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Marko taken off radon duty

By PHIL GINOTTI
 staff writer

The "Radon Buster" will bust no more.

Novi Building Inspector Ken Marko has been asked by the city administration to discontinue his study into radon and stop assisting Novi homeowners who may have questions about the potentially harmful gas.

City officials said labor concerns within the building department and concerns that his radon work was cutting into other duties necessitated the move.

Marko, who was billed at a seminar several months ago as leading one of the most aggressive community-based radon prevention programs in the state, has relinquished all radon duties to public information director Cindy Stewart.

According to a memo dated April 28, Department of Public Services (DPS) Director Lenora Jadun complimented Marko for his work, but told him "effective immediately, you will relinquish this duty to (Stewart)."

"Ms. Stewart will be handling all public information such as letters, telephone calls, attending seminars for radon education, and hosting seminars for residents and citizens groups," Jadun wrote.

The memo went on to say "I would expect that you will devote your duties to the building inspection function as you did prior to the radon program."

In her role as DPS chief, Jadun supervises the building department and Department of Public Works (DPW). She could not be reached for comment on the memo by press time Tuesday.

City Manager Edward Kriewall said Marko did a "great job" with radon, but that several factors, including labor concerns within the building department, necessitated the move. He would not elaborate further.

Novi building inspectors are members of a labor union. Ironically, Marko was presented

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Tidying up

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Andrea Studders (left) and Jenny Carmichael were encouraged to be active participants in making the world "a cleaner place" in which to live. For pictures of a clean-up which produced considerably more debris see Page 5A.

State funding may bring M-9 project closer

By PHIL GINOTTI
 staff writer

An \$11.5 million grant has been approved as a first step toward a state "takeover" of Haggerty Road, possibly clearing the way for progress on the erstwhile M-9 project.

City and county leaders got word Friday from Lansing that Haggerty Road was approved in the latest round of funding from the Transportation Economic Development Fund. The \$11.5 million will pay for approximately five miles worth of unspecified improvements between I-96 and Pontiac Trail.

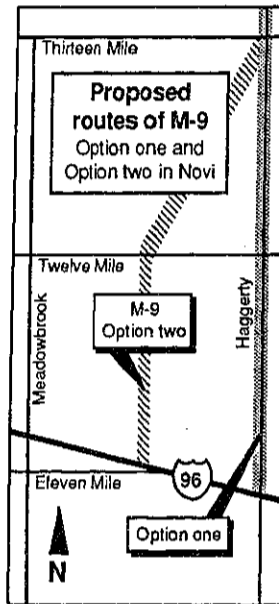
Total cost of the takeover is \$73 million. The \$11.5 is designed to cover right-of-way purchase and preliminary engineering, according to Economic Development Fund Consultant James Dressel.

Currently, plans are in the offing for a six or eight lane divided highway — M-9 — that would progress north from I-96. It is designed to relieve congestion caused because of the lack of a major north-south passage through western Oakland County.

M-9 plans hinge on two separate alternatives through Novi — either along the existing Haggerty Road route, or along at a point on Twelve Mile, just west of Haggerty Road. A public hearing is scheduled for June to help decide the preferred route.

Oakland County Road Commission officials said they had little information on the state takeover by Monday afternoon.

"What we have is an absence of concrete information on what will happen next," said road commission spokesman John Joy. "It's best described as premature. But this effort, ultimately I am sure, will offer a better opportunity for residents to



get from here to there."

Joy said MDOT will be required to petition the Oakland County Road Commission for the takeover and that little opposition to the move is expected.

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) official Mike Flajole, who has headed up M-9 for the past several years, said the funds could be coupled with any federal monies to accomplish MDOT's objectives.

MDOT is planning to release the long-awaited environmental impact statement (EIS) on the proposed M-9 routes next week. Public hearings

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North end gets spring cleaning

By PHIL GINOTTI
 staff writer

They came. They saw. They dumped ... and dumped and dumped and dumped.

About 250-300 people brought their out-of-the-ordinary disposable items to a two-day spring clean-up at Lakeshore Park this weekend. The clean-up was sponsored by the City of Novi and the Lakes Area Residents Association (LARA).

By Monday, the parking lot at Lakeshore Park resembled a minor landfill with neat, but ponderous, piles of every type of disposable item imaginable.

Lakeshore Park was closed this week until the debris could be cleaned up and hauled away.

LARA President and clean-up organizer Sarah Phelps called the clean-up a "tremendous success."

"It's important to remember that

this is eight years worth of junk," Phelps said. "It's also important to realize that a lot of this stuff would end up out on some road or in a field if it didn't get dropped off here."

There were similar results with much less organization the last time a clean-up day was — in 1980.

LARA members were able to monitor the incoming junk, dividing it into four separate groups — furniture, metals, tires and heavy appliances.

The amount of material dropped off was staggering. Four 40-yard roll-off dumpsters were furnished for the days of the clean-up — they were filled before noon Saturday.

Department of Public Works (DPW) officials were estimating Monday that it would take another 8-10 dumpster loads to remove all the additional debris.

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Modular homes

'House of the future' irks residents

By AMY ROSA
 staff writer

Novi's Cedar Springs Estates subdivision may have the first "house of the future" in the city.

But Cedar Springs residents are considerably less than pleased about what they consider a rather dubious distinction.

The source of the controversy is the construction of what is possibly the first "modular" home within a city subdivision.

The builder of the controversial residence maintains adamantly that the "pre-fabricated home" should not be confused with a

mobile home.

But some residents — wary of the home's preliminary structure — aren't quite convinced.

"We just think it looks like crap," subdivision resident Dianne Kennedy said bluntly. "There's not one person in our sub who wants it. We're worried that it will bring down the price of our homes."

"It isn't appropriate for our sub," said Gordon Connelly, president of the Cedar Springs Estates Homeowners Association.

"Granted, it isn't the same as a mobile home, but it isn't a whole lot different." Connelly said he's received bet-

ween 60-70 phone calls from concerned homeowners since the structure on Buckminster started going up last week. "We have no legal road to stop them," Connelly said, who plans to address city officials with the group's concerns.

"If they want to build them fine, then build them in a subdivision of modular homes, not in a subdivision of regularly constructed homes," Connelly added.

Cedar Springs currently contains 120 homes with additional residences proposed in future states. The subdivision is located on the north side of Ten Mile between Novi and Taft roads. The subdivi-

sion's single remaining vacant lot now belongs to the Northwest Building Corporation of Southfield — the company which is erecting the modular home.

Eric Semke, one of the company's owners, said Cedar Springs residents have nothing to be worried about. "There will not be anyone who will be able to tell a difference," he said of his soon-to-be-completed three-bedroom, two-bath ranch house. He is building the home on speculation, and plans to list it for \$179,900.

"... then I'll sell my home for

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Board to study \$20 million budget

By AMY ROSA
 staff writer

The Novi Board of Education is looking at a proposed \$20 million budget for the 1989-90 school year, as it prepares to make final adjustments on budget figures within the next month.

Preliminary figures show next year's school budget at \$20,204,639, or nearly 11 percent higher than the district's 1988-89 budget of \$18,237,993.

The current budget imposes a millage rate of 27.74 mills. The proposed 1989-90 fiscal year budget — set to begin July 1 — would require a "Headlee rollback" of 1.52 mills, to 26.22.

That rollback is a requirement of the state "Headlee amendment," which caps tax increases at the rate of inflation plus new construction. Inflation this year averaged 4.1 percent, ac-

ording to Assistant Superintendent William Barr.

Essentially, one mill generates more tax than it did last year because of the district's increased State Equalized Value (SEV), which occurs from new growth and higher property assessments.

Barr said the district's SEV will be about \$727 million in the coming year, compared to \$606 million last year and \$475 million for the 1987-88 school year.

The increased revenue has also mandated that the district's bonded indebtedness levy be decreased to 3.55 mills from 4.24 mills.

A mill is \$1 of taxes for every \$1,000 of assessed value. Assessed value is listed as 50 percent of a property's estimated cash value.

What the lower millage actually means to the taxpayer, said Superintendent Robert Piwko, is

either a similar tax from the year before or a slight increase, typically not going over the rate of inflation.

Last year the board rolled back more millage than was required under Headlee, said Piwko. The superintendent added, however, that an additional rollback may not be possible this year.

"There are a lot of new costs entering into the budget for the first time," Piwko said, explaining that staffing the new elementary school building represents the largest of the added costs.

Board members will continue to seek input and make suggestions concerning the preliminary budget figures, said Piwko. The board will hold a special budget workshop session in the Educational Services Building on Thursday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m.

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Traffic issues stall Montessori school expansion

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

The Novi Northville Montessori school on Novi Road may not be permitted to expand its operation due to traffic congestion surrounding that area.

The school is located on the west side of Novi Road, south of Ten Mile.

Preliminary plans for a 1,100 square foot addition to the school were tabled by the Novi Planning Commission April 19, mainly due to heavy traffic in the Ten Mile/Novi Road area.

A north setback variance was also requested by the school, which planners felt was too much of a deviation from the zoning ordinance.

The expansion would have added another classroom on the north end of the building, permitting a total of 60 students to attend. Currently the

Johnson: 'In hindsight, you see traffic isn't working well with the number of children there now. I would like to see some alternative plans.'

The traffic there won't get better; it'll even get worse. To add 10 more cars is dangerous," McLallen added.

Novi Road is a two-lane road in that area. Cars making either right-hand or left-hand turns tend to back up traffic during peak periods, commissioners said.

"In hindsight, you see traffic isn't working well with the number of children there now," said Commissioner Judy Johnson, adding that she was opposed to expansion until the current traffic problems are resolved. "I would like to see some alternative plans."

Commissioner Ernest Aruffo, however, agreed with McLallen and Johnson, saying he has witnessed the back-ups on Novi Road in the afternoon.

"The issue is whether they (owners of the school) can come up with a traffic resolution; and if they can't they'll just have to stay as they are," Aruffo added.

Regarding the north setback variance, commissioners agreed it was too "excessive." The expansion plans proposed building to within 13 feet of the north property line. The city ordinance requires that the setback be 75 feet.

Gretha Rae, director of the Montessori school, said she has been trying to reduce traffic congestion by staggering drop-off and pick-up times and insisted that the problem has been exaggerated. She said she would increase the staggering with new addition.

school is licensed for 44 students on the 12 acre property according to project architect Skip West.

Commissioners said they were concerned about the traffic congestion created by dropping off and picking up these 16 additional students. They noted that pickups between 3:30 p.m. on weekdays already creates much traffic congestion.

"The pick-up times coincide with difficult traffic times on the road," said Commissioner Kathy McLallen, who said her opposition to the expansion is not a reflection on the school or its good reputation in the city.

Marko stops radon studies

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with a resolution and a plaque by the Novi City Council Monday night, complementing him for his efforts.

Marko has served as the city's "point man" on radon ever since a series of high test results were uncovered in Novi and western Oakland County last year.

Preliminary figures released by the American Lung Association showed that about three out of four homes sending in charcoal canister sampling units could be at risk from the colorless, odorless gas that is

linked to lung cancer.

The city became one of the few in Michigan that actually allocated personnel to radon and made testing kits available out of city hall.

Marko studied the issue, attending various seminars and conferences — some at his own expense — and was recognized as one of the leading municipal building officials in the state in dealing with radon. He has also formed his own private consulting company, offering phone consultation and in-home air

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1989 Novi School Election

The Candidates' VIEWS

Q:

Why are you a candidate for the Novi Board of Education? What credentials/experience do you possess that qualify you for the Novi Board of Education?

