subsequent expansion cost Detroit dearly in meeting the problems that confronted the exploding metropolis of

in the United States. The tenements were constructed side by side using the common wall between each house. After a series of fires that took the lives of over 1,000 people, New York City passed a building code prohibiting wooden construction and required brick.

And while this struggle was taking place, John Jacob Astor and his heirs were bitterly protesting infringement of their property rights under the fifth amendment. It was not until the late 1920s, after zoning laws were enacted that people who wanted their own home more than anything they could imagine were able to purchase detached single family homes in reasonable numbers.

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the twentieth century." Zoning laws are necessary and provide for the general welfare and quality of life.

No, Max Sheldon, such thoughts are not communism and I would have thought that since you are listed as "sponsoring a series of meetings to open communication" that you would have an obligation to listen and evaluate the input with the same courtesy that you have received on the many occasions that you went before the planning commission or city council.

Joe Brett

School Funding

To the Editor:
Sometimes you find out more about what's going on in this state by reading newspapers from other states.

On February 2, I read an article in the Chicago Tribune about a new law that went into effect in Michigan. The new law is of importance to anyone with children in school, yet there was no coverage in any of the local papers.

The Local Development Financing Act (LDFA) allows local governments to divert property taxes already earmarked for school districts and use those funds to pay for "other" economic developments.

It would allow funds specified for education to be used to build sidewalks, put in street lights or other public projects.

Novi has an excellent school system, and I understand that come spring homeowners may be asked to vote on a millage increase to support new school construction.

As long as the LDFA is on the books, I have to ask: Is new school construction what the city really wants, or are they going to try to get us to cough up the dough for the schools, when they really want it for something else to start with?

As long as where the money is going is unclear I will vote "No!"

T. James Zanotti

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. Zanotti's letter refers to a news brief in the Feb. 2 edition of the Chicago Tribune. The article states: "But before it can even be offered by local governments, the Michigan Supreme Court will have to agree that diverting taxes does not violate the state Constitution, a question raised last week by legislators hoping to prevent the legal challenges that crippled a similar law that expired last year."

The reference apparently is to Tax Increment Financing Authorities (TIFA) which the Novi school board has opposed on previous occasions.

OCRC head sees tax solutions

The head of the Oakland County Road Commission (OCRC) is "encouraged" by movement in the Michigan Legislature to make more tax money available.

"Both legislative authorization to seek a local gas tax and an increase in the statewide gas tax are necessary," said John Grubba, managing director of the OCRC.

Grubba's agency has been waging an information campaign for a year to convince state and local leaders that Oakland's economic growth boom can be hurt by inadequate roads. It offered a package of possible solutions.

Grubba said both a statewide increase, with 40 percent going to counties, and a local increase are needed. "These are important elements of a broad package of funding options which have a way to go. No single source is adequate," Grubba said.

"We have to move promptly to address road funding to continue Oakland and Michigan's economic growth. We are working with our legislators and are encouraged by their positive response."

County and state officials are scheduled to continue meetings to explore the possibilities.

The forum will be the newly-created transportation committee of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. Its chairman is Jack McDonald (R-Farmington), who gave up a 10-year position on the per-

sonnel committee to take the new post.

Also under consideration will be ideas for three state trunklines in western Oakland.

Representing the Legislature will be State Senator Richard Fessler (R-West Bloomfield), chairman of the Senate transportation committee. Fessler already has said no to a plan to increase only the statewide gasoline tax.

"I thought that was wrong. There would not be sufficient revenue to meet needs in Oakland County," Fessler said. "If you're going to levy a new tax, it should all go to urban counties."

In Oakland County, a penny per gallon gasoline tax increase would raise about \$6 million. Voter approval would be necessary.

A third option, which Grubba has asked Oakland leaders to look at, is TIFAs (Tax Increment Financing Authorities).

The Legislature last year expanded the power of so-called "urban townships" to create TIFAs. The new act allows townships to create TIFAs without first setting up a downtown development authority.

"Until now, this was a power granted only to cities, leaving townships at a disadvantage," said Karen Holcomb, legislative assistant for the Michigan Townships Association.

Holcomb outlined how a TIFA would work: "After a district is set up, the TIFA 'captures' the increased property tax revenues within the development district that are attributable to activities by the TIFA. The funds 'skimmed off' by the TIFA in each development area are used to finance the implementation of that area's development plan."

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Ten free flowering trees will be given to people who join the National Arbor Day Foundation during February.

As part of the Foundation's efforts to improve the quality of life in America by encouraging tree planting, people who join the organization this month will receive two white flowering dogwoods, two American redwoods, two European mountain ash, two Washington hawthorn and two flowering crab trees.

John Rosenow, executive director of the Foundation, said the trees were selected because they will give a colorful flowering of pink, white and red blossoms throughout the spring.

The Foundation will give the 10 trees to members contributing \$10 during February.

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Take heart, Novi taxpayers. For every homeowner who feels that he alone is carrying the tax burden for the city, City Assessor John Merrifield has proof that it just isn't so.

Merrifield said commercial and industrial properties pay 48-49 percent of the city's total tax bill.

The city assesses businesses on the value of their property, which is termed the "real value." The value of their personal property, which can be anything the company owns which assists in its operation, is assessed separately. Personal property includes industrial machines, typewriters, adding machines, any office materials, stock and inventory.

Novi Associates, the name of the entity which owns the land on which Twelve Oaks Mall is located, is the city's number one taxpayer, topping the list with an assessed real value of over \$22 million.

That figure does not include the amount each individual anchor store is charged by the city, however. It reflects only the middle stores and surrounding property.

Dayton-Hudson ranks fifth in assessed real value at \$5,098,150. The company has an assessed personal value of \$1,184,950. Sears' real value is \$4,357,500 and its personal value is \$560,050.

JPenny's is further down the list at number 12 in real value with \$2,927,200 and \$409,250 in personal.

Next is Lord & Taylor with \$2,700,450 real and \$467,300 personal.

The 43100 Investment Corporation, the investment firm which owns the Glen Oaks Apartments behind Twelve Oaks, is listed as the eighth largest taxpayer in Novi with an assessed real value of \$4 million. The firm has no assessed personal value and pays taxes strictly on the land it occupies.

Detroit Edison leads the list in assessed personal value with \$5,611,000. Edison is billed for all of the power stations and equipment it keeps in the city. The power company's assessed real value is \$1,094,650 for the land it owns.

Consumers Power is second in assessed personal value with \$3,500,050 on its equipment. It has an assessed real value of \$41,550 for the land it owns.

The amount of taxes those companies pays is based on the combination of these two assessments. The city multiplies the total state equalized valuation for real and personal property by the combined millage rate for the taxing entities (city, school, county, community college and intermediate school district) in which the development is located.

A general guideline for determining the approximate amount of taxes paid by individual companies is \$60 per each thousand dollars of assessed value, according to the city assessor's office.

At Arm's Length

Top Ten Taxpayers for 1986

Business	Assessed real value
Novi Associates	\$22,923,650
Orchard Hill Place	\$9,299,550
Pico Investments	\$8,733,600
West Oaks Development	\$7,427,450
Dayton Hudson	\$5,098,150
Kerr Company	\$4,468,950
Sears Roebuck	\$4,357,500
43100 Investment Corp.	\$4,000,000
Hewlett-Packard	\$3,543,700
Chateau Estates	\$3,568,750



Twelve Oaks General Manager Bill Clogg said he's generally pleased with the services he receives for his tax dollars with the exception of the need for an improved road system.

Top taxpayer pleased with city

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

When the city's number one taxpayer talks, does the city listen?

The top taxpayer in the city is Novi Associates, the company which owns the property on which Twelve Oaks Mall is located. The total assessed real value of the mall's property, excluding its four anchor stores which pay their own tax bills, is \$22,923,650.

"I think we're basically very pleased with the city services we receive at this point," said Twelve Oaks General Manager William Clogg. At the same time, however, Clogg does have certain concerns.

Clogg is concerned that the city's infrastructure is not keeping pace with its development and, as the city's biggest taxpayer, he feels more attention should be paid to roads.

"Roadways are the biggest and most important factor now. I realize that there are studies being made now, but they are after the fact. We

Clogg: 'Roadways are the biggest and most important factor now. We need a master traffic plan to coincide with the master plan for land use.'

need a master traffic plan to coincide with the master plan for land use," Clogg said.

Clogg said he feels road improvements have not been made to coincide with the city's growth. "We have a tremendous investment in this corner, and we don't want to see the roads stop the growth factor."

Clogg and The Taubman Company have volunteered to assist the city in putting together the necessary resources to get immediate action on the road situation. He would like to

add that the mall's own internal fire sprinkler system makes it unlikely that the fire department need would be very great in any event.

"The spokesman for the city's largest taxpayer did see that more growth in the city will require a doubling of the city's present police force, however. When West Oaks II is on-line and the Town Center opens, and with everything else in the city continuing to grow, it will require more eyes and ears in the police department."

He said the citizen's task force studying the issue of police and fire staffing needs to understand the issue is an urgent one that must be addressed immediately.

"The schools have done an admirable job, but they could not have done it without the tax dollars provided by the commercial developments in the city. We don't bring in kids, only tax dollars," Clogg said.

NHS grads sing for Gold Company

Two Novi High School graduates—Julianne Borg and Kimberly Lange—are members of Western Michigan University's prestigious "Gold Company."

The group was voted "Outstanding Vocal Jazz Ensemble" by the National Association of Jazz Educators and "Outstanding Jazz Group" by Downbeat Magazine.

Borg sings soprano with the Gold Company, while Lange sings alto. Borg is a junior majoring in Music/Elementary Education; Lange is a senior majoring in Music.

Directed by Stephen Zegree, Gold Company has won the "DeBee" award from Downbeat Magazine in 1984, 1985 and 1986 and is featured in concert at the national

finals of the 1984 Canadian Stage Band Festival in Toronto. The group also has performed at the Music Educators National Conference National Convention and the American Choral Directors Association Central Division Convention.

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Independent pizza-makers look to low-calorie product

By MATTHEW J. VALLEY

Pizza franchise giants like Domino's and Little Caesars are looking over their shoulders these days.

That's because Union Lake's Mark O'Brien thinks he has found a way for Michigan's financially struggling independent pizza establishments to fatten up while customers slim down.

The tasty solution is the Calorie Counter Pizza, an O'Brien food lovers' delight that aims to appeal to the health-conscious masses and boost sales for independent pizzerias.

"I really believe the timing is right," said the 29-year-old owner of The Pizza Maker, located at 9366 Elizabeth Lake Road, who claims his low-calorie creation is the "hottest new pizza" product in the country.

"What I found is the product appeals to 50 percent of the people who are into being physically fit and another 50 percent who are over the age of 50."

"The proof is in the pounds. A 12-inch, eight-piece Calorie Counter Pizza contains about 800 calories (or 104 per slice). A similar size pizza sold at many of the major pizza chain outlets contains more than 2,000 calories, according to O'Brien.

"A few years back, I weighed over 250 pounds. I realized that I had a big

problem of eating pizzas all the time. That's when I came up with the idea," said O'Brien, who has now slimmed down to 175 pounds.

A self-proclaimed businessman first and pizza-maker second, O'Brien will not reveal his secret recipe. But he does indicate that the pizza contains 100 percent real, low-fat cheese and that all the ingredients are top-of-the-line. Price of the pizza ranges from \$5 to \$7.99, depending on the number of items included.

Above all, O'Brien claims that he makes the best pizza in Oakland County.

"I make every pizza as though I were going to eat it myself. That's what I always try to keep in mind."

O'Brien believes his efforts can also be characterized as a crusade to revive the once-flourishing local pizza establishments, which in their prime displayed a strong sense of community. To his dismay, O'Brien said many of those places have disappeared. In many instances, they have fallen to the stiff competition of franchises.

"I think that in a way we lost a little bit of America," O'Brien explained. "I like the idea of having roots. When I walk down Milford, for instance, it brings back memories," said the 1976 graduate of Lakeland High School in White Lake Township.

O'Brien said he witnessed the drastic decline of independent pizzerias in Union Lake, and predicts that within the next five years the number of independent establishments will be cut in half in this state.

"The small places simply don't have the money to do the kind of advertising and marketing that many of the franchises do."

"I can't tell you how many times we have had people call up and ask if we have 2-for-1 pizza and immediately hang up if you say no," he said.

According to O'Brien, the Calorie Counter Pizza comprises about 25 percent of his business. During the past several weeks O'Brien has traveled to neighboring establishments to encourage pizza-makers to sell his product on a trial basis for one year.

