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City okays north-south road choices

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

Plans for the Haggerty Road connector apparently will be able to move forward as the Novi City Council voted Monday to endorse one of two alternatives for the road which is designed to improve north-south traffic in western Oakland County and alleviate congestion on Haggerty Road.

The council decided to support one of the alternatives after hearing pleas from County Commissioner John Calandro and Farmington Hills Mayor Terry Sever.

"I'm deeply concerned that MDOT (Michigan Department of Transportation) will move the funds allocated for this project somewhere else if we do not move forward with this project," said Calandro. "We cannot afford to delay any longer; you need to act on one of the proposals before you. Now is the time to act."

Sever told the council it must continue to look at the best solution for everyone. "I don't envy your position, but this is an urgent concern," he said. "Don't leave us with the 'do nothing' alternative."

Specifically, the council voted 5-2 to support either Alternative 3B or

Alternative 4A pending analysis of the final Environmental Impact Study (EIS). Dissenting votes were cast by Councilmen Joseph Toth and Hugh Crawford.

Alternative 3B would follow the existing Haggerty Road alignment and skirt the Black Spruce Bog near Maple Road. With an estimated cost of \$114.6 million, it would displace 119 residences and 65 businesses.

Alternative 4A calls for a major interchange on Twelve Mile, west of Haggerty Road, that would provide ramps to connect with I-275, I-96 and I-696. It would curve easterly to bypass the peat bog north of Fourteen Mile. It would displace 28 residences and four businesses, and has an estimated price tag of \$72 million.

The action apparently paves the way for work to continue on some sort of Haggerty Road connector project in western Oakland County.

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Novi residents express strong feelings about the Haggerty Road connector proposals/5A



Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Wet enough for you?

Remember how everyone was praying for rain during last summer's drought? Well, nobody's complaining about the lack of rain anymore. In fact, a couple of days of drought sounds pretty

good after the almost daily downpours which have marked the summer of 1989. Another cloudburst Monday afternoon sent a shopper (above) at the West Oaks II shopping center scurrying for cover.

Housing demand shows decline

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

Housing demand remains high in Novi, but is not as strong as it was previously, according to two local Realtors.

"The demand is not as strong as it was a few years ago," reported Conrad Jakubowski, president of ERA Rymal Symes.

"The demand has pretty much leveled off, but the thing you have to remember is that housing demand in Novi has been at a fever pitch, so even with a leveling off the demand is still fairly high."

Carol Mason of Red Carpet Keim/Carol Mason Inc. issued a similar report.

"It's a stable market right now," she said. "The demand is still there, but it's not as strong as it was even last year. The prices are not going up the way they were two years ago."

Jakubowski and Mason offered different explanations for the somewhat slower housing market in Novi.

Jakubowski cited fluctuations in the prime interest rate for the slow down, while Mason said the more stable demand is the result of a more patient consumer.

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Salaries rise for officials

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

Novi school administrators are among other district employees who will receive seven percent pay hikes in each of the next two years.

The Novi Board of Education last week approved the pay increase for 17 administrators and all other non-union employees. The 7 percent raises were given to follow suit with the 7 percent annual pay increase that the district's teachers receive under their current union contract.

In addition to approving a 7 percent salary hike for administrators for 1989-90, the school board voted to extend the 7 percent increase to the 1990-91 school year as well. The raises go into effect at the start of the new fiscal year — July 1, 1989.

"We didn't see why the non-bargaining unit employees should be treated differently," said Trustee Robert Schram during the board discussion June 15.

Board member Sandra Thornton said she found it hard to justify giving comparable raises between the teachers and administrators. "I can see giving seven percent to someone who is way at the bottom (of the pay scale), but not at the top."

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Schools adopt budget June 29

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

The Novi Board of Education will meet next week to adopt the proposed \$20.5 million budget for the 1989-90 school year.

Board members decided to cancel tonight's (Thursday, June 22) previously scheduled meeting, and instead meet Thursday, June 29, to vote on the proposed budget. The meeting was rescheduled because several board members will be unable to attend tonight's scheduled meeting.

The district is proposing a \$20,583,639 budget for next year, with a millage rate of 26.74. The board held a "Truth in Taxation" hearing June 15 as part of the requirement under state law. The hearing was necessary because school officials propose to take in more revenue than the previous year as a result of assessment increases despite a somewhat lower millage rate.

The result is a slight tax increase for Novi school district residents next year.

Superintendent Robert Piwko said during last week's "Truth in Taxation" hearing that part of the reason for needing the additional money next year is anticipated new growth. "We know we're going to get additional enrollment," he said, noting that there are already 17 new

residential developments proposed in the school district.

Along with the nearly 100 new students expected in the district next year, special projects have been cited by school officials as another reason for needing a 13.9 percent increase over last year's budget.

The projects, which were board-generated and total approximately \$375,000, include purchasing text books and computers, painting, carpeting and roofing at the various schools, high school swimming repairs and playground equipment at Parkview Elementary school, which is scheduled to open in the fall.

Costs for the new elementary school were estimated at \$200,000.

Personnel additions totaling about \$300,000 were also cited as justification for seeking more revenue in the 1989-90 school year, according to officials. The list of proposed additional staff members includes three teachers, four clerical staff and four maintenance staff. The district's list also includes an assistant principal, food service person, librarian, bus driver, reading teacher, middle school counselor, special support person, pre-primary teacher and high school para-professional.

In addition, officials reported that

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Lake beaches showing dead fish

By BOB NEEDHAM
staff writer

An unusually large number of dead fish in Walled Lake over the last few weeks has some area residents worried, but the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) does not share their concerns.

Sarah Phelps, president of the Lakes Area Residents Association, said that many people have noticed more dead fish than usual washing up onto the shore. She and others believe the cause might be a recent application of weed-killing

chemicals in the lake.

DNR officials do not dispute the larger-than-usual number of dead fish. But they say there are a host of natural reasons to explain the situation — and no evidence that the weed killers have anything to do with it.

"In some cases there's one dead fish per foot, along the northern and eastern shores of the lake," Phelps said Monday. "We've got a serious problem."

She said one cause of the fish deaths may be an application of weed-killing chemicals around the Pointe Du Lac Condominiums, near

the corner of Pontiac Trail and Walled Lake Road late last month. She also suggested a recent incident — in which a child went to the emergency room after eating a bass he caught in the lake — may be related.

"It could all be coincidence," Phelps said. "We don't know why we are having so many dead fish one month later. . . . Some people have lived on the lake 15 years and never seen it this bad. There's a lot we do know, but there's so much we don't know."

Phelps also said residents were surprised to discover a dead snapp-

ing turtle on shore. "You can hit one of those things with a sledgehammer and they still trundle on," she said. "We've got to find out what's going on."

DNR Fisheries Biologist Ron Spittler believes LARA has nothing to worry about.

"All I know is what's happened every spring," he said. "The people are really getting worked up. Until someone shows me otherwise, it's a natural occurrence."

"Fish did die, and I saw them, and they drifted up to shore."

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Mow, mow, mow

Mowing the lawn has become more than a once-a-week proposition as a result of the heavy rains which have fallen on the area so fall this summer. Keeping up with the fast-growing grass in the

picture above is Alice Rose of Durson Street, a 20-year Novi resident.

Council studying restaurant zoning

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

Should free-standing restaurants be permitted in the City of Novi's Office Service Commercial (OSC) zoning district?

That's the question facing the Novi City Council as it wrestles with a proposed ordinance amendment which relaxes the standards under which free-standing restaurants are permitted in the OSC district.

The only three sections of the city are currently zoned OSC. They are the Orchard Hill Place office park development on the northwest corner of the Eight Mile/Haggerty Road intersection, the proposed Westbrooke Place complex on the northwest corner of the Grand River/Beck Road intersection, and a portion of the Trammel Crow Company's Town Center development located east of the commercial center.

Specifically, the amendment would reduce occupancy requirements for freestanding restaurants from 150 to 100 persons and reduce the distance that restaurants can be located from similar uses in the same complex from 1,000 to 500 feet.

In addition, it increases the size of the site on which the restaurant can be located from one acre to two acres.

Opposition to the ordinance amendment is being led by Councilwoman Martha Hoyer who said she objects to freestanding restaurants in the OSC district.

Hoyer said Monday that the intent

of the OSC ordinance adopted in 1976 was to prohibit freestanding restaurants in the zoning district.

"I would like to see that restriction reinstated," she said. "I don't think we need freestanding restaurants in the OSC."

Asked to explain the reasons for her opposition, Hoyer said she believes the existing Chilli's restaurant in Orchard Hill Place looks out of place. "It looks like part of a commercial corner... not a coordinated OSC development," she said.

"The same thing could happen to Westbrooke Place unless we prohibit freestanding restaurants in the OSC district."

Councilman Joseph Toth responded that he did not have a problem with freestanding restaurants in the district "as long as they're blended in to the overall office complex."

The council subsequently voted 6-1 to approve Hoyer's motion to refer the proposed OSC amendment back to the planning commission to study the possibility of excluding freestanding restaurants in the OSC district. The lone dissenting vote was cast by Mayor Matthew Quinn.

"There's an economic situation to be considered," said Quinn, explaining his vote. "In other places, restaurants located within office buildings tend to fail because they don't get the exposure and cannot survive strictly on the lunch trade generated from within the office building."

Schools holding K-8 registration

WALLED LAKE — Walled Lake school officials are holding special registration sessions for new residents whose children will enter grades K-8 this year.

The registration sessions will be held July 10-13 and July 17-20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Walled Lake Western and Walled Lake Central high schools.

Residents are asked to bring their child's birth certificate and one proof of residence (driver's license or purchase agreement, for example) to the nearest high school.

The July registration period is only for students entering grades K-8 who are new residents of the school district.

"Swab Summer," a basic indoctrination in Coast Guard safety, and includes summer cruises on the sailing ship Eagle and other Coast Guard cutters.

New high school students (grades 9-12) should call their school

(Western at 624-5020 or Central at 624-1523) to set up August registration and scheduling sessions. All students in all grades who are not new residents of the school district will follow usual back-to-school procedures.

Early registration of new students is necessary because of the large number of moves expected during the summer. In past years, registration has been held in late August. However, growing enrollments now make it nearly impossible under that system to formulate bus routes in time for the opening of school. All residents are asked to help spread the word about the July registration sessions to new students in grades K-8.

Novi graduate leaves for Coast Guard

Ron Fritz of Novi has accepted an appointment to the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut.

A 1988 graduate of Novi High School, Fritz is one of 300 appointees who will become members of the academy's Class of 1993.

He is the son of Tom and Nadine Fritz and was a standout on the Novi High School football and wrestling teams during his prep career. During the past year, Fritz has attended the University of Michigan, where he worked in the dorm kitchens, participated in the Army ROTC program and was a member of the wrestling team.

Fritz was offered appointments to both U.S. Military Academy at West Point and the Coast Guard Academy. He chose the Coast Guard because he believes it is best for his future plans.

He was selected for the appointment from a field of approximately 5,000 applicants. Appointments are awarded solely on the results of an annual nationwide competition with no congressional appointments or geographic quotas.

The competition is based on performance on either the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Testing Assessment (ACT); high school academic achievement; and participation in school, community or other activities which demonstrate leadership potential.

When he attends the academy, Fritz will join the more than 750 members of the corps of cadets striving to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree in one of seven majors and a commission as an ensign in the United States Coast Guard.

The four-year program begins July 5 with a "Swab Summer," a basic indoctrination in Coast Guard safety, and includes summer cruises on the sailing ship Eagle and other Coast Guard cutters.

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Bargains on books

Kelly Devlin, a Michigan State University student, took advantage of the used book sale at the Novi Public Library last week to develop a summer

reading list at bargain prices. The annual event was sponsored by the Friends of the Novi Library.

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Council shoots down new multiple rezoning

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

Expressing concern about an imbalance between single-family and multiple-family housing in the city, the Novi City Council voted Monday to turn down a rezoning request that would permit development of additional multiple-family housing on Eight Mile between Meadowbrook and Novi roads.

