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## Home values rising

By CHRISTOPHER J. KOZLOWSKI  
staff writer

Property assessments in Novi are expected to rise 20-22 percent for 1987-88, according to City Assessor John Merrifield.

Merrifield said next year's assessments are expected to rise at a level equal-to or greater-than the increase recorded during 1986-87.

"There will be an awful large increase coming up this year," Merrifield said. "We are right in the midst of our calculations right now, but all indications are that the increase will at least equal 1986-87 levels."

Property assessments are required by law to be set at 50 percent of the true market value. For example, state law requires that the assessment on a home valued at \$100,000 be set at \$50,000.

City assessors establish assessments by keeping detailed records of property sales. If housing costs increase, assessments must reflect the increase directly.

Merrifield said demand and inflation are the main causes for the latest assessment increase.

"Because of the inflationary value of the housing market in Novi, the property assessments will follow suit and increase," he said.

"According to Merrifield, housing costs in Novi have increased 'tremendously.' He said Tuesday that the average price of a home in Novi is between \$100,000-\$105,000 and that the highest priced home in the city costs as much as \$279,000.

Property assessments have increased consistently in the city, but an increase this year, matching last year's, would be the highest increases in recent years.

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## We're number one!

The Novi Wildcats grabbed the Kensington Valley Conference title with last Friday's 13-0 trouncing of rival South Lyon. The team completed its second undefeated KVC season in a row. The team faces one more challenge in its quest for a perfect season with an Oct. 30 matchup against Northville.

## Safety tips for treats

Halloween is coming up this Saturday, and the Novi Police Department is issuing suggestions for making sure the annual "trick-or-treat" season is a safe one for all Novi youngsters.

In addition, officials at the Providence Hospital/Novi Center report that they will be offering free X-ray screening of Halloween candy.

Police Chief Lee BeGole recommends that parents limit their children's participation in traditional "trick-or-treat" activities to the hours of 6-8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 31.

Residents who wish to be visited by "trick-or-treaters" should turn their porch lights on at 6 p.m. and turn them off no later than 8 p.m. — or earlier if their supply of goodies runs out.

BeGole noted that the suggested hours are only suggestions and that failure to respect them is not an offense. "However, we do encourage compliance not only for the safety of our children but also for the peace and quiet of our residents," he said.

BeGole also noted that it is the parents' responsibility to screen the "treats" for foreign objects or

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## Voters mark ballots in Tuesday election

By ANN E. WILLIS  
staff writers

Novi voters will go to the polls next Tuesday, Nov. 3, to elect a new mayor and three council members and to decide the fate of a 1.8 mill dedicated millage proposal for police and fire personnel.

Polling places will be open on Tuesday from 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

Nancy Covert and Matthew Quinn are running for the mayor's seat vacated when incumbent Mayor Patricia Karevich decided not to run for a second term.

Covert currently serves on council; Quinn serves on the Civic Center Committee.

A third candidate for mayor, Jerry Sheridan, formally withdrew from the race. His name will appear on the ballot because the withdrawal came after the deadline for having his name removed from the ballot.

"Positively, please do not vote for me. I would like to see a fair race and I know I'm going to get a lot of votes," he said.

Eight candidates are vying for

the three four-year terms on the city council. Martha Hoyer, Edward Leininger and Joseph Toth are the incumbents running for re-election. Facing them will be Richard Clark, Rico Digirolamo, Laura Lorenzo, Edward Phelps and Robert Schmid. Clark is currently serving on the planning commission and Schmid served six years on city council and four years as mayor prior to Karevich's election.

Tuesday's election will decide the fate of the 1.8 mill dedicated millage for police and fire personnel. The millage would raise over \$1 million to add 12 fire protection officers and 16 police officers by the year 1991.

The outcome of the election could determine future openings in both the council and the planning commission. If Covert is elected mayor, she would lose her current seat on the council. The council would have 30 days to appoint a successor or the vacancy would go to a special election.

If Clark is elected to the council, he would resign his post on the planning commission creating a vacan-

cy there. Commission vacancies are filled by council appointment.

As of Tuesday, Oct. 27, City Clerk Geraldine Stipp had sent out 247 absentee ballots. Stipp said the absentee ballot count is usually 10 percent of the election turnout. Voters have until Saturday, Oct. 31, to have an absentee ballot mailed to them. Ballots may be marked in city hall offices on Monday, Nov. 2, but cannot be taken from the building, Stipp said.

Election result watchers will have the opportunity to tune in to on-the-spot coverage courtesy of Channel 12, the local cable access channel starting at 8 p.m. the night of the election. Channel 12 will have cameras live in city hall as election results come in.

□ Novi voting precinct map outlined/12A

□ Current Novi Mayor Karevich endorses candidates/2A

## Election finances eyed

By ANNE E. WILLIS  
staff writer

Five of the 10 candidates running for seats in the Nov. 3 general election have filed campaign finance reports with the Michigan Department of State.

The reports are required for any candidate who raises more than \$1,000 in campaign contributions. Deadline for filing the reports with the Oakland County Election Commission was Friday, Oct. 23.

No large single source contributed to any of the five campaigns, with the majority of money raised coming from the sale of tickets to candidate fund-raisers. At least two local developers, Bill Bowman and Lee Walter, made contributions to more than one candidate. Bowman covered both his bets by contributing to the campaigns of both mayoral candidates.

The two mayoral candidates, Nancy Covert and Matthew Quinn, both filed reports. Covert raised \$2,927 in campaign contributions and has expended \$2,673.88 of those funds to date, leaving her with

\$253.12 unspent at this point in the campaign.

Quinn raised \$4,720 in contributions and has spent \$2,840.67, leaving him with a \$1,879.33 unspent balance at this point in the campaign.

Covert's largest lump sum campaign contribution — \$250 was made by herself. Richard French, Russell Button, Roland Gerhart, Morey Gergis, Malcom Scallions, Charles Lid and Julian and Agnes Scott all made contributions of \$100-\$125 to the Covert campaign.

Developer Bill Bowman of Thompson-Brown, Richard Bayer, Thomas Wolsos, William Wineman, Sara Sass, George Pavlescak, Robert Rockefeller, Audrey Murphy and Carol Mason made contributions of \$50. Covert received 39 contributions of \$30 or less.

Covert's largest outlay went for signs and campaign literature.

Quinn received contributions of \$200 from Dave Creedon and Marty Feldman (Marty Feldman Chevrolet on Grand River), Robert Slavsky, Graham and Rose Ward, Roland Gerhart, developer Lee

Walter, Bob Rosin, Dean Munger, Iron Workers Local 25, Paul and Gayle Riggio and Developer Bill Bowman gave contributions of \$96-\$125 to the Quinn campaign.

Jerry Surles, William and Cynthia White, Howard and Cheryl Shifman, John Galido, Cheryl and Paul Bauman, Pat Keast, Hugh and Kathy Crawford and David Rhode made contributions of \$50-\$70. Quinn received 20 contributions of \$24-\$30 — including a \$25 contribution from outgoing mayor Patricia Karevich.

Quinn received three in-kind contributions — \$150 in merchandise from Paul Baker (Goat Farm Tavern), \$100 in merchandise from Brian Fannon and \$40 in postage from Charles Cooper.

The biggest outlay of expenses thus far in the Quinn campaign has been for campaign literature, signs, promotional items and fund-raisers.

Three candidates for seats on the city council have filed financial reports. Incumbents Martha Hoyer

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## Face to face

Halloween brings out plenty of strange characters and during the Hassen, 10, made his pumpkin into a cat during last Saturday's Novi Parks and Recreation department's annual Design-a-Pumpkin contest, some of the strangest seem to appear. Aaron

## Elderly housing option considered

By CHRISTOPHER J. KOZLOWSKI  
staff writer

Novi Senior Housing Committee members are studying what they believe may be the best alternative yet to provide increased senior housing in the city.

The committee currently is reviewing the financing behind a new senior complex in the City of Southfield, in which the city and project developers subsidize rent payments for needy seniors.

According to Novi Council Member Edward Leininger, who serves as chairperson of Novi's Senior Housing Committee, the group is in the process of reviewing the financial workings of the project. He said Tuesday that if the committee deems the project viable, it will meet with Southfield officials in an effort to determine if the project would be a feasible alternative for the City of Novi.

The Southfield project involves the \$22 million Trowbridge senior housing facility and the Helping Hands partnership created by project developers and city officials.

Under an agreement between the developing partnership and the city, developers will receive 100 percent property tax abatement. The potential tax dollars would then be channeled into a fund which would subsidize the seniors' monthly rent payments.

According to the agreement, the developers would limit their annual profits to 12 percent of their investment during the first year, adding one percent each following year to a maximum of 25 percent.

The Trowbridge is scheduled to be completed by August 1988. Monthly rental rates range between \$950 and \$1,595. The eight-story building would include one and two bedroom apartments, and feature some two

bedroom dormitory-type units. Prior to learning about the Southfield project, the Novi committee had been close to making a recommendation that the city council consider approving issuance of revenue bonds to finance senior housing construction projects.

"That recommendation will now be placed on the back-burner until the committee has a chance to review the Southfield project."

"Our committee was going to come back with a recommendation to the city council that would say we have looked at all the alternatives and possibilities. That recommendation may have been that (the city should consider) a revenue bond," Leininger said.

He added, "We do not know how we are going to ask the city to participate."

"This (Southfield) alternative may be more attractive for everyone involved," Leininger said. "But what we do not know is if there are any ramifications to the Southfield project."

"What happens at the end of the tax abatement? Would the city have to create a new tax abatement? Would the city have to locate the project in a depressed part of town?"

"These are things we really have to explore, but on the surface it appears to be a viable alternative," he said. "We would like to sit down with the people in Southfield and talk to them about how this project evolved, how it came about and see if they had some other alternatives," Leininger said.

Leininger said his committee may recommend that the voters ultimately decide the course for increased senior housing by asking voters to approve whatever plan the city believes has the greatest potential for providing housing opportunities for senior citizens.



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## Fabulous finish

Visitors to the Novi Jaycees' haunted house on Novi Road near Grand River can't complain that it isn't exciting from start to finish. The Jaycees keep the thrills and chills coming from the time adventurous souls enter the house until a ghoul armed with a

chainsaw chases them out the back door. The haunted house will remain open every night until midnight through Halloween night — this Saturday, Oct. 31.

## Karevich endorses candidates

By ANN E. WILLIS  
staff writer

Outgoing Mayor Patricia Karevich will preside over her final council meeting on Monday, Nov. 2, ending two years as mayor and 10 years as a council member.

Karevich's work as mayor will not be over officially until the newly elected mayor is sworn in Nov. 9. Her last official duty of her elected term may well be a Nov. 6 wedding at which she is officiating.

In preparation for next week's general election, which will decide her successor, Karevich made her political endorsements.

"I'm endorsing Matt Quinn for mayor. I feel he'll do a very good job. He'll be a fast learner and will be able to run meetings. The city will be able to function with very little down

**Karevich: 'I'm endorsing Matt Quinn for mayor. I feel he'll do a very good job. He'll be a fast learner and will be able to run meetings. The city will be able to function with very little down time.'**

time. "Nancy (Nancy Covert) hasn't demonstrated leadership at all," Karevich said. The mayor said she does feel Quinn's lack of council experience will be a handicap but not an insurmountable one. "I've always been of the feeling candidates should

serve on the council prior to running for mayor," Karevich said. "That way they run on their record — which is why I can't support Nancy," she said.

The Mayor said she supports Martha Hoyer in her bid for re-election to council. "I absolutely believe she has

the commitment and years of experience necessary. She definitely needs to be retained to council. She is a hard worker not only in Novi, but on the state level."

Karevich also supports incumbent Edward Leininger in his re-election bid. "He's a thinker and a hard worker," she said. She backs Joseph Toth, who has served on council since his appointment last February. "In his short time on council he has demonstrated he can do the job and will continue to do a good job," she said.

Karevich is also firmly behind approval of the 1.8 mill Police and Fire millage proposal. "It is definitely needed. There will be more money coming in from new growth, but we need to hire now to catch up first and then to start building."

## Novi firefighters honor comrades

By ANN E. WILLIS  
staff writer

The flags at Novi fire stations are flying at half mast this week.

Although members of the Novi Fire Department did not participate in the training session in Milford which resulted in the deaths of three volunteer firefighters on Sunday, the department has felt the effects of the disaster.

Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan said the Novi firefighters attended the training seminar on Sunday morning Oct. 25, but the department did respond with five volunteers when a call for mutual aid was put out.

Members of the Milford, Highland, White Lake and Lyon Township fire departments conducted a training session which involved a "burning" of the setting of a practice fire to teach on-site firefighting techniques to volunteers. The fire was set in a vacant house in Milford.

Three firefighters died in the fire and two of those deaths were felt particularly hard by longtime Novi firefighters. Lenaghan said Robert Gregory, 33, a Highland Township volunteer had been a Novi volunteer in 1980 and 1981. Gregory worked as a bus mechanic for the Novi Community School System.

Thomas Phelps, 34, was a member of the Lyon Township fire department and employed at the New Hudson Lumber Co. Because of his close proximity to Novi, Phelps was a regular around the Novi fire department and seen often on mutual aid calls.

"He was a nice kid," Lenaghan said. "He was the nicest person you'd ever want to meet. All he wanted to do was help."

Milford Fire Chief James Frankfurth, whose department participated in the training exercise and who lost firefighter Marsha Bacon in the blaze, is owner of Fowler-Gravelly Tractor on Grand River in Novi.

"My past experience, having known Jim through the city, through mutual aid and through the state Fire Chiefs' Association is that he is a very conscientious and a very thorough person. Anything he did, he would have covered all the bases," Lenaghan said.

Investigators are still in the process of collecting information relating to the fire.

**Lenaghan: '(Phelps) was a nice kid. He was the nicest person you'd ever want to meet. All he wanted to do was help.'**

The Novi department "occasionally" stages burnings as training exercises, Lenaghan said, although it has been more than a year since they have done one, he noted. "It's not something we've really gotten involved in," he said.

The Novi squad responded to a mutual aid alert put out after the fire set for the training session went out of control soon after its start. Lenaghan and seven other Novi firefighters were attending a seminar in Novi at the time of the blaze.

Lenaghan arrived on the scene with five Novi volunteers approximately 30 minutes after the call came in, he said.

At that time all but one victim had been removed from the scene, and although there was still some burning going on in the house, the majority of the fire had been quelled, Lenaghan said.

The Novi squad helped in clean-up activities at the scene.

"Everybody's a little shocked by it," Lenaghan said referring to the Novi firefighters' reaction to the blaze. "Everybody's kind of collecting our thoughts because of what happened. We just want to give as much support as we can to those other departments."



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Firefighters do some clean-up after the fatal training exercise in Milford Sunday afternoon

## Group wins access to cable TV

By ANN E. WILLIS  
staff writer

The Michigan Organization for Human Rights (MOHR) appears to have won its fight to gain access to cable television Channel 12, the community access branch of the MetroVision system serving Novi, Farmington and Farmington Hills.

MOHR is a statewide lesbian and gay rights organization.

According to MOHR Attorney David Piontkowsky, MetroVision has offered a settlement to the group which was approved by the MOHR board of directors on Sunday, Oct. 25.

Piontkowsky said the settlement includes the stipulation that the MOHR show, "The Lambda Report," will air in its entirety beginning sometime in the very near future.

MOHR had threatened to sue MetroVision and the City of Novi over its right to present the program on the public access station. The group had charged the cable company and the city with illegal and unconstitutional discrimination for failure to present the program. "The Lambda Report" is magazine-type program with news and informational segments of interest to the gay community. MOHR spokeswoman Liz McGough said.

A letter confirming the settlement has been sent to MetroVision, Piontkowsky said.

## City OKs RUD plan

Novi City Council members gave unanimous approval to the tentative preliminary plan for the proposed Briarwood of Novi (Green Orchard Meadows) residential development.

The project, a residential unit development (RUD), is located on the northeast corner of the Ten Mile/Beck Road intersection. The accepted plan will contain 73 single-family lots.

The Briarwood of Novi RUD is proposed to have 73 single-family lots, 74 detached cluster units and 15 multiple family buildings containing 136 units for a total of 283 dwelling units.

## School sponsors 'major' workshop

LIVONIA — An informational program titled "How to Select a College Major" will be offered by Schoolcraft College for area adults interested in attending college.

The two-hour session will be held in the Waterman Campus Center on Monday, Nov. 2, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Schoolcraft College is located at 19890 Schoolcraft Road between Six and Seven Mile in Livonia.

"How to Select a College Major" is open to the public and free of charge. More information is available by calling Schoolcraft College at 591-6400, extension 312.

Participants will review college majors and the predicted job market. Members of the college staff will be on hand to discuss financial aid programs and provide information on how to manage the three-sided schedule of home, job and school.

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# Thief nabs purse from home

A daring burglar walked into a residence on Hartwood in the Echo Valley subdivision and walked off with a woman's purse while the owner was in a different part of the house.

The complainant told police she was home on Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. when she heard someone walk in through the rear door. The woman said she assumed it was one of her children and thought nothing of it until sometime later when she felt a draft. When she went to investigate, she found the door standing open and her purse missing from the kitchen table. The purse contained \$75 in U.S. currency along with credit cards, two check books, house keys and various pieces of personal identification.

A SPEEDY CLERK at Contempo Casuals at Twelve Oaks Mall chased down a pair of apparent shoplifters and recovered some \$582 worth of stolen merchandise, although the two suspects were able to make their getaway.

The clerk told police the store alarm sounded as two black females were leaving the store Oct. 15 at 7:30 p.m. The clerk said the suspects began to run when she approached them to check their packages.

The clerk caught up with the suspects near Olga's Kitchen, saying the store would not press charges if they returned the merchandise. One of the suspects stopped running and told her companion to continue on to the car. The second suspect, however, threw down the merchandise, and both suspects then fled out of the mall.

Recovered property included a suede jacket valued at \$380 as well as two cotton tops and two pair of cotton pants.

PERSONAL PROPERTY valued at \$570 has been stolen from the garage of a residence on Simmons in the

## Police Beat

**SIMMONS ORCHARD** subdivision over the past three weeks. The complainant told police that unknown individuals have entered the garage at various times and removed two boxes of Stanley tools valued at \$250, a Schwinn men's 10-speed bicycle valued at \$120, a Panasonic AM-FM cassette player valued at \$100 and a Sears weed-wacker, also valued at \$100.

**AN ENNISHORE** resident in the Meadowbrook Lake subdivision reported the theft of tools from an attached garage on Oct. 13 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The man told police unknown individuals entered the garage and took the hand tools from a cabinet in the rear of the garage. Also stolen were eight cassette tapes. No dollar value was placed on the stolen tools.

**ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT** was stolen from an East Lake Drive residence during a break-in that occurred Oct. 15 between 9 and 11 a.m.

The complainant told police she returned home at 11 a.m. to find the alarm going off and the glass in the front door broken out.

Investigating officers said it appeared the burglars used an ice skate to smash the glass in the front door. The ice skate, which was found on the living room floor, was owned by the complainant's son and had been left on the front porch of the home.

Once inside, the responsible parties removed a Zenith videocassette recorder as well as a remote control device. Nothing else in the residence appeared to have been disturbed, according to reports.

**A CARRIER FURNACE** was among the property stolen from a house under construction on Linhart during a break-in that occurred sometime between Oct. 13-15.

The complainant said unknown individuals entered the home and removed the \$800 furnace along with a 40-gallon gas pump valued at \$150 and a sump pump valued at \$100.

**TWO RIFLES** were stolen from a residence on Nine Mile during a break-in that took place Oct. 13 between 3:50 and 10:20 p.m.

The owner told police the responsible parties apparently walked in through an unlocked rear door and proceeded to a bedroom where the guns were removed from a closet shelf. Nothing else in the residence had been disturbed, police noted.

Stolen were a Browning 30/06 rifle and a 22 caliber semi-automatic rifle. Also stolen was a Daisy air rifle.

**A DIAMOND RING** valued at \$1,540 was stolen from J.B. Robinson's Jewelers at Twelve Oaks Mall on Oct. 11.

The manager told police the ring had been kept in a show case and was last seen at approximately 1:05 p.m. when a customer was turning in a ring to be sized at the front counter.

**TWO CARIN** figurine sculptures were stolen from Churchill's Tobacco Shop at Twelve Oaks Mall on Oct. 15 between 7:20 and 7:30 p.m.

The owner said the figurines were removed from a display case in the middle of the store by unknown individuals. Each of the figurines was valued at \$15.

**A SUZUKI** four-wheel all-terrain vehicle (ATV) was stolen from a shed behind a residence on Louisiana in the Novi Meadows Mobile Home Park on Oct. 17 between 3:50 and 10:30 a.m.

The complainant said unknown individuals entered the residence by removing a screen from a window. Once inside, the responsible party removed the keys to the storage shed and the ATV from their hooks, then proceeded to the storage shed and made off with the vehicle.

Police followed tracks from the ATV in the grass to the area of Fernhollow and Mariga in the Old Dutch Farms Mobile Home Park which abuts Novi Meadows.

The stolen ATV was valued at \$2,700.

**PLASTIC SWING** seats and an exercise bar were removed from a child's swing set located outside a residence on Center Street in the North Hills subdivision. The theft occurred during the night of Oct. 24-25.

**A UNION LAKE** man reported the theft of his 1986 Ford Thunderbird from the parking lot of the Holly Hills Plaza at 3955 Ten Mile. The car was stolen during the night of Oct. 21-22.

Police found broken glass on the ground where the vehicle had been parked before it was stolen. The car was valued at \$10,000.

**A 1986 LINCOLN** Town Car owned by a Wixom woman was stolen from the Red Lot at Twelve Oaks Mall on Oct. 19 between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m.

The owner told police she had been carrying children's toys from the mall to the car. The vehicle was stolen between her second and third trips.

The vehicle was valued at \$28,000 and contained approximately \$103 worth of toys at the time it was stolen.