Four candidates are vying for two four-year terms on the Novi Board of Education. The 1989 annual school election is Monday, June 12.

Julle Abrams

The young people in our school system will help shape our future. As a candidate for the board, I will do my best to see that Novi sends caring, self-confident, well-educated people out into the world.

To me, the best way to serve the community would be as a member of the Board of Education, where careful decisions are made by dedicated people whose primary concern is the education of our youth.

I bring to the board parenting skills, teaching skills, extensive school involvement, the ability to work well within a group and a willingness to learn.

I am a parent of three children, ages 22, 19 and 9. My children have spent most of their education in Novi schools.

I have had 15 years of experience in private tutoring, reinforcing teachers' lessons in grades K-9. I have gained valuable knowledge working with teachers, learning to understand the educational needs of students.

I have been an active member in the schools since my arrival in Novi 13 years ago. I have worked as a non-aide, a volunteer teachers helper, a food service employee, a pre-school aide, a CARE leader and a volunteer in the Picture Lady art appreciation program. I have been appointed to several district-wide committees. I was appointed to the Task Force on Excellence in Education, Boundaries and Enrollment Committee, Novi Meadows Evaluation Committee, and the Facilities Task Force. Through this committee work, I have studied curriculum needs K-12, building needs in the school district, population growth, testing procedures, etc.

My active involvement in each of these committees has strengthened my ability to work with others to determine what is best for the education of kids in Novi. This ability to work with others has been most instrumental in my becoming a positive, contributing member of the board, since my appointment to the board in November, 1988.

My willingness to study, listen, commit my time, to learn and to do what is best for all kids, will be a valuable asset to the school district over the next four years.

Craig Foreback

I have a personal interest in the quality of instruction in the Novi Community Schools. I have two children in the district at the present time. Both my wife, Linda, and I have worked closely with individual faculty and respective administrative leaders to facilitate the education of our children.

I have been directly involved with several organizations in the community that deal with children. I served on the Board of Directors of the Novi Bobcats Swimming Association, holding several positions including president. I have been active with the Novi Youth Baseball Program from 1985-88 as a coach, member of its Board of Directors and as Communications Director.

I am also active in youth work at my church as the past Director of Junior High Youth Programs and current Director of Senior High Programs. As part of these experiences I taught Sunday School classes to both age groups.

Through my experiences of working with children and their parents over the past eight years I have felt directed to become more involved with the education of young people in our school district. Linda and I have served as co-presidents of the Novi Meadows PTO, and I have attended board of education meetings on a regular basis for the past two years.

These experiences led me to seek a position on the board in the 1988 election. I want to have an opportunity to contribute to the continued excellence of our school district. I am willing to devote the time and attention to issues that the district will face over the next four years.

It is important to have board members who have a variety of skills, including curriculum development, budgeting and personnel management, and new program development. With a Ph.D. in Chemistry and currently serving as the director of a major department at a large teaching hospital in the area, I feel competent to deal with the multi-million dollar budget, and the management and program development of our district. The board of education has a supportive role in the continuing education of our faculty and staff. In my current position I am involved with the continuing education of technical and professional staff at the local and national level.

I have been involved with community service for many years and have a desire for continued, increased involvement in the school district. My academic and employment background would bring many strengths to the board.

Sally Marchak

My interest in the program and progress of Novi Schools is well-documented, with my attendance and active involvement at 99 percent of the Novi Board of Education meetings for the last three years.

As with any living organism, there is constant need for innovation and renewal if it is to be vital. So too, the highly-praised Novi Schools need constant improvements and renewal if they are to continue to be highly acclaimed.

I have observed first-hand the workings of the board and feel that, with my background in education, I will be a valuable asset to the further improvement of the Novi Schools.

My credentials include a Bachelor of Arts in the Social Sciences and Elementary Education from Madonna College, and a Master's degree in Education and Reading from Wayne State University.

My experience includes extensive involvement in the Novi Schools — namely, service on the Curriculum Council, Inter-School Council, the Gifted and Talented Council, and the PTOs at Novi Woods, Novi Meadows and Novi Middle School.

I have been a coach twice for Odyssey of the Mind students from the Novi schools. I have been a support person for classroom teachers over the years, most recently as a Picture Lady, a program from the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA).

Before I had children of my own, I was the director of the Kindergarten in Northville. I was hired as the building was being constructed and opened its doors, and oversaw its growth over the next two years. My responsibilities included the hiring of personnel, keeping the books, buying educational materials and equipment, lunch provisions, maintenance needs of the building, transportation of students, and parental interaction and communication.

This experience is invaluable in realizing all the dimensions that are necessary in order to direct such a corporation and is definitely transferable to a school district such as Novi's.

John Streit

As a candidate with a long-standing record of leadership, commitment, service and ability to work with parents, administration and community for the children and Novi educational community, my experience illustrates the quality of and the reason for my candidacy for the Novi Board of Education.

In addition to a Master's Degree in Instructional Technology and over 20 years experience as an educator and Media Specialist, I have demonstrated my commitment and ability in the Novi Schools and community:

- At Village Oaks by serving on the VOICE Board for 5 years and eventually as president to support and work with parents, staff and administration to develop and provide assembly and classroom programs to support the curriculum, parent programs, and purchase media and other materials. From cooking hot dogs and sweating in a haunted house to representing the PTO Board at district meetings, it was great to help make things happen.
- In the Novi District by assisting and working with others to write the district mission statement which appears on letterhead stationary for the district.
- In the Novi Foundation Planning Group by meeting with parents and community members to explore and plan initial stages of the Foundation with administrators and other resources.
- At Novi Middle School by assisting in starting a PTO and serving as President for its first two years. With the help and co-operation of supportive parents, staff and administration, the PTO provided funds, assistance and sponsorship of the Quest (Skills for Adolescence) parent programs, Communications Day, student assemblies and classroom experiences, and equipment such as computers, resource books, gloves and software.
- In the Novi/Farmington Indian Guides by serving as a Novi group leader, area Coordinator for the Novi/Farmington Indian Guide activity and camping program, and received V.I.P. Volunteer Award.
- In Novi Parks and Recreation by serving as a soccer and girls basketball coach.
- In other community groups by serving as assistant coach in Novi Little League, Girl Scout Campout Dad, consulting with Novi Odyssey of the Mind team, judge and parent assistant for Middle School Science Olympiad Team, Novi High School Athletic Boosters.

This is part one in a series of five questions presented to each school board candidate by *The Novi News*, followed by their responses. The remaining questions will be featured in subsequent issues of *The News* to give our readers a chance to become familiar with the candidates' views.

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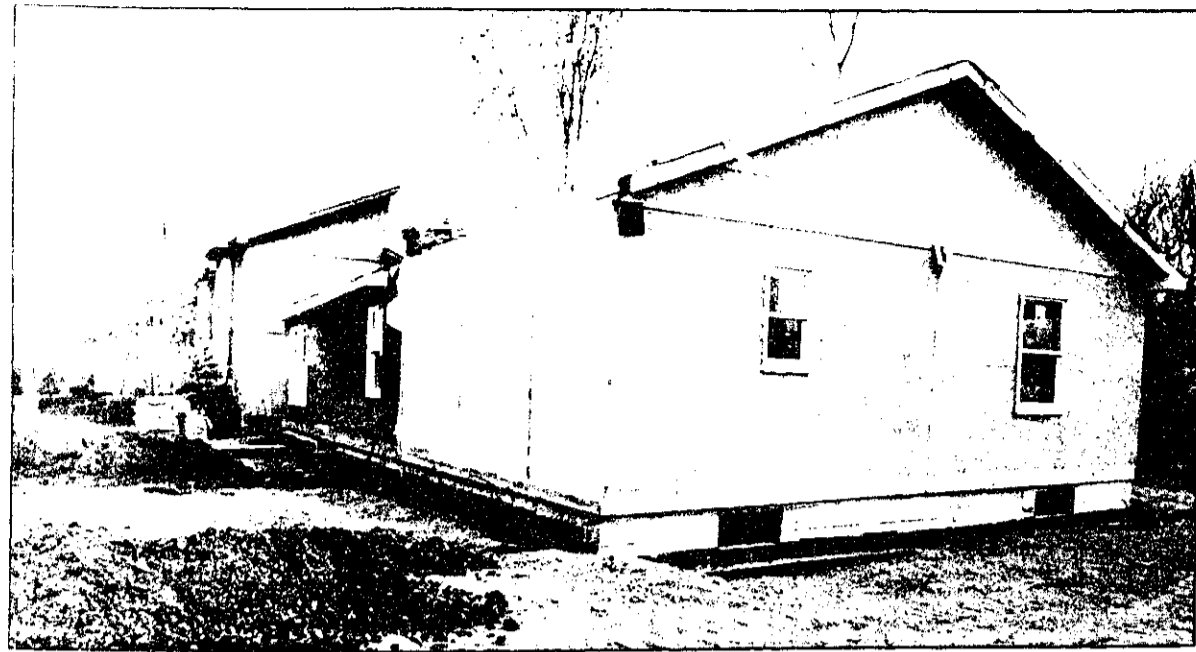
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This prefabricated house on Buckminster is the source of controversy in the Cedar Springs Estates subdivision

Subdivision gets modular home

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Kennedy: 'We just thinks it looks like crap. There's not one person in our sub who wants it. We're worried that it will bring down the price of our homes.'

It is not clear what impact, if any, that would have on the project.

Semke said he is about 2 1/2 months from completion of the home. He will add a "stick-built" (standard construction) family room on the rear and a two-car attached garage on the front. The facade of the house, which has a full basement, will be done in brick and contemporary wood siding, he said.

"When I first saw them I was amazed," said Semke of the modular homes that his company has been building for over two years. His ranch houses come pre-made — with carpeting, paint, fixtures and appliances — in two parts from a factory in Indiana. His colonials arrive in four parts.

Lower cost and faster construction time are what make this type of home appealing to their buyers, said Semke, who added that he just closed a deal on a modular home in Northville and has similar projects going in Farmington Hills, Livonia and West Bloomfield.

Semke also plans to branch out more into the Novi area, saying there is a market for his homes here. "Modular homes are going to be the future," he said.

Semke also said that he did not have to seek the association's "approval," because of city ordinances that say no builder can be denied a permit if the structure they seek to build meets the codes and passes the "similar-dissimilar" rule.

That rule means that a home extremely similar or extremely dissimilar to an adjacent home cannot be erected, explained Novi Building Official Earl Bailey.

However, added Bailey, an injunction could have been imposed on Northwest Building, if the Cedar Springs Homeowners Association had found that they met current building standards.

covenant and restrictions — a private contract signed by all Cedar Springs residents listing their own rules and regulations for the subdivision.

"It could have gone to civil court," Bailey said.

But there is some question as to whether or not Walter had input from the association before rendering the okay to Northwest, Kennedy said no association meeting was ever called to discuss the matter, and Connelly said Walter did not turn over the plans to the association's architect committee for review. "No one knew about it," he said.

Reunions

Novi High School '79: The 1964 graduating class of 1979 will hold its 10-year class reunion at the Sheraton Oaks in Novi on Saturday, Aug. 26.

All class members are urged to contact Laurie (Croczni) Wethington at 553-3605 or Shelly Monitz at 348-9455 for more information.

