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Novi High graduate killed by train

The death of Joel Benjamin Finzel, 18, is sending shock waves around Novi High School.

A star football player who graduated from Novi High School just a little more than a month ago, Finzel was killed after being struck by a freight train at the Nine Mile C&O crossing early Saturday morning, July 11.

Police reports indicated that Finzel and a friend had been playing "chicken" on the railroad tracks when the accident occurred. The name of the friend was withheld by police.

"The kids are all shook up," said Beverly Cook, secretary to Novi High School Principal Robert

Youngberg.

"He had a lot of friends. He was a nice, personable kid... a very nice boy."

Many friends and classmates attended visitation at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Livonia Monday night. Cook said the funeral home was "absolutely packed" with people who came by to pay final respects.

"I've never seen so many people at a funeral visitation before," said Cook. "Joel was very popular with his classmates, and they were coming in like they were getting off buses."

The funeral service was held Tuesday, July 14, at 11 a.m. at St.

Matthew's Lutheran Church in Walled Lake. Interment followed at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

Cook said students were visibly shaken by the death of their classmate. "High school boys in particular have a tough time showing their emotions openly," she said. "But the scene at the funeral home was filled with emotion."

"Some of the boys seemed dazed because they just couldn't believe it; others just broke down."

"It's really sad. What a waste. He was such a nice boy."

Meanwhile, rumors regarding the circumstances of Finzel's death are running rampant through the community.

According to official police reports, Finzel died approximately an hour after being struck by a southbound freight train at the C&O railroad crossing between Novi and Meadowbrook roads. The accident occurred at approximately 3:25 a.m. on Saturday, July 11.

Responding officers arrived at the scene to find the last two cars of the train blocking the crossing. Train employees told officers the injured person (Finzel) was lying on the ground near the front of the train.

Police found Finzel's 1982 Ford Courier pickup truck facing in a southeast direction in the cul-de-sac on Roethel Drive, south of the Nine

Mile crossing. They also found 20 empty cans of Meister Brau beer and three empty cans of Budweiser beer at the scene as well as a broken styrofoam cooler.

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JOEL FINZEL

Benefit to aid victims

Area residents will have an opportunity to donate to aid the Muscatello family, victims of a deadly tornado, at a benefit at Chez Raphael on Sunday, July 19, from 5-9 p.m.

Three area chefs — Keith Famie of Chez Raphael, Joe Yesbick of the Sheraton Oaks in Novi, and Ed Janos of the Money Tree — will pool their talents in presenting appetizers and hors d'oeuvres for the benefit.

The benefit will include the hors d'oeuvres, wine and champagne donated by the Merchant of Vino, and live entertainment.

Michael Muscatello was killed when a sudden tornado ripped through the Chateau Estates Mobile Home Park on June 21. His wife Vanda and 19-month old son Michael Jr. were seriously injured. Vanda remains hospitalized with a broken back, and doctors have told her family she will never walk again. The family had no medical or homeowner's insurance.

Tickets for the benefit are \$50 per person and may be obtained through the Victor-Forbes Ltd., public relations agency. Reservations may be made by calling Julie Traub at 542-0095.

Famie said he is hoping for 250-300 persons at the event. All proceeds from ticket sales will go directly to the fund set up for the Muscatello family.

In addition to the benefit dinner, a tennis exhibition will be held July 19 at 1 p.m. at the Detroit Racquet and Squash Club at Fourteen Mile and Drake Road. Chefs Famie and Janos will play as well as former Detroit Lion Lem Barney. TV personality Gary Cumberley will officiate at the event. Donations will be taken at the door.

Security Bank and Trust of Novi has set up two funds for victims of the tornado. Donations are being accepted for the Novi Tornado Relief Fund and the Muscatello Family Fund. Donations should be mailed to the Security Bank and Trust of Novi, 41325 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, 48050.



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The storyteller

As a mother and daughter listen, Nesby Button is "the storyteller" at the unique approach to the church's annual Vacation Bible School which has "Marketplace, 29 a.d." as its theme.

Police millage goes to voters

By ANNE E. WILLIS
 staff writer

It's official. Novi will have a ballot proposal for a 1.8 mill dedicated millage for 28 sworn police and fire officers and the institution of a capital equipment fund for the two departments on the November ballot.

City council members approved the ballot language for the millage question at their July 6 meeting.

The charter amendment would read: "For the operation of the City of Novi Police and Fire Departments, including the payment of personnel and purchase of equipment — 1.8 mills."

The city's charter limits the amount of millage the city may levy for its general fund to 6.5 mills. The charter then requires any additional funding be approved by voters.

Currently the city has four dedicated millages approved by voters. They are:

☐ A 1 mill levy for specific street and highway improvement purposes.

☐ A 1 mill levy for the Novi public library.

☐ A .5 mill levy for establishing and maintaining parks and recreation purposes.

☐ A 1 mill levy for acquiring, constructing, improving and maintaining drain, storm water and flood control systems in the City of Novi.

The millage proposal was one of the final recommendations of the Police and Fire Needs committee, a citizens committee charged by the council with examining the status of the police and fire departments, and recommending changes and

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Police agreement includes changes

By ANNE E. WILLIS
 staff writer

The City of Novi and the Novi Police Officers Association (NPOA) have reached tentative agreement on a new three-year contract. The union will meet tonight (July 16) to discuss details of the agreement and hold a ratification vote.

Officer Robert Gatt, president of the NPOA, said he believes the new agreement is a good one and will be ratified.

The police officers contract expired June 31 and the new contract, if ratified will be retroactive to July 1.

According to Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver, who headed up negotiations for the city, both parties were anxious to settle the contract without resorting to arbitration. Gatt said the union was well aware of the effects an unsigned contract would have on the

millage request facing voters this November.

The city council recently adopted a resolution placing a charter amendment proposal for a 1.8 mills dedicated millage on the November ballot. The millage is to be used for additional sworn police and fire personnel and capital expenses for the police and fire departments.

Gatt said the police officers' union supports the findings of the committee and supports the millage request. "We have to have more policemen," he said. With that in mind the union, while under no "pressure" to settle, according to Gatt, knew the millage would fare better with the voters if the NPOA contract were settled.

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☐ NPOA president says police will remember officers slain in Inkster/9A

Oil well slips in popularity poll

By ANNE E. WILLIS
 staff writer

Some residents in Novi's Echo Valley subdivision do not have oil fever.

In fact, residents on Heartwood Drive have organized a petition drive to let city officials know they do not want an oil drilling permit issued to Somoco, Inc., an oil company specializing in exploration in southeastern Michigan.

Residents of the Echo Valley subdivision, located just south of Ten Mile between Wixom and Beck roads, were approached by the Somoco company three years ago regarding the purchase of lease rights to the potential hydrocarbons

Ringvelski: 'It's not the drilling, the drilling is a small process. The odor alone could devalue property. \$10-20 per month is nothing when you're selling a home.'

beneath their homes.

According to Frank Brennan, president of the Echo Valley Homeowner's Association, the company has plans to set-up the oil rig 900 feet from the subdivision

property line off Heartwood Drive.

"A good football player could run that distance in 30 seconds," Brennan said.

The company has leased the property directly west of the subdivi-

sion owned by the Comerica Company, according to Brennan. The land is currently zoned R-1, single family residential.

Brennan said residents had "no beef with the city," but were just trying to do their homework to try and stop the oil company from obtaining a permit.

The biggest factors against the oil company in the minds of residents of Heartwood Drive are the potential for noise, odor, contamination of groundwater and the decline of property values in the subdivision.

"It's not the drilling, the drilling is a small process," said Dennis

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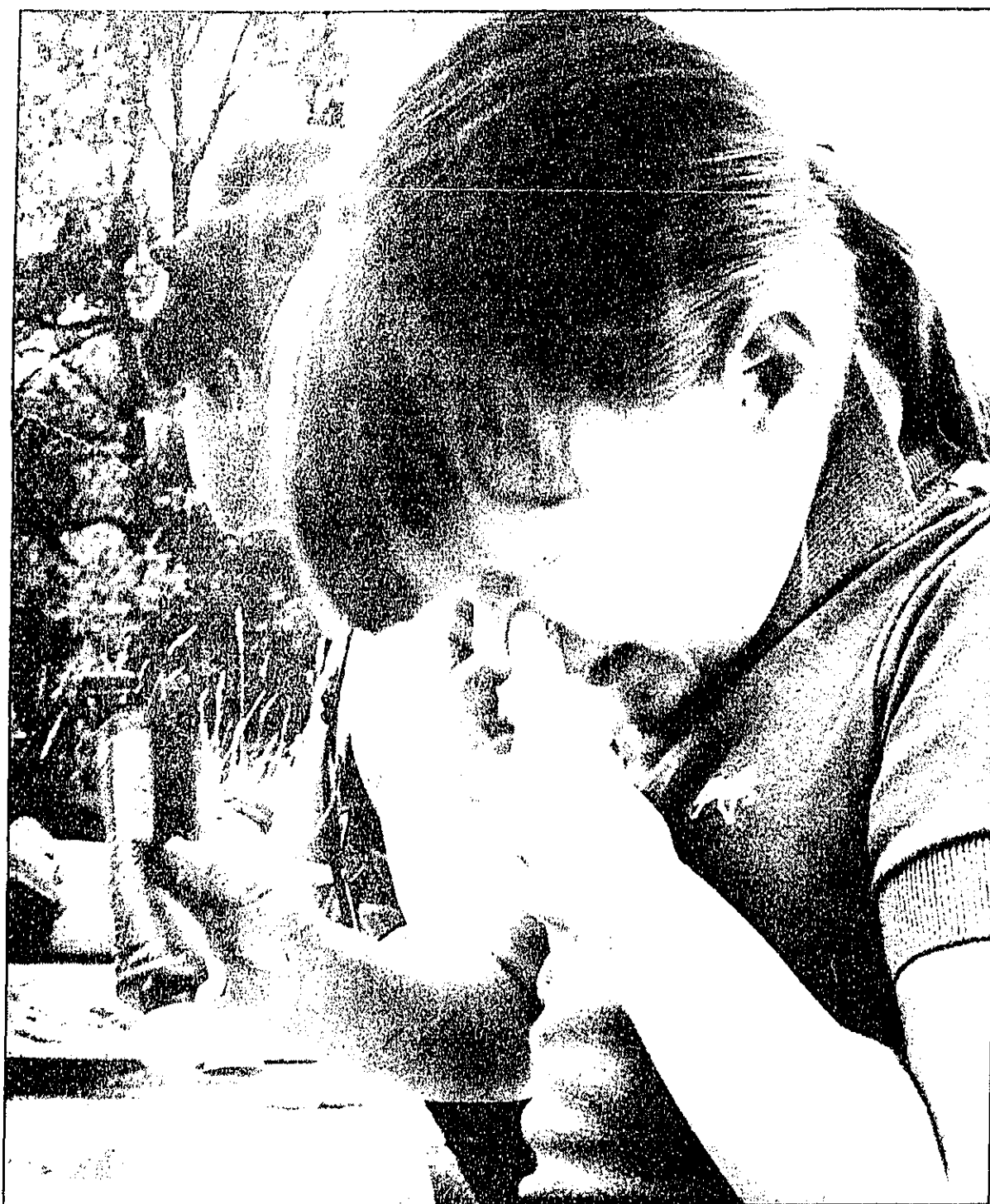
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Communing with nature

Nicole Williams, 7, squeezes her nose in an unsuccessful attempt to stifle a sneeze. A student at Orchard Hills Elementary School, Nicole is one of the girls attending the summer day camp sponsored by the Novi Girl Scouts this week. The site of the day camp was moved to Heritage Park in Farmington Hills when the grounds at Camp Arapaho in Novi were too wet for Girl Scout activities.

Parents to discuss school changes at board meeting

By BOB NEEDHAM
staff writer

Parents at Novi's Upper Elementary School have been working to develop an alternative proposal for upcoming schedule changes at the school — and expect to discuss the issue with the Board of Education in response to a plan developed by the school district administration.

The administration has announced a new schedule for the school next year which increases the amount of time students spend in language arts classes, eliminates a study hall and pairs optional instrumental music classes with foreign language, art and vocal music. Some parents of students who will be at the school

next year have objected that students taking band will spend half as much time as other students in these "special" classes.

Some parents also have opposed the manner in which the changes were developed and introduced, saying the administration should have sought more opinions from parents and teachers and that the school board should have taken a more active role. Members of the school board and school administration have responded that the changes are only in scheduling — as opposed to curriculum — and therefore did not need formal consideration by the school board or other bodies.

At the suggestion of School Board Member Joan Daley, the administration recently introduced an optional after-school band program, but some parents said that schedule would create too long a day for fifth and sixth graders.

Several parents have met to discuss alternatives to the administration's plan. Michelle Santoni, one of the parents involved in the discussions, said the items in a new proposal might include two 45-minute physical education periods each week, and then pairing band with physical education rather than with the specials.

Parents involved in the issue expect to bring up the Upper Elementary schedule for discussion at the next Board of Education meeting, set for 7:30 p.m. next Thursday, June 23, at the administrative services building on Taft Road.

Railroad chicken game causes deaths in state

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

Playing "chicken" with oncoming trains is a very dangerous fad among the nation's young people," said Joseph Gross, director of public relations for the Michigan Railroads Association.

"Novi has a big problem and the State of Michigan has a big problem," added Gross.

In the aftermath of the death of Joel Finzel early Saturday morning, several parents have told The Novi News that playing "chicken" on the railroad tracks is not uncommon among area teenagers.

In essence, the game involves standing in the middle of the railroad tracks as a train approaches. The first person to jump out of the way is the "chicken" and loses the game.

Gross said he has been working with the problem for the past three years through "Operation Lifesaver," an educational program designed to teach young people about railroad safety measures.

He recalled a situation earlier this year when he was riding in the cab of a locomotive and four youngsters jumped on the tracks in front of the on-coming train.

"As the train got closer, you could see them leap out of the way one at a time, but the last boy stayed on the

tracks until we couldn't see him over the top of the cab anymore," he reports.

"We didn't know whether we had hit him or not until we looked back out the cab and saw him standing by the tracks."

Gross said railroad engineers report that games of "chicken" are common occurrences. "They see it all the time," he said. "It's a very frightening situation for an engineer; it's one of the things they're worried about every time they leave another run."

"A lot of people are getting hurt, and a lot more are coming very close to getting hurt," he added.

Gross noted that railroad locomotives are almost two stories high. "Studies show that larger objects don't appear to be moving as fast as smaller objects," he said. "Even if they're traveling at exactly the same rate of speed, the larger object will appear to be moving slower than the smaller object."

"The other consideration," he continued, "is that it's extremely difficult to judge the speed of an object if it's coming straight at you. You really need to be off to the side to judge how fast something is moving."

As for the game of "chicken," Gross has one piece of advice.

"Don't do it," he said. "It's a dangerous game."

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Schram elected board president

Robert Schram was unanimously elected president of the Novi Board of Education for 1987-88 at the school board's annual organizational meeting last Thursday, July 9.

"I want to thank all of you for the nomination and for the election. I do appreciate it," Schram said after the vote. "I think we have a lot of challenges this year."

Sharon Pelchat was elected vice-president of the board. Raymond Byers was re-elected secretary and Stephen Hitchcock was elected treasurer.

All the offices were filled on unanimous, uncontested votes of the six board members present at the meeting.

Schram replaces Joan Daley as president, while Pelchat replaces Michael Meyer as vice-president. Hitchcock follows Pelchat as



But will it fly?

Danny Wickman, 7, looks a bit skeptical about whether or not his kite will ever make it off the ground, but he continues to work away industriously nevertheless. Kite-making is one of

the activities that students at the Vacation Bible School at the Novi Methodist Church are participating in this week.

Congress may axe fuel tax

WASHINGTON — Oakland County's chances of passing a local fuel tax would be killed if Congress raises the federal gas tax to reduce its deficit, County Executive Daniel J. Murphy told a panel in Washington recently.

"I am proposing to the Michigan legislature that Oakland be able to impose its own gas tax," said Murphy, adding that the voter-approved tax would raise \$6.5 million for every penny per gallon.

"Oakland County's legislation is dead," said Murphy in remarks prepared for the House Ways and Means Committee. He pleaded with the powerful tax-writing panel not to approve a federal gas tax hike.

Murphy said Oakland County voters would accept an increase in a gas tax, but not if it is on top of a major federal increase that isn't even used for transportation purposes.

Speaking on behalf of the National Association of Counties, Murphy said 27 state legislatures considered raising their own fuel taxes for roads last year and 13 states allow counties to levy a local fuel tax.

Although Oakland County has a little more than 10 percent of Michigan's population, it has attracted fully half the new construction and half the new jobs during the 1980s, and Murphy said it is badly in need of transportation facilities to accommodate the boom.

He also rapped the federal government for a "situation where \$14 million sits in the highway and mass transit trust funds — unspent — while needs of our roads, bridges and transit systems go unmet."

He outlined four arguments against a federal fuel tax increase for non-transportation purposes:

- "It would undermine the concept of a user-based fee trust fund."
- "It would threaten a traditional source of revenue for state and local governments."
- "It would also hit low income and working class families the hardest."

Novi school board to audit new firms

Despite expressing satisfaction with the service provided by its current auditing firm, the Novi Board of Education has decided to consider the possibility of hiring a different firm to prepare the 1987-88 school audit.

The board voted to consider a change of auditing firms at its meeting on Thursday, July 9.

Board Member Stephen Hitchcock suggested hiring a different auditing firm on a one-year trial basis, because the district's present auditors — Jantz and Knight of Birmingham — have served the schools for 25 years.

"I just think that after 25 years... it might be prudent to have what we might call an audit of the auditors," Hitchcock said. "I do this without any suggestion that these people haven't been doing an excellent job." Added Board Member Raymond

Byers: "Twenty-nine years is a long time considering that we have gone from a very small district to a large district with a complex budgeting process. We might do well to see some fresh eyes and fresh ideas."

The discussion came up when the board considered rehiring Jantz and Knight for next year, a customary task at the board's annual organizational meeting held last week.

Assistant Superintendent William Barr explained that the auditors do not begin work in earnest until January, so the board could delay a decision.

On a 5-1 vote, the school board voted to table hiring an auditor until some time in August. Superintendent Robert Pivko said the district administration would suggest a few alternative firms for the board to consider.

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Also to change an area South of Nine Mile Rd. and West of Meadowbrook Rd. from Light Industrial to Single Family Residential on the Master Plan (see below).

Said hearing will be held at 7:30 P.M., Wednesday August 5, 1987 at the Novi Public Library, 45245 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI. Comments concerning the change will be heard at the public hearing or written comments will be received in the Planning Dept., 45225 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI 48060 until 5:00 P.M. Wednesday, August 5, 1987. All interested persons are invited to attend.

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Owners sleep through burglary

A burglar walked into a home on Valley Starr in the Village Oaks subdivision and made off with a woman's purse while the woman and her husband were asleep inside the residence on Wednesday, July 8.

Police Beat

The complainant told police the purse was stolen from a kitchen table sometime between 1 and 5 a.m. The thief apparently entered the house through the garage and then walked into the kitchen through an unlocked screen door.

The woman said the intruder was very quiet as neither she nor her husband, who were asleep in the house at the time of the theft, heard any strange noises.

The stolen purse contained \$5 in cash plus credit cards and several pieces of personal identification.

An all-green Yellow Nape Parrot valued at \$1,300 was stolen from the Doctor Pet store at Twelve Oaks Mall sometime after 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 30.

The assistant store manager said the parrot was kept untied on a perch in the middle of the store. The parrot could walk but could not fly. The assistant manager said employees searched the store after the parrot was noticed missing but could not find it anywhere.

The assistant manager also reported the bird had a "mean nature," according to police reports.

An Eleven Mile resident reported the theft of property from his home when he came face-to-face with an unknown intruder.

The man said he was asleep in an upstairs bedroom in the early afternoon of July 7 when he heard a noise coming from the first floor. As he walked down the stairs, he met a man carrying the family's Magnavox videocassette recorder in his arms.

The man told police the intruder put the videocassette recorder on the floor, ran out the rear door and drove off in a light blue Ford pickup truck.

The intruder was described as a white male standing approximately 6'4" tall and weighing 185 pounds. He also had a mustache and a beard, according to reports.

A Panasonic 19-inch color television set was stolen from a residence on Ocher during a break-in that occurred July 10-11 between 7 p.m. and 2:45 a.m.

The thief apparently gained entry through a bedroom window at the rear of the house. Once inside, he

rummaged through a bedroom dresser and then proceeded to the living room where he found the television set.

The missing set, which was valued at \$200, was damaged to the extent of an additional \$25.

Electrical equipment and a quantity of jewelry were among the items stolen from a residence on Rotunda in the Pavilion Court Apartments during a break-in which occurred July 10-11 between 7:30 p.m. and 12:50 a.m.

The responsible party apparently gained entry to the second-story apartment through the ground-level door. Investigating officers could find no signs of forced entry on the door, however, and theorized the thief may have had a key.

The owner told police she arrived home shortly before 1 a.m. to find the home entertainment equipment missing from a stereo cabinet in the living room. The thief opened all the drawers in the living room and kitchen, and also entered the master bedroom where he removed a jewelry box containing miscellaneous jewelry and a pink watch which contained \$114 in U.S. currency.

Stolen in addition to the jewelry and money were a JVC tape deck, a JVC receiver, two Infinity speakers and six cassette tapes.

Thieves broke into a residence on Terrace Court while the residents were away and removed a stereo system on July 10-11 between 7:45 p.m. and 9 a.m.

The break-in was discovered by the person living in the apartment above the burglarized residence. She told police she looked out her window and saw a stereo speaker lying on the patio outside the apartment below her own. Knowing the residents were away, she checked their apartment, found the front door to be closed but unlocked, and called police.

Investigating officers said dressers and closets in the master bedroom had been ransacked. The stereo was found missing from a cabinet in the living room.

Police could find no signs of forced

entry and said the thief must have had a key to open the dead-bolt lock.

There's reason to believe a golfer may have been responsible for a theft at the Novi Oaks Golf Range at 4844 Twelve Mile during the night of July 11-12.

Stolen were 1,800 golf balls which were contained in a large basket next to a tractor outside the driving range.

A 1986 Buick owned by an East Grand Rapids man was stolen from the parking lot of the Novi Hilton on July 8 between 9:45 and 11 p.m. The car, which was valued at \$15,000, also contained a Mitsubishi car phone valued at an additional \$3,000.

The victim told police he stopped at the hotel to have a drink and found his car missing when he returned to the parking lot.

The car was recovered July 9 by Southfield police on Civic Center Drive. The car was found with the door lock and the ignition punched out, reports said.

Personal property valued at more than \$450 was stolen from a residence on Grove during a break-in that occurred July 7 between 7:45 a.m. and 5:05 p.m.

The thief gained entry by prying open the front door. Once inside, he ransacked the residence, leaving drawers pulled out and cabinets open.

Stolen were more than \$300 worth of coins as well as a Kodak Instamatic camera and a Texas Instruments calculator.

Construction materials and equipment were stolen from three stores under construction on Crescent Boulevard in the Novi Town Center during the night of July 6-7.

Stolen from a padlocked storage room in the T.J. Maxx store were two ladders and a three-foot section of scaffolding.

Two three-by-six foot sections of scaffolding valued at \$450 were stolen from another retail shop on Crescent Boulevard along with the chain and padlock which were used to secure the scaffolding to a beam.

Three bundles of ceiling tiles valued at \$150 were stolen from the future site of the Highland Appliance store.

A Craftsman lawnmower valued at \$190 was stolen from a garage behind a residence on South Lake Drive.

The complainant said the thieves gained entry to the garage by cutting

Novi Briefs

PAINTERS PROTEST: If you noticed a small group of picketers outside the entrance of the under-construction Saddle Creek apartments on Novi Road just north of Nine Mile, here's the complaint.

Members of the Painters District Council 22, a segment of the AFL-CIO were registering a protest with the Porhan Paint Company, a subcontractor on the development. The complaint lodged by protesting employees was that the company does not pay wage and fringe benefits as established by the union.

"We're advertising the fact they're not paying the prevailing rate," said a picketer who preferred to remain anonymous.

They were quick to note it was not a strike, and they are not preventing anyone from entering the area.

OIL UPDATE: The Somoco Oil Company has "high hopes" for a find of usable gas or oil from its oil drilling site in Section 17, according to Michael Harris, partner in the company. The company is currently conducting tests at the site to determine what they have found, Harris said.

"We're cautiously optimistic but won't know how much or of what until it actually starts producing," Harris said. The company should know within a week whether operations will continue to the next step.

COMMUTERS ALERT: You may have already heard, but Novi residents who commute to work in Detroit should be aware that the newly-rebuilt northbound John C. Lodge (US-10) freeway will be opened to traffic today (Thursday, July 16) — 10 days ahead of schedule.

The opening of the northbound lanes from I-75 to Meyers Road marks the halfway point of the \$41 million project. After morning commuter traffic on Friday, July 17, the southbound freeway will be closed for the same kind of total reconstruction. Southbound lanes are scheduled to be completed by early November.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHIEF: Besides the United States of America, who celebrates a birthday on the Fourth of July?

It's Lee BeGole, chief of the Novi Police Department. The only police chief in the history of Novi was feted with birthday cake on his Independence Day birthday following the Village Oaks parade recently.