## Novi Briefs

**Wheels for Vanda:** Vanda Muscatello, paralyzed by the June 21 tornado which ripped through Novi killing her husband and injuring her infant son, has received a helping hand from the Ford Motor Company. Ford has donated discount papers toward the purchase of a Ford van. "It's a heckuva discount," said Adrian Forster of Tom Holzer Ford in Farmington Hills. The van will be equipped with a \$1,000 wheelchair lift courtesy of Gresham Driving Aids in Wixom.

**Photo Show:** Novi resident Bob Fritz will have a showing of his nature photography at the Novi Public Library beginning Monday, Nov. 2, and running throughout the month of November.

Fritz, blinded in 1984, will be showing prints of his work shot in state and national parks from 1968 to 1984. Fritz currently concentrates on the art of weaving. Copies of the photographs may be purchased from Fritz.

**Call to art:** The Novi Arts and Culture Committee will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 6:45 in the Novi Parks and Recreation office. According to Kelley Simpson of the Parks and Recreation department, the committee will go over the results of their recent survey of Novi residents.

**Novi Jaycee haunted house:** The Novi Jaycees' 1987 Haunted House is open at the corner of Sixth Gate and Novi Road near the Grand River intersection through Saturday, Oct. 31. Hours are Sunday through Thursday from 8-11 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 8 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are priced at \$2.50 for children and \$3 for adults. Call the Novi Jaycees at 348-NOVI for more information.

**"Our Town:"** The play will be the fall presentation at Novi High School on Nov. 5-7. Contact the school for ticket information and times.

**Concert for Vanda:** Vanda Muscatello will be the beneficiary of a concert presented by the Novi Choralaires and the Novi Jaycees on Saturday, Dec. 5, at the Holy Family Church.

Muscatello's husband Michael was killed in the Father's Day tornado that ripped through the Chateau Estates Mobile Home Park. She was injured in the freak storm and is confined to a wheelchair.

"Tickets for the Choralaires' concert are now available at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department or by calling the Novi Jaycees at 348-NOVI. All proceeds from the annual Christmas concert will be donated to the Vanda-Muscatello Fund.

**Senior citizen passes:** The Novi Community School District is again offering event passes to senior citizens.

The passes, given free to any senior citizen who wants one, allow free admission to school district events such as athletic events, concerts, plays, high school completion classes and open swimming. The cards are also good for discounts on community education classes.

# Planners review new road network report

By CHRISTOPHER J. KOZLOWSKI staff writer

Despite opinions to the contrary, Novi's traffic network is for the most part functioning properly, according to the Thoroughfare Plan 65, a new Thoroughfare Plan prepared by Barton-Aschman Associates, the city's traffic consultants.

The report, prepared as part of an on-going update of the city's Master Plan, was reviewed by planning commissioners at their Oct. 14 meeting.

The Thoroughfare Plan is the culmination of months of testing, calculating and information-gathering aimed at studying existing traffic conditions and planning for future traffic needs, according to Barton-Aschman's Rodney L. Arroyo.

Arroyo said his firm worked with city, county and state officials to gather area traffic count data in an effort to compile all pertinent information into one source.

That information was used to examine the existing roadway network to determine how the network is operating, or their levels of service.

On the whole, Arroyo said of the city's traffic network is functioning properly.

"What (the plan) essentially shows is that most of the roadways in the City of Novi are operating at acceptable levels of service," he said. "The major problem areas are on Haggerty Road and on Novi Road near the I-96 interchange. And I think most people who live in the city

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are aware that those problems are there just by driving through them. They are obviously highly-congested areas," he added.

"There are other problem areas that are shorter in length," Arroyo said, adding that there are some segments on Ten Mile near Haggerty Road that are operating at lower levels of service.

"Traffic in the city is not as bad as it appears to be. In fact, it flows smoothly throughout most of the city," Arroyo said. "We have some very congested areas... A lot of times when you live in an area where there are several roads which are congested you may say roadways in this area are really congested, when, in fact, it may only be one or two roadways."

"We tend to generalize because the conditions on one roadway are so bad

that there is kind of a spill-over effect. You perceive there is a problem in the entire area, when in fact, there may not be.

"If you compare the (Novi) level of service map with a (similar) map for other cities to the east, you will see a staggering difference, and see exactly how well the roadways in Novi are operating relative to other communities."

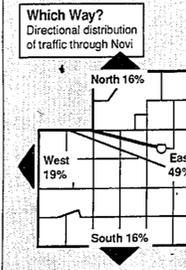
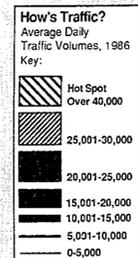
In addition to identifying areas of traffic congestion in the city, the report also identifies roadways which are prone to a high volume of accidents.

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## On the Road: Novi Traffic

A look at Novi's traffic volumes, directions and problem areas in 1986

Source: Barton-Aschman Associates, Inc.



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# Property values to increase again

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Recent increases in property tax assessments were:

- 2 percent increase in 1982-83;
- 3 percent increase in 1983-84;
- 8 percent increase in 1984-85;
- 8 percent increase in 1985-86; and
- 20-22 percent increase in 1986-87.

Although property tax assessments for 1987-88 may show another increase, Merrifield said an assessment increase does not necessarily mean a tax increase.

Property taxes are determined by multiplying the assessment by the tax rates established by various taxing units (city, schools, county, intermediate school district, etc.).

A considerable amount of the increase will be adjusted, and of course it will be affected by the Headlee Amendment, which reduces the millage," Merrifield said. "So when you say you have a large increase in the assessment it does not automatically mean you will have a large increase in taxes."

Merrifield added that Dec. 31 is tax day, and that his office will notify all city residents of any adjustment in property values by the middle of January.

# Tips offered for 'trickless' treating

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Halloween safety suggestions:

- Visibility is important for safety. Dress children in bright, light-colored costumes and put reflector tape on their costumes. Provide them with a flashlight to see and be seen.
- Make sure children can see well through face masks.
- Make certain children are accompanied by an adult.
- Stay within your own neighborhood and only visit homes you know. Caution children not to go inside the home of anyone they don't know well.
- Watch out for traffic.
- Only give or accept wrapped or packaged candy. Examine all "treats" carefully before allowing children to eat it.

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## Award of excellence

Novi High School Principal Robert Youngberg (left) receives an "Excellence in Education" flag from Dr. Larry Bowers, a site evaluator from the U.S. Department of Education during ceremonies at Novi High School's Fuester Auditorium last Wednesday night. Novi High School was one of 271 secondary schools across the country to be singled out for recognition in the national program designed to honor outstanding the nation's outstanding high schools. After receiving the honor, Youngberg passed it along to the students, teachers, parents, administrators and school board members who contribute to the quality of the high school and the school district.

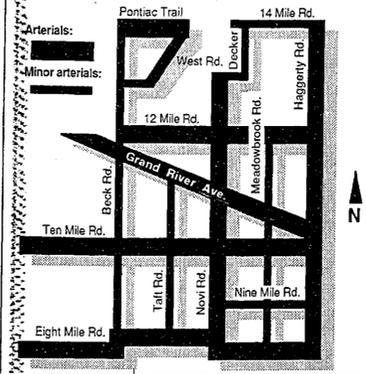
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# Looking at Novi

## Classifying Novi's road system

Major Arterial: Carry high volumes over long distances, connecting city with other municipalities. Four lanes minimum. Right of way: 180 feet (typical). Novi has none.

Arterial: Carry high volumes over longer distances; permit movement from one section of city to another. Right of way: 120 feet.



## Area Briefs

**Gifted programs expanded:** Skills traditionally taught in programs for Gifted & Talented students will now be shared with all students in Farmington Public Schools. The concept is to enrich all students with gifted-type activities, yet continue to offer special programs for an expanded group of students identified as gifted.

The new program is called DELTA (Differentiated, Enrichment, Leadership, Talent and Ability). In past years, the Farmington program focused on about 1,000 gifted students and maintained a "pull-out" program where students were removed from classrooms for special seminars by "gifted" coordinators. DELTA will focus not only on the intellectually gifted, but others who are creatively gifted or who have talent in specific academic areas.

**Property values increasing:** The value of homes in Southfield is going up, according to City Assessor Ernest Beren. Beren reported that early projections from the Oakland County Equalization Department show that home values in the City of Southfield have gone up 5 to 8 percent during the past year. "Based on some 2,000 home sales in the last 24 months, the market has shifted upward in most neighborhoods," said Beren. "The \$54,800 value of the average single-family property has increased to about \$70,000."

**No housing boom:** Four new subdivisions, including 600 houses if projects valued at more than \$70 million, are under way in Canton Township. But the surge in housing growth falls short of being a "boom," according to township officials. "It's substantial, but not a boom time," said David Nicholson, Canton community and economic development director. "In the mid to late 1970s, it was not unusual to have 1,000 single-family residential lots developed in a year."

# Holiday traffic plans in process

By ANN E. WILLIS staff writer

Sure, Halloween is just coming up and you haven't even bought the Thanksgiving turkey yet, but that doesn't mean it isn't time to start thinking about the holiday shopping rush in Novi.

When you think of shopping, thoughts may naturally gravitate to traffic. Holidays in Novi mean traffic — and no one is more aware of that than William Clogg, manager of Twelve Oaks Mall.

Clogg and members of the North Central Novi Traffic Planning Committee have been meeting for the last three years to make shopping in Novi an easier proposition.

The 1987 holiday season marks the first year that all four commercial areas — Twelve Oaks Mall, West Oaks I, West Oaks II and the Town Center — will be open for business.

The committee, made up in part of Clogg, Novi Police Chief Lee BeGole, city traffic consultant Rolf Kilian, members of the city planning staff, planning commission chairperson Judy Johnson and managers of stores in West Oaks I and II and the Town Center, met Oct. 16 to prepare for the area's biggest shopping season of the year.

According to Clogg, Novi's commercial district is in the best shape ever to face the flood of shoppers which usually begins the day after Thanksgiving.

Twelve Oaks recently completed work on a parking lot with 750 additional spaces which will provide room for approximately 3,500 more customer cars each day, Clogg said. The figure is based on expected customer turnover.

Clogg said the city will realize this year the effects of the committee's planning sessions in previous years. Traffic on two heavily-traveled and often-congested roads — Novi Road and Twelve Mile, should be eased, Clogg noted.

A completely new signal control system is currently under construction for Novi Road, Clogg said. The Oakland County Road Commission is installing the system which should be working by the first week in November, Clogg noted. The system will regulate the lights on Novi Road according to traffic demand — which should keep cars moving along Novi Road at a better rate.

There will be a total of four signals that impossible this year, Clogg said. Security is another important planning factor for the holiday season, Clogg noted. In past years the Novi Police Department has worked closely on advance training with private security forces at each shopping center.

The bottom line, though, is there will be crowds. "There's going to be crowds," admitted Clogg. "People probably wouldn't go anywhere if it wasn't crowded. But it will move along easier this year."

Clogg suggested that shoppers with adaptable schedules should consider shopping on the less busy days and times. Mornings and early days of the week — Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, are less crowded.

And for those marking their calendars, Santa Claus will be coming to Twelve Oaks on Nov. 21 this year.

along Novi Road from the north side of the I-96 freeway to Twelve Mile to help traffic flow into and out of the shopping centers.

New signage also is being installed to better direct shoppers to the proper lanes and entrances, Clogg said.

On Twelve Mile, a signal is being installed at the eastern entrance of Twelve Oaks Mall, by the mall's theater marquee. The signal will be controlled by traffic demands and will be synchronized with the signal on Twelve Mile at the Woodland Medical Center. "Twelve Mile traffic will definitely flow easier," Clogg said.

This type of advance planning for traffic control by our own staff and the police department will make the difference," Clogg said.

The Doneison Drive off-ramp and access road behind West Oaks I and II will be in its second holiday season. Drivers can use the ramp to go directly from I-96 into the West Oaks shopping centers, thereby avoiding Novi Road. In addition, drivers can use the access road from Twelve Mile to skirt Novi Road. The access road also makes it easier to go from West Oaks I to West Oaks II without returning to Novi Road.

Clogg currently is investigating an off-site lot for employee parking in order to provide additional customer parking at Twelve Oaks. In past years Twelve Oaks employees had used the civic center lot at Ten Mile and Taft Road and were shuttled to the mall. The current construction traffic at the civic center site makes

# Planners OK new subdivision

By CHRISTOPHER J. KOZLOWSKI staff writer

Plans have been set in motion for a new six-lot subdivision to be constructed near Novi's southeast boundary.

Specifically, the Novi Planning Commission has granted preliminary plat approval and woodlands permit for the Pine Hollow subdivision on the west side of Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine Mile.

The subdivision, which must receive final plat approval from the city council and subsequent city approvals, is being proposed by a Novi couple who plans to build their new home on the site.

Pine Hollow would be located on 3.49 acres of land, which is currently zoned R-2 and requires homes to be located on 18,000 square foot lots.

Pat Haberman, 32, said she and her husband Dale, 32, would live in the new subdivision after it is completed — an aspect to the plan which some planning commissioners said was worth noting. "It is nice to see a developer who is going to live in what they build," said Commissioner Charles Kureth.

Although commissioners unanimously approved the plan for a woodlands permit, they debated over the subdivision's plans for plat approval because of inevitable curb cuts which may be necessary on Meadowbrook Road.

In order to provide road access to the subdivision, the Habermans are proposing to extend Onaway Drive easterly from Glenhaven Circle. Residents of the proposed subdivision would access their homes by way of Glenhaven Circle, which is currently used as an entranceway to the neighboring Country Place Condominiums complex.

Some Country Place residents present at last week's meeting expressed concern that the new subdivision would create traffic problems for the area, and questioned why the new subdivision could not provide for access onto Meadowbrook Road.

Country Place resident Sue Foland said she was opposed to the proposed subdivision because she said it would adversely affect tree parking space, which she said is already limited.

Some commissioners added that they were concerned about the number of curb cuts that may eventually be needed on Meadowbrook Road.

Planning Commission Chairperson Judith Johnson said important consideration has to be made to the number of curb cuts on Meadowbrook Road. Two lots along the southern and northern boundaries of the Pine Hollow proposal may also require Meadowbrook access, and Johnson said the best plan, in terms of traffic, would utilize one curb cut on Meadowbrook to serve the three lots which front the street.

"I cannot support this plan for plat approval because it does not make sense from a planning standpoint," said Commissioner Charles Kureth.

Haberman said the Meadowbrook access would require that a seventh lot, currently owned by the couple but contracted for sale, be sacrificed for the road and that a home on the remaining land would have to be positioned so the back of the home would front on Meadowbrook Road.

She said it would cost an estimated \$45,000-\$50,000 more if she would be required to build the road to Meadowbrook. Haberman also said Country Place board of directors endorsed her current plan without a Meadowbrook access, reasoning that Meadowbrook access would increase the intensity of traffic on the road.

Planning commissioners recommended preliminary plat approval following a 5-3 vote.

Provided she gains the necessary city approvals, Haberman said she does not expect plans for the subdivision to be finalized until July 1988. She said, however, that she has already received several phone calls from persons interested in living in Pine Hollow.

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Comments concerning the site will be heard at the public hearing and written comments may be sent to the Planning Dept., 45225 W. Ten Mile, Novi, MI 48050 until 5:00 P.M. Wednesday, November 4, 1987.

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Ballots may be applied for in person only and voted in the Clerk's Office on Monday, November 2nd, from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., EST. Please call the Clerk's Office, 349-4300, if you have any questions regarding Absentee Ballots.

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Comments concerning the matter will be heard at the public hearing and written comments may be sent to the Planning Dept., 45225 W. Ten Mile, Novi, MI 48050 until 5:00 P.M. Wednesday, November 18, 1987.

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MAYORAL

**Nancy Covert**

- Age: 43
- Residence: Country Place
- Family: A daughter and a son
- Experience: Currently serving on city council.

Although I have been a critic of past budget policies that did not increase manpower in keeping with SEV growth, I support this millage cautiously with one very important commitment to Novi taxpayers. As mayor, I would vote to levy less than the allowable maximum whenever SEV yearly increases permit.

I would work to implement a six-point program to preserve our environment by lowering residential densities; improving and enforcing Woodlands and Wetlands ordinances; giving high priority to funding public recreational parkland acquisition; supporting adoption of an Environmental Hazardous Materials ordinance; supporting adoption of a "Comprehensive Natural Resources and Design Plan" and "Urban Design Plan" and exploring all alternatives to preserve natural resources.

I commit to less study costing taxpayers thousands of dollars and more implementation of proposals like the comprehensive road planning recommendations by our planning and traffic consultants; the legal use of marginal access service drives designated on the Master Plan; using dedicated road funds solely for road improvements; restricting new development by "down-zoning" in those areas where road infrastructure presents a clear, present danger; supporting state legislator initiated "Developer Impact Fees;"

Listening to and voting for Novi's homeowners is the key element in ensuring that our vision of a well-planned, livable city will come true. We see our current environment being replaced with amorphous shopping malls and unfilled strip commercial centers. Our height limitation has gone from three to five to 10 stories. What happened to council's commitment to a low-rise community? Are we building our city for the developers who don't live here or the residents who do?

**Matthew Quinn**

- Age: 40
- Residence: Turtle Creek
- Family: Married, three children
- Experience: Principle in law firm used as city prosecuting attorney.

Yes, I unequivocally endorse the millage because our city residents need and deserve better police and fire protection. Immediately, I am a mayoral candidate that must look at today and the future for solutions. Time can't be wasted arguing about why these steps toward improved protection were not accomplished gradually as our city grew.

This important question requires active enforcement of our existing Woodlands and Wetlands ordinances, a plan which will allow for the purchase of parkland; and, a willingness of the city to negotiate with residential developers for the donation and preservation of sensitive lands. We should actively continue seeking Federal and State funds for parkland purchases such as the State Land Trust Funds we are seeking for the purchase of land around Shawood Lake. I would propose a citizens committee.

We must actively keep in contact with the federal, state and other local governments to jointly solve our dilemma. The Five-Year Road Program for construction and maintenance, provides a good basis, but due to the lack of funds, it isn't very all encompassing. As new developments enter the city, our consultants should be working with the developers to obtain as much roadway as possible with their funds. By putting our Master Thoroughfare Plan into public view, we can obtain marginal access roads with private help.

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CITY COUNCIL

**Richard Clark**

- Age: 46
- Residence: Turtle Creek
- Family: Married, two children
- Experience: Has served on the planning commission for over two years.

Like all citizens, I do not relish the thought of increased taxes. However, the demand for increased police and fire services must be met if we are to assure an adequate level of services. Therefore, I will support the millage increase proposal for this purpose.

There must be vigorous and effective application and enforcement of existing ordinances; community officials should be working vigorously with the appropriate county and state agencies and officials to expand our wetlands and woodlands holding; tax incentives should be considered; the city should be earmarking a certain portion of its expected revenues from development; we should be encouraging residential construction on sites of one (1) acre or more; and, finally, we may wish to tighten our standards as to what constitutes a woodland.

To resolve our traffic problems we should not be encouraging development on already clogged arteries. Additional legislation to discourage multiple curb cuts on local roads should be pursued. I do not favor the addition of another interchange on Haggerty in the vicinity of Twelve Mile. Developers should be encouraged to work with the city in upgrading existing roadways or developing new roadways. City officials should support state legislation allowing impact fees on new development commensurate with its long range impact on our community.

Sewer capacity is the most crucial issue that can be seen in terms of future development of our community. It makes little sense to encourage multiple curb cuts on local roads with inadequate sewer capacity to meet the development. Perhaps now is the time for Novi to catch its breath and give the sewer in order. We still at present have the ability to insure that the "Quality of Life" brought us to Novi in the first place is not destroyed. Query — How big a city do we really have to be?

**Rico Digirolamo**

- Age: 33
- Residence: Meadowbrook Lake
- Family: Married, two children
- Experience: Treasurer and on Board of Directors of Meadowbrook Lake Subdivision

I support the proposed improvements in police and fire protection, however, I believe that the improvements should be accomplished within the city's current fiscal resources.

The current processes in place to protect wetlands and woodlands represent an excellent step forward for these areas. Looking to the future, I would propose to preserve these lands as well as open space and parklands through the use of reduced density in the planning process. Continued emphasis on the forward planning process with a focus on a regional park system, and open spaces between different developments (especially where wetlands and woodlands exist) must be a top priority.

An overall city program that would reduce the density of developments would lower the possibility of a much larger traffic problem. The city should adopt a policy requiring developers to improve the major roads adjacent to and along the entire length of the development — not just turn lanes at entrances. Another specific traffic problem centers around the mall. I would recommend a series of additional parking lots adjacent to the major road arteries with access by a shuttle-type arrangement.

The major element that is crucial in the future planning of Novi is controlled growth. I would define controlled growth as a three-part effort: (1) centering our commercial growth along the commercial corridor — Grand River/196; (2) developing all other areas residential; and (3) aligning the pace of growth with the pace of the infrastructure development. Most importantly, my definition of controlled growth is reduced density and land usage. I believe that high-rise conference centers do not have a place in Novi.

**Martha Hoyer**

- Age: 48
- Residence: North end of Novi
- Family: Married, two children
- Experience: Has served three consecutive terms on the city council.

Yes, according to our Citizen's Survey, the need exists for more police officers for neighborhood patrols and fire department staffing during daytime hours when most of our residents are unavailable.

Great strides have been made through the adoption of ordinances and the Storm Water Management Plan. The Subdivisions Open Space Plan, One Family Clustering, RUD and PUD were all expressly adopted where a conventional subdivision approach to residential development would destroy stands of trees, wetlands, streams, hills. There is also the Land Conservancy Option whereby a developer may donate land to the Novi Land Conservancy (a private organization) for preservation. There has been discussion of the possibility of a ballot issue.

Under current Michigan law a developer is liable for traffic circulation within his site and safe ingress and egress as provided in an interlocking ordinance. We must continue to lobby for impact fee legislation for road improvements. Locally we are requiring developers to submit traffic studies and to provide all improvements possible within the scope of existing legislation. Since the majority of our congested roadways are under the jurisdiction of other agencies, we must participate in planning committees and budget hearings.