Cody High School '64: The 1964 graduating class of Detroit Cody High School will hold its 25th reunion on Oct. 7 at the new Radisson Resort and Conference Center in Ypsilanti.

Anyone who graduated from Cody in 1964 is asked to call 277-0570 to register for the reunion.

Cody High School '79: Graduates of Cody High School's Class of 1979 will celebrate their 10-year class reunion on Oct. 7 at Roma's of Livonia-West.

The reunion committee is searching for all graduates from this class. For information call 465-2277 or 263-6803 or write Reunion Planners at Post Office Box 291, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043.

North Farmington '69: Graduates of North Farmington High School's Class of 1969 will celebrate their 20-year class reunion at the Sheraton Oaks in Novi on June 23.

Reunion committee members are searching for all graduates from this class. For information call 465-2277 or 263-6803 or write Reunion Planners at Post Office Box 291, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043.

Seaholm '69: Graduates of Seaholm High School's Class of 1969 will celebrate their 20-year class reunion on Aug. 12 at the Troy Hilton.

The school reunion committee is searching for all graduates from this class. For information call 465-2277 or write Reunion Planners, P.O. Box 281, Mt. Clemens, 48043.

Walled Lake '49: Walled Lake High School's Class of '49 will hold its 40th reunion on June 17. Members of the class who have not been contacted are asked to call Glen Dick at 673-5133.

Walled Lake '59: Walled Lake High School's 1959 graduating class will hold its 30-year reunion at the Multi-Lakes Conservation Club on Oct. 14. A "bring-your-own" picnic will follow on Oct. 15.

All members of the Class of '59 and anyone else attending school at that time is invited to attend. For more information call Pat (Kleinhardt) Sulla at 624-1170 or Rhele (Diver) Lundin at 338-1388.

Walled Lake Central '79: The 1969 graduating class of Walled Lake Central High School is planning its 10-year reunion. Class members should call 383-8211 or 360-4782 for more information.

Wayne Memorial '59: The Wayne Memorial High School Class of 1959 will hold a three-day reunion Friday through Sunday, July 14-16. Plans include a casual get-together at the high school on Friday, a dinner-dance on Saturday and a picnic in Saline on Sunday.

Interested classmates can obtain more information by calling Bill Whitworth at 654-6411 or Ed Hinner at 459-3203.



Artists at work

David Gabler (left) and Garrett Brown take paint brushes to the 'planet' they are making for the Novi Woods Elementary School Fun Fair. The fourth graders are students in Jennifer Marlon's

arts class. Forty percent of the proceeds from the Fun Fair will be donated to the PTO at the new elementary school.

Novi News/PHIL JEROME

Coach quits committee over Cicchelli firing

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

Expressing dissatisfaction over the firing of Novi High School basketball coach John Cicchelli, a middle school teacher publicly disassociated himself from an athletic philosophy committee he was working on for the Novi Community School District.

Gary Kelly, a Novi Middle school science teacher, told members of the Novi Board of Education and an audience of about 50 on April 20 that he has resigned from the athletic philosophy committee "due to some things that have been happening lately."

Kelly also coaches football and volleyball in the Novi school district. Kelly, who did not mention Cicchelli specifically, said he was "frustrated" to see his name still on the roster of 12 committee members after he had already resigned.

At an assembly in the Novi Middle School cafeteria the next morning, Kelly said he was referring to Cicchelli's March 22 firing as head basketball coach the previous night. The reason he didn't mention Cicchelli's name, said Kelly, is because Cicchelli is challenging his dismissal through the Novi Education Association's grievance procedure.

"John Cicchelli is the embodiment of all the things good coaches are made of," said Kelly. "I just think the whole (athletic philosophy) document is tainted because Cicchelli matches all those philosophies."

The athletic philosophy report had

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been compiled by a 12-member committee of students, parents and teachers, who started work on the project last fall. The 10-page report was presented by first-year athletic director John Fundukian at the board's April 20 meeting. The board will consider it for adoption tonight (Thursday, May 4).

The project details the athletic philosophy, goals and objectives for the district, as well as outlining athletic codes for coaches, athletes, parents and school officials.

The report was initiated by Fundukian, who spearheaded two similar efforts in the Walled Lake and Highland Park school districts where he worked as athletic director before coming to Novi.

"The real injustice is that no one is talking about why he was fired," added Kelly, about the administration's silence over Cicchelli's "dismissal" on the last day before spring break. School officials have refused to say

why Cicchelli was relieved of his responsibilities and instead continue to repeat that the varsity basketball coaching position "will be posted for next year."

"The varsity coaching position is a one-year term.

Cicchelli, who has coached in the Novi school district for 18 seasons, will not comment publicly on the matter except to say he was disappointed about being relieved of his duties and would like to continue coaching.

Cicchelli's teaching position at the middle school has apparently not been affected.

"You just don't treat people like that after 18 years," said Kelly. "We're all looking for a smoking pistol, wondering if special interests were served," he continued, referring to reports that a disgruntled group of parents was instrumental in Cicchelli's dismissal.

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James Scott and Wixom Police Officer David Schwanky are promoting 'Operation Teddy Bear' Nov 1 News/CHRIS BOYD

Detroit man faces purse theft charge

A 24-year-old Detroit man has been arraigned by Novi Police on charges of snatching a woman's purse at Twelve Oaks Mall on April 6.

Jack Lee Wilbert Jr. was arraigned last week in 52nd District Court on charges of "larceny from a person," a felony which carries a sentence of 10 years imprisonment.

He waived pre-trial examination before 52nd District Court Judge Harold Bulgarelli on Monday, May 1, and has been bound over to stand trial in Oakland County Circuit Court.

Wilbert also has been arraigned on charges of armed robbery by both the Southfield and Lathrup Village police departments. In addition, he is awaiting trial on charges of carrying a concealed weapon and recovering and concealing stolen property over \$100.

The armed robbery charges were lodged in conjunction with an incident which occurred after the purse snatching at Twelve Oaks Mall, according to Novi Police Detective Jack Grubb.

The purse snatching incident occurred at Twelve Oaks on Thursday, April 6.

A Detroit woman, an employee at J.L. Hudsons, told police she had parked her car in the Red Lot at approximately 8:20 a.m. and was walking toward the mall.

The woman said she stopped momentarily to get a piece of gum from her purse when she was approached from behind by an individual later alleged to be Wilbert. The man grabbed her purse and then ran back to his car, according to police.

The woman said the assailant said nothing and did not strike her at any time while stealing the purse. She also reported that no weapon was seen during the theft.

After running back to his car, the man jumped in and sped out of the parking lot back to Novi Road.

The incident was allegedly witnessed by a contractor working at the new Liz Claiborne store inside the mall. The witness ran to his own car and pursued the escaping vehicle long enough to obtain a license plate number.

Through subsequent investigation, Grubb learned that Wilbert had been taken into custody by the Lathrup Village police on suspicion of armed robbery. Lathrup Village police reported that Wilbert had in his possession the drivers license, vehicle registration and check book of the woman whose purse had been snatched at Twelve Oaks on May 6 at the time he was taken into custody.

Grubb subsequently obtained warrants from the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office for the "larceny from person" charges and Wilbert was arraigned April 26, police said.

Wacky lunch Fundraiser a crazy success

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

Wes Henrikson swallowed maybe a dozen goldfish. Rob Holloway Jr. danced with a belly dancer. Laurie Marrs gobbled down several chocolate-covered worms.

But don't worry. Be happy. It was all for a good cause. Henrikson, Holloway and Marrs were three of the 20 "celebrity" waiters who did all kinds of goofy things at a benefit fundraiser for the Michigan chapter of the Leukemia Society of America at the Novi Hilton last Friday.

The good news is that they did it for cash... for donations to the Leukemia Society.

Want to see Henrikson swallow a gold fish? Send in your donation. (The going price was \$50).

Want to see Marrs chow down on chocolate-covered worms. Send in your donation. (Another \$50).

Pat Reighard, owner of Reighard International Trucking in Farmington Hills, bid \$150 to have Von Boll get a mohawk haircut. Von Boll resisted the challenge by paying \$200 not to get his hair cut in a mohawk.

Several mustaches were shaved off — all for donations to the Leukemia Society, of course. And one soul even lost his beard.

But as the "wackiest luncheon ever" to occur at the Novi Hilton, the event was sponsored by the Boli family, Northville residents and the owners of the Novi-based Cummins Company as well as Diesel Fuel Systems in Blissfield and Standby Power in Grand Rapids and Redford.

The event generated approximately \$20,000 which will be used by the Leukemia Society for research, patient-aid and education.

The event had special significance for the Boli family because Jean Boli, Von Boll's wife and the mother of Greg and Karen Boli, was diagnosed as having leukemia in September 1986. After undergoing treatment at the Mayo Clinic, the leukemia went into remission until it surfaced again in November 1988.

She was in the hospital over the holidays, although the leukemia again appears to have gone into remission.

Karen Boli, a 1979 Northville High School graduate, said it was concern with her mother's plight which led her to call the Leukemia Society to offer her assistance.

"At first they told me I could volunteer by working on their phone lines or working in a hospital, but I told them they didn't understand," said Karen Boli. "I told them I wanted to raise some major funds for leukemia research while there's still time to help my mother."

Carol Eschbach, program coordinator of the Michigan chapter, proposed sponsoring a "wacky luncheon" — a fund-raising activity sponsored by the Leukemia Society in various locations across the country.

Karen Boli picked up the ball, and the rest is history.

Approximately 200 people attended the luncheon at the Hilton last Friday, making it the largest first-time luncheon ever. The \$20,000 raised at the luncheon also was a first-time record.

"The wacky luncheons are a spoof of the business lunch," said Eschbach. "It's 90 minutes of total zanyness. Karen Boli and the entire Boli family did a fabulous job. It's because of people like them that we're getting closer to a cure for leukemia."

Eschbach said one of the reasons the Boli luncheon set records for wacky luncheons is because of the family's connection with the business community. "We've had wacky luncheons with political celebrities, but this was the first time we've been able to plug into CEOs," said Eschbach.

And what does Karen Boli think of the initial success? "This was the 'first annual' luncheon," she said determinedly, emphasizing the words "first annual."

"We'll be back every year from now on," she added. "We're going to keep raising funds until a cure for leukemia can be found."



Celebrity waiter Wes Henrikson was pie-eyed at the benefit luncheon last Friday Nov 1 News/PHIL JEROME

Bear alert Teddy Bear program comes to area

WIXOM — Wixom Police officials, in cooperation with the "Telephone Pioneers of Michigan," have announced the beginning of Operation Teddy Bear.

Police cars will carry the large stuffed bears and give them away to children involved in incidents such as car accidents, fires or assaults.

"The simple act of providing a Teddy Bear to a child in a stressful situation does a world of good," said Wixom Police Chief Lawrence Holland.

Holland said the program has been used in other communities with great success. He said the presence of the stuffed animals gives children in a traumatic situation an immediate sense of security and usually helps them to cooperate with police officers and other lifesaving personnel.

The "Bears" will become part of the regular equipment assigned to the patrol units and investigative units of the Wixom Police Department.

The Telephone Pioneers, a non-profit volunteer Michigan Bell association, provides the bears at no cost to the city and will replace the ones given away.

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Area Briefs

Southfield tries recycling: Trash collection day will be a lot different in Southfield a year from now than the way it is today.

By April 1, 1990, Southfield expects to have implemented full curbside separation of recoverable items for recycling, such as newspapers, glass and metals.