JAYCEE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY DAY is July 25, according to an official proclamation by Mayor Patricia Karevich.

The Novi Jaycees will conduct fund-raising activities July 25 to aid in the research of the muscle disease.

TICKETS TO PARADISE, or at least to amusement, are available through the Novi Community Education Department.

The department has discount tickets to many major theme parks, including Bobo Island, Cedar Point, Kings Island and Sea World. Call 348-1200 for more information.

"ART AT THE OAKS," Applications are now available for individuals wishing to participate in "Art at the Oaks," the annual arts and crafts fair sponsored by the West Oaks Shopping Center in conjunction with Novi Youth Assistance, the Novi Community Education Department and the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

The fair will be held at the West Oaks Shopping Center on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12-13.

Works will be juried by the Art Fair Committee. Applicants must submit four slides that are representative of the media and quality of work that will be on display. For more information about applications call Novi Community Education at 348-1200 or Novi Parks and Recreation at 349-1976.

COMPACT DISCS ARE AVAILABLE at the Novi Public Library.

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Johnson charting new routes for Novi planners

By CHRISTOPHER J. KOZLOWSKI
staff writer

News Interviews

During the almost four-years she has served on the Novi Planning Commission, Judith Johnson has developed a reputation for "telling it like it is" — or at least as she sees it.

The trait is appreciated by fellow commissioners who too often watch other public officials posturing for the public whenever large crowds of people attend.

Johnson is also highly regarded by insiders for the amount of work she does in preparation for meetings.

When she was elected chairperson of the commission recently, we thought it was a good time to sit down and ask her a few questions about planning in Novi.

In light of the amount of development which has taken place in the city during the last 10 years, how have the city's complexion and philosophies changed since you have been a commissioner?

JOHNSON: "I do not think the city's philosophy has changed. We are still trying to be basically a residential community, and we are still trying to have centralized commercial rather than have it spread out along all the mile roads and all the interchanges.

The complexion of the city has experienced a gradual change with the increase of retail. The city has become more of a regional retail center, and I do not think that anybody set out to have it be that way. Nobody had that goal in mind, it just came about by the location of the expressways and by the location of Twelve Oaks Mall. And I think it

is difficult to get a handle on the problem, and to have local influence on it."

Now that you are chairperson of the planning commission, what changes are you going to make to refine the commission/planning department process?

JOHNSON: "We have discussed this before, and we have gradually moved in the direction of setting a three-minute time limit on each speaker. This includes developers as well as the public, or anyone else who would like to speak at a public hearing. The majority of the commission believes that is a reasonable requirement to have."

'I do not know if the public is aware of it, but we are in meetings routinely until midnight or 1 a.m., and that is too late to make your best decisions or do your best thinking.'

What do you believe are the biggest concerns facing the city, from a planning standpoint, and what do you propose to do to solve them?

JOHNSON: "The sewage problem is probably the one that would have the greatest effect if the city cannot increase its sewage capacity. That could eventually stop any development — residential, commercial or industrial — in the city. Although if people wanted to be here bad enough, they could still do it on septic tanks and wells, so it could not completely shut the city down.

"The traffic concerns. We have so many county roads, and so much traffic passing through the city that it

right through the middle of the city. And when companies are making a decision as to where to relocate their office, they are very concerned about accessibility and visibility. So I think it is a missed opportunity if you allow a lot of that freeway frontage to remain light industrial.

"Some people have concerns about offices and the amount of traffic they generate. I do not feel they generate more traffic than factories which are really busy. I believe (office) is a very clean use. One of the worst ordinance enforcement problems we have with light industrial is that many businesses want to store things outside, they start to look kind of junky with pallets and barrels outside, even though the ordinance prohibits it."

"I would like to see us encourage office growth. That does not mean the offices have to be tall offices. Everybody starts to think of high-rise and what Southfield is like. That is not my goal, or anyone else's. But I would like to encourage the growth of offices."

'I believe our retail growth should start to come to a halt, because we have almost all of the commercial areas built up now. They were areas which were master planned for that use and are almost filled up now. Brandon Rogers' draft of the city's retail use showed we have got more than what our residents need.'

How politically-motivated is the planning commission process? (i.e. commissioners lobbying for votes to gain approval for certain projects, commissioners eyeing future city council seats, etc.)

JOHNSON: "A lot of people have come to view the planning commis-

sion as a stepping stone to the council. I think you would be naive to say otherwise.

"All commissioners lobby for votes with each other or with the council, if it is a zoning question, when we are convinced that something is a good project. I do not see anything wrong with that."

What factors help guide you in making a decision regarding a certain project?

JOHNSON: "The only things that can guide a commissioner are the ordinances and what they require. We all vote for projects we do not necessarily like if they are allowed by the ordinance. And I think that is what we should do. There are some instances zoning ordinance language allows the commission the right to make judgement calls. And in those instances, we have some flexibility in making our decision."

"On some of those special land uses, we have to consider the impact of a project on the surrounding neighborhood. For instance, a day care center can be located in a residential area, and the planning commission would be charged with evaluating the site plan and the use as such before granting the special land use."

'It is better if we are all pulling in the same direction, instead of one pulling one way and the other pulling another.'

Some residents perceive developers as business persons who are motivated solely by money and who could care less about the community. Do defend that opinion, or dispute it.

JOHNSON: "Well, in this country, it is perfectly alright to be motivated by profit. That is what America is. I do not think it is fair to accuse

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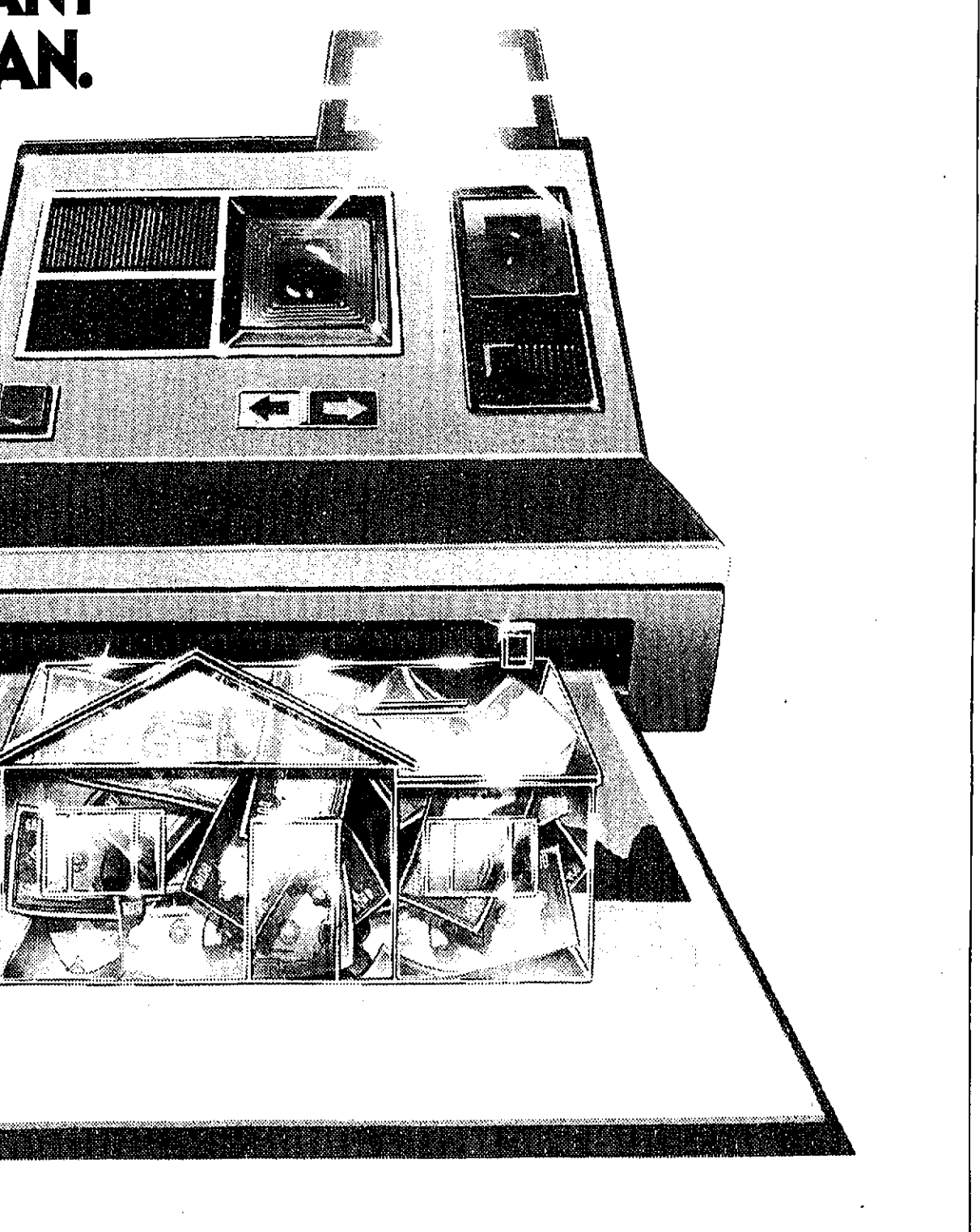
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Johnson foresees more offices, less industrial

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them all of being money grabbers, or whatever you want to call it. A lot of them, even if it is just in their own self-interest, want to do a good development and they are also concerned about the development that is going to next door to them.

"They are concerned, if for no other reason than having their development be successful, they would like to see the city develop in an attractive way.

"Defending developers to residents is difficult sometimes, because quite often you have two conflicting goals between the residents and the developers. One thing I would like to do is grassroots educational presentations to homeowners association and interested groups about the planning process. I think you would diffuse a lot of antagonism from residents if they had a better understanding of what our decision is based upon statewide, and not just when it is in their backyard.

"I would like to do that with the service clubs and anybody who would listen to it. Right now, the Michigan Society of Planning Officials is creating a videotape that discusses the planning process. And I am working on that through our education

committee."

What do you think the public's perception of the planning commission is?

JOHNSON: "I do not know. That is a hard question. Sometimes they seem to forget that all the commissioners are their neighbors. We are residents of the City of Novi, who have no vested interest in making the city grow. To the contrary, there are a great many of us who are simply trying to control the growth.

"And yet, I believe a lot of residents forget the amount of time that all the commissioners put in. It is not just the hours they put in at the table (when the public) is there. And they forget that planning commissions are set up that way so that you will have input from people who live in the community.

What could the city be doing — that it is not — to resolve the area's traffic problems?

JOHNSON: "I do not think there is anything we could be doing that we are not. Everybody is very concerned because we all drive these streets.

It is not as if we are not aware of the problems. But at times, when you go somewhere else, and you drive up Orchard Lake Road or Telegraph, you start to understand why Oakland County may not get too excited about our cries that 'the sky is falling,' because it actually is falling somewhere else.

"Our traffic problems, when compared to somebody else's, are not that serious. Our problem is aggravating because no one likes to sit through three stop lights if you used to just pull up to the stop sign and just whip out.

"Nobody wants to see it get worse, but it will. The only alternative is to have no development of any kind. One very high generator of traffic is a single family home, which our traffic consultants say will probably generate 10 trips per day.

"A lot of Novi's problem is that there is no public transportation. If there were, you would not need to drive your child everywhere. Someone would be able to take a bus to the mall instead of driving over there.

"Even the people who are opposed to more commercial, office and industrial growth, and want to encourage residential growth, should be aware that residential is going to create more traffic, too."

The new Conference Center District permits buildings in restricted sections of the city to be 10 stories or 100 feet high. Is this appropriate zoning for Novi, and what can be done to prevent the proliferation of so-called "high rise" buildings throughout the city?

JOHNSON: "I think it is very appropriate for the area in which it is proposed, and I have thought so even since when it was considered a convention district. (Section 15) is an area that has very good accessibility from the freeway. It has a road system in place with Donaldson Drive and the off-ramp from the expressway that can funnel the traffic of people coming in from the airport or people coming in by inter-state. They can all get off very easily for access to the conference center without driving all over the surface roads where the residents are. I think

it a very good location.

"It is not going to go anywhere. The Conference District is a very good use for the city. It will give our city a great deal of exposure to people who are going to come to attend conferences here. I think it is good for the existing commercial, too. The commercial is already here. No one thinks it would be a good idea for commercial to start to fail. This will bring in a great deal of tourist income to restaurants, theaters, shopping malls, all of our local businesses.

"How do you contain it? Quite simple. We have one regional center district, we have one town center district, and the attorneys say it is defensible to have one conference district. If someone applies for this zoning district to be applied somewhere else in the city, the council can say 'no.' It is as simple as that.

"If someone takes it to court, and overturns that, that can happen to any district we have. You cannot address that 'what-if' type of problem.

"It can just be controlled by the people who have the will to do so, to say 'no.'


Do you think the city has too much, enough, or not enough commercial and industrial zoning?

JOHNSON: "We probably have too much industrial zoning, mainly because I do not think industrial next to residential is the best use of land. It is very difficult to get industrial to be an acceptable or compatible neighbor to residential, even though they have lightened up the light industrial zoning tremendously and tried to build in a lot of protection for the neighborhoods. I still do not think it is the best use.

"Then you come down to the question of well, what else do you zone it? And you cannot zone everything else in the city for office. So, I do not know of a good transition. One theory used to be that you put multiple between single family residential and light industrial. But the people who live in multiples are residents just like anybody else is, and I do not believe they deserve to be treated like second-class citizens just because they live in an apartment or condominium.

"I would like to see us reduce our light industrial zoning, but I think we need to sit down and look at it carefully to see where we can rezone it to something else.

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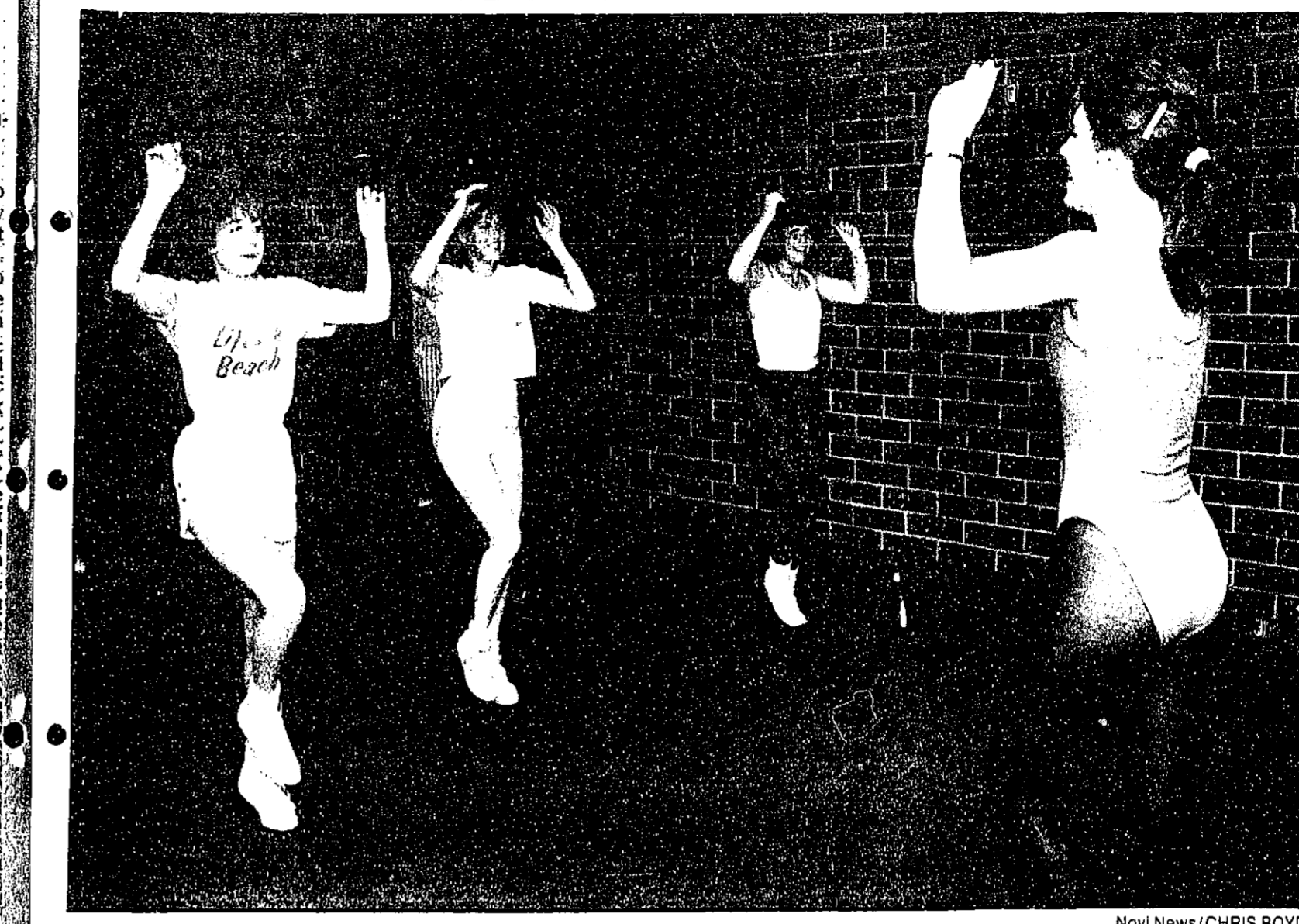
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Staying trim

There's good news for all Novi women who labor away in aerobics classes trying to maintain their slender waistlines — teenagers have to work out, too. That's Jennifer Dunlap (right) leading an aerobics class at the Teen Center in the Novi High School Commons. Sponsored by Novi Youth Assistance, the Teen Center offers a wide range of activities for teens, including weight training, cosmetology and field trips in addition to aerobics.

Senator loses Haggerty battle

If you lose Haggerty Parkway in one arena, try another.

"I go at this from nine different directions," said a philosophical State Senator Richard Fessler (R-West Bloomfield), after losing a legislative battle to make Haggerty Road a state trunk line from I-96 to M-59.

The battle he lost was in the budget bills. A joint House-Senate conference committee knocked out language requiring the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to build a major highway across western Oakland County.

The battle he's still fighting is in an arena where he has a louder voice — a special joint ad hoc panel. Its five senators and five representatives will work through the summer on a package of transportation bills.

The conference committee knocked out what Fessler refers to as "boilerplate" language requiring a Haggerty Parkway out of the appropriations bills.

House and Senate adopted the conference report in their budget proceedings last week.

"It was mandated language, legislatively placed in the bill. The governor couldn't have line-item vetoed it. It's a directive," Fessler said.

The boilerplate technique is rarely tried with road bills, he added. "This was my second or third annual attempt."

Fessler said fellow Republican Senator Connie Binstfeld of Maple City chaired the conference committee. "She wanted no road projects in the bill," he said.

Neither did MDOT Director James Pitz, although he offered to put in writing his promise to widen the two-lane Haggerty.

"That didn't suit Fessler. He wants MDOT to have no leeway to drop the project in favor of something else once it gets its appropriation.

Fessler said he felt let down by Senators Jack Faxon (D-Farmington Hills), who voted for the conference report, and Douge Cruce (R-Troy), whom he said didn't attend the meeting at which the decision was made.

The Oakland County Road Commission this week awarded a contract for widening Haggerty Road along the Novi-Farmington Hills border.

South Hill Construction Company of Wixom was low bidder at \$162,473 to widen it to five and four lanes.

Total cost — with engineering, right-of-way and contingencies — is \$226,300.

Paying the bill will be Oakland County, one-third; the Road Commission, one-third; and the two cities, one-sixth each.

Meanwhile, Fessler said a joint ad hoc committee will continue work through the summer on a package of bills providing optional new sources of revenue for counties and local units.

His Haggerty Parkway also is part of this package, he said.

"When we're done we'll take it to the Quadrant leaders and tell 'em it's a salable package," he said. The Quadrant is the leaders of both parties in both chambers of the Legislature.

Target date for completing action is October 30, 1987. That will allow the bills to take effect and give local leaders next spring to arouse voter support for whatever revenue sources are required.

The Haggerty Parkway idea was hatched after the former state Transportation Commission in 1978 rejected a plan to build M-275 freeway across western Oakland County.

Fessler, then a state representative, along with the Oakland County Road Commission and township leaders, sought to extend the present 1-275 freeway from the Novi-Farmington Hills border to I-75 at Davisburg.

Environmental groups were joined by the City of Detroit in opposing the project. Sierra Club spokesmen said it would wreck fragile marsh, lake and river headwaters lands. Detroit argued that it would lead to urban sprawl — the abandonment of already built-up areas.

Count was wrong in board election

By BOB NEEDHAM staff writer

The winners were the same, but the order of finish was reversed.

That's the upshot of incorrect preliminary vote totals in the Novi school board election last month. Incumbents Michael Meyer and Stephen Hitchcock were the top two vote-getters in the three-person race for the two vacancies on the school board, but Hitchcock — not Meyer — was the top vote-getter... not the other way around as initially reported.

Hitchcock gathered the most votes — 201 — of the three candidates running for two vacant board seats, according to results certified by the Oakland County elections division. Meyer won the other seat with 641 votes.

The preliminary count for Meyer was 96 votes higher than the certified count, while the preliminary count for Hitchcock was 96 votes lower, leading to the reports of Meyer finishing first. Both Hitchcock and Meyer were incumbents before the election.

Challenger Sally Marchak finished third with 540 votes. The vote counts for Marchak and for the successful bond issue proposal were the same in both the preliminary and certified counts.

The incorrect totals and order of finishing were announced by the district and were reported in The Novi News. The Detroit News and The Detroit Free Press shortly after the election.

Robert Piwko, superintendent of the Novi Community School District, explained the mix-up to board members last Thursday, July 9, just before the board election results. "I guess that's the reason why (results) the night of the election are unofficial," Piwko said.

The preliminary and certified counts for Hitchcock and Meyer were the same for precinct one, precinct two, and absentee ballots. But in precinct three — Village Oaks Elementary School — the certified results showed 376 for Hitchcock and 280 for Meyer, while the preliminary results had reversed those numbers — the 96-vote difference.

Piwko said the district was not sure how the mix-up happened. "The results are called in from the buildings, and it's possible something was reversed at that time," he said. "I think this is the first time anything like this has occurred."

U.S. official says health is priority

Noting that his department oversees the fourth largest budget in the world, Secretary of Health and Human Services Otis R. Bowen, M.D., told about 120 health care providers that much of that money will be spent on AIDS research in the coming years.

Bowen, the guest of U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell (R-Plymouth) told a reception at the Novi Hilton only the United States, Russia and Japan have more dollars than the \$58 billion allocated to health and human services.

"I have control over just 4 percent of that money, but right now AIDS research is consuming a great deal of it," Bowen said.

Pursell, who with Bowen toured University Medical Center in Ann Arbor, and met with nurses from the U-M earlier in the day, suggested that health care will be one of the top issues in the 1988 presidential campaign.

"Health care providers are in the front of the pack regarding care for AIDS patients, but are facing some serious ethical questions regarding the disease," Bowen said, citing a recent New York study that showed half the respondents felt it should be left up to the individual provider whether to care for an AIDS patient and 25 percent who felt it would be ethical not to treat an AIDS patient.

"You need to make your feelings known to your representatives in Congress and to your local professional organizations," Bowen told the group, which included nursing home operators, nurses, physicians and representatives from the Michigan Department of Social Services.

Bowen said he supports the president's call for mandatory AIDS testing of specific groups, but noted he also supports voluntary testing of high-risk groups, including homosexuals and intravenous drug users.

"As leaders, we have an obligation to reach these high-risk groups and encourage them to be tested voluntarily," Bowen said.

"We also have an obligation to approach with care and compassion the people suffering from AIDS. We can help stem the AIDS epidemic only if the at-risk people come forward to be tested and we can marshal our forces."

Admitting that there is a definite shortage of nurses, partially because of low salaries, Bowen said it is important to provide educational opportunities for nurses, not only for RNs, but for licensed practical nurses as well.

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Residents oppose Shoreline

By ANNE E. WILLIS
staff writer

Opposition to the public/private development project on the shores of Walley Lake is heating up.

Residents of the area are protesting the city's plans to build a marina and the additional boats it will bring to the lake.

The city, in partnership with Eldridge, Inc., a private development firm, is building on a 12-acre site that was the location of the old Walley Lake Casino, directly north of Novi Road and South Lake Drive.

Plans for the development, recently named The Landing, include a three-story building housing four restaurants, banquet facilities, retail space and a 100-ft. marina.

The city purchased the land, and in an agreement with Eldridge, will retain all shoreline frontage for public use. The city also will receive at the developer's expense a 1,800-square-foot meeting room with parking area and a dock serving 20 boats, plus a limited boat launch facility.

It is the docking facility that has raised questions in the minds of many Novi residents living on and near Walley Lake.

Eldridge, Inc. applied for a dredging permit from the DNR that would dredge 7,000 yards of bottom material to create a 400-foot long entrance channel and a basin large enough to hold 25 annual slips, 18 transient slips, and associated fairs.

Residents are upset, according to Joyce Sabady, a lakefront resident in Novi, over the marina aspect of the project. She said she can live with the development project — the restaurants, hotel and meeting rooms, but not the marina. "The lake

Sabady: 'People are mad because that's not what they told us. They lied to us. I don't see how the marina is going to benefit the taxpayer.'

isn't big enough, it's not deep enough for 25 more boats. It would be dangerous to put many boats on this lake," Sabady said.