Master Plans — Land Use, Roads, Sewer, Water and Storm Water Management Plans. Jointly, on February 11, 1986, the council and planning commission adopted and adopted a document entitled "City of Novi — A Statement of Purpose: Our Hope and Plan for the Future." We must now through co-operative effort, work toward the implementation of that plan (much of the required work involving the council and the Novi Land Use Master Plan and Road Network Master Plan is already underway). We are utilizing overlays of the Woodlands and Wetlands Maps.

**Ed Leininger**

- Age: 41
- Residence: Meadowbrook Glens
- Family: Married, three children
- Experience: Finishing first term on city council.

I support the 1.8 mill millage issue that will appear on the fall ballot. I believe the police and fire citizens committee did an excellent job of researching and evaluating the present and future needs of the City of Novi.

I believe the issue of parkland and open spaces would not be an issue had the Parks and Recreation's millage proposal been passed four years ago. Presently, parkland, wetlands and some woodland areas are being purchased with the limited MCO funds and stormwater management millage monies the City of Novi has. Open space areas in subdivisions and sensitive land can be maintained and preserved with the use of dedicated parks from developers, open space planning options and proper use of the cluster housing option.

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**Laura Lorenzo**

- Age: 29
- Residence: Lexington Green
- Family: Married
- Experience: Serving on election campaigns for Nancy Covert and Robert Schmid.

Personally, I will support the 1.8 mill millage proposal because I realize that additional police and fire protection is essential. The Novi police and fire departments are understaffed — we need additional police and fire protectors and we need them now.

I strongly support zoning for large lot subdivisions which would provide the maximum preservation of trees on each lot, more open space (breathing room) between homes and would ease the stress and strain on our infrastructure. We should try to purchase as much park land as possible, for designated wildlife preserves and recreation. To fund parkland acquisition I suggest that capturing a portion of our revenues, applying for any available state and federal (and other) grants whenever possible and a dedicated millage if residents so choose.

Novi must continue to actively lobby Oakland County and the legislature for road improvements. I strongly support the use of developer impact fees which would require developers to make major road improvements. I think that Novi should pursue marginal access roads as proposed by the Master Plan in order to reduce the number of curb cuts on major roads, ease congestion and provide better traffic flow. I also believe that Novi must conduct better, tougher negotiations with developers for major road improvements and other essentials.

I believe that controlling growth is crucial in the future planning of Novi. A controlled amount of commercial, industrial and office development is necessary to provide economic stability (business and residents) to rely on each other for support, but I believe that moderation has been missing and Novi is losing control. Novi has experienced too much, too fast, in terms of regional and strip commercial centers, industrial development and multiple curb cuts. I don't slow it down and regain control until growth may become a metropolis.

**Edward Phelps**

- Age: 37
- Residence: Summit Hills
- Family: Married, three children
- Experience: No current experience on boards or commissions.

After giving the Charter Amendment 9.1 (F) very careful scrutiny, it is — in my opinion — clear that there exists too many loopholes for the amendment to bear any weight. No, I cannot and will not support this amendment as it is worded, for its intent and the city's intent may not be in the public interest.

I would suggest that trees that must be taken for any development must be measured, not counted, and replaced "inch for inch," whichever party mutilates, tampers, alters or destroys should pay \$1,000 a square foot and the resulting fine deposited in an interest bearing account for purchasing parklands. No construction of any kind should be allowed within a 100 foot distance from wetlands, and since our city must provide a clear title for the Landlord to the developer, the savings of \$34,800 be given to the parkland account.

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**Robert Schmid**

- Age: 55
- Residence: Summit Hills
- Family: Married, three children
- Experience: Former city councilman and mayor.

Because I have been out of city government for two years, I must rely on the present council's directions. I believe I have heard all of them say they support the millage. I respect that opinion and will, therefore, vote for the millage.

The City of Novi presently has ordinances that effectively contribute to the preservation of our wetlands, woodlands and open space. The way to preserve is to enforce the ordinances. Too often these ordinances are compromised for a variety of reasons; because the less-than-quality developer is able to convince individual council members he has the interest of Novi in mind when, in fact, his interest is short-cutting the ordinances. Parkland can also be acquired by working with developers; not giving the store away, but negotiating.

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Qualified council members who possess a background of leadership, innovative approaches to planning, in compliance to strict ordinances to assure quality development and lifestyle. The leadership must have the guts to say no when it is not in the best interests of the citizens and the experience and wisdom to say yes when it makes sense for the good of all. We must elect leaders.

**Joseph Toth**

- Age: 51
- Residence: Village Oaks
- Family: Married, five children
- Experience: Appointed to council in January, 1987.

The committee did their homework and their conclusion is that the 1.8 millage request is the only way to provide these additional policemen/policewomen and fire fighters. I read their report, talked to a number of committee members, and find their conclusions and recommendations are sound and reasonable. Therefore, I personally support a YES vote on this ballot issue.

Woodlands are being preserved in Novi with detailed consideration at the planning stages and the use of our very effective and strong woodlands ordinance and woodlands map. Wetlands are being preserved through our very effective and comprehensive wetlands ordinance and wetlands map. Open space is being encouraged through the use of planning options such as Residential Unit Development (RUD) and cluster. We have expanded our current parklands through grants from the Kammer Land Trust Fund, private donations, and Stormwater property.

Most of Novi's traffic problems are because of regional development. Add to that the general failure of both county and state agencies to plan, construct, and have in place, a good arterial road system. Novi officials will need to continue addressing traffic problems on a regional basis; work on our interior road system regarding collector streets, marginal access roads, intersection improvements, signalization additions; accelerate construction of sidewalks and bikepaths to minimize local traffic and look at public transportation.

The City of Novi has good ordinances for control of residential, industrial and commercial growth. We also have an excellent Master Plan for Land Use plus a number of related Master Plans, Parks and Recreation, Stormwater Management Plan, etc. The one major element of that must utilize these plans is the Comprehensive Infrastructure Plan (CIP). The CIP must integrate the intent of each master plan and the capabilities of the city properly. It must include residential, industrial and commercial.

## 'Up-scale' home for seniors opens

By CHRISTOPHER J. KOZLOWSKI staff writer

Senior citizens looking to retire in an "up-scale" fashion may want to check out Senior House, Novi's first senior-dedicated facility offering exclusive care for those who desire "exclusive" treatment.

Senior House, located at 45182 West Road west of Walled Lake officially opened its doors for occupancy Monday, and, according to manager Stacey MacMaster, the 114-room double level complex will welcome 25 new residents by the end of November.

MacMaster said Senior House was designed to offer senior citizens a luxurious "up-scale" home environment. But at the same time, MacMaster said it was the goal of developer Alan Middleton to provide a care facility for seniors in a country-type atmosphere. Middleton currently operates a similar senior housing facility in Livonia.

Senior House offers the elderly an opportunity to live in a luxury apartment complex, complete with daily maid service, gourmet cooking, and planned activities and field trips. Living in luxury does, however, have its price.

According to MacMaster, apartments are rented on a month-by-month basis (no leases) beginning at \$120 per month. Gourmet meals are offered in packages specified by the number of meals available per day. Breakfast meals cost \$80 per month, lunches cost \$120 per month and dinners cost \$90 per month.

Fees for the daily maid service, linen, towels and toiletries, as well as activity and transportation fees are included in the monthly rent.

Apartments are available in two one-bedroom styles, starting at 638 square feet. Each unit includes a bathroom, living room and kitchen. Ten specially-designed handicapped units also are available in the complex. Two emergency call buttons are located within each apartment unit.

MacMaster said Senior House was designed to cater to as many daily and weekly needs of seniors as possible. The complex includes a beauty salon, exercise room, a game room and a coffee shop. Medical services also are available on site. A full-time medical office, staffed weekly by a general practice doctor and monthly by a podiatrist.

Residents at Senior House also have access to mobile transportation throughout the Novi area by way of an apartment-owned van. MacMaster said the van can be used by seniors who need to get around in the area, as well as for planned field trips.

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MacMaster said 25 units have been rented thus far and that she has fielded about 40-50 additional inquiries this week. She said seniors are moving to Senior House for a variety of reasons and from a variety of places.

"The majority of (tenants so far) have relatives living in Michigan," MacMaster said. "I have people moving in from Colorado and Florida, but most of (the seniors) originate from Michigan."

"Since we do offer such a setting where (seniors) have everything done for them, we are actually attracting the people who are at a point in their lives where they do not like to cook for themselves; they do not have the energy to do house cleaning anymore."

Although seniors living in Senior House will be living in a building where many services will be provided for them, MacMaster said residents will be allowed to live independent lives in a "luxurious" environment.

"But yet, Senior House is not a nursing home," MacMaster stressed. "You don't have sickly people here. And tenants can invite whomever they want to come and visit. It is their apartment. The only thing different about congregating living is that they have people their own age in the same environment."



Senior citizen housing opportunities in Novi got a boost with the opening of Senior House on Monday



Senior House suites are designed to offer seniors a luxurious home environment

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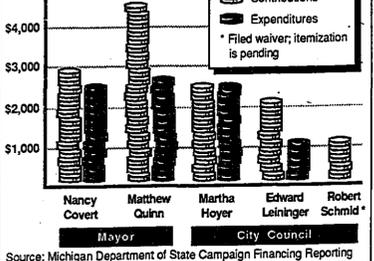
## Campaign finances filed

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and Edward Leininger and former mayor Robert Schmid. Schmid filed a waiver with the county saying he will be reporting over \$1,000 in campaign contributions but received a 12-day extension on filing names of specific contributors.

### Novi Campaign Spending

Required by state for candidates receiving over \$1,000 in contributions



Hoyer raised \$2,698 in contributions and has spent \$2,679.77 thus far in her campaign. She has \$38.00 left in her fund at this time. Hoyer's largest lump sum contribution was \$294 from W. Harold Tuck of Novi Auto Parts on Grand River. She received \$100 contributions from John Ekstrom and Dean King contributed \$48-\$50, and Donald Gleason contributed \$30. Some 109 people attended a fund-raiser for Hoyer at the Novi Inn.

Hoyer's funds have been spent on campaign literature, signs and related items.

Leininger raised \$2,161 in contributions and has spent \$1,358.48 to date. He has \$802.52 left in his fund at this time. Brent and Diana Cannup, Richard Gilbert, developer Lee Walter, Bob Rosin, Theodore and Elaine Andris, Kirkor Arman and Harold Tuck donated \$96-\$100 to the Leininger fund.

Jerry Surles, John Galido and Hugh and Kathy Crawford donated \$50. Five people made contributions of \$24-\$25. Edward Leininger made an in-kind contribution of \$175 in food and refreshments to his own campaign. The bulk of Leininger's campaign money was spent on campaign literature, signs and fund-raiser expenses.

## City reviews new road plan

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gests some solutions in terms of traffic accident locations," said Arroyo.

Arroyo said the second major element which concerns the thoroughfare plan is planning for the future.

"We then come up with projections of future volumes, and once we have that information we can determine what roadways are needed — where we need to have new roads and what the appropriate rights-of-way would be for the new and existing roadways."

Arroyo sighted Twelve Mile as a primary area of concern for future traffic planning.

"We know that Twelve Mile is going to be a major arterial roadway in the future," Arroyo said. "And the plan is for that roadway to be a divided roadway with probably four or six lanes, two or three lanes in each direction. In order to have a roadway that wide, you need to have the appropriate right-of-way reserved to accommodate that width. And so we have shown a 180-foot right-of-way for Twelve Mile Road."

"What that does is it becomes public (record)," Arroyo said, "so

that people are aware of what roadways are going to be put into place in the future. And it also gives the city a tool to use for reviewing various site plans. (City officials) can make sure that buildings and parking lots are set back far enough from the roadways so that when future widening projects are put in place that structures do not have to be torn down and parking lots do not have to be torn up."

"(The Thoroughfare Plan) is very beneficial, in terms of letting the city plan for its future development and also letting the development community know what the city's intentions are," he added.

"It is important to point out that the roadway alignments that you see on the thoroughfare plan are conceptual in nature. They are not carved in stone. They are going to be subject to future engineering analysis to determine their feasibility."

## Retain Councilman Joseph G. TOTH

**Civic Service:** City Council, Planning Commission, Civic Center Comm., Senior Citizens Housing Committee

**Community Service:** Holy Family Church, 1984 Novi Library Family Award, Village Oaks Homeowners Assoc., Novi Lions Club, Novi Schools Needs & Assessment Comm., City of Novi Needs & Assessments Comm.

**Environmental Service:** Stormwater Program Chairman, Woodlands Committee Chairman, Beautification Committee Chairman, Novi Land Conservancy President.

**Personal Data:** Novi resident 18 years, Married, 5 children, US Marine Corps 8 years, Member Michigan Society of Planning Officials.



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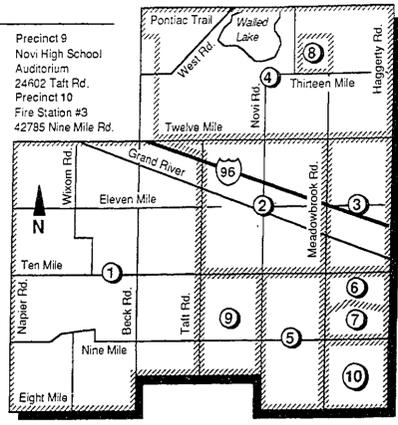
## We Support Joseph G. TOTH for Novi City Council

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### Where to Vote in Novi

#### List of Voter Precincts

- Precinct 1  
Church of the Holy Cross  
46200 Ten Mile Rd.
- Precinct 2  
Novi Middle School South  
25299 Taft Rd.
- Precinct 3  
Novi Library  
45245 Ten Mile Rd.
- Precinct 4  
Lakeshore Park  
Community Bldg.  
601 South Lake Dr.
- Precinct 5  
Orchard Hills School  
41900 Quince Dr.
- Precinct 6  
Fire Station #1  
42975 Grand River
- Precinct 7  
Village Oaks Elementary  
23333 Willowbrook  
Precinct 8  
Chateau Estates Clubhouse  
46200 Ten Mile Rd.
- Precinct 9  
Novi High School  
Auditorium  
24602 Taft Rd.
- Precinct 10  
Fire Station #3  
42785 Nine Mile Rd.



## Vaccinations urged for pets

Pet owners are being advised to re-vaccinate their dogs or cats for rabies if the animal received a rabies vaccination since July 1985 with either Endural-K or Rabguard-TC by the subcutaneous (under the skin) method.

Dr. Michael Chadcock of the State Veterinarian's Office said dog and cat owners should check with their veterinarians to see if Endural-K or Rabguard-TC was used and, if it was used, how it was administered.

"If the pet did receive an injection of one of these vaccines subcutaneously, it is considered a non-vaccinate and should be re-vaccinated," said Chadcock.

Chadcock said the Michigan Department of Agriculture supports the U.S. Department of Agriculture's withdrawal of approval for subcutaneous administration of Endural-K and Rabguard-TC, which are manufactured by Norden Laboratories of Lincoln, Nebraska.

The vaccines should only be administered intramuscularly to provide dogs and cats effective protection against rabies, Chadcock said.

The USDA withdrew its approval of the subcutaneous administration of the Norden drugs effective Aug. 17, 1987. Studies indicated the vaccines did not provide adequate protection three years after injected under the skin.

More information is available from Chadcock at 517-373-1077.

## Edison program to assist seniors in need of help

Detroit Edison is supplementing its widely heralded "Eyes and Ears" public safety program with a companion Gatekeeper Program which will provide special help to elderly people in the utility's Southeastern Michigan service area.

Under the nationally recognized Gatekeeper Program, the company is training and mobilizing 2,000 customer-contact employees to watch for signs that senior citizens may be having difficulties. The employees will refer their observations to Detroit Edison coordinators who in turn will alert a state agency that can provide assistance.

Detroit Edison's "Eyes and Ears" program was begun in March 1984 to provide both a refuge and a means of communication for people who may feel threatened or be in danger on public streets.

Under that program, company field personnel advise authorities by telephone in their vehicles of problems involving possible crimes or of emergencies such as fires or ac-

idents. Company vehicles are marked with the familiar "Eyes and Ears" logo, alerting the public that employees operating the vehicles are trained to request emergency assistance and to provide shelter in their vehicles if needed.

The Gatekeeper Program will train 2,000 Detroit Edison customer-contact employees — including meter readers, linemen and tree-clearance investigators — to be vigilant for and sensitive to signs that elderly persons may need assistance. Possible trouble signs include neglected yard work, piled-up newspapers, needed home repairs and indications of disorientation, confusion, hostility, unkept appearance, physical abuse and financial problems among other persons.

"Many elderly people are quite independent and living alone, but still may need help and are reluctant to request it from neighbors, relatives and acquaintances," said E. H. Schneider, group vice president at Detroit Edison. "Our expanded pro-

gram will help locate these people and get them the aid they need."

"Because many of our employees have regular contact with customers, they're natural to assume this new Gatekeeper role. We've found that our employees are enthusiastic about the program and just want to help."

The first training session for the Gatekeeper Program was held Oct. 9 at Detroit Edison's Macomb Division headquarters in Mount Clemens for coordinators or trainers from the company's six operating divisions. They in turn are training other employees.

Schneider said that in addition to meter readers, linemen and tree-clearance investigators, trainees include service planners, customer telephone representatives, field collectors and customer business representatives.

Once Detroit Edison reports its observations to the responsible state agency, that agency will follow up with the seniors involved. It then will be up to the seniors to accept or reject the assistance offered.

## Residents voice objections to Novi group home

By ANN E. WILLIS  
staff writer

Almost one year to the date of its inception, neighbors of the group home in the Jamestown Green subdivision met to register complaints with the state and Adult Learning Systems, operators of the home.

Dave Sheeran, president of the Jamestown Green Homeowner's Association, told the assembled group he had initiated the meeting "because of a number of incidents that had occurred since the home has been there." The home is located at 23243 Jamestown.

The Michigan Department of Mental Health bought the four-bedroom house in Jamestown Green last fall and leased it to the operating company, Adult Learning Systems. The program houses six adults between the ages of 50 and 75 who are mentally ill but no longer in need of psychiatric hospitalization at the Clinton Valley Center in Pontiac.

Attending the meeting on Oct. 20 at Faith Community Presbyterian Church were the immediate next-door neighbors of the home, the Adlers and Englerts, and the neighbor behind the home, Barbara Chisom. Dale Poole of Community Residential Services program of Ypsilanti Regional Psychiatric Hospital, Joe Wirtel, Home Manager/Coordinator from Adult Learning Systems and Stephen Lanterman of Community Residential Services, also attended.

"Although the neighbors recited a list of incidents that they termed 'minor,' one event in particular sparked the meeting with the officials of the group home, according to Sheeran.

Barbara Chisom, whose yard backs up to the group home, filed a police report on Aug. 31 against a resident of the home. Chisom related the experience at the meeting, saying her two grandchildren were playing in her backyard when a resident from the home crossed into the Chisom yard. According to Chisom, the children went into the house and the resident followed, passing through "two barriers" — or both doors.

Once inside, Chisom said the



Jamestown Green residents are not pleased with operations at the group home in their subdivision

Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

service licensing consultant investigated the entire incident and found no "willful negligence" on the part of the home, according to a report cited by Wirtel, the home's immediate manager.

Lanterman said the state has tried to be open with the neighboring residents "from the word go."

"I have to respect your feelings for this in these horribly tense times," Lanterman said, but told the concerned neighbors, "The facts are reassuring. The licensing and investigation and the police report all found no fault. We admit responsibility, but we never once made an error in placing that resident in the home. The screening process is intact and there never was an error in supervising."

The overwhelming appeal from the neighbors was for those in power at

the home to offer a guarantee that an incident such as the one related by Chisom would never happen again.

The Adlers and Englerts all cited incidents where each couple had run-ins with residents of the group home. The incidents varied from a man asking for a cigarette, a woman lying under a tree, another woman sitting with her dress up — to a confused group home resident attempting to walk into a neighbor's front door, not realizing it wasn't her home.

"This kind of stuff really concerns me," Carol Adler said. Adler has a small daughter and said she is prepared to beware of "normal risks" in day-to-day living, but didn't "want to fear the residents (of the group home) aren't being watched."

"These incidents may seem kind of petty," Sheeran said, referring to the minor run-ins, "but they start small

and build. It shows a growing boldness and confidence — we're not dealing with normal residents of the community," he said.

State officials and Wirtel from Adult Learning Systems stressed that a more stringent system of supervision was not the purpose of the group home experience. "We don't want to step up observation, that won't be in keeping with the goals of the program," Lanterman said. "We're not going to change the nature of the program, we're not going to be oppressive."

He said the purpose of the program was to build the confidence of the participants and to try and ready them for living more independent lives.

The staff and client ration at the group home is six residents and two staff members on the day shift, two

staff members on the afternoon shift, one on nights, and two-and-a-half staff members on the weekend shift. This does not include Wirtel's position as manager. Wirtel said he is at the home often more than 40 hours each week and that he tries to visit all shifts.

The neighbors agreed that the situation was "a hard moral decision," but since the home appeared to be in their neighborhood to stay, they wanted to know the rules and guidelines for the residents.

Wirtel urged the neighbors to "be my eyes and ears. Don't call Lansing — call me. Get to know the staff, we'll be glad to take care of the problem right there. Any feedback you give me can really help."

Lanterman stressed to the neighbors that all the residents were receiving clinical treatment as well as help in learning proper procedures for living in a residential setting.

The neighbors were not satisfied — but pressed for better supervision and a guarantee of safety to their families. "I don't think the residents will ever be satisfied," Sheeran said. "The emotional issue is too large — we can work with it but I don't know if we'll ever be satisfied."

"We want to work in harmony with you," Wirtel responded. "We want our folks to be comfortable, too. Let me be the neighbor you would like to have," he said.

The meeting ended with no assurances from the group home operators but a commitment to further communication with the neighbors. The neighbors left quieter than they had come, but not necessarily heartened by the exchange.