Specifically, the council voted unanimously to reject a request from John A. Young to rezone a 4.73 parcel from its existing R-1 (single-family) classification to a RM-1 (multiple-family) designation.

The long narrow piece of property is located immediately east of the Country Place Condominiums. Young said property owners to the east of his parcel supported extension of the multiple zoning district to Meadowbrook Road.

The planning commission had recommended denial of the rezoning request at its June 7 meeting, and the council voted unanimously to uphold the recommendation Monday, June 19.

In requesting the rezoning, Young told council that figures provided by City Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers indicate that 50 percent of the dwelling units in Novi are already multiple-family dwellings.

"My property is in the middle of a multiple-family area," he said, noting that it is located immediately east of Country Place. "We live in a community that is primarily multiple in content; we must stick with the thrust of the area."

Young also noted that there is extensive multiple-family development

Haberman: 'I see no need for any more multiples in this area. I want to have faith that the city council will protect this valuable commodity of single-family zoning in Novi.'

opposite his project on the south side of Eight Mile in Northville Township. Property for the rezoning came from individuals who own property between Young's parcel and Meadowbrook Road.

Other residents opposed the rezoning, however. Patricia Haberman, developer of the large-lot Pine Hollow subdivision on Meadowbrook Road, noted that the Master Plan calls for the Young parcel to be developed with single-family residences.

"I see no need for any more multiples in this area," she said. "I want to have faith that the city council will protect this valuable commodity of single-family zoning in Novi."

Colleen Stevens of Citizens for Responsible Development and Laura Lorenzo also opposed the rezoning, citing its effect on city density levels. City council members also expressed opposition to rezoning property from a single-family designation to permit construction of additional multiples.

"I'm concerned about the balance between single-family and multiple

family) in this community," said Councilwoman Nancy Covert. "The property is neither zoned nor master planned for multiple, and rezoning it to RM-1 would represent a deviation of significant magnitude."

Councilman Hugh Crawford said he was concerned about a "domino effect" if the rezoning were approved. "If this property is rezoned, it (the multiple-family classification) could be extended to the next parcel and the next parcel and the next parcel," he said.

Councilwoman Martha Hoyer expressed opposition to the rezoning in terms of the city's population levels. "We have attempted in this city to reduce density via the master plan," she said. "We do not want to be a people of 150,000 people."

"The property designated for multiple on the master plan has been almost completely built out; we must strive for a balance in housing types in this city. We are trying to protect the integrity of the existing single-family housing on Meadowbrook Road."

The council ultimately voted 7-0 to deny the rezoning request.

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Computer equipment stolen

Computer equipment valued at more than \$11,000 was stolen from Technomax, Inc., at 3970 Grand River during a break in that occurred during the night of June 15-16.

A company employee told police that unknown individuals broke into the office and removed the computer equipment sometime between 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 15, and 8 a.m. the following day.

Investigating officers said it appeared that the responsible parties saw the computer equipment through a glass window and proceeded to break in by forcing open two doors. A television set and a videocassette recorder in the same office were left untouched by the intruders.

Stolen were an IBM computer, an IBM color monitor, a 360k disk drive, a CMI hard disk and a Brother Twin writer V. Total value of the stolen property was placed at \$11,653.

SECURITY OFFICERS at Twelve Oaks Mall recovered \$500 worth of clothing that had been stolen from the Jean Nicole store on Sunday, June 11.

A security officer on routine patrol reported watching a pair of suspects carrying two J.C. Penney's bags loaded with clothing near the coin-operated lockers in the mall. The officer said the suspects appeared to be observing him closely as he approached the area.

After the suspects had placed the property in a locker and left the area, the officer reported the incident to his supervisor and obtained a pass key to investigate the merchandise. Upon entering the locker, he discovered the bags contained approximately \$500 worth of clothing which had been stolen from Jean Nicole.

Police Beat

The recovered property was returned to the store, but the suspects were not apprehended.

A 1987 PORSCHE 944 was stolen from the parking lot outside the owner's residence in the Woodland Greens Apartments during the night of June 17-18.

The man said he parked the Porsche near the dumpster at 10 p.m. on June 17 and found it missing the next day at 11:45 a.m.

The man said the car was not locked and the registration had been left inside the car. The Porsche was valued at \$23,000.

TWO VEHICLES were stolen from the parking lot of the Pavilion Court Apartments during the night of June 16-17.

A resident on Rotunda Court reported that his 1986 Buick was stolen on Friday, June 16, between 9 and 10 p.m. The vehicle was valued at \$13,000.

A Utica man reported the theft of his 1986 Chevrolet Camaro IROC-Z from the lot outside his mother's residence sometime between 7 p.m. on June 16 and 7:30 a.m. the next day.

The man said he stayed at his mother's residence overnight because he was participating in an area softball tournament. The Camaro was valued at \$10,000.

JEWELRY VALUED at more than \$2,000 was stolen from a residence on Lowery in the County Cousin Mobile Home Park during a break in that oc-

urred Wednesday, June 14. The victim told police she left home at 2:10 p.m. to visit friends and returned at 8:30 p.m. to find that unknown individuals had broken into the residence and ransacked the bedroom.

Investigating officers found no signs of forced entry, but found numerous items of clothing, personal papers and jewelry strewn throughout a hallway and the complainant's bedroom. The intruders also entered a child's bedroom, but nothing was taken from the room.

The woman told police that nothing was taken except for the jewelry and a curling iron.

VANDALS THREW rocks through the window of a residence on North Hills Drive in the North Hills Apartments on Friday, June 16.

The complainant said he was watching television at 1 a.m. when he heard the sound of breaking glass at the bedroom of his four-year-old son.

He found that unknown individuals had thrown rocks and eggs at the window while it was parked in the Blue Lot at Twelve Oaks Mall on Wednesday, June 7.

The woman said she parked the car at 5:20 p.m. and returned 25 minutes later to find that unknown individuals had taken the purse from the floor on the passenger's side of the Honda.

The woman also noted that the vehicle had not been locked and the windows had been left open. The black shoulder purse contained the victim's driver's license but no money.

at 1:40 a.m. on June 16 to find that unknown individuals had broken into the residence by removing the screen from the bedroom window and forcing the window open.

The gym bag had been hanging on the bedroom door. Police said the responsible parties also took a shotgun out of a closet but left it lying on the bed. Reports also indicated that it appeared the intruders had been frightened off for unknown reasons.

VANDALS DID an undetermined amount of damage to an unoccupied residence on South Lake Drive on Friday, June 16.

Police were summoned to the scene when a neighbor reported hearing the sound of breaking glass at approximately 10:45 p.m.

Upon arrival, police discovered that the glass in two windows on the front of the house had been broken out. Entering the residence, police found that the intruders had spray painted obscenities on the paneled walls in the den with red paint.

Also painted red were the living room walls, the kitchen cabinets and a ceiling fan in the living room.

A **NOVI WOMAN** reported the theft of her purse from her 1983 Honda Civic while it was parked in the Blue Lot at Twelve Oaks Mall on Wednesday, June 7.

The woman said she parked the car at 5:20 p.m. and returned 25 minutes later to find that unknown individuals had taken the purse from the floor on the passenger's side of the Honda.

The woman also noted that the vehicle had not been locked and the windows had been left open. The black shoulder purse contained the victim's driver's license but no money.

Vandals damage Orchard Hills school

Vandals broke into Orchard Hills Elementary school early Friday morning, causing an estimated \$500 in damages.

According to Novi Schools Superintendent Robert Piwko, an unknown number of persons broke into the school Friday, June 16, at approximately 3:17 a.m. Students had already had their last day of school two days before.

Piwko said police were alerted to the break-in by the school's monitoring system which was inadvertently triggered by the intruders. The vandals damaged and spray painted the brick walls inside, he said.

Workers were able to clean up much of the mess before teachers returned later that morning for their last day of school this summer, Piwko added.

Responding officers arrived at the school to find that the responsible parties had removed the boards from a boarded-up window. They also found two beach balls on the grass and a fire extinguisher lying in the parking lot.

After entering the building, police discovered that the vandals had done extensive damage throughout the school.

Police reported that two fire extinguishers had been removed from the walls in the main hallway and their contents had been sprayed onto the floor. Officers also said that several obscenities had been spray painted onto the wall in the main hallway with red paint.

The vandals also spray painted stripes on the walls of a secondary hallway.

The majority of the damage was centered in a classroom on the south end of the school.

The fountain on a sink in the room had been sprayed with red paint, and officers found an obscenity and the word "redrum" spray painted on the floor with black paint. "Redrum" is "murder" spelled backwards.

In addition, all four closets in the room had been ransacked, and two desks on the west side of the room had been vandalized, according to police reports.

Police also reported finding two open cereal boxes in the school. A box of Fruit Loops was found in the secondary hallway, and a box of Cheerios was found in the vandalized classroom.

Novi Briefs

Department of Corrections: The percentage of voter turnout reported in last week's school board election story was incorrect. Actual number of ballots for the June 12 election, which John Streit and Craig Foreback won two seats on the Novi Board of Education, was 1,313 - 7.7 percent of the district's 17,063 registered voters. The News reported incorrectly that voter turnout was 14.3 percent.

Department of Corrections II: The News reported incorrectly in the June 15 edition that Debra Harris was dismissed from her position as coach of the Novi High School girls varsity basketball team. The information was contained in an article announcing the hiring of two new varsity basketball coaches which appeared in the sports section on Page 7D.

High School Principal Robert Youngberg said that Harris was not dismissed from the position and, in fact, had been asked to coach the 1989-90 team.

"Debra Harris has continued to provide outstanding teaching and coaching of our students," said Youngberg. "She will not be coaching next year because she would like to spend more time with her family."

"Hopefully, she will return to coaching at Novi High School in the near future," he added.

Let's talk recycling: Cathy Chown from Resource Recycling Systems will give a general presentation on recycling today (Thursday, June 22) at 7 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center (Rooms A, B and C). All Novi residents are invited to attend.

School reunion: Former Novi classmates and teachers are encouraged to reminisce with old friends and meet new acquaintances at a school reunion this Saturday, June 24, at the Novi Middle School.

The reunion is an annual event for those who attended the old Novi School. The reunion begins at noon. Participants are asked to bring a dish to pass and table service.

Board meeting changed: The Novi Board of Education has canceled tonight's (Thursday, June 22) board meeting, and instead will meet next Thursday, June 29. The meeting will be held at the Educational Services building. Main item on the agenda is the adoption of the 1989-90 budget. The meeting change allows more board members to be present.

Lights, camera, action: Local law officers will be featured in an upcoming production of Tri City Update, including Novi Police Chief Lee BeGole.

Joining BeGole on the program are police officials from Farmington and Farmington Hills. The men will be interviewed by Oakland County Sheriff John Nichols.

The show will be taped at 3 p.m. at MetroVision studios on June 28. The program is expected to air in July.

Boosters' Spirit Page: The Novi Athletic Boosters Club is putting together the 1990 sports program, including a Spirit Page. For a \$5 contribution, your name will be included, showing your support of the student athletes. For more information call Debbie Monticatti at 348-3076.

Attention medical personnel: Police Chief Lee BeGole is looking for volunteers to serve on the city's Disaster Control Team.

Dr. Mav Sanghvi is chief medical officer for the disaster control team, but BeGole said additional volunteers are needed to assist during emergency situations. The disaster control team assists the Novi police and fire departments on an on-call basis. The team's most notable involvement over the last two years came during the Chateau Estates tornado in 1987.

"We need people with all types of medical backgrounds that we can call on in emergency situations," said BeGole. "Doctors, nurses - anyone with training that could be useful during an emergency."

Anyone who can help is asked to call BeGole at Novi police headquarters, 348-7100.

Connector road gets thorough review Monday

By PHILIP JEROME managing editor

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Stepping down Daley leaves school board

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

It's hard to say goodbye — both for Novi school board member Joan C. Daley and for the school district she has served for the past 12½ years.