Regarding the dredging permit, Sabady said lakefront property owners are forced to live with the shallow lake and the city should as well.

Ed Phelps, another lake area resident, said during the July 6 city council meeting that the city and developer were misleading residents. Phelps and Sabady both said city officials, during prior shoreline committee meetings, told residents the dredging permit would be for 200 feet. Sabady said she was "shocked" when she saw a copy of the permit reading 400 feet.

Sabady said residents had repeatedly asked members of the shoreline committee when the dredging application would be sent and

more to be added in 1988-89, and two fire protection officers to be added in the year 1989-91. "The would bring the total of full-time fire protection officers in the city to 10.

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The committee recommended the dedicated millage for the police and fire officers to offset pressures on the city's general fund millage they said were better used on other matters. The committee stressed in its final report to the council that additional support personnel would be needed by the city, but said it felt the expected increase in the city's State Equalized Valuation over the years, would allow those personnel to be hired from the general fund.

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were issued "vague" responses. The DNR application process states that all comments on an application must be received within 20 days from the date the application is submitted.

Phelps told the council he felt the lack of information was to prevent the residents' ability to protest the dredging application.

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Edward Kramer, planning commissioner and chairperson of the Shoreline Committee, said the residents and city have a "difference of opinion" regarding the marina.

"The length of the dredging operation is an immaterial design detail of the project," Kramer said regarding the residents' protest to the DNR. "It is not a material matter."

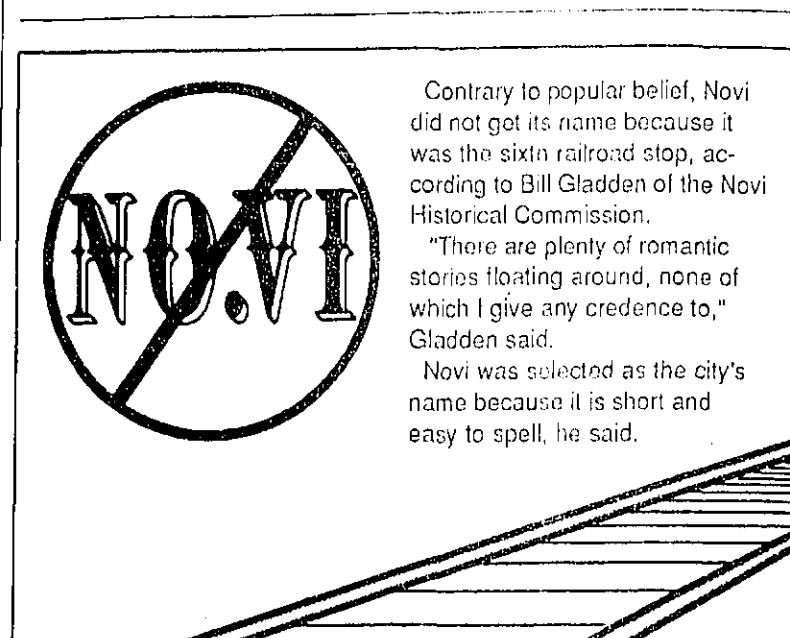
He said the residents asked for details regarding the application at a meeting when the committee was unsure of the answers.

"There was a potential mistake," Kramer said. "We gave them a ballpark answer regarding the application date. What counts is when it was received, and we told them approximately, plus or minus a day or two."

"Our view is, 25 slips is well within what we can be allotted for the shoreline length we own," Kramer said. He said it will not make a significant difference in the boat traffic on the lake as people illegally launch more than 25 boats from the shoreline property on weekends.

"We understand the residents' sensitivity to this issue, but the city as a whole should derive some benefits from this project," Kramer said.

Looking at Novi



Contrary to popular belief, Novi did not get its name because it was the sixth railroad stop, according to Bill Gladden of the Novi Historical Commission.

"There are plenty of romantic stories floating around, none of which I give any credence to," Gladden said.

Novi was selected as the city's name because it is short and easy to spell, he said.

Area Briefs

BURGLARIES IN FARMINGTON HILLS appear to be on the decline. According to statistics released by Farmington Hills police, there were 314 burglaries in the first five months of 1987 as compared to 373 burglaries during the first five months of 1986 — a drop of 15.8 percent.

Fifteen people have been arrested for burglaries during the first five months of 1987 as compared to 40 arrests for the same period last year. The arrests made this year have been of adults. In 1986, the 40 arrests were 21 juveniles and 19 adults.

Police Chief William Dwyer credited the decline in burglaries to increased preventive-type patrols, an active crime prevention effort with more residents involved in Neighborhood Watch programs and a highly-visible police patrol.

The odds of a residential burglary occurring in Farmington Hills — based on 1986 statistics — were 1 in 41. That means that 622 of the city's 25,214 residences were burglarized last year.

FARMINGTON HILLS OFFICIALS are expressing disappointment that Little Caesars International has decided to locate its world headquarters in Detroit.

The pizza chain originally had planned to develop its world headquarters on a 39-acre parcel on the southwest corner of Twelve Mile and Drake Road. In fact, Little Caesars owner Mike Ilitch attended groundbreaking ceremonies for the world headquarters last November.

Construction on the site was stopped in early spring, however, and Ilitch recently announced plans to renovate Detroit's historic Fox Theatre and office building on Woodward Avenue.

Farmington Hills Mayor Ben Marks said he was disappointed Little Caesars would not be among the list of corporate giants who have moved to the city. "This is a free country; people can do what they want to do," said Marks.

Little Caesars plans to hold onto the 39-acre Farmington Hills property and consider for an office park.

A MORATORIUM ON DEVELOPMENT in the northwest sector of West Bloomfield is being maintained by the West Bloomfield Planning commission until water and traffic problems are resolved.

The moratorium was proposed by Commissioner Howard Bell because of continuing complaints from area homeowners of poor water quality and pressure. The moratorium is opposed by the township board and is called "irresponsible" by Township Supervisor John Doherty.

The commission has reaffirmed the moratorium on a 7.2 vote despite the board's opposition. "The northwest is a sensitive area of woodlands and wetlands," said Commission Chairperson Francina Goldberg. "We will continue to find the best land use. We don't need to rescind our feelings."

Novi intersections top traffic accident hit list

By CHRISTOPHER J. KOZLOWSKI
staff writer

More traffic accidents occurred at the Grand River/Novi Road intersection than any other intersection in the city between 1983 and 1985, according to new data provided by the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County.

The group's Multiple-Year Intersection/Accident Comparative Analysis is being used by the Novi Police Department in an effort to prepare for hazardous traffic conditions at particular sites, as well as a way of formulating better engineering plans in designing future intersections, according to Detective Ralph Fluhrhart.

"We use the data for selective enforcement," Fluhrhart said. "If we know what violations of the law are causing what accident at what intersection at whatever time of day, we try to get enforcement out there at that place and time to try to write

(tickets) for that offense. "The data does not necessarily mean the highest accident intersection is the most dangerous intersection in the city," added Fluhrhart.

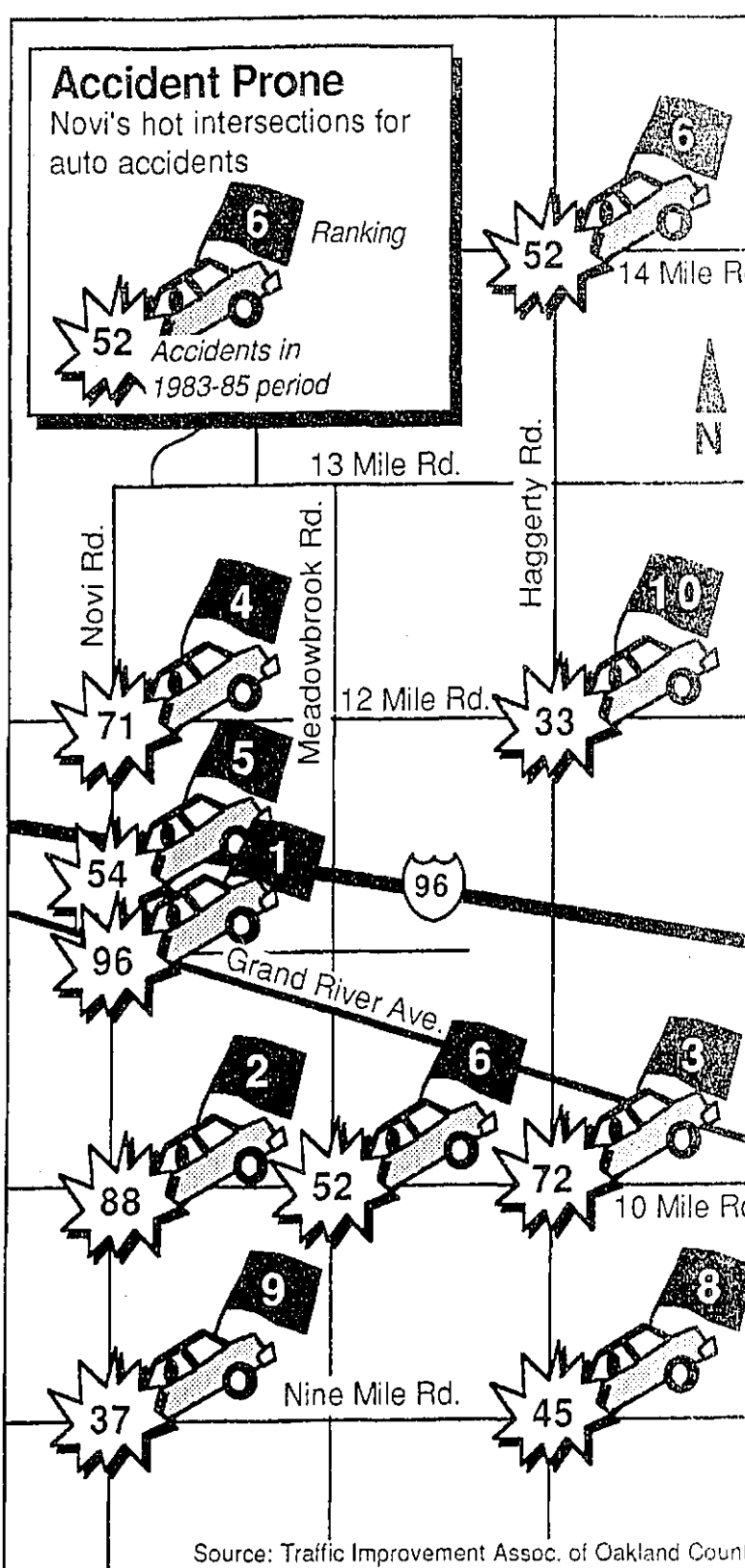
"Another factor that data points out, is where you have a sudden increase in the incident of injury accidents at a particular intersection, then that points out the need to look at that intersection from an engineering standpoint to see if that contributes to the amount of accidents."

According to the survey, more accidents occurred in the following 10 intersections between 1983-1985 than any other intersections in the city. The following is a listing of the top 10, along with the total number of accidents which occurred since 1983:

- Novi Road/Grand River: 96 accidents;
- Novi Road/Ten Mile: 88 accidents;
- Hagerly Road/Ten Mile: 72;
- Novi Road/Two Mile: 71;
- Novi Road/4955 entrance ramp: 54;
- Ten Mile/Meadowbrook Road: 52;
- Fourteen Mile/Hagerly Road: 52;
- Hagerly Road/Nine Mile: 45;
- Nine Mile/Novi Road: 37; and
- Hagerly Road/Two Mile: 33.

Two streets which intersect with Novi Road experienced the highest growth accident rate increase between 1983 and 1985. The Thirteen Mile/Novi Road and the westbound I-696/Novi Road intersections each experienced an 800 percent increase in traffic accidents. The Thirteen Mile intersection rose from one to nine accidents in one year, and the I-696 intersection rose from one accident in 1983 to nine accidents in 1985.

Intersections at Novi Road at Sixth Gate, Grand River at Eleven Mile and Ten Mile at Chipmunk Trail each posted the lowest amount of accidents since 1983. Forty-three accidents were reported at each intersection.



Source: Traffic Improvement Assoc. of Oakland County

House bill to charge dog owner

LANSING — A court could order the destruction of an animal and its owner would be charged with involuntary manslaughter if the animal's attack causes the death of another individual under legislation introduced by State Representative Willis "Bill" Bullard Jr.

Bullard (D-Highland) represents the State House 90th District which includes Novi.

Bullard's Dangerous Animal Bill has been introduced in the State House of Representatives as an alternative to the Pit Bull Dog Bill (SB-299) sponsored by State Senator Joseph Mack (D-Ironwood).

Bullard said Mack's legislation deals with pit bull dogs, while his own bill is not breed-specific.

"The problem isn't limited to pit bulls," said Bullard. "My legislation addresses the problem of all dangerous animals, including dogs, which attack or bite a person without provocation and cause more than superficial injury."

Under the bill, a district court judge or magistrate could also order the destruction of an animal if it makes a second unprovoked attack.

After an animal attacks a person for the first time, a district court judge could order the owner to take reasonable steps to confine the animal and avoid a second attack. In addition, the court shall order the owner to have an identification number tattooed on the upper inner right rear thigh of the animal by means of an indelible permanent ink.

The measure is designed to assist in identifying an animal which has more than one incident of unprovoked attacks.

"The owner of a dangerous animal who kills a person would be guilty of involuntary manslaughter. Owners of animals which cause serious injury may be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by up to 90 days in jail and a maximum fine of \$500."

Police/fire millage headed for ballot

Continued from Page 1

possible means of funding those changes.

The committee's recommended hiring schedule showed the addition of a total of 16 sworn police officers by the year 1991, and additions to the fire department totaling 12 by the year 1991. The total cost of the additional 28 sworn officers would be \$1.50 million by fiscal 1991-92, according to the report.

Specifically, the committee recommended three police officers be added in the 1987-88 fiscal year, a move already taken by the council in its budget approval process; eight police officers added in 1988-89; and two in the year 1989-90. It would add one detective to the city roster in 1988-89 and another in 1989-90. The final police personnel recommendation was for a sergeant to be added in the year 1988-89.

In the fire department, the schedule showed the four fire protection officers added in 1986-87; four

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Senator supports insurance bill

PLANSING — Legislation to protect citizens from becoming victims of insurance agents selling duplicate supplemental insurance policies has been introduced by state Senator Jack Faxon (D-Farmington Hills) and is sponsored by a majority of 24 senators.

Faxon's bill would call for regulation of insurance agents by requiring them to sell a Medicare supplemental policy to determine if a prospective customer already has such a policy. The bill would require the insurer to tell the customer how the additional policy being offered would duplicate or coordinate with any existing coverage the customer has. The bill would also allow the In-

surance Commissioner the authority to establish penalties for those who violate its requirements.

In addition, both the insurance agent and the senior citizen consumer would be required to sign an acknowledgment certifying that any new contract does not provide coverage a person is already entitled to or is currently receiving. The consumer will acknowledge, along with the agent, that they are purchasing supplemental insurance with a better understanding of what the additional coverage will provide.

"I am again bringing this bill before the legislature because I strongly feel we must protect senior citizens from spending their limited

assets on supplemental insurance policies they erroneously believe will keep them from being wiped out financially should they become seriously ill," Faxon said.

"Too often, sales people oversell medical insurance to seniors who are concerned about their coverage. In truth, most of these policies mirror each other, and little additional coverage is gained by having more than one policy."

As an advocate of senior citizens' rights, Faxon has proposed Senate Bill 329 as part of a package of legislation dealing with the problems of senior citizens. He believes that SB-329 stands a good chance of being

passed by lawmakers this session because of the growing realization of the supplemental insurance problem. Increasingly, the media has published stories that tell of senior citizens spending as much as \$4,000 a year on insurance premiums and still not have coverage for vision, dental, hearing and nursing home care, as well as prescription drugs and many forms of medical equipment not currently covered under Medicare.

"My bill would make it more difficult for an insurer to sell seniors a policy that is useless by preying on their fears when, in fact, the policy duplicates existing coverage," Faxon added.

City consultants get pay hikes

Novi City Council handed out raises to two of the city's consulting firms at the July 6 council meeting.

City Attorney David Fried's retainer fee was raised from \$4,000 to \$6,000 per month. The firm of Lampert, Fried & Levitt's retainer covers all normal duties, which include preparation for and attendance at all regular and special city council meetings, board of zoning appeals meetings, planning commission meetings and public hearings.

The fee also includes preparation and review of all ordinances, contracts and other documents as well as conferring, counseling and acting as legal advisor to council members, city officials and department heads on matters relating to their official duties.

Fried's last raise came in June of 1986 when his retainer fee was increased from \$3,500 to \$4,000 per month.

Fried's fees for litigation costs remained at \$85 per hour for partners of the firm and \$75 per hour for associates.

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Obituaries

JOEL B. FINZEL

Funeral services for Joel Benjamin Finzel of Novi were held July 14 at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Walled Lake. A visitation was held July 13 at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Livonia.

Mr. Finzel, 18, died July 11 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills of injuries suffered when he was struck by a train.

He was a June 1987 graduate of Novi High School where he was an outstanding prep football player.

He is survived by his parents, George and Ruth Finzel of Penton Rise Court, and three sisters — Melissa Turner, Renee Zagoroff and Kristen Finzel.

Interment was at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

LOIS A. MCGARRY

Services for Lois A. McGarry of Walled Lake were held July 11 at St. Priscilla Church with Fathers John E. Smith and Richard McGarry officiating.

Mrs. McGarry died July 9 at Botsford Hospital. The daughter of Thomas M. Butler and stepdaughter of Marie Butler, she was born in Michigan June 2, 1930, and was 57 at the time of her death.

She was a homemaker and a member of St. Priscilla Catholic Church.

Mrs. McGarry is survived by eight children: Patricia McGarry of Penton, Barbara Phelps of Novi, Linda Johnson of Ann Arbor, Colleen Haggart of Georgia, Michael McGarry of Chicago, Margaret Eaton of Union Lake, and Kathleen McGarry and Bridget McGarry, both of Walled Lake. Also surviving are her stepmother, Marie Butler of Farmington Hills; a brother, Thomas Butler of California; and a great-aunt, Blanche Kelley. Six grandchildren also survive.

Interment was at Holy Sepulchre in Southfield through Ross B. Northrop & Son Funeral Home in Northville.

RICHARD J. VIOL

Funeral services for Richard J. Viol of Wixom were held July 10 at the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home.

Mr. Viol died July 6 at Huron Valley Hospital. He was 53.

He had been employed as a printer at Diversitec, a division of Blue Cross/Blue Shield. He had worked at Harper Hospital prior to taking the position at Diversitec.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, and a daughter, Susan Barczewski. Also surviving are a brother, George; a sister, Helen Ziegman; and two grandchildren.

Interment was at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development at 45225 West Ten Mile Road, Novi Michigan 48050 until 5:00 July 22, 1987.

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Some disapprove of crude drilling

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(Ringvetski, an Echo Valley resident. "The odor alone could devalue property. \$10-20 per month is nothing when you're selling a home," he said referring to the potential profits from a find by the oil company.

The problem of transporting the collected oil was also raised. "There is the transference of oil to a tanker truck in the night with no one there to monitor it," Ringvetski said. "There are spills during the transference, the law-of-averages predicts it. And they're going to contract the job out, they're not going to care much."

Jim Pelterly, another subdivision resident, said "I have no problem with the drilling noise in the short term, if after you're going to realize something in the long term. They have about a one-percent chance of realizing real natural gas and anything less will have to be trucked out. But with a prevailing westerly wind here, and an unmanned station, the trucker comes in, hooks up, drips it and nobody's there to catch it."

"I worry about the oil smell and the water," Terry Thornton said. Sandra Thornton said her main concern is the time that will elapse if there is contamination of any kind to the water. "How long will it take to prove who's at fault and how long will it take to get city water here if it is necessary?" she said. The subdivision is currently served by wells.

"It could take three to five years,"



MARTHA HOYER

Hoyer elected to post

Martha Hoyer, mayor pro tem of the City of Novi, has been elected to serve as a vice chairperson of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

Hoyer is one of five vice chairpersons elected to serve a 1987-88 term during SEMCOG's annual meeting. As a vice chairperson, Hoyer will chair SEMCOG's General Assembly and/or Executive Committee meetings in the absence of the chairperson, Nancy Davis, supervisor of Ann Arbor Township.

Hoyer will represent SEMCOG before federal and state agencies, at meetings of the National Association of Regional Councils and Michigan Association of Regions and in discussions with federal and state legislators.

She will serve as an advisor to the chairperson and John Amberger, executive director of SEMCOG.

Other vice chairpersons elected to serve during 1987-88 are Clyde Cleveland (Detroit City Councilperson), Fre Korzon (Bloomfield Township Supervisor), Milton Mack Jr. (Wayne County Commissioner) and Gerald McCaffrey (Macomb Intermediate Board of Education Member).

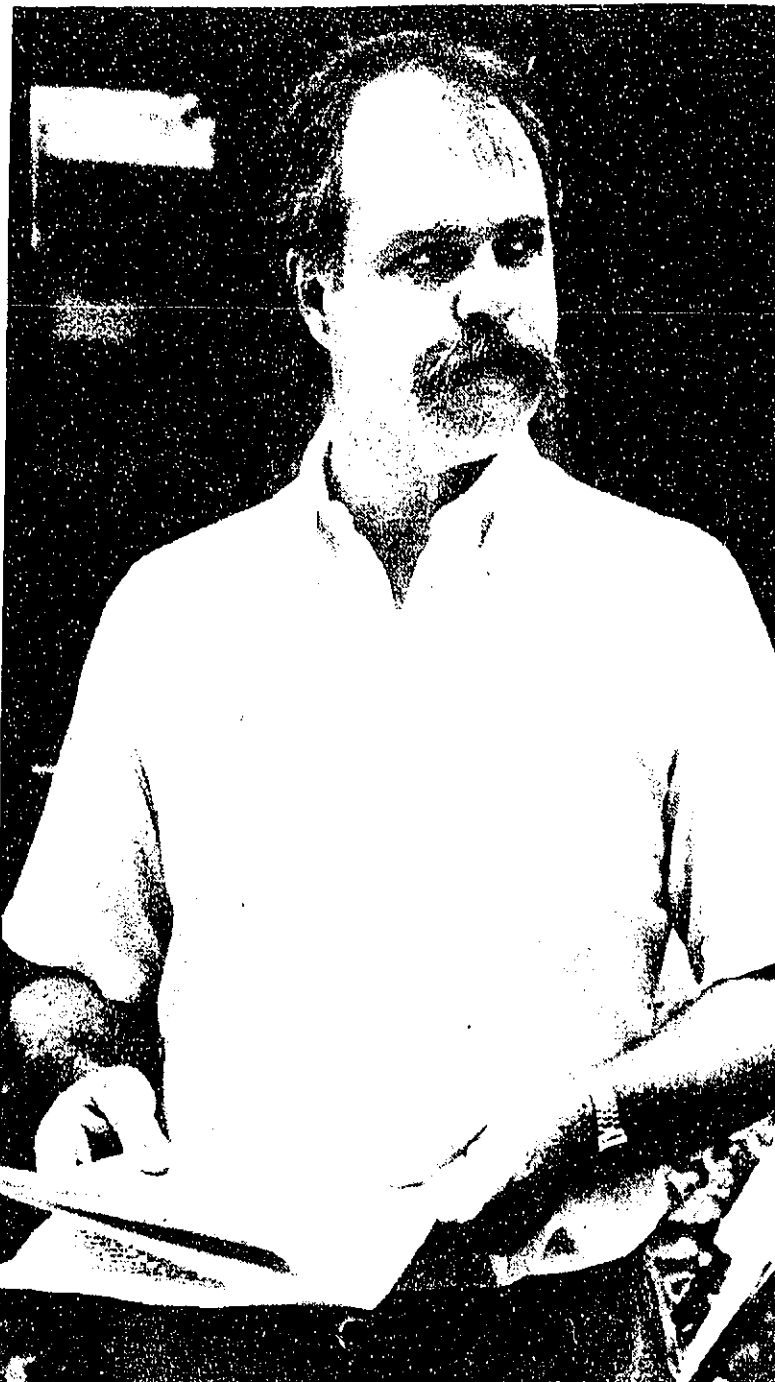
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Echo Valley residents Frank Brennan (left) and Dennis Ringvetski (right) monitor oil-drilling plans



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Property owners unveil Grand River zoning plan

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

It's beginning to look like just about everyone has an idea of what the western entrance to the City of Novi should look like.

Specifically, the controversy over how to properly master plan the area of West Grand River bounded by Wixom and Taft roads, and the I-96 expressway and Eleven Mile has taken yet another turn.

Members of the West Grand River Landowners Group (WGR), a coalition of business and property owners in the area, recently presented their land use plan to the city council.

WGR was formed following the city initiated plan to rezone much of the current general business (B-3) designations in the area to light industrial (I-1).

The group of landowners hired McKenna Associates, planning consultants, to devise an alternative plan. City council members voted in March to postpone master plan decisions on the area until the plan was presented.

At the July 6 council meeting, Phil McKenna presented the finished plan to the council. The proposal recommended maintaining most of the current general business areas and ex-

panding those to provide deeper, more economically viable pieces of commercial property.

McKenna told the council in researching and developing the plan for his clients that he felt the city had enough property currently zoned light industrial. In fact, McKenna noted, much of the city's light industrial zoning is currently undeveloped.