"This was an emotional issue from the start," Sheeran said. "We had the home jammed down our throats — we couldn't fight state law and the anger has been there to begin with."

Sheeran urged the meeting by calling for continued dialogue between the two sides. "We'll have to work on building trust," he said.

A support group for the group home has been established. Madeline Mills, a Northville resident and member of the support group, urged the neighbors to attend, saying some of their questions could be answered there by state officials.

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### CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF REGULAR CITY ELECTION

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF NOVI:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Regular City Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 1987, in the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM, EST.

**TO BE ELECTED:**

**Mayor - 2 year term**

**Council Members - Three to be elected for four year terms**

All qualified and registered electors may vote at this election. In addition, the following proposed City Charter Amendment will be voted on:

Shall Section 8.1 of the Charter of the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, be amended by adding the subsection (l) so as to permit the City of Novi to levy an annual ad valorem tax in an amount not to exceed 3.10 mills for the purpose of operation of the City of Novi Police and Fire Departments including the payment of personnel and purchase of equipment.

The places of voting will be as follows:

- Pct. 1 - Church of the Holy Cross - 46200 Ten Mile Road
- Pct. 2 - Novi Middle School South - 25299 Taft Road
- Pct. 3 - Novi Public Library - 45245 W. Ten Mile Road
- Pct. 4 - Lakeshore Community Building - 601 South Lake Dr.
- Pct. 5 - Orchard Hills School - 41900 Quince Dr.
- Pct. 6 - Fire Station No. 1 - 42975 Grand River
- Pct. 7 - Village Oaks School - 23333 Willowbrook Drive
- Pct. 8 - Chateau Estates Clubhouse - 42900 Carousal Drive
- Pct. 9 - Novi High School Auditorium - 24602 Taft Road
- Pct. 10 - Fire Station No. 3 - 42785 Nine Mile Road

Please contact the City Clerk's Office - 349-4300, if you are unsure of your voting precinct.

Geraldine Stipp,  
City Clerk

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## Down to the wire — city elections '87



### Quinn is best choice in race for mayor's post

Novi voters will find three names on the mayoral ballot when they show up at the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 3 — Nancy Covert, Matthew Quinn and Jerry Sheridan. Covert and Quinn are active candidates; Sheridan has pulled out of the race and should not be considered even though his name remains on the ballot.



Covert burst on the scene of city politics during the down-sized housing debate during 1982-83 and has been "bursting" on the scene ever since, firing up the citizenry with allegations that too often have only a minimal basis in fact.

Our choice in the mayoral race is MATTHEW QUINN.

Covert's major liability is his lack of experience in city government. Although he has served on several city committees and has been active in the community — most notably with the Novi Jaycees, he does not have the direct city council and/or planning commission experience that we prefer to see in mayoral candidates.

Unfortunately, the assessment brouhaha was only one example of instances when she has not dug deeply enough into the facts or examined the overall effect of the council's actions in order to appeal to the uninformed and under-informed at the expense of fair representation of the facts.

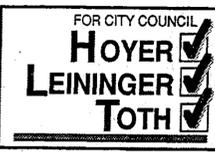
At the same time, we consider Quinn a far superior choice than his opponent, Nancy Covert.

The best example of the type of behavior which we find unacceptable in a mayoral candidate was Covert's unfounded but much-publicized allegation that residential properties were being assessed unfairly at a higher rate than non-residential properties. The allegation was typical of Covert's behavior in that it was designed to appeal to that instinct in the general public which wants to believe government is playing "footsie" with commercial interests at the expense of homeowners.

We recognize this endorsement of Quinn is more of a non-endorsement for Covert. And yet, that's how we evaluate the mayoral contest. If Covert is not elected to the office of mayor, she will still have two years remaining on her council term. She is an articulate, personable person who has many worthwhile things to say about the future of the city. Hopefully, she will use those two years to grow as a contributing member of the city council.

### Incumbents rate nod in good field

Unlike the mayoral race, Novi voters will find several good candidates in the eight-person race for three four-year terms on the Novi City Council.



At the same time, the remark was out-of-character for Leininger, who has made many positive contributions to the council during the past four years.

Our endorsements go to the three incumbents — MARTHA HOYER, JOSEPH TOH and EDWARD LEININGER.

Novi in terms of negotiations with state and county agencies.

Readers who have been following the four-part "Candidates' Views" series in The News during the past month may have recognized there are few philosophical differences between the candidates. Lacking clear-cut philosophical differences on which to base our endorsements, we have relied heavily on the candidates' experience and depth of understanding of the issues.

Our first endorsement goes to Hoyer, who is seeking her fourth consecutive term on the council after having served two years on the planning board back in the 1970s. Hoyer has become an outstanding council member who weighs issues carefully and provides thoughtful solutions to existing problems.

Leininger is an involved member of the community and brings community viewpoints to the council table for consideration.

The one candidate with much experience who has not earned an endorsement is Robert Schmidt, who served on the council from 1975 to 1981 and was mayor from 1981 to 1985. Although we like Schmidt philosophically, we continue to be put off by his demeanor and seeming inability to recognize the value of any viewpoint other than his own. One of the reasons we did not endorse Schmidt for reelection in the 1985 mayoral election was his tendency for name-calling at the council table. We see no indication that he has changed and become more open-minded.

Hoyer's abilities have been recognized by her peers in southeastern Michigan as evidenced by the fact she was elected vice chairperson of the Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) earlier this year. Through her participation in SEMCOG, Hoyer provides the city with input and clout on regional planning matters and has been an invaluable asset to

Our third choice is Leininger, who is seeking his second consecutive term on the council. Leininger's candidacy may be hurt by his prejudicial remark during council's recent discussion of granting a statewide gay rights organization access to public access cablevision. It was a dumb thing to say, we do not condone it.

Three of the four remaining candidates are worthy of con-

### Police/Fire Millage YES

In addition to the mayoral and council races, Novi voters have an important decision to make regarding the Police and Fire millage question which will appear on the ballot. The proposal is for a 1.8 mill dedicated millage to be used for police and fire personnel and the establishment of a fire department equipment fund.

The millage would raise over \$1.8 million to be used in hiring 12 full-time fire protection officers and 16 police officers over the next few years.

When deciding the millage question — Novi voters should keep some pertinent facts in mind. The millage proposal came from the recommendation of the Police and Fire Needs Committee, a citizen group which spent a year examining thoroughly the way both departments are run, the needs of the community with regard to daytime fire protection and police staffing levels, and methods of funding other than tax increases. Their recommendations were for the addition of personnel and a dedicated millage to fund that personnel.

The City of Novi is unique when it comes to approving millages. The city's charter limits the general fund maximum levy to 6.5 mills. The state allows a maximum of 20 mills. By setting our maximum on the low side at 6.5, the charter requires the city to seek taxpayer approval for special projects. We feel increased fire and police personnel is a justifiable reason for an additional tax levy.

## 'Council should select mayor'

To the Editor:  
On Nov. 6, 1985, The Novi News wrote an editorial that says in part: "After the heat of this election has died down and a calm atmosphere prevails, voters will come to realize that the best city council would have been one that contains both Schmid and Karcovich. Despite the fact that both have had 10 years of council experience, one or the other will no longer be around when Tuesdays votes are counted."

### Letters

Parents at fault  
I also know the parents doing the "bitch" are the ones speeding on our roads in the subdivision. I have witnessed three instances where a child was almost hit by a car or van. If you have to complain you should complain about the traffic in the subdivision. Traffic is a steady flow in and out of Turtle Creek and the back section of Carraige Hills because we are an easy route to Meadowbrook Road.

Waterloo looms  
I am worried about the future fate of our quiet little communities. I feel we have reached our Waterloo, since we are on the brink of much change in the atmosphere and complexion of what shape our cities will finally take. At no time in modern times of our cities has our impact been more critical.

No more MOHR  
Whatever happened to the concept of the greatest good for the greatest number when considering the application of law? How does increasing the potency of a group prove harmful to the health of the public at large benefit that public?

Mixing ghosts and sugar plums  
When I was a lot younger, I often dreamed of what it would be like to have Christmas year-round... presents every morning, eggnog every night. And it seems a lot of today's shopkeepers share that same sentiment. It seems that every year they begin preparing for Christmas a little earlier.

It's not the season to be jolly — yet — and someone should remind everyone's favorite retailers that there are still 58 days until Christmas.

It's a Goat Farm Tavern column  
I've got to tell the boss I've thought of another way to increase revenues.

Phil Jerome  
Like to make a profit just like anybody else. Just ask the execs at the Free Press and News, if you don't believe me.

Anyway, back to my money-making idea. What happened was that I was listening

considered a desirable place to build and to live. The property values would go steadily up, but the buildings grew tighter and as less natural beauty was left of these cities, the property values declined.

### Hard questions

Wallyet's closed  
Well the city is begging for more money again, but my wallet is closed because those bureaucrats are wasting our money. As an example of the mindset, the city is paying someone \$200,000 (over time no doubt) to block off the street behind the Middle School to prevent parents from parking close to the soccer field. When we are at Power Field, our tax money goes for printing and distributing Parks and Rec "parking tickets" to these same parents parked along the nearly untraveled street.

### Wallet's closed

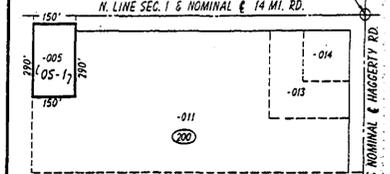
It's a Goat Farm Tavern column  
I am well aware of how economically beneficial the Christmas season is for retailers, especially in Michigan's retail capital. But I just wish there was a way for retailers to prepare for the season a little closer to Thanksgiving Day, rather than near Devil's Night.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 18, 1987 at 7:30 P.M. in the Novi Public Library, 42245 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI to consider PROPOSED MAP AMENDMENT NO. 18-87 a rezoning request initiated by Water Cylbert for rezoning of property located on the South side of 14 Mile Rd. West of Haggerty Rd. from R-A Residential Agricultural to OS-1 Office Service District.



ORDINANCE NO. 18-87 ZONING MAP AMENDMENT NO. 457

To rezone a part of the NE 1/4 of Section 1, T.1N., R.8E., City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, being parcel 22-1-200-005, more particularly described as follows:  
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FROM: R-A RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT  
TO: OS-1 OFFICE SERVICE DISTRICT or any other appropriate zoning district.  
All interested persons are invited to attend. Comments concerning the request will be heard at the public hearing and written comments will be received in the Dept. of Community Development, 42225 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI 48060 until 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, November 18, 1987.  
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# Snakes respond to cool weather

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Even if your yard is literally crawling with snakes, your chances of encountering a poisonous one are very small, Glenn Dudderar, Extension wildlife specialist at Michigan State University, points out that Michigan's only poisonous snake, the massasauga rattlesnake, lives in marshy and swampy areas. Unless your yard borders such an area, you are very unlikely to see this snake there.

What you're more likely to see are garter snakes (the most common), milk snakes, blue racers, hognose snakes and northern water snakes. All are non-poisonous and most of them (the exception is the northern water snake) won't bite unless you deliberately provoke them by poking at them or grabbing them.

The hognose snake may even roll over on its back and play dead.

"You can tell if it's only playing dead by flipping it over on its stomach and watching to see if it rolls over on its back again," Dudderar explained.

If you do manage to provoke one of these snakes to bite, the worst you'll get out of it is a superficial scratch. Simply clean it thoroughly and apply an antiseptic first aid preparation. No other treatment is needed.

"Most people worry about being bitten, but there's more reason to worry about the snake's tail end," Dudderar said. "These snakes often try to discourage would-be captors by defecating. The resulting smelly mess is often quite effective as a defense."

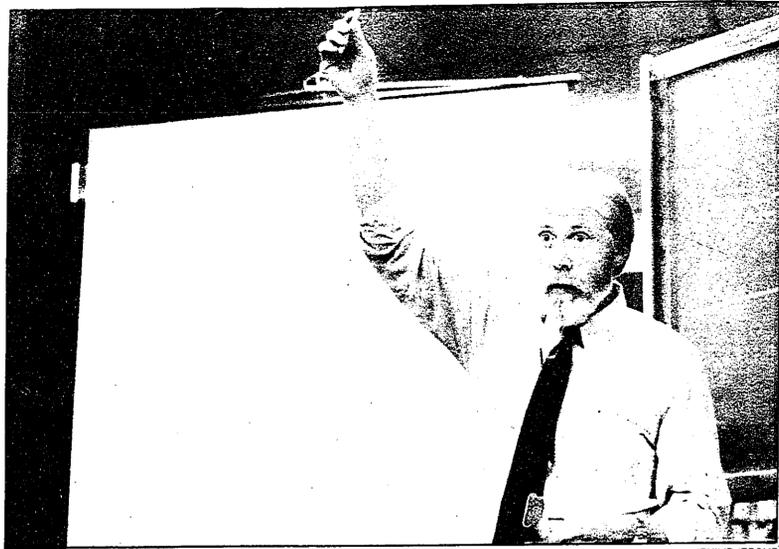
People nervous about having large numbers of snakes in their yards usually aren't concerned about handling the snakes — they merely want to get rid of them.

In the short term, patience is all that's called for. The snakes will find their winter hibernation quarters and disappear until spring.

Over the long haul, the key to eliminating the snakes is eliminating compost piles, rock or retaining walls, low-hanging shrubs and bushes, tall grass and other landscape features that provide cover and hibernating sites for snakes.

Making your landscape inhospitable for snakes also destroys the habitat for other, more desirable wildlife species, however.

"I encourage people to leave the snakes alone," Dudderar said. "They don't damage gardens or landscape plants and they eat insects and rodents. They can't hurt you and, with handling, they often become quite tame and make fascinating short-term pets. Even if you can't bring yourself to enjoy having them in your yard, you can probably manage to tolerate them for the short time they'll be present."



**Talking about the weather**

Mal Sillars, meteorologist for WDIV-TV Channel 4 in Detroit, told Novi residents all about highs, lows and forecasting the weather during a special program at Novi Meadows School recently. The program was sponsored by the Novi Community Education Department.

# MDOT directory available

Michigan's new 1987-88 Public Transportation Directory is now available for distribution.

Published by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the directory shows the routes and locations of all public transportation services throughout Michigan. It complements MDOT's official transportation map which is used chiefly by highway travelers.

The directory features color photographs of Michigan attractions. It is available to the public free of charge at MDOT's 12 Welcome Centers and nine district offices as well as at bus, air and rail passenger terminals, local transit stations, many local travel agencies and through the Michigan Travel Bureau. Maps in the Public Transportation Directory show all commercial air service airports, intercity bus routes, passenger rail lines, and county and city public transit services.

The 28-page booklet includes an extensive directory of Michigan communities served by public transportation. The list identifies carriers serving each community as well as their addresses and telephone numbers where information on schedules and fares can be obtained.

"The availability of this attractive and helpful guide to travel in Michigan is good news," said State Transportation Director James P. Pitz. "Visitors and residents alike will enjoy the opportunity to use public transportation for business and pleasure."

# Free trees offered by club

Ten free flowering trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during October 1987.

The foundation will give two white dogwood, two American redbud, two European mountainash, two Washington hawthorn and two flowering crab trees to members joining during October. The free trees are part of the foundation's efforts to improve the quality of life in America by encouraging tree planting.

John Rosenow, executive director of the National Arbor Day Foundation, said the group is encouraging more people to plant trees in the fall, which is an excellent time for tree planting. He said the flowering trees will be given to people who make a \$10 membership contribution during October.

"These trees were selected because they will give a colorful flowering of pink, white and red blossoms throughout the spring," said Rosenow. The six-to-12 inch trees will be sent postpaid at the right time for planting between Oct. 15 and Dec. 10 with enclosed planting instructions.

The trees are guaranteed to grow or be replaced free of charge. To become a member of the foundation and receive the free trees, people should send a \$10 membership contribution to Flowering Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410. Deadline for placing orders is Oct. 31.

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## Wine-and-cheese are specialties at Milford store

By BRIAN PERKINS

There appear to be a lot of wine drinkers in the area, judging from the success of a new wine-and-cheese shop in Milford.

Since it opened in mid-July, The Main Street Wine & Cheese Shoppe — located at 400 North Main in the Village Center Mall — has been successfully able to accommodate virtually anyone interested in wine.

"I guess the one thing I'd like to emphasize is that we offer great values in every price range," said store owner Debra Herr-Dempsey of Waterford, who adds the shop fills a real need in the Milford area.

"We offer everything from a Hungarian wine which sells for \$2.99 a bottle to one which would be a classified Bordeaux."

More than 400 different domestic and imported wines are available in the Wine and Cheese Shoppe. And, if it's not in stock, Debra or her husband Ron, who assists her in the store, will gladly place a special order.

"If I get a request for an item, I'll usually add it to my inventory



Debra Herr-Dempsey displays one of wines available at the Main Street Wine & Cheese Shoppe in Milford

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## The Haunting on Baseline

By Anne E. Willis

It was a dark and stormy night. It was Halloween night and the forces of evil were lurking in the quiet suburbs of Novi and Northville.

The hour was growing late as cub reporter Lance Duckworth left the offices of the Northville Record/Novi News. Lance's head hung down as he shuffled slowly along Main Street. He winced at every flash of lightning and his hands shook with every thunder peal. It was not a night to be walking the streets, but Lance had no fear of the elements that night. He had just been chastised once again by his curmudgeonly editor for not turning in a good investigative story on the area.

"I'll never find anything new in these towns," he whined as he walked. Feeling sorry for himself and alone, Lance did not notice that his steps had carried him far beyond the clock in downtown Northville, far beyond the friendly Novi homes on the north side of Eight Mile — and far beyond his car parked illegally in the two hour lot.

Lance's shuffling steps were interrupted when he tripped on a tree root and fell against a rusting iron fence. Looking up, Lance started. He was in front of the old white house on Baseline. The house had stood for a hundred years on this spot of land between the two communities.

Leaning slightly to the right, with its porch covered in cobwebs and its empty windows yawning in the dark night, the house lived up to its reputation. Even Lance knew the story — the house on Baseline was haunted. Lance moved slowly toward the house, feeling drawn by an invisible force — and a need to get out of the rain.

Legend had it that the house was haunted by the ghost of a woman who waited in vain for the return of her husband. The man, murdered 50 years ago on Halloween night, had left a young bride who died of a broken heart shortly after her bridegroom's death.

The murder had never been solved.

Every year on Halloween nearby residents had claimed to see a candle flitting from room to room — and a figure vaguely distinguishable, holding onto the flaming candle. The legend said any fool brave enough to enter the house at midnight on Halloween would solve the mystery of the murder and exorcise the ghost.

The house, although on prime land, had never been sold. Many thought developers and land speculators alike were scared off by the legend of the haunting.

With a loud, long creak the door opened. Lance stepped gingerly inside, brushing the heavy damp cobwebs from his face. With one step onto the threshold, he entered into a night of terror.

Moving slowly inside the house, Lance was struck first by the darkness and, second, by a vicious blow. He had walked into the front hall wall. A scream pierced the air.

It was midnight and he was in a haunted house.

The scream stopped as abruptly as it had begun. Footsteps slowly dragged across the floor overhead.

The room was lit only by lightning. The footsteps continued overhead.

"I have to go upstairs," Lance heard himself say hoarsely. Here was his chance, his one opportunity for glory. He would show the half-century old murder and establish himself as an investigative reporter. He switched on his pocket tape recorder. He was ready to meet his destiny. He began to climb the stairs.

A soft moan came from somewhere beyond the end of the stairs. The windows of the old house rattled as the rain was swept against them.

Lance reached the top of the stairs. He stopped. A flash of lightning revealed a hall with four doors opening from it. In the room farthest from the stairway a faint glow of light, as if from a

candle, shone sully. He was sweating now. The only noise in the house was the sound of his breathing, the rain and the whirring of the microcassette recorder.

The moaning grew louder as Lance approached. Taking a deep breath, he plunged ahead, tape recorder in his right hand, reporter's notebook in his left.

A woman was slumped over a desk in the corner. She wore a yellowed nightgown. A candle flickered beside her. Lance's pulse raced — a first-person interview with a ghost would surely show his editor he had gumption.

The ghost raised her head. Lance shrieked. The figure rose slowly and came toward Lance. She held a knife, its blade gleamed in the light from the candle. Lance was frozen in his tracks — too scared to move and too scared to ask for important background information. His story would suffer, he knew.

"You've finally come," the ghost said. The voice was quiet as if unused for many years — but surprisingly deep. "Yes," Lance replied. Closer and closer the ghost drifted until, raising her

arm she prepared to plunge the knife deeply into Lance's chest. He moved quickly then, dropping his recorder. He hit the ghost with an arm across the neck and shoved her hard. The ghost fell backwards, her nightcap dropping to the floor.

The room was still and pitch dark when Lance again pushed through the old iron fence in front of the haunted house. He looked back. No lights shown in the windows.

Lance had chosen not to give up the ghost.

Lance had found the murderer. When the ghostly cap had fallen to the floor during the struggle, Lance had discovered an awful truth. No gray curls existed on this woman ghost. No ghost existed. Staring up at Lance had been a bald-headed man.

A man who had lived for 50 years in a self-made prison.

Samuel Brown had killed the young owner of the house on that fateful Halloween many years ago. Brown had been the man's servant — his butler. Fifty years ago he had been a young married man himself and had lost his wife in August and killed his employer

in October. "He was going to sell the land and the house," the old man croaked to Lance. "My wife is buried here, and he was going to sell the land." The murder was prompted by a grieving widow's desire to stay close to the man she had loved.

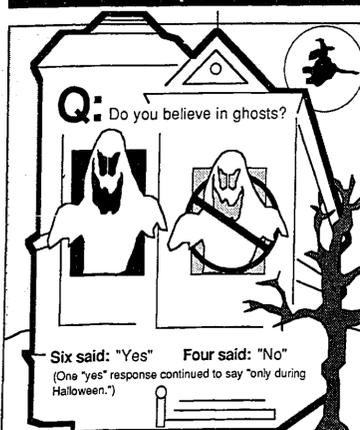
For 50 years after the death of the mistress of the house, Brown had walked from room to room carrying a candle and haunting the home. No developer had dared to buy.