Daley will complete 12 years and nine months of service on the Novi Board of Education this month — the time she has selected to step down from the post she has held since 1976. Finishing out the 1988-89 school year, Daley cites timing and change as reasons for leaving.

"I really didn't want to leave, but there are people with fresh ideas who want to serve on the board," she said. Daley explained that it's usually difficult for new members to join the school board unless the incumbents step down. "It might be harder to beat the incumbent, but maybe only because their name is known."

Daley observed that the recent school board election was not the cleanest she has ever seen. But with water under the bridge she hopes, as she did prior to the campaign, that the new board members will refrain from "tunnel vision."

"I would like to have someone come in and represent the entire district — to see the whole picture," Daley said, refraining from serving special interests can be hard for board members, particularly during the initiation period of the first year. Part of the reason for her success, she suggested, was the fact that "I never had an ax to grind."

"I wanted to improve the academic program, and you can't do that alone. Everyone has to learn to go along with the majority vote."

Daley said another reason behind her decision to step down from the board is the fact that many of the goals she worked toward as a trustee have now been realized. An example is the development of a systematic plan for improving curriculum — that was her main goal in becoming a board member, she said.

"When I first went on the board, we had a lot of success with building programs, such as passing bond issues," said Daley, who was first appointed to the board in the fall of 1976. "But it's been easier now to reach this goal," she added, citing the change from a rural school system to that of a suburban school system as a major factor.

"Many things have changed about the board over the years."

One thing that has not changed, she said, is the feeling of contribution and self-worth one receives from serving the community in that capacity. "It's very stimulating to be in a position of making policies and making sure

they're followed."

Daley has always had an interest in education. Born and raised near Chicago, she received a bachelor's degree in education from that Loyola University. She taught a fifth grade class for three years.

Marriage, family and a move to Michigan prompted her to become involved in academics in a different way. She eventually served on various school committees concerning her children. In Novi she was active in the opening of Village Oaks Elementary school. "I had my finger in it (education) in one shape or form on a continuing basis," she said.

Novi residents for 19 years, Daley and her husband Robert have seen their three daughters graduate from Novi High School. Even though her youngest daughter graduated from Novi in 1980, Daley's commitment to the community and quest for a superior school system kept her from leaving the board.

After her appointment in 1976 to replace Jim Helmer — a position she sought after receiving board endorsement, Daley went on to serve three complete four-year terms. She served as board president in 1983 and 1986, and also held the titles of vice president, secretary and treasurer.

Why has she enjoyed her tenure on the board? "Because the community is very supportive," she said, citing as a comparison Troy school board members who were recently recalled by residents opposed to the building of a new high school there.

"There is a lot of satisfaction with this board — with or without public recognition," she continued. "The board has not been complacent. We work well together and get the results we're looking for."

Now that her duties are ending, Daley admits it will be strange to suddenly have loads of free time — the most free time in more than 12 years. "There has been a great deal of homework involved," she explained, adding the various school functions that board members attend.

But despite the work Daley said she'll definitely miss the challenge. As she told the board and audience during last week's open house held in her honor, "It's been an honor and a privilege to serve on this board... It's been a very important part of my life."

And if the hugs and gifts she received at the open house last Thursday are any indication, it is also clear that she will be missed.

Just prior to the board's adoption of a resolution honoring Daley for her years of service, Board President Michael Meyer reiterated, "It is the integrity you've brought to this board that is truly appreciated."

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Joan Daley has stepped down from the Novi school board after more than 12 years of service



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Obituaries

BETTY ROURKE

Betty Joan Rourke of Novi died June 9 in Grand Blanc. Born in Detroit, she was 65 at the time of her death.

A funeral service was held at the Church of the Holy Family on Monday, June 12, at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Kevin O'Brien officiating.

Mrs. Rourke was retired after working as a clerk with an advertising agency.

She is survived by her husband, Arthur, and five children — Patrick, Timothy, Dennis, Joan and Mary. Also surviving are her mother, Lenore (Rougeau) Jacobs; two brothers and 10 grandchildren.

Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Area Briefs

Mounted police in Birmingham: The Birmingham City Commission has unanimously approved a plan to add a mounted horse patrol in the downtown business area.

Police Chief Edward Ostin's proposal calls for one mounted police officer to patrol Maple during daylight hours Tuesdays through Saturday beginning at the earliest — in October.

The project cost is budgeted at \$11,471.

The mounted officer is expected to cover the same situations as the officer who now walks the central business district for two hours five days a week. He'll write tickets, direct traffic, assist in special events and take reports. The mounted patrol will not be used during very cold or otherwise bad weather conditions.

Community compost pile: Canton Township is starting a pilot program to divert grass clippings to a compost pile that ultimately will be used for fertilizer.

Officials estimate that Canton residents annually throw out roughly 2,000 tons of grass which takes up valuable landfill space. Grass comprises more than 30 percent of the waste in the township, according to township trash haulers.

Residents will be asked to put their grass in 30-gallon trash containers and place them at the curb with other garbage. The grass cuttings will be picked up the day after the regular trash pickup.

Birmingham collects grass: Birmingham has started a mandatory yard recyclables program. All grass clippings, leaves and shredded twigs must be packaged separately for city trash pickup — either in approved biodegradable plastic bags or in regular trash containers identified with a Birmingham yard recyclables sticker.

A separate truck picks up the yard materials the same day as regular trash pickup. City trash collectors have been directed not to pick up bags or empty any containers in which yard materials are mixed with other trash. Also, non-approved bags with yard materials will not be collected.

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Suit asks state to fund courts

By TIM RICHARD
staff writer

Local city and county officials are pondering whether to join a major lawsuit that asks state government to pay for all trial courts.

"You rarely get a chance to participate in something as fundamental as this constitutional question," attorney Robert W. White told an audience of 30 — mostly city attorneys and county budget officials — in Southfield last week.

White and partner Douglas Van Essen held meetings all around the state, hoping to sign up as many as possible of the 174 units which pay for 55 circuit courts, 79 probate courts, 100 district courts, six municipal courts and a recorder's court as clients in their class action lawsuit.

Deadline is Aug. 20 for them to join the suit, which, if successful, could cost the state \$400 million.

White and Van Essen are in a Grand Rapids law firm which represents many counties and cities.

So far, eight western Michigan counties and the city of Grosse Pointe have paid \$300 retainer fees to be part of the class action, and others have passed resolutions of intent.

Phase one will be a largely legal battle in the Court of Claims division of Ingham Circuit Court. Their suit contains three counts:

1. The state Legislature in 1979 passed a law (PA 438) stating its intention of gradually taking over funding of all courts, but never appropriated the money in subsequent

years. The formula called for 80 percent state funding in 1986 and '87. The counties ask for that 80 percent. (Under the statute of limitations, they can't ask for prior years' money)

2. The 1963 Michigan Constitution creates "one court of justice." The counties say PA 438 "created a legal duty" and hasn't been repealed.

3. The 1963 Michigan Constitution creates "one court of justice." The counties say that makes all courts part of the judicial branch of state government. "The state can't pass on its costs to local units any more than it can pass on the cost of renovating the Capitol to Ingham County or the costs of the University of Michigan to Washtenaw County," said Van Essen.

Legislators and Gov. James Blanchard's legal advisor say one Legislature can't bind another. The counties say PA 438 "created a legal duty" and hasn't been repealed.

White believes the Court of Claims will rule by late this year or early in 1990. Appeals could take two or three more years.

If Phase One is successful, Phase Two will be for all the counties, cities and townships to present their claims. That will be time-consuming. Some local units think their courts are money-makers — that the fines

and charges they levy cover their costs.

"But are you sure?" asks White, advising them to have their accountants look not only at payroll and cash costs but overhead, building depreciation, parking lots and the like. He argues the state could be paying them rent for court buildings.

He asks those who want to opt out of the class action: "In fairness, reject it on some theory other than (the current system is) a good deal — say you don't like the lawyers, or you think courts shouldn't be funded by the state."

Van Essen added, "We believe it is a more powerful statement if it stands before the seven justices as a class rather than eight wild-haired courtesans."

If they win, Van Essen envisions a system whereby local units would "front-end" court costs and be reimbursed by Lansing. Such a system would be far preferable to a single statewide plan where court personnel in Keweenaw and Detroit would get the same pay rates.

They told "horror stories" of conflicts between judges and local governing boards over court budgets saying the conflicts could be ended by state funding.

"You can no longer line-item a budget. You must give them a lump-sum budget," said Van Essen. "You can't even audit them."

"Sometimes (conflicts are) blamed on a failure of diplomacy," Bob and I originally subscribed to that view. But diplomacy isn't enough."

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Teen Center sets summer events, looks for funding

By BRENDA DOOLEY
staff writer

School's out. Summer's heating up. Soon local kids will be looking for things to do.

A lot of Novi youths are meeting friends and enjoying social activities in the Novi Teen Center, a summer program sponsored by Novi Youth Assistance.

Karen Bartholomew, NYA caseworker and director of the teen center, explained that membership in the program is open to fifth graders for the first time this year.

All youths in the fifth grade and older are invited to participate in the Teen Center, which meets weekdays in the Novi High School commons. Field trips and special activities are regularly scheduled by center organizers.

Bartholomew explained that the center is attracting a younger crowd, mainly at the request and encouragement of their parents.

"Parents are really concerned in Novi about the things their kids are vulnerable to," she said.

Because of its growing appeal, the center is expanding its programming to cater to all ages. Also, participating youths will enjoy eight weeks of activities rather than six weeks, as offered last year.

But there's a problem. While programming is expanding, funding isn't.

Most of the Teen Center's funds are provided by United Community Services, which contributed the same amount of funding this year as it did last year, Bartholomew remarked.

To complicate matters, NYA's annual bowllathon didn't raise as much money as first anticipated, bringing

in only \$6,600 to fund eight weeks of programming for the Teen Center.

"We've always relied on the bowllathon as our major fundraiser," Bartholomew said. "Maybe it's time we looked to other things."

For now, NYA officials have begun looking for additional funds and supporters to keep the Teen Center alive. Novi Rotary recently rallied to the center's aid by donating \$500.

An aerobics instructor at the Vic Tanny Health Club has donated her time to teach kids aerobics and modeling techniques. JoAnn Fabrics representatives have agreed to donate materials for the Teen Center's T-shirt painting activity.

And Bob White has agreed to instruct kids about the techniques used in the martial arts.

Also, Novi building official Ken Marko has begun lobbying for NYA in his spare time. Through his efforts, the Teen Center has gained a \$500 contribution from JCK & Associates, the city's engineering firm, and a \$1,000 donation from Pulle Homes, according to Bartholomew.

The congregation at Faith Community Presbyterian Church also has continued to donate money to the NYA, she added.

"Some good things have been happening. I've got stacks of thank you notes to write because everyone has been so nice," Bartholomew said. "But we could use about \$2,000 more."

The center's major expenditures are staff and the buses used to transport the youngsters on field trips, Bartholomew said the center will employ five staff members this



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Health Notes

Bereavement group meets: The Novi Bereavement Support Group will meet at the Novi Civic Center next (Monday, June 26) from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Guest pastor is Ken Stevens of the Orchard Hills Baptist Church. The theme of the meeting will be "Dealing with Grief During the Hazy Days of Summer." The meeting will be facilitated by Dr. Michael Meyer.

Free immunization clinic: The Oakland County Health Division will offer a free immunization clinic at the Walled Lake United Methodist Church on Wednesday, July 5, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The church is located at 313 Northport in Walled Lake.

Immunizations will be available for measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough and Haemophilus influenzae Type B (HIB). A parent or legal guardian must accompany children under 18 years old and should bring any previous immunization records, including notices sent home from the schools.

For more information call 424-7042.

Adult diabetes classes: A series of six diabetes classes will be offered at the Oakland County Health Division's Southfield office beginning Thursday, July 6. The south office is located at 2725 Greenfield Road.

All classes will be held Thursdays from 7:30 p.m. The classes are for adult diabetics and family members. They are taught by a public health nurse and a registered dietitian. Topics to be discussed include the nature of the disease, dietary management, medications and suggestions for coping with everyday problems.