"There is a necessity and a need for B-3 types of commercial in this area," McKenna told the council. "We are not proposing strip zoning."

The proposal also showed a change from the currently master planned light industrial area bounding Wixom Road and the expressway to a heavy industrial zoning. McKenna said the area already has heavy industrial uses and is separated from the residential zoning by natural boundaries.

Other differences in the land owner plan included the addition of a multiple family residential zone just west of Taft Road on the south side of Grand River.

The WGR plan also included some office zoning on the north side of the expressway, much like the plan approved by the city's planning commission.

The proposal included a collector

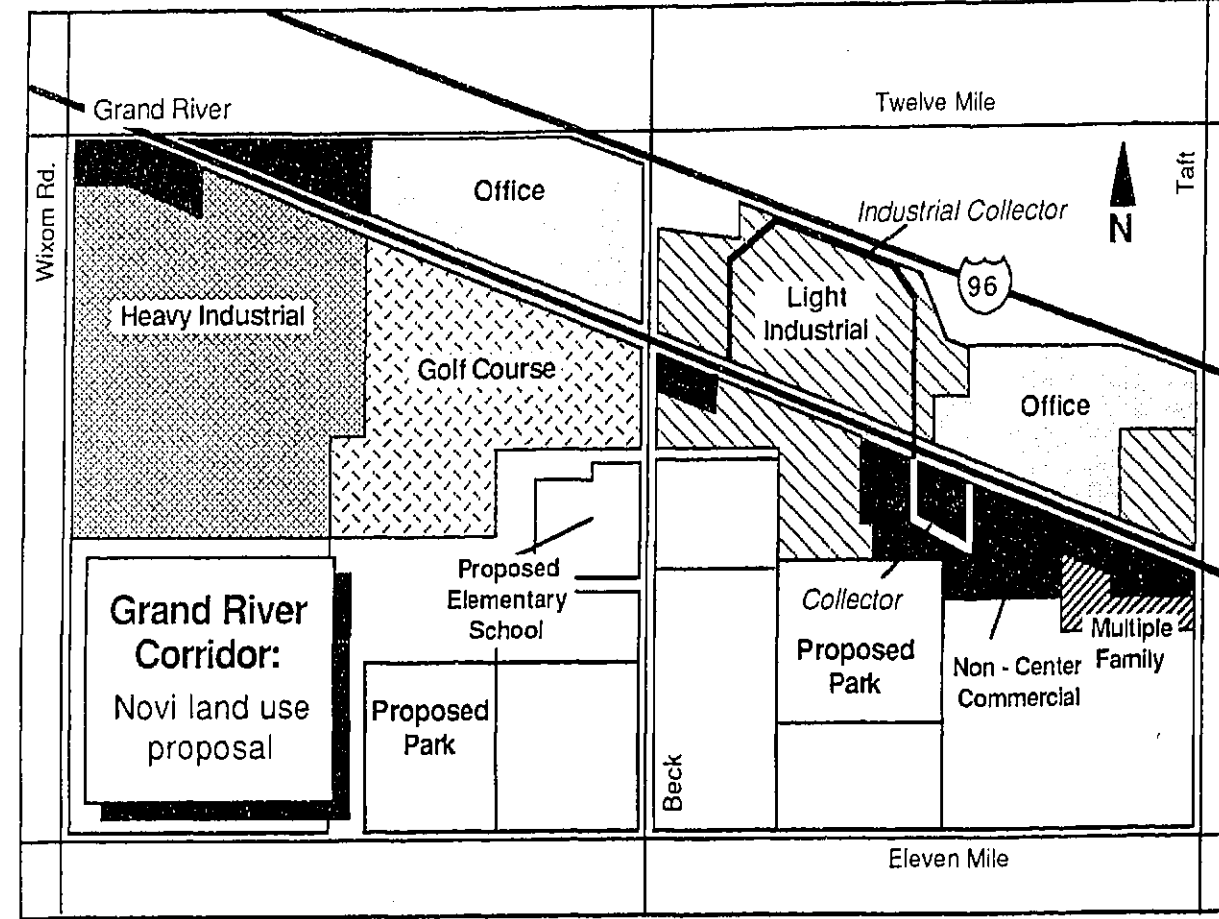
road system on the north and south side of Grand River to service the light industrial zoning districts.

The council voted to return the proposal to the planning commission for study and recommendation. City Attorney David Fried told the council it should consider another public hearing on the matter considering the wide changes reflected in the new proposal.

In addition, Fried told the council the property owners should be aware that the original master plan changes were still tabled by the council and could be acted on at any time. Should a developer come through with a site plan under the current zoning in the area, the council would have the option of calling for master plan changes from the table and voting them in, Fried warned.

Concerns over increasing the non-center commercial zoning in the city were voiced by council members. Council members Edward Leininger and Nancy Covert raised objections to the multiple family zoning district with Covert saying she had an "office park type zoning" in mind for the area.

Mayor Patricia Karevich and Council Member Joseph Toth raised concerns about the addition of heavy industrial zoning districts to the city.



Hotel detecting loses mystery

By DEBBIE SKLAR
special writer

If your image of a hotel detective involves a suspicious-looking character lurking around the lobby and peering over the top of newspapers, you've been reading too many detective novels.

Actually, "hotel detectives" are something of an anachronism. They just don't exist any more.

Instead, major hotels hire "security officers." And their primary function is to look after the safety of guests, not spy on illegal activities.

Gordon Goodrich, whose official title is "Director of Security" at the Novi Hilton, confirms that making sure the hotel's guests are safe and secure is the most important aspect of his job.

A graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in Accounting, Goodrich worked as a dispatcher in the Farmington Hills Police Department before being named Director of Security at the 246-room Novi Hilton last November.

The most exciting part of his job comes when the hotel houses political figures or other celebrities. "Governor Blanchard has been here about three times," reported Goodrich. "He flies in on his helicopter and we basically provide security,

even though he brings his own body guards with him from Lansing."

Blanchard is not the only celebrity who has visited the Hilton. According to Goodrich, other guests at the hotel have included John DeLoeran and rock singer Corey Hart.

"Sometimes I never even know who is here because they can check in so easily without anyone ever knowing about it," he said.

Other than that, however, Goodrich maintains that his job is fairly routine. "... not at all like the action-packed jobs of fictional hotel detectives."

"The Hilton is basically a business hotel with facilities for conferences and conventions," said Goodrich. "Basically, it's a Monday-through-Friday kind of operation. ... providing services to our business travelers."

Another important aspect of his job is being able to deal with guests. On a daily basis he listens to guests' complaints, works with insurance companies and supervises security systems.

"We have a very advanced electronic lock system for all the guest rooms," he noted. "It's my responsibility to make sure it is working properly."

Mishaps do happen occasionally, however, and Goodrich recalls one evening when there was a

power outage that lasted several hours. "I was called at home about two in the morning to come in and work with the general engineer to restore the power. Luckily, it was very early in the morning and most of the guests were asleep."

Working directly with guests is easy for Goodrich because of his outgoing nature. In fact, he said he loves working when the hotel is really busy and there are a lot of people around. "I loved the black-out, too, because it was a real learning experience for me," he continued.

"We all work as a team here, but my main objective is safety. You can follow guidelines and manuals, but the best test is when something happens and you have to decide what to do."

Goodrich said he also enjoys working with the other hotel employees. There are 250 of them, and it's his job to get to know them all. "It's different every day because there's always something or someone new to learn," he said.

"There aren't even many problems associated with the Hilton's lounge (Whispers) for Goodrich and his crew to handle. "Every once in awhile, we might get a few rowdies, but there are rarely any problems," he reported. "We basically have a very laid-back crowd."



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Gordon Goodrich is chief of security at the Novi Hilton

Nearby

THE 23rd ANNUAL FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL is in full swing and will continue through this Sunday, July 19. The Founders Festival Parade is scheduled to begin Saturday at 10 a.m. The parade will start at the Grand River Drive-in and travel west on Grand River to Farmington Road. The parade will feature Shriners, bands, floats, cars, mounted police and antique vehicles.

The festival winds down Saturday when the Farmington Community Band presents a concert under the stars at Oakland Community College at 8 p.m. A fireworks extravaganza will follow the end of the concert at approximately 10 p.m.

"VAUDEVILLE TONIGHT," a charming musical revue, is being presented at Northville's Marquis Theatre every Friday, Saturday and Sunday through August 16.

Offered as a tribute to vaudeville in conjunction with Michigan's sesquicentennial, the show includes skills, songs and dancing to such tunes as "My Wild Irish Rose," "Yankee Doodle Dandy," "Meet Me in St. Louis" and many other turn-of-the-century favorites.

Performances are offered at 8 p.m. on Fridays (tickets cost \$9), 8 p.m. on Saturdays (tickets cost \$10) and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays (tickets cost \$8). Tickets can be purchased in advance by telephone (349-8110 or 349-0868) with Visa, MasterCard or American Express or at the Marquis box office at 135 East Main Street in Northville.

THE SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE WIND ENSEMBLE will provide the music as the 1987 Summer Concert Series sponsored by the Northville Arts Commission continues this Friday.

The Wind Ensemble will be playing this Friday, July 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the park across from the clock on Main Street in downtown Northville. Concerts are offered at the same location every Friday at 7:30 p.m. Upcoming concerts include the Novi Concert Band (July 24), Downriver Band (July 31), Novi Concert Band (August 7), SWEAT Band (August 14) and Novi Concert Band (August 21).

THE 17th ANNUAL ANN ARBOR ARTS FESTIVAL will be held Wednesday through Saturday, July 22-25. Sponsored by the Ann Arbor Guild of Artists and Artisans, the event annually attracts more than 500,000 people to see the work of nearly 600 artists from all parts of the country.

THE SECOND ANNUAL EXOTIC BIRD EXHIBITION will be held at Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor this Sunday, July 19, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Featuring more than 150 species of birds from around the world, the exhibition is open to the public. The largest show of its type in Michigan will include specimens of the rare Hyacinth Macaw and the unique Toco Toucan. Held by the 100 members of the Ann Arbor Caged Bird Club, the exhibition is designed to foster an understanding of exotic birds by providing attendees the opportunity to see more than 150 exotic birds, many of them uncaged, in one location.

FIRE FIGHTERS THRILL SHOW: The Detroit Police Department will put on a special show at the Detroit Zoo on Saturday, July 18, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Featured will be the Rappelling Team, the Thrill Team and the Extinction Team which will demonstrate the "jaws of life" extrication tools. Youngsters also will be able to talk to fire fighters and try on their gear. July 18 also has been declared "free ice cream day" at both the Detroit and Belle Isle zoos.

FREE ZOO DAYS FOR KIDS: Children 12 years old and younger will receive free admission to the Detroit and Belle Isle zoos every Monday throughout the months of July and August when accompanied by an adult. Included are all animal exhibits, demonstrations, feedings and rides on the zoo mini-train.

Regular fees at the Detroit Zoo are \$5 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens and \$2.50 for children 5-12 years old. Admission to the Belle Isle Zoo is \$2 for adults, \$1 for seniors and 50 cents for children 5-12 years old.

"SPACEWEEK SPECIAL: THE NEXT 50 YEARS IN SPACE" will be the focus of the AstroFest film and lecture presentation at the University of Michigan on Friday, July 17, at 7:30 p.m. The free public program will be presented in the Modern Languages Building (Auditorium 3).

AstroFest Director Jim Loudon said he will look beyond the Challenger disaster "to the utter necessity of developing the energy and material resources of the solar system, given that population has expanded beyond what our one small planet can support."

"LIFESONG, LET'S SING" is the title of the Farmington Community Center's Family Dessert Theater on Wednesday, August 12, at 7 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$12 per family or \$4 per person. Call the Community Center at 477-8404 for reservations or more information.

The 45-minute musical program is appropriate for the entire family and features Jerry Jacoby, a teacher, performer, songwriter and storyteller with a gift for relating to all age groups. Dessert will follow the performance.

INFORMAL MODELING is featured during luncheons the second Friday of each month from noon to 2 p.m. at the Novi Hilton's Orchard Cafe. Offered in conjunction with Twelve Oaks Mall, modeling is done by the Twelve Oaks Fashion Guild, which consists of career women from local communities. Styles and designs for vacations and cruises will be showcased from the following Twelve Oaks stores: Career Image, Laura Ashley, Susies Casuals, Gantos and August Max.

Luncheon reservations are requested and can be made by calling 349-4000, extension 1060.

Novi Chamber

CHAMBER SPEAKER: The Novi Chamber will continue to hold its regular monthly luncheon meetings throughout the summer. Speaker at the July 21 meeting will be Novi Assessor John Merrifield. Among the items Merrifield will address is how the city determines property assessments. He also will discuss the possibility that assessing procedures may be taken over by the state government.

RISE 'n SHINE: The Chamber sponsors Rise 'n Shine breakfasts the fourth Wednesday of each month. The meetings are held at Denny's restaurant on Novi Road near Twelve Oaks Mall at 7 a.m. The meetings feature speakers on a variety of topics of interest to the business community.

DUES ARE DUE: Executive Director Connie Mallett reminds Chamber members that it's time to renew their memberships for 1987. The dues structure for the coming year is \$150 for businesses with one to four employees, \$200 for businesses with five to 24 employees and \$250 for businesses with more than 25 employees. Associate memberships are available for employees of a member business at a cost of \$100.

For more information about dues or memberships contact the Chamber office at 349-3743.

Train claims life

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Officers noted in their report that it "appeared a party had taken place in the area." Novi Police Captain Richard Faulkner declined comment on the condition of either Finzel or his friend, saying he would not know if the youths had been intoxicated until he receives official lab reports.

Finzel's unidentified friend told investigating officers that they had been playing "chicken" with the train when the accident occurred. "The train was traveling faster than we thought," he told officers.

Reports said Finzel was suffering from head injuries but was still conscious and able to talk at the scene. He was carried on a backboard down the rocky grade and through a swampy area to a waiting ambulance.

The ambulance arrived at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills at 4:12 a.m. Finzel was pronounced dead by the attending physician at 4:34 a.m., according to police reports.

A spokesperson at the Oakland County Medical Examiner's office said he died of multiple injuries. The second youth told police he was uninjured and was driven home by officers.

The son of George and Ruth Finzel of Penton Rise Court, Finzel is survived by his parents and three sisters — Melissa Turner, Renee Zagoroli and Kristen Finzel. Members of the Novi High School Class of 1987 have organized the Joel B. Finzel Memorial Fund. Anyone wishing to make a donation to the fund may send it to: Joel B. Finzel Memorial Fund, c/o Novi High School, 24062 Taft Road, Novi, MI 48150.

City passes senior zoning law

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

Senior citizen housing needs in Novi are growing, and special measures are necessary to address those needs, according to the special Senior Citizen Housing Needs Study Committee established by the Novi City Council.

In acknowledgement of that, the city council passed a Senior Citizen Housing Zoning Amendment to "permit and encourage the development of housing for the elderly" throughout the city.

The zoning amendment introduced the option of a senior citizen overlay zone which will allow the development of multiple-unit senior housing developments in areas not zoned for multiple use.

The senior developments would be considered "special land uses" and would be subject to special requirements including public hearings on the proposed uses.

Four separate senior housing categories were approved by the council: SCH-1, SCH-2, SCH-3 and SCH-4. Of those four categories, only the SCH-1 zoning is permitted in a planned single-family subdivision.

Here are definitions of the four categories in the zoning amendment: SCH-1: Shared senior citizen living in which a maximum of four related or unrelated elderly individuals, with or without spouses, may occupy a single dwelling specifically designed for such use. The dwelling must provide for separate bedrooms and sanitary facilities for each occupant, together with a shared kitchen, dining and living space.

All dwellings within the special zone must be consistent with abutting and surrounding single family dwellings with respect to scale, character, materials and landscaping. No more than five percent of the lots in any subdivision may be used for shared senior citizen living, and it does not include adult foster care homes.

SCH-2: Independent and congruent senior citizen living. This zoning classification includes Independent Senior Citizen Living Units and Congregate Senior Citizen Living Units.

SCH-3: Assisted senior citizen living and convalescent care.

SCH-4: Mid-rise housing for the elderly as permitted and regulated by the ordinance.

One of the goals of the committee which recommended the zoning amendment was to integrate senior citizen housing with single-family residential. Council Member Joseph Toth, a member of the committee, "We don't want to isolate them (seniors)," Toth said. He noted the four classifications allowed

Senior citizens cannot afford to live in Novi, and a lot of them are leaving the city in pursuit of affordable housing, according to Kathy Crawford, a member of the Senior Citizens Housing Needs Study Committee.

Crawford recently presented a comprehensive report to the city council on the committee's work. Crawford outlined the evidence of an aging population across the nation and in Novi.

According to Crawford, there were 750,000 senior households in Michigan during the 1980 census. She explained that senior citizen housing has long waiting lists. The waits are so long that some developments aren't even accepting names any more.

"You almost have to put your name on a list when you're 35 or 40 years old to get in," Crawford said. According to data supplied by the

Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG), Novi had 3,297 seniors age 55 or over in 1980. The total population in Novi at that time was 22,525 with 2,276 persons in the 55-64 year old age group, who would now have moved into the over-55 grouping.

SEMCOG predicted in the report that Novi would have a total population of 8,484 persons 46 years old or older by the year 1990.

The report looks into the cost of housing for seniors within the city. "There is a lack of affordable housing for senior citizens in Novi," the report stated. According to data supplied in the report, the least expensive apartments in Novi start at \$45 per month. "For persons living on a minimum social security and small pension this kind of a monthly rent is out of the question," according to the report.

"Novi senior citizens who have lived here for a number of years and can no longer afford to maintain their home due to the financial limitations or the physical limitations must leave the city and either move in with relatives or seek less expensive housing in a more urban setting," the report noted.

The committee took a poll of approximately 400 area seniors. The results indicated "that the vast majority of respondents would consider and desire senior housing in Novi."

Crawford told the council the city has a fine network of services for older persons "except for senior housing." She said most children of senior citizens would provide the necessary outside care for aging parents if housing could be found close to their own homes.

Council Member Edward Leininger, a member of the committee, said the report showed the city must provide service to all seniors, not just those on a limited income, but that there was "an important void in available housing on the low income end."

"We are in a real crisis of affordable housing for seniors," Crawford told the council. Crawford who is special recreation coordinator for the city with the senior citizens said "not a week goes by without at least one inquiry about senior housing in Novi." In addition, Crawford said she gets calls from seniors looking for jobs to help offset their housing costs.

The committee recommended a zoning amendment for a senior citizen overlay zone to encourage more senior housing development in the city. The city council passed the amendment at its July 6 meeting.

Senior citizens, determined by the federal government to be anyone age 50 or older, would be the only residents allowed within the special zoning classifications. City Attorney David Fried told the council the special land use would apply only if the development were occupied by seniors. If not, the zoning classification would be forfeited and the developer would be forced to reapply.

The council passed the senior citizen housing zoning amendment by a vote of 6-1. Council Member Nancy Covert was the sole dissenting vote. Covert said although she was pleased to see the needs of the seniors being addressed, she was "not ready to approve multiple use of the SCH-1 in residential subdivisions."

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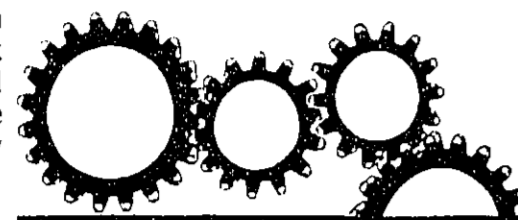
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As We See It

Emphasis changes to residential plans

Novi already contains enough square footage of retail space to rank as one of the area's leading retail centers and does not need to provide additional commercial property through rezonings.

That is the bottom line of a report submitted by City Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers in conjunction with an update of the city's Master Plan. Specifically, Rogers recommends that the city not rezone additional property to accommodate retail development and, instead, concentrate on the development of the residential areas.



Development

Novi has seen a dramatic surge of commercial development over the past several years — ever since the recession/depression that struck the nation and paralyzed Michigan subsidized and was replaced with healthy economic times. The bad economic times were not really so very long ago. It is relevant to note that Governor James Blanchard attended ground-breaking ceremonies for the Novi Town Center last summer when he was running for re-election to demonstrate that Michigan's economy was still on the rebound.

The surge of commercial development has been startling, even frightening at times. However, it also should be noted that the commercial development which has taken place is basically within the confines of the 1980 Master Plan.

The problem confronting city officials in the immediate future is that Novi's emergence as a retail center has created a demand for additional commercial development. The planning commission is studying proposed Master Plan changes in Section 10, which, in essence, would scale back the amount of commercial property. Rogers' recommendations are being challenged by Section 10 property owners who want to retain their commercial designations. The same pro-

blem exists along the West Grand River Corridor. The city wants to scale back commercial zoning; property owners want to retain commercial zoning.

We are not concerned about the extent of commercial development which has occurred in the city so far. Although it has been dramatic — basically because it has occurred in such a concentrated period of time, it also is basically consistent with the Master Plan.

At the same time, however, we strongly support Rogers' recommendations to curtail future rezonings for commercial development and concentrate now on the residential areas in the southwest, northwest and northeast quadrants of the city.

The surge of commercial development has provided a job-base and a tax-base; this is an important adjunct to large-lot, single-family residential development.

Although single-family residential development has increased this year, it has been nowhere near as dramatic as the amount of commercial development. By lowering density levels in undeveloped residential areas, the city will ease the pressure on roads, sewer, police, fire and other city services. Just as importantly, it can establish the framework for a residential segment of the community which is just as impressive as the commercial segment. It is something which can and should be done.

Useful amendment

Developers of senior citizen housing have received a nice invitation from Novi's elected officials to consider the city in their future plans.

The city council recently passed an amendment to the zoning ordinance — the Senior Citizen Housing Amendment, an overlay zone. The passage gives the planning commission and council the ability to allow senior citizen multiple housing units to be developed on traditionally zoned single-family residential land. The senior housing developments would be special land uses within the residential zoning, and as such would be subject to certain requirements.

and convalescent care, as well as mid-rise housing units.

The city has been looking for a way to encourage development of senior citizen housing while not encouraging the already over-built multiple housing market. An overlay zone of special land use for senior housing only serves this purpose.

Under the city's special land use requirements, if a developer who has received a senior zoning designation changes the use of his development, he loses the zoning. This prevents a non-senior multiple use from taking advantage of the new amendment.

The great range of senior citizen housing possibilities included in the amendment encourages developers to present innovative designs that appeal to a broad range of senior citizens. Not all seniors want or require community living, and the amendment makes adjustments for just such individual needs. It allows a developer to fit a market and fit the city, an ideal situation.

Another important portion of the new amendment, is the city's recognition that senior citizen housing should be a part of the community as a whole, not placed in out-of-the-way corners or on unused industrial land. Seniors, perhaps more than any other demographic group, need the amenities offered by nearby shopping. Besides, a neighborhood is all the richer if it includes a wide spectrum of ages and interests in its residents.

The city has made a fine effort of using committee research and recommendations to place a much-needed and useful amendment on its books.

'It's just the trend, Mom'



Ann Willis

It's nice to know when you're following national trends, staying on the "cutting edge," and keeping up with the Joneses. I'm proud to say my family is keeping abreast of current trends in living situations.

I recently read in not one, but two, national women's magazines (what better sources for lifestyle information?) that grown children are returning to the homes of their parents in increasing numbers. The magazines cited the increasing costs of housing and the continuing search on the part of young adults for the perfect job as reasons for the backward flight.

I'm sure the national scope of the phenomenon is of great comfort to my mother as she carefully picks her way across her basement in search of her washing machine. My sister and I, never ones to let a trend pass us by, have dumped all our worldly possessions in my mother's basement. Adding insult to injury, we've also come home to live.

What once was a one-woman condominium has become a holding zone for all the things Debbie and I just can't live without. The basement now holds several beds, dressers, desks, enough books to start a small library, backpacks, bicycles assorted skis and all the household items we need for the apartments and houses "we're going to get just as soon as we get on our feet."

My mother may be regretting the number of times she and my father told Debbie and I "you can be

whatever you want you want to be," because we both have taken it seriously. They probably should have added "as long as it pays enough so that you can afford your own homes."

The national magazines said it was hard on both the parent, who had to deal with this adult "child," and the prodigal son or daughter, who after time on their own was back under the authority of the parent.

To me, the whole concept of three grown women (and one small dog — Mom forgot when she opened her door to me, she also opened the door to muddy paws, a cold nose and hair on the rug) living in one small condominium is straight out of a sitcom.

Three people who profess to know how to cook. One likes garlic, one likes tofu, and one chews a lot of Tums. Three people with separate lifestyles. One believes Saturday mornings were made for sleeping in, one believes Saturday mornings were made for vacuuming, and one believes Saturdays are best when spent with a book — on the couch — all day.

It can work, and knowing the three of us, it will work. One thing for sure, my brother will make sure he keeps his house payments up.

If there is anything I would wish for, it's that these wonderful suburban communities that my sister and I have chosen to return to would follow the lead taken by Novi. Novi recently passed a special zoning amendment encouraging developers to build affordable senior citizen housing.

How about a special zoning amendment encouraging developers to build affordable young adult housing? I know one mother who would vote for it.

Forum

By Chris Boyd



Going home

Random Sample makes debut



Philip Jerome

a standing feature in the Freep, and USA Today is known for its little statistical graphics.