Public Services Director Roger Smith said the first year (of recycling) will probably be voluntary. "It will be one or two years before it will be mandatory," he said.

Smith said the city will use a system similar to those being used in Canada. Homeowners will place recyclable materials in a container, and trash workers will sort the materials into different compartments in a truck.

Southfield is a member of the Southwest Oakland County Waste Consortium, an ad hoc group which also includes Novi, Farmington, Farmington Hills, South Lyon and Walled Lake. The consortium is looking into the possibility of contracting for areawide trash services.

Farmington teachers pink-slipped: The Farmington Board of Education has issued "pink slips" to 39 teachers in the district's required annual notification of possible layoffs for the 1989-90 school year.

The list of pink-slipped teachers was approved by the school board as required by the collective bargaining agreement with the Farmington Education Association. If positions remain open in early June, teachers will be called back according to certification and seniority.

Callbacks this year will be affected because 12 high-seniority teachers are returning from leaves and another 12 are being transferred involuntarily because of changes in school programs. All 24 will have a chance at jobs before the 39 teachers who received pink slips are called back.

Crack down on dogs: West Bloomfield is considering tougher laws for owners of dogs. The township board has introduced leash and excrement removal laws. In addition, the board has referred to the planning commission a proposal to outlaw the possession of more than two dogs on a single property.

The leash and excrement removal ordinance would require all dogs to be leashed in public and their owners to remove excrement from public places.

The proposed limit on the number of dogs, which the township board feels should be considered by the planning commission as a zoning matter, is intended to prevent residents from breeding dogs for profits. Residents who own show dogs said it will interfere with their hobby.

Traffic safety board: The City of Farmington is considering the creation of a traffic safety advisory board to tackle the city's growing traffic problems.

City Manager Robert Deadman said the duties of traffic boards include review of such issues as restricting or prohibiting parking on residential streets; need for public and curbside parking; speed limits; one-way streets and yield signs vs. stop signs; and the need for school crossing guards. The boards typically accept requests for traffic-related advice from city councils, citizens or public safety officials.

Traffic safety boards already exist in Troy, Livonia, Birmingham, Rochester Hills and East Grand Rapids, according to Deadman.

Drugs in Southfield schools? "Blue star" tattoos soaked with LSD are being sold to school children, according to Southfield police. No such sales have been reported in Southfield, said Police Detective Stanley Kukla, but information is being circulated in schools.

"These stars are on small sheets of white paper the size of a pencil eraser," said Kukla. "The stars are soaked with LSD which can be absorbed through the skin by handling the paper."

"It's a good way for kids to get high, and no one would suspect what's going on," Kukla added. "Parents would think the kids were handling stickers from the store. People should be aware of the danger involved."

Tough new party law: Canton Township has approved an ordinance to curb unsupervised parties among under-aged teenagers.

The ordinance holds people 17 and older who are in charge of a home, responsible for minors who consume alcohol or take drugs in their homes or in hotel rooms they have rented. People found guilty of violating the ordinance face a fine of \$500 and/or 90 days in jail.



Novi News/TERESE KREDO

Two men suffered only minor injuries after their private plane crashed near Spencer Field in Wixom

Men escape Wixom plane crash

By PHIL GINOTTI
staff writer

WIXOM — Two Clarkston men escaped with minor injuries Monday when their twin engine Cessna airplane crashed in a wooded area about a mile east of Spencer Landing Field.

Gary Robert Stonerock, 52, the pilot, and his son Michael Robert Stonerock, 26, were taking aerial photographs when they ran out of fuel and began a rapid descent, police said.

The plane skipped along the ground and hit a stand of trees near Pontiac Trail, west of Wixom Road, shortly before 3:30 p.m.

"The plane was sliced directly in two," said Wixom Police Chief Lawrence Holland. "If you could see it, it would take your breath away."

"If they would have gone another 10 feet in either direction, we would have been pulling bodies out," he said.

Stonerock: 'Oh, yeah. We were very lucky to get out of it. We started going down and realized we couldn't quite make it. We clipped a few trees on the way down.'

Both men were treated and released Monday from Huron Valley Hospital in Commerce Township.

Gary Stonerock, operator of Air-Land Survey Inc., of Clarkston, was suffering from a number of bumps and bruises and a fractured jaw Tuesday, according to a secretary at his office.

Robert Stonerock escaped with

several bruises and a scratched leg.

"Oh, yeah. We were very lucky to get out of it," Robert Stonerock said in a brief phone interview Tuesday.

"We started going down and realized we couldn't quite make it. We clipped a few trees on the way down."

He said they had been doing aerial mapping and photography in western

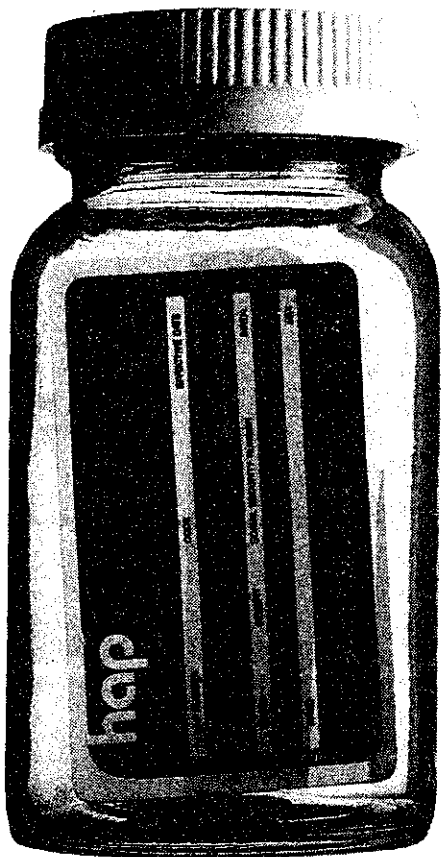
Oakland County for an engineering firm. He said they had been traveling at about 100 miles per hour when the plane hit the trees.

Wixom Police were alerted to a plane in trouble near Spencer field by the Metro Airport tower at 3:24 p.m. Monday, Holland said.

Police officers rushed to the scene and were able to get up in a small ultra-light aircraft and begin surveying the area. The craft's pilot, Will Govan, noticed the younger Stonerock walking for help east of the runway. Later, they spotted the downed plane. Police estimated that it came down about one mile east of the runway.

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Aviation Safety Inspector Skip Beebe said an investigation into the crash will be conducted over the next several months.

A full report on airplane incidents of this nature is usually made available in six months to a year, he said.



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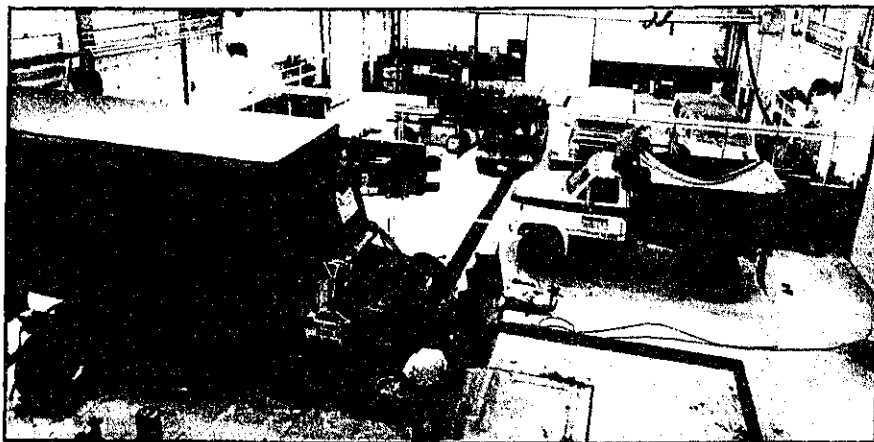


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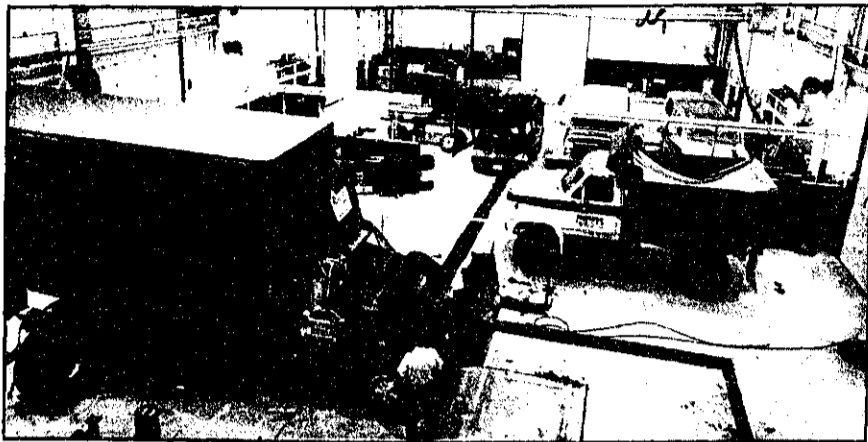


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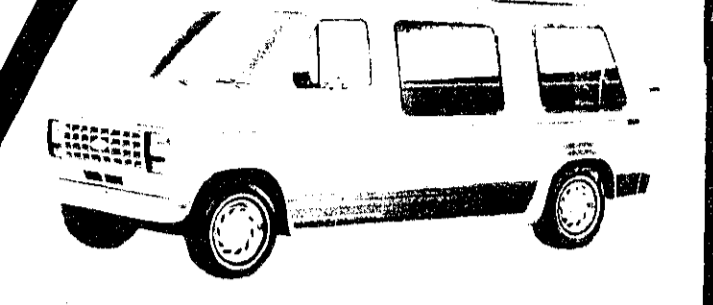
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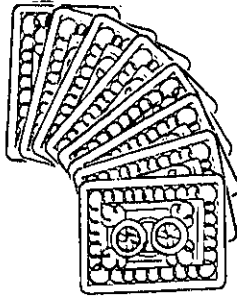
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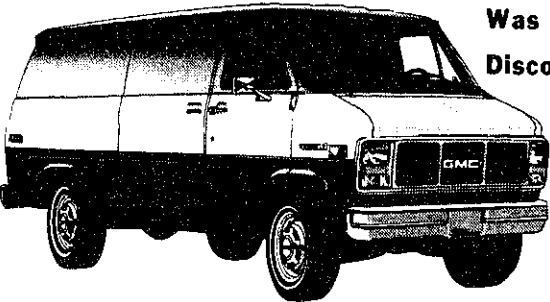
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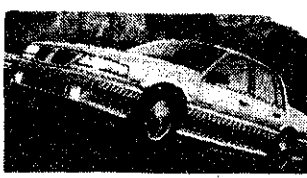
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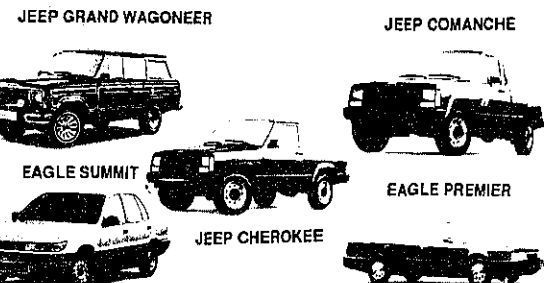
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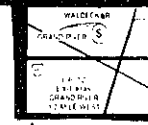
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By John Galloway

Pictures of children is the most sensitive, challenging, and rewarding form of photography. Through the camera, one can capture innocence, mischievousness, and gaiety unlike any other subject.