The classes are free, and registrations will be accepted until July 3. Classes will be cancelled if less than eight people register. Call 424-7042 to register or for more information.

Breast and skin clinics: Breast and skin clinics will be held at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia on June 28, July 12 and July 18 from 3:18 to 5:10 p.m. St. Mary Hospital is located on Five Mile and Levan Road in Livonia.

The breast and skin clinics include a breast examination by a staff physician, a risk history evaluation for breast and skin tumor and breast self-examination instruction. Fee for the clinic is \$10.

A mammogram will be offered if indicated by the examination. Mammogram costs may be covered by insurance.

Appointments are required. For more information or an appointment call St. Mary Hospital at 464-4800, extension 2433.

Narcotics Anonymous: Narcotics Anonymous, a non-profit fellowship of men and women for whom drugs has become a major problem, meets at St. Joseph Hospital's Family Service Center in Farmington Hills every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

It is a group of recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other. It is clean. For more information call 537-1110.

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

Thornton letter still a sore spot

Communications seems to be a routine topic at Novi Board of Education meetings lately.

The latest offering on the subject was further discussion of a campaign endorsement letter written by Board Member Sandra Thornton to school district employees. The letter has drawn criticism from the Novi Education Association.

At the June 15 board meeting Thornton responded to the charge of "attempted coercion" and an implication that she used a district employee handbook for political purposes. She was accused of those actions by Martha Franchi, president of the Novi Education Association, and Jean Rose, regional director of the Michigan Education Association.

Thornton read aloud a letter addressed to Rose, which stated that she in no way used the employee directory in the mailing of letters to school staff members on June 6. The letters endorsed candidate Sally Marchak, who came in a close third in the June 12 school board race.

Thornton said, as she did previously to The Novi News, that the addresses of teachers and other staff members who received her endorsement letter, came from her own private data base at home. She said not all Novi school voting teachers and staff received the letters.

She reiterated that she used the data base for the same purpose in her own previous school election campaigns in 1986 and 1988. She also stated

that she "mailed them as a private citizen through the U.S. mail at no cost to the district."

Thornton also said she did not sign her name with her school board trustee title.

In response to a question from Franchi, who was in attendance at the June 15 meeting, Thornton said her letter to Franchi and Rose was dated June 15.

Franchi then said that the letter Thornton was reading from was "not considered correspondence until it is actually sent," inferring that Rose had not yet received a copy of it, and therefore Thornton should not be reading it aloud at the meeting.

Thornton countered that she had already read a rough draft of the letter over the phone to Rose, and told Rose that she would be reading it aloud at the board meeting.

The endorsement letter issue arose at the board's June 8 meeting, when acting board president Raymond Byers read aloud a letter written by Rose requesting that the board check into the union's charges of "coercion," "abuse of power" and the employee handbook matter.

At that meeting Byers stated the issue centered around a board member — who is considered an employer of school district staff members, telling staff how to vote.

According to Rose, her letter to the board resulted from complaints received by Franchi and the head of the secretaries' bargaining unit. When asked previously about the specific number of

teachers who complained about the letter, Franchi would only say she received "several complaints."

In addition to Byers, Trustee Robert Schram openly disagreed with Thornton's actions. Joining them in their public disapproval was Board President Michael Meyer, who, after Thornton read her response to the charges last week, said, "I hope you reconsider what you've written there."

Meyer said that because Novi is somewhat of a small town, meaning people see each other at the store etc., "no one would not know you to be a school board member."

Thornton has maintained she did nothing wrong by sending the letter to employees, particularly since she did not sign it as a board member, did not send it to all district employees eligible to vote in the election, and used her own personal data base for the addresses.

After listening to the exchange, audience member Michelle Santoni said she hoped the board would stop squabbling about such issues.

"Let's put the campaign to one side and get on with the business of the district," she said, calling the recent campaign for two seats on the school board a "hot and heavy one."

"The board is getting picky... I don't want to see any more of this picking on each other," Santoni added.

Meyer later said he agreed with Santoni, saying "it's time to move on... I welcome what Mrs. Santoni said."

Center offers new set of programs

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year, all of whom have degrees in education.

To offset high costs of transportation, Bartholomew said she is hoping the school district will fund the bus trips this year, mainly the costs of hiring a bus driver.

And she's looking for a business to donate the use of a van to provide daily transportation, enabling center officials to pick kids up from their homes and transport them to the high school.

Volunteers also are needed to help with programs and field trips, Bartholomew said.

"The more community support we can get, the better," she added. Families willing to donate a pool table, table games or unused board games to the Teen Center are encouraged to do so.

Upcoming fund-raisers include a golf outing on Aug. 17 at Glen Oaks. Interested golfers are encouraged to call the NYA office for more details. Activities planned at the center

this year include horseback riding and a picnic, a video training session at MetroVision, a car wash on July 2 and an overnight lock-in on July 7, which will resemble a giant slumber party for Teen Center members at the high school.

Teen Center members meet every day at the high school commons from 12:15 to 5 p.m. Regular programs include free-play video games, ping pong, pool and table games, open gym, weight training, computers, volleyball and softball.

Bartholomew said eventually the NYA's goal is to expand the Teen Center to a year-round program. However, to do so, she said a lot of community support and a lot more money will be needed.

Youths interested in becoming involved in the Novi Teen Center can call 349-8288 for more information. The group's first event will be held Tuesday, June 27.

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A Trip Through Kindergarten



Smiling kindergartener, Jennifer Davies, 5, sits with friends on her first bus trip to school

THE FIRST YEAR

Story by Brenda Dooley
Photos by Chris Boyd

She wore a purple dress. That's what Jennifer Davies remembers about her first day of kindergarten at Orchard Hills Elementary School.

She says she hasn't worn the dress since then, simply because she doesn't like the color — Jennifer especially likes the hues of blue, yellow and turquoise.

And she likes school. A blond, outgoing child, Jennifer began the school year in September 1988 with great enthusiasm. Because she attended preschool at the Novi-Northville Montessori for two years, the youngster had an idea about what a classroom would be like.

And before her life as a scholar had even begun, Jennifer developed lot of friendships and began reading at home, with the encouragement of her mom, Diane, and her dad, Mark.

Kindergarten seemed like the next natural step for her. In November 1988 — just a month after becoming a kindergartener — Jennifer described school as "kind of boring." She said most of the things she was learning she had already been taught in preschool.

At that time her favorite subject was art, and she excelled in reading. Her teacher, Marianne Boschma, recommended that Jennifer take part in a special reading class for two mornings a week to supplement her advanced reading skills.

Soon it became apparent that Jennifer wasn't an average student. And just a month after her kindergarten year began, she was identified as a prospective student for Novi's Gifted and Talent Program, just at the time she lost her two front teeth.

With the approval of her parents, teacher and Orchard Hills principal Paul LaPlae, Jennifer entered an experimental academic program at the end of November, exposing her to a first grade class on a trial basis.

Boschma, her teacher, recommended the experimental move because she felt Jennifer wasn't challenged by kindergarten. The trial allowed Jennifer to attend a first grade class in the morning while resuming her kindergarten curriculum in the afternoon.

Jennifer remembers first grade as "kind of hard."

"All we did was papers, papers, papers," Jennifer says.

The first-grade trial ended in

January because Jennifer couldn't keep up with the advanced handwriting assignments, although she did well in with math and reading.

Diane Davies attributes part of the experiment's failure to a lack of communication and high expectations.

"I think the trial came down to the adults failing, not Jennifer failing," Diane said.

"We weren't looking to push her into first grade all day or in second grade next year... my husband and I think she should be with her emotional peers," she added.

When Jennifer's kindergarten routine resumed, her mom said the young scholar seemed more satisfied with school because she knew what was in store for her.

"Her learning up until then was heavily associated with play," Diane says. "She didn't know that first grade would mean more learning."

At the end of January, Jennifer celebrated her sixth birthday.

"The older I get, the more the boys pick on me," she noted. Jennifer continued to board the yellow school bus 48 from her home in the Meadowbrook Glens subdivision at



School lessons include tracing numbers and counting in math books



Because her daughter prefers ponytails, Diane Davies fixes Jennifer's hair before the scholar goes to school

about 12:10 p.m. for her afternoon kindergarten class.

In March she declared "I can't wait until school's out."

Jennifer's life didn't revolve around school, though. She took dancing lessons, made Easter bunnies out of dish rags as a Daisy scout and became involved in the 4-H clown group. Her family, including little sister, Alison, traveled to Florida for a vacation, where she collected seashells and pieces of sand dollars on the beach.

In the spring Jennifer's most impressive accomplishment, according to her, was learning how to ride a "two-wheeler" bicycle. By now, her mom is amazed by how fast her daughter is growing. Since November Jennifer has grown from 45½ inches to 46¼ inches and her weight has increased from 48 pounds to 55 pounds.

"It's down the street and around the corner, and I'm gone," she says about riding her lavender and white bicycle.

Within the tranquility of her pink bedroom Jennifer also has learned the responsibility of helping out with household chores by making her bed and straightening her toys — countless stuffed animals, bean bag chairs, a giant Big Bird and a Barbie Doll Corvette.

When reflecting upon the knowledge she has gained in the first year of school, she says "I know what 20 plus 20 is... 40."

Jennifer says she's looking forward to starting first grade, but for now it's obvious that she only has dreams of summer dancing through her mind.

"My mom and dad said I can invite seven friends over to go swimming," she says.

Jennifer is enrolled in swimming lessons and admits she didn't like the sport at first.

"It's a lot more fun when mom's in the room," she says.

Summer also means taking vacations in the blue family van. And the Davies' backyard is home to a new playhouse for Jennifer and Alison — an amenity that's sure to make the girls the most popular kids on the block.

"The most exciting thing I learned all year was riding my bike... and reading."

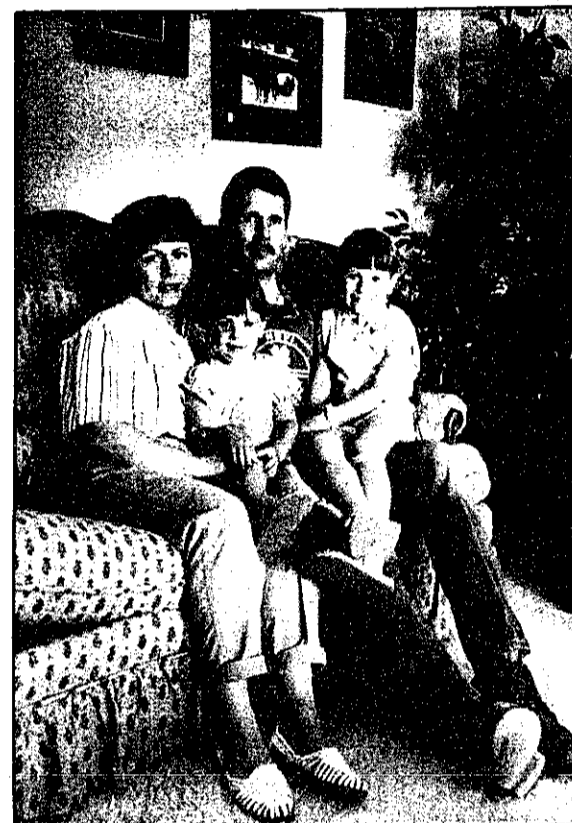
A Trip Through Kindergarten



The first day of school is a media event for the Davies family

Learning lessons at home, in class

Photos by Chris Boyd



Mark and Diane Davies with daughters Jennifer and Alison



School isn't the only new facet of Jennifer's life this year as she also learns how to make her bed and tidy her room



Marianne Boschma and her pupils stand in line for music class



Always on the lookout for things to do, Jennifer pauses for a moment in her afternoon kindergarten classroom

Schools identify gifted students

By BRENDA DOOLEY
staff writer

Have an inkling that your child is gifted?

Novi parents will be happy to know that teachers and school administrators are always on the lookout for prospective students to take part in the Novi Community School District's Gifted and Talent Program.