The problem is we don't have a Guinon and can't afford a polling firm. But little problems like that aren't enough to slow down the collection of go-getters on this staff.

Random Sample is a little like Guinon in that it's supposed to provide a short chuckle. And it's a little like USA Today's statistical graphics in that it pokes fun at them.

Plus, it's totally local. You can expect to see our intrepid team of reporters lurking around grocery stores

and little league games, asking residents their opinions on a variety of earth-shaking subjects — What's your favorite color jelly bean? Do you prefer ketchup or mustard on your hotdog?

Our totally unreliable, statistically-unsound results will appear weekly (weekly) in Random Sample, providing an inside glimpse on how Northville/Novi residents really live — Six out of 10 Northville/Novi residents prefer red jelly beans. Eight out of 10 local residents prefer mustard on their hot dog.

How can you get along without knowing information like that, right? In weak moments we might even ask a semi-serious question, but we'll attempt to stop ourselves if we ever catch ourselves starting to get serious about Random Sample.

The opening question in last week's paper was whether Northville/Novi residents prefer cats or dogs. Dogs were a clear-cut winner as 8.5 out of 10 people surveyed agreed that dogs are indeed man's best friend.

As you might suspect, the information brought a howl from my cat-loving spouse. Her dismay didn't last long, however. "What do you expect from a town which builds clocks in the middle of the road and lists ducks as its favorite animal," she sighed.

Covert backs assessment find

To the Editor:
In reply to the July 9 editorial, "Assessing report continues imminent," I would like to offer a few thoughts.

First, any reader who would like a copy of my assessment report is invited to call me at 349-1162. I will make one available to you.

Although my research took three months, any person with a few hours of spare time could have asked owners in the Town Center what they were willing to sell their property for three years ago. That same person then could have gone to city hall and examined the 1983 assessment rolls. A comparison of asking and selling prices with their assessed values likely would have raised some questions. For example, most parcels selling for between \$3 and \$6 a square foot were assessed from 50 cents or less to a high of \$1.75 per square foot on land alone.

Would you believe that at least five parcels were assessed at below 30 cents a square foot? The law states that property should be assessed at 50 percent of its cash value or selling price. It doesn't take a financial expert to see these disparities, which are all legal.

Secondly, no where in my report nor in any direct or indirect verbal comments have I made reference to any "wrongdoing" on the part of Novi's Assessing Department. My research shows that the law allows for the use of discretions in setting assessments. When such discretions are not uniformly and equitably applied to all classes, the tax system allowing for their use is unfair, not wrong, as suggested in the editorial. The law can be unfair and still be legal.

To be specific, my research indicates that some commercial properties could have been assessed higher and be substantiated by available data.

My research abounds with information and examples not mere innuendo. In response, the administration has offered other data. This is not a "win-lose" situation and I do not intend to make it one.

Many people have asked me where I go from here in terms of this report. In the weeks to come, I hope to describe additional implications of my report to you in "Letters to the Editor." Furthermore, I am commit-

ted to continuing communication with the city assessors and meeting with them to listen and to learn. I also intend to give careful consideration at budget time to the recommendations of the assessing department.

As Novi's growth merits and in the spirit of cooperation, I will keep an open mind about the appropriate need for either an "in-house" or contracted re-appraisal of Novi's commercial/industrial sample.

Nancy C. Covert
Novi City Council

Change needed

To the Editor:
It may be the opinion of this newspaper that so-called "council/commission bashing" appears to have become a popular pastime in Novi, but as one of the increasing number of Novi residents who has criticized the philosophy and decisions of the majority of our present city officials, I assure you that this position should not be taken lightly.

I believe that the majority of Novi residents are dissatisfied with the rapid urbanization that has been taking place and its resulting problems.

I find it encouraging that I have been meeting and hearing from residents who share my deep concerns and who have offered their support in my candidacy for Novi City Council in this year's election.

Protecting and enhancing Novi's quality of life and suburban identity/atmosphere both today and tomorrow are very serious issues. I think it is time for this newspaper and the majority of council/commission members to recognize and acknowledge the deep public concern regarding the current state of affairs in Novi and to act accordingly.

The "power of the press" may be a mighty force, but so is the "power of the people."
Laura J. Lorenzo

Fine arts important in Upper El

To the Editor:
While the reporting of the controversy over the Novi Upper Elementary curriculum has been very even handed by Mr. Needham and your staff, some points need clarification.

1. The parents do not oppose change in the curriculum. We object to cuts in the fine arts curriculum which will affect 50 percent of the students at Novi Upper Elementary. Dr. Frank Philip of the Michigan Department of Education recently stated:

"Unlike other disciplines which use the left brain for acquiring knowledge in a linear, verbal way, the arts use the right brain with which we see and deal with things wholesically. Oftentimes fine arts provide the only opportunity for students to come up with their own ideas and express their individuality. Their most human sides. The arts tap into, exercise and develop the crucial intellectual ability to use imagination, to create."

For the past years, the Novi Schools have had outstanding fine arts programs. Our art students have recently placed well in state wide competition. The Middle School and High School bands have received the highest ratings at last year's band

festivals. Such success is built upon solid foundations begun at the Upper Elementary.

2. The policy-making process has summarily become inverted in our school system. In the case of these curriculum changes, the administration has taken on the role of policy-maker and is dictating to the community what that educational program will be. It is for the Board of Education to determine policy. The administration is to follow the board's direction. The objecting parents are requesting that the board take charge again.

3. The administration has not supplied data to justify the need for the curriculum changes as has been requested by the parents.

4. Teacher morale is a concern. Already an excellent sixth grade teacher, Mrs. O'Donnell has transferred from Novi Upper Elementary. Another has requested transfer and been persuaded to change her mind. Mr. Frantz, in Physical Education, has been told that under the new plan it will be difficult for him to continue coaching his own championship Novi High School baseball team.

When we ignore hard work and success, what are we saying to our teachers? Will they want to continue

Sit council alone

To the Editor:
Let us talk to the council. Have you ever attended a Novi City Council meeting?

A first-time visitor has difficulty distinguishing elected officials from the city administrators. They constantly whisper to each other during meetings. A resident states a concern, asks a question and the city manager, assistant city manager or the city attorney answers.

The city administrators need to be present but removed from the council table area and seated elsewhere.

The mayor and council members receive agendas several days prior to the Monday night meetings. The elected officials should sit alone facing the public and answer the questions.

Let's make it a real city council meeting.
Beverly Chiasson

Preserve nature

To the Editor:
I recently launched a campaign to try and save some of the natural beauty of Novi from urban development. I want to thank the over 300 people who signed our door-to-door petition.

I have been told we cannot stop progress. I do realize we can't stop a person from selling their property. There are ways, however, to ensure that when all the building is done we are not living in a concrete jungle.

But we need the cooperation of our city government. To zone larger lot sizes to attain openness. To zone residential away from industrial. To preserve some agricultural areas so we do not lose our country atmosphere. And last but not least we need to purchase as much land as possible for parks throughout our city.

For both activity areas for our citizens and natural parks for the preservation of wildlife in this region.

I believe this to be possible with the tax revenues soon to be forthcoming

and the consumers of its services. They have the responsibility and the right to evaluate the product. The layman or woman should not be intimidated about speaking or asking questions about educational programs at these school board meetings. James D. Koerner develops this theme further in his book, "Who Controls Education, A Guide for Laymen."

Lastly, does additional money, equipment or time produce better educational outcomes — increased student learning? This question needs to be addressed through monitoring educational outcomes and outputs. School budgets should contain supplemental information about the effectiveness of programs rather than solely made up of revenues and appropriations.

Students and teachers are accountable — school boards and administrators are accountable also to their citizens.

The Citizens Research Council of Michigan, 909 Michigan National Tower, Lansing, MI 48933-1738 publishes report No. 282 (July 1986) titled "Evaluating the Educational Outcomes of Your Local Schools." All concerned owners of their public schools should start doing their homework.
Sally Marchak

Keep involved

To the Editor:
At the July 8 Board of Education meeting, Report No. 8.3 recognized the contributions that informed and involved citizens make to the total educational program of the community. They further resolved that the Board of Education truly encourages all citizens to attend its meetings and take part actively in the school district. July 23 (7:30 p.m.) is the next meeting of the Board of Education.

The citizens of Novi are both the owners of the public school system

from all the new businesses soon to be opening in Novi. If you agree with these opinions, then we must take a long hard look at the candidates running for our city council this fall and elect only those candidates who best reflect the needs of we the people. Then we must take the time to vote.
Yvonne Martin

Heartfelt thanks

To the Editor:
I would appreciate an opportunity to thank each and every member of the Novi and greater Detroit community for reaching out and responding to our Chateau Novi residents in their time of need.

At Chateau Novi we are a family, a community. As community administrator for Chateau Novi, living on site since 1977, my primary responsibility is to serve the needs of our residents. The June 21 tragedy was the first such emergency to occur at Chateau Novi. The outpouring of concern and affection has touched me and every member of our community.

My special thanks go to Pat Karevich, Mayor of Novi; City of Novi; Novi Police Department; Oakland County Sheriff Department; West Bloomfield Police Department; State Police Novi Command Post; Novi Fire Station No. 2; Wixom Emergency Services; Oakland County Emergency Management; Detroit Edison; Consumers Power Company; the Novi Hilton; Sheraton Oaks; Holiday Inn; Chateau Homeowners Association; the American Red Cross; Salvation Army; Small Business Administration; Elias Brothers Restaurant/Novi; Domino's Pizza; Security Bank and Trust of Novi and hundreds of local residents who have offered their assistance.

Our plans are to return the community to its original condition within the next several weeks. More than 96 percent of the homes were insured, and the majority of our residents are now planning to return to their original homes.

On behalf of all the residents of our community, our thanks to everyone who helped us in our hour of need. You will always hold a special place in our hearts.

Robert Steiner,
Community Administrator,
Chateau Novi

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Playing a chance of a lifetime



Christopher J. Kozlowski

the century from the New York Times. "If you don't join our staff we'll have to fold it." And no, my nomination to the United States Supreme Court has not yet been confirmed by the Senate.

The reason I have decided to give up making an honest living is because of what my friend Ed told me. "CHRIS KOZLOWSKI SHALL BE PAID 10 MILLION DOLLARS... IF CHRIS KOZLOWSKI RETURNS THE WINNING NUMBER BEFORE..."

Ed and I do not see each other much. In fact, he has never seen me before. But you

have to stop and think that when somebody writes you a personally addressed letter offering you 10 MILLION DOLLARS, you better make friends with him quick.

Besides, why shouldn't I trust my favorite sidekick, who enjoys giving away millions of dollars on TV, and makes a living out of laughing in front of a national audience.

I have seen Ed hundreds of times, usually when he is with his best friend Johnny. And although I initially found it hard to believe that Ed had chosen me to receive all the sweepstakes money, I was convinced of that fact judging by how personalized the letter had been written to me. After all, I am Ed's "number one customer" — and everyone knows I can use the money.

I found Ed's reminder that a previous winner lost out on his money because he failed to return his bonus numbers to be particularly noteworthy. And I thought it was awful kind that Ed wanted me to have the money, and not want it to go to some stranger.

Perhaps what convinced me most of all that I am this lucky winner, is the fact that the odds really in my favor to win the 10 MILLION DOLLARS. About two months ago, I received a letter from Ed and his subscription-selling friends. Not wanting to pass up the chance at having 10 MILLION DOLLARS, I took advantage of some low subscription rates and ordered a few magazines. Of course, ever since I mailed in my bonus numbers I have anxiously been awaiting word from Ed. And low and behold, this week I heard from Ed once more.

I received yet another contest entry form packet "from the desk of Ed McMahon," complete with another set of nine "exclusive prize claim numbers!" Of course, I am obligated to return my new numbers, because as my good friend Ed says, "Don't put 10 MILLION DOLLARS into the hands of a stranger..."

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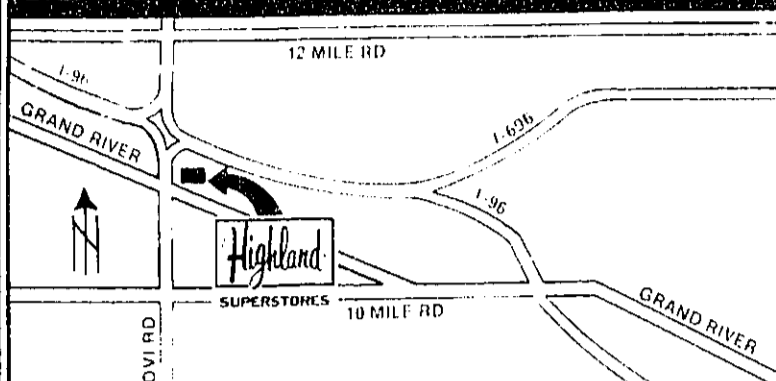


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Section B **GREEN SHEET** Sliger/Livingston East
Wednesday/Thursday — July 15/16, 1987



Steve Weeks works at Elias Brothers Big Boy Restaurant in Milford as a trainee in the Freedom Work Opportunities program.

Highland company helps handicapped obtain jobs

For persons who are mentally or physically impaired, the working world can be especially challenging. Many routine tasks, like mowing a lawn or doing the dishes, are not to be taken too lightly for those who are less fortunate. The problems they confront are many and include a society which often shuns them for being different.

Freedom Work Opportunities in Highland Township offers mentally impaired adults — who in the program range between the ages of 16 and 70 — the chance for employment in the community.

Approximately 70 trainees are included in the non-profit program subsidized by the Michigan Department of Mental Health and the Macomb Oakland Regional Center. The program has been in existence about four years and is continually monitored.

"Our goal is to teach them and let them become productive workers," emphasized Harry Weeks, director of Freedom Work Opportunities.

"Many of the persons in the program do well in their jobs. For the most part, they are dependable and well appreciated."

Weeks has a special interest in mentally impaired individuals. His 22-year-old son, Steve, is mentally impaired and a trainee in the program. Steve works at Elias Brothers Big Boy Restaurant in Milford bussing tables.

"There's a real ambition about them," said Big Boy manager Jim Goike, referring to the handicapped workers the restaurant has often employed throughout the past 11 years.

"They do the best they can because it means more to them than an average job. It's a unique feeling to see them grow," Goike added.

Freedom Work Opportunities specializes in lawn service, snow removal and janitorial service in surrounding communities. The persons who serve as trainees in the program earn wages for their work and are referred to Weeks by social workers.

Weeks said Freedom Work Opportunities also has trainees stationed at the Milford Baking Co. and Klancy's Restaurant in Milford. In addition, the program recently branched out to begin doing some assembly work for Spiral Industries out of Milford.

Upon starting a job at a business establishment, members of Freedom Work Opportunities are assigned a job coach, who helps train them for their new position. A staff of 19 assistants Weeks in executing the program and working with the trainees.

"Everything we do is on positive reinforcement. If they have an interest in a certain field we can teach them," Weeks explained.

But there is still more to the program. Located off Milford Road about two miles north of M-59, Freedom Work Opportunities makes durable furniture which is used in group homes. The trainees in the program help make the furniture under close supervision.

"We would like to do a lot of good for a few rather than a little good for a lot," Weeks said.

Weeks emphasized that it is important to treat workers the same as he would treat anyone else. He thinks the program is a winner for a number of reasons.

"This program instills a lot of pride in them. It teaches them to be successful. If they can make money, it's a good package."

For more information about Freedom Work Opportunities call 887-1597.

"We strive to be success oriented. We make sure the workers start at a small task and are successful at it before going on to a larger task."

— Harry Weeks, director, Freedom Work Opportunities

A former heavy equipment operator for 20 years, Weeks has had a long affiliation with the Michigan Special Olympics. When the recession hit Michigan a few years back, Weeks began doing lawn work in the area. He subsequently hired a few mentally impaired workers, which eventually led to the formation of Freedom Work Opportunities.

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His wife, Beverly, works with him on the job and last year was voted "Volunteer of the Year" for the Oakland County Special Olympics.

"This is our life now. This has been another work for us. I'm even doing public speaking now," Weeks chuckled.

Weeks works closely with the handicapped workers, which is the major reason he does not want the program to grow too much beyond its current level. When he walks through the shop area, the workers can be seen giving him friendly smiles and handshakes.

"The wife and I were talking about this recently. We want to keep it this size to keep it personal. If we were to get too much larger, I'm afraid we'd lose that personal contact."

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Business Briefs

THE SHERATON OAKS HOTEL in Novi recently hosted a "Japan Night" to introduce relocated Japanese families to the Novi area and help them establish rapport with area businesses and services. The event also served to help the families develop friendships with established Japanese families in the area.

The idea was conceived by Izumi Suzuki Myers, director of Japanese Relations at the Sheraton Oaks. She reported that more than 100 families, representing some 26 Japanese businesses in the Metro Detroit area, attended the function.

"We served many favorite Japanese foods like sushi, stir fry vegetables, egg rolls and chicken yakitori," said Myers. Special entertainment was provided by a Koto player, and there were demonstrations of Japanese paper folding and flower arranging by Myers, who holds a Master's degree from Oahada School.

"Japan Night" also included a business card raffle with the winner enjoying a complimentary night's stay in the Sheraton Oaks' master suite. The grand prize was chosen to commemorate the soon-to-be-opened Sheraton Hills Hotel at Ten Mile and Halsted Road in Farmington Hills. The Sheraton Hills will be the first all-suite Sheraton property in the United States. It will be operated by Pico Management, current operator of the Sheraton Oaks.

JOHN A. MALASKY, national director and chief executive of Alexis, Inc., has been elected to the board of trustees of the Brighton Health Services Corporation.

The corporation is the parent organization of Brighton Hospital, the Brighton Hospital Institute for Research and Education and the Livingston Council for Alcohol Services.

Malasky, a resident of Northville, is also chairman of the board and president of Corporate Services, Inc., and serves on the boards of Alexander & Alexander, Inc., and Antares Engineering, Inc.

In addition to his work on the Health Services board, Malasky serves as a trustee of the Michigan Opera Theater.

Brighton Hospital and its affiliates specialize in treating and preventing substance abuse and serve the entire southeastern Michigan region. Its patients come from other communities in Michigan, the midwest and Ontario for treatment.

JIM HAAS of Northville has been appointed director of systems development in the Management Information Systems Department of Perry Drugs, Inc. The department is responsible for all of the company's computer systems.

He joins Perry from Frank Kerr Co. where he was director of professional services. Before that he worked as director of pharmacy for Apex Drug Stores, which were acquired by Perry two years ago, and for Cunningham Drug Stores as director of the management information systems department.

In his position with Perry, Haas will be responsible for overseeing the system development area. He has a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy and biology and master of science degree in pharmacy administration from Purdue University.

Haas, 38, lives in Northville with his wife and two children. Perry, headquartered in Pontiac, operates 218 drug stores, 240 auto parts stores and several health care companies in eight states.

THE NOVI HILTON will be the scene of the 10th annual Miss Michigan Teen All American Pageant to be presented Sept. 13.

The event is the official preliminary to Miss Teen All American Pageant staged annually at the Sheraton Bal Harbour in Miami Beach. Applicants for the Miss Michigan contest who are between 13 and under 19 years of age as of Dec. 31, 1987, are invited to send photo, name, address and telephone number to 1987 Miss Michigan Teen, 603 Schrader Ave., Wheeling, W. V. 26003.

NICHE & CORNER has opened its doors at 560 Highland Avenue in the Prospect Hill Shopping Center in Milford.

Owned by Marion Voster and Diane MacDonald, Niche & Corner's business hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily — with a two-hour extension on Friday.

The new store offers a wide variety of country collectibles, antiques and reproductions.

PR ASSOCIATES, INC. has been named public relations counsel to Mervyn's department stores. The announcement was made by Sandra Saylor, vice president of public affairs for Mervyn's, and Beverly Beltaire, president of PR Associates, Inc.

Mervyn's is a value-oriented family department store specializing in soft goods. Based in California, the company currently operates 180 stores in 12 states and will open eight stores in the Detroit and Lansing areas in October 1987. One of the new stores will be located in Novi's Town Center Area.

PR Associates is a Detroit-based, full-service independent public relations firm which ranks among the 40 largest such firms nationwide.

CENTURY-21 SUBURBAN, which has offices in Highland Lakes Shopping Center on Seven Mile in Northville Township, has opened a new office at 188 N. Main in Plymouth.

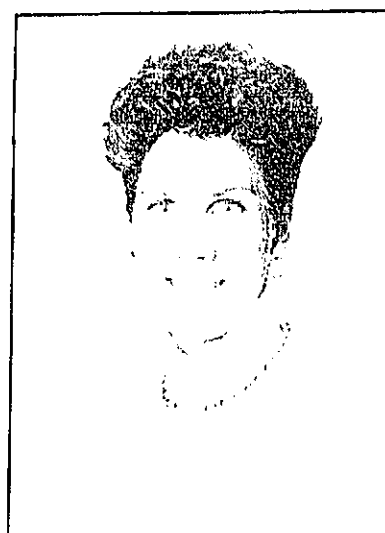
Owners Dennis and Linda Cochran, Nan and Bud Heberts and the staff held a grand opening of the new office June 24.

MAUREEN PORTER of Northville is driving a new pink Buick Regal recently awarded in recognition of her leadership and sales achievements with Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. Her "trophy on wheels" is the fifth pink car she has been awarded by the company.

The pink car is the most sought-after prize from the company which awards diamonds, minks and exotic vacations to top achievers in the more than 100,000 member sales force.

Porter, an independent sales director for the Dallas-based cosmetics firm, won free use of the car by leading her sales unit to exceed specified sales during a six-month qualification period. She joined Mary Kay Cosmetics in February 1974 and became a sales director in August 1975.

Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. is an international manufacturer and distributor of premium hair, skin and body care products, cosmetics, toiletries and fragrances.



MARGARET BOLAND



DENNIS DOYLE

MARGARET "MARGIE" BOLAND, a native of Northville, has been promoted to Detroit manager at Good Housekeeping. The promotion was announced by Louis E. Porterfield, publisher.

Boland, who was named "Salesperson of the Year" at the magazine's annual sales meeting, will be based in Troy.

She joined the Good Housekeeping staff as an account manager in 1965. She began her career as a media planner at the Leo Burnett Company in Detroit and worked on a variety of accounts, including Oldsmobile and AC Spark Plugs.

She received a BA degree from Michigan State University in 1962.

DENNIS DOYLE of Northville has joined the staff of the Sheraton Oaks Hotel in Novi as Front Office Manager/Director of Advertising and Sales Promotion.

Doyle formerly was affiliated with the Strang Management Company in Cleveland, Ohio, where he held a similar position, representing four Howard Johnson Hotels and the chain of Don's Fresh Seafood Restaurants. He was named "Manager of the Year" by the Howard Johnson Company in 1982.

Doyle's background also includes experience with the luxury chain of Stouffer Hotels where he served as Rooms Division Manager.

Organization key to good recordkeeping

Money Management

Suppose, for some reason, you needed to know how much you paid to have your kitchen remodeled. Are you the type of person who could walk to the right closet, open the box marked "984" and pull the contract out of the envelope marked "Home Improvements?"

Or would you find yourself first rummaging through the unmarked files in your desk, then checking the box where you stuff paid bills before finally remembering that you were using the contract as a bookmark in that murder mystery you never finished.

Keeping good records doesn't have to be time consuming, and you don't have to save every check you ever wrote "just in case." The Michigan Association of CPAs says the key to efficient recordkeeping is knowing what to keep, where to keep it and for how long. The following is a summary of some of the important areas of recordkeeping.

1) Family Personal Records: Including birth certificates, marriage certificates, divorce papers and separation agreements, citizenship or naturalization papers, passports, Social Security cards and military service records. These items should be kept indefinitely.

2) Insurance Policies: Including life, disability, mortgage, automobile, homeowners or tenant insurance policies. It's a good idea to hold on to policies for a few years after they are cancelled in case you have to prove your coverage in the event a delayed claim is filed against you.

3) Tax Records: Not only the tax returns themselves, but supporting documents must also be retained. Under normal circumstances, the Internal Revenue Service can go back three years for auditing purposes. But the IRS has six years to challenge a return if they have reason to believe a taxpayer has failed to report more than 25 percent of the income stated on the return. CPAs advise you to keep for six years, all documents that support tax deductions or are related to your tax return, including cancelled checks.

4) Investment and Bank Records: Including stock and bond certificates, buy and sell orders, statements, cancelled checks and the like. Again, any of these items that support income, expenses or deductions on your income tax return should be retained for six years to be on the safe side. Other bank statements and cancelled checks should be kept for a year or until you're sure that you won't need them to prove you've paid a bill.

5) Record of Debts: Including first and second mortgages, equity personal and auto loan agreements. Keep a record of paid-off loans for a number of years as proof of payment.

6) Property Record: Including deeds, title papers and surveys. Property records should be kept indefinitely. You should keep a copy of the title of ownership for your car, boat or other property for six years after you sell it.

7) Home Improvements: Keep records, receipts or contracts for the cost of all home improvements. These costs increase your home's cost basis and can reduce the capital gains tax when you sell.

8) Employee Benefits and Retirement Plans: Booklets explaining medical coverage and other benefits and records on pension and profit-sharing plans should be kept as long as you have benefits due.

9) Family Health Records: Includes immunization information, dates and details of operations and hospitalizations. This information should be kept indefinitely, and your children's records should be given to them when they are grown.