When I put a camera between my eye and a child, it's like I'm reliving my own youth, remembering all the feelings and thoughts that were once my own. At times, I wish I was on the other side of the camera; to be able to act and react to situations with spontaneity, with no predictable response.

Oehlenschlager once said, "The plays of natural lively children are the infancy of art. Children live a world of imagination and feeling. They invest the most insignificant object with any form they please, and see in it whatever they wish to see."

I've always felt it a privilege that I have the power to capture images of this attitude on film, forever preserving the moment of time. For a child grows up, develops sociality habits, conforming to the "norm," which stifles feelings and acts.

Working for a newspaper is the ultimate opportunity to photograph children. Often I'm in their school or home, on the ballfield, or at their park, watching and photographing as they live, play, and work their infant years.

Several years ago an incident took place which reminded me of my responsibility. Walking down a sidewalk in Howell, I noticed a little boy, about six years old, come running toward me. Much to my surprise, he ran into me, grabbed my leg, looked up and said, "You put my picture in the paper." Then, as quickly as he came, he left, running after the hand of his mother.

That is something I do every week — take kid pictures for the paper. But to a child, it might be the only time in their childhood years that they will be published in the community newspaper. I try to remember that on every assignment, and treat situations as such.

But this is meant to help you, the reader, to best photograph a child. The forementioned is my outlook and philosophy, but I think it necessary to you to really understand that anyone aiming a camera at a child has an opportunity, no, responsibility, to capture much more than light and dark shades of gray or color on film.

Photo by John Galloway

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THE HOW-TO'S OF PHOTOGRAPHY

Sports and Action

By Chris Boyd

Have you dragged your camera to every one of Junior's basketball games, trying for the great action-shot to send grandparents and future pro-scouts, only to end up with a blurred image that better resembles fog at night than a fade-away jump shot?

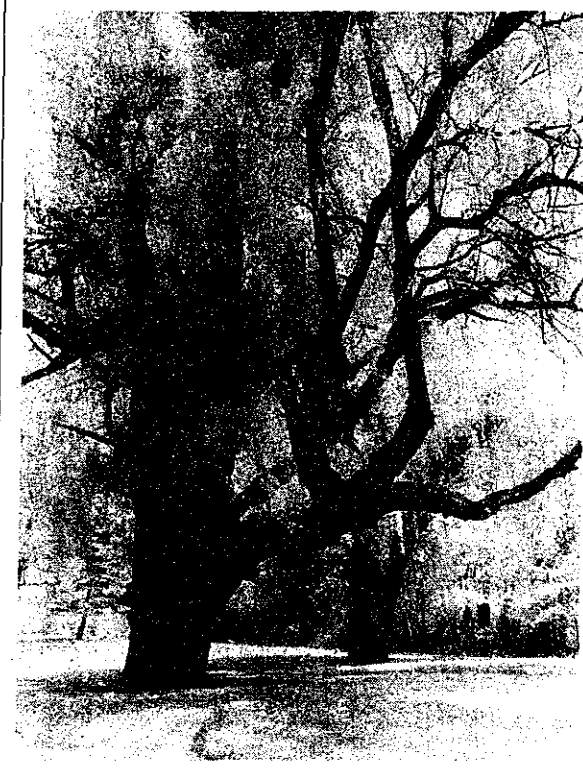
Here are some basic tips for capturing peak sports action on film.

- **Shutter speed.** The most obvious tip is — you must have a fast enough shutter speed to stop the action. This means a minimum shutter speed of 250th of a second for slow action, such as golf or wrestling, and up to 2000th of a second for rapid movement. The faster the shutter speed, the sharper the image.

- **Focus.** Because the subjects are usually in constant motion, your focus is constantly changing. Practice is the only way to become adept at "follow focus". A *Sports Illustrated* photographer practiced follow focus by going out to an expressway and focusing on cars as they sped by.

- **Know the sport.** Anticipating where the action will occur, when it will occur, and picking your spot will increase your chances of getting that good picture.

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THE HOW-TO'S OF PHOTOGRAPHY

Outdoor Scenics

By Scott Piper

Picture this: F. Stop Fitzgerald and his faithful hound Nikon are making their way down a winding trail in their favorite woodland retreat. Looking like a creature from "Revenge of the Photo Nerds," F. Stop is loaded down with enough paraphernalia to be the envy of any well-stocked photo store.

As they round the next bend, a veritable paradise unfolds before them. The stand of pines opens to reveal a meadow teeming with photographic opportunities. Cattails guarding the stream shiver in the same breeze that whispers through the pines above. A blanket of multicolored wildflowers perfumes the air, warmed by the midday sun.

"Nirvana!" F. Stop exclaims as he rummages through his arsenal, searching for his "idiot-proof, auto-everything" camera. Then in a single motion, he steps back, raises his weapon, and CLICK!

Later, F. Stop stands impatiently at the counter of the local Jiffy Lab, waiting for his prints. As visions of a cover photo for the Sierra Club magazine dance through his head, he rifles through the prints in search of the prized meadow shot. What he finds is virtually unrecognizable when compared to his actual experience.

Photo by Scott Piper

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THE Durand Train Festival

By ALICIA GARRISON

Explore rare trackage on a scenic railroad excursion from Ann Arbor to Durand at the Durand Railroad Days Festival Saturday.

The Bluewater Michigan Chapter's "Yes! Michigan Train" will whisk passengers through the outskirts of Whitmore Lake and several other inland lakes in Washtenaw and Livingston counties, then leisurely meander along the fertile farmlands of Shiawassee County to the 14th Annual Durand Railroad Days Festival.

This is only the second public passenger train to operate over these tracks in more than 35 years. Pulling right up to the historic

Durand Union Depot, excursionists will have plenty of opportunities to feast and stroll through this extraordinary town.

Attractions at the festival will include a parade and carnival, an appearance by Steamtrain Maury Graham, national King of the Hobos, serving his "Hobo Stew," a flea market and craft show, and displays of railroad memorabilia.

Retired Grand Trunk Pacific steam locomotive 5632 will be on display, and the Durand Memorial Railroaders Museum will be open, as well as the historic Durand Union Depot built in 1905.

Passengers can board Amtrak train 351 at the Ferry Yard in Ann Arbor, next to the University of Michigan Football Stadium, and at the Livingston County Historical

Society's 1885 Ann Arbor Railroad Depot at the foot of Walnut Street, north of the business district in Howell.

The train will depart at 9 a.m. in Ann Arbor, and at 11:10 a.m. in Howell, arriving in Durand at 12:15 p.m.

Departure from Durand will be at 3:30 p.m., arriving back in Howell at 5 p.m. and Ann Arbor at 7:10 p.m.

The Bluewater Michigan Chapter's fleet includes air-conditioned and open-window coaches, a baggage car for viewing and sound recording, a snack and souvenir car and lounge cars.

First-class tickets—including private lounge-car seating, hor d'oeuvres, snacks, coffee, tea, and soft drinks—are \$69 (full dome car

add \$20). Ann Arbor adult coach tickets are \$39; Ann Arbor children, ages 5-16, coach tickets are \$32; Howell adult coach tickets are \$19; and Howell children, ages 5-16, coach tickets are \$14.

Tickets can be ordered in person at Ruthie's Family Restaurant in Howell, 107 W. Grand River Ave., and at the Washtenaw Dairy, 602 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor, during regular business hours.

To order tickets by mail, send a check or money order to: Durand RR Days, Bluewater Michigan Chapter, NRHS, P.O. Box 256, Royal Oak, MI 48068.

To order by phone using Visa or MasterCard or for additional information, call (313) 399-7963.

Any remaining tickets will be available for sale at the train stations.

Robert's Poco Cafe: A fine little restaurant

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There seems to be something of an affinity between the pleasant little building at 328 South Main Street in Ann Arbor and pleasant little restaurants.

First, it housed Chez Crepe. Then it was home to the appropriately named 328 South Main. And now it's home to yet another fine little restaurant called "Robert's Poco Cafe."

Owner Robert Salvador has created a restaurant which more or less successfully meets the often contradictory demands of the contemporary diner.

Robert's Poco Cafe offers a setting which is both formal and informal. The decor is rather elegant with deep, rich appointments. And the food meets demands for creativity and presentation.

But there's also a low-key aura to the restaurant which makes it comfortable for people going out for an evening of dining or people completing a casual afternoon of browsing through Ann Arbor's art galleries.

Despite its somewhat confusing name, Robert's Poco Cafe is not a Mexican restaurant. Instead, it offers contemporary American cuisine with some strong Mediterranean influences.

The generally attentive wait staff is dressed in crisp white shirts with little bow ties, and there's a more than adequate wine list with the wine rack in clear view on the back wall of the restaurant.

The menu itself is rather modest, offering an adequate but not extensive selection of entrees. Apparently the emphasis is on preparing a few selections well rather than offering everything anyone could possibly think of.

Fittingly, the menu includes a choice of three appetizers and four salads. Appetizers include a cheese and fruit plate, shrimp finger crepes and rilletes pate', a fine spice pate' served with prosciutto and tomato slices.

In addition to the obligatory tossed dinner salad, the selection of salads includes a turkey waldorf, a savory herb veal salad and a protein plate of fresh chicken salad, cottage cheese and egg with julenned veggies.

Recent visits to Robert's Poco Cafe brought high grades to the tossed dinner salad which contains bib and romaine lettuce topped with provolone cheese. The rilletes pate', although interesting, was served atop tomato slices which were not quite in season — a culinary gaffe for a restaurant with the aspirations of Robert's Poco Cafe.

Entree selections include four crepes and eight entrees as well as the "catch of the day." Although somewhat disappointed in the pate', the preparation of the entrees received good reviews.

Particularly tasty were the Veal Prugna — medallions of veal with a sauteed plum sauce, port wine, mango chutney and lemon, served with green beans and a brown rice pilaf — and Indian Duck — boneless duck breasts with apple brandy sauce and pomegranate served with green beans and red skin potatoes.

Also receiving high grades were Ginger Sea — shrimp and sea scallops, fresh ginger, red and yellow peppers, mushrooms and peas in demi-glace, served on brown rice pilaf — and Zin Chicken — boned breasts of chicken in a white zinfandel dijon cream sauce with red and yellow pep-



Photo by CHRIS BOYD

Robert's Poco Cafe is located on Main Street in Ann Arbor

pers, broccoli and tomato fettuccine.

As you can see, the cuisine demonstrates imagination and creativity. The same emphasis on preparing a few dishes very well is evident among a small but excellent selection of desserts. Outstanding are an Ozark Apple Pie (sliced apple and walnuts baked in an egg and vanilla batter, served with french vanilla ice cream) and Crepes a la Bananas Foster (fresh bananas with brown sugar, cinnamon and run served with French vanilla ice cream).

The restaurant also offers fresh-ground Columbian blend coffee, an interesting selection of herb teas and several brands of imported beers.

All in all, Robert's Poco Cafe is a worthwhile addition to Ann Arbor's eclectic dining scene and is well-worth the trip.

Robert's Poco Cafe, 328 South Main Street, Ann Arbor. 663-0220. Open Monday to Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 10 p.m. Liquor license. Visa, MasterCard and American Express.