Traits of a gifted and talented student can be recognized as early as kindergarten, according to Marianne Boschma, a kindergarten teacher at Orchard Hills Elementary School.

Boschma prefers the term "accelerated" to "gifted and talented." She said there are a lot of ways to enhance a student's abilities, and that teachers and administrators work as a team to see that students with advanced skills get the attention they need and deserve.

Rita Traynor, director of instruction for the Novi school district, explained that the gifted and talented program begins for students as they enter third grade. Prior to third grade, ac-

celerated students are identified. Staff members or parents may refer a student to the program by contacting school officials or administrators.

At the K-2 level, teachers use a criteria check list to evaluate a gifted student. If the check list indicates high academic scoring, individual programming may be developed.

Further testing is conducted to determine if a student is eligible for the program. During the entire process, parents are encouraged to work closely with program coordinators.

Novi's curriculum planning for the gifted student is modeled after the Renzulli model, which promotes basic skills, enrichment and advanced placement.

In third and fourth grades, gifted students meet with their coordinator weekly for about an hour. Students gather several times a year for a group workshop.

In fifth and sixth grades students are clustered into teams. They continue to meet with their coordinator weekly. Several projects are offered, with problem-solving and higher thinking skills emphasized.

In seventh and eighth grades, students may take a gifted and talented class for 18 weeks. There is an extensive concentration on thinking skills, research papers and computers. The class is limited to 15.

Kids learn basic skills in kindergarten

By BRENDA DOOLEY
staff writer

Their day begins by filing in a single line out of the classroom and marching like little tin soldiers down the hallway to the library.

Today is the day for the young students to return their books to the library.

Marianne Boschma, a kindergarten teacher at Novi's Orchard Hills Elementary School, watches as her students, one-by-one, place books on the library cart and form another single line at the door.

At the head of the line stands Samantha Joslyn, officially dubbed "child of the day." The honor enables a student to be first in line and to help the teacher with various tasks throughout the afternoon.

Back at the classroom, the kindergarteners are asked to sit in a circle at the front of the room while Boschma takes attendance. When a child's name is called aloud, some respond by answering "Here," "Hello," "Hi" and "What?"

The student of the day then delivers the attendance slip to the main office, while Boschma tells the students what she has planned for the day.

On one wall of room are the children's "cubbies," private places where the students are allowed to store their belongings. Another wall displays colorful, creative art projects completed



Novi educators focus on teaching with visual aids

by students throughout the school year.

Everything in the room promotes learning in one aspect or another. Throughout the school year, children learn about letters and numbers and shapes. They learn how letters form words and how to read those words — their learning tool might consist of a big picture book.

They learn how to identify familiar words by pointing them out on a poster. And they learn how to write those letters by prac-

ticizing with crayons and pencils. Math skills are taught with computer games, building blocks, workbooks and number charts. Counting games help them learn how to identify numbers by name. They learn about music by playing instruments and listening to records and tapes. They learn about art by cutting and pasting, coloring and painting.

Other areas in the room are reserved for listening, reading and playing, all important components of a child's kindergarten education.

Boschma's philosophy of education is based on a foundation of self-esteem. She explains that learning starts with children's acceptance from their caregivers, whether they're parents or someone else. Boschma fosters this principle by praising her students for things they have done well and by emphasizing the positive.

She doesn't scold children for answering a question wrong or for misbehaving. She encourages the kids to think about their answers before they reply and she simply tells the students what she expects of them.

"If you're sitting with your hands in your lap, you're doing the right thing," she tells her class before viewing a slide presentation.

Some of her students have attended preschool before entering kindergarten, but Boschma says it's not needed.

After sitting through a science lesson about "Amphibians and How They Grow," Boschma encourages the kids to take part in "wiggle time" to release their energy. Science lesson completed, a bright blue sky beckons to the children from outside the classroom. Boschma decides to take advantage of the perfect summer day by allowing recess time. Outside, the children learn to play. A skill that is perhaps most important of all.

Council fills planning seats

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

Thomas O'Branovic, the former director of the Novi Parks and Recreation Department, will join incumbents Ernest Aruffo and Edward Kramer in serving three-year terms on the Novi Planning Commission.

O'Branovic, who was Parks and Recreation Director from 1980-86, was a surprise candidate for a planning post. O'Branovic did not turn in his application for consideration to the city until June 12 — the day the candidates were interviewed by the city council.

Mayor Matthew Quinn appointed the Aruffo, Kramer and O'Branovic to the three vacancies on the planning commission following council nominations. There were four other candidates vying for the posts, which begin July 1, 1989.

The vacancies occurred with the expiration of the terms held by Aruffo, Kramer and Thomas Kavanagh. Kavanagh opted not to seek reappointment to the voluntary position. Aruffo and Kramer were nominated by 7-0 votes, while the appointment of O'Branovic was approved on a 5-2 ballot. Council Members Joseph Toth and Nancy Covert

Kramer: 'I am delighted with the reappointment. I'm prepared to continue to serve the city and people.'

dissented. After Monday's selection process, Toth said he voted against O'Branovic because he was concerned that O'Branovic's employment might be a conflict of interest with the city. O'Branovic works for Lautrec Ltd. in Farmington Hills, which is a property management company.

Covert said she did not support O'Branovic because she thought he might favor cluster development over large-lot zoning.

Kramer on Tuesday said he thought O'Branovic presented himself well during the council interviews. "He showed a good understanding of planning issues and he spoke well," Kramer said, adding that he is looking forward to working with O'Branovic over the next three years.

Kramer, who is a vehicle development engineer for Chrysler Corp.,

the meetings he attends, he puts in time either on the phone, and checking sites or plans or in the city center.

"I'm looking forward to the unexpected new issues coming to Novi," he added, citing residential growth, the Urban Design Plan and the continuation of long-range planning according to the master plan.

Both Kramer and Aruffo came to the planning commission with no prior planning experience, except for being able to read blue prints as a result of their respective jobs.

On O'Branovic's appointment, Aruffo praised the decision of the mayor and city council. "He probably won't even need an introduction," Aruffo said, referring to O'Branovic's previous six-year tenure with the city.

According to O'Branovic's application, he has been a Novi resident for seven years. As reason for wanting the position he stated: "I believe I can bring a knowledge and common sense attitude to the planning commission process." He also cited the importance of awareness of city issues and sensitivity to community concerns.

O'Branovic could not be reached for comment.

Reunions

Novi High School '69: Members of the Novi High School graduating class of 1969 — the first Novi graduating class — will celebrate their 20th reunion on Saturday, Aug. 12.

Class President Gary Boyer said the reunion will be held at the Country Epicure restaurant at 42659 Grand River in Novi from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Classmates are encouraged to call 437-8253 or the high school office at 344-8300 for more information.

Novi High School '79: The Novi High School 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 Shely Montiz at 349-9453 for more information.

Novi High School '84: The Novi High School class of 1984 will conduct its five-year class reunion July 22 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Nifty Norman's in Walled Lake.

The evening will include hors d'oeuvres, a disc jockey and dancing. All class members are urged to contact Mollie MacEachern at 348-7827.

Ladywood High School '59: The 1959 graduating class from Ladywood High School will hold its 30th reunion at the Sheraton Oaks in Novi on Saturday, June 24, at 12 noon.

Classmates may call Kathy McGuffin at 349-4242 for more information.

Northville High School '69: The Northville High School graduating class of 1969 will hold its 20th reunion on Saturday, July 29.

Former classmates may obtain more information by calling Darlene (Murphy) Francis at 881-1058 or Stacey (Evans) Becker at 348-4465.

City enters trash authority

By PHIL GINOTTI
staff writer

The Southwest Oakland County Solid Waste Consortium (SOCSWC) moved closer to securing a financing arm this week. The Novi City Council Monday approved a resolution allowing SOCSWC to incorporate into an authority.

Each of the six member communities in the consortium is expected to pass such resolutions in the next few weeks. A seventh community — Wixom — is currently considering whether or not to join.

Incorporating will allow SOCSWC to become an authority, which would be responsible for trash programs for the communities in the southwest corner of Oakland County. The authority would be run by a board of trustees made up of member communities and would construct and operate a 15-acre recycling center.

Participants include Southfield, Farmington Hills, Farmington, Novi, South Lyon and Walled Lake. The new authority would be called the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County.

"It will allow it to become legal and start to do business," said Novi Mayor Matthew Quinn. "It's really the major step in that direction."

The authority would follow Oakland County's plan to

construct and operate a landfill and incinerator. It would collect refuse from the six or seven member communities and utilize the recycling center built in one of the member communities.

Each authority member will be required to submit detailed site plans for such a facility to be located within its boundaries.

City Manager Edward Kriewall said the authority is likely to provide some assistance in helping to level off waste hauling rates for local residents, because of the authority's size and bargaining power. Waste hauling rates are expected to spiral in the next few years as landfill space dwindles and more specialized programs, like curbside recycling, begin going into place.

"The cost-effectiveness of approaching solid waste programs in this fashion is going to be evident for years to come," Kriewall said. "The benefits will be evident to residents over the long haul."

Kriewall said the facility would also do composting for the member communities. Specific programs and possible rates aren't yet available.

Novi will be required to pay approximately \$23,000 — \$1 per resident — to fund the consortium's switch to an authority.

Wixom is reportedly ready to consider joining the consortium this week.

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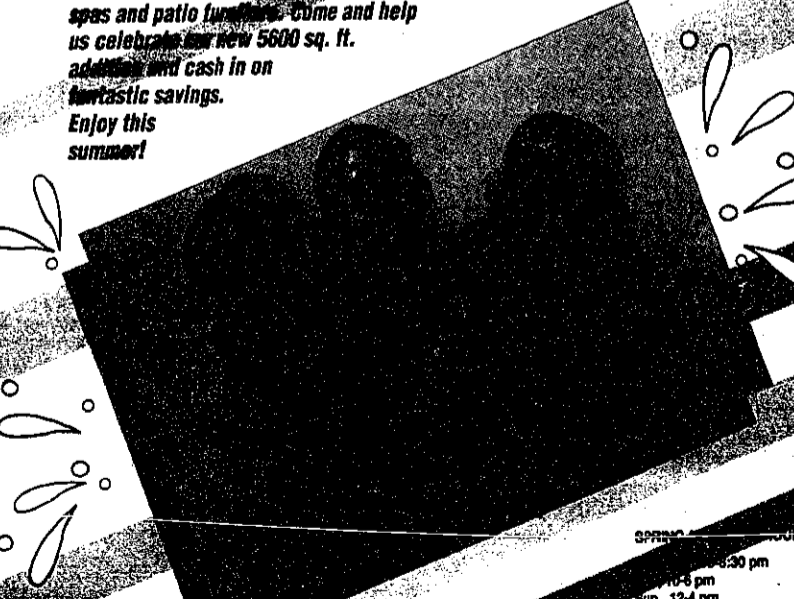
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Administrative Salaries

Novi Community School District
A comparison of 1988-89 and 1989-90 figures

	'88-89	'89-90
Superintendent	\$84,300	\$90,201
<i>Robert Piwko</i>		
Assistant Superintendent	\$75,380	\$80,663
<i>William Barr</i>		
Director of Educational Programs	\$65,710	\$70,309
<i>Rita Traynor</i>		
Director of Personnel	\$65,710	\$70,309
<i>John Swallow</i>		
High School Principal	\$65,710	\$70,309
<i>Robert Youngberg</i>		
Middle School Principal	\$58,528	\$62,625
<i>Charles Nanas</i>		
Novi Meadows Elementary Principal	\$54,380	\$61,822
<i>Timothy Falls (promoted from Middle School Assist. Principal)</i>		
Novi Woods Elementary Principal	\$57,778	\$61,822
<i>Roy Williams</i>		
Orchard Hills Elementary Principal	\$57,778	\$61,822
<i>Paul LePine</i>		
Village Oaks Elementary Principal	\$57,778	\$61,822
<i>David Brown</i>		
High School Assistant Principal	\$54,380	\$58,186
<i>Milan Obrenovich</i>		
High School Assistant Principal	\$54,380	\$58,186
<i>Calvin Schmucker</i>		
Novi Meadows Elementary Assistant Principal	\$52,380	\$57,186
<i>Jackie Lawrence</i>		
Middle School Assistant Principal	—	\$56,186
<i>(Currently unfilled)</i>		
Director of Athletics	\$48,261	\$51,635
<i>John Fundukian</i>		

Source: Novi Community School District

Board okays pay hikes

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Schram responded that it has been the practice in past years to grant administrators and other employees identical pay hikes.