The night's terror was too much for Lance. He gave up reporting and became a public relations manager — where the only story worth telling was a good one.

The rain had stopped and the clouds were moving across a clearing sky. He began his walk back to Northville.

No newspaper ever carried the story of the unmasking of the ghost. Lance carried the truth of that night's adventure with him to the grave. The legend grew and tales of the haunted house were passed from generation to generation in the Novi/Northville area.

### Random Sample



Random Sample is an unscientific poll of 10 Northville/Novi residents conducted by the staff of this newspaper

### Group offers houses for bats' sake

Just as spring lightly turns a young man's fancy to thoughts of love, Halloween makes him and everyone else think about witches, brooms and bats.

This Halloween you can do more than just think about bats; you can do something nice for them and for yourself.

Imagine yourself hosting a little gathering in the backyard come spring and your neighbor, thinking he's caught you in a gaffe, remarks loudly that you forgot to put a hole in the front of your big, handsome bird house.

"Oh," you say, "that's a bat house. For bat, you know."

Then you go on for 30 minutes spellbinding the crowd with facts about the bat, one of nature's gentlest and most beneficial creatures.

And you point out that there aren't many mosquitoes in your yard either.

Bat Conservation International, a non-profit conservation and education organization, has begun marketing bat houses in the hope that nature lovers will spot them

around the yard just as they now do bird houses. Each bat house also includes a booklet to help you explain to others why you bought the house.

"Loss of suitable roosting areas is a serious threat to bats, just as the loss of suitable nesting places has been to bluebirds," said Dr. Merlin D. Tuttle, founder of BCI and one of the world's leading authorities on bats.

"In Europe, bat houses are not uncommon and we hope Americans will begin to help us save our highly beneficial but endangered bat populations as well."

The houses are made of kiln-dried cedar and were designed by Bat Conservation International to accommodate the most common species of crevice-roosting bats. They are the size of a large bird house, but instead of a hole in front for an entrance, each house has a handsome black-and-red logo of stylized bats, the symbol of BCI.

The house has no floor — which automatically excludes mice and birds. The bats enter from the bot-



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# Novi Athletic Boosters slate millionaires party

By JEANNE CLARKE  
Special Writer

The Novi Athletic Boosters will hold their annual Millionaires Party at the Holy Family Church on Meadowbrook Road on Saturday, Nov. 7, beginning at 8 p.m. Tickets for the party are priced at \$10 apiece and include chips and refreshments. Tickets can be purchased at the door or at the concession stand at the next football game. Tickets also are available by calling Pat Konedra.

All proceeds from the Millionaires Party will be used by the Boosters Club to purchase equipment for the high school athletic program. The club recently purchased a costume for a Wildcat mascot as well as a time-tech multi-lane timer to be used in the track and cross-country programs and an ice machine for use by athletic trainers.

The Booster Club is still selling family pass books for \$55. The pass books enable all members of the family to attend all home athletic events at Novi High School.

The club is looking for more volunteers to assist with its fund-raising projects and to work in the concession stand at athletic events held at Novi High School. Annual dues are \$1 per person. More information about membership in the

## Novi Highlights

Boosters is available from Athletic Director John Osborne at Novi High School, 344-8300.

**ORCHARD HILLS PTO:** Parents of children attending the Orchard Hills Elementary School are invited to attend the next meeting of the Orchard Hills PTO on Monday, Nov. 9. The PTO needs as much parental involvement as possible to meet its goal of improving the quality of education for Orchard Hills students through such programs and projects as the art fair, ice cream social, computer assistance, library assistants and the "Listen to Me Read" program.

PTO President Pat Gilbert reports that the recent membership drive was highly successful with 221 families having paid their dues. Winning classes in the membership drive were Mrs. Hurst's special education class, Mrs. Boschman's morning kindergarten class, Mrs. Prine's first grade class, Mrs. Sullivan's second grade class and Mrs. Galopin's third grade class. The winners received a treat of cider and donuts for having the most parents signed up.

Orchard Hills continues to have school spirit days on the third Friday of each month. Children and staff wore mis-matched outfits on "Crazy Mis-match Day" in October. The next school spirit day will be Friday, Nov. 20.

The PTO is sponsoring a book fair/bake sale at the school yesterday and today (Thursday). Books and activity projects at the sale can be used for holiday gift-giving.

The annual Holiday Shoppe has been cancelled due to a shortage of adult volunteers. Plans will be made later for an activity to take the place of the Holiday shoppe which is the PTO's largest fund-raiser.

Orchard Hills students had a successful family roller skating party at the Bonaventure recently. They also saw a performance by the Robin Hood Players and traveled by bus to Fuester Auditorium at Novi High School to see the Detroit Institute of Arts presentation of "Magic Over the Rainbow."

MEADOWBROOK CHURCH: The Meadowbrook Congregational

Church will hold its annual bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 7, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The bazaar is organized by the Women's Service Club which will offer baked goods, handmade crafts and decorations. The Men's Fellowship Group will be taking orders for fresh greens, the fifth and sixth grade Sunday School classes will be in charge of a "fish pond," and the Music Board will be taking orders for citrus fruit.

The church is continuing to take orders for its Florida Indian River citrus fruit sale. Boxes of pink grapefruit are available at a cost of \$13.50 per carton, while boxes of navel oranges are available at a cost of \$16.50 per carton. The fruit will be available for pick-up on Saturday, Dec. 12. Checks should be made out to Meadowbrook Congregational Church and mailed to the church at 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Northville, MI 48187. For more information call NYA offices at 349-8398.

NYA held its annual breakfast recently under the leadership of Clara Porter. Special guests included John Ward, in-take referee with the Oakland County Probate Court; Barb Consilio, probate court administrator and juvenile registrar; and Bob Cross, chairman of Oakland County Youth Assistance.

Clara Porter, chairperson of the Parent Education Committee, hosted a meeting recently to make plans for the coming year. Programs to be of-

fered by the committee include the STEP and STEP Teen programs, as well as blended family, divorce and parent support workshops.

Camp Committee Chairperson Heidi Rushford reports that plans are under way to send several children to winter camps again this year. The winter camp program was initiated with much success last year.

Case Worker Karen Bartholomew reports that her caseload is getting larger as a result of increased referrals from the schools and police as well as an increase in the number of parents requesting assistance.

Anyone interested in assisting NYA with its work of providing assistance to the young people in the community is asked to call Bartholomew at 349-8398. All interested individuals are invited to attend the next NYA meeting in the Parks and Recreation Building on Nov. 18.

Novi Highlights is written by Jeanne Clarke. Clubs and organizations may have notices published by calling her at 624-0173. Individuals with items about births, birthdays, anniversaries, vacations or other special events for the "Personals" section may call her at the same number.



Susan Wainright teaches Sandra Kessler how to use a compass. Novi News/PHILIP JEROME

# Novi Meadows teacher passes on nature lore

By PHIL JEROME  
Managing Editor

When Susan Wainright tells her students about conservation and ecology this year, she knows what she's talking about.

Wainright, a reading specialist who teaches Gifted and Talented students at Novi Meadows, was one of 138 teachers from across the country selected to attend the American Wilderness Leadership School in Jackson, Wyoming, this past summer.

"It was a fantastic experience," reported Wainright, who has been a teacher in the Novi Community School District for the past nine years.

"I learned so much, and it's nice to know that I'll be able to pass a lot of the things I learned on to my students."

The American Wilderness Leadership School is a unique conservation education program sponsored by the Safari Club International Conservation Fund, a non-profit sportsmen's organization dedicated to public education and conservation of wildlife and wilderness.

Wainright was one of just two teachers from Michigan selected to attend the school. The other came from the Thumb Area.

"We had to fill out an application

**Wainright: 'This experience enabled me to get caught up and ready to pass the information along to my students.'**

and write a 500-word essay," reported Wainright. "I felt very grateful to have been selected to attend."

She was sponsored to attend the program by the Detroit chapter of Safari Club International, one of 85 international chapters in the United States and abroad.

The American Wilderness Leadership School is located 36 miles southeast of Jackson, Wyoming, within the Teton National Forest. Participants attended nine days of instruction.

Wainright said the emphasis of the school is on presenting educators the facts and principles of wildlife management, history of environmental education, plant identification, outdoor education interpretive techniques, fishing, fly-tying, white-water rafting, shooting sports, ecology and outdoor ethics.

Founders of the school say the purpose of the program is to introduce outstanding students and teachers to

the great wealth of natural beauty and animal life that our wilderness areas have to offer. The school also impresses on them the need to conserve these priceless assets for the future.

Wainright said she was prompted to apply for the school for two reasons.

"First, I like to learn," she said. Secondly, she continued, attending the school enabled her to renew her interest in ecology and conservation.

"When I first started teaching fifth grade, I was quite involved with ecology and conservation education, but I have sort of gotten away from it."

"This experience enabled me to get caught up and ready to pass the information along to my students." Wainright noted that the Novi schools already offer students a good introduction to ecological education through the fifth-grade outdoor education experience at the Proud Lake Recreation Center.

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The Novi Choir Boosters will be selling 1988 "Entertainment Books" to raise funds for the Novi High School vocal music program.

Choral Music Director Paula Joyner reported that members of the choir will be selling the books beginning Nov. 1. The sale will continue through Dec. 17. Anyone wishing to reserve a book at the present time may call Joyner at the high school, 344-8300.

"Entertainment Books '88" are available from choir members at a price of \$30. Joyner noted that the price is the same as will be found at commercial outlets, but that all profits from entertainment books sold by choir members will be going to support the activities of the Novi School Choir and Choir Boosters.

President of the Choir Boosters for the 1987-88 season is Carol Williams. Other officers are Sue Lyle, vice president; Kathy Johnson, secretary; and Pat Sirota, treasurer.

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### Greek cooking

Kathy Hess concentrates on the delicate work involved in making *spanakopeta* in a cooking class offered by the Novi Community Education Department at Novi Meadows School recently. In

addition to *spanakopeta*, students in the class learn to make a variety of traditional Greek dishes. The class is taught by Corina Ludwig.



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## County offers vaccinations

Flu season is coming and the Oakland County Health Division is offering flu shots to help people prepare themselves against illness this winter.

Flu shots will be given at the health division offices in Southfield and Pontiac during regular clinic hours. The offices are located at 2775 Greenfield Road in Southfield (424-7003) and 1200 North Telegraph in Pontiac (858-1280).

Office hours at both locations are Mondays (noon to 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.) and Tuesday through Friday (8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1-4:30 p.m.).

Influenza immunizations also will be available at many of the Oakland County Senior Citizen Nutrition sites. Interested persons can call their local center for specific information.

This year's vaccine protects against three viral strains: A/Taiwan, A/Leningrad and B/Ann Arbor. Flu shots are recommended for adults and children with chronic illnesses such as diabetes, heart, lung or kidney conditions.

Any adult, particularly those 65 and older, interested in reducing their chances of getting the flu also can get a flu shot.

Persons will have an opportunity to read and sign an "informed consent form." There is a charge of \$2 per shot, but no one will be turned away because of inability to pay.

The Oakland County Health Division urges residents to take advantage of this worthwhile and convenient program for their health's sake.

## Harwell to speak at church

WIXOM — Detroit Tiger broadcaster Ernie Harwell will speak at the First Baptist Church of Wixom on Nov. 14.

Harwell, who has been the radio voice of the Tigers since 1960, will be the guest speaker at a Father-and-Son Breakfast at the church on Saturday, Nov. 14, at 9 a.m.

Tickets for the breakfast are available at the church office or by sending a \$5 check or money order to the church at 620 North Wixom Road, Post Office Box 152, Wixom, MI 48096.

Pastor Robert V. Warren said all interested individuals are invited to attend and have "breakfast with Ernie." For more information call the church at 624-3823.

Harwell was the fifth recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award and was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, New York, in August of 1981. He has been broadcasting baseball since 1948.

Harwell's career with the Tigers followed six seasons with the Baltimore Orioles, four with the New York Giants and two with the Brooklyn Dodgers. He also has been the voice of CBS Radio on all its American League broadcasts since 1976.

His book, "Tuned to Baseball," was a best-seller and won national acclaim.

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### Looking for a bargain

When the Friends of the Novi Library announced that their 1987 used book sale would offer a wide selection of choices, they weren't kidding. Robert Nelson (above) searches through literally hun-

dreds of paperback books available at the annual event in search of some good reading material at bargain prices.

## It's Halloween, be kind to bats

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tom, and there are partitions inside to provide separate "bedrooms." If you're the kind of person who swoons, you can look up into the house in the daytime to see how the mothers and children are getting along.

"Bats are the most important predators of night-flying insects, including mosquitoes and many garden pests. One little brown bat easily can catch 600 mosquitoes in a single hour, and a bat house may shelter up to 30 or more of these bats," said Tuttle.

Tuttle also noted that bats are among the world's most maligned creatures and that contrary to old wives' tales, bats are gentle, clean and intelligent animals, more closely

related to humans than to rodents. They have perfectly good eyesight and highly sophisticated sonar "so they certainly won't get into anyone's hair."

The supposed dangers of having bats around have been vastly exaggerated.

"They're no more susceptible to rabies than many other animals, but unlike other species they rarely become aggressive even when rabid," Tuttle said. "The odds of being killed by a dog are far higher than being attacked by a bat. Just don't try to capture and handle bats, and the possibility of being harmed is extremely remote.

"In fact, since records have been kept — some 40 years — we know of

fewer than a dozen human deaths in North America that likely were caused by bats. You are far more likely to die from a bee sting, food poisoning at a picnic or from contact with household pets."

Although the United States has no native fruit bats or flying foxes, Dr. Tuttle notes that without the pollinating and seed-dispersal activities of such bats in the tropics, we might not even have products like bananas, avocados, peaches, bread fruit, cashews, balsa wood, kapok, tequila, cloves and many others.

In fact, bats are vital to the survival of rain forests that are important to climates worldwide.

This is only the beginning. By the time you finish telling your guests

why you have a bat house, you might reasonably expect an ovation, Tuttle claimed. At least, no one is going to forget that you had the smarts to get the first bat house on the block.

BCI is hoping that enough animal lovers will put up bat houses to have a real impact in saving these delightful and beneficial little mammals.

"Bats make fascinating and useful neighbors if simply left alone," Tuttle said. Bats are most likely to use houses near lakes, streams or other insect breeding areas. Put up a house now, and you may have bats next summer.

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## Northville church to host organist

NORTHVILLE — Michael Farris, winner of the 1986 Young Artist Competition sponsored by The American Guild of Organists, will appear in concert at Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville this Sunday, Nov. 1, at 4 p.m.

The new organ for the church, designed by Burton K. Tidwell, will be blessed and dedicated Sunday.

Following the dedication, Farris will perform works by Alain, Bach, Bruhns, Dupre and Mozart.

A reception will follow the recital.

Farris, a native of New Mexico, began piano study at age 7 and organ study at age 17.

He completed his undergraduate degree at Southern Methodist University and received his master's degree as well as performer's certificate at Indiana University. He currently is a doctoral candidate at The Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., where he is a student of Russell Saunders.

He holds a performer's certificate from Eastman as well as that institution's highest performance honor, the Artist's Diploma.

Farris has taught in the departments of music theory of both Indiana University and The Eastman School.

In addition to the Young Artist Competition of the Guild, he has won two other major competitions. In 1976

at age 18 he won the MTNA Collegiate Artist Competition, resulting in a recording of the music of Bach and Franck on the Crest label. Recently, he won the Fort Wayne Competition, one of the country's major competitions for young organists.

As a part of the prize for the AGO national competition he is appearing for two years under the auspices of Murtagh/McFarlane Artists Management.

He represented the American Guild of Organists as a featured artist at the International Congress for Organists in Cambridge, England, in July.

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He has been chosen one of 25 of today's Young Performers Headed for Tomorrow's Stardom.

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## Health Notes

**AIDS information:** The Oakland County Healthy Division offers free printed information about AIDS and how to protect against it. The information can be obtained by calling the Oakland County Health Division at 858-1286.

**Free immunization clinic:** The Oakland County Health Division will offer a free immunization clinic at the Walled Lake United Methodist Church on Tuesday, Nov. 3, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The church is located at 313 Northport in Walled Lake.

**Group therapy sessions** are being formed by Cambridge Counseling Services for adults who are chronic dieters and suffer bouts of over-eating with related frustration and depression. Offices are located in the Livonia Professional Center on Farmington Road between Six and Seven Mile.

Participants will learn to overcome their battles with food and to cope with depression and anxiety which will lead to a healthier, happier lifestyle. Call 322-7310 for more information.

**A Stroke Support Group** is being formed by the Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology at Oakwood Canton Health Center in Canton.

Purpose of the group is to offer educational and social activities for individuals with a past history of strokes as well as their spouses and families. For more information call the Speech Pathology Department at 459-7030.

**Weight Watchers weight reduction classes** are offered at Botsford General Hospital every Tuesday from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Administration and Education Center at 2050 Grand River in Farmington Hills.

The classes are offered in conjunction with Weight Watchers, Inc. For more information call 471-8090.

**An adult stuttering therapy group** is being formed by the Department of Speech Pathology at the Oakwood Hospital Canton Center in Canton.

Participants will learn techniques to control dysfluency as well as discuss social and emotional problems often related to stuttering. For more information call 459-7030. The Canton Health Center is located at 7300 Canton Center Road in Canton.

**Asthma is a matter of fact** is a free on-going program offered the second Monday of each month at the Center for Asthma in Southfield from 7-8:30 p.m.

The program focuses on the needs of children, adults and families in living with asthma. Call 553-2270 for more information.

## Births

### KAITLYN JEAN SCOTT

William and Irene Scott of Northville announce the birth of a daughter, Kaitlyn Jean. She was born Oct. 17 at Sinai Hospital, weighing eight pounds, two ounces, and measuring 20 1/2 inches long.

She joins two brothers at home: Justin, 5, and Christopher, 17 months.

Paternal grandparents are William and Jean Scott of Nashville, Tennessee, while maternal grandparents are Tom and Janet Shalla of Clarkston.

Paternal great grandparents are Theresa Scott of Winter Park, Florida, and Ralph Schneider of Boynton Beach, Florida. Maternal great grandfather is Clem Shalla of Alpena.

## Professor disputes 'readiness' tests

Parents who are upset when the school tells them to keep their child at home or in kindergarten for another year because the child flunked a "readiness test" may have a legitimate gripe.

"Kindergarten readiness tests show the child's current level of skills, but they do not predict potential for success," said Samuel J. Meisels, professor of education at The University of Michigan. "The correlation between success in school and readiness tests is poor to moderate."

"Schools that use these tests to exclude children because the youngsters don't fit the established curriculum are denying these children their rightful access to education," he added.

"The curriculum should be adjusted to fit the child. The child should not have to adjust to fit the curriculum. Ironically, children who perform poorly on the tests may profit most from school. And yet, it is the poor performer who is being told to stay home or being held back for a year in a program that is often not developmentally appropriate."

Meisels, who is also a research scientist at the U-M Center for Human Growth and Development, is particularly critical of the Gesell School Readiness Screening Test, also known as the Gesell Preschool Test, which has been adopted by thousands of public, private and parochial schools across the country.

"The Gesell Preschool Tests are based on an outmoded theory of child development," Meisels asserted. "They lack reliability and validity, and they use a concept of developmental age that has never been empirically verified."

Arnold Gesell, founder of the Gesell Institute, theorized that children develop according to highly predictable patterns that are genetically determined. Time, Gesell believed, is the crucial element in development.

"However," Meisels said, "the Gesellian approach is inconsistent with the findings of more recent research which shows that there are many other factors besides genetic maturation that affect a child's development. Current research stresses that early intervention by parents and teachers is beneficial."

"Few teachers today believe they should wait passively for children to achieve certain skills on their own," he added. "But unwittingly, that is what they are doing when they subscribe to the Gesell approach to testing and placement."

Meisels also noted that the predictive capacity of the Gesell tests has never been validated by the Gesell Institute or by any other researcher, so that it is impossible to evaluate the Institute's claims.

The developmental norms established by the Institute are also questionable, Meisels said, because they are racially and ethnically very narrow. Nearly all the children were caucasian and all lived in Connecticut. Further, no effort was made to test for the effects of differences in birth order, parental education, number of parents in the home or prior preschool or child-care experience.

Despite his criticisms of readiness tests, Meisels doesn't believe preschool testing should be eliminated.

"Valid and reliable kindergarten readiness tests can be used to improve curricula, and developmental screening test can help identify and place children who need special services, modified classroom programs or individualized help. But no test should be used to exclude 'unready' children from early education."

"The question we should be asking ourselves about the child is not 'ready or not?' It is 'ready for what?'"

## Floral decorating classes scheduled

FARMINGTON — Two arts classes which have flowers as their themes will be offered in November by the Farmington Community Center.

Watercolor techniques will be demonstrated in a two-day workshop titled "Fall Flower Fantasy" on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 7-8.

The class will be taught by Edee Joppich, a former recipient of the Farmington Artist-in-Residence Award, who teaches, juries art shows and lectures throughout the state.

Each participant will bring some flowers (fresh or dried), leaves or objects suggesting the season. When displayed together they will create a beautiful subject for creative painting.

A class titled "Japanese Flower Arrangements" will begin at noon on Tuesday, Nov. 10.

Toshi Shimoura will emphasize Morimono arrangements, table centerpieces using fruits and vegetables, and a special holiday flower arrangement.

Cost of the two-session class is \$16. Reservations can be made by calling the Farmington Community Center at 477-8404.

Participants will bring some flowers (fresh or dried), leaves or objects suggesting the season. When displayed together they will create a beautiful subject for creative painting.

Effective use of color and design will be stressed in class critiques. Some watercolor experience is helpful.

The two-session class will meet Saturday, Nov. 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 8, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Participants should bring a lunch; beverages will be provided. Cost of the two sessions is \$45. Reservations can be made by calling the Farmington Community Center at 477-8404.