For a specified price, O'Brien provides pizza-makers with the recipe and many of the ingredients. To date, 10 independent pizzerias in the Detroit area have agreed to sell the low-calorie pizza, he said.

"If the establishment owners could increase their sales by as much as \$15,000 with a few hundred dollars of investment, then wouldn't they be foolish to say no?" asked O'Brien.

An articulate man armed with plenty of self-confidence, O'Brien is



Mark O'Brien hopes low-calorie pizza will help independent pizza-makers meet competition.

excited about the fact he has beaten the "big guys" to the market with his product. He anticipates that Domino's Pizza and other large pizza corporations will attempt to develop a similar product, but that it will take anywhere from six months to a year to do so.

In the meantime, O'Brien is enjoying the publicity he is receiving. Several Detroit area newspapers have already written about his crea-

tion. And the ink parade is expected to continue.

O'Brien said last week that *Pizza Today*, a national trade publication, has agreed to feature O'Brien in one of its issues. The Calorie Counter Pizza also will be featured in the Michigan Great Lakes Food Show scheduled for March 29-30. O'Brien's ultimate goal is to tap into a national market.

"I'd like to have a couple hundred stores where the Calorie Counter Piz-

za is available," he said.

If O'Brien were to earn fame and fortune with his new low-calorie treat, would he also drive an \$8 million Bugatti?

"I don't believe I'm here just to promote Calorie Counter Pizza," he said. "I think I would try to help out others who aren't so fortunate. I would really try to make a difference," he said.

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Business Briefs

IT'S COLORIFIC is the theme for a special promotion Saturday, Feb. 21, at Pam's Cut Above Hair Salon located at 212 S. Main in Northville. The promotion will include a professional color analysis for a special rate of \$15, which includes a complimentary makeup consultation using the customer's most flattering makeup colors. Advice on hair color also will be given, if desired.

Owner Pam Monza notes that color analysis is not a fad and has been around since the early 1900s, but it is only within the past six years that the concept has begun revolutionizing the fashion world. Today, she states, clothing manufacturers are responding as are the cosmetic companies and the hair industry.

"It's not a limiting concept at all, in fact, it actually expands our color awareness and color possibilities in clothing, makeup and hair color," said Dawn Sasse of Color Associates who with her associate, Claudia Allen, will be at the beauty salon Feb. 21. Call 349-1552 for appointments.

ELEANOR MARTIN, a sales associate at Real Estate One's Milford office, passed the \$3 million mark in residential sales during 1986.

This achievement qualified Martin for membership in Real Estate One's 1986 President's Council of Excellence, a group comprised of the top sales associates in the company. As a member of the group, Martin will be rewarded with an expense-paid trip for two in March to Camelback Resort in Scottsdale, Ariz.

A resident of Milford, Martin joined Real Estate One in 1973 and consistently has been a million dollar producer for the company.

LYNN L. LOWER of Northville has been elected to the Board of Directors of First Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Company of New York, a subsidiary of Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Company of America, headquartered in Farmington Hills.

Lower is a senior partner in the Bloomfield Hills law firm of Kallas, Lower, Henk & Treaco, P.C. The firm's practice emphasizes banking, corporate and insurance law, and estates and trusts.

WILLIAM DOWNS of Northville has been named to the faculty of Lawrence Institute of Technology's School of Technology.

Downs received his Bachelor's degree in Marketing and his Masters degree in Business Administration from the University of Detroit.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities at LIT, Downs is a branch manager for Metier Management Systems.

WILLIAM R. CONLEY, M.D., who has offices at 501 W. Dunlap in Northville, has opened a second clinic in the Livonia Professional Center at 17920 Farmington Road in Livonia.

Clinic hours in Northville are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hours at the Livonia Clinic are Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



DAVID A. WILSON



LISA M. ELJAN



JACK McENERY



MITCHELL H. MARR, D.C.

DAVID A. WILSON has been named Executive Chef at the Novi Hilton. Prior to coming to the Novi Hilton, he was Executive Sous Chef at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside and Towers.

Wilson's 12 years of culinary experience included the opportunity to work with Radisson Hotels in Minneapolis and Alexandria, Minn. He also has practiced his skills at Trust House Forte in Tulsa, Okla.; the Americana Hotel in Fort Worth, Tex.; and the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas.

Wilson is an American Culinary Federation Certified Chef and a three-time gold, silver and bronze winner in hot food preparation. He also is a 1983 and 1984 Award of Excellence winner in Culinary Display from Oklahoma State Professional Culinary Association.

He has served as membership chairman of the board of directors of the New Orleans Chefs Association. He also consulted the Culinary Arts Apprenticeship Program at Delgado Community College in New Orleans.

A native of Minneapolis, Wilson and his wife Shannon have three children: Aaron, Lyndsay and Kyle.

LISA M. ELJAN has been promoted to the position of Assistant Director of Sales at the Novi Hilton.

Eljan joined the Novi Hilton prior to its opening in 1985 as Sales Manager responsible for Corporate Sales as well as Travel and Tourism. Prior to her employment at the Novi Hilton, she was Special Events Coordinator at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi.

Eljan is a 1981 graduate of Michigan State University with a BA degree in Communications. She currently is a graduate student in Advertising at Michigan State University.

A 1977 graduate of North Farmington High School, Eljan resides in Farmington Hills.

JACK McENERY of Novi has been promoted to the position of Director of Compensation and Benefits by Kelly Services, Inc., the world's largest temporary help company.

McEnery joins Kelly Services from William M. Mercer-Meindinger, Inc., in Detroit where he served as a consultant. Prior to his employment with Mercer-Meindinger, he was Director of Compensation and Benefits at Providence Hospital in Southfield and Manager of Research and Planning at Harper-Grace Hospital in Detroit.

McEnery was graduated from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis., in 1972 and received a Ph.D. in industrial and organizational psychology from Wayne State University in 1979. He is a member of Adjunct Faculties of Wayne State University, Oakland University and the University of Michigan, where he conducts classes in organizational behavior and personnel administration.

Kelly Services has more than 650 branch offices in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, France and the United Kingdom.

MITCHELL H. MARR, D.C., recently has opened Northville Chiropractic Health Center at 42973 W. Seven Mile in Northville.

As director of Northville Chiropractic Health Center, Dr. Marr brings more than five years of experience in family-oriented chiropractic care to Northville. Formerly, he worked in health centers in Ypsilanti and Riverview.

Dr. Marr attended the University of Michigan before receiving his doctorate from Sherman College of Chiropractic in Spartanburg, S.C.

Northville Chiropractic Health Center will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday by appointment. For an appointment call 348-6166.

Filing bankruptcy can mean fresh start

Some people think of bankruptcy as a deeply embarrassing situation. But for many, declaring bankruptcy may mean a fresh start, with protection from creditors or time to repay debts.

If you think you are so in debt that personal bankruptcy may be your only course, the Michigan Association of CPAs says you should be aware of some general guidelines about the financial aspects of the bankruptcy laws and the ramifications of filing under those laws.

Last year, nearly 340,000 debtors sought refuge under Chapters 7 and 13 of the federal bankruptcy law. If you are considering relief through personal bankruptcy, first understand the consequences.

Filing for bankruptcy could help you get back on your feet, but don't expect to be granted credit right away. A declaration of bankruptcy is a serious matter and one that is reflected on your credit record for many years. During that time you will have to re-establish credit.

Doing so is difficult, but not impossible. You may want to build up your savings and use that to secure a loan. Then, repay the loan promptly to start building a new credit history.

But before you take out any loan, CPAs advise, make sure you will be able to repay it and that the money is put to good use.

Also, apply for a credit card at a local retailer. If you are issued one, use it wisely. If you are like some people, it may have been the poor use of credit cards that got you into trouble in the first place.

Which chapter of the federal law should you file under? Chapter 7, the more drastic course, wipes out all debts except taxes, alimony and child support. Debts secured by property, such as a home or car, normally have to be paid or you may lose the property. However, an individual will usually be allowed to keep a certain amount of equity in a home, a car or professional equipment, for example.

Under Chapter 7 most of your assets will be sold by a court-appointed trustee to clear as much of your debt as possible. This course may be best when there is no income. CPAs advise, make sure you will be able to repay it and that the money is put to good use.

Under Chapter 13 you would be allowed to keep your property and personal belongings. You will also be able to consolidate nearly all debts, plus taxes and put forth a trustee-supervised plan for repayment over three to five years. The plan must include a budget showing how much of your money will go toward paying creditors.

Why do some people overextend their credit? Uncontrolled spending, emergencies, poor investments, an unexpected layoff from work or an extended hospital stay could lead to bankruptcy. By establishing an emergency fund, or some other provision, families have a better chance at surviving the unexpected. Many consumers who have declared

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bankruptcy may not have had adequate financial information, an effective budget, nor a simple accounting method that helped them keep track of their spending.

How do you know if your finances are in trouble? Warning signs will begin to appear when families have difficulty paying their bills on time. The prospect of bankruptcy appears when the family is in debt to the point where there is simply no way to meet obligations in the foreseeable future.

Once declared, bankruptcy holds most creditors at bay. Your home may be safe from foreclosure and your car normally cannot be repossessed during the time you are involved in bankruptcy proceedings. Declaring bankruptcy may give people relief from the severe mental strain that results from serious financial problems.

If your bills are sizeable and seem to be piling up faster than you can pay them, see your CPA for financial guidance. If you decide bankruptcy is your only choice, be aware that bankruptcy laws are complex. Make sure you clearly understand how bankruptcy will affect your financial future.

The combined experience of our two corporations will assure Michigan commercial and industrial natural gas users of low and competitive prices for direct purchase of natural gas," Kunz reports.

"Large commercial and industrial corporations will save approximately 20 to 25 percent of their current cost," he estimates. "In most cases this could mean from \$50,000 to \$100,000 a year in savings, depending on their present natural gas usage."

"A good rule of thumb in determining possible savings is to total 12 months' consumption in MCF and figure \$1 per MCF in savings. An example would be 50,000 MCF by \$1 equals \$50,000 a year savings," Kunz illustrates.

He notes that the impact of this reduced cost and savings will produce new revenues that will benefit the entire state by reinvestment of this new-found money. It, he feels, will allow Michigan businesses to improve and expand their facilities, possibly resulting in new jobs.

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Northville firm joins natural gas supplier

A Northville businessman has entered into a joint venture with a natural gas supplier in Ohio for direct purchase of natural gas, which will be available to Michigan companies through a newly-formed division of his company.

Eugene "Bud" Kunz, owner of Bemis Engineering, Inc., of Northville, in announcing the formation of Midwest Natural Gas Corporation as a division of Bemis, explains that the deregulation of natural gas by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Order No. 436, makes the venture possible.

Kunz says he thinks his is the first such venture in Michigan since the deregulation.

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Kunz is founder and president of Bemis Engineering, Inc., a 10-year-old firm that, he explains, does a lot

of work with the government department of energy. It is located at 103 N. Center in Northville.

The new business, he notes, is possible because of the deregulation of natural gas which took effect Nov. 1, 1985. He says companies now can save by buying direct rather than purchasing gas through utility companies.

Kunz says he expects Midwest Natural Gas Corporation will be looking at large consumers, such as hospitals, factories, manufacturers and steel mills.

"Midwest Natural Gas Corporation is enthusiastically looking forward to doing business in the State of Michigan for many years to come. All new people employed will be residents of Michigan. All services offered will be highly professional and in the best interest of our client," Kunz states.

He adds that, whenever possible, he intends the corporation to become active in the communities served.

Kunz says he is planning to conduct seminars to show local businessmen possibilities of energy cost savings.



EUGENE 'BUD' KUNZ

Pollution control booklet may help businesses

A new booklet on state pollution control and hazardous waste management programs and services for state businesses is now available, according to State Commerce Director Doug Ross.

Entitled "Pollution Control and Hazardous Waste Management: State Assistance for Michigan Business," the booklet outlines services and incentives available to Michigan businesses to help them meet regulatory requirements and reduce the related costs, Ross said.

"The State of Michigan, while firmly committed to a clean and safe environment, recognizes that

pollution control equipment and proper hazardous waste management can be costly," Ross said. "This booklet describes programs and services available to state businesses to help them meet those goals."

Sources of financing, tax incentives and technical assistance services for financing pollution control and hazardous waste management equipment are covered in the booklet's three sections.

The booklet also outlines specific programs and services of the Michigan Strategic Fund, which in-

cludes the Industrial Development Revenue Bond Program, the SBA-Guaranteed Pollution Control Financing Program and the Capital Access Program.