The increase puts Novi Schools Superintendent Robert Piwko over the \$90,000 mark (see graphic). Piwko's yearly base salary of \$90,201 is supplemented with a \$85 per month car allowance and term life insurance.

In comparison to neighboring school districts, the seven percent increase falls within the average. Birmingham Schools gave administrators an 8 percent increase in the past, and Walled Lake has given a 6 percent increase.

The Northville school district, which paid its superintendent, \$75,171 last year, upped administrators' salaries there by 7 percent also. Northville Schools has yet to approve new administration salaries.

Other school districts surveyed by the Novi News were West Bloomfield, South Lyon and Plymouth-Canton. Superintendent salaries, number of students per district and operating budget are listed below, ranked according to superintendent base salary. Some of the figures, particularly salaries, are from the 1988-89 school year, as not all school districts have approved new administrative salaries yet.

WEST BLOOMFIELD Superintendent (1988-89) — \$75,171 Students — 3,811

In addition to approving a 7 percent salary hike for administrators for 1989-90, the school board voted to extend the 7 percent increase to the 1990-91 school year as well.

Budget — \$18.7 million
SOUTH LYON Superintendent (1989-90) — \$75,761 Students — 4,196
Budget — \$15.4 million
Assistant administrator salaries ranged from a high of \$79,727 in Birmingham (1988-89) to a low of \$67,152 in Northville (1988-89).

In addition to the Novi administrators, non-bargaining unit employees receiving the 7 percent pay increase include secretaries to the superintendent, assistant superintendent and director of personnel; maintenance, custodial, transportation, payroll and mechanics staff; finance and administrative assistant; care, noon and transportation aids; Adult and Community Education facilitators; and parking lot attendants, crossing guards and CARE coordinator.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON Superintendent (1988-89) — \$89,770 Students — 15,316
Budget — \$98.8 million
NOVI Superintendent (1989-90) — \$90,201 Students — 3,665
Budget — \$20.5 million
WALLED LAKE Superintendent (1988-89) — \$81,000 Students — 8,966
Budget — \$42.3 million
NORTHVILLE Superintendent (1988-89) — \$75,171 Students — 3,811

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Novi paves way for Haggerty road connector plans

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The decision to endorse one of two alternatives comes two weeks after the council voted to adopt a "no endorsement" position on the Haggerty Road connector proposals.

The "no endorsement" position caught officials from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) by surprise since the council has consistently supported plans for a north-south connector route to ease traffic congestion on Haggerty Road for the past three years.

MDOT Director Mike Flajole told the city council at a special meeting on June 12 that failure to endorse one of the alternatives could jeopardize the entire project.

Flajole said MDOT needed city approval of one of the alternatives before the state could move ahead with property acquisition to construct the proposed interchange and the roadway that will extend from Twelve Mile north to Pontiac Trail.

The action to endorse one of two alternatives marked significant movement from the council's "no endorsement" position two weeks ago, but still demonstrated a division among council members on plans for

Residents ponder dead fish cause

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Spitzer said there are many things which may help explain the Walled Lake phenomenon.

For one, he said normal winds would blow dead fish to the south and southeast shores. This year, the winds have been more northerly; he said, which could account for more fish than usual on the north part of the lake.

He said the chemicals approved for application in the lake should not kill fish directly. "Used properly, they don't kill fish, they kill weeds."

DNR Aquatic Biologist Maureen Hein agreed. "There are much, much, much larger treatments going on ... and we do not get fish killed directly by the treatments," she said.

Spitzer said that fish can die when the dead weeds decompose, using up oxygen the fish need to live. But on a small, four-acre application like that at the condominium complex, oxygen deprivation is not really a worry, he said.

Hot weather, dark days and warm water — all of which have been present lately — make survival more difficult for fish on spawning beds, Spitzer said. A rough winter might also contribute to fish deaths, he added.

"There's just a whole bunch of things that can interact here," he said. "I'm sorry people are angry, but their solution will be. They're just refusing to believe mother nature could do that."

"Turtles don't live forever. Certain of the larger fish, they died of old age, perhaps," he said. "It happens every spring. It's not unusual. It is tens of thousands (the residents).

Watson: 'There's no doubt that there's an immense problem (with traffic that must be resolved). If we wait another year, five years or 20 years, there would still be no perfect solution.'

the Haggerty Road connector. Strong support for endorsing Alternative 4A came from Mayor Matthew Quinn and Council Member Martha Hoyer. Opposition to all the existing Haggerty Road connector proposals was led by Council Members Joseph Toth and Hugh Crawford.

The remaining council members — Nancy Covert, Edward Leininger and Ron Watson — formed the nucleus of the coalition which led to support of either Alternative 3B or 4A.

Noting that the council had endorsed Alternative 4A in January 1988 and the dire need for alleviating con-

gestion on Haggerty Road, Hoyer said she would not stop the project by taking a "no endorsement" position. Quinn said Alternative 4A is not the end solution, "but it's the start of a solution."

"With the Haggerty Road connector we are taking the first step toward resolving traffic problems in this community," he said. "After we've taken that first step, we can move on to the next stages of improving the east-west roads in the community. You will see these other improvements fall in place over the next five to seven years."

Toth took an opposing position, saying the Haggerty Road connector will magnify the existing traffic problem — not solve it.

"I think there are other solutions," he said. "Haggerty Road will have to be widened regardless of what goes on with the Haggerty Road connector."

Crawford agreed with Toth, saying he supported the "no endorsement" position so that other alternatives for dealing with traffic will be submitted for consideration.

A motion from Hoyer to support Alternative 4A was rejected by the council on a 5-2 vote. Quinn joined Hoyer as the only two affirmative votes.

With Leininger and Covert leading the way, the council subsequently adopted the motion calling for support of either Alternative 3B or 4A pending review of the final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Leininger said he wanted to see the final EIS before giving "carte blanche" approval of Alternative 4A. "If we support one or the other of these alternatives, it would permit work on the interchange to be started," he said.

Covert said she recognized the need for a solution to north-south traffic problems. "I have not heard of another alternative that will do the job," she said.

Watson defended the council's "no endorsement" position of June 5, but acknowledged the need to move forward.

"My concern is that Alternatives 3 and 4 are disturbing one of the best residential areas in the city," he said, referring to Summit Drive which will be seriously impacted by development of the interchange at Twelve Mile, west of Haggerty Road. "There's no doubt that there's an immense problem (with traffic that must be resolved)," he continued.

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ADVERTISMENT WINNERS CIRCLE
BY LAURIE KIPP

Michigan has had a Lotto game for nearly five years now. Nevertheless, readers still have a lot of questions about the game and especially its winners.

Q: How many winners have there been?
A: Through the end of May, more than 3,500,000 players have won Lotto prizes. That's the equivalent of almost one prize for every two adults in this state.

Q: How much have they won?
A: Since the original Lotto game started in August of 1984, players have won over \$1,975,000,000. At this rate, prizes may reach \$2 billion in July.

Q: How many jackpots have been won?
A: As of this writing, 359 players won or shared jackpots worth more than \$200,000. This includes 36 lottery clubs.

Q: What was the largest jackpot?
A: Michigan's record of \$30.5 million was set September 17, 1988. Two lucky winners shared that prize.

Q: What was the biggest individual prize?
A: A \$17 million jackpot was won by a two-member lottery club on February 15, 1988.

Q: How have players matching five or four of the winning numbers fared?
A: They have done pretty well for themselves, too, collecting a total of more than \$400,000,000. The largest prize for matching five numbers was \$4,000 on January 25, 1989. The top prize for matching four numbers, \$14,400, came on June 29, 1988.

Q: How long has Michigan's Lotto game gone without a jackpot winner?
A: Seven consecutive rollovers led up to the record jackpot last September.

Q: Why are jackpots in some other states larger than Michigan's?
A: The odds of winning are much larger in some other lotteries, so more rollovers occur, boosting the size of the jackpot. For example, Illinois' game requires players to match six of 54 numbers. The odds of doing this are about one in 13 million, compared with Michigan's odds of about one in 1 million.

Q: Why are jackpots paid over 30 years?
A: This is done to allow bigger prizes to winners. Funds set aside for jackpots are invested, with winners getting all the principal and interest earned. Without the 30-year plan, jackpots would only be about half as large as they are now.

For submitting the first question leading to this column, Josephine Kallarek, of Okemos, will receive 20 "Phone & Postcard" tickets. Note: When duplicate questions are received, that with the earliest date stamp open arrival at Lottery Central wins. In case of a tie, the winner is selected by random drawing.

If you have a question not yet covered in these monthly columns, send it to: "Michigan's Winning Lottery," P.O. Box 30077, Lansing, MI 48920.



Lorna Penn makes certain the injured swan gets his medicine four times per day

Novi veterinarian nurses swan

By PHILIP JEROME managing editor

All things considered, it was a fairly good Father's Day. His wife and seven children were there, of course. And the whole family spent the entire day paddling around Walled Lake, stopping off now and then for a picnic along the shore.

It is not your typical American family ... unless you consider a family of swans to be a typical American family.

And just one week prior to Father's Day, it looked like there wouldn't be any kind of Father's Day whatsoever for the family of swans that lives along the shores of South Lake Drive. The father swan was seriously injured around 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 17.

Residents don't know exactly what happened, but they do know that it showed up Sunday morning with a badly damaged right wing.

"My girlfriend called to tell me he had been hurt," said Lorna Penn, one of the handful of South Lake Drive residents who serve as sort of self-appointed guardians for the family of swans.

The Penns have lived on South Lake Drive approximately seven years. And they say the mother and father swan have been there longer than they have.

"I feed them every day," she reported. "It's not so much that I've trained them; it's more like they've trained me. They know I will feed them, so they'll come up on the lawn when they're hungry and call for me to give them something to eat."

Although the swans are wild, Penn said they respond when she calls and will come to within approximately five feet of her at feeding time.

Penn and the other South Lake Drive residents believe the accident might have happened in one of two ways. Because the male swan is very protective of his family, he thrashes his wings and charges whenever boats get close to his brood.

One possibility is that someone poked an ear at him, striking him underneath the wing during one of his charges.

"We called the Lakes Area Residents Association (LARA) and they got involved in our campaign to save the swan. And we called a lot of other people," reported Penn. "I personally must have made about 30 phone calls. I received a couple of offers to put the swan out of its misery, but that was just unacceptable."

Finally, Penn was able to make contact with Tom Kavanagh, a Novi veterinarian, who agreed to come out to the lake to see what could be done.

"When he (Kavanagh) got here, the bleeding had stopped again," said Penn. "When the injury first happened, the swan had separated from his family. But by Sunday afternoon, he had rejoined his family and was looking a little better."

"You could see the wing was hurting him, because he poked at the wound with his bill ... which was probably why it kept bleeding. But he was also trying to clean it; he kept dabbing water on it and had managed to clean most of the dried blood off the feathers underneath the wing."

Kavanagh came out and prescribed some medicine to prevent the wound from becoming infected.

And the residents have been giving the swan four capsules a day ever since. "I split the capsules with one of my neighbors (Melissa Atherolls) and we manage to make sure he gets his pills four times a day by putting them in whole wheat rolls," said Penn.

Penn said she and the other residents are grateful to Kavanagh who not only came out on Sunday afternoon but also donated his time and the medicine. And they're also grateful to LARA which is helping to purchase food for the swan and his family.

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The other possibility is that he injured the wing by flying into the rear of the boat while charging a boat that got too close to his family.

Regardless of how it happened, the swan was in bad shape when found by residents Sunday morning. One of the residents called the Humane Society, which dispatched a representative Sunday morning at six o'clock to look at the swan.

Difficult to approach when healthy, the injured swan was even more difficult to approach with his injured wing. And because the bleeding appeared to have stopped early Sunday morning, the Humane Society representative advised residents to see if the healing process could occur without human intervention.

By noon, however, the wing had started bleeding again, and residents were becoming increasingly concerned.

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A Public Hearing having been held hereon pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Act 207 of the Public Acts of 1921, as amended, the provisions of this Ordinance become effective fifteen (15) days after adoption. The Ordinance was adopted on June 19, 1989, and the effective date is July 5, 1989. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public purchase, use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk during the hours of 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, local time.

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As We See It

Haggerty connector an incomplete plan

It's the road that starts nowhere and ends at Pontiac Trail, for now ... and maybe for good.



Government

Currently there are really only two alternatives remaining with the Haggerty Road connector.

A persistent rumor that M-9, or something akin to it, will actually be built to the west, along Wixom or Beck roads.

In any case, it's certainly a strange way to deal with traffic planning. What about a regional approach?

The straight northbound route, avoiding a peat bog near Fourteen Mile, appears to be the favorite of local communities and civic groups.

For Novi, Alternative 4A may or may not pay benefits. It could route southbound traffic headed for Eight Mile and I-275 directly onto the freeway.

There are reasons to be optimistic about this project. After all, it's nice to see action — any kind of action — to help address the problem of traffic congestion.

And there's also no assurance that this traffic plan will work.

But the problem with these proposed Haggerty Road connector routes is that, plainly, they don't address the entire scope of traffic problems in the Haggerty Road corridor.

But what bothers us the most is that, at this point, there appears to be no commitment from MDOT to build anything north of Pontiac Trail.

Ever since this latest plan of action came out in the MDOT Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) released in May, there have been persistent rumors about what the full north-south route — to M-59 — will actually be. M-9 is planned to go all the way through to M-59, which is the ultimate solution to the Haggerty Road traffic congestion problem.

The people of Novi and west Oakland County are certainly over the barrel. Lord knows what will happen if MDOT gets sent back to the drawing board. We might never hear from them again.

MDOT's stance on this project — the Haggerty Road connector project — seems to be that this may or may not be the ultimate route of M-9. It's fueled a number of rumors, including

But right know, it appears like that's exactly where they should be — back at the drawing board — to address a full north-south plan for dealing with traffic congestion in western Oakland County. Put it all on the table, before asking people to support bits and pieces.

Quiet contribution

We won't have Joan Daley to kick around anymore after June 30. But then it has never been easy to "kick around" Joan Daley even though she has been an important figure in the community for more than a decade.

value of her public service. The quality of education in the Novi schools has come a long way since Daley was first named to the board. Today, Novi is regarded as having one of the finest school districts in the state and even the nation.

Daley will attend her last meeting as a member of the Novi school board next week — ending a career of public service that stretches back to 1976 when she was first appointed to the board.

Obviously, Joan Daley has not been solely responsible for the improvement that has occurred. But she deserves a portion of the credit for being a part of the system which created the environment under which the improvement could take place.

Since that time, she has been elected to three consecutive four-terms on the board. She has twice served as board president in addition to holding several other board offices.

At last week's school board meeting, Board President Michael Meyer cited Daley for bringing "a certain integrity" to the board during her years of service.

In one sense, it is difficult to assess Joan Daley's contribution to the quality of the Novi Community School District in the almost-13 years she has served as a board member. She has served quietly, conscientiously and constructively. She is the last person you would expect to find at the center of a controversy, choosing instead to operate in a low-key, soft-spoken manner.

We would use a different word to characterize Daley's contribution — "gentility." That gentility coupled with a dedication to the educational process has helped create the atmosphere in which the school district could grow and improve.

The community owes much to Joan Daley. Her contributions will be felt for many years to come.

And that may be the key to the

Lessons from kindergarten

I met her in the summer of 1988, on one of those hot, humid, energy-draining days.



Brenda Dooley

She was in the backyard of her parent's home in Novi's Meadowbrook Glens subdivision with a handful of her friends. They were gathered for a party to celebrate a momentous occasion looming in their young futures — the first day of kindergarten.

Her youthful voice and high-pitched laughter carried through the yard — the humidity didn't dampen her energy. The young girl, Jennifer Davies, was waiting for her turn to hit a colorful pinata hanging from a wire strung in the backyard. She was blindfolded and swung at the paper mache figure stuffed with prizes, the plastic bag barely missing the pinata.

When her turn was over, Jennifer was reluctant to give the bat up. She was determined to break the pinata open. At the urging of her mom, Diane, she gave her friends a chance to try.

We met every month throughout the year to talk about Jennifer's progress in school. Diane graciously opened her door month after month and let me into the family's cozy living room to talk to her daughter. And at other times she opened the door to photographer Chris Boyd, appropriately armed with his camera, to take candid photos of her daughters and the rest of the family.

What a year it was for Jennifer... she lost her two front teeth, took part in an experimental kindergarten/first grade academic trial, mastered the art of riding a two-wheeler bike, celebrated a birthday and made new friends at school.

teacher also spotted the child's learning capabilities, tagging her as a potential candidate for the Novi Gifted and Talented Program.

And what a year for me... It wasn't long until I began to feel like a part of the family, reveling in Jennifer's accomplishments and triumphs, even anxious to see the next art project she completed.

I watched in fascination as Jennifer and her little sister, Allison, lost their babyish appearances and sprouted in height, like delicate wildflowers growing out of control. Diane called every now in then with tidbits of information and I drank them in with relish. It was a fine day when I heard that Jennifer had learned how to ride her bike — without training wheels.

One day, Novi teacher Marianne Boschma invited me to sit in on a kindergarten class. The children were eager to learn and anxious to tell their teacher about things that were happening at home. When one student complained that a classmate had pushed him, Boschma suggested that he tell his friend that his feelings were hurt. The classmate promptly apologized.

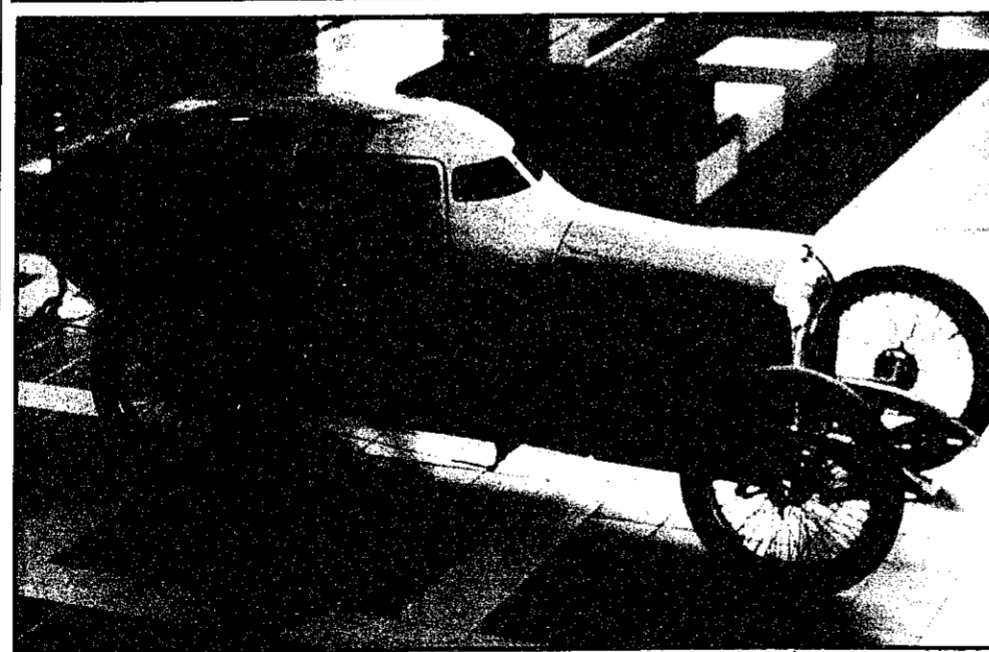
Boschma urged the students to ask me questions about my job as a reporter and about the newspaper in general. With surprise, I discovered they were still learning how to ask questions — a skill we all take for granted. I stayed for a science lesson about amphibians and a slide show about kindergarten.

The day was sunny and warm, a perfect summer afternoon. And Boschma suggested the students take a brief recess from their lessons. They scurried outside to drink in the fresh air and to exhaust some of their youthful energy.

I left them soon afterward, feeling that they had taught me lessons I had forgotten that I learned — to be kind to others and to treat people with respect, to listen and to embrace new ideas even if we don't agree with them; to keep trying to achieve things that may be difficult to master; and to take time to have fun.

Forum

By Chris Boyd



Hmmm... perhaps a new squad car?

The ultimate recycling system

I have a solution to part of the recycling/landfill problem... the part about what to do with the grass clippings.



Phil Jerome

If you've been paying attention, you're probably aware that there's a major concern about garbage these days. And part of the concern has to do specifically with landfills — we're filling them up too fast... we've got to come up with a better way of getting rid of things in this fast-paced, throw-away society in which we live.

And it works both ways. Because after they're done with the grass clippings, I put the cart on my tractor, drive over to the corral to pick up the droppings, and spread all that wonderful fertilizer around my trees.

One of the proposals has to do with grass clippings. According to some reports, grass clippings comprise 30 percent of the trash being dumped into landfills. Remove the grass clippings and you save a lot of room in landfills for other things, says the theory, so there's a big push nowadays for getting the grass out of the landfills.

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An 'open letter' to city officials Letters

To the Editor:

An open letter to the Novi City Council. The City of Novi is considering several strategic decisions that will determine whether Novi will be a city of living space or steel space.

Two of these strategic issues are zoning for a strip mall at Ten Mile and Beck Road and the construction of a major highway (the M-9 Connector) alongside Haggerty Road.

Before acting on these strategic issues — the addition of a strip mall and another highway — our city council should obtain some credible forecasts (from independent study groups) of what will happen to our city.

The average person in Farmington Hills earns 16 percent more income than in Novi. In West Bloomfield the per capita income is 44 percent higher than Novi. Haggerty Road is becoming the boundary between the "have" and "have-nots."

Among these human considerations, council should address the following questions:

1. Will the income of Novi residents continue to fall behind Farmington Hills and West Bloomfield?

2. What is the forecast for the number of Novi residents in high paying professional or high-tech jobs compared to the people in the communities east of Haggerty Road?

3. How many (and which) Novi residents will lose resale value because there are fewer low-density living areas left in the city?

4. Will the homes east of Haggerty Road grow in value faster than in Novi?

5. How many homes in Novi will lose long-term resale value because there are fewer low-density living areas left in the city?

6. Will the children of Novi be more socially isolated from the more affluent suburbs of Farmington Hills and West Bloomfield?

7. Will Novi children be transferred out of the Maple Elementary School if a major highway is built between their homes and school?

8. Will the Novi residents of Stonehenge, which is off Haggerty Road, have any opportunity to get the whole picture... our children and grandchildren will have to live with these consequences long after the fast-food stores and strip malls are abandoned.

9. I urge city council to study the long-range consequences of these two issues. We must know both the human and environmental impacts on the next generation of families in Novi. Anything else is short term exploitation. I think you will want to think of the long-range vision for living quality in Novi.

10. What is the expected growth in crime rates associated with the increased transient traffic through Novi? The city council should not support either of these proposals without knowing the long-range human impact on the people of Novi.

Among these human considerations, council should address the following questions:

The M-9 connector warns that the study should evaluate the total long range plan for highways in this region. This long-range plan includes a major highway all the way to M-59 (not just to Pontiac Trail).

This long-range plan poses greater risk for wildlife, wetlands, water quality, noise, flood control and land use. We owe it to the next generations of children in Novi to get the whole picture... our children and grandchildren will have to live with these consequences long after the fast-food stores and strip malls are abandoned.