MAY What's Going ON

Theater

THEATER: MICHIGAN OPERA THEATER, 6519 Second Ave., Detroit, "Carmen," May 13, 17, 20, 21, call 874-5194 for performance times and tickets, ranging from \$10-\$30. **POWER CENTER**, Ann Arbor, Ann Arbor Civic Theater presents musical "Mame," 8 p.m. May 10-13 and 2 p.m. May 13, call 662-7282 for ticket information. **FISHER THEATER**, Detroit, "Steel Magnolias," May 9-28, call 872-1000 for performance times and tickets. **SMITH THEATER** campus of Oakland Community College, 1-696 and Orchard Lake Road, "Seascape," 8 p.m. May 5, 12 and 13, optional dinner theater at 6:30 p.m. May 6, call 471-7700. **FOX THEATER**, Detroit, "Into the Woods," starring Cleo Laine, May 16-21, call 567-6000 for information. **MEADOW BROOK THEATER**, Oakland University campus, Rochester, "Murder at the Vicarage," continues through May 21, call 377-3300 for information and tickets.

Sounds

MUSIC: UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSICAL SOCIETY, Rackham Auditorium, Ann Arbor, May 12, The Peabody Trill concert at 8 p.m., May 13, The Chestnut Brass Co. concert, call 764-2538 for ticket information. Tickets are \$5-\$12. **NOVI CHORALAIRES**, Fuerst Auditorium, Novi High School, Taft at 10 Mile, "That's Just An Expression," spring concert, 7:30 p.m., May 13, \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors and students, \$12 for families, call 347-0400 for information. **"THE GREAT AMERICAN DREAM, LIBERTY III,"** a Thurlow Spurr concert, Clarenceville High School, Middlebelt between Seven and Eight Mile roads, 4 and 8 p.m. May 20, call Beth Mehr at 437-3133 for ticket information; same concert at Whiting Auditorium, Flint, 4 and 8 p.m. May 13 and at Masonic Auditorium, Toledo, 3 p.m. May 21. **ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE BENEFIT**, Phil Marcus Esser and Barbara Bredius "Love Song IV — A CONCERT FROM THE HEART," Wiley Groves High School auditorium, 20500 W. 13 Mile, Birmingham, (entrance on Evergreen) 7 p.m. May 7, tickets are \$15, call 557-8277. **POWER CENTER**, Ann Arbor, Sandra Bernhard in Concert, 8 p.m. May 6, tickets are \$16.50, call 763-TKTS. **THE PALACE**, 3777 Lapeer Road, Auburn Hills, Dionne Warwick and Burt Bacharach in concert, 8 p.m., May 4, tickets \$17.50 and \$25, call 377-8600 for information. **DEARBORN SYMPHONY** presents "Orchestra Hall Spectacular," featuring Roberta Peters at historic Orchestra Hall in Detroit, 8 p.m. May 19, bus transportation available from Dearborn Civic Center (\$7 per person round trip), concert tickets are \$8-\$25, call 581-6800 for reservations. **VOCALIST LOU RAWLS**, Fox Theatre, Detroit, 8 p.m., May 4, Carmen McRae is special guest, call 567-6000 for information; also at **THE FOX**, Grammy Winner Al Green, 8 p.m., May 6, call 567-6000. **BENEFIT EVENT FOR WHITMORE LAKE'S MAXEY BOYS TRAINING SCHOOL**, Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, 2 p.m. May 6, suggested donation \$10, call 769-2999 for reservations.

HORSE SHOW: SOUTH LYON KIWANIS HORSE SHOW, Centennial Middle School, 62500 Nine Mile, west of Pontiac Trail, all day, May 7, call 437-0466 for information.

FESTIVALS: HANDCRAFTERS UNLIMITED ART AND CRAFT SHOW, Brighton High School, Main Street at South Seventh, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 6 and 11 a.m. to 5 May 7, admission \$1.50, luncheon available. **MAY DAYS ANTIQUES FESTIVAL**, Chesaning, M-57 west of I-75, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 5-7, free admission, call 517-845-7775 for information.

ETCETERA: KENSINGTON METROPARK, between Millford and Brighton, "Spring Festival '89," starting at 10:30 a.m. May 6-7, call 1-800-24-PARKS. **GREAT CHILI COOK-OFF** to benefit National Kidney Foundation, Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, Ann Arbor-Saline Road, cook-off 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 6-7, horse show begins at 9 a.m., admission \$5 adults and \$1 for children 12 and under; Texas Armadillo Show at 11:30 a.m., 1:30, 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. both days. **BRIGHTON AREA HISTORIC HOME TOUR**, six homes and two churches featured, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 13, tickets are \$5 in advance from the Brighton Area Chamber of Commerce, Uber Drugs and Somewhere in Time, \$6 day of tour, proceeds from this Brighton Area Historical Society tour go toward restoration, currently the Old Town Hall. **COMEDIAN JACKIE MASON**, The Palace, 3777 Lapeer Road, Auburn Hills, 8 p.m. May 24, \$25, call 377-8600 for information on tickets. **RAILROAD DAYS FESTIVAL**, Bluewater Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society takes round trip special train from Ann Arbor to Durand (festival location), May 6, call 399-7963 or 272-5845 for information on this and other Bluewater trips. **DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM**, "Collecting Cars: Where to Start and How," 2 p.m. May 13, \$3 fee, call 833-1419 for information; also at the museum **SPIRIT OF DETROIT CAR SHOW**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., May 21, admission \$2.

Joseph Toth served on the Novi Planning Commission until 1986 when he was appointed to the Novi City Council. He was one of the charter members of the Holy Family Catholic Church. He and his wife Marsha have five children and reside in the Village Oaks subdivision. Here are the things he enjoys doing in his leisure time.



My Favorite Things

- 1. PLAYING WITH** computers, both at work and at home. Toth said he enjoys working with data programs on his home computer.
- 2. READING.** British mystery novels and biographies rate high on his list of personal favorites. He is currently reading "The Last Lion," a biography of Winston Churchill.
- 3. HISTORY.** An avowed history buff, Toth said he enjoys videotaping shows about history on videocassettes. Military history in general and the Civil War in particular are favorite topics. Toth estimates he has a library of approximately 250 video tapes.
- 4. DINING OUT.** Toth's favorite restaurants include Victor's Novi Inn and the Apple/teaser Country Epicure, although he's currently on a diet which restricts his ability to enjoy dining out.
- 5. PLAYING EUCHRE.** Toth plays euchre regularly at the Holy Family Church where he's considered something of an expert.

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Sports

PROVIDENCE RUN:
Annual Novi run
draws record turnout/2D**ANOTHER WIN:**
Ladycat thinclads
run past Highlanders/3D**ON THE LINKS:**
Time to register
for the Michigan Open/5D**OVERSTRESSED:**
Novi woman teaches
holistic health classes/6D

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THURSDAY
May 4,
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reeling
after
defeatsBy NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

A trio of defeats last week has the Novi soccer team reeling a bit — but Wildcat Coach Nick Valenti isn't panicking yet.

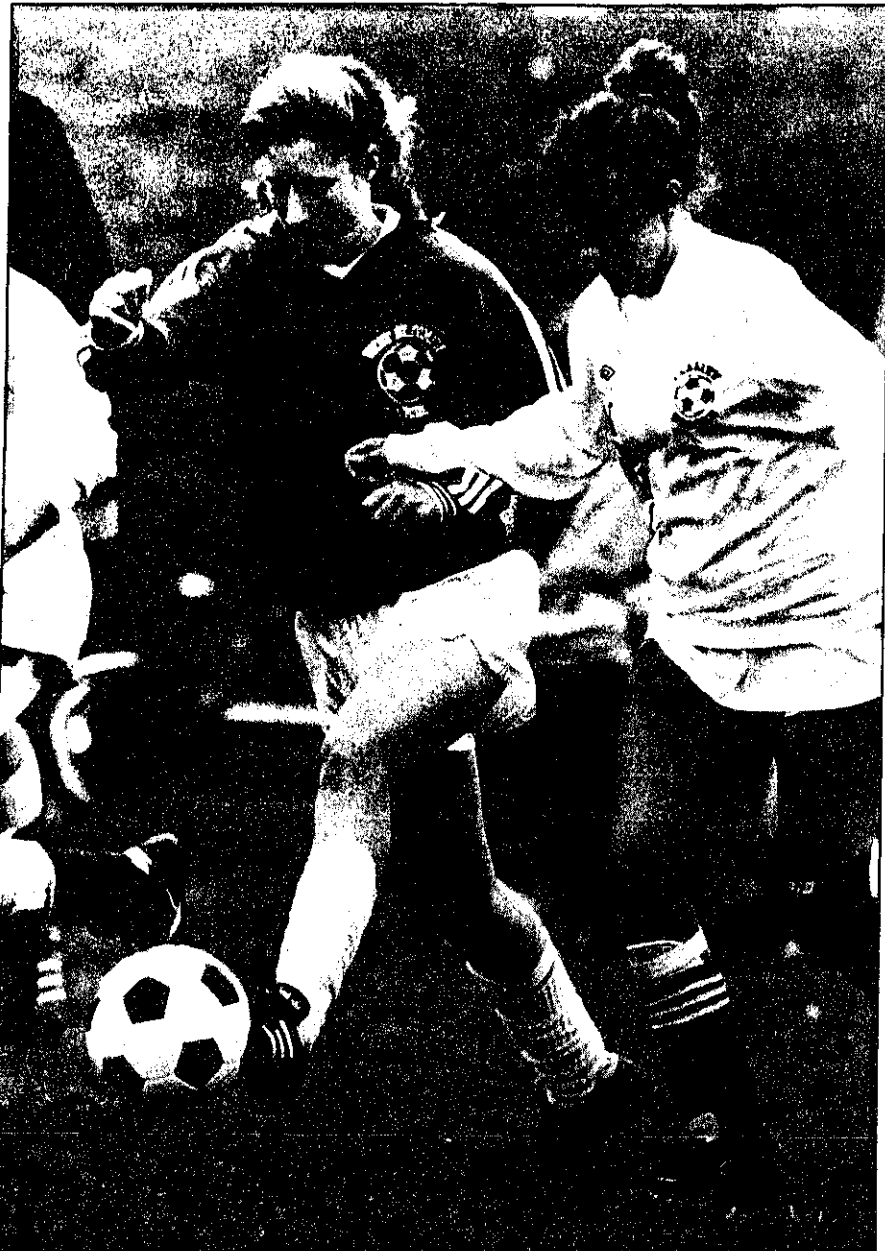
His squad has now dropped five in a row, including three to Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) squads, but the level of competition has been very high. The most recent setback was a 3-0 shutout loss at home against a solid Brighton team on April 27.

"I was as happy as you could be with a loss," Valenti said. "We created and controlled parts of the game, and we never let up. This Brighton team was the unanimous pre-season choice to take the KVC title this year and we were very competitive."

For the first 20 minutes of the first half, it was an impressive defensive struggle. But the Bulldogs tallied midway through the period — beating Wildcat goalie Dede Kotrych on a perfectly executed header — and then struck again at the 36-minute mark on a bullet from 25-yards out that got behind Kotrych. It remained 2-0 through the intermission.

"We settled down in the second half and played some strong team defense," Valenti said. "We improved as the game went on, but we missed several key scoring opportunities that would have got us back into the game. We had our chances."

Brighton made it 3-0 with a goal at the 18-minute mark of the second half, but for the game, the Bulldogs only had a 21-18 shots-on-goal advantage. It (shots-on-goal) was even (8-8) in the second half.



Continued on 5 Novi's Stephanie Groom (left) vies for possession of the ball

Novi runners
whip Howell,
still unbeatenBy NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

The Novi Express keeps rolling right along.