Other state funding sources cited include the State Research Fund and the Michigan Resource Recovery Loan Program.

The booklet is free and may be obtained by writing:

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Advertisers turn away from television

If you enjoy watching television mini-series or Monday Night Football, don't forget to look at the commercials.

Otherwise, you may "bite the hand that feeds you," and commercial television may bite the dust.

"That's the warning from Michael Bernacchi, marketing professor at the University of Detroit.

As the number of households using remote control and cable television increases, and "the son of zapper" grows up to be more sophisticated, television sponsors are going to look hard at spending money on TV when fewer and fewer people are watching during commercials.

The advertising industry has several options in dealing with "zapping" — the deliberate skipping of commercials either by switching channels or by fast-forwarding through commercials recorded on a VCR, Bernacchi said.

For example, advertisers can choose a different advertising medium at a loss to the commercial TV viewer. He cites the cigarette industry as an example of resourceful advertising in print that developed when smoking ads were banned from television.

Another strategy Bernacchi sees is to change the "tonality quality of the commercial and reduce, or induce, the viewer to keep the TV on."

When sports participants star in the commercials, there is a "gentle, subtle transition compelling the audience to follow through the commercial."

This occurred in the tennis match between Billie Jean King and Bobby Riggs. Both players appeared in an ad discussing the merits of flying in a particular airline. Such commercials, Bernacchi said, "leave the viewer scratching his head to be sure there was a commercial."

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Steve Levine, media director at W.B. Doner in Southfield, offers a variation of this concept of changing the tone of commercials to maintain viewer interest.

"In a broad range of commercials produced by W.B. Doner you see humor and emotion in a unique visual presentation similar to a 30-second video that the viewer would enjoy watching," he said.

The creative philosophy behind Doner's commercials for clients such as Perry Drugs and Little Caesar's gives Doner an edge with the growing program of zapping by "changing the viewers' attitudes toward commercials," Levine believes.

Tom Elcher, executive vice president and general manager of Birmingham's Stone August & Co., talked about his company's increased use of sophisticated computer media services such as Telmar to help match audiences with programming.

"These resources are able to target extremely specific audiences such as '7-foot tall, red-haired women if

that's who uses your product." The rationalization is that while you lose the same percentage of your audience, you compensate by doing a better job of buying media time to begin with.

A recent McCann-Erickson report suggests the need for "minute-by-minute" rating levels during commercial breaks. It also points out that commercials at the front or rear of the "pod" (a set of commercials) "evidence the least audience loss."

One strategy suggested to counteract the zappers is to increase the number of commercial breaks to "provide opportunity for more first position commercial locations."

Commercial length is not considered a strength. The standard 30-second commercial has lost out to the 15-second spot, and some commercials are being reduced to 15 seconds. The change is related to commercial production costs, not zapping, but heavy zappers are the younger, more upscale members of the traditionally light-viewing groups.

Area import firms shun Detroit port

The port of Detroit is the third busiest in the nation with goods from all over the world flowing through it. But in total revenue generated from duty, the port slips to 10th position. Local businesses importing goods for sale frequently bypass Detroit in favor of trucking goods from either coast.

"Few people realize the port of Detroit is a major port," said U.S. Customs Import Specialist Nick Devine, assistant director in the Service's Class and Value Division.

While annual port revenues have increased steadily, he added, they have done so at a slower rate than in other parts of the country, notably on the west coast where imported goods from the Orient are increasing in number.

Jim Hacht, owner of Hacht Sales and Marketing in Farmington Hills, has imported exclusively from the Orient since he started his business six years ago — but not through Detroit.

Hacht, who does all his own buying, imports such items as Easter baskets and Halloween costumes, rawhide pet supplies and inexpensive KID (disassembled) furniture from Taiwan, Thailand, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Korea.

Hacht never uses Michigan ports. He ships his merchandise through the Orient to the nearest U.S. port on the west coast. His goods enter Michigan by way of rail or truck.

William Seidel, owner of Delta Imports in Livonia, imports machinery like coils and grinders from Europe and Japan to American customers located throughout the country.

Revenues collected in duty at the Detroit port in fiscal year 1986 totaled \$42 million. Six other Michigan ports (Sault Ste. Marie, Saginaw/Bay City, Grand Rapids, Port Huron, Battle Creek and Muskegon) generated an additional \$52 million.

He ships his merchandise to the port nearest the customer and that, he said, might be Texas or New York. Only occasionally is it Michigan.

Pier One Imports, a home furnishings chain based in Texas, has 19 outlets in Michigan. The company obtains merchandise by buying directly from such places as India or Africa, or indirectly from American vendors who do their own importing.

The merchandise is stored in one of eight warehouses in various parts of the country. Pallet managers buy from the warehouse nearest them. For Livonia manager Mary Ellen Ellis, this means Chicago. She buys merchandise there that has been processed through customs in the Chicago port for resale in her Livonia outlet.

John Jonna also purchases most of the gourmet stock he sells in his Merchant of Vines shops in Birmingham, Troy and Southfield from vendors. He stocks thousands of varieties of imported cheeses, candies, nuts, wines, oils and numerous other items.

But Jonna directly imports one item himself, Evian water straight from France to the Detroit port. Jonna takes pride that he is the largest importer of Evian water into Michigan and possibly the entire country.

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missing a part of a favorite program. But the McCann-Erickson study disagrees. The agency says it can quantify "that shorter commercials lose audience at a rate somewhat greater than longer spots. This will have even greater implications to actual audience deliveries as the use of 15-second commercials increases dramatically over the next two years."

All advertising agency employees interviewed said they try to buy front-end commercials for local spots, but Doner's Levine does "not believe it's being done consistently" due to exorbitant costs. Tailoring commercials to specific shows as was done for the King/Riggs tennis match also tends to be expensive.

The McCann-Erickson study on zapping shows the following results:

- Commercials at half-hour and hour breaks are far more susceptible to channel switching than in-program commercials.
- Channel switching during commercials is lowest in prime time and highest in sports programming.
- The first commercial in a set has the least audience loss. The last position is the next most favorable. Inside "pod" positions generally suffer the greatest loss.
- High-rated TV programs yield more stable audiences. The lower the program rating, the greater the average-minute channel switch during both the program and commercials.
- Channel switching "absolute point loss" has not increased since 1978. But the average ratings for programs have decayed more than 15 percent and, therefore, "the relative ratio for switching is now far greater than it was eight years ago."
- Heavy zappers are the younger, more upscale members of the traditionally light-viewing groups.

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Romance: The Write Stuff

By ANITA CRONE

Her blond hair flowing, she turned and faced her inquisitors, her hands moist and twisting. It was time, Linda knew. In the next half hour, her fate would be decided.

Linda Bartell looks like one of the heroines in her romance novels, *Brianna* and *Alyssa*. Unlike her heroines, who lived in 1949 and 1972, respectively, Bartell lives in 1987, and was in Novi last Thursday to address a full-house crowd at the Novi Public Library.

She told how she became a romance writer, and provided anecdotes of how a "naive, first-time writer" dealt with a publisher and an editor.

As Bartell, a Troy mother, awaits the publication through Avon's "ribbon romance series" of her third romance novel, *Marissa*, she told of the gestation of her published works, and the book that started it all and was never published, *Pagan Fire*.

"I remember the bodice rippers that were the rage in the '70s," she told the more than 90 people who attended the event sponsored by the Friends of the Northville Public Library and the Novi Public Library. "When I first conceived the idea of writing a romance novel, I thought 'who better to rip bodices than a barbarian'."

"I was determined to write a romance novel set in the sixth century," she said, noting that the novel that was never published took her 3½ years to complete, twice as long as the combined time it took her to write the two novels that were published.

"I was totally alone when I wrote *Pagan Fire*," she said. "I had some friends who were supportive, of course my mother and my mother-in-law, but nothing like the support given by members of the Greater Detroit Chapter of the Romance Writers of America when I wrote *Brianna* and *Alyssa*," she said.

She attributed much of her success to "Michigan Magic... Something in the air of Michigan that worked so I could conceive my daughter, Heather, after five years of trying while I lived in Cleveland, and to conceive my novels," she said.

Bartell, who lives in Troy, said she did not always want to be a writer. She majored in French in college, with a minor in history.

"But I noticed in some of my course work a certain bombast that may have influenced my professors to give me a higher grade than they might otherwise have done," Bartell said.

It was in 1979, she recalled, while working "a boring job as a receptionist for a company that was going under," she acquired an interest in reading romance novels.

"I had lots of time to read at that job, and I remember finishing a romance novel, throwing it down and thinking, 'I would have done it differently.' And so I did."

She noted the challenge of a romance writer is to take a not-so-unique setting and give it life, as well as not to become discouraged.

When Bartell finished *Brianna*, she said her agent told her that western romances were the rage. *Brianna* was certainly not set in the west. But, after three rejections, she received a phone call from her agent telling her *Brianna* was sold.

"Twenty minutes later, my new editor from Avon called to tell me they had picked out the cover scene. I was numb. I also thought I was in like flint. Hah," Bartell said.

A self-described perfectionist, she regaled the women at the Novi luncheon with tales of the process of editing a book, especially when the author is in Troy and the editor is in New York.

"I cut 80 pages out of my manuscript and then was informed that Avon ribbon books were limited to 120,000 words. I was still 45 pages over that," she said.

'SUPERIOR':
Novi choir students wins honors at festival/3C

PEOPLE NOTES:
Pam Sawhney named Phi Beta Kappa at WSU/6C

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In the end, the editor and the writer compromised. "When I sent the book back to the editor, it was still 20 pages over the limit. I left further editing to Avon," she said.

When she got the edited manuscript back once more, she noted a copy editor had attacked her words with a vengeance.

"It's one thing to cut a book for pacing; it's quite another to cut it for word count," she said. Her returned manuscript had 60 points which

Bartell and the junior editor disagreed on; 10 of which Cohen said she would discuss with Bartell. In the end, the author and her editor actually discussed 20 points.

They did not discuss the cover, nor the title.

"I have always had strong feelings about suggestive covers on

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Northville women have write stuff, too

Leo still searching, Dunbar gets serious



Kathy Leo is in search of the optimum word. She needs it for her art, poetry. "In writing poetry, because of its form, the optimum word must always be used. Unlike prose, in poetry, there is only one word that will do, and the poet has to find that word," she says.

She describes the words she uses as magnets. "Sometimes, the magnets when put together attract each other and the words fit. Other times, the magnets repel and you find other words to use," she explains, much as she does when she teaches poetry to youngsters.

Leo, who comes from an ethnic background in Chicago and now lives in Northville, says she has always been a poet, but only since the birth of her children, Mark, now in the fifth grade and Joey, now in the third, did she become serious about writing poetry.

She admits she would like her reputation to grow, and will realize she has "made it" when she is asked to give out-of-state readings. But, she says, she still is trying to develop her "voice" and to specialize within the world of poetry.

"I hope to become a poet of place," she says, noting that she has been commissioned by the Northville Arts Commission to write a series of poems about Northville as part of the sesquicentennial celebration.

A poet of place writes about a location, and much of the poet's work involves that specific place.

But Leo is more than a poet. She describes herself as a woman, a wife and a mother, a writer and educator, a feminist, an aficionado of art, good humored and bright.



Edie Dunbar admits she has been writing ever since she graduated from the University of Michigan, which, she claims, was 1,000 years ago.

Actually, it hasn't been that long, but she has been writing longer than that. Her first published piece was a newspaper editorial for a journalism class.

"We were supposed to take a stand on something that couldn't happen," Dunbar recalls. "This was before the Mackinac Bridge was built. I wrote my article on why it couldn't be built. Newspapers from all over the state picked it up and ran it."

That was Dunbar's introduction to journalism, but it wasn't her last. She was formerly the women's editor for a downriver weekly newspaper, and also has written freelance articles.

She has had a staged reading of a two-act play which came "within a whisker" of being staged by the Attic Theatre, and also has had one other play performed by a church.

In spite of Dunbar's obvious success, she says it is difficult for her to consider herself a writer in the present. Much of her published work has been done in the past.

But she continues to ply her trade in the present.

"What I'm working at, and would dearly love to succeed at, is having literary, serious, short stories published in a literary magazine," she says.

Dunbar sometimes says she finds it hard to realize she really has made a success of a writing career. But she has been a long-time member of the Detroit Women Writers Group, a select organization with very strict membership rules.

Youth Assistance slates parenting workshops

By JEANNE CLARKE
special writer

Novi Youth Assistance (NYA) is accepting registrations for the STEP (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) Teen program which will be led by Sheila Henderson at Novi Middle School. The program will be held on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. beginning March 3 and running through April 7.

The program helps parents understand the motivations of teenagers and provides suggestions for improving communications. For more information or to register for the program call NYA offices at 349-8398.

A STEP program for parents with children 10-and-under will be held Mondays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Meadowbrook Christian Church beginning March 2 and running through April 13. The program will be led by School Health Nurse Kay Babich. Call 349-8398 to register or for more information.

NYA has welcomed three new volunteers - Frank Pepp is chairman of the Bowlation, Heidi Rusford is Camp Chairman and Ginger Hensel is chairman of the Teen Center. Any adult interested in working with youngsters through Novi Youth Assistance is asked to call 349-8398.

NOVI NEWCOMERS: A program about outdoor lighting for beauty and safety will be presented by Detroit Edison when the Novi Newcomers Club holds its general membership meeting at the Novi Woods Elementary School tomorrow (Thursday). A potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. will precede the meeting.

The Newcomers are looking for women interested in forming a golf league at Mission Hills. Thirty to 50 women are needed in order to reserve a good tee time. Club members interested in joining the league may call Julia Dickinson. Residents who would like to join the league but are not club members may call President Linda Pavona at 349-7899.

Membership in Newcomers is open to anyone who would like to make new friends regardless of how long they've lived in Novi. Members participate in a variety of special interest groups which include bowling, bridge, crafts, exercise, "Out to Dinner," "Out to Lunch," "Sittin' in Time" and many others. Call

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Pavona at 348-7895 for more information.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: The Novi Historical Society will elect new officers when it meets at the Novi Public Library tomorrow (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m.

The nominees are Frank Horenkamp, president; Ralph McPherson, vice president; Mary MacDonald, recording secretary; Lucy Neesham, corresponding secretary; and Florence Horenkamp, treasurer. Retiring president Larry Maki will be program chairman.

The Society's sale of stationery has been so successful that additional supplies have been ordered. The stationery can be purchased at the Novi Public Library.

The Society is continuing to seek donations for the proposed Novi Historical Museum. Recently donations have included an early typewriter and an early Polaroid camera from Frances Tams. Dorothy Stayman has donated a glass butter church and a cream bottle from Tru-Moore Dairy which was located on the site where Twelve Oaks Mall stands currently. Hazel Fuller donated a paddle for a butter churning and some "Goofus Glass" that was last produced in the 1920s.

Anyone with items to donate for the museum may call Larry Maki at 349-4953.

Anyone interested in helping preserve Novi's heritage is urged to learn more about membership in the Society. Guests are welcome at all meetings. Annual dues are \$5 per person. A subscription to the Society Newsletter is \$2.50.

SMOCKERS GUILD: A "Sit and Smock" program will be featured when the Michigan Smockers Guild meets at the Novi Public Library tomorrow (Thursday) at 10 a.m. Nancy Smith and Kay Moy will serve coffee and dessert at the meeting. Anyone interested in the art of smocking and related needlearts may call 349-7048 for more information about the Guild. Carlene Harwick, a local needle art instructor who is certified with the

National Academy of the Arts, presented a program recently in which she demonstrated the special uses of more than 100 different needles.

Sixteen members met at Nancy Smith's home recently to view videocassettes on various needlecraft topics. Another videocassette program will be scheduled in the future for members who missed the first showing.

Guild members will select their community service project for the year in the near future. In the past, the Guild has made dye gowns and bonnets for the children of unwed mothers at Marillac Hall. They also are planning this year's monthly programs, including instructional workshops and trunk shows.

Receiving Wolf badges were Rob Stawski, Glen MacQueen, Michael Penner, Andy Kureth, Chris and Paul Davidson, David and Bob Hart, Ryan and Kevin Case, Joel Cameron, Gary Finzer, Michael DeClaudio and Todd Anselm.

Andrew Loussaert received a silver arrow toward his Bear badge. Glen MacQueen and Brad Ward each received one gold and one silver arrow toward Wolf badges. Citizenship and Craftsman badges were received by Chris Urban, Nathan Rowe, Jimmy Rowlands and Andy Sheehan.

Receiving Webelos rank were Chris Urban, Nathan Rowe and Jimmy Rowlands.

"My God" badges were received by Andrew Loussaert, Dan Davis, Tommy Perkins, Ian Smith, Steve Urban, Brad Ward, Joey Schminzki and Michael DeClaudio. Andrew Loussaert and Andy Sheehan received their "Parvuli Dei" religious emblems at the Holy Family Church. The Pack's annual Pinewood Derby is scheduled for Thursday, March 5, at 6:30 p.m. at Village Oaks Elementary School.

PERSONALS: Nancy Wybo was guest of honor at a baby shower hosted by Shelly Cain. Approximately 25 guests attended. Co-hostesses were Karin Blakely, Debbie Allen and Carolyn Ramsey.

Judy Burnham and Jeff Deters were married Jan. 16 in Tucson, Ariz., where he is employed at Tucson International Airport. The new Mrs. Deters was honored at a going-away party by her co-workers in Novi city offices where she was

employed as a deputy clerk. The newlyweds will reside in Tucson. Twin babies were born to James and Anne McInnis at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak on Feb. 5. Michael James weighed five pounds, 10 ounces, while Kathleen Elizabeth weighed four pounds, 13 ounces. Grandparents are Ledyard and Joan Tomlinson and Mrs. Esther McInnis.

Mike and Tina Dunn announce the birth of a daughter, Elisha Nicole was born Jan. 26 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Pontiac, weighing 8 pounds, 24 ounces and measuring 18 inches long. She joins sisters Emily and Erin at home. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kurin and Mr. and Mrs. Julie Dunn, all of the Novi area.

Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Korpi of Negaunee, Mrs. Emmaline Kurin and Mr. and Mrs. David Bauman of Pinckney.

AMERICAN LEGION: Rita Kang, a ninth grader at Novi High School, won first prize in the Oratorical Contest sponsored by Novi American Legion Post 19. Second prize went to Kirk Zedovics and third prize went to Jennifer Banaitis.

Rita represented the Novi Post at the 17th District contest in Livonia. The 17th District went to Liora. He was assisted by Ruth Vigna at Novi High School.

Carol Schollett and Bob and Carolyn Pohlman will represent the Novi Post at a Legislative Dinner for Lansing on Feb. 24. The event will

give Legion members an opportunity to meet legislators from their home districts.

The Post has presented a flag to the Sixkgate Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol.

The Post is looking for anyone interested in sponsoring local high school students to attend Boys State this summer at a cost of \$160 per student. Anyone interested in information about sponsorships may call Bob Pohlman at 674-7048.

Upcoming events include a joint Post and Unit celebration of the Legion's birthday in March and initiation of new members on March 21.

PIN POINTERS: Barb Pietron and Dora Greaves won the mystery game. High bowlers were Barb Dettore (215 and 195 in 567 series), Rosemary Bahni (201 and 188 in 540 series), Marge Deahanty (190), Lori Setzer (189), Jean Pilon (188) and Margie Greaves (187). Standings are as follows:

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Rookies	40	43
Hi Lows	35	49

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People

VICKI JEAN BEAUCHAMP of Cascade in Novi has graduated from the University of Michigan's College of Literature, Science and the Arts with a BA degree.

KAREN TAFEL of Hickory Grove in Novi has been named to the Academic Achievement List at Siena Heights College. The list recognizes part-time students who attained a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale during the 1986-87 fall semester.

KIMBERLY VOSIE of Novi has received a certificate from the Dean of Engineering at Lawrence Institute of Technology for superior scholastic performance during the fall 1986 term. Students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 to be included on the Dean's Honor Roll.

A 1983 Novi High School graduate, Vosie is a mechanical engineering major at LIIT. She will graduate in June 1987.

Three Nov residents have received bachelor's degrees from Madonna College. **BARBARA DUNN** of Upland Hills Drive earned a bachelor's degree in Legal Administrator, **CATHERINE McSWEENEY** of Elevation Mill earned a bachelor's degree in Communication Arts and **JO MARIE SOSZYNSKI** of Heatherbrook earned a bachelor's degree in Home Economics/Family Life.

KATHLEEN KASTEN of Harvest in Novi has received an associates degree in Computer Technology from Madonna College.

STEVE WEBB of Walled Lake appeared in the role of Mr. Bohun, Q.C., in the Wayne State University Theatre's production of "You Never Can Tell" at the Bonstelle Theatre. The son of Mrs. Welma Webb of Walled Lake, he is a graduate of Walled Lake Western High School. He is a junior majoring in theater at Wayne State.

Webb recently played Nicely-Nicely in the Bonstelle Theatre production of "Guys and Dolls." He also has appeared in productions of "Showboat," "Once Upon a Mattress," "Godspell," and "Pippin." He is a state champion in storytelling in the National Forensics Tournament.

Eleven Novi residents have been named to the Dean's List at Madonna College for superior academic achievement during the past term. Named to the Dean's List were **ANITA ARSLANIAN** of Heatherwood Drive, a freshman majoring in Music Education; **MARTHA CHAMPINE** of Sigal Drive, a sophomore majoring in Legal Assistance; **VICTORIA ELLIS** of Village Wood, a freshman majoring in Nursing; **GINA KNIGHT**, a senior majoring in Criminal Justice; **WESNA KOPKA** of Londonderry, a senior majoring in Biology; and **ALICE LAHO**, of LeBost Drive, a junior majoring in Social Work.

Also named to the Dean's List were **CATHERINE McSWEENEY** of Elevation Mile, a senior majoring in Communication Arts; **MARY JOYCE MESSINK** of Park Ridge, a senior majoring in Gerontology; **KAREN MICHAEL** of Chipmunk Trail, a freshman with an undeclared major; **JOHN MOFFAT** of Montmorency, a senior majoring in Music Education; and **PEGI WILSON** of Moreau Court, a sophomore majoring in Elementary Provisional Programming.

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Choral students win top honors

Novi High School students earned a total of 10 "superior" ratings and 13 "excellent" ratings at the Michigan School Vocal Association's (MSVA) District Solo and Ensemble Festival recently.

"It was great," reported Paula Joyner, director of the Choral Music Program at Novi High School. "That's as well as we've ever done."

Novi competes in the MSVA's District IV festival which is open to all high schools in Oakland and Livingston counties. Joyner reported that 20 schools participated in this year's district festival.

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Romance author has the 'write stuff'

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novels," Bartell said. "I didn't like them. But all I could do was pray to the powers that be that my characters would be fairly well covered."

And even though she noted that Avon did keep her hero and heroine clothed in "only rags" (her hero's upper torso is bare on the cover, and Brianna has only a shoulder uncovered, I remember

heather taking the book to kindergarten "Show and Tell".

"I put the book in a plain, brown paper bag, and also enclosed a toy and a note to the teacher, telling her to use her best judgment. The teacher allowed Heather to show the book," Bartell said.

She said the cover for *Alyssa* was actually one of her own choosing. "I was fortunate. Avon asked for suggestions, and I gave them those. The cover scene depicts Ramulf, the

hero, and *Alyssa*, the heroine, right after their marriage. It is a scene of love, not lust," Bartell said.

As for the books titles, she relates how her editor informed her Arabian books had never before carried only the name of the heroine as the title.

As *Brianna*, *Alyssa* and the soon to be published *Marissa* attest, Bartell won that argument, too.

"She says she will also have the final say on her historic data. "When *Brianna* was cut, much of what was cut was the historic information. I put it all back in in *Marissa*," she said, her eyes flashing with satisfaction.

She said she also is satisfied with writing as a career. No more teaching, coaching gymnastics, selling Tupperware, or even accepting a position as a receptionist with a failing company, Linda Bartell is determined not to fail.

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MARJORY TOLK and RICHARD ANTUNA

May wedding plans are being made by Marjory Fay Tolk of Garden City and Richard William Antuna of 41960 Manor Park Drive in Novi whose engagement is announced.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry N. Tolk of Garden City. Her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Antuna Jr. of Northville.

She is a graduate of Garden City West High School and Schoolcraft College and is a quality assessment analyst at St. John Hospital.

He is a graduate of Northville High School and Local 58 trade school. He is a journeyman electrician and a fireman for Novi Station 1.

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Novi's Brett Keir finished second to Howell's Mark Hughes in the KVC's 198-pound weight class

Coach won't rest till 'Cats are first

Immediately after his Wildcats placed third in the Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) wrestling tournament last Saturday, Novi Coach Tom Fritz wanted everybody to know he won't be content until his squad is in first place.

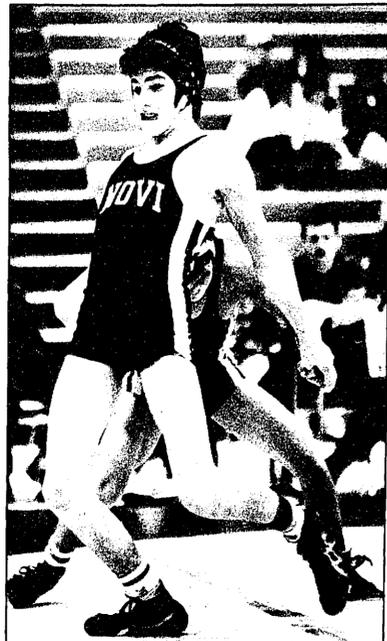
He also reminded everyone that the current season is far from over.

"We're headed for bigger and better things to come in the years ahead, but we are not done yet," said the Novi mat mentor.

With the district tourney coming up this weekend and the regionals and state to follow, Fritz is gearing his team up for success in this season's final climax of action. All season, the Wildcats have been a very dangerous tournament team with outstanding individual talent in some spots and weaknesses in others. But in the state tournament, only individuals can advance to the next level of competition, and this format suits Novi well.

This Saturday (Feb. 21), the Wildcats travel to Plymouth Salem for the district tournament, and it may well be the state's toughest with powerful teams like Redford Catholic Central, Livonia Churchill and the host Rocks in attendance. Catholic Central is currently ranked number one in the state, Salem is number five and Churchill eight. Novi will be attempting to slip as many wrestlers as possible in the top four places in each weight division. Only the top four can advance to the regionals.

"We have about seven people who



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Ron Nutt escaped to win the 105-pound title at the KVC Meet

have a chance to qualify, but it will be very difficult to get them all in," Fritz said. "Each of those seven stand a good chance to make it unless they have a bad day."

The seven Fritz is counting on are Ron Nutt at 105, Scott Brown (119), Kurt Schuster (155), Ron Fritz (167), Dave Brownlee (185), Bret Keir (198) and Don Welch (heavyweight). All seven have impressive records on the season and all seven placed within the top three in the KVC championships — with Nutt, Schuster and Welch each finishing first.

"Based on the records of those seven, they should all be seeded, and we may have a couple more seeds like Stacy Marsh or Kevin Moody," Fritz explained. "If you usually seed you, for anybody not seeded, it becomes extremely difficult to advance because you end up wrestling against the best competition early in the tournament."

Ron Fritz currently sports the best win-loss record on the team with a fine 34-6-1 mark. He is followed by Nutt's 24-8, Keir's 20-6 and Welch's 20-14. Schuster is 29-8 despite missing a few meets with an injured knee, while Brownlee (29-10) and Brown (27-12) round out the top seven.

"A guy like Welch can make it to the regionals if he really wants it, but you never know," Fritz said. "He's been up and down... I just hope he's up this weekend."

Novi matmen finish third at KVC Meet

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

Things went just about as expected at the Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) wrestling championships last Saturday (Feb. 14). That's what bothers Novi Coach Tom Fritz.

"Never one to settle for anything less than first place, Fritz pretty much knew his squad would finish third in the seven-team tournament at Howell — and he was right. Lakeland grabbed first place team honors at the event, and grabbed the KVC title as the result, with 160½ points. Howell was close behind with 156 points. The Wildcats were third with 135.

And even though the effort marks a definite improvement in the KVC standings from a year ago, Fritz doesn't want his wrestlers to think he is settling for less than the best.

"It's the highest we've done since I've been here in Novi, and I believe it's the best we've ever done in the KVC, but it's still only third," he said. "If that's all I wanted, I wouldn't be a very good coach."

The other two Novi champions — Ron Nutt at 105 and Kurt Schuster at 155 — were just as brilliant in Howell, but the results weren't as much of a surprise. Nutt has been as steady as any individual on the team this season and his relatively easy road to the finals and victory was something Fritz had expected.

In the finals at 105, Nutt defeated Lakeland's Tom Mandydas 5-2.

"I kind of expected Ronny to do it because I saw nobody in the league who could beat him," said Fritz.

For Schuster, a KVC title was almost a formality until a knee injury late in the season threatened everything. After sitting out a few meets, Schuster came back at something less than full-strength. But last Saturday, nothing could slow him down, not the knee or any opponent. With robot-like efficiency, Schuster recorded pins in all three of his matches, including a win in the finals against South Lyon's Steve Atchinson.

"Kurt pinned everybody — he was awesome," Fritz said. "The knee sure didn't appear to be bothering him at all."

"I think if we could have performed more to our potential as a team; we could have been a lot closer to both Lakeland and Howell."

Individuals, it was another banner tournament for the 'Cats who registered three championships and a pair of runner-up finishes. But as a team, Fritz wanted to see more top to bottom scoring from his line-up, and it just didn't happen.

"We had three or four people who didn't score a point on our team, and that hurt pretty badly," Fritz admitted. "That's what you have to have — everybody scoring points — if the team is going to do it."

A year ago, Novi finished sixth in the KVC Meet and boasted just one individual champion. The strides gained in a year's time by Fritz's squad are definitely momentum builders and positive steps in the right direction.

"We are headed for bigger and better things to come in the years ahead," Fritz predicted.

Perhaps the most incredible story of the season belongs to heavyweight Don Welch. Without any prior experience in varsity wrestling, the senior decided to go out for the team this season to help the squad fill a void in the upper weight divisions. Last Saturday, Welch exceeded all expectations, except his own, and grabbed the KVC heavyweight title with very little problem.

"Don's potential is unreal," Fritz said. "He is so tough it's scary. He went into the league meet knowing he could win it and with that frame of mind, he did it. It was a pleasant surprise, no doubt about it."

Welch had two pins and a major decision on the day, including victories over the tournament's top two seeds. In the finals, Welch pinned Cliff Semical of Milford in 3:39 to take the title.

Dave Brownlee at 185 and Bret Keir at 198 also made it into the finals before losing and having to settle for second-place finishes. Along with Welch at heavyweight, Brownlee and Keir put Novi grapplers in the championship matches in all three of the upper weight divisions.

Brownlee, who like Schuster had been out of action (with a shoulder separation), came back strong in the KVC Meet. In the finals though, Brownlee was pinned by Eric Schuster of Hartland 11:3 for the third time this season in the semifinals, but did come back to take third by pinning Jim Utterback of Lakeland in the consolation finals.

Fritz lost to the eventual champ — Bob Calderon of Lakeland — in the semi-finals and was the only wrestler Calderon didn't pin. Earlier in the season, the same two fought to a draw. In the consolation finals, Fritz decided Milford's Aaron Strand 9-2 to grab third place.

"Everything went the way I anticipated it would go, except our middle kids didn't score points for us," Fritz said. "It was a real close battle between Lakeland and Howell, and we were the deciding factor."

"An example was Don Welch, who was seeded third. If Don had not beaten Howell's second-seeded heavyweight (Don Bryant) in the semis, Howell would have gone on to win the whole thing."



Novi's Kristina Higley goes high in the air to block a shot at the net

Novi News/SCOTT PIPER

Novi spikers 'winless' as season nears close

Mercifully, the regular season is now over for the Novi High School volleyball team.

But the end did not come before another frustrating week of winless volleyball.

The Wildcats (0-10 overall and 0-6 in the KVC) ended a long dual meet campaign by losing 15-5, 15-4 to Brighton on Feb. 12 and then failed to win a game or match in four tries at the Schoolcraft Invitational last Saturday.

Coach Kathy Bedor's squad now has almost two weeks of preparation time before the Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) Meet on Feb. 22.

Novi had problems with serve reception against the Bulldogs and also found it impossible to stop Brighton's front court star Pam Stanley. A combination of the two made for a quick defeat.

"The girls are still trying, but I think they get intimidated by people like Stanley," Bedor said. "We knew Brighton was going to be tough and that Stanley would be hard to handle. She definitely played well against us — she's a good athlete.

"I thought we played pretty well. Our serve reception was bad, but we had good blocking."

Bedor: 'Serving wasn't any problem at all. Returning the serves was.'

Katie Hanson had a fine all-around game for the 'Cats with five blocks, four dinks, 24-of-30 good passes and a perfect 8-of-8 in serve reception.

Vicki Muzzini (15-of-16 passes and three dinks) and Kristina Higley (7 hits, 17-of-20 passes) also amassed impressive numbers.

Stanley led all players with 12-of-12 hits and four kills.

"Novi just couldn't get anything together, and I thought we played well — we had a balanced attack," said Pam Lee, coach of the Brighton squad.

One area Novi did excel in was serving. As a team, the Wildcats' serve percentage was well above 90.

"Serving wasn't any problem at all," Bedor said. "Returning the serves was."

"When a few of the girls have really good games, like Katie (Hanson) and Kristina (Higley) did, it lifts the morale of the team a little."

Novi came up empty handed in pool play against four other schools. The Wildcats lost in straight games to Walled Lake Western, Redford Bishop Borgess, Temperance-Bedford and Lutherville-Gas.

"I think we had a bad day," Bedor said. "It was frustrating — the gym was real cramped for space and we didn't play well."

The Wildcats have the long lay-over until the KVC championships because a triple-dual meet against Northville and Livonia Franklin was cancelled due to parent/teacher conferences.

"I don't like this long break," Bedor said. "I think we need to have some more competition between now and the KVC Meet, but there really isn't anything we can do about it."

Eagles take fifth in tourney

The Novi Christian cagers went 2-1 in action at the Wolverine Christian Conference Tournament in Davidson last week, and still had to settle for a fifth-place finish in the eight-team tournament.

In the first round on Feb. 10, the Eagles trailed most of the game, caught up at the end but still dropped a close 61-59 decision to Faith Baptist of Davidson.

In the second round last Friday, Novi Christian bounced back to beat Oxford Christian 55-46 in the loser's bracket and then wrapped up fifth place with a 63-43 victory against Rochester Hills Christian the following day.

Against Faith, the Eagles trailed by as much as eight points in the second quarter before coming back to pull ahead 55-51 in the final stanza. Faith regained the lead about the 10th on the strength of forward Dave Brainerd's 10 points, all in the final eight minutes, and

held on to claim the victory.

Novi Christian was led by Larry Karvonen's 25 points. Eric Jacob added 21, and Scott Sorby chipped in with 12.

Against Oxford, Novi Christian trailed 13-7 after one quarter, but rallied to post the victory thanks to accurate free throw shooting (17-of-21). Jacobs paced the attack with 21. Travis Fortia added 13 and Sorby hit for 12.

On Saturday, the Eagles negated the height advantage of the taller Rochester team with a full-court press and jumped out to an early 21-6 advantage. From there, Novi Christian coasted to the win. Karvonen hit for 20 points, Sorby had 16 and Jacobs contributed 15 more.

The Eagles' record now stands at 16-5 for the season.

Tankers stroke past Churchill

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

For the second straight season, the Novi tankers have won at least 10 dual meets.

An easier-than-expected 100-69 win over Livonia Churchill on Feb. 10 guaranteed the double figure number in the win column for Larry Teahan's squad.

Topping the 10-win mark is something of a milestone in high school swimming, and now that the Wildcats have accomplished the feat twice, it's safe to say the program is more solid and competitive than ever before.

Despite Novi's heightened status in local swimming circles, it came as a surprise to most when the Wildcats completely dominated a respected Churchill team. Last season, the Chargers tied Northville, who in turn tied Novi. That means the two teams were evenly matched a year ago, but this time around it wasn't even close as Novi grabbed 10 of the 11 first place finishes.

"It was certainly a lot easier than I thought," Teahan admitted. "(Churchill's) coach couldn't make it to the meet for some reason, and I believe they had some disciplinary problems with a few swimmers, so that may have been a factor."

"But we were ready, and we went out a did a

nice job. There was several times we picked up extra points on depth and I didn't expect that."

Teahan was expecting a struggle in the opening race, but Novi's 200-yard medley relay squad of Tim McBride, Jon Cohen, Matt Lorenz and Steve Warthman blew away the competition and won by nine seconds (1:46.41).

In the 200 freestyle, Steve Cohen slipped under the 1:50 mark to win the race going away with an effort that impressed his coach because the freshman registered such a good time without much competition. Cohen's time was 1:49.86, while Josh Matta placed third (2:03.2).

The Wildcats then pulled out to a substantial 30-16 lead by finishing 1-2-3 in the 200 IM. Lorenz had a personal best time of 2:11.2 to win the race. Dave Suchyta was second (2:21.0) and McBride third (2:28.0).

"At this point I wasn't convinced we could hold onto the lead, but the kids sure were and they were right," Teahan said.

Novi stretched the lead in the 50 freestyle by taking three of the top four spots. Warthman won the race (23.5), Rudy Speerschneider was third (24.5) and Steve Strausberg was fourth (25.0). The two teams then split the scoring in diving. Novi's Joe Jablonski was first (170.60 points) and Ed Dodds was fourth (134).

Two freshman, Steve Cohen and Strausberg,

teamed up for a 1-2 sweep in the 100 butterfly. Cohen went 1:04.2 and Strausberg had a personal best 1:04.2. After Speerschneider placed second in the 100 freestyle (53.6), Jon Cohen continued his unbeaten streak with a first in the 500 freestyle (4:49.9). Matta was involved in a close race for second, but was beat out in the last two lengths (5:28.8).

The Wildcats went 1-2 again in the 100 backstroke. McBride (1:03.0) nipped teammate Lorenz for first place by two-tenths of a second. In the 100 breaststroke, Jon Cohen just missed breaking a minute for the first time, but his 1:00.03 set a new school and pool record anyway. He placed first while Suchyta was third (1:12.9).

Novi capped the victory by winning the 400 freestyle relay. The team of Steve Cohen, Speerschneider, Jeff Cohen and Strausberg recorded a winning time of 3:35.3.

Prior to the meet, the Wildcat team staged a brief ceremony thanking all those involved in donating pool equipment. The Novi Booster Club was honored for purchasing a new record book, and the community was thanked for donating funds to purchase a new electronic timing and starting system.

"We took five minutes to let everybody know we appreciate what they are doing for the team," Teahan reported.



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Wildcat Steve Cohen celebrates his win in the 200 freestyle against Churchill

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Q: How is it different?
A: Instead of putting a major amount into a million-dollar grand prize drawing, the money will go for smaller prizes to create more winners. For example, in the current game, "Doubling Dollars," the full prize total of nearly \$10 million will go to prizes from \$2 to \$1,000. The game beginning March 10, "Cash Deal," will also offer cash prizes of \$2 to \$1,000.

Q: How many Instant Game winners were there in the last fiscal year?
A: There were nearly 16 million cash winners whose prizes ranged from \$2 to \$100,000.

Q: Do you have a breakdown of those winners?
A: Yes. The majority of the wins ranged from \$2 to \$100. There were 223 players who won \$10,000 awards, 32 won \$20,000, 14 won prizes ranging between \$10,000 and \$20,000, 18 won \$50,000, while ten won \$100,000.

Q: How much money was won in all Lottery games including Instant Games?
A: In the last fiscal year, prizes won totaled \$481 million. This does not include the full value of large prizes paid over a 20-year period.

Q: How many of those prizes were for \$1 million or more?
A: There were 94 players or clubs who won such prizes, including five instant game grand prize winners who won \$1,000 a week for life, with a minimum of \$1 million.

Q: How is such a prize paid out?
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Q: What if a winner dies before the 20 years pass?
A: The Lottery ALWAYS pays out the full prize amount. The remainder of any prize is paid to the estate of the deceased winner.

For submitting the question that led to this column, Betty V. Hanson of Wyandotte has been awarded 50 tickets in the current instant game, "Doubling Dollars."

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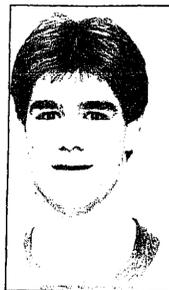
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Wildcats of the Week



DON WELCH

Don Welch tried out for the Novi wrestling team this season just to lend a hand, but he's been a proven starter rather than a substitute all season long. At the KVC Championships last weekend, Welch culminated a great senior season by winning the conference championship in the heavyweight division. We think "Wildcat of the Week" honors are in order. He was 3-0 on the day with two pins and a majority decision. In the finals, Welch pinned Milford's Cliff Senecal in 3:59 to take the crown. "Don's potential is unreal," said Coach Tom Fritz. "He went into the league meet knowing he could win it."



DAVE SKOWN

Dave Skown's performance against Redford Union in a non-conference basketball game Feb. 13 was what some might call a "career game." The 6-foot-4 junior poured in 20 points on 10-of-13 shooting from the field, added 11 rebounds, four assists, three steals and a blocked shot to help Novi pull out a 65-64 victory. Those numbers alone would warrant "Wildcat of the Week" consideration, but the fact that Skown also hit the game-winning shot with four seconds left made the choice automatic. "Dave just had an outstanding game," Novi Coach John Cicchelli said. "He is a gutsy kid, who goes 100 percent all the time."

Skown leads Novi five past RU

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

It was only fitting that Dave Skown would be the hero in Novi's heart-stopping 65-64 non-conference victory over Redford Union last Friday.

Skown, the 6-foot-4 junior forward, may have put together the best all-around performance of the season for the Wildcats, and, more than anything else, his play was what kept the game close and gave Novi a chance to win in the final seconds.

AS if blessed by fate that night, Skown popped in a four-foot jumper in traffic from the baseline with one defender hanging all over his body to win the game and give the Wildcats three victories in a row — four of their last five.

"Dave just had an outstanding game," Novi Coach John Cicchelli said. "He was just super overall. It was his best game and maybe the best individual effort by anyone this season."

All Skown did was pour in 20 points — on 10-for-13 shooting, and add 11 rebounds, four assists, three steals and a blocked shot.

The Wildcats played a solid first quarter, established an early 10-point lead, and it looked like a blow out. But the scrappy Union team never gave up, forced a few key turnovers and held their own on the boards. At halftime, the 10-point lead was trimmed to six at 36-30.

"We had a lot of turnovers and that is something we haven't been doing a lot lately," Cicchelli reported.

(Redford Union) never gave up and turned a quite a few of our mistakes into baskets — that's how they caught up. We never really felt comfortable until it was over."

In the second half, Union slowly continued to narrow the gap with semi-effective full-court pressure. With both Skown and Brian Schram in foul trouble midway through the second half, Redford stayed close and then actually took the lead for the first time with three minutes remaining on a multitude of opportunities at the free throw line.

After the two teams exchanged baskets, Novi went cold, failed to score on the next two possessions and was forced to foul. A pair of free throws widened the gap to three with just over a minute left, but a clutch score by Matt Kamish narrowed it again.

A quick foul and a miss by Union on the front end of the one-and-one put the 'Cats in the driver's seat, trailing by one and with possession of the ball with 37 seconds remaining. Novi ran the clock down and, with six seconds left, Union knocked it out of bounds. The in-bounds pass went to Skown,



Novi's Bryan Schram (left) battles for a rebound in action earlier this season. Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

who nailed the game-winner with four seconds left.

"Dave is one of our hardest workers," Cicchelli said. "He's a gutsy kid who goes 100 percent all the time, and it's paying off for him. He's impressed a lot of coaches this season, including me."

The Wildcats outscored Union 62-46 from the field, but a free throw discrepancy kept it close. Union attempted 27 free throws to Novi's five.

"That didn't sit too well with me," Cicchelli said. "We outscored them in every quarter in field goals, but the free throws weren't distributed very equally."

In addition to Skown's great performance, Kamish also had an outstanding all-around game, scoring 15 points, grabbing six rebounds and chipping in with five assists and two steals.

Cicchelli also credited the bench play of Bill Yankowski, George Arnold and Craig Cowden — all three filled in admirably when the Wildcat starters got in foul trouble.

"We didn't play as well as we have been, but we'll take any win we can get," Cicchelli said. "It was a very positive game because we won another close one. Our guys have been coming on tough on the road."

In Kensington Valley Conference action last week, Brighton upset first-place Howell and South Lyon polished off a fast-fading Milford squad. Heading into this week's action, Novi (4-3) is still within striking distance, just a half game behind Milford (5-3) and 1½ games behind Howell (6-2).

With a road game at Milford yesterday (Tuesday, after The News' deadline) and a home showdown with 5-3 Lakeland this Friday (Feb. 19), this week may be the most important

stretch of the season so far for the 'Cats. Two wins would keep the team in the thick of the race. A loss, or worse yet, a pair of losses would severely diminish Novi's chances in the battle for the KVC title.

"If we can keep winning, we're in a good position because we have the best record against common opponents among the top four in the league," Cicchelli pointed out. "If we can pull out some wins, we may in the driver's seat — hopefully, it will come to that."

KVC STANDINGS

Howell	6	2
Milford	5	3
Lakeland	5	3
Novi	4	3
Brighton	4	4
South Lyon	2	6
Harland	1	7

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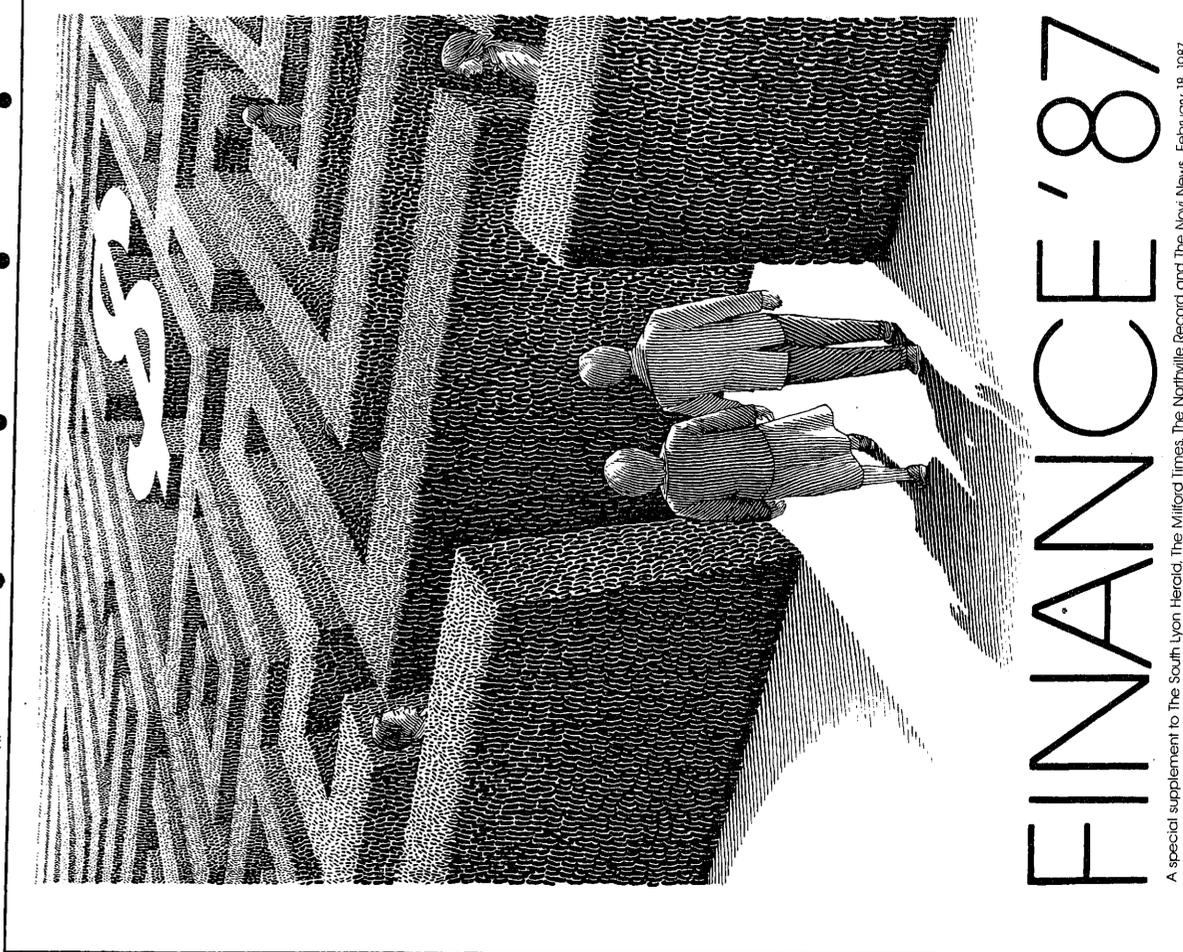


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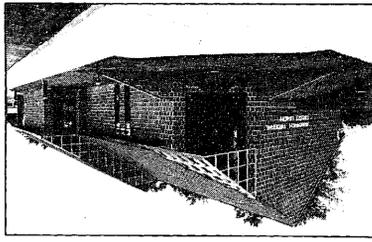
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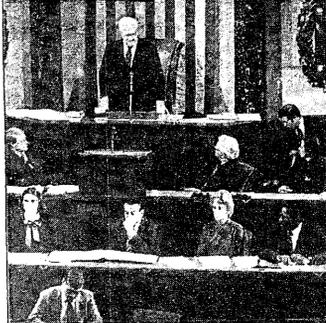
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The decline in auto loan rates, helped by car makers looking to pry bloated inventories, is a good example of the recent tumble in consumer rates.

Despite the potential savings, lenders say few customers have dared to tackle the refinancing puzzle on loans except for home mortgages.

"We're not seeing any big pressure from the consumers to do this kind of thing," says E. John Doyle, senior vice president for consumer financial services at California Federal Savings and Loan.

Lenders say many consumers are reluctant to refinance these smaller consumer loans because the savings do not appear to be out there. But even lenders admit that if consumers can endure the hassles, savings can be made.

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"When you see 5.9 percent or 2.9 percent (auto) loans, it's kind of hard to compete with that," says Patti Bartmess, a banking officer at Security Pacific Bank. "I'm sure a lot of people are tempted to just go out and buy a new car."

But buying a new car won't satisfy people who want to keep the cars they have. And buying a new car won't pay off a large credit card balance either. The trick for consumers is to invest some time shopping for the right loan product.

□ The first option may be an unsecured personal loan, which runs from 14 percent at credit unions to 18 percent at some banks. These loans may not work to refinance an auto loan, but they could put a dent in a credit card balance, which is charged at a 21 percent rate.

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Need for money planner depends on income, goals

What's the latest wrinkle on the personal finance scene? It seems as though anyone with a bit of cash to invest now has a desire to have a plan from a financial planner.

As with every new and burgeoning field, the financial planning industry is now in a time of consolidation and self-scrutiny.

There are more than 24,000 registered investment consultants in the United States who are devising an evaluation code for themselves to help weed out the Johnny-come-latelies who want to peddle something less than a sound financial plan.

How necessary is it to get your own financial plan? Opinions vary, but most experts agree it largely depends on your income and goals.

A qualified financial planner will review your income, debts, lifestyle, financial goals and needs, and offer you a plan for managing your money and increasing your investments through a portfolio of bonds, insurance and other forms of investments.

There are three basic types of financial planners. There are those who provide services for a fee, offering a client an investment plan for as little as \$500 to \$2,500 or a percentage of income.

There are semi-independent planners, who work in conjunction with a broker or an investment company, but also sell the financial services of other brokerages and firms. They are able to defer their fees by shunting business to their parent companies and earning a commission on sales.

The third kind of counselor is strictly an employee of an investment or insurance firm. His plans usually emphasize the services of his employer or parent company.

What's right for you and how do you determine your needs? Do a self-evaluation. What is your annual income and your level of disposable income? If you discover you have almost no income to manipulate, you might not need an investment counselor, but a look at where your money goes.

People with an income of more than \$75,000 are most likely candidates for a fee counselor.

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tax changes also can help you in '88. It's not cut and dry. I think every body anticipates more tax changes," Lefkowitz says.

A tax adviser also can help you determine which strategies are appropriate for your situation. But in light of the new tax laws, you may want to recruit the talents of an expert, at least for 1987 and 1988 taxes.

For this reason, it is generally beneficial to postpone the recognition of income and accelerate the payment of taxes, but also permanently reducing your amount of taxable income.

Maybe you've always been a tax adviser can assist you in determining which strategies are appropriate for your situation.



Tax changes demand planning

tax reform has proven to be a lesson in giving and taking.

With the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Congress and President Reagan accomplished a major overhaul of the federal tax system. The goal: To lower income rates. But in order to retain the current level of federal revenues from income taxes, the Act necessarily eliminated or reduced deductions and credits. Thus, we gained lower rates, but lost many ways to reduce taxable income.

The resulting changes in our tax laws will affect everyone. But because there are so many changes, deciding whether a particular idea is a good one for you is no simple matter. You must look at your total tax picture to make sure a benefit in one place is not outweighed by a detriment somewhere else.

According to experts at Grant Thornton, a national accounting and management consulting firm, these changes will take place gradually, rather than immediately since so many of them are radical departures from years we have worked with for years. Due to these transitional rules, the new tax law provides these planning suggestions for future tax years:

□ No more waiting until the last minute to do your taxes. With tax reform, it's vital that you project what your income and subsequent taxes will be for 1987 and even 1988 early on, according to Chuck Lefkowitz, chief executive officer for the International Association of Financial Planners.

□ From there, you can decide on a course of action. Maybe you'll want to defer income, for example. You'll be more aware of what your income is composed of and know what you owe in taxes ahead of time.

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There are many ways to invest one's hard-earned dollars, but for some investors, the only "market" is the stock market. You may have considered taking a turn at bat with the stock exchange but feared you'd strike out because of lack of experience and a limited supply of money. But whether trading is bullish or bearish, the stock market can be a good place for modest investors if they approach the endeavor with patience, perseverance and preparation.

Syndicated financial expert Jay Goldfinger likens the qualities beginners need to succeed in the stock market with those of successful baseball players:

'Score' in the stock market

Major leaguers make a career commitment to training and conditioning, and they keep working out after they retire.

In managing your money, you don't have to be rock hard physically to win, but you must stay informationally fit. That means doing your homework — shopping around for a competent stockbroker or recruiting the services of a specialty or full-service firm.

Shaping up informationally means investigating before you invest and not relying on hot tips, rumors or advice from your brother-in-law, back-fence neighbor or chum at the club.

Successful investors don't sit in the bleachers and let others make all the decisions for them. They get involved and stay involved, reading the financial sections of their newspaper or The Wall Street Journal. They ask questions every time they part with a dollar — and they don't spend or invest unless they feel 100 percent confident they are doing the right thing. If there is a twinge of doubt, forget it.



Baseballers play as a team, not as a bunch of superstars.

Good baseball players capitalize on their strengths and work to make them better.

The message to investors is, "Concentrate on your strengths" — investments that you understand rather than trying to jump into every tantalizing deal that comes along.

Many smart baseball players retire at their peak, quitting while they're ahead and being remembered as superstars. The same holds true for wise investors.

It takes that same kind of discipline to care for your cash and stocks. Even if you spend only 15 minutes a day making a budget, comparison shopping for the best value, checking the historic performance of a stock, the time you spend is a disciplined investment... not wasted expense.

There is no substitute for discipline in the game of baseball.

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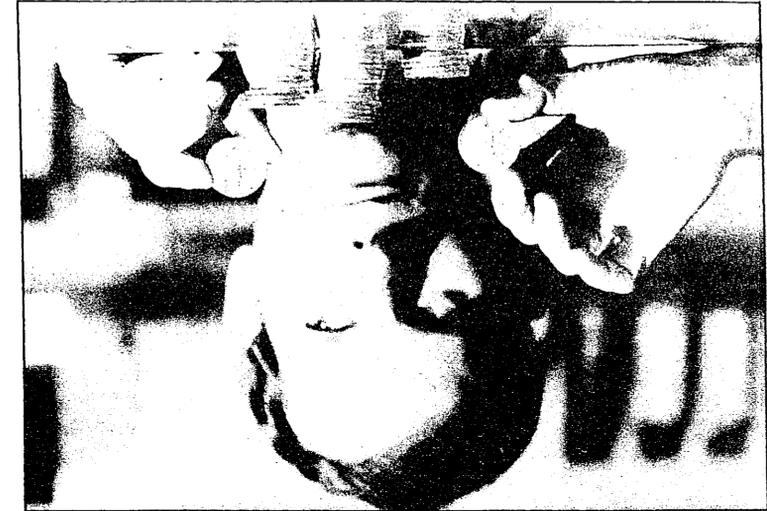
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One of the newest ways to invest in gold is through the American Eagle gold coin, the nation's first since 1933.

Precious metals: Inflation insurance

Further declines in metals is limited. If prices are stable, the risk of suffering by other investments. Silver could help offset the losses suffered by other investments. One is really sure that inflation won't erode your money in gold since no total investment portfolio according to a study by the American Eagle gold coin, the nation's smallest premium over spot price, is available in four sizes — a 1-ounce, \$500; a half-ounce, \$250; a quarter-ounce, \$125; and a tenth-ounce, \$62.50. The American Eagle gold coin, the nation's smallest premium over spot price, is available in four sizes — a 1-ounce, \$500; a half-ounce, \$250; a quarter-ounce, \$125; and a tenth-ounce, \$62.50.

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Mutual funds seek profit in numbers

They've been touted as "the year's best investment" by Money magazine, and mutual funds now represent more than \$650 billion in assets, almost double the total personal savings in banks and savings institutions.

What is a mutual fund? It's an investment in a pool of securities such as stocks, bonds or money market instruments such as treasury bills or certificates of deposit. The pool of securities is chosen and managed by professional money managers hired by the fund.

The combined purchasing power of hundreds or thousands of investors allows the fund's money managers to buy a diversified group of 50 to 100, and sometimes even more, investments — depending on the fund's objectives. This diversity lets you avoid putting all your financial eggs into one basket.

Buying a mutual fund is similar to purchasing shares of stock in a particular company. You become a shareholder in the fund. Shareholders are paid dividends when (and if) the securities held in the fund's portfolio earn money. They also gain if the securities appreciate in value.

With hundreds of mutual funds to choose from, how do you select the one that's right for you? Begin by selecting a fund with financial goals that match your own.

A financial shopper best serves his interests by matching specific goals — retirement income, college tuition, an emergency cache — with the broad investment objective stated by the fund," according to David Silver, president of the Investment Company Institute, the national association of the mutual fund industry.

There's a mutual fund to meet most long- and short-term financial goals, according to Silver. Those seeking future retirement income, for example, might look into growth funds, which invest in the stock of well-established companies. These funds aim for capital gains (an increase in the value of the stocks held). Those seeking current income, on the other hand, would look into income funds, which make investments in companies that have good dividend-paying records.

How much does it take to invest in a mutual fund, and how much risk is involved? According to the Investment Company Institute's brochure, "Guide to Mutual Funds," you can invest anywhere from a few dollars to \$75 million. Many funds have no minimum requirement for investing, while others have established minimums in the hundreds or thousands of dollars. A few funds are open to large institution accounts only. The great majority of

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Homeowner Richard Reynolds surveys what remains of his home which was destroyed by fire Saturday night

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Board studies costs, designs for additions

By MICHELE M. FECHT
staff writer

An administrative proposal for handling the school district's imminent student enrollment growth and future facilities needs was given a temporary stay last Tuesday by the board of education.

After more than a month of meetings to discuss the school district's facilities, the school board last week directed the administration to hire an architectural consultant to provide cost estimates and preliminary designs for approximately half the proposed projects.

The scope of the administration's proposal includes construction of a new K-4 elementary school, administration building, maintenance facility and walkway between the high school proper and commons area as well as the building of additional classrooms at Village Oaks, Orchard Hills and Novi Upper Elementary.

In addition, the administration last week added construction of a high school athletic facility and funding for the purchase of educational technology to the list of projects.

Financing for the projects would come from a bond issue and/or a building and site fund.

In reviewing the projects last week, school board trustees concurred that more information was needed and directed the administration to present cost estimates and preliminary design plans for the construction of a maintenance facility, administration building and additional classrooms at the two elementary schools and Novi Upper Elementary. The projected costs and preliminary designs will be presented at the board's meeting

tomorrow (Thursday) night.

The board also asked the administration to provide information about land availability for school facilities.

In its facilities proposal, the administration requested the board consider a \$4.3 million bond issue for construction of a K-4 elementary building to house between 275-300 students, four classrooms at Village Oaks and Orchard Hills and a maintenance facility. Total cost of the projects is estimated at \$5.5 million. However, the district can apply \$1.3 million from the sale of Old Novi Elementary School to the cost of the projects.

In addition to the bond issue, the administration proposed a one-mill building and site fund for six years which would include construction of the upper elementary facility to include additional classrooms, construction of an administration building and high school athletic facility and purchase of educational technology.

In opening discussion of the administration's proposal, Trustee Robert Schram said he hoped the board would only discuss the recommendations and not take action.

"I don't think we need to rush into something of this magnitude," he said.

The board spent slightly more than two hours discussing each component of the administration's proposal. Trustees Sharon Pelchat and Noran Miller were absent. However, Pelchat, who was caught in a storm in North Carolina, called board president Tom Daley with her comments about the proposal.

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Man pleads guilty in Novi rape case

A 45-year-old Novi man accused of raping a woman in her residence in the Tree Top Meadows Apartment complex last August has pled guilty in Oakland County Circuit Court.

Patrick Gerald Hamlin pled guilty to one count of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree and another count of breaking and entering an occupied dwelling with intent to commit first degree criminal sexual conduct before Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Steven N. Andrews on Monday.

Hamlin also entered a guilty plea to a charge of being a habitual offender, according to Novi Police Detective Jack Grubb.

A fourth count of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree was dismissed on the motion of the prosecuting attorney, Grubb said.

Grubb reported that the habitual offender charge was lodged against Hamlin after investigation showed two prior convictions. Grubb said Hamlin pled guilty to a charge of criminal sexual conduct in the first degree in 1968 and was convicted of felonious assault in 1970. Both cases

were in Wayne County Circuit Court in Detroit.

Hamlin remains lodged in the Oakland County Jail on a \$300,000 cash bond, no 10 percent surety permitted. Judge Andrews scheduled sentencing for March 10.

Hamlin was charged in conjunction with the rape of a woman in her residence in the Tree Top Meadows Apartments on Ten Mile at Meadowbrook shortly before midnight on Aug. 27, 1986.

The victim told police she went to bed at approximately 10:30 p.m. and was awakened roughly one hour later by a man holding his hand over her mouth and a knife to her throat.

After tying her hands with tape and placing a pillowcase over her head, the assailant proceeded to assault the woman sexually, police said.

Hamlin was taken into custody at approximately 10 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 7, and charged with the crime. Novi Police Chief Lee BeGole credited Grubb with outstanding investigative work in the apprehension and subsequent conviction of Hamlin.

House fire under investigation

A fire of undetermined origins completely demolished a house at 1980 South Lake Drive shortly before midnight on Saturday, Feb. 21.

The home belongs to the Richard Reynolds family which was visiting in Grand Rapids at the time of the fire. The family's Labrador retriever is missing, however. The dog was chained to a dog house at the rear of the residence when the fire occurred.

Novi Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan reported that arson investigators from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department have been called in to investigate the blaze. Lenaghan added that it's standard operating procedure to investigate the possibility of arson when an unoccupied house

burns completely for no immediate cause.

Lenaghan reported Tuesday that the cause of the fire remains undetermined. Oakland County investigators have visited the scene twice and have found no definite cause. Insurance investigators are also involved. Lenaghan said the investigation will continue with an official determination expected by the end of the week.

No one was in the home at the time of the fire. One firefighter was injured battling the blaze and was taken to Providence Hospital where he was treated and released.

The fire apparently started sometime between 11 and 11:21 p.m. A neighbor, hearing a noise, looked out a window, saw the blaze and notified

the department. The fire department responded in nine minutes, according to Lenaghan.

The house was completely engulfed with flames when firefighters arrived on the scene, said the chief. The roof and one wall collapsed. Lenaghan said the fire was under control within 20 minutes, but firefighters did not leave the scene until 4:30 a.m. on Sunday.

Lenaghan estimated the loss at \$75,000. The house is insured for \$65,000 with \$10,000 in contents.

No other homes in the area were in any danger, Lenaghan said, as the fire was contained and the size of the lots presented no exposure problem.

City closer to sewer solution

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

Novi may clear up its sewer capacity problems in the next 90 days, if all goes according to City Manager Edward Kriewall's plan.

Kriewall updated the city council on the city's quest for additional sewage treatment capacity at the Feb. 23 council meeting.

Kriewall reported that the city is finalizing the details and costs of constructing a force main to the Detroit sewer treatment facility.

Two potential connection points are being researched, the Eight Mile/Evergreen connection in Southfield and the Michigan Avenue/Southfield Road connection in Dearborn.

Kriewall said the Hines Drive connection at Michigan and Southfield would be advantageous if Northville Township agrees to join Novi in going to the Detroit plant.

Capital costs on the \$14.15 million project would then be shared between the two cities. "If Northville Township comes with us on the southern route that would tip it over in favor of the Michigan/Southfield connection," Kriewall said.

He noted that both Novi and Northville Township share a common connection in the Five Mile/Seven Mile area, where oversizing costs of sewer construction have already been met, and both communities could take advantage of an already improved system.

Northville Township is currently

involved with the Western Township Utility Authority (WTUA) in conjunction with Plymouth and Canton Townships.

The group is exploring the possibility of routing sewage to the Ypsilanti treatment facility.

Kriewall reminded the council that Novi had expressed interest in joining the consortium in applying to the Ypsilanti facility, but he said, "they set us aside." He was told by WTUA that Novi could possibly purchase capacity from the newly formed group when details are worked out sometime in the future.

"We are becoming more confident that Detroit can treat the sewage for as low as a third of the

cost of the Ypsilanti facility,"

Kriewall told the council. "Existing residents would not see any increases in cost that way, while going to Ypsilanti would raise their rates." He noted that any capital costs of the sewer project would be born by new construction in the city.

Commerce Township and Wolverine Lake are interested in combining flows with Novi in the event a force main is built, Kriewall said. Wixom is considering modifying its own treatment plant as it is in a position to receive priority funding from the federal government for that purpose.

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Making the grade?

Novi science scores are low on MEAP test

By MICHELE M. FECHT
staff writer

After one of their best performances to date on the MEAP (Michigan Education Assessment Program) reading and math tests, Novi fourth, seventh and 10 graders are not exactly flaunting the results of their first state science exam.

However, while Novi's performance on its MEAP science test may pale in comparison to its reading and math results, the district still recorded some of the highest scores in the tri-county area and was well above the state averages at all three grade levels.

In the wake of considerable criticism from local districts and a snafu in scoring the test, the Michigan Department of Education released

statewide science results at a news conference Feb. 10.

High scores on the science portion of the MEAP were recorded by Novi's 10th graders with 84.9 percent mastering 75 percent or more of the objectives. Novi seventh graders recorded the second highest scores with 46.8 percent of the students mastering 75 percent of the objectives. At the fourth grade level, 42 percent of the students mastered 75 percent of the objectives.

Statewide averages show that 33.3 percent of Michigan's fourth grade students attained 75-100 percent of the objectives. Seventh grade test results show 27.3 percent achieved the objectives with only about one out of five (22.4 percent) of the state's 10th graders attaining 75 percent or more of the objectives.

Though Novi administrators have not officially released the science scores, the information has been published in several newspapers.

School Superintendent Robert Piwko said the administration will be making a MEAP presentation to the school board sometime in March.

"The reason we didn't do anything earlier is we thought it would be inappropriate to release isolated scores," Piwko said.

There has been considerable controversy surrounding this year's pilot of the MEAP science test. State educators contend the poor scores reflect deficiencies in school science programs. School districts have countered the state's claim by criticizing the content of the exam.

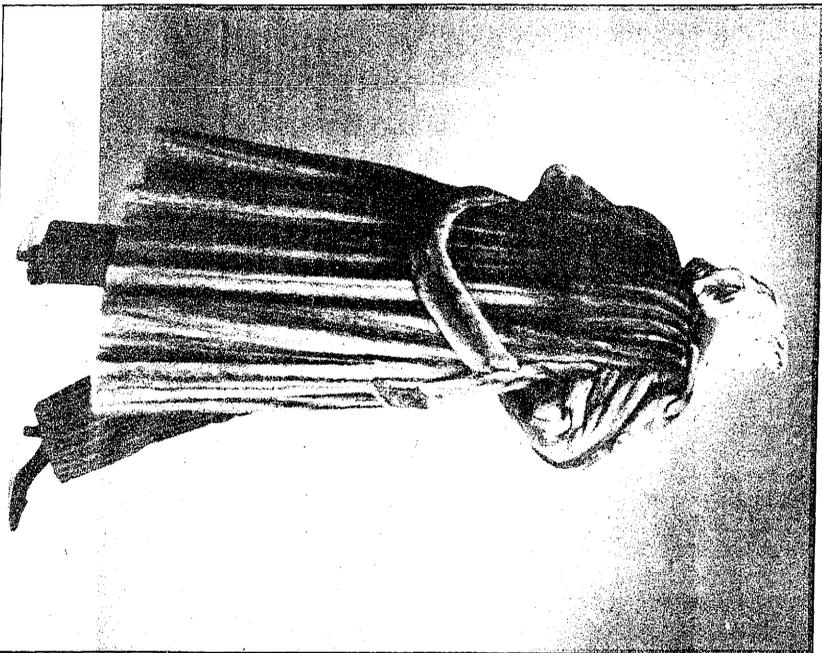
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Spend new cash wisely

Y ou just got a fat income tax refund from the IRS. Or a long-ago relative died and remembered you got that long overdue bonus from work.

What are you going to do with the money? Before you make a trip for your favorite mall with your new found important cash, ask yourself: "What's this purchase mean to me in four months?"

While it may seem like mad money now, this handful of cash presents what might be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for you to meet some of your goals. From those items that start you on the way to a stronger financial future.



Consider these ideas:

Write a Will: Sounds depressing, doesn't it? But according to financial expert Leonard Stone in "The New Financial Times Book of Personal Finance," it's not necessary to die or become disabled to have a will. Everyone needs one. Maybe you're a single parent who wants to designate a guardian for your child and specify who will inherit the assets. Married couples should have a will, too. It's a good idea to specify how your possessions should be distributed. While some states recognize a hand-written will, generally it's best if you draft one with the help of a lawyer who specializes in estate planning.

Many lawyers will draft a simple will for \$50 to \$250.

Trim high interest debt: Granted, it's hard to put a lot of money down on a credit card bill that can be paid off a little every month. But with high credit interest rates and with tax credit deductions, you can handle the debt. In 1987, 35 percent of interest incurred on consumer debt will not be deductible, 60 percent will not be deductible in 1988 and so on, until there will be no deduction at all by 1991.

Invest in yourself: If you're not a professional, you might want to pay off your credit card, then go shopping for one with a lower interest rate. If you can't resist

If you can't resist spending new found money on yourself, go for a good investment. Minks, for example, are always in style.

spending the money on yourself, at least make it an image investment. For instance, while fashion comes and goes, mink is always in style. Whether you choose fox or sable, make sure the drier will stand behind its merchant should any defect be necessary. repairs should be made immediately. A DeVincento, vice president of the House of Furs in Paramus, N.J. Some furriers even will provide a written guarantee on the fur's origin, species and quality. Minks are always wanted to own a precious stone. According to Stone, the most popular are diamonds and colored stones such as rubies, sapphires and emeralds. When buying gemstones, look for that written certificate with the four criteria for color, clarity, cut and carats. Make sure your dealer has an unduplicated reputation.

Upgrade your life insurance: If you've paid off buying it on your present coverage, you might want to invest in a new insurance policy. Today's life insurance is more than coverage — it's an investment. Look into universal life policies where part of your premium pays for the yearly renewable term coverage. While the rest is invested in a fund of securities that builds up cash value.

Know the rules for a home office deduction

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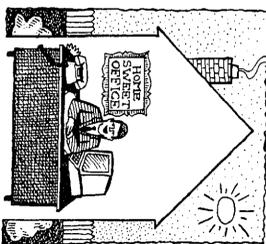
You must be self-employed in order to claim a deduction. If you work for a company, you must prove it is solely for the convenience of your employer. That means it is more than just a perk. You must use your work at home more than testing an office just for you.

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work space to watch TV or videotapes or listen to the radio.

However, a home office or work space does not have to be a separate room. It can be a portion of a room, such as a bedroom — and you don't have to partition it off.

Kotzinger suggests making it a zone. If you were developing part of a business, the zone that work space, you would consider the zone a separate room. It could be a room with a desk, computer, typewriter and other office furniture or equipment in one zone. Spreading office furniture around a home just because it's more convenient for your work style could also be a zone. The home office deduction, says the IRS, is a very living room sofa and chair. It is a very living room expense just because a client sits on it

When visiting a hairstylist or a manicurist out of your home, you must have a separate station in some part of the home. The station is a room to your business. Fronting a customer's hair at your kitchen table does not justify a home office deduction.

It's best to be on the safe side, advises home office. The standards of your home office are the standards of your tax return, but if you are audited at the IRS office, you can bring them along. Just make sure there is a "complete absence" of personal furnishings in the office. If you regularly conduct business meetings at your home, you should have a separate "meeting place" and deduct the space used. Again, that does not mean that you can turn your dining room table into a conference table or your living room into an office when clients come in. You can have a desk and chair in something that looks like a chair — desk and two or three chairs — used exclusively for that purpose.

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