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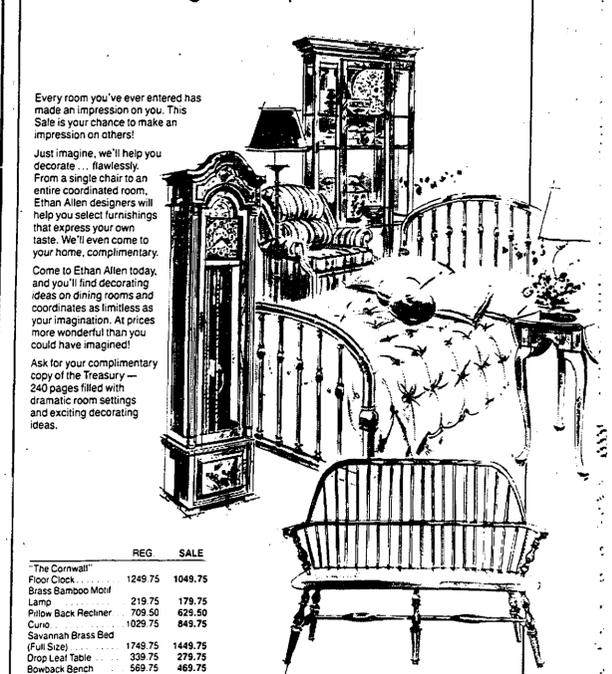
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## Chicago's still a toddling town

Chicago, it's a wonderful weekend town. It's also closer time-wise to Michigan since our state has relaxed enforcement of the 55 m.p.h. speed limit and Indiana and Illinois have raised the limit to 65.

In addition, getting there and back has become part of the fun. On a recent weekend two local couples (each without the other being aware of the other's plans) made a late getaway Friday evening, driving as far as St. Joseph on Lake Michigan, about 30 miles north of the Indiana line, making it possible to be in the loop by 11 a.m. Saturday.

St. Joseph's Holiday Inn, on the courthouse square in the center of town, offers a \$49 weekend rate and rooms with a view of St. Joseph River (Italian) and the Grande Mere Inn with a bar called the Cranberry Bog and a reputation for its seafood as

well as the view of Lake Michigan with Chicago in the distance on a clear day. A warning: It's closed Sunday.

(If you return on Sunday, though, there are plenty of stopping places, including a restaurant at the Tabor Hill wineries. The wineries are open for tours and tastings until 5 p.m.)

Although staying near Water Tower Place gives visitors close proximity to the hundreds of boutiques and ever expanding number of elegant shops (Neiman Marcus is opening this month), many like the traditional location of old hotels near the art institute and the original Marshall Field's and Carson Pirie Scott.

The Palmer House, now part of the Hilton chain, and the Chicago Hilton and Towers at Grant Park have consolidated two rooms into one in many instances in renovations and offer reduced weekend rates.

For those who come to shop, it's worth noting that both Marshall Field's and Carson Pirie Scott are open the first Sunday of every month at the State Street-Michigan Avenue

locations. For those who remember Hudson's holiday when the 12th floor was the place to dine as a respite from shopping, don't miss lunching in the venerable Walnut Room at Marshall Field's. Waitresses still wear black dresses with white aprons and chicken pot pie is on the menu, as it has been since the store opened.

In full page ads this month, Marshall Field's announced it is to begin a complete renovation beginning in January 1988 to return the State Street store to its original elegance at a cost of \$110 million. Called the largest renovation/restoration in the history of retailing, work on the historic landmark is scheduled to be completed by 1992.

For those who like to shop along Michigan Avenue, there are plenty of small eateries for a bite of lunch. Boudin Sour Dough Bakery has been a Chicago institution since 1849.

French bread sandwiches and desserts are specialties. There are two locations on Michigan Avenue — 20 N. Michigan and 225 N. Michigan. For real dining on Saturday night,

fabulous choices are only a cabfare away. For a breathtaking view of the entire skyline of the city along Lake Michigan, the restaurant on the 95th floor of the John Hancock Center is one of the best. Ask for a window table and go late enough for the pier below and entire cityscape to be illuminated. The food also is part of the enchanted evening. The menu recently included venison and eye of veal, both excellent. A harpist provided dinner music.

The 8th floor cocktail lounge offers the view, too, if you don't wish dinner, which is expensive.

Another excellent restaurant is next door at the Westin. Be sure to make reservations right after you check into your hotel. Pick up the Chicago Tribune or the Chicago Sun Times when you arrive to make nightlife choices — don't be surprised to find Bob Hope and Rosemary Clooney performing together or the Moscow Ballet on tour (as they were earlier this month). Entertainment's top level and another good reason for being at the Jewel on the Lake.

## Theater to host 3-D film festival

A 3-D Halloween film festival is scheduled at the Redford Theater this weekend. A double feature of Alfred Hitchcock's "Dial M for Murder" and "House of Wax" with Vincent Price will play Oct. 30 and 31. The films are scheduled at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. "House of Wax" will be shown first on Saturday. The festival includes a free box of popcorn for anyone in costume and a costume contest.

Tickets are \$3 each; group rates are available. The Redford Theater is at 17300 Lahser Road, one block north of Grand River. For more information, call 534-8100.

**Halloween party:** The Holiday Inn in Farmington Hills is holding "Beelzebub's Bash" Oct. 31. \$59.95 per couple (\$55 single) includes overnight accommodations, one cocktail per person and a costume party with snacks, a magic show, costume/dance contest, prizes, and a disc jockey. Psychic readings will be available at an additional charge. Reservations are required; call 477-4000, ext. 138.

**"The Contrast":** The University of Michigan's University Players will present the first American play ever published, "The Contrast" by Royall Tyler, Oct. 29 through Nov. 1. Written and first performed in 1771, the play pokes fun at European aristocracy while boasting America. The production, directed by Richard Klausch, is as historically accurate as possible. Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday in the Trueblood Theater in the Frieze Building on Huron and State streets. Tickets are \$5 general admission or \$4 with student I.D.; they can be purchased at the Michigan League Ticket Office or at the theater one hour before curtain time. For more information call 764-9450.

**"Dear Liar":** Jerome Kilby's "Dear Liar," a dramatization of the stormy romance of letters between playwright George Bernard Shaw and actress Mrs. Patrick Campbell, will run Thursday, Nov. 5 through Nov. 29 at Meadow Brook Theatre on the campus of Oakland University.

The letters span over 40 years. Shaw wrote "Pygmalion" for her and she starred in it. For information on tickets or performance times, call the box office at 377-3300. For group ticket sales call 370-3310.

**Craft festival:** Over forty artists and craftspeople will gather for the Fall Fine Arts and Selected Crafts Festival at Summit Place Mall on Elizabeth Lake and Telegraph roads in Waterford. The show runs through Sunday, Nov. 1. For more information call 682-0123.

**Sauer exhibit:** A retrospective of artwork by Margaret (Peg) Sauer, a former teacher at Henry Ford Community College, is being presented at the college's Sisson Art Gallery through Nov. 6. The gallery is in the Grant U. Mackenzie Fine Arts Building at 5101 Evergreen Road in Dearborn. For more information call 945-9834.

**"Biloxi Blues"** by Neil Simon will run through Dec. 20 at the Birmingham Theater. It is the first production of the 1985 Tony Award-winning play in the Metro Detroit area. "Biloxi Blues" follows "Brighton Beach Memoirs" in Simon's autobiographical trilogy. Information and tickets are available at the Birmingham Theatre box office. Tickets also can be ordered over the phone with Mastercard or



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# the NOVI NEWS Sports

## CHAMPS

### Novi muzzles Lions to claim KVC crown

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

Perfection. The quest to be perfect is very illusive in athletics, but the Novi football program is turning perfection into an annual occurrence.

With a convincing 13-0 victory over Kensington Valley Conference foe South Lyon last Friday, the Wildcats completed their season consecutive undefeated KVC season. The last time Novi lost a KVC game was Oct. 25, 1985, when they fell to South Lyon.

The win not only gave Coach John Osborne's gridders another conference championship, it also vaulted the team one step closer to a perfect 9-0 season and a berth in the MHSAA Class A Playoffs. The only obstacle still in Novi's path is gutsy Northville — the two local rivals will square off tomorrow (Friday, Oct. 30) in the regular season finale at Novi.

The showdown against South Lyon last Friday was what everybody expected — a struggle between two solid defensive units. But the 'Cats had good field position all day and seemed to show a bit more offensive punch, while the Lions never seriously threatened to score.

A partially blocked punt by big-play senior Randy Parker set up Novi's first touchdown in the second quarter, and a 62-yard TD run by sophomore Craig Berry wrapped up the scoring early in the second half.

The Wildcats should have put more points on the board as they moved the ball inside the South 20-yard line three more times during the game, but came away empty-handed each time.

"We were impressed with (South Lyon's) defense, but at the same time our defense was outstanding, too," commented Osborne. "Offensively, we never really got much going, but our defense never let them into the game."

The defenses dominated from the opening kickoff. In the first quarter, neither team could muster a single first down but Novi managed to keep the Lions pinned in their own half. The 'Cats actually blew a pair of good scoring chances early — the first came when Novi failed to convert a third-and-short situation at the South Lyon 39, and the second came when middle linebacker Bret Keir dropped a potential interception in the flat that would have been an easy 25-yard run for the touchdown.

"About the only good thing that happened in the first quarter for us was our solid defense and the fact that we were constantly playing in (South Lyon's) end of the field," Osborne said.

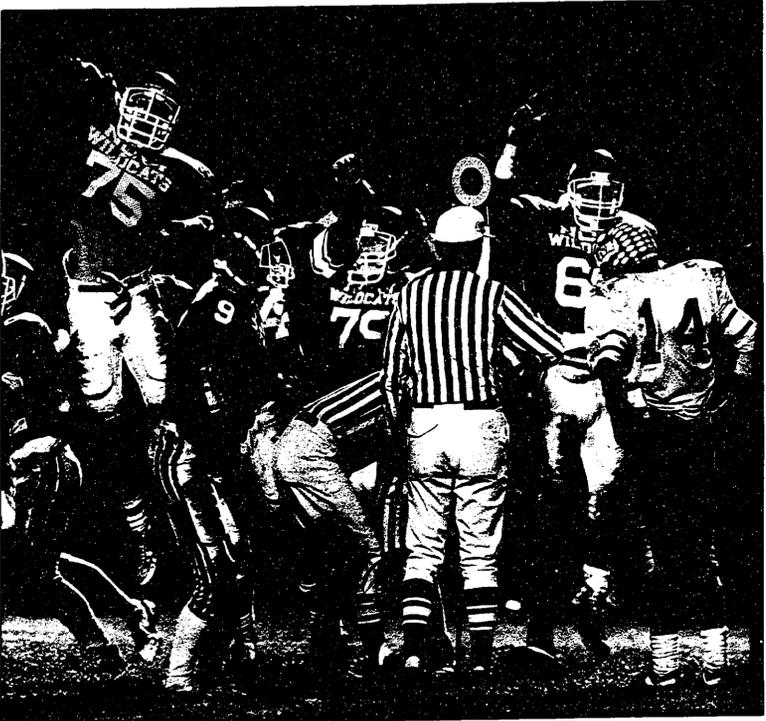
The Wildcat's Joel Schaeffer gave Novi the game's initial first down at the 10-minute mark of the second quarter, but a few plays later, he fumbled the ball back to the Lions with the team just 19-yards from paydirt. But again the Wildcat defense held and end Randy Parker got a hand on the ensuing punt after coming close on several others. The partially blocked kick traveled only 15 yards and Novi took over in South Lyon territory.

Parker came up with another big play moments later as he hauled in a 38-yard pass from quarterback Brian Schram along the sidelines to give the Wildcats a first down at the Lion six. Two plays later, tailback Scott Wladishkin bulled in from the one to break the deadlock. Mike McNeill's point-after made it 7-0. South Lyon's only real scoring opportunity of the game came in the final 57 seconds of the first half. The Lions drove from their own 19 to the Novi 28 in 50 seconds on a series of controlled passes and break-away runs before time ran out. It was the first and only time the Wildcat defense would allow South Lyon to cross midfield.

"I was very concerned about their drive at the end of the half because even though they didn't score, it renewed their confidence," Osborne said. "Our two biggest concerns at half were that we couldn't move the ball on offense and that they had created new momentum."

But any momentum the Lions had heading into the third quarter quickly disappeared on Novi's first play from scrimmage. Berry, just recently brought up from the junior varsity team, took a quick pitch from Schram, shed a tackler at the line of scrimmage, turned the corner, ducked a couple more pursuers and outran the rest of the defense for an electrifying 62-yard touchdown.

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Novi's stalwart defensive crew celebrates after shutting down the South Lyon attack

## Galland, Onofrey spark harriers

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

For the first time in history, the Novi girls cross-country squad can boast of a third place finish at the Kensington Valley Conference Cross-country Meet.

The event was held on Oct. 20 at Hartland's Ironwood Golf Course, and the Wildcats placed two runners among the top three overall and three in the top 14 out of a strong field of 42 runners.

Needless to say, Novi Coach Norm Norgren was on cloud nine.

"Third is great and if you notice we are only three points out of second," observed the veteran Novi mentor. "In fact, third is our very best KVC finish ever, so I am delighted. We've been fourth a whole bunch of times and now we are very close to second."

Brighton took first place honors (37 points), Milford was next (71) followed by Novi (74), Lakeland (88), South Lyon (110) and Hartland (123). Novi's team finish is probably the highlight of the '87 season so far. It's been a season filled with trials and tribulations due to all the injuries in the early portion of the season, but things seem to be falling together rather nicely down the stretch.

"It was a good race for us all the way around," Norgren said. "I am overjoyed compared to the way we started the season and how we literally had to limp through the month of September."

Jennie Galland and Tammy Onofrey provided Novi with the most potent 1-2 punch in the KVC as Galland placed second overall and Onofrey came in third. Galland's time of 20:23 was just six seconds off the pace set by Brighton's Laura Grimes.

"I don't like to start the girls very hard until the middle of October, so Jennie had been buried in early races by three Brighton girls and three Milford girls," Norgren said. "But now she is peaking and I thought she had a good chance to win the thing. She is just a sophomore and to be just six seconds away from a KVC title is great."

Onofrey — Novi's senior track star turned cross-country star — was right on Galland's heels the whole way. She finished in a time of 20:37, which is outstanding for a first-year performer.

She was followed by senior Kelli Rolles, who is still hampered by a hamstring injury but is improving by leaps and bounds every week. Rolles' time of 21:50 was good for 14th place overall and was her fastest time of the season. Galland and Onofrey grabbed first team All-League honors for their performances, while Rolles was named to the All-KVC second team.

"All three of them were just fantastic," Norgren said. "Kelli has been improving steadily and we still don't have her hamstring injury totally worked out yet."

The rest of the Novi contingent included Cherie Stewart in 26th place (23:21), Toni Sturm in 29th (23:41), Lisa Kukuze in 38th (24:05) and Maureen Devlin in 38th (24:13).

With momentum still riding high, Norgren is anxious to see his girls in action in the MHSAA Class A Regional. The event is scheduled for this Saturday (Oct. 31) at Willow Metropark.

"We've talked about nothing else but the regionals since the KVC Meet," Norgren said. "It's going to be extremely difficult because four of the state's top 10 ranked teams will be there."

In regional action, the top three teams and the top 10 individuals qualify for the state meet. If the team can't make it, Norgren is hoping Galland, Onofrey and even Rolles will have a chance to advance to the state championships individually.



Tammy Onofrey finished third in the KVC meet

## 'Cats near berth in state playoffs

The Novi High School football team remains unbeaten after eight weeks of action, and now with the Kensington Valley Conference Championship firmly tucked away, just one more regular season game remaining, everyone's attention is turning to a possible berth in the Michigan High School Athletic Association playoffs. Below, Novi News Sports Writer Neil Geoghegan answers several key questions about Novi's current situation:

**Question: Is Novi going to make the playoffs?**  
Answer: It appears the Wildcats are in no matter happens in tomorrow's clash with Northville. With East Lansing and Novi the only two unbeaten teams in the MHSAA's Region II, a berth is almost certain. Four teams from each region qualify and with the exception of Ann Arbor Pioneer (7-1), no other team in the region has less than two defeats.

**Question: What about a possible home field advantage in the playoffs?**  
Answer: This is a more sticky situation. Even though Pioneer has a loss, they are slowly creeping up on Novi in the points race because they have a tougher schedule and their opponents have won more than the 'Cats opponents. The top two teams in each region host the third and fourth teams in the playoffs so Novi must end the season with more points than Pioneer to secure second place in the region and get the home field edge. If Novi beats Northville, the Wildcats will probably host Pioneer in the first round. If Northville wins, Novi may have to travel to Ann Arbor.

**Question: Has Novi ever completed a regular season unbeaten?**  
Answer: Yes. Coach John Osborne led his Wildcats to back-to-back perfect seasons in 1972 and 1973. The last time before the MHSAA playoff format was introduced, Novi was just a Class C school back then.

**Question: Has Novi ever participated in the state playoffs?**  
Answer: Yes. In 1976, the 'Cats qualified for the state playoffs as a Class B school, but were quickly eliminated by a strong team from Okemos. The score was 35-13, and Novi ended the season with a 7-2 record.

**Question: Is the season finale against Northville going to be an easy win, or a struggle?**  
Answer: Probably a struggle between two solid defensive teams. Don't let the Mustangs' 2-6 record fool you — they have been in a position to win every single game this season. Even against Farmington Harrison, the state's top-ranked Class B team, Northville kept it close before falling 14-6.

**MHSAA Football Playoff Averages**  
Class A, Region II

1. East Lansing (8-0), 117.000.
2. Novi (8-0), 102.000.
3. Ann Arbor Pioneer (7-1), 94.875.
4. South Lyon (6-2), 81.018.
5. Lansing Sexton (6-2), 78.375.
6. Lansing Eastern (6-2), 77.125.
7. Ann Arbor Huron (6-2), 77.054.
8. Portage Central, (6-2), 75.375.
9. Wayne, (6-2), 74.375.
10. Taylor Truman, (6-2), 67.375.

# Harriers take fifth in KVC meet Wildcats of the Week

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
staff writer

Without Rob Rasmussen — undoubtedly one of the top runners in the area, Novi's ability to challenge any of the top four teams at the Kensington Valley Conference Championships were non-existent.

The junior harrier was injured while playing soccer in gym class just one day before the KVC meet, and was unable to participate in the event held Oct. 20 at Ironwood Golf Course in Hartland.

The rest of the Wildcat runners took the loss of Rasmussen in stride, however, and still managed to top South Lyon in the six-team meet.

"I honestly believe that the way Rob was running up until his ankle injury, he could have been league champion," Novi Coach Bob Smith said. "I'm confident he would have at least challenged for the title."

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With the win, Lakeland pulled into a tie with Hartland as the two teams shared the KVC team title.

"If we would have had Rasmussen, it would have been close between us and Brighton," Smith said. "We could have edged them for fourth, but it would have been an uphill battle. Without Rob, we were sort of locked into fifth because we didn't have the runners to keep up with Brighton, but we were still too strong for South Lyon. Consequently, we ran loose and did a nice job."

The word on Rasmussen is that he has rehabilitated the ankle with resistance exercises in the pool and will be available for the MHSAA Regional meet to be held this Saturday (Oct. 31) at Willow Metropark.

"This whole thing may have been a blessing in disguise," Smith said. "It gave Rob a nice little rest, and now he's all set for the regionals."

At the 20-team regional, only the top three teams qualify as a unit to compete in the state meet. The top 10 individuals who are not members of the qualifying teams also go, and Smith believes Rasmussen and maybe VanDyke have a shot at making it as individuals.

"The field at this regional is going to be very tough but my ultimate goal would be to qualify as a team," Smith reported. "That is going to be very hard to do, but I think Rob has a good chance because he's a gamer and he rises up against good competition. I think VanDyke has a shot, too."



MATT BRINKER BETH SUROWIEC

In a time of 17:40, and just missed grabbing All-League honors (top 14). "Bret's time was more than a minute faster than his time on the same course last year," Smith said. "I really didn't give him much of a chance to crack the top 20, but he proved me wrong and went out and ran a real nice race. It was nice to see him as our number one runner — it gave him a chance to be in the spotlight."

Sophomore Lee McMains was next for the Wildcats in 23rd place (18:17). He was followed by Yash Rohaghi in 30th (19:03), Rob Herman in 32nd (19:10), Mike Duker in 34th place

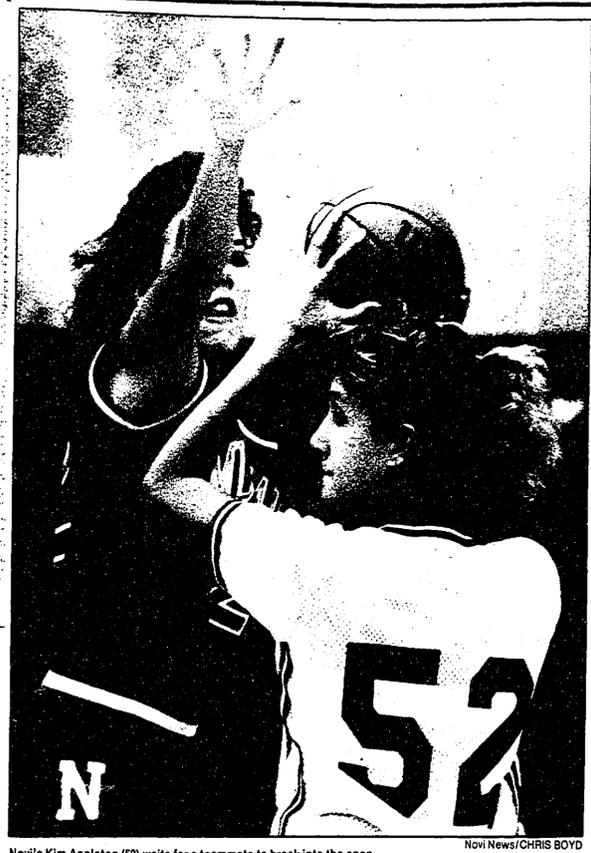
(19:23), Rob Mitzel in 35th place (19:30) and Jay Keranen in 38th (20:05). A total of 42 runners participated in the race and another couple dozen in the junior varsity race.