The undefeated Wildcat boys' track squad rolled over conference foe Howell 88-49 on April 25 to remain atop the Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) standings at 3-0 (5-0 overall).

The powerful Novi thinclads won 12 of 17 events, and added a host of seconds and third place finishes en route to the easy triumph.

"It was a workmanlike effort," reported Bob Smith, coach of the Wildcat thinclads. "We were very consistent and we worked hard. Some of our second and third place guys are really starting to develop nicely. We will need those points in some of the tougher meets."

"I keep reminding everyone that you can win 10 events and still lose a meet if you don't have depth," he added.

The highlights of the meet may have been Jeff Jeffress' victory in the 400-meter run and Jeff Mielke's first place finish in the pole vault. Jeffress' time of 50.3 was a personal best as well as a KVC-best this season.

Mielke increased his personal best by several inches.

The other victories came from Randy Thompson in the shot put (42'-37"), Daren Johnson in the discus (132'-6½"), Chris Koth in the high jump (5'-10"), Maurice Richardson in both the long jump (19'-9½") and the 300 intermediate hurdles (41.1), Oscar Marino in the 100 (11.3), Bill Lethemon in the 200 (23.7), and Rob Rasmussen in both the mile (4:45.9) and two-mile (10:19.24).

The Wildcats also won three of the four relay events. The 400 relay team of Lethemon, Marino, Johnson and Fitzpatrick (46.26) took top honors, as did the 800 relay team of Jeffre LaFontaine, Marino, Jeffress and Fitzpatrick (1:35.76).

Seconds came from Aaron Federspiel in the discus (116'-9½"), Mark Havel in the 110 hurdles (17.7), Lethemon in the 100 (11.4), Johnson in the 200 (23.8) and Brian Molloy in the mile (4:48.9).

Adding third-place points for Novi were Johnson in the shot put (39'-11"), Brad Brockman in the discus (103'-10"), Jeff Schram in the high jump (5'-10"), Steve Myers in the pole vault (10'-6"), Jeff Morrison in the 100 (12.2), Ken Fenchel in the 200 (24.6), Bret Van Dyke in the 800 (2:07.73) and Rob Herman in the two mile (10:56.5).

"Howell is a good team, but I'd have been very, very disappointed

Smith: 'Some of our second and third place guys are really starting to develop nicely. We will need those points in some of the tougher meets.'

if we hadn't won," Smith said.

NOVI RELAYS: The Wildcats had a chance to win their own relay event on April 29, but fell 10 points shy after being disqualified in one of the distance relays and having other problems in the long jump relay.

Milan won the eight-team event with 88 points, while Novi finished third with 78.

"We seemed to rise to the occasion in a lot of the events," Smith said. "We were close to winning it."

The 'Cats led all teams with four victories. The high jump relay took first with Koth (5'-9"), Schram (6'-0") and Kris Krueger (5'-6"). And the pole vault squad was tops thanks to a 12'-0" effort by Mielke, along with 10'-6" and 10'-0" efforts from Mark Skodack and Myers respectively.

The other wins came from the four-by-1,600-meter relay team of Herman, Molloy, VanDyke and Rasmussen (19:19.57) and the distance medley team of VanDyke, Koth, Molloy and Rasmussen (11:20.43).

The only runner-up finish for Novi came in the two mile relay where Lee McMains, Yash Rohatgi, Herman and Rob Nell combined to finish in 8:40.65.

The thirds included the shot put relay with Thompson (42'-9"), Johnson (40'-2") and Joel Scheffer (35'-7") and the 800 relay with Lethemon, Marino, Jeffress and Richardson (1:33.43).

Novi nine still in KVC title chase

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

A doubleheader sweep is always nice, especially when it follows a three-game losing skid not comes against the fourth-ranked team in the state. The Novi baseballers were just two outs away from doing just that to Brighton on April 28, but darkness saved the Bulldogs — at least for the time being.

The Wildcats could afford no worse than a split against once-beaten Brighton, but Novi went out and trounced the Bulldogs 10-3 in game one and then pulled out to a 9-4 lead after four complete innings in

the nightcap before it was called by the umpires. It was a key Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) clash, and the opening win keeps the 'Cats in the race for the conference title.

"I was very upset they stopped the game with only two outs to go," Frantz said. "The umpire literally walked out the gate without saying a word — it was unbelievable."

Novi came from behind in both games and managed to pull away in the middle innings — which is something Coach Gar Frantz's team has been doing all year.

"Coming off a three-game losing skid, I was worried the kids were

second-guessing themselves," commented the Novi mentor. "But we jumped all over (Brighton), and it ended up being a very enjoyable afternoon."

Brighton's Mike Wiseley led off the opener with a solo homer against Wildcat starter Ken Hendrian. But Novi came back to score the next 10 runs to take a commanding lead.

Doug Justus singled home the equalizer in the second and the 'Cats then exploded for four more runs in the third and five more in the fourth. The big hit in the third was a bases-loaded double by Steve Ross, but Brighton helped the Novi

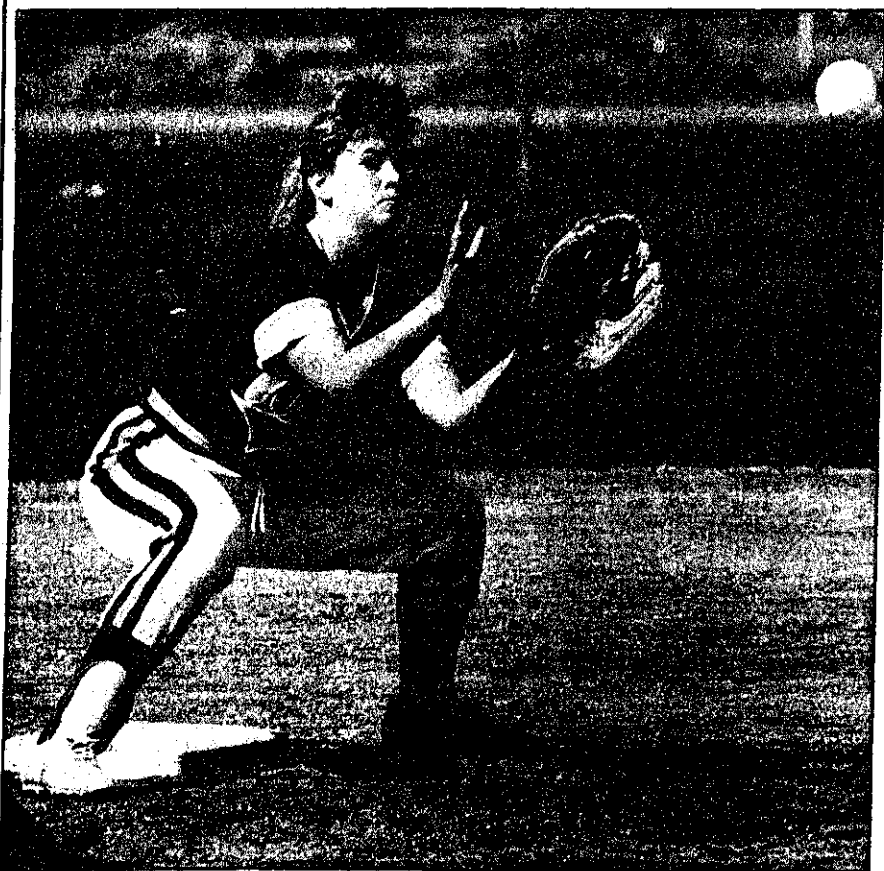
cause in the following inning with three errors and a walk.

The Bulldogs added a pair in the sixth on two hits, a walk and a fielder's choice, but it wasn't nearly enough.

"We bunted well, and we ran when we got on base," Frantz said. "We made things happen and that's our style. When we are able to do things like that, we are one tough team to beat."

Hendrian went the full seven innings to win his third game of the year. He allowed three earned runs, five hits and four walks while strik-

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Novi's Stancy Onofrey awaits the throw at second base

Overwhelmed
Brighton hammers Ladycat nineBy NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

A pair of lopsided losses in a KVC doubleheader against Brighton on April 28 put a damper on what started out to be a very promising week for the Novi softballers.

In two earlier games, the Wildcats outscored a pair of non-league opponents 36-3, but the calibre of play rose dramatically against the powerful Bulldogs and Novi ended up on the short end of a 12-2, 17-3 doubleheader sweep.

"Neither Brighton game went too well," Wildcat Coach John Peace admitted. "There were times when we looked like the 'Bad News Bears' — especially on defense. We did not play good defense."

The first inning was certainly a bad omen. After Brighton took a 1-0 lead in its half of the inning, Novi star outfielder Nicki Kasten suffered a broken nose when she was hit in the face while on second base. And things seemed to go downhill from there.

The Bulldogs scored five in the third inning and six more in the fifth off Novi starter and loser Heather Campbell. Novi's two runs came in the fourth and fifth innings on a run-scoring triple by Deanna Reed and an RBI double by Darcy Cupp.

"It was one of those games where everything we did was wrong,"

Peace reported.

In the nightcap, Brighton scored runs in each of the first five innings off Campbell and Novi was never able to recover. Trailing 4-0 in the first, Cupp singled to score Campbell after she reached base on a double. The 'Cats added two more in the fourth on just one hit, but by then the Bulldogs were in front 16-3.

"We gave up nine runs in the first two innings and almost all of them were unearned because we had so many errors," Peace lamented.

"We weren't aggressive enough going for the balls. And without Kasten in the outfield, we just weren't making the plays."

"Brighton outscored us 29-5 in the two games, but I don't think they are that much better than we are. In both games, they hit the ball where we weren't and we hit the ball right at people."

NOVI 13, REDFORD UNION 1: The Wildcats scored at least one run in every inning while Campbell shut down the Panthers at the plate in this non-conference victory on April 24.

Campbell went all the way to get the win. She allowed just five hits and two walks, fanned six and went 4-for-5 at the plate. Union's only run came in the first on a single and a triple.

The big innings for Novi included

a pair of three-run rallies in the fourth and fifth. The offensive stars were Campbell, Cupp (3-for-5) and Kasten (3-for-4), but sophomore Sherry Peyton provided the biggest spark when she clouted a solo home run in the seventh. It was the first homer by a Wildcat player in three seasons.

"We hit the ball well, but we could have scored more," Peace said. "We left 15 runners on base and that's way too many."

NOVI 23, OAK PARK 2: On April 27 the 'Cats knocked off a weak Oak Park squad in a mercy-rule shortened game.

It was over after one inning when Novi scored 13 times on nine hits and five walks. The big hits came from Reed, who had a pair of hits and five RBIs in the inning.

Five more runs in the second made it 18-0.

"(Oak Park) wasn't a very strong team," Peace admitted.

Campbell went the first two innings and surrendered no runs. She was relieved by Mindy Watkins who allowed two runs on four hits over the next two innings before giving way to freshman Laura Jones, who finished it up in the fifth. Offensively, Campbell (2-for-2), Kasten (3-for-4) and Reed (3-for-3) led the way, and Peyton crushed her second homer.

Scoreboard

KVC loses yet another cage coach

Kensington Valley Conference girls' basketball coaches continue to drop like flies as Jennifer Murray of Brighton announced her resignation last week.

Murray, who directed the Bulldogs for two seasons, is the third league coach to step down in as many months. She follows Hartland's Don Benham, who was replaced by Ken Meyer, and Novi's Debbie Harris.

SUPER SOPH: If Mike Grahl's recent performance is any indication, the South Lyon baseball team may be primed for a KVC title run.