10) Will: You should have your lawyer keep the original of your will. While you keep a copy at home. Clearly indicate on the copy where the original may be found. If you should make a new will, be sure the old one and all copies are destroyed.

By now you're probably wondering just where you're going to put all these papers. Papers that are very valuable or difficult to replace, such as birth and marriage certificates, property deeds and titles and stock and bond certificates belong in a safe deposit box.

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Bright outlook ahead for Michigan tourism

Tourism in Southeast Michigan is alive and very well.

A survey of 65 businesses and organizations involved in the tourism industry shows an overwhelming optimism which translates into more jobs and a variety of expansions and improvements.

A total of 54 percent of those polled have added personnel, and more than 70 percent are making substantial improvements, expansions or repairs for the coming season.

More than 86 percent expect an excellent tourist season with estimates of growth varying from two to more than 50 percent.

Sid Baker, president of the Travel & Tourism Association of Southeast Michigan, says the survey is graphic proof of the increasing economic benefits tourism brings to the region.

"Both directly and indirectly," he said, "tourism brings new money and jobs into a region. This is continuing demonstration of the necessity to strengthen and support efforts to

successfully promote this important industry."

The statistics are even more emphatic when restricted only to those organizations classified as attractions (as opposed to accommodations, dining, shopping, tours, etc.).

Sixty-eight percent of responding attractions said they were hiring additional personnel for the 1987 season and 86 percent are making major renovations or expansions this year. In addition, 71 percent said they were adding additional special events and 88 percent said they were working with others in their community to promote tourism.

Baker pointed out that community fairs and festivals are very popular and definitely help local economies, as do special events at the area attractions.

"Every indicator in our survey points to unguarded optimism in the tourism sector," said Baker. "Our association is pleased to be a part of this exciting growth industry."

"Less is more" is how the firm is describing the second seasonal installment of America's best seller, now being distributed to some 12 million families across the country.

This year's Fall-Winter Catalog from one of the country's oldest catalog companies has more pizzazz and fewer pages, Royal said.

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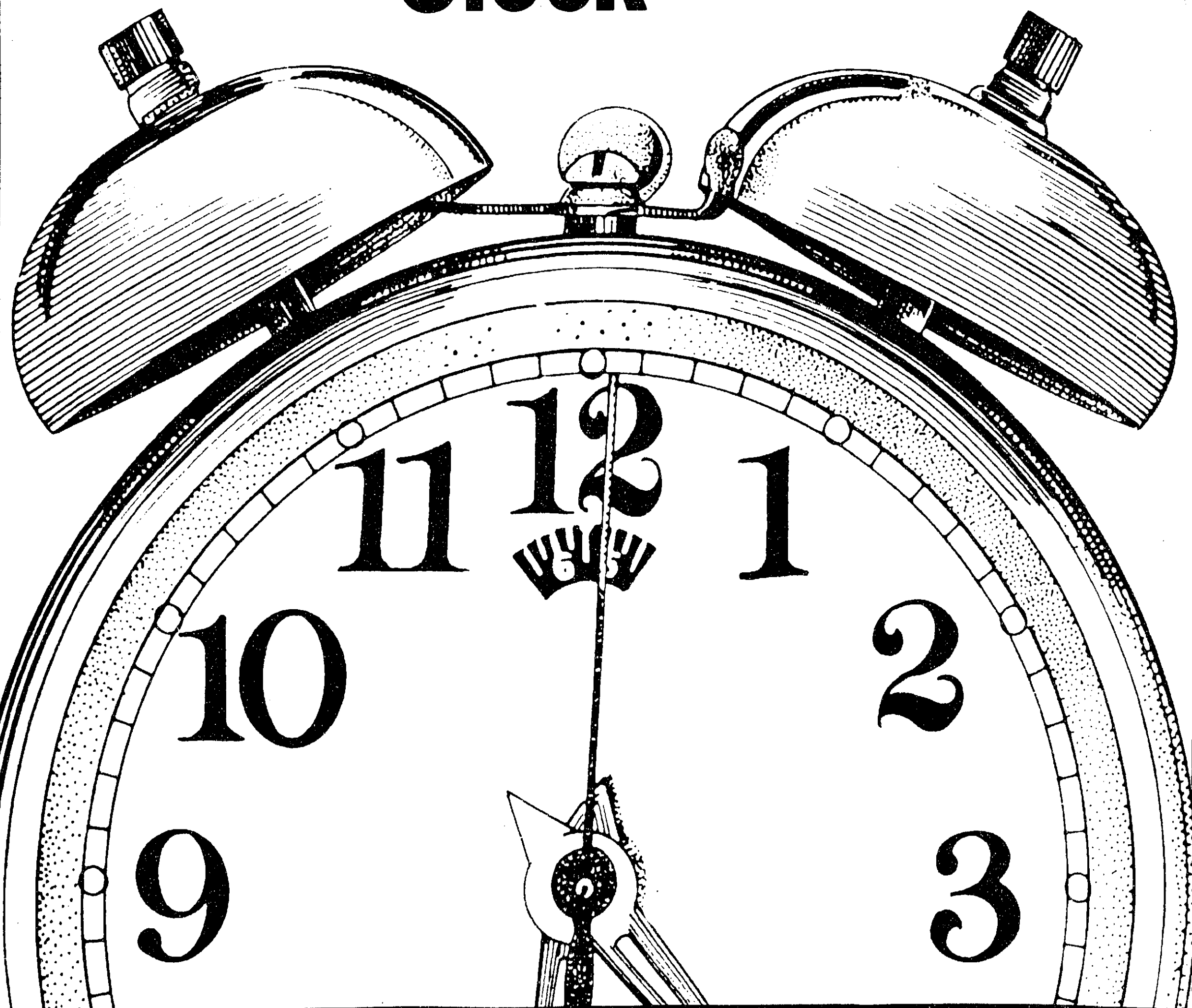
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Nancy Rochon descending from stairwell into the newly-decorated foyer

Northville home gets FACELIFT inside and outside



A large, wood-framed pier mirror in the hallway has been in the home since the 1950s



Nancy Rochon (left) and Daniel Hackett have been transforming their home into the art deco look

Dunlap home gets re-'deco'rated

By JEAN DAY
editor

Passers-by have been watching with interest for the past several months as a two-story white house at 310 W. Dunlap in Northville's Historic District acquired a long, side porch reminiscent of early homes in Charleston, S.C., and a front yard garden that invites visitors to enter.

The exterior renovations, however, are only the more visible changes made by Daniel Hackett and Nancy Rochon during the seven months they have owned the home. For starters, wallpaper has been removed, a handsome marble floor laid in the spacious foyer, and the stairway banister and newel post have been stripped to their original oak.

The changes have been made to carry out an art deco decor for the high ceiling rooms.

"We worked every night from the time we got home from work and every weekend," says Nancy Rochon. She had been with W.B. Doner Co. advertising agency for 10 years before quitting to concentrate on remodeling the house. Hackett, who works on television

commercials, has been with the agency 15 years and is responsible for some of the commercials filmed in Northville.

"I did 100 drawings (before the porch was designed)," he recalls, saying he began before they actually completed purchase of the



Owners of this Northville home have re-decorated both the inside and outside of the structure

home. He adds that Northville Historic District Commission members made helpful suggestions as remodeling plans came before the commission.

Black-painted furniture on the porch which leads visitors to the front door gives the first hint of what lies inside. Overhead fans on the porch ceiling keep a breeze blowing and also help discourage insects.

The foyer with the striking marble tile in warm gray with mauve and black markings sets the decorative theme that extends into the living room at the front and dining room at the side. The floor is partially covered with an Oriental rug that picks up the beige and mauve tones, but the couple is not sure it is a permanent addition.

The walls have been painted a soft mauve shade. Hackett notes that the art deco decorating is a blend.

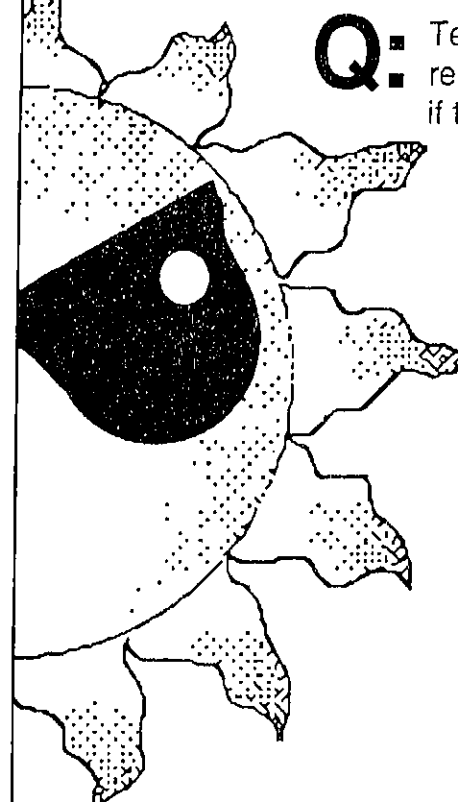
"It's fun because I like antiques and Nancy likes modern a lot so we're blending," Hackett explains, pointing out an antique oak desk. The desk lamp is an art deco bronze figure of a woman with glass shade.

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Photos by Chris Boyd

Random Sample

Q: Ten Northville/Novi residents were asked if the weather was hot enough for them?



Eight said yes

Two said no

Random Sample is an unscientific poll conducted by the staff of The Northville Record and Novi News

Lawn makeover sprouts instant results

To look at the front yard of the house at 310 W. Dunlap in Northville, you might not guess that a few months ago the home had only a flat lawn with one tree, a few bushes in front of the house, and no flowers.

But that is how it looked before a landscaper friend began working on the yard. And with finishing touches added by the residents of the house, within three days a colorful, landscaped yard was in place to provide the home with an appropriately traditional setting.

The "instant yards" provided by landscapers are frequently used in the Northville/Novi area, both by those anxious to improve an established home or those buying a newly-built house with no yard at all.

"You can make quite a dramatic change in just a couple of days. With just plant material and stones you can make a dramatic difference," said landscaper Mark Mueller, who did the yard on Dunlap.

Homeowners Dan Hackett and

Nancy Rochon said they were very happy with the efforts of Mueller's company, Markland Yard, which has since done several other homes in the area. Part of that effort included Mueller researching period landscaping, and then presenting Hackett and Rochon with historically appropriate suggestions.

Before the landscaping, the front yard had a few bushes along the front of the house and a single red-bud tree at one side of the yard, which was basically flat. Today, the yard is given more character by rising from a low point at the front right corner to a higher point around the tree.

The redbud remains the focal point of the yard, but is enhanced by a raised garden around the tree outlined in natural brick. Some of the taller bushes were removed from the wall of the house, giving the tree more breathing space. When the tree — just outside the master bedroom — blooms, Hackett said "the sun hits all the



An instant landscaping job gave this Northville home an overall finished look

red (flowers) and the room glows." Flowers and bushes were planted in the garden and around the edges of the yard. The use of

begonias and red and pink impatiens ensure color in the yard throughout the summer, rather than relying only on the blossoms of the tree.

Tailgate Ramblers perform at Lakeshore Park

By JEANNE CLARKE
staff writer

The Tailgate Ramblers will perform at Lakeshore Park this Friday at 7 p.m. as the Summer Sounds concert series sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department continues. Residents are encouraged to bring blankets, chairs and refreshments for enjoying the concert.

The next concert in the series will feature the Schoolcraft College Wind Ensemble on Friday, July 31.

Novi residents are reminded they can take advantage of the facilities at Lakeshore Park on Walled Lake by picking up a citizen pass at Parks and Recreation offices. In addition to swimming facilities and paddleboat rentals, the park has tennis courts, picnic areas, softball fields and playgrounds call 349-1976 for more information.

The final of the "Walk Michigan" walks will be held at Lakeshore Park on Wednesday, July 22, at 11:30 a.m. Participants are eligible to enter a drawing which will receive a trip to Mackinac Island on Labor Day.

A Summer Youth Theater workshop is being offered under the direction of Laurie Smalls of the Novi Players theater group. Ten youngsters have been learning about dramatic arts and will present a play on Friday, July 31, at 7 p.m.

Novi Highlights

The Arts and Culture Committee is working to create a logo and planning to survey local residents in August about their cultural interests. The next meeting will be held Aug. 12. Anyone wishing to serve on the committee should call Kelley Simpson at 349-1976.

Novi LIBRARY: More than 500 youngsters enrolled in the Summer Reading Program offered by the Novi Public Library. Club members are reminded that reading lists must be turned in by July 29 to be eligible to attend the party July 31.

The library sponsors crafts projects for youngsters every Tuesday during the month of July. Free movies are shown at the library every Wednesday through August. Younger children meet at 11 a.m. and older children meet at 1 p.m.

The Oakland County 4-H Club will present a special program at the library on Friday, July 24, at 1 p.m. Youngsters interested in learning more about 4-H activities are encouraged to attend.

Children will find a wide variety of resources at the library, including a pamphlet entitled "For Kids Sake." Todd Whitman is teaching a video training class every Thursday from 1-4 p.m. and Ginger Hensen of the Teen Center Committee is offering a course in cosmetology.

burns, poisons, broken bones and other safety concerns. Also available are two free coloring books provided by State Representative Willis Bullard. One of the books deals with the Michigan Sesquicentennial; the other features safety messages from Michigan State Police.

Now on display in the library are Mary Delean Loussaert's collection of dolls from foreign countries and Ryan Leuthausser's collection of matchbox cards.

More information about library activities is available by calling 349-0720.

YOUTH ASSISTANCE: The Teen Center sponsored by Novi Youth Assistance (NYA) is now open for the summer with more than 60 young people in attendance the first two days. Jill Irwin is director of the Teen Center with assistance from Matt Frazier.

The Teen Center, which is held in the Novi High School Commons, offers a wide variety of special programs for young people. Dave Young offers a weight training class for people over 15 years old, and Jennifer Dunlop is teaching an aerobics class. Todd Whitman is teaching a video training class every Thursday from 1-4 p.m. and Ginger Hensen of the Teen Center Committee is offering a course in cosmetology.

Regular activities include pingpong, pool and free video games. Other Teen Center plans include field trips to such spots as Boblo Island and the Oakland County Wave Pool.

In addition, the Teen Center sponsors dances every Friday night at the Novi Bowl from 7-9 p.m. More information about Teen Center programs is available by calling NYA offices at 349-6398.

NYA's Parent Education Committee has updated its pamphlet about preschool and child care facilities in the Novi area. The booklet lists more than 18 facilities and contains important information about each of them. The pamphlet is offered free of charge through NYA and the Novi Public Library.

CROP WALK: Rev. E. Neil Hunt of the Meadowbrook Congregational Church has been named director of the second annual Novi CROP Walk.

The walk will be held October 11. Michael Meyer has been named recruitment chairman for the CROP Walk. The group raised \$5,200 during the 1986 walk and has a goal of raising \$8,000 with this year's walk. Proceeds are donated to the World Hunger Control Fund and the Novi Emergency Food Program.

The next organizational meeting will be held at Meadowbrook Congregational on Aug. 4. Anyone wishing to assist with the CROP Walk may call the church at 348-7757 for details.

NOVI TRACKERS: The Novi Trackers Running Club has a busy summer schedule. The group supervised the annual Faith Community Run under the direction of Mike Everett in June, ran in a Father's Day Marathon in Ludington and participated in the Gilbert Willis Run in Wixom on July 4.

The Trackers will assist with the Novi Junior Olympics at Novi High School on June 11 and travel north for the third consecutive year to participate in the Crystal Lake Team Marathon on August 15.

The Trackers is an organization for men and women runners of all skill levels from beginner to advanced. The group meets at Novi Parks and Recreation at 6:45 p.m. for an informal run and also meets at Cindy's Restaurant on Seven Mile in Northville every Saturday at 8 a.m. for another informal run.

Annual membership fees are \$8 for the first family member and \$5 per year for each additional member of the same family. Members receive discounts on running merchandise at participating merchants as well as a newsletter and a Trackers T-shirt. More information about membership is available from Novi Parks and Recreation at 349-1976.

The wives of several Trackers have formed a walking club called the "Street Walkers" which meets at the Faith Presbyterian Church every Thursday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. to walk around the Jamestown Green subdivision. Men also are invited to join. The "Street Walkers" will be leading the "Walk Michigan" to be held at Power Park on Sunday, July 12, at 2 p.m. All Novi residents are encouraged to participate.

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Marketplace — 29 A.D.

Students in the Vacation Bible School sponsored by the Novi Methodist Church are learning a little about what life was really like in Biblical times by emulating many of the jobs and crafts that

were common in 29 A.D. Aaron Biggs, 6 (far left) is pictured filing down the head of a mallet he is making in a woodworking class under the direction of Warren Wohlgemuth (right).

Renovating home an act of love

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A large, wood-framed pier mirror in the hallway was acquired with the house. When the home was owned by the Mel Andersons and open on a home tour in 1971, Mrs. Anderson told an interviewer they had inherited the mirror with the home and a neighbor recalled seeing it in the entry more than 20 years earlier as a child.

In the living room the new owners have removed a traditional fireplace facing. In its place is an oak fireplace Hackett remembers buying about 10 years ago at a Northville shop. Marble to match the floor has been installed around the opening.

Hackett has been told the living room and master bedroom above it were added about 1930, approximately 40 years after the house was built. Shutters are on order for the bay window. Windows in the foyer already are shutter-covered.

The living room is furnished strikingly with two black sofas and two white, splatter print chairs which pick up the mauve tones of the walls.

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The coffee table is a large triangle of glass with frosted glass bases. Hackett notes that the elaborate ceiling moldings were made of wet plaster.

The marble tile of the entry extends into the dining room where a glass table top rests on three black pedestals. The design etched in the glass repeats the detail of black lacquer art deco chairs, Frank Lloyd Wright reproductions, which are on order. On the back wall is an oval-form oak china cabinet.

Help with the decorating came from Cary Greenberg of Farmington Hills, a college friend Hackett had encountered in the midst of remodeling. Unusual details include trellis arrangements set three feet out from each of the dining room windows that hold hanging floral arrangements and provide privacy.

The kitchen floor has been painted white to create an all-white look kitchen. The new owners say they plan more extensive remodeling here later.

Some of the remodeling has been for utility. The half-bath under the stairway now boasts a pedestal basin

in the spot where the toilet previously stood in sight of the door; the toilet is hidden from view where the previous basin was located.

Upstairs the master bedroom has borrowed space from an adjacent bedroom for a walk-in closet large enough to hold an ironing board as well as ample space for clothes. The bedroom boasts an operational fireplace.

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Ayers selected to head Jaycees

Sandy Ayers was installed as president of the Novi Jaycees for the 1987-88 season, and Charles Staab was named a JCI Senator when the Novi Jaycees held their Installation Banquet at the Red Timbers on Saturday, June 27.

Ayers becomes the 21st president of the local Jaycee chapter and the second woman president of the organization. She succeeds Nancy Schmid who led the Novi chapter to the top ranking in the state during 1986-87.

With the presentation of the JCI Senatorship, Staab becomes the first woman president of the Novi Jaycees. It is the highest honor awarded by the Novi Jaycees. Staab served as president of the organization during 1985-86.

Other new officers of the Novi chapter are Elizabeth Howie (Executive Secretary), Bernie Johansen (Individual development vice president), Terry Mercier (Community Development vice president) and Patricia Clouse (Secretary) and Debbie Majeski (Treasurer).

Michigan Jaycees was presented to Elizabeth Howie. Charles Staab received the "Armbruster of the Year" award.

Becky Staab was named Novi Jaycee "Director of the Year" and Management Development Vice President Colleen Gorman was named "Officer of the Year."

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People

JOSEPH M. STAYMAN of Novi received a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the Northwestern University Dental School in Chicago, Illinois, on June 13. He is the son of Marvin and Dorothy Stayman of Twelve Mile in Novi. He earned a BA degree from the University of Michigan in 1983. Dr. Stayman plans to open a practice in northern Michigan.

Three Novi residents have received degrees from Oakland University. **DIANE GATES** of Midway received a BS degree, **PHILLIP RUSCH** of Clearwater Court received a MB degree and **ERIC SHILLITO** of Ridge Road received a BA degree.

Two Novi residents received degrees from Northwood Institute during May 16 commencement exercises.

SUZANNE MARIE BECKMAN received a Bachelor degree in Accounting. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Beckman.

DAVID PIETROWSKI earned a Bachelor degree in Marketing/Management. He is the son of Jim and Joan Pietrowski.

PATRICK HARAN of Novi has been selected as a resident advisor at Bruske Hall at Alma College for the 1987-88 academic year.

A 1984 graduate of Redford St. Agatha, Haran is majoring in business administration at Alma. He is the son of Gerald and Maureen Haran of the Village Oaks subdivision in Novi.

"We're looking for people who have good interpersonal skills, who are outgoing and who will be good role models for their peers," said Dr. Anand Dyal Chand, dean of students, in announcing the appointment.

Two Novi residents have been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring evening term at Lawrence Institute of Technology. They are **PATRICIA BLASCHAK** and **KATHLEEN CARNACCHI**.

To be named to the honor roll a student must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average and be a full-time student.

KATHRYN SROKA of Novi has been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring day term at Lawrence Institute of Technology.

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DONALD BLAKESLEE and **KEVI PALDAN** of Novi have been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring technology program at Lawrence Institute of Technology.

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SARAH KIRKISH of Novi has been named to the Dean's List at Michigan Technological University for the spring quarter of the 1986-87 academic year. She is a sophomore majoring in mechanical engineering.

Students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher to be cited for academic honors.

Births

DEANNA LYNN REEVES

Doug and Debbie Reeves, former Northville residents now living in Southgate, announce the birth of their first child, Deanna Lynn. She was born June 13 at Riverside Hospital in Trenton, weighing eight pounds, three ounces.

She is being welcomed by grandparents, great grandparents and two

Novi seniors earn scholarships

A significant number of 1987 Novi High School graduates will be continuing their educations in the fall, many of them with the assistance of various scholarships.

Following is a list of scholarships received by Novi High School graduates this year.

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY: Kurt Schuster
U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY: Brian Kewak

NOVI ROTARY: Jeff Cohen
NOVI ROTARY/INTERACT: Christa Coxon and Lori Wolk

NOVI JAYCEES: Amy Blackburn
NOVI POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION: Jeff Cohen

NOVI PARKS & RECREATION: Laura Maloney and Kris Huotari
NOVI CHORALAIRES: Jennifer Connelly

NOVI "BIG BOY": Cheryl Bradley
CATHLEEN ZIEGLER MEMORIAL: Doug Gatrell

NOVI INTERACT: Kathy Hawn and Lori Wolk

FRENCH CLUB: Cherie Walker
SPANISH CLUB: Michele Benoit

NEA HARTMAN & MEMORIAL: Kelly Hawn, Rhonda Stotler and Dave Bekkala

ROGER PELCHAT MEMORIAL: Becky Probst

RICHARD ERWIN MEMORIAL: Bill Yankowski
KATHY RADTKE MEMORIAL: Sandra Maloney

DEL GERHARDT MEMORIAL: Amanda Dulac

MARY BABER MEMORIAL: Matt Gahman
NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS: Christa Coxon and Mike Stern

NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS: Jason O'Donnell
NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDA-

TIONS: David DeRo, Angela Grewe, Brian Kewak, Mike Phipps and Matt Gahman
STATE OF MICHIGAN COMPETITIVE: (Scholarships are awarded to students who receive a semi-finalist score on the ACT Test. All semi-finalists are recognized for academic achievement, only those who demonstrate financial need are eligible for monetary awards. The following students are semi-finalists in the competition: Cynthia Allan, Christina Alvarez, Wayne Appleton, Cynthia Baranowski, Eric Barker, Denise Basch, Deepak Bazaz, Jill Bekish, David Bekkala, Michele Benoit, Cheryl Bradley, Christopher Brown, Constantine Casoglos, Steve Champagne, James Chasse, David Cho, Jeffrey Cohen, Mary Cook, Christa Coxon, Kendra Cupp, Amy Davies, David DeRo, Kiersten Fourshe, Liza Fritz, Matthew Gahman, Amy Galland, Chris Garascia, Douglas Gatrell, Greg Gerstein, Angela Grewe, Jason Halprin, Robin Hamer, Sean Harding, Kelly Hawn, Robert Hendriar, Corinne Hinz, Alexis Hersberger, Christian Hines, Colleen Hoffman, Kristine Huotari, Brian Johnson, Jennifer Johnson, Kimberly Keller, Rebecca Killick, Kimberly Kinsella, Julie Knaus, Robert Kolm, Richard Kurtz, Michael Ladd, Michael LaHaie, Patti Lamb, Stacey Lange, Lisa Latham, Jennifer Lear, Christine Logan, Laurie Lynch, Carole MacQueen, Christine Makowski, Michelle Markwardt, Douglas Meyer, Michael Morrow, Barbara Muzzin, Jason O'Donnell, Rebecca Olson, Jeff Pasek, Dan Perry, Michael Phipps, Gary Piotrowicz, Eric Polinsky, Rebecca Probst, Rockwell Rowe, Tadd Rutenick, Franz Samson, Ken Schuster, Kurt Schuster, Dennis

In addition, several Novi graduates have received scholarships from various colleges and universities.