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1. I am a resident of Stonehenge, which is off Haggerty Road. On Monday evening there was a Novi Council Meeting at the Civic Center, chaired by Mayor (Matthew) Quinn.

After the planning board showed different diagrams of the planned proposals for the Haggerty corridor and spoke up same, Mayor Quinn called upon the council members for questions.

By the time this was completed it was 7:45 p.m. The mayor then asked for questions from the audience. The remainder of the meeting was taken over by the property owners, where the proposed construction was shown. By the time they finished Mayor Quinn adjourned the meeting.

amount received should have been allocated to public safety and preferably to fire protection personnel. We are to the point where we may have to demand full-time fire protection. Our lives and property are on the line.

What I am afraid is the majority of our police personnel do not know CPR. In an accident, it is usually a police car that arrives first. We should demand that all police officers learn and utilize CPR techniques in order to save lives. In a life or death situation, it is the first six minutes that counts.

Furthermore, I can't believe that a project of this magnitude does not require the approval of city council — the elected decision-making body — whose approval, smaller scale subdivisions are under much more scrutiny and require more approvals before proceeding.

It seems that something is seriously wrong here.

Laura J. Lorenzo

Response critical

To the Editor: Thank you for your story on Fire Department Response Times in the June 3, 1988, edition. This is an issue that all residents of Novi must be concerned with.

There are less personnel at the fire department now than there were four years ago. If we are not willing to support this department by working as a volunteer (paid-on-call) firefighter, then we must demand full-time staffing of the department.

The obvious question then is where will the funds come from to pay for these personnel. The obvious answer is for the council to reprioritize spending, funding first our public safety departments (police and fire).

Did you know that \$100,000 of the mid-decade census funds received from Lansing were allocated to connect sidewalks? A necessary expense, but not at the cost of understaffed fire personnel. That whole

I was under the impression that this meeting was also for the Novi residents to give their viewpoints. We were not given the opportunity to speak. My hand was not recognized. I thought that was the purpose of the meeting in the first place. Now we are back to "square one."

So, I am taking this opportunity to speak my piece. If the proposed construction is passed by the council, it will take 3-4 years before completion. Why not, until such time, alleviate the bottlenecks on Haggerty Road with the following?

1. Widen Haggerty Road and Ten Mile in all directions to facilitate right and left turns, such as is done at Nine Mile and Haggerty.

2. Let turn arrow on westbound Ten Mile from northbound traffic.

3. No right turn on red light from Ten Mile.

Al Weiss

Is it a speed trap? On being heard

To the Editor: I would like to bring to your attention what I feel is an oversight in traffic control.

There is a half-mile stretch of road on South Lake Drive, east of West Road, where the speed limit is 25 miles per hour. This area is surrounded only by wooded fields, leaving no apparent purpose for the 25 mph speed limit.

Very often I find a Novi police officer sitting on the side of the road awaiting that driver who may be exceeding the set speed of 25 mph.

I would like to know the justification for setting such a low speed limit in this area unless it is simply a speed trap. If this is so, I am deeply concerned about the waste of finances which our law enforcement system incurs. I feel it unnecessary for a trained police officer to spend valuable time sitting on the side of a road rather than using this time in a more constructive way.

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Milford resident

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CITY HALL COMMENTARY The residents of Novi are planning vacations to fun spots all around the country. Some will fly, some will drive, but we all have one thing in common. We are leaving our homes vacant and unprotected. "Don't let a false sense of security ruin your vacation." What can we do to ensure that we won't become a victim of burglary while we are away? The Novi Crime Prevention Section offers the following tips: A neglected house invites a thief. Therefore, before you leave on vacation, ask a neighbor to pick up your mail or have delivery stopped by filling out a form at the Post Office. Suspend newspaper deliveries. Mow your lawn before leaving, and arrange to have it mowed again if necessary. Leave your curtains open and equip your light fixtures with automatic timers that will go on and off at approximate times. Leave a radio on. Remember, noise and lights are the best defenses against burglars. The outside of your home should be lit up with floodlights (minimum of 100 watts). These lights should illuminate walkways and entries to your home. Hedges and trees should be trimmed by all windows and doors so a burglar can't hide while he is attempting to get inside your home. If you need help with security lighting, Detroit Edison may be able to offer assistance. Of course, one of the best weapons against burglary is the proper use of effective locks. All doors leading outside should be equipped with a single cylinder dead bolt locks with a minimum of a 1" throw. These locks are available at any local hardware store. Sliding doors and windows should have interior locks on both the top and bottom track. Finally, one thing we all have to do is watch out for our neighbor's home. Even though the above mentioned ways of reducing home burglaries have been proven effective, nothing is 100% guaranteed to prevent your home from being robbed. Help the Novi Police help you! Become our eyes and ears in the neighborhoods. If you see or hear any suspicious activity, call us at 911. We will respond as quickly as possible. By working together, your Police Department and fellow neighbors can help to ensure a good vacation and a happy homecoming. Denise Muscat

People

ALBERT HWANG of Novi has been selected to receive a Regents-Alumni Scholar Merit Award by the University of Michigan. The awards are presented for "outstanding academic achievement, scholarly promise and potential contribution to the university community."

Some 523 top high school students were selected from a total of 1,256 nominations for the merit award based on their grades, class ranking and test scores. Students selected as Regents-Alumni Scholars receive a \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship when the enroll in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor in the fall of 1989.

Six Novi residents have earned bachelor's degrees from Madonna College in Livonia.

JANET BAZZY of Dunbarton Court earned a bachelor's degree in Management, MARTHA CHAMPINE of Siegal Drive received a bachelor's degree with high honors in Legal Assistant, NANCY HASKETT of McMahan earned a bachelor's degree in Nursing, DIANE HAGLE of West LeBost earned a bachelor's degree in Public Administration, ROSANNE O'SULLIVAN of Penton Rise Court earned a bachelor's degree in Nursing, and DEBORAH ROGERS of Midway Drive received a bachelor's degree in SSC-History Core.

ROY NUFFER of Novi has received a Presidential Recognition Award from Schoolcraft College. The award is given to outstanding college employees, who are nominated by their supervisors and co-workers. Nuffer is a librarian at Schoolcraft College.

PEGGY LIAO of Novi finished 22nd in her grade level at the State Mathematics Finals at Central Michigan University. A seventh grader at Novi Middle School, she is the daughter of Kenneth and Karen Liao.

Approximately 600 students in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades took the test sponsored by the Michigan Council of Teachers of Mathematics. They qualified for the finals by finishing among the top scorers at eight regional competitions around the state. More than 4,000 students competed at the regional level.

Three Novi residents have been named to the Academic Achievement List at Siena Heights College in Adrian. The list recognizes part-time students who attained a 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0 during the 1988-89 second semester.

Named to the list were CHRISTINE HANKINS of Bashian Drive, MILES JARVIS of Copland and JAMES LAMBERTUS of Sunrise. Jarvis and Lambertus both had perfect 4.0 grade point averages.

MARIE GANNON of Novi has been awarded the Doctor of Optometry degree by Illinois College of Optometry (ICO). She is the daughter of Robert and Barbara Gannon of Novi.

Prior to enrolling at ICO, Gannon attended Ferris State College where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1985. She has been involved in many student activities including the Collegiate Association for the Advancement of Contact Lenses, the Sports Vision Club and the Student Volunteers for Optometric Services to Humanity. She also was president of the Omega Delta Fraternity.

Located in Chicago, Ill., the Illinois College of Optometry is the nation's oldest and largest optometric educational institution providing a four-year, post graduate professional training program culminating in the degree of Doctor of Optometry.

Two Novi residents have earned Master of Arts degrees from Michigan State University. EILEEN CAROTHERS of Cranbrooke and TRUDY DANLEY of Old Orchard both earned MA degrees in Curriculum and Teaching.

Home sales still high with drop

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"Historically, housing sales start to go up when the media reports that the interest rate is going up," said Jakubowski.

"People read that the interest rate is climbing and will make a decision to purchase a home at that time in anticipation that interest rates will climb even higher.

"I think what we're experiencing now is the downside of that same trend. When people see that the rates have peaked and are starting to come down, they will delay a decision to purchase a home to see just how far the rates are going to drop."

Mason predicted that the housing market as Novi will never be as hot as it was in the early part of the 1980s. "I think we learned our lesson in 1981-82," she said. "Consumers learned not to buy the first thing they saw. Today, young couples are buying that three-bedroom ranch instead of the four-bedroom colonial they would have bought in the early part of the decade.

"The industry is maturing and so are the consumers."

Jakubowski and Mason noted that available listings have increased — meaning that there are more homes available for sale in Novi than there were previously.

"A few years ago, we would have 10 buyers banging on the door for every new listing that came on the market, but that's just not the case anymore," said Mason. "People are taking their time before making a

Jakubowski: 'The demand has pretty much leveled off, but the thing you have to remember is that housing demand in Novi has been at a fever pitch, so even with a leveling off the demand is still fairly high.'

decision to buy a new house; they aren't rushing you to close the transaction like they used to."

Jakubowski confirmed the increased number of listings, saying the housing market in Novi is a "buyer's market" at the present time.

"The supply of available houses is now exceeding the demand for those houses," he noted. "There are more houses available today than there were a few years ago."

As a result, he added, there are more price reductions on homes than there have been in quite some time.

Another reason for the increase in available housing is related to the construction of new houses, Mason said. "As a result of the new con-

struction, consumers have more new houses to choose from," she noted.

"People will be more cautious about purchasing a home when they recognize that a variety of housing is available in the community where they way to buy."

Jakubowski cited figures which show a 44 percent increase in the number of listed properties from 1988 to 1989. "Right now we have a four-month supply of available properties," he said. "Last year at this same time there was a 2½ to 3-month supply."

Sales figures through the first four months of 1989 show a 3.3 percent increase in the cost of homes (single-family residences and con-

dominiums), according to Jakubowski with the median price (half selling for more and half selling for less) at \$109,500.

"Over the last year or two we are seeing more price reductions — where people put their homes on the market at a certain price and then reduce it to induce buyers," he said. "That's a reflection of the fact that supply is exceeding demand."

The high reputation of the Novi Community School District remains a major attraction for people looking to purchase a new home, according to both Jakubowski and Mason.

"Almost every one of our customers says the reason they're looking at Novi is because of the school system," said Jakubowski. "The general feeling is that Novi has an exceptional school system, and that has a very positive effect on home values."

Mason reported that she sends a copy of the Wall Street Journal article which named Novi as one of the top 21 public school districts in the nation to out-of-state prospects. "There's no question that the reputation of the school district is a major drawing card," she said.

Despite the leveling off of the market, neither Jakubowski nor Mason seems very concerned about the trend.

"It's not a fast-paced market like it was a few years ago, but it's a good, stable market," said Mason. "I feel very comfortable with what's happening right now."

Schools to adopt \$20.5 million budget

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teacher benefits rose 18 percent, in addition to the 9 percent average total "pay/sleep increase" teachers will receive as part of their contract.

Several audience members who spoke during the hearing criticized school officials for the way in which the budget has been presented, saying items are not clear.

Kathy Digirolamo asked for clarification on why certain spending categories reflected significant in-

creases or decreases.

Another resident, Kathy McLallen read a statement concerning her opinion of the budget — after presenting a lemon to Board President Michael Meyer.

"This budget document is a \$20 million lemon," McLallen began, saying that as far as being clear, concise financial information with supporting documentation, "it rates a D-minus."

"We, the taxpayers of this community cannot afford this type of ad-

ministrative mismanagement," she added, saying the budget was late and sloppy.

Among other items, McLallen questioned the number of personal to be hired, substitute teacher pay, drivers education course fees, superintendent mileage compensation, maintenance fees and computer supplies.

"In summary, this budget is not fiscally responsible and I question why any board member would support it," McLallen finished.

Trustee Robert Schram assured McLallen that board members had spent numerous sessions studying the budget. Board President Michael Meyer said he would respond to McLallen's concerns in writing.

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