The sophomore pitcher hurled a six-hitter and struck out 16 to lead the Lions past Hartland, 5-3, last Friday in the second game of a doubleheader at Hartland High School.

Although South Lyon dropped a 3-2 decision in the opener, Grahl's effort left the local squad with plenty of hope as it prepares for the second half of the league season.

The split left South Lyon at 3-2 in the conference, one-half game behind league-leading Novi (4-2) and defending champion Howell (3-1).

The Lions' destiny, without a doubt, is in their own hands. They are scheduled to play two games at Howell May 12 and host a doubleheader with Novi the following week.

South Lyon coach Ron Shanks feels the Lions can compete against the upper-level teams, but doesn't care for their current situation.

"We're going to run out of time if we keep splitting," he said. "We definitely need a few sweeps, but that's not going to be easy against the teams we have to play."

"The fact that Grahl threw well was encouraging, and Byrd pitched well, too. Now we just need to put everything together."

LUCK OF THE IRISH: It wasn't just luck that Jeff Irish, Michigan catcher, will be playing baseball for Central Michigan University next year.

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Wildcats of the Week Golfers can register for 'Open'



DOUG JUSTUS



JEFF JEFFRESS

Doug Justus is on fire. The senior baseballer helped lead the Wildcats to two wins in three tries last week by going 4-for-9 at the plate, scoring two runs and driving in two more.

Entry forms for the 7th annual Michigan Open Championship are now available for all golfers wishing to battle the "Bear" at Grand Traverse Resort on June 25-29.

Trackin' the 'Cats

BASEBALL: Novi at Garden City (2), 4 p.m., Friday; Novi at Livonia Clarenceville, 11 a.m., Saturday; Novi at Waterford Mott, 4 p.m., Tuesday; Detroit Country Day at Novi, 4 p.m., Wednesday.

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Wildcat kickers battle losing streak

Continued from 1. The Wildcats took a 1-0 lead into the second half and gave up three unanswered goals in the final 38 minutes. It was a match the Novi contingent expected to win, but Lakeland outshot the 'Cats 24-11.

U.S. Women's Open: Preparations continue for the 1989 U.S. Women's Open Golf Championship

The championship executive committee had numerous meetings to recruit and coordinate the activities of more than 1,000 volunteers required to carry on this major championship.

FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER! The Pennsylvania House OUTLET is Here at Classic Interiors. Includes image of a truck and a house, with text about factory seconds and overstocked items.

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More help for the overstressed

By KARIN SWAN
special writer

Holistic health care worker Barb Changas is bringing a variety of services to the overstressed in the community.

From her home in northern Novi, Changas uses Reiki, massage therapy and a self-hypnosis program called Hemi-Sync to help people heal themselves.

"People want solutions when they are under physical or emotional stress," said Changas. "In holistic health we work with all aspects of a person — physical, emotional, mental and spiritual. Wellness is wholeness, a state of balance."

Changas is a certified Reiki practitioner and massage therapist. She accepts individual clients in her fully-equipped home office on an appointment basis.

One method that she uses is Reiki, an ancient Eastern method of energy balancing that works directly within the physical body.

Changas combines Reiki with another hands-on approach — acupressure massage. This Japanese system of healing uses pressure through touch on specific points of the body to release tension. These points are based on energy circuits or meridians within the body, as in acupuncture.

The main focus of her work is on the Hemi-Sync technique, a series of self-hypnosis tapes. The program is set up as a stress reduction workshop geared to small groups. Changas likes her clients to combine it with bodywork to facilitate the healing process.

In workshops, Changas joins forces with Monroe Institute trainer and Reiki master Randall Hayward, who developed the concept of stimulating the mind through sound patterns to

achieve a whole brain effect into a series of audio tapes.

"It puts change directly into the hands of the person," explained Changas. "It's a key that I can give them. That's always what my work is. I teach people that they can heal themselves."

Hemi-Sync, or Hemispheric Synchronization, asserts that it synchronizes left and right brain functions to merge the creative sensitivity of the right brain with the concrete focus of the left. It brings long forgotten sub-conscious beliefs to the surface of the conscious mind.

"People can change their belief systems. Hemi-Sync can erase the tapes that people have carried around from childhood and change negative thinking patterns," said Changas.

"It helps people overcome low self-esteem and increase self-awareness. People need to believe in themselves and build their own self-worth."

"It clears the left and right brains, so the sub-conscious and conscious mind can work together."

"People can take charge of themselves and of their lives. Hemi-Sync gives people the key to building their own self-esteem. It works."

The tapes are made in beginning and advanced series, level one and level two. They are sold in sets or individually, and can be purchased directly from Changas.

Each tape carries its own purpose, involving themes such as "Strong Quick," "Contemplation" and "Short Fix."

The six-week workshops are offered periodically in several locations including Novi, Saginaw and Flint. Call Changas at 624-1122 for more information.

"It's when you feel that passionate love... the passion for life that you know you're in balance."



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Barb Changas (standing) puts Joan Kurtz through the Hemi-Sync program

Program focuses on cholesterol

Botsford General Hospital is offering its own unique cholesterol education program to the public called "Cholesterol Connection." The program has been offered for over two years to such companies as the Ford Motor Company and IBM.

It is a cholesterol education program that will teach you how to make changes in your eating styles. Participants will learn how to find heart healthy food while on the go, survive the grocery store, the secrets of label reading, and recipe modifications that please the heart and taste buds, as well as fact and fiction about cholesterol.

The program will be offered four consecutive Thursday evenings, beginning May 9. The program fee is \$50. Call Botsford at 471-8090 for more information.

Fitness Expo: The fifth annual McAuley Spring Tune-Up Run, Walk, Fitness and Children's Expo will be held Saturday, May 20, at the Reichert Health Building on the campus of Catherine McAuley Health Center in Ann Arbor.

The 8-kilometer run and 1.5 mile fun walk will begin at 9 a.m. Wheelchair participants are encouraged to enter the run or walk.

The Fitness and Children's Expo will run from 7:30 to 11 a.m. For adults there will be information on fitness plus free cholesterol testing, blood pressure screening, body fat composition analysis and nutrition displays. The Children's Expo will include fun health tests, nutritious snacks, free health certificates, giveaways and a special guest appearance by Ronald McDonald.

The entry fee is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 14 and senior citizens. Both runners and walkers will receive a T-shirt.

Registration forms must be postmarked by May 12. Late registration will be held in the Reichert Health Building on May 19 from 3-8 p.m. For entry forms or more information call 572-4000. Parking is free.

Maternity fitness: The Motherwell Maternity Fitness Program at the University of Michigan Medical Center offers classes every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the M-Care

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Health Center in Northville.

The medically-approved exercise classes, designed specifically for pregnant women, are taught by certified instructors and provide many benefits.

A package of information is available by calling 936-5186.

Open swimming: The Novi High School swimming pool is open for general use every Tuesday and Thursday night.

Open swimming runs from 7-8:30 p.m. and lap swimming is available from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m.

There's a fee of 50 cents per person (senior citizens swim free of charge), and children 10-and-under must be accompanied by an individual at least 18 years old. Call the Novi Community Education Department at 348-1200 for more information.

Fitness program: A fitness program for community and corporate employees is now available at Schoolcraft College in Livonia Monday through Friday from 6:30 to 8 a.m. and 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Participants can take advantage of a full-competition swimming pool with a separate diving area, six racquetball courts, a weight training room, a dance training room and muscle soothing saunas. A 12-week membership is \$40 and a six-week membership is \$22. The facilities also can be used for \$3 per visit.

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile in Livonia. For more information call 462-4413.

CPR classes: Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills is offering adult CPR classes and infant/child CPR classes.

The adult program is offered the first Thursday

of every month in the Administration and Education Center from 7-10 p.m. Pre-registration is required.

The infant/child program is offered the first Monday of every month in the Administration and Education Center from 7-10 p.m. Pre-registration is also required.

Fee is \$5 for each class. Call 471-8090 for more information.

Anonymous programs: Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills offers Narcotics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous and Smokers Anonymous meetings every week.

Narcotics Anonymous meets every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.; Alcoholics Anonymous meets on Tuesdays from 8-10 p.m., Thursdays from 8-10 p.m. and Sundays from 7-9 p.m.; and Smokers Anonymous meets Saturdays at 7 p.m.

For more information call 471-8090.

Walking at the mall: People who enjoy walking are invited to use the climate-controlled corridors at Twelve Oaks Mall. Walkers are welcome Monday through Saturday at 8 a.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m.

All walkers must register at the Twelve Oaks security office.

The lower level track is five-tenths of a mile, while the upper level track is eight-tenths of a mile. A complete trip around the mall is one and one-third miles.

Fitness Over 50: Twelve Oaks Mall offers a free exercise program titled "Fitness Over 50" in the Lord & Taylor Court every Tuesday and Thursday from 9-10 a.m.

Designed and field-tested for 12 years at the University of Michigan, "Fitness Over 50" is a safe, carefully guided, low impact aerobic exercise program set to music. It is particularly aimed at older persons and others who can benefit from increased energy, endurance and muscle tone.

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Fitness Tips

Good posture eases back pains

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Your back is an amazing system of muscles, bones and nerves. It allows you to do a wide range of movements and activities.

Your back also has many internal duties — supporting your arms, legs and head; carrying most of the weight of your body; and protecting the nerves that connect the rest of your body to your brain. Your back is always working for you — that is why it is so important to have good posture.

Proper posture includes having your weight centered over hips; head and chest held high; chin, abdomen, buttocks pulled in and feet placed firmly on the ground. All of the preceding place the least strain on your body, as well as assist your circulation, respiration and digestion.

To ensure you maintain a proper posture, look at the way you stand in a mirror and examine to see if you:

- neck sags, chin is poked forward and whole body slumps;
- pelvis is tilted forward and your lower back looks hollow.
- Or maybe you stand military style with your shoulders and chest forward. This is as bad as the two styles listed above.

To correct your posture:

- Stand against a wall with your back, buttocks and feet touching the wall's surface.
- Slip your hand behind the small of your back to check how much of an arch is present — it should be a comfortable fit, without too much room to spare.
- Straighten your neck and tuck your chin in, so that your body is in alignment.
- Lift up through your rib cage

and pull, or roll, your shoulders back.

- Contract your abdominals to flatten the back — tuck your buttocks under and tilt your pelvis back.
- Don't "lock" your knees.
- Distribute your weight evenly on each foot.

Now look in the mirror and see how much better you look. Of course, to maintain good posture you need strong abdominal and lower back muscles — exercise helps.

- Here are some other tips:
- Stand with one foot up (perhaps on a stool) and change positions often.
 - Bend with one foot up (perhaps on a stool) and change positions often.
 - Walk with good posture, keeping your head high, chin tucked in, pelvis forward and toes straight ahead.
 - Wear comfortable (low-heeled) shoes.

□ Sit in chairs low enough to place both feet on the floor, with your knees higher than your hips.

□ Sit firmly against the back of a chair. Having good posture takes a 24-hour commitment. Learn and practice good body posture. Maintaining good posture will help prevent backaches and ensure your back performs its internal duties efficiently. It would also help you to look and feel better, and allow you to perform your job to the best of your ability.

The Novi News is working with medical authorities at the University of Michigan Medical Center (M-Care) in Northville to provide up-to-date information on a variety of health-related topics. The series is coordinated by Peg Campbell of the M-Care staff.