DENISE BASCH: Michigan State University Academic Excellence Award

JILL BEKISH: Oakland University Student Life Scholarship

CHRISTOPHER BROWN: Western Michigan University Academic Achievers Award

DAVID CHO: Michigan State University Academic Excellence Award

KRISTINE MERKYS: Oakland Community College High School Scholars Award

MICHAEL PHIPPS: Central Michigan University Honors Scholarship

BECKY PROBST: Eastern Michigan University Regents Scholarship

ROCKWELL ROWE: Syracuse University, Boston University and Texas A&M

RHONDA STOTLER: Oakland University Student Life Scholarship and Hope College Alumni Honors Scholarship

JANICE SWINEHART: Michigan State University Academic Excellence Award

JEFFREY TANDERYS: University of Michigan athletic scholarship

ALISON TYLER: Oakland University Student Life Scholarship

CHERIE WALKER: Oakland University Student Life Scholarship

MELISSA WELKE: Davis & Elkins College (West Virginia)

LORI WOLK: Michigan State University Academic Excellence Award

'Chore Service' assists local seniors

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

The Chore Service is operated by the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA) and is open to people 60 years of age who live in Novi, Walled Lake, Wixom, South Lyon, New Hudson, Milford and Wolverine Lake Village.

Specific chores provided through the program include heavy house cleaning (windows, walls and

floors) and outdoor work (snow shoveling, lawn mowing and gutter cleaning). Assistance is also available for such minor home repairs as installation of weather stripping, caulking windows, and replacing fuses, light bulbs, electrical plugs, door locks, window latches and faucet washers.

Senior citizens who have the highest priority for receiving chore assistance are those who are low income, homebound, physically unable to perform

the chores or who are unable to secure assistance from another adult in their geographic area.

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

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

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- Prevent cross-contamination by washing hands, utensils and cutting boards with hot, soapy water between uses on different food products. Do not let surface-touching uncooked meat touch cooked meat until thoroughly washed.
- After cooking, store hot foods at 140 degrees or above and cold foods at 40 degrees or below until serving.
- Do not carry foods in the trunk of a car unless well-insulated in cold or hot containers. During picnics, leftovers can be preserved by wrapping in newspaper and storing in an insulated container.
- Do not keep leftovers unless they are held above 140 degrees or refrigerated within two to three hours.

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Cabana squad jumps to 12-5 with four wins

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

With it's mid-season slump a long-lost nightmare, Novi Cabana appears to be back on track. With two wins and a pair of forfeits in action last week, Cabana now sports an impressive 12-5 record heading into the last week of the regular season.

On July 7, Cabana fell behind early to Riverview, fought back little by little and eventually completed the comeback with a 7-5 victory. Two days later, Novi was awarded a forfeit victory when Detroit's West Seven failed to show up for the scheduled contest. West Seven, unless this season, later dropped out of the league.

A doubleheader with Trenton No. 2 scheduled for July 11 was postponed so Cabana organized a game with Walled Lake in order to make up a June 30 rain out between the two. The game developed into a pitcher's duel, but Novi came out on top 4-1 as Steve Ross hurled a one-hitter.

The week's final win was another forfeit. Redford's entry was found using illegal players and, just like Garden City the week before, was kicked out of the league. Novi was slated to play Redford on July 14.

Against Riverview, Cabana starter Bill McCaig had control problems right from the start. Thanks to a few walks, four hits and an error, Riverview put Novi into a 4-0 hole after just a half inning of play. In the bottom of the first, Cabana did get one run back on an error, a single by Ross and a sacrifice by Doug Justus.

In the second, Riverview used a few more walks and errors to score another run off McCaig, and that's when Coach Ron Ross took him out in favor of Steve Ross in relief.

"McCaig couldn't get the ball over the plate," Ross said. "I didn't want to take him out, but I had to do something. He's a good pitcher, but if he gets down on himself he can sometimes drag the whole team down with him."

Cabana continued to whittle away at the margin with single runs in the third, fourth and fifth innings while Ross shut down Riverview's offense. In the third, the big hit was a double by Scott Wladishkin. In the fourth, Steve Vigh and Brent Daniels delivered key hits, and a fifth inning single by Scott Beck also started a mini-rally.

In the sixth, Novi pulled in front for good with three more runs. Wladishkin reached base on an error, which probably would have gotten and later scored on a double by

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Ross, the other two runs were the result of a sacrifice and a bases-loaded walk.

Ross was just two outs away from a no-hitter versus Walled Lake on Saturday, but a pair of errors and a solid base hit in the seventh broke it up. In the meantime, Cabana wasn't putting on an offensive show, but did provide just enough offense for the victory.

"It seems like I'm pitching Steve (Ross) a lot, but he is getting at least three or four days of rest between appearances," Ross said. "We're not burning him out or anything, but he has been throwing real well lately."

In the first inning, Walled Lake scored its only run off Ross but it was unearned. Novi didn't get its offense going until the third when Brad Lewis, Wladishkin and Beck struck together three straight hits.

Beck's single drove in two runs and ended up being the game-winner.

Cabana made it 3-1 with another run in the fourth thanks to two walks, two passed balls and a single by Joe McSweeney. Novi's final run came in the top of the seventh on a leadoff double by Wladishkin and an RBI hit by Ross. In the bottom of the eighth, Ross struck out the first batter, but then ran into trouble. A pair of errors (one by Ross himself) enabled Walled Lake's Aaron Ball to end the no-hit bid with a solid single.

"It was a well-pitched game by both pitchers," Ross said. "Nobody was really hitting the ball very hard. If it wasn't for those two errors, we probably would have gotten and later scored on a double by

my mind, and right now I'm just at a loss." Despite his relatively small stature, Fintel was the most explosive running back in the KVC and the area. He gained 1,032 yards in 183 carries during the nine-game '86 season — an average of 5.6 yards every time he touched the ball. In KVC action, Fintel was even more outstanding with 781 yards in six games — an average of 130-yards per game.

Fintel's post-season awards and honors included spots on both the All-Area and All-League teams. He was also the first runner-up in voting for Player of the Year honors, finishing second to Northville's Tony Brinkley.

Fintel wasn't real big, but he had great physical strength, lateral movement and speed," Osborne noted. "He put his size to good use. His ability to maneuver, set up blocks and avoid tackles made him very effective. You just don't gain 1,000 yards in the high school season for nothing."

Not only was Fintel explosive, he was very consistent. He led the team in scoring with 11 touchdowns and topped the 100-yard barrier seven times in nine games during his senior season. Whenever a big play was needed in a big game, No. 32 seemed to always be ready.

In a key win over Brighton, Fintel broke off a 66-yard touchdown scamper that provided the game-winner. For the game, he gained a career-high 186 yards. In another important match-up with perennial power Howell, a three-touchdown per-

formance by Fintel proved to be the difference. He teamed with Novi quarterback Jeff Tanderys to become the first rushing/passing tandem in Novi history to top the 1,000-yard mark in the same season. It was Novi's balanced attack that made life miserable for opposing defenses.

"(Joel's) running made our passing game more attractive, and that ended up stretching defenses further than they could afford," Osborne said. "According to Osborne, Fintel planned to take a year off from football, go to school at Oakland Community College and continue his job as a carpenter's assistant next fall.

"He told me that football was definitely in his plans after he took the year off," Osborne said. "He still wanted to give college football a shot."



Finzel gained more than 1,000 yards for the Novi football team during the 1986 season

Coaches mourn Finzel's death

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

Joel Finzel will be forever remembered as one of the best running backs in Novi High School history.

The tragic death of the 18-year-old former Wildcat gridiron star on the morning of July 11 shocked all who knew him, especially his former teammates, classmates and friends.

Finzel graduated from Novi High in June, but most people will remember him as No. 32 — the 5-foot-6, 170-pound bundle of energy who raced over large chunks of real estate last fall for Coach John Osborne's squad.

Finzel was a team captain for the Wildcats during the '86 season and led the team to its best record in years. Novi played through the Kensington Valley Conference schedule without a loss and captured the school's second-ever league title. And Finzel was one of the main contributors to the very talented group of players.

Among those shocked and saddened by the tragic death was Osborne.

"Joel was a great one," said the Novi High School football coach. "He believed in himself and that made him a great player and a great person. He showed leadership on the field and off, and a lot of our players really looked up to him.

"I am just shocked by this. I was going over it in

prime objectives of the international competition are to develop goodwill, promote prep baseball in the U.S. and provide motivational goals for American youngsters.

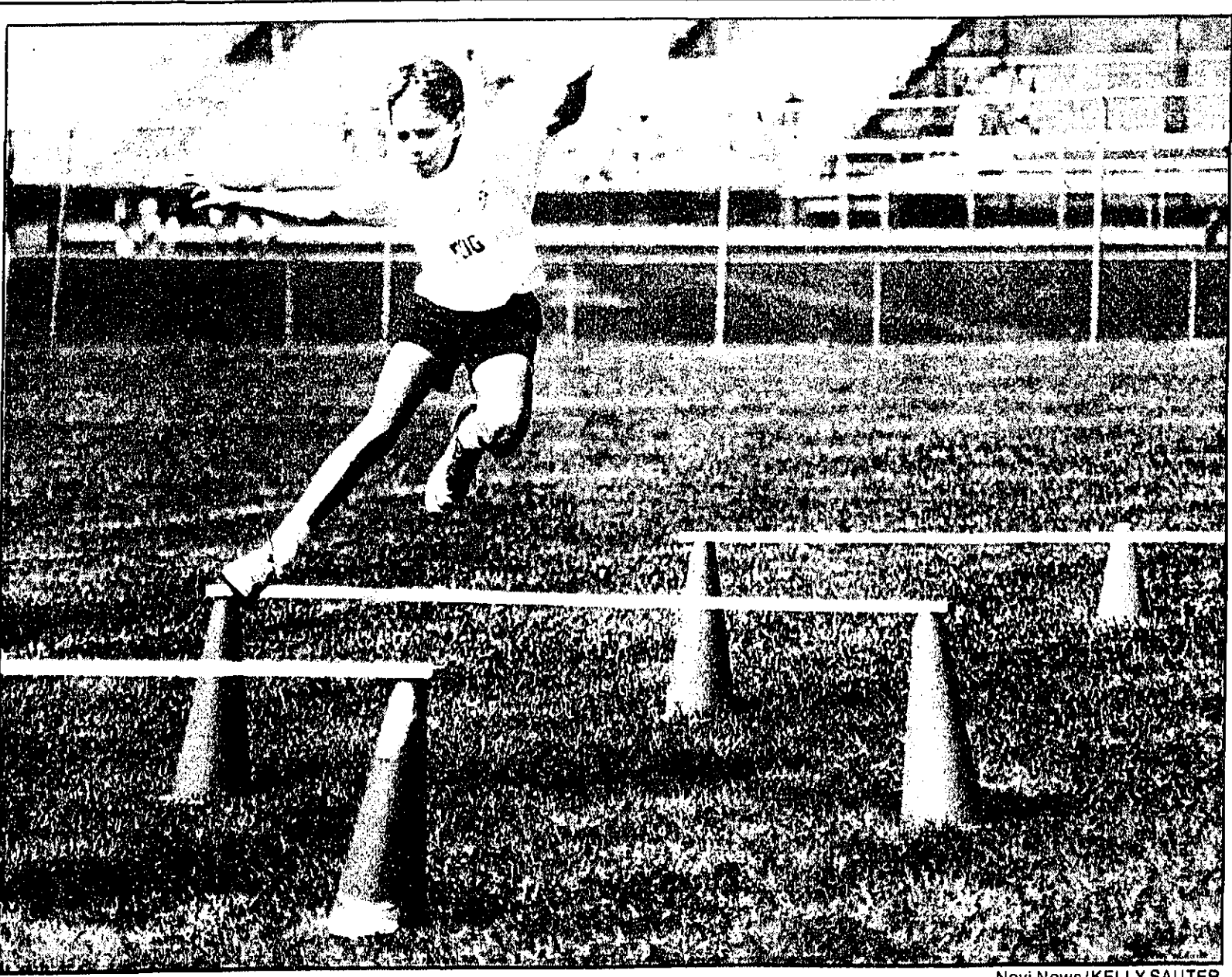
"The selection committee will consider the nominations of an exceptionally fine group of all-around prep athletes in the America-Japan high school baseball program," McDonald said.

"Student athlete competition and recognition at local, state, national and, now, international levels serves as a strong motivational force in the future involvement of youth boys and girls in a positive action alternative through school activities.

"Communities must be conscious of the importance of investing in today's youth, or pay for it later."

The announcement marks yet another indication of how well respected Tanderys is as a player on a nation-wide basis. He has already been selected to compete at the National Junior Olympics in North Carolina later this summer.

"I know that Jeff is getting a lot of awards and nominations. But, hey, all of them are very prestigious," said Novi Coach Gar Frantz. "Just because he is getting a lot of them, it doesn't diminish the accomplishments."



The nimble young man dashing through the agility run in the picture above is Chris Modelski, 12. Modelski was one of more than 70 Novi-area youngsters who participated in the annual Junior Olympics sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department at Novi High School last Saturday. For a complete rundown of all the winners see Page 8C.

Novi hurler eyed for USA all-stars

Jeff Tanderys, former pitching ace for Novi High School, has been nominated for consideration as a member of the 1987 America high school baseball all-stars which will face Japan's counterparts in the high school baseball World Series for seven games Aug. 30 to Sept. 7.

This announcement came from Corey E. McDonald, Executive Director of the National High School Athletic Coaches Association and National High School Sports Institute, Inc. (NHSACA).

The America-East team of 20 players will face the Japanese club in Kentucky for three games in late August. The America-West squad will play the Japan all-stars for two games in Tacoma, Wash., and two games in the Los Angeles area.

Each state high school coaches committee is limited to five nominees. The two American squads will be selected from nominees of high school coaches in each state and the Major League Scouting Bureau.

The head coaches will be selected from a pool of top prep coaches by the NHSACA Baseball Committee chaired by John Fontana of Southington, Conn., high school.

Nearly 420,000 boys in 13,500 high schools play varsity baseball in the U.S. annually and millions more play youth league baseball. The

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Legion runs into tough going

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

The dog-days of summer may be getting to the South Farmington/Novi American Legion baseball team.

The squad appeared a little tired last week — at least more so than on other times this season. League-leading Ferndale started things off with a 10-7 victory over South Farmington/Novi on July 8 in a well-played game, but the team came back to edge Milford 8-7 on July 10.

But things went steadily downhill from there in an ugly doubleheader with Auburn Hills on July 13. The opener was relatively close until Auburn staged a late-inning rally and eventually ran away with a 9-3 triumph. The nightcap was much worse as Auburn dominated the whole way, winning an embarrassing 12-1 decision.

South Farmington/Novi did stay within striking distance against Ferndale, which is almost an accomplishment in itself. Starting pitcher Dave Skown served up a hanging curve in the first inning to All-Star Danny Gagin, who belted it over the fence with a runner aboard to give Ferndale an early 2-0 lead.

Ferndale added another run on two hits in the top of the third before South Farmington/Novi got two back in the bottom of the inning. With a runner on and two out, Art Eastman delivered a single and both runs

Christensen: 'Hey, we're a good ball club. When the playoffs get here — look out for us.'

scored on a double by Skown. Ferndale increased the lead again in the fourth with a two-run single with the bases loaded and then added another in the fifth on a triple and a single.

South Farmington/Novi continued to battle back though, to narrow the gap to 6-4 in the fifth. Eric Green opened the inning with a single and scored on a double by Chris Henderson. Eastman smacked another run-scoring double and then later scored himself on a hit by Doug Justus.

Ferndale poured it on in the sixth off Skown, scoring four more runs on a grand slam, which negated South Farmington/Novi's final three-run rally in the sixth.

Skown went the full seven innings, struck out six, walked three and suffered the loss.

"It was a slugfest," Legion Coach Wally Christensen said. "We went through three Ferndale pitchers but that bad sixth inning really killed us. Ferndale is 12-1 so they will be

representing the 18th District, Third Zone, in the playoffs in Saginaw." Against Milford, South Farmington/Novi fell behind early thanks to an offensive show by Walled Lake Western star Dave Walters. In the first inning, Walters crunched a three-run home run and then connected on an RBI double in the third to help Milford pull in front 5-1. Skown's solo homer in the bottom of the inning made it 5-2 after three innings.

South Farmington/Novi surged ahead with four runs in the fourth, including a double by Eastman and a three-run homer by Mike Bobbich. Milford then scored two in the sixth for a brief 7-6 lead, but South Farmington/Novi tied it up in the bottom of the inning on singles by Scott Wladishkin and Henderson.

It remained 7-7 until the bottom of the seventh. George Hansen reached base on an error and then scored the winning run on a monstrous home run by Wladishkin with two outs.

"They are controlled upstairs by the scorekeepers. They are able to play music, and they show all the important statistics," Davis reported. "They also have a sponsor panel to let everyone know who donated the money." The first two scoreboards at the Power Park softball complex were purchased and mounted in

"It was a see-saw game the whole way," Christensen said. "The last time we played (Milford), they beat us in the bottom of the seventh, so this time, we returned the favor. The score was 8-7 and the hits were 10-9 in our favor — you can't get much closer than that."

The opener against Auburn Hills saw South Farmington/Novi ahead 3-2 after four innings, but that's when the roof fell in. A throwing error costs two runs and opened the door for three more, including a home run.

The five-run rally off starter Brent Daniels proved to be the difference. On offense, Bobbich and Bill Yankowski led the way for the locals with two hits apiece.

The second game of the twinbill was over very quickly. Auburn Hills scored five runs in the second inning including two home runs, and five more in the fourth. Up until the fifth inning, South Farmington/Novi's only hit was a first inning single by Green.

Senior pitchers were used by Christensen in the nightcap including Jason Hicks, George Hansen, Brian Daniels and Brent Daniels, but nothing seemed to work. With the regular season winding down, South Farmington/Novi (9-8 overall) is struggling to stay above the .500 mark, but Christensen is still optimistic about his team.

"Hey, we're a good ball club," he said. "When the playoffs get here — look out for us."

Rec Briefs

TENNIS TOURNAMENT: The second installation of the Novi Parks and Recreation Tennis Series was held on July 11 and the winners of the adult doubles tournament were Ulli Semmelrock and Thomas Holzbar. They combined for a steamy 6-2, 6-2 triumph over Rick and Carl Karoub.

The tennis series will hold its final event of the summer — the Junior Singles Tournament — on August 7-9. The tourney will feature separate male and female divisions for 12-and-under, 14-and-under, 16-and-under and 18-and-under. Fee is \$6 for residents and \$8 for non-residents and trophies will be awarded to the winners and the runners-up.

All matches will be played on the Novi High School and Novi Middle School North tennis courts. Each participant must furnish a new can of USTA-approved tennis balls for each match. Players are responsible for contacting the Novi Parks and Recreation Department for first match times.

SOCCER REGISTRATION: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department has re-opened fall soccer registration for the following divisions: Pee Wee (born 1982); Under 10 (born 1978-79); Under 12 (born 1976-77); Under 14 (born 1974-75); Under 16 (born 1972-73) and Under 19 (born 1970-71).

Final registration for all divisions is July 17 at 5 p.m. For more information, call 349-1976.

ADVISORY BOARDS: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department is seeking new candidates to serve on the Soccer and Softball Advisory Boards. The boards consist of parents, coaches and residents interested in the growth and development of each program.

Interested candidates are asked to submit a letter of intent, stating (1) their current participation in the program and (2) why they want to serve on the board.

Board members serve one-year terms. The soccer board meets approximately six to eight times per year, and the softball board meets approximately three to five times per year.

Call 349-1976 for more information.

WALK MICHIGAN: There is one remaining one-mile walk in Novi as part of the Walk Michigan Program sponsored by Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

The final walk is slated for Wednesday, July 22, at 11:30 a.m. at Lakeshore Park.

Sport Lines
DENNIS GROOM of Novi's Village Oaks subdivision shot a hole-in-one July 7 at Kensington Golf Course in Milford.

Playing in a scramble-type tournament, Groom used his driver to ace the 200-yard par three 12th hole at Kensington. The feat was reported by Ken Deenan of the Kensington Golf Course.

It was Groom's first hole-in-one in 15 years of golfing.

Sport Lines is designed to bring recognition to local residents for achievements in athletic and recreational activities, including golf, running, bowling, hunting and fishing. Items for Sport Lines may be called in to Phil Jerome or Neil Geoghegan at 349-1700.

Standings

NOVI PARKS & RECREATION SOFTBALL LEAGUES

WOMEN'S LEAGUE		MEN'S RESIDENT LEAGUE	
Division I		Division I	
Ideal Customizing	10	Novi Bowl	11
The Farm	8	Guardian Alarm	9
Novi Auto Wash	6	2 Sterling Oil	5
Jerry's Barber	5	Mike Maier (two hits, one RBI)	5
Woodland Medical	5	X-Mation	5
		Farm Club	5
		Northwest	3

Division II		Division II	
Starting Gate	5	Jones Insulation	11
TTS Ladies	5	Novi Inn	7
399 Services	3	DI-Coat	7
Gatsby's Gals	3	Mich. Mech.	6
		Pro Golf	4
		Clayton Env.	1

Home Run Leaders: Heidi (The Farm), 6; Bev (Ideal Customizing), 3; Bonnie (Ideal Customizing), 2; Buster (Starting Gate), 2; Boshoven (Starting Gate), 2; Jenny (399 Services), 2; Sobkow (TTS Ladies), 2; Jan Jerry's Barber), 2.		Division III	
Gatsby	11	2	2
Tom Holzer	9	4	4
Ailor Mig	9	5	5
Poley Med	7	6	6
Wisne	7	8	8
Metro Vision	5	8	8
Mohawk Hawks	5	12	12
Nat. Gunite	3	12	12

MEN'S OVER-35 LEAGUE		MEN'S SUNDAY LEAGUE	
Division I		Division I	
The Farm	9	Novi Bowl	6
Quigley Building	8	Auto Star	7
Jerry's Barber	5	Bud Light	5
G & B/Ecko	4	Graco	5
Traditional	4	The Whip	6
Ernie's Auto	3		
Bertin Agency	2		

Division II		Division II	
Novi Bowl	11	Public Rubber	8
Lou LaRuche	8	ABC Topsoil	5
McNish Sports	3	Brewers	4
King Brothers	3	Fried and Levitt	1
Goat Farm	4	B&B Associates	0
Bosco & Sons	3		
Instant Signs	2		
Northville VW	1		

Home Run Leaders: Proulx (Quigley Building), 6; Shose (Quigley Building), 5; Manger (Ernie's Auto), 4; Hartley (G&B/Ecko), 3; Braaker (Bertin Agency), 3; Cracion (Goat Farm), 3.		Division III	
The Farm	9	Gatsby	6
McNish/Farm	7	Pella Windows	6
Traci Const.	5	Wine Castle	4
Nyberg Janit.	4	Apartment Dist.	1
Graco	2	Kirk's Auto	1
H&B Const.	0		

MEN'S WEDNESDAY LEAGUE		Home Run Leaders: Wilkins (Public Rubber), 5; Kerr (Novi Bowl) 5; Wiechert (Auto Star), 4	
The Farm	9		
McNish/Farm	7		
Traci Const.	5		
Nyberg Janit.	4		
Graco	2		
H&B Const.	0		

Youth teams fighting for crowns

The Novi Youth Baseball League's season is just two weeks from concluding. The races in each of the four divisions are still very close and every game the rest of the way could prove to be very important.

Here's a rundown of some of the games played recently:

MINOR DIVISION: On June 26, Novi Bowl trounced Century 21, 9-3. The hitting stars for Novi Bowl included Dan Aaron Ball and Plumley. Defensively, Rob Vedro, Jason Wladishkin and Tom Cooney were the standouts.

MAJOR DIVISION: Heslops scored 10 runs in the second inning of a high-scoring affair with Sincola, and ended up winning the contest 21-12 on June 19. Sincola made things interesting with a seven-run rally in the third but it wasn't enough. Brian Lemanski paced the hitting attack with five hits and six runs batted in. Brent Butcher added four hits and four RBIs while Kevin Bainbridge and Mike Seiler chipped in with three hits. Winning pitcher was Brian Lemanski, who went three innings, struck out five and walked five.

On July 2, Real Estate Put on an offensive show en route to a 16-6 victory over Century 21.

SENIOR DIVISION: The Goat Farm continued its winning ways on July 2 with an 8-2 win over Adray Ap-

pliance. Adam Correll (two hits, four RBIs), Dan Plumley (two hits, three RBIs) and B.J. Robinson (two hits) were the hitting stars for the Farm. Winning pitcher was Correll, who received some great relief pitching from Aaron Ball and Plumley. Defensively, Rob Vedro, Jason Wladishkin and Tom Cooney were the standouts.

Novi Police rebounded from a slow start to top Diners 12-8 on June 25 in a game that included a triple play. The bases were loaded for Diners with no outs in the fourth inning. Brian Kelly made a shoe string catch in centerfield, threw to Cory Daniels at second for one out, and Daniels relayed the ball to Ryan McCarthy at third for the triple play. Novi Police received great pitching by Mike Kuhle and Chris Rafferty.