Junior Jeff Jeffress placed 17th as a member of the Novi javayee team, and his time of 19:17 would have been good enough for a top-seven finish on the Wildcat varsity.

Lakeland scored 31 points and pulled off a mild upset, beating Hartland by nine points to win a share of the KVC championship. Milford was third (75), Brighton fourth (94), Novi fifth (134) and South Lyon sixth (186).

All knowledgeable onlookers realize that Novi beat South Lyon and grabbed its second straight KVC title last Friday, with solid defense. The Lions crossed midfield only once in the game, and the key figure in the Wildcat defense was tackle Matt Brinker. Known as the "Mighty Mite" to his teammates, the 5-foot-8, 180-pound Brinker was constantly in the South Lyon backfield causing havoc. Commented Wildcat Coach John Osborne: "Matt played a great game defensively." For his outstanding play in the season's biggest game, Brinker is an obvious choice for "Wildcat of the Week" honors.

Junior swimmer Beth Surowiec put together one of the most productive weeks in her stellar career as a Wildcat. In the span of just five days, Surowiec placed third overall in the 100-yard backstroke and fifth overall in the 200 IM at the Oakland County Championships, set a new school record in the 200 IM and added a first place finish in the 100 backstroke in dual meet action against Northville. She then chipped in with two more wins (in the 50 and 100 freestyle races) against Ypsilanti Lincoln. "Wildcat of the Week" honors are definitely in order.



Novi's Kim Appleton (52) waits for a teammate to break into the open. Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

# Defensive lapses hurt as Brighton tops Novi

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
staff writer

When Novi girls' basketball Coach Debbie Harris tries to get her players to focus on one aspect of the game, the Wildcats usually respond in that area.

Unfortunately, they also tend to forget about the other skills they've learned previously.

For Harris, it is very frustrating because it seems that for every step forward, the Wildcats take a few steps backward. Novi's 49-41 loss to Brighton on Oct. 20 followed this trend and gave the locals their fourth loss in a row.

"We have been stressing the importance of running our offense and scoring points off it, and we did a nice job in that area," Harris said. "This was one of the few games we scored off our set-up offense."

"Unfortunately, we didn't do too much of anything else — we were one-dimensional."

The first game between these two teams in September was a run-and-gun affair, but this time everything changed. Both teams employed very controlled attacks and used a lot of the clock on each possession.

"It was an unusual game considering the way we played each other the first time," Harris said. "We were trying to get the kids to develop and run our offense and score off it, but on defense, we just couldn't press them."

The Cats took an early 12-10 lead after one quarter but were outscored 20-12 in the second and trailed 30-24 at halftime.

Novi inched back into the game with a solid third

quarter, but poor free throw shooting down the stretch doomed the comeback bid. The Bulldogs' lead hovered from four to six points for most of the final eight minutes, but the Wildcats only connected on 4-of-13 from the charity stripe in the fourth quarter, and that was the difference.

"We fell short in the fourth, especially at the free throw line," Harris pointed out. "For the game, we were only 4-of-18, and that isn't good at all."

Defensively, Harris was not satisfied either. "Brighton didn't really have to work hard on offense," she commented. "They scored when they wanted to and that really bothered me. It seems like we can only play one aspect of the game at a time."

Senior guard Lisa McCarthy had another outstanding job in that area," Harris said. "She was one of the few added team-highs in steals (6) and rebounds (7)."

"Lisa is not standing out as much as she was earlier in the season, but I look at that as a good sign," Harris said. "We need to be more balanced, and she is trying to dish off more and make more opportunities for her teammates. Lisa had a good, all-around game."

Swing player Laura Case only scored five points, but again she participated in all areas and was very consistent. Junior center Kathy McQueen chipped in with eight points and five rebounds.

"Brighton is in second place in our league, and we played them very tough," commented Harris. "It's frustrating when we show we can stay with the better teams, and then go out to lose to the weaker teams." Novi's overall record drops to 9-14 in the KVC).

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This annual reporting reflecting financial data is published as a requirement of the Michigan School Code, Administrative Rule R 340.351, in order to inform the citizens of the Northville Public School District of the financial position of the district for the 1986/87 fiscal year.		Value of Equipment \$4,378,946	
A detailed, audited financial report was submitted to the Northville Public Schools Board of Education at a regular special meeting held on September 14, 1987 by the audit firm of Plante & Moran, Certified Public Accountants. Copies of the detailed financial report are available for inspection at the Board of Education Offices, Office of the Superintendent, 501 West Main Street, Northville.		Number of Buildings in Operation 7	
Professional service agencies employed by the School District are: Plante & Moran — Certified Public Accountants; Keller, Thoma, Schwarze, Schwarze, DuBay & Katz — Attorneys; Thrun, Maatsch and Nordberg — Attorneys		Number of Classrooms Utilized 3,308	
SIGNED: GEORGE R. BELL, ED. D., SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS		Number of Full Time Pupils in District 19,019	
COMPARATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSE STATEMENT Fiscal Year Ended June 30th		Minimum BA 33,405	
GENERAL FUND 1987 1986		Maximum BA 29,848	
REVENUES:		Maximum MA 39,995	
Local Sources \$12,865,659 \$11,785,308		Number of Classroom Teachers FTE 5,421,203	
State Sources 890,069		Total Classroom Teacher Salary 5,421,203	
Federal Sources 167,722		Ratio of Pupils to Employees Holding Valid Teaching Certificates 18 to 1	
Interdistrict Sources 103,719		State Equalized Valuation of Assessed Property in the District 348,138,770	
Note Proceeds 749,465		Mills Levied: 35.40 Operating 8.25 Debt 41.65	
Bond Proceeds		Total 41.65	
TOTAL \$14,774,634 \$13,466,238			
EXPENSES:			
Instruction \$ 7,503,704 \$ 6,942,417			
Supporting Services 6,423,558 5,612,295			
Bond Redemption			
Bond Interest			
School Bond Loan			
Other Expenses			
Capital Outlay 74,928 55,893			
Outgoing Transfers 911,123 975,326			
Indirect Costs			
Refunding Bonds			
Refunding Bonds Costs			
TOTAL \$14,913,313 \$13,585,931			
REVENUE OVER/ (UNDER) EXPENSE \$ (138,681) \$ (119,693)			
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET Fiscal Year Ended June 30th			
GENERAL FUND 1987 1986		DEBT RETIREMENT 1987 1986	
ASSETS:		BLDG. & SITE 1987 1986	
Cash and Investments \$1,305,661 \$1,136,624		1987 1986	
Accounts Receivable 16,629 11,774		LONG TERM DEBT 1987 1986	
Taxes Receivable 341,721 369,342			
Due from Other Funds 11,730 25,760			
Due from Other Govt. Units 1,492,991 1,332,537			
Inventories 53,343 39,625			
Prepaid Exp./Other Assets 85,539 68,215			
Available in Debt Ret.			
Amount Provided for Retirement/Long Term Debt			
TOTAL ASSETS \$3,286,664 \$2,983,877			
LIABILITIES:			
Accounts Payable \$ 429,674 \$ 323,155			
Accrued Payroll 428,740 382,437			
Accrued Liabilities 112,729 142,727			
Due to Other Funds 11,715 47,451			
Due to Other Govt. Units 373,500 918,113			
Notes Payable 1,500,000			
Bonds Payable			
Other Long Term Obligations			
Deferred Revenue 117,180 740,478			
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Other Liabilities 175,000 160,798			
TOTAL LIABILITIES \$3,148,538 \$2,715,139			
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY \$3,286,664 \$2,983,877			

# Gridders clinch KVC title

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"It was a big momentum changer," Osborne said. "The extra point try failed, and with 11:22 left in the quarter Novi held a 13-0 lead."

On South Lyon's first possession after the score, defensive tackle Matt Brinker took over. On first down, he broke through the line and tackled a Lion runner behind the line of scrimmage, on second down he sacked quarterback Mike Skatzka and on third down he was in on the stop that forced yet another punt.

"Matt played a great game defensively," Osborne said later. "Late in the third, Wladishkin intercepted a Skatzka pass at the Lion 17 to set up another scoring opportunity, but reserve fullback Glen Bragg fumbled the ball into the end zone and South Lyon fell on it to thwart the effort."

"It looked like we were ready to really take control of the game," Osborne said. "Our number one goal every season is to win the KVC title and I thought we had the best team, but that doesn't necessarily mean anything. I thought it was one of our more poised efforts though — we were mentally strong. We have players with prior experience in big games like this, and I thought we played a solid game."

The unsung hero of the game may have been Brinker, who despite his small stature (5-foot-8, 189 pounds) was a key factor as Novi dominated the line of scrimmage while on defense.

"South Lyon has a formidable offense but we worked hard and shut them down," Brinker said. "This was one of the most intense games I've ever played in, and I am just happy we won. Now we have to take care of business and try to beat Northville."

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# Rowlands lifts Novi tankers in county meet

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
staff writer

The Novi tankers lost to Northville and best Ypsilanti Lincoln last week, but the highlight for the Wildcats was an outstanding performance at the Oakland County Championships on Oct. 24 at Oakland University.

The meet featured the best teams in the top swimming county championships, one runner-up spot and a slew of school records and state qualifying times.

"It was absolutely great, considering some of the teams we beat — traditional powerhouses like Bloomfield Hills Lahser and Andover and Birmingham Seaholm," Anderson said. "I was extremely pleased with the meet."

Novi's 108 points were enough to top 17 teams, but they were still more than 100 points behind the winners from Birmingham Groves.

The hero for Novi was junior Gwen Rowlands, who grabbed two individual county titles in the 200-yard freestyle and the 100-yard freestyle. Rowlands won the 200 in 1:39.44 and set a new school record in the event. Several races later, Rowlands came back to win the 100 in 54.67, another school record.

"It was a fantastic meet for Gwen," Anderson said. "With times like that, it puts her among the top six in the state in both those events — according to the last listings I have.

To be the best swimmer in the best swimming county in the state is saying something.

Sophomore Kristie Duthie also had an outstanding meet, placing second in the 50 freestyle and fourth in the 100 butterfly. Duthie's time of 25.92 established a new school record in the 50 and qualified her for the state meet. Her time of 1:02.15 in the butterfly was also a new school mark.

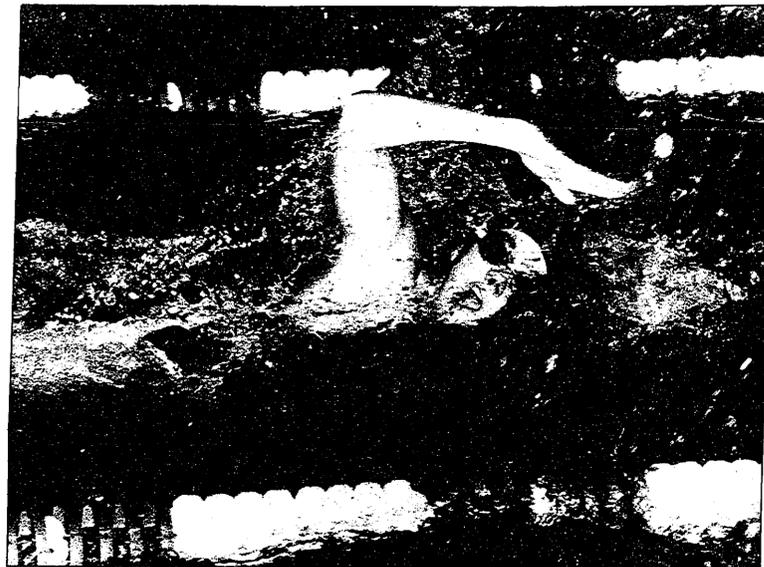
Junior Beth Surowiec was also placed twice, notching a third in the 100 backstroke (1:04.57) and a fifth in the 200 IM (2:20.37). In addition, Duthie, Surowiec, Rowlands and Chris Marker teamed for a fifth-place finish in the 400 freestyle relay in a new school record time of 3:49.98.

"To set five new varsity records and to place that high in a big meet was great," Anderson said. "It was our best week of swimming, by far. The Oakland County Meet is the highlight of our season."

Against Northville, the tankers took six firsts in the 11 events, but were outpointed by the Mustangs 90.5-80.5 on depth. Almost every race was very close, usually decided by fractions of a second, but the majority of the time, the Mustangs came out victorious.

"It was a fantastic meet, with just a little more diving, we might have been able to pull it out," Anderson said. "We certainly swam well — we actually did a little better than I thought we'd do so I can't complain."

As usual, Duthie, Rowlands and Surowiec dominated the swimming for Novi but couldn't win it alone. Duthie took firsts in the 50 freestyle (26.86) and the 100 butterfly



Novi's Chris Market shows her form on the first leg of the freestyle relay

(1:02.24). Rowlands won the 100 freestyle (56.73) and the 200 freestyle (2:31.33) and Surowiec took the honors in the 100 backstroke (1:05.66). The other victory came in the 400 freestyle relay, as Rowlands, Peggie Balagna, Chris Marker and Surowiec combined for the win in 4:06.41.

In the 200 IM, Surowiec actually set a new school record time of 2:18.26 and qualified for the state meet, but ended up placing second in the race.

Other Novi seconds included Marker in the 200 freestyle (2:13.45) and Julie Sommers in the 100 breaststroke (1:22.27). Marker came back to register a third in the 500 freestyle, setting a personal best time of 5:58.85 in the process.

In the 105-61 victory over Lincoln, Novi took nine firsts and went 1-2 four times. Doubles winners for the Cats included Surowiec in the 50 freestyle (26.89) and the 100 freestyle (57.29),

Michelle Patail in the 100 backstroke (1:11.59) and the 100 butterfly (1:13.97), and Sommers in the 100 breaststroke (1:22.40) and 200 IM (2:31.83). Duthie and Nancy May added wins in the 200 freestyle (2:05.46) and the 500 freestyle (6:09.89) respectively.

Chris Marker paced the second place finishers in the 100 butterfly (1:16.62) and the 200 IM (2:38.20). Other seconds came from Kim Black

in the 100 freestyle (1:03.53) and Amy Duthie in the 200 freestyle (2:22.25).

"By looking at their times, we knew we could win so we moved the girls around a bit," commented Anderson. "It gave the girls an opportunity to get personal bests in different events and provided them a chance to get out of the same old routine."

The Wildcats now sport a 4-4 overall record.

## SECTION 00010 NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Novi Community School District will receive sealed Proposals from qualified bidders for its Maintenance/Warehouse Facility. This work involves the construction of a new masonry warehouse structure.

There will be a pre-bid meeting held on Wednesday, October 28 at 2:00 P.M. (local time) at the Administrative Services Building, 25575 Taft Road, Novi, MI 48050.

Proposals may be mailed or delivered in person to Administrative Services Building, Novi Community School District, 25575 Taft Road, Novi, MI 48050, ATTN: Kevin Smith.

Proposals must be received "prior" to 12:30 p.m. (local time), on Wednesday, October 28, 1987. Proposals will be opened publicly and read aloud. All bids will be evaluated at a later date.

The Project will utilize separate prime contracts. All contracts for construction will be direct contracts with the Owner. Overall coordination of the Project will be the responsibility of the construction management firm, E&V, Incorporated.

The Owner will award contracts on or about November 5, to separate Contractors for separate Bid Divisions or combinations of bid divisions. Any Bidder, at his option, may submit a combined Proposal for any combination of Bid Divisions by offering a Combined Bid Deduct. A separate Bid must be submitted for each Bid Division included in any such combined Proposal.

All Project procedures and documents are designed to facilitate delivery of the Project through multiple prime construction contracts. The Owner's forms, rather than industry master forms, are used for all documents. Bidders shall read and review the Bidding Documents carefully, and shall familiarize themselves thoroughly with all requirements.

Requests for additional sets of Bidding Documents shall be addressed to the Field Office, a charge may be assessed for such additional sets.

Proposals shall be submitted on the Proposal Forms furnished separately by the Construction Manager, and shall be completely filled in and executed in accord with the Bidding Documents.

Proposals shall be accompanied by Bid Security in the amount of five percent (5%) of Base Bid(s) should accompany each proposal.

Bids may not be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days. Successful Bidders may be required to furnish Surety Bonds, as stated in the Specifications.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, to accept other than a low Bid, and to waive informality, irregularities and/or errors in Proposals, which they feel is in their best interest.

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# Northville stands in way of undefeated season

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
staff writer

Traditional football rivals usually play each other at the end of the season. That's why Novi and Northville clash on the gridiron on the last Friday of every October. This year, the Wildcats and the Mustangs will battle it out tomorrow (Friday, Oct. 30) at Novi.

These two neighboring schools are less than two miles apart — just a short jaunt down Taft Road. The two schools have roughly the same number of students, and the players on each side know each other very well. Just like most heated rivalries, you can pretty much throw out the records in this one because community pride is on the line.

On paper, the game doesn't look like much of a contest. Novi is currently 8-0 and among the state's finest Class A teams, Northville, on the other hand, is only 2-5.

But both teams have had to rely on a solid defense, and both teams have

experienced offensive woes on and off throughout the season. Novi has more offensive weapons, however, and that may be the deciding factor.

The Mustangs have played everybody tough, including powerful teams like Farmington Harrison and North Farmington. But the team has managed victories only over Livonia Franklin and Walled Lake Central. Amazingly, all eight Northville games this season have been decided by eight points or less.

Novi, on the other hand, has had only one close call, a 14-11 win at Hartland. But most experts would agree that the Wildcat schedule hasn't been nearly as difficult as Northville's. And because the two teams play in different leagues, it's hard to predict exactly what will happen on the field tomorrow night.

"This game means a lot to us," Novi Coach John Osborne said. "They are just down the street, and they are one of our biggest rivals. We always want to perform well in this game. The biggest thing right now

**Osborne: 'Northville has played everyone tough so we are in for a battle. They have a stingy defense and some talented players on offense. Our guys better be ready to play or it could be a long evening for us.'**

for us is to try to preserve our undefeated season — we were unable to do that a year ago, and Northville almost gave us our second loss. We were very lucky to beat them a year ago."

Mustang Coach Darrel Schumacher has a lot of respect for Osborne and his program. Novi has lost just one of its last 17 games and

appears to be headed to a berth in the MHSAA State Playoffs regardless of the outcome.

"We would love to beat (Novi), but we still wish them the best and hope they get into the playoffs," Schumacher said. "You like to see programs in the area have success, so if we can't make it into the playoffs, we'd like to see a team like

Novi make it. "I think this could be a heck of a game — just like last year. We almost beat them the last year we played and it sort of set the tone for us this season. Since then, we haven't taken a back seat to anybody."

An interesting sidebar to this rivalry is the father-son battle between John Osborne and his son Derek — who happens to be the starting wide receiver for the Mustangs. While John directs his Wildcats from one sideline, Derek will be on the opposite sideline. And when Derek is in the game, he will be doing his best to beat his dad's team. Does this unique situation cause problems?

"This time of year, we get on each other's case about who is going to win, but it's all in fun," John said. "Actually, once the game starts I lose track of him — he just becomes a player on the other team that we need to stop."

Derek, a senior, is one of Northville's big-play receivers. He leads the team in receptions and has

already caught four touchdowns. Novi will need to figure out a way to defend against the younger Osborne, who runs short to intermediate routes with precision and has what Schumacher calls "the best pair of hands on our team."

"Northville has played everyone tough so we are in for a battle," said Osborne. "The better they opponents, the better they play. They have a stingy defense and some talented players on offense. Our guys better be ready to play or it could be a long evening for us."

For Schumacher and the rest of the Mustangs, tomorrow's game is an ideal chance to salvage a somewhat disappointing season. And Northville will come in loose. Unlike Novi, they don't have an undefeated season in stake, or a home field advantage in the playoffs riding on the game.

"Novi has a bunch of hard-nose players and good athletes," Schumacher said. "It would make our season if we are able to knock them off."

# Novi kickers hang tough against state's top team

If a soccer game lasted 40 minutes instead of 80, the Novi Wildcats would have pulled off one of the biggest stunts of the '87 season at the MHSAA District semifinals last week.

"For the entire first half of play, Coach Nick Valenti's squad kept pace with the state's number one ranked team — Livonia Stevenson — on the Spartans' home field. The score was deadlocked at 0-0 after 40 minutes of play.

But in the final 40 minutes, Stevenson showed why it hasn't lost a match since 1984. The Spartans score four goals in a six minute span in the second half and added two late goals to complete a 6-0 win over the underdogged Wildcats on Oct. 21. If there is such a thing as a moral victory,

this was it. "I thought it was a credit to our guys that they didn't back down and that they rose to the occasion in the first half," Valenti said.

"Stevenson is a fine team. They are much deeper than we are, so it was just a matter of time before they started to gel. In the first half, we were playing some of the best soccer of the season and it was only enough to be equal with them."

After the scoreless first half, the Spartans (15-0-2) unloaded for six unanswered goals by six different players including Mel Karfis, Pete Gales, Greg Ernie, Shane Miller, Eric Schwedt and Kurt Will. Karfis and Alan Paterson each contributed two assists.

"Our team was so pumped up that when they finally put one in, we kind

of let-up a bit and then they really started to take over," Valenti explained. "They (Stevenson) came out with fire in their eyes in the second half and put a lot more pressure on us."

Spartan goalie Jeff Benick, who stopped five Novi shots, registered his 10th shutout of the season.

"I was pleased," Valenti said. "We felt we had to play perfect soccer at every single position if we wanted to stay close, and we did that in the first half."

"We learned a lot from playing them, but we also learned a lot from ourselves — we learned that if we concentrate and apply everything we've been practicing, it pays off."

# Kelly, Marron shine for Bobcats

Two members of the Novi Bobcat swim team — Erich Kelly and Chris Marron — have qualified for the state meet in the 10-and-under age classification.