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On June 26, Heslops handed Diners a 16-5 defeat. Leading hitters

MAJOR DIVISION	
Heslops	9
General Filters	7
Sincola	7
McSweeney Elect.	5
Novi Police	3
Diners Greenhouse	3
Adray's Appliance	1

MINOR DIVISION	
Real Estate One	8
Pire Electric	6
Subway Sandwich	5
CDAN's Auto	5
entry 21	3
Novi Bowl	2

PONY DIVISION	
Guardian	9
Novi Auto Wash	8
Erwin Farms	7
Cone Zone	4
Trudeau	4
Jack's Meats	2
Novi Auto Parts	2
Keford Coll.	2

SENIOR DIVISION	
Goat Farm	9
Big Bills Sports	8
Adray Appliance	5
Andy's Meats	2
Novi Auto Parts	1

Scoreboard unveiled at Power Park

To mark the completion to two new ball fields at Novi's Ella Mae Power Park, a pair of brand new electronic scoreboards have been installed by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

A brief 10-minute dedication ceremony for the scoreboards with Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis and representatives of Jerry's Barber Shop and the Novi Police Officers Association was held prior to action on July 9.

"We solicited donations from a couple of local businesses and Jerry's and the Police Association were the main sponsors," Davis said. "Each spon-

sor donated \$1,500 to pay for the cost and installation of the scoreboards."

The scoreboards are mounted under the concession stand tower and are visible from all parts of the ballfields.

"They are controlled upstairs by the scorekeepers. They are able to play music, and they show all the important statistics," Davis reported. "They also have a sponsor panel to let everyone know who donated the money."

The first two scoreboards at the Power Park softball complex were purchased and mounted in

August 1986. They were donated by the Goat Farm and the Novi Rotary Club.

"With the scoreboards, we are getting close to where we want to be at Power Park," Davis reported. "We need some more fencing — I'd say we have another \$25,000 or so of work yet to do at the park, but we're progressing. It was nice with the scoreboards because it didn't cost us anything."

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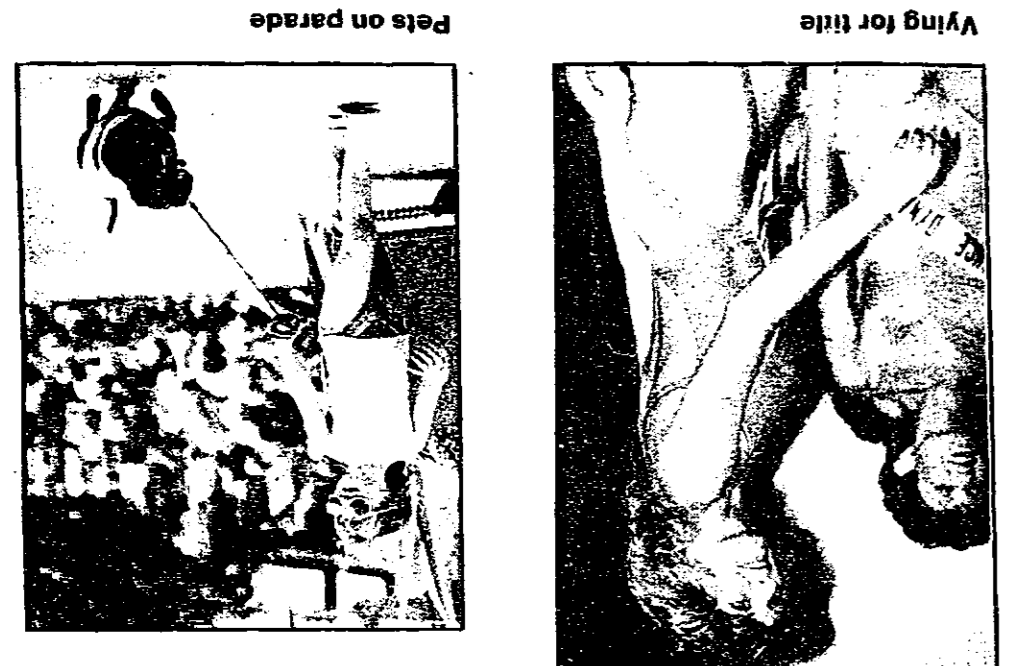
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Farmington Founders Festival is a celebration of the town's 150th anniversary. The festival features a parade, food, and entertainment. The parade is the central theme of the festival, with floats and bands. The festival is held in the town square and surrounding areas.



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Tracking the Underground Railroad

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Liberty — published by the Michigan Liberty Press, an arm of the state organization. Its slogan (echoing Thomas Jefferson) was "Eternal Enmity to All Kinds of Oppression."

QUAKERS WERE prominent in the Underground Railroad, and Farmington was a community founded by Quakers. (This area is even denominated "Quakertown" on the earliest Michigan maps.) Not only were the Powers town founders and Quakers, but they had married into other Quaker families, many of them allied with the freedom movement.

Abram Power, a brother, was involved in the movement. The Lapham family at Lapham's Corners (Eight Mile and Farmington Road) harbored fugitives. The Thayers farm and the Chauncey Green farmhouse on Nine Mile near Drake were other points of succor.

Amy Lapham (daughter of Abram) married Ira Power; their home on Eight Mile in Livonia near Meadowbrook was perhaps a station. A second cousin, Jane Lapham, married George Wilber; from a farm in Livonia they moved to Grand River in Farmington. This home reputedly assisted fleeing blacks.

Abram Moore of Farmington married Hannah Roberts, father of William Roberts and brother of Elisha Roberts. Elisha married Cynthia Lapham of Lapham's Corners. Ethan Lapham's daughter married Joseph Walton whose sister Marie married Robert Glazier of Ann Arbor. Glazier was "conductor" of an Ann Arbor station who forwarded fugitives to Nathan Power in Farmington. John Thayer, who lived near Drake and Nine Mile, was a "conductor." All of these interrelationships were among Quakers who were strongly anti-slavery, and who did their small bit to foster freedom.



The Lapham family, who lived in the area once known as freedom. This historical home is on the west side of Lapham's Corners, harbored blacks on their way to Farmington Road, north of Eight Mile.

FARMINGTONIANS were well-instructed. Sojourner Truth spoke here, coming from her home in Battle Creek, often accompanied by escaped slaves who had been mistreated. People came from throughout Oakland County to hear this famed black woman recount stories of cruelty and drama.

Another early Farmington Quaker, Dr. Ezekiel Webb, who was the area's first physician, had a daughter Emmeline who married into the Power family. Dr. Webb moved to the Raisin Valley and became active in the Anti-Slavery movement in Monroe.

How many escaping slaves went through Farmington to freedom? Illegal activities leave few records; the Fugitive Slave Act of 1850 set a fine of \$1,000 for harboring run-away blacks, in a day when a good eight-room home could be had for \$300, so data and records are few.

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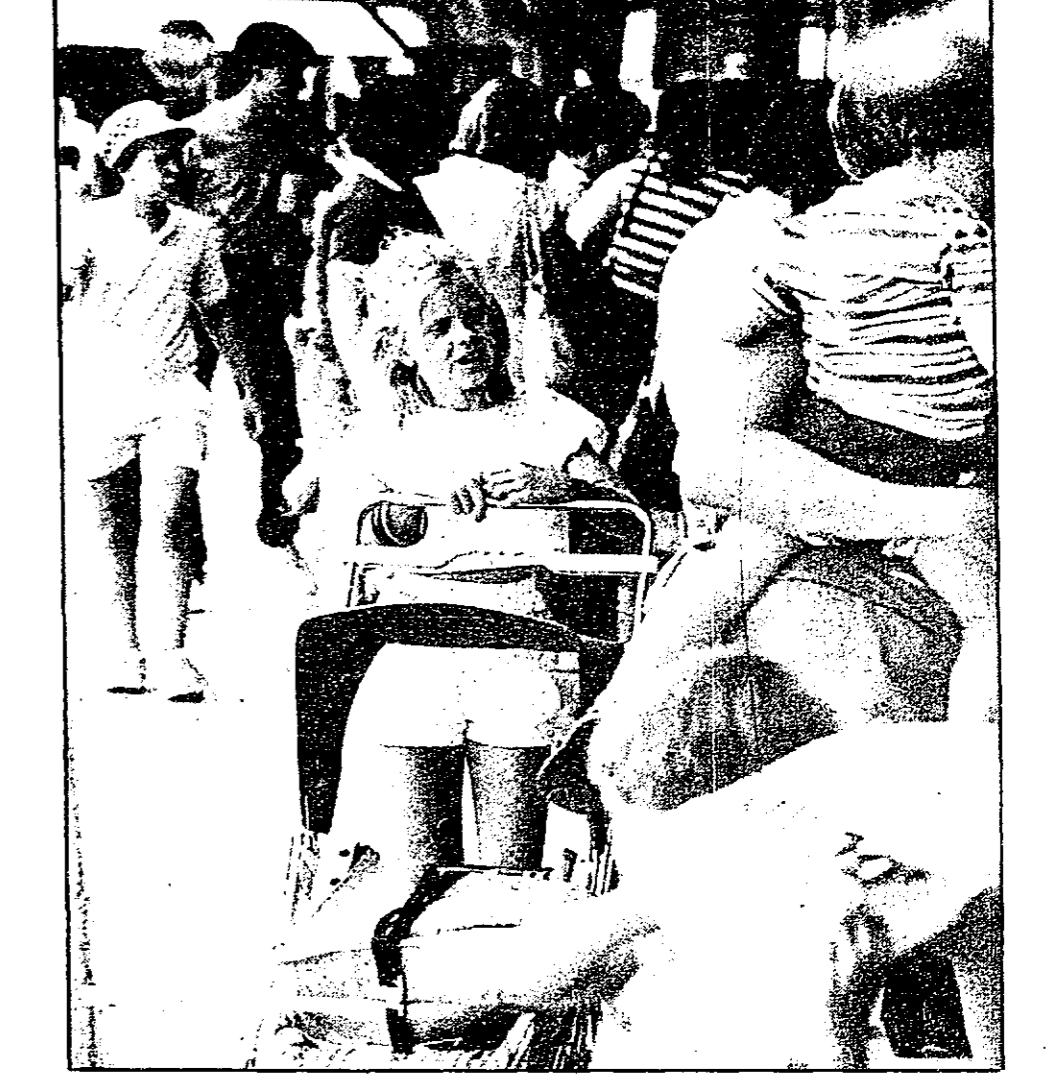
23rd annual festival passes the test of time

THE 23RD annual Farmington Founders Festival began Sunday, July 12, with celebration that will keep the city hopping through the fireworks finale Saturday, July 18.

Every year, the festival generates spirit that fills Farmington-area streets, shopping centers and parks with people and events. It has developed into a tradition with a history and a character of its own.

This year's theme ties in with Michigan's sesquicentennial anniversary celebration. This tie-in seems fitting considering that Farmington's founders settled in the area 160 years ago and must have played a role in the formation of Michigan as a state.

As the name suggests, the original festival emphasized the area's founders and heritage. Games and events reflected the Quaker lifestyle. Residents of Farmington, N.Y., visited, as well as members of the Power family, one of Farmington's first families.



Shoppers hunt for bargains during sidewalk sales up and down Grand River and in every shopping center in neighboring cities during the three-day summer festival.



Cloves of every description play a big role in the streets, in the shopping centers, on the show-Farmington Founders Festival — in the parade, on mobile, in the parks.

The idea for the original festival was supported by the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce as a way showing off Farmington.

"We saw that other cities were having festivals and thought that it would be a good thing for Farmington," said Bill Conroy, Farmington Insurance Co. owner and one of the original festival organizers.

OVER THE years, the festival grew. It could be said that it paralleled the growth of the Farmington/Farmington Hills area. The festival changed from a small founders-day type of fair to a citywide multi-faceted event with a parade and carnival.

The festival has not been without its share of growing pains. In recent years, money problems and the rising cost of liability insurance have plagued the festival. Last year, cancellation of the carnival prevented spending money for the parade prizes and expenses.

Nevertheless, a smaller parade marched on with as much enthusiasm as ever. More cancellations are not planned. After 23 years, it is safe to assume that the festival has survived.

Jody Soronen, Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce executive director and festival coordinator, attributes the festival's success to "the pleasant occurrence of local businesses, organizations, the two cities and residents all coming together for the benefit and enjoyment of the community."

"Every year," she said, "we receive cooperation from both cities, their managers, mayors, police departments, fire departments and public works departments. Without them, we wouldn't have a festival."

"WE ALSO HAVE been fortunate to receive funding from many businesses that has helped save several events. Their support is always greatly needed and appreciated."

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Harger House

One of the area's first homes begins life anew at age 150

About the cover

The photograph of Farmington's sesquicentennial house was taken by staff photographer Randy Borsht and titled by Observer & Decorator. Farmington's 150th birthday celebration is in the historic Farmington Hills area. The Harger House is the only one built in 1827. Farmington Hills has 55 historic properties. Of these, the Harger House is the only one built in 1827. Farmington Hills area historian David Litogot chronicles the history of the 150-year-old house and tells of the new lease it has gotten on life as it enters its 151st year.

By David Litogot
Special writer
David Litogot is a Farmington Historical Society member.

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Festival generates spirit and pride

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For the second year in a row, Empire of America will sponsor the showmobile entertainment and printing of the festival schedule of events. Additionally, Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills has offered to give money for parade expenses and prizes.

"We are an intricate part of this community and recognize the importance of this annual affair. It is indeed our pleasure to participate as parade sponsors," said Russ Tuttle, Botsford General Hospital spokesman.

Perhaps the festival receives its biggest boost from the thousands of Farmington-area residents who attend annually. Soronen believes "it's the one big event in Farmington that makes many residents feel like a part of the community."

Jonathan and Deborah Grant are typical examples of longtime residents who have developed a fondness for the festival. In 1983, they became involved in the effort to save the festival. Jonathan Grant, a North Farmington High School graduate, recalls thinking "It would be a shame for Farmington to lose the festival. It represents many things to this area and its residents."

"I know I've appreciated the good friends I've met and rewards I've experienced from being involved, and it's something I hope my family will always get the chance to experience," he said.

Deborah Grandt, a Farmington High School graduate said, "No matter where I've been, I've always come home at festival time. It's like a reunion for me. It gives me a chance to see friends from the past. It really brings people together."

THE MOST OBVIOUS appeal of the festival is its variety of attractions and events. There is something for all ages and interests.

Activities and events include "Kid's Day in the Park," arts and crafts exhibits, showmobile entertainment, the Miss Farmington Scholarship Pageant, sidewalk sales, softball games, concerts, plays, a Fox Trot run and fireworks.

Festival-goers interested in arts and crafts will be pleased with this year's show. Exhibit organizer Madolyn Beateag said, "We are very pleased with this year's response. We will have 62 exhibitors that include the usual variety of crafters, as well as an increase in artists."

All work is handmade — hand-blown glass, duck decoys, paintings, caricature drawings, woodwork, woven rugs, jewelry, stone cutting, abstract paintings, pottery — and the list goes on. Exhibitors travel from as far away as Arizona and California.

To audiences that will be watching the showmobile entertainment, Eric Johnston, entertainment coordinator, said, "This will be the best showmobile yet. The emphasis is on entertainment, with a well-rounded variety that will showcase Farmington as a cultural and diverse community."

Kay Briggs and Margaret Walker, of the local sesquicentennial committee, are parade's grand marshals. They will ride in one of Botsford Inn's antique cars. Russ Tuttle is the parade's announcer.

THE FESTIVAL will wrap up with a concert performed by the Farmington Community Band at Oakland Community College at 8 p.m. A fireworks display choreographed by the Vitale Fireworks Sales Co. will accompany the music at midnight.

Festival schedules of events are available at the chamber of commerce, 33201 Grand River downtown Farmington. For more information, call the chamber, 474-3440.

Randy Borsht/staff photographer

The Farmington Founders Festival arts and crafts exhibit coordinator has lined up 62 artisans, who will show and sell their handmade work on the grounds of the Farmington Masonic Temple, Grand River and Farmington Road, Farmington.

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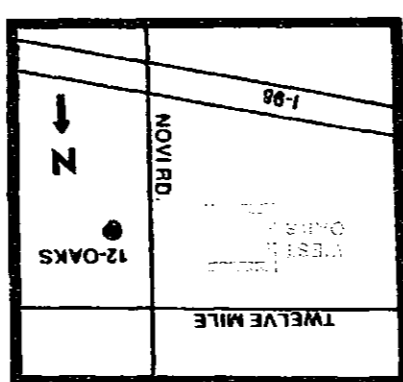
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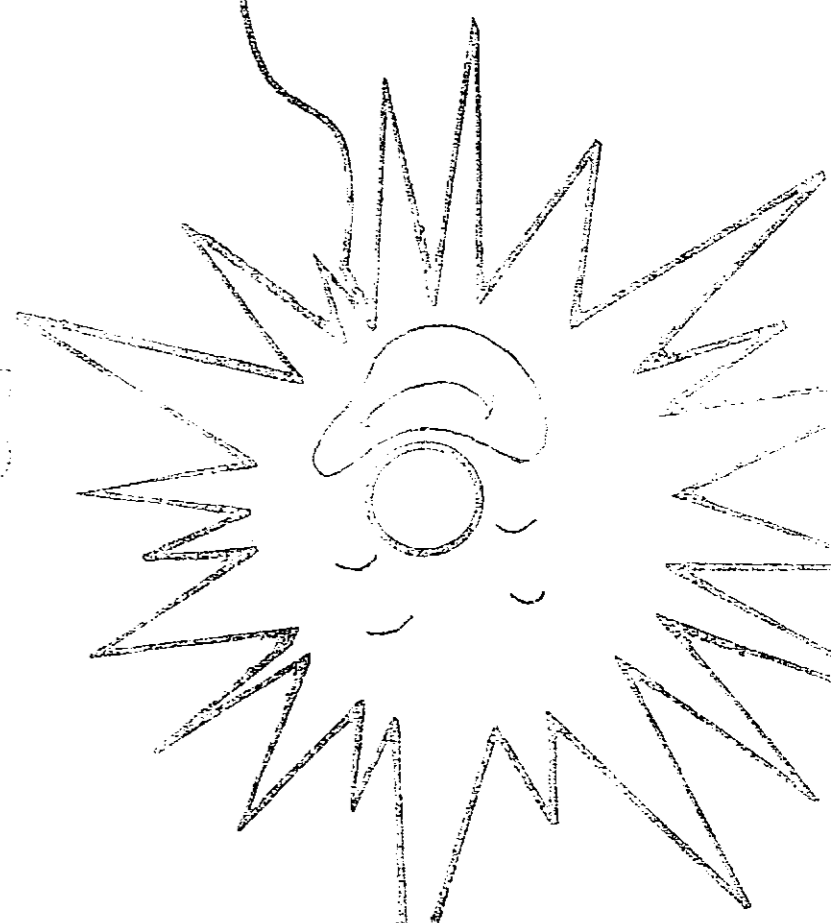
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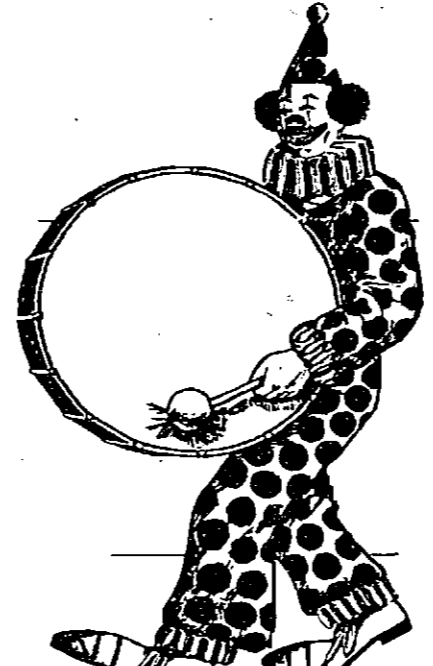
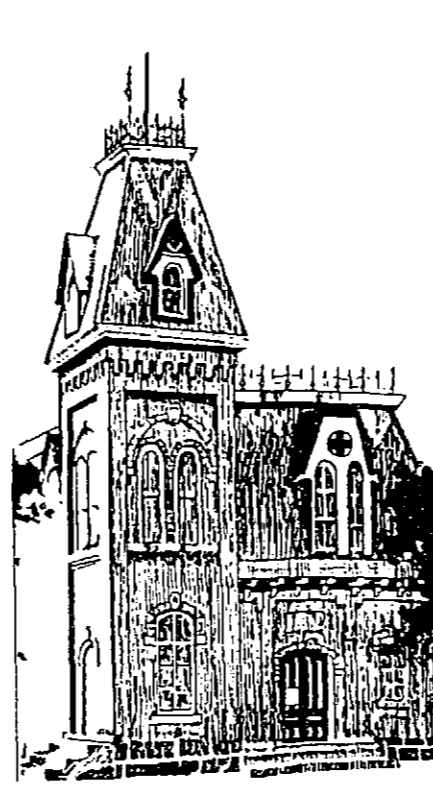
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Founders Festival '87
Calendar of Events
(Also on Page 7 and Page 10)

WARREN'S COUNTRY CORNERS FARMINGTON ROAD S. OF GRAND RIVER CRAFT SHOW & SALES Thursday, Friday & Saturday.....9:00 AM - Dark	GROUND ROUND RESTAURANT 3005 ORCHARD LAKE ROAD BATTLE OF THE BARS Saturday.....12:30 PM	MURWOOD SHOPPING CENTER GRAND RIVER & DRAKE ROADS Thursday Caricature Portraits - Chuck Kohl.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Aerobics Demonstrations - One-On-One Baldock Mountain Ramblers - Songs.....3:00 - 5:00 PM Children's Face Painting.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Mime Ensemble-Magic, Juggling, Mime.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Farmington Hills Fire Dept. Waterball Competition.....7:30 - 9:00 PM
ART ALCOVE TENT BETWEEN ART ALCOVE & PELICAN SHOP ART SALE Thursday, Friday & Saturday.....10:00 AM - 8:00 PM	FARMINGTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY 23500 LIBERTY CLARK FAMILY PLAYERS VARIETY SHOW Thursday.....7:30 PM OPEN FOR SERVICE Friday.....10:00 AM-8:00 PM Saturday.....10:00 AM-8:00 PM	Friday Caricature Portraits - Chuck Kohl.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Aerobics Demonstrations - One-On-One Baldock Mountain Ramblers - Songs.....3:00 - 5:00 PM Children's Face Painting.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Mime Ensemble-Magic, Juggling, Mime.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Farmington Hills Fire Dept. Waterball Competition.....7:30 - 9:00 PM
RELIANCE FORMS & SUPPLIES FARMINGTON ROAD S. OF GRAND RIVER LIBRARY BOOK SALE & COMPUTER DEMONSTRATION Saturday.....All Day	HITACHI COMPLEX 34500 LIBERTY FARMINGTON HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT FIRE ARMS DEMONSTRATION Friday.....3:00 PM Saturday.....1:00 PM and 4:00 PM	Saturday Caricature Portraits - Chuck Kohl.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Aerobics Demonstrations - One-On-One Baldock Mountain Ramblers - Songs.....3:00 - 5:00 PM Children's Face Painting.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Mime Ensemble-Magic, Juggling, Mime.....12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM Detroit Jazz Ensemble.....6:00 - 11:00 PM Storytellers Jazz.....6:00 - 11:00 PM
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PIE BAKING CONTEST Thursday.....5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Entries by 5:30 PM Judging 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM ICE CREAM SOCIAL Thursday.....7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Friday.....12:00 Noon - 9:00 PM Saturday.....12:00 Noon - 8:00 PM	DRAKE PARK BALL FIELD HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL FIELD MEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT Farmington Hills Recreation.....473-9570 Friday.....6:00 - 11:00 PM Saturday.....9:00 AM - 11:00 PM Sunday.....9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	OX ROAST Thursday, Friday & Saturday.....12:00 Noon - 12:00 Midnight
SIDEWALK SALES Shopping Centers all over town	FARMINGTON HIGH FIELD FARMINGTON HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT BENEFIT SOFTBALL GAME - ANN ARBOR BURN CENTER Saturday.....3:00 - 8:00 PM	23414 ORCHARD LAKE ROAD VFW POST #2269 50/50 BINGO (Lunches Available) Thursday, Friday & Saturday.....12:00 Noon - 12 Midnight
FARMINGTON MASONIC TEMPLE GRAND RIVER & FARMINGTON ROADS CRAFTERS CORNERS Thursday, Friday & Saturday.....9:00 AM - Dark CHICKEN BARBECUE.....12:00 Noon - 6:00 PM PASTY DINNER Wednesday.....5:00 - 7:00 PM ROAST BEEF Thursday.....5:00-7:00 PM SWISS STEAK Friday.....5:00-7:00 PM SOUP & SALAD BAR Saturday.....12:00 Noon-6:00 PM PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday.....8:30 AM-1:30 PM	DOWNTOWN FARMINGTON CENTER CABLE CASTING - "MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR" INTERVIEWS - SWOOG Thursday, Friday & Saturday	OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL 12th ANNUAL FESTIVAL OPEN TENNIS TOURNAMENT Tuesday-Friday.....9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday & Sunday
FARMINGTON PLAYERS UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH 25301 HALSTED ROAD "WHEN SHAKESPEARE'S LADIES MEET" and parts of "INHERIT THE WIND" and "STRANGE BEDFELLOWS" Friday & Saturday, July 10 & 11 Thursdays-Saturday, July 16-18.....8:00 PM (\$5.00 per ticket)	GOVERNOR WARNER'S MANSION GRAND RIVER WEST OF FARMINGTON ROAD FARMINGTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM TOURS (Donation \$1.00) Friday.....1:00 PM - 8:00 PM Saturday.....9:00 AM - 8:00 PM	



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