"It proved to be the highlight for the locals at the Livonia Spartan A-B Swim Meet at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills on Oct. 23-25.

"We're happy our swimmers are

qualifying for the state meet this early in the season." Bobcat Coach Rick Anderson said. "The new USS-M rules will make it harder this year because we're limited to three events per day. Last year swimmers could swim five events per day."

Erich Kelly had another fine meet, placing in three events: fourth in the 200 yard freestyle (2:25.88), fifth in the 100 freestyle (1:07.33) and third in the 50 butterfly (40.11). Kelly ended

up qualifying in both freestyle events and the 200 IM (2:56.15).

Chris Marron also qualified for three state meet events. They included the 50 butterfly (37.48), the 50 backstroke (38.64) and the 100 butterfly (1:26.57).

Rob Bates (13-14 age group), who recently moved to Novi, finished second in the 200 breaststroke (2:38.24).

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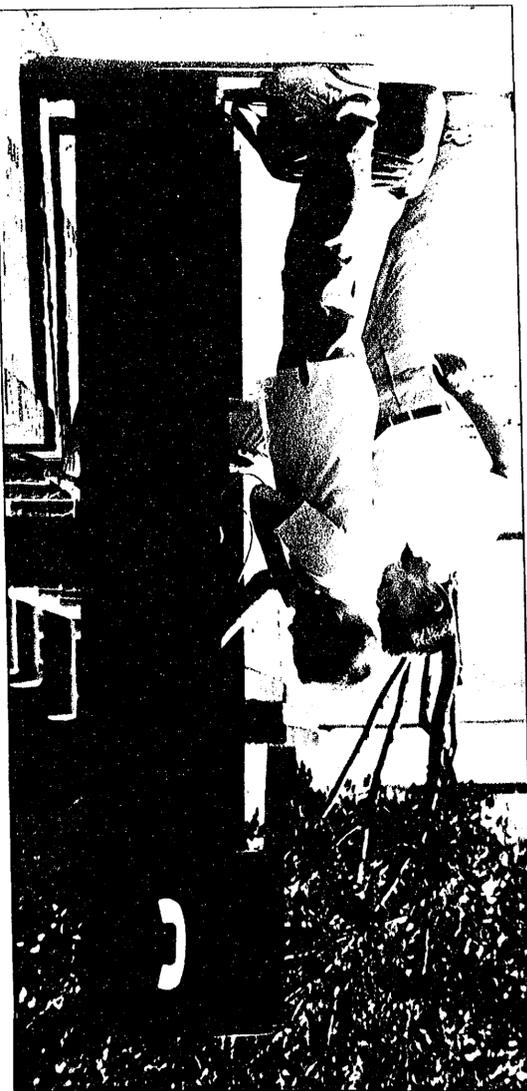




Sept. 26, 11:36 p.m.: A busy Saturday night at the Novi Goat Farm Tavern has waitress Mary Ann Cupre collecting empty plates and tips.



Sept. 24, 2:05 p.m.: At left, an early dismissal of school left Bobby Beckman, left, and Robert Smulsky with some time on their hands, which meant a call to check in with mom. Sept. 23, 11:28 a.m.: Below, a sym-bol of the end of an era, Eric Fosht takes a ride to the old gravel pit to fish. The pits soon to be Northville's Blue Heron Pointe.



Sept. 2, 12:42 p.m.: The class of 2000, in the form of two afternoon kindergarten students, prepares to disembark from their first bus ride to Orchard Hills Elementary School.



Sept. 1, 3:28 p.m.: At left, the sounds of music may be in the ear of the listener, Dave Strick of South Lyon puts the finishing touches of paint on the Marquis Theater in Northville, while some eighth graders sing "Do-Wa-Di-Di, Di-Di-Dum Di-Di-Do" as they walk along. Sept. 3, 5:13 p.m.: Below, Remington rifle. Lt. Bryant supervises some officers at the practice range on Five Mile near Scott and Old DeHock prisons.



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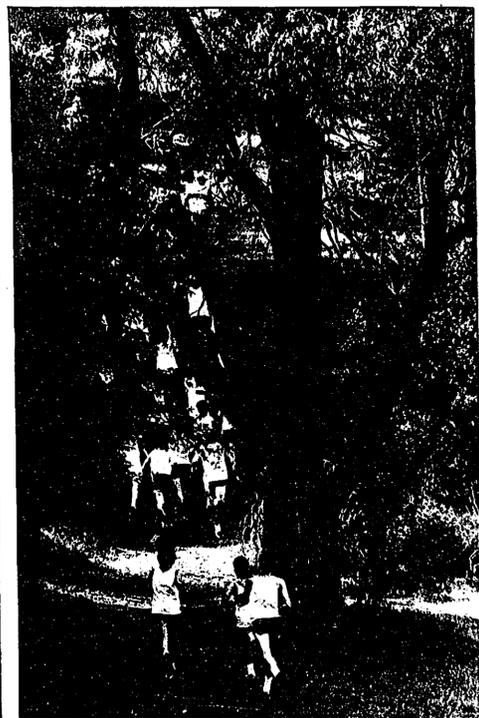
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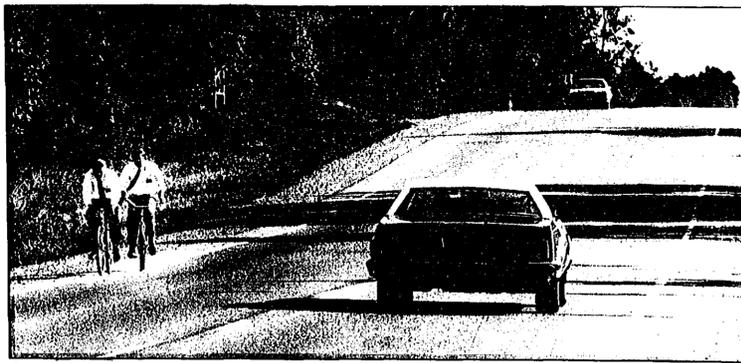
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Sept. 21, 10:16 a.m.: Below, two blinks of the camera's eye caught children at Silver Springs Elementary School running by an open doorway during gym class. Sept. 22, 4:19 p.m.: Right, Novi High School's cross country team starts up the first hill of the course at the Cass Benton area of Hines Park.



Darkness descends a little sooner at night, and soon, it's time to turn the lights on to read the evening paper. Driving home late at night the car shimmies on a curve as rain makes the road slick — another reminder of the season ahead. Dew lies heavy on the grass on September mornings. Tennis shoes are quickly soaked as kids cut across lawns toward the school bus. Early morning drivers wipe mist off windshields, thankful frost is weeks away. And early one September morning, someone turns the furnace on to wipe out the house's chill. The season has turned.



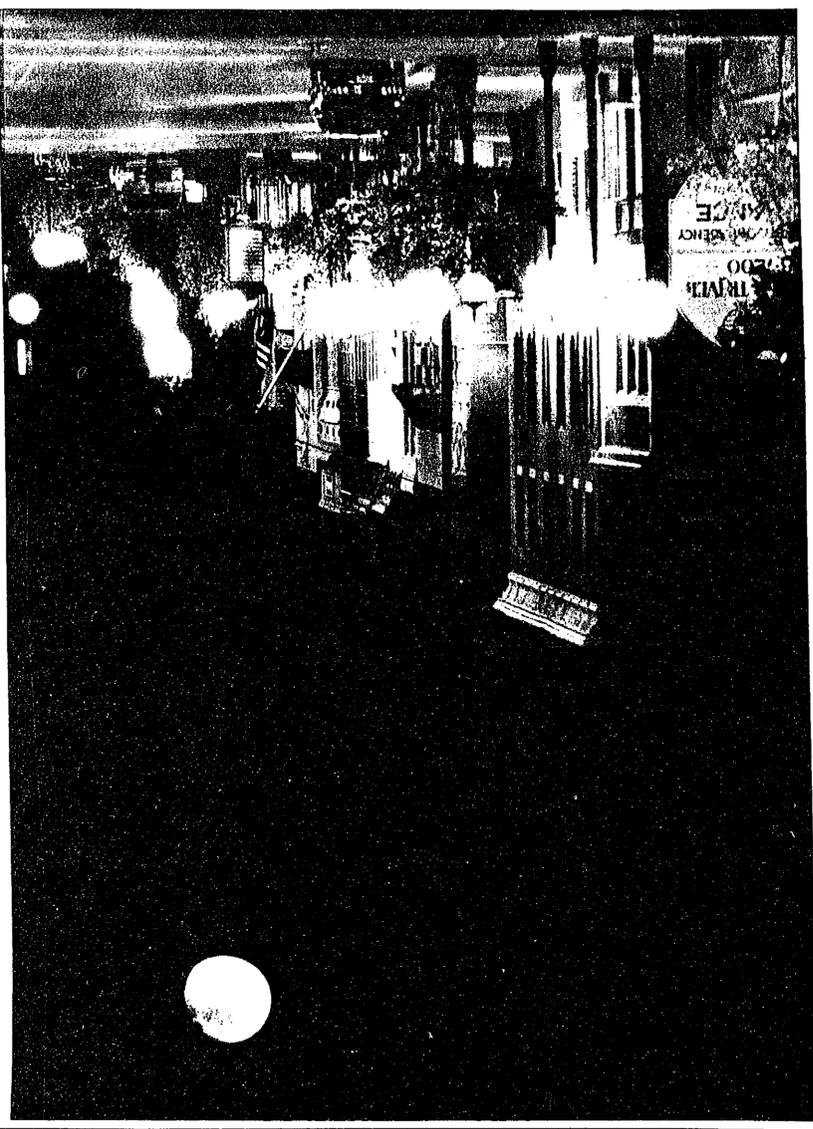
Sept. 25, 4:24 p.m.: Two elders of the Mormon Church, north on Beck Road, as they travel toward their next outreach visit.



Sept. 4, 10:10 p.m.: Above, Bates Hamburgers has been a longtime Novi landmark, standing on the corner of Grand River and Novi Road. The Day family, from left, Jennifer, Jeff, Beth and Dan of Livonia, stopped off for a few burgers on the way home from a visit to relatives. Sept. 5, 10:41 a.m.: At left, Eugene Morrison, 75, crosses 8 Mile on the foot bridge near Northville High School. Morrison has been walking four hours a day, every day since January and has lost 45 pounds since beginning his routine.



Sept. 9, 9:14 p.m.: Just days after being hit, the warning moon hangs low over a quiet Main Street in Northville.

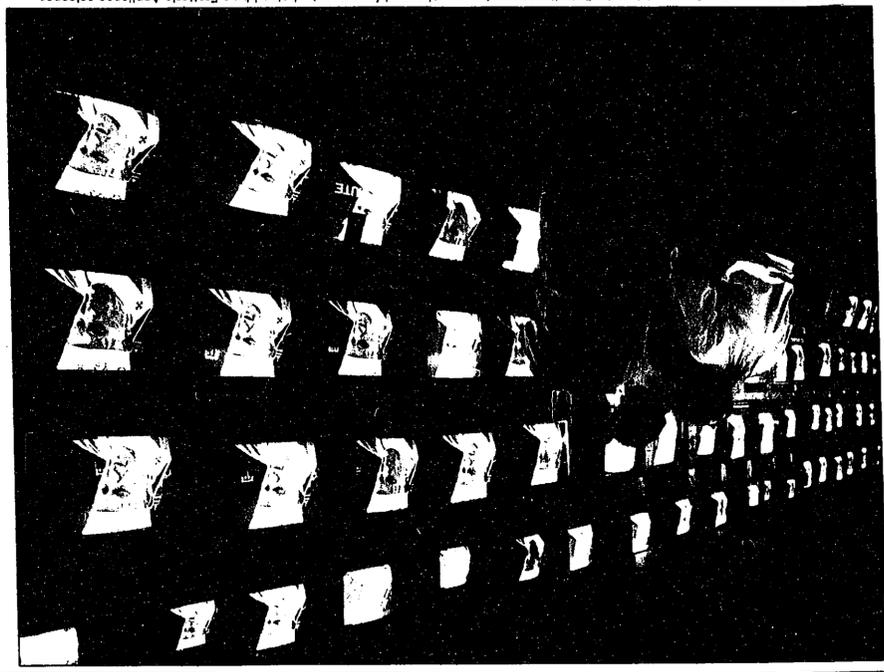


Sept. 16, 7:13 p.m.: The band marches on — despite some adverse weather conditions. Members of the Novi High School Band are reflected in the wet pavement of the school's parking lot as they practice.



Weekends are a flurry of September chores. The cat needs a tune-up. The lawn needs fertilizing. The house needs painting. The summer clothes must be packed. The dog has fleas, the dentist called, reports are due and everyone's got the flu. Just when we think we'll never see the sun again — flash — it's autumn. Forget the chores — it's time for long walks and trips to the critter mill. Apples taste just right. No more homemade Marm, have your own corolla. Kids in band uniforms put the on golden afternoon. School bus drivers nod to anxious strolling mops of coffee seem to taste better on crisp cool mornings. (Driving to work is not as big a chore as leaves begin to change and the same old scenery sparkles in the sun.)

Sept. 19, 5:22 p.m.: The Pope's visit to the Detroit area may have blocked traffic downtown and in Pontiac, but in Novi it was business as usual. While Tom and Kathie Dunk of Whitmore Lake shopped for a new tv, helped by a Fetter's Appliance salesperson, the pope's image dominated the selection.

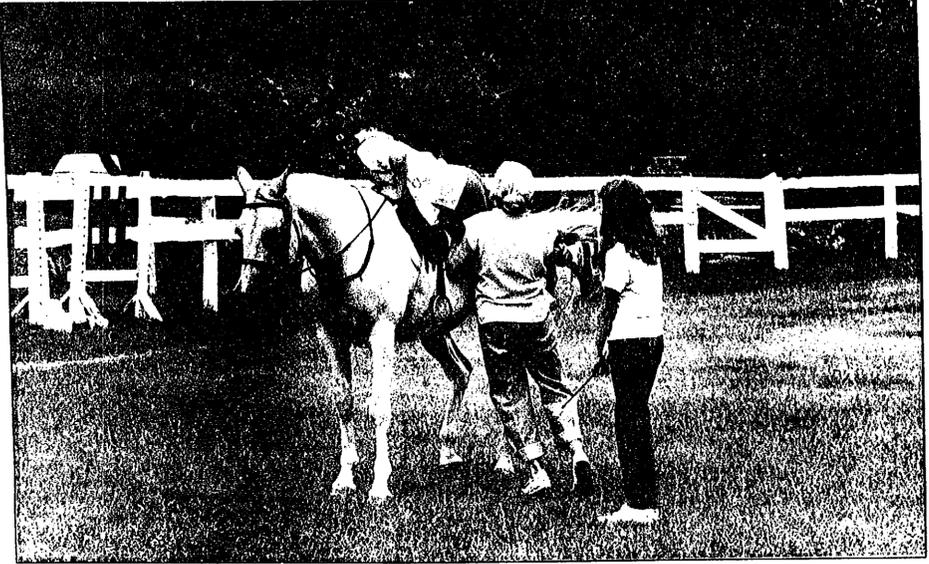


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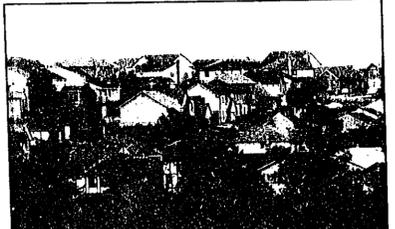
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Sept. 8, 3:50 p.m.: A trip to Grandma's house means a cantor on Grandma's horse for Jodi Clark. Here Jodi is given a boost up to the saddle by Luella Clark, grandmother, and Laurie Spenson. Jodi and Laurie were spending the afternoon practicing at Clark's Northville home.



Sept. 6, 8:15 p.m.: Above, the sun slowly sets and the lights begin to come on after a sleepy Labor Day Sunday in the Lakes of Northville subdivision. Sept. 7, 7:47 p.m. Left, returning Labor Day travelers stream eastward under the Beck Road overpass of I-96.

It's not an easy month. It means ending. The end of summer. The closing of the cottage and the final escape through the garden. Take the load out, put away the seasonal mitts — do your homework. There is a sense of sadness surrounding Labor Day. It's the goodbye. It's the end of a summer romance. A feeling, not as sharp as fall, as it was at fifteen. September teases us. For one thing, September offers us a beginning. Children with vacation duds see out the last days of freedom only to turn around and watch school buses turning down their street. Teenagers on skateboards wear sunglasses, turn into book-carrying, jean-clad boys, a mood freshmen at the turn of the calendar leaf.



Sept. 17, 2:16 p.m.: Top, Paul Rellick, 84, uses the carousel mailbox to pick up his mail and that of his neighbors at his Beck Road apartment. Sept. 20, 12:21 p.m.: Above, as the Sunday service ends, the exiting parishioners of the First Baptist Church of Novi open wide the doors. Sept. 18, 1:26 p.m.: Right, a ceremony at Oakland Hills Cemetery honoring POW and MIA's gives Jim Warner, father of a former POW, a moment in which to reflect.





Sept. 10, 12:51 p.m.: Above, the sun was out in full force, so Elizabeth Smith, left, and Ruth Sherlock, sported shades during the Novi Senior Citizen's outing at Lakeshore Park. Sept. 11, 2:38 p.m.: At right, Jerry's Barber Shop in Novi was the scene of a pre-wedding haircut for Robert Nelson, left. Phyllis Wagner trimmed up Nelson who also opted for a professional shave. Dan Mahan was in for a clip by Vito Verdone.



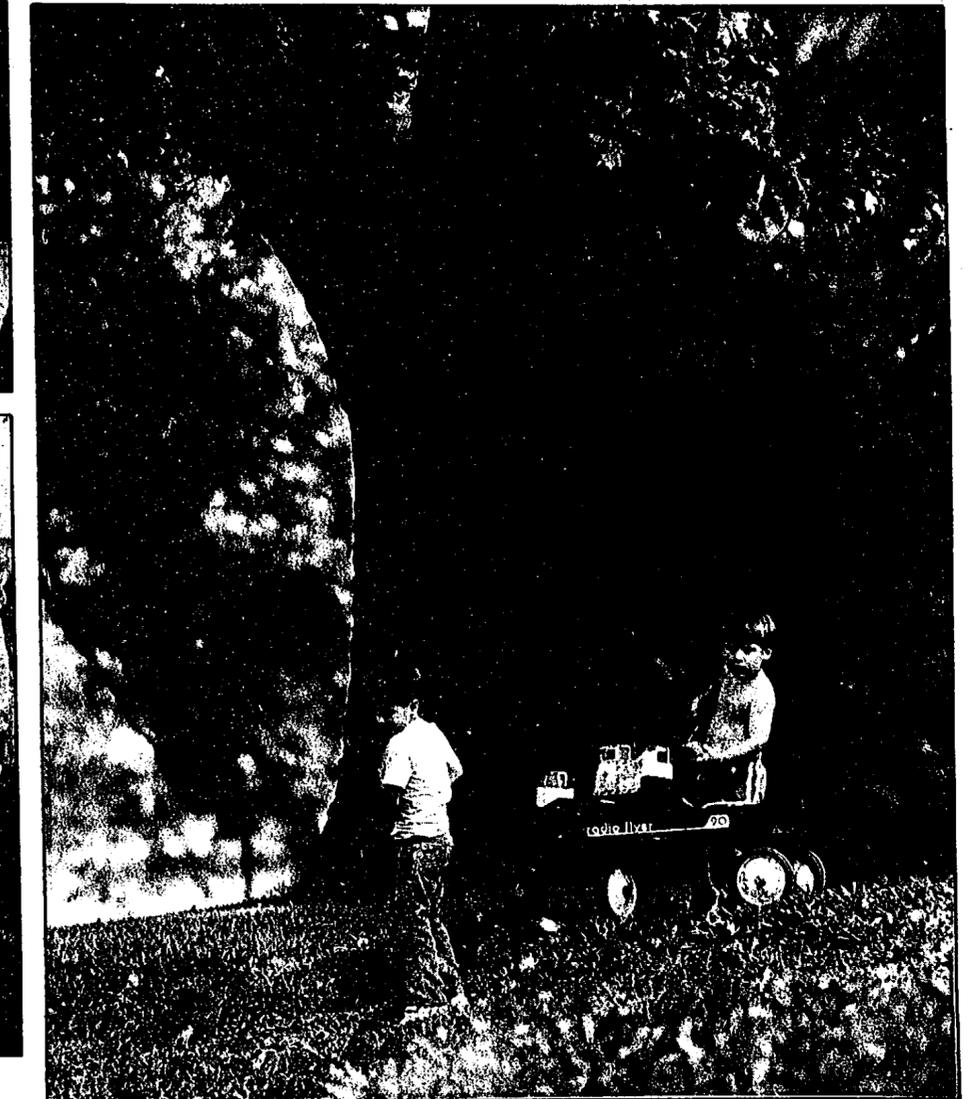
Sept. 15, 2:42 p.m.: At left, a suspect, apprehended in Northville following a call-in regarding stolen cars, is led away. Sept. 14, 12:13 p.m.: Below, toys and acorns made for a fine mornings play for Justine, 4, left, and Nicholas Pechette, 3. Here they load up their wagon and head for their home on Nine Mile.



Sept. 12, 12:12 p.m.: Whitefoot, 14, has been hanging around long enough to be considered a fixture at Foreman's Orchard in Northville.



Sept. 13, 3:31 p.m.: Just a sunny day, a girl and her parasol. Lindsay Hrlac, 5, of the West Oaks Arts and Craft Show in Novi. Walled Lake had a tough choice, but managed to find her special sun shade at



September teases us. It offers a gentle reminder of the snow not so very far away. Damp, cold rain pours from what was, not so very long ago, a bright blue summer sky. Raincoats replace bare feet and day after day after day dawns gray and rainy. Life changes. The pace picks up. Families face mornings of scheduling showers, packing lunches and hurried breakfasts as school and work pull children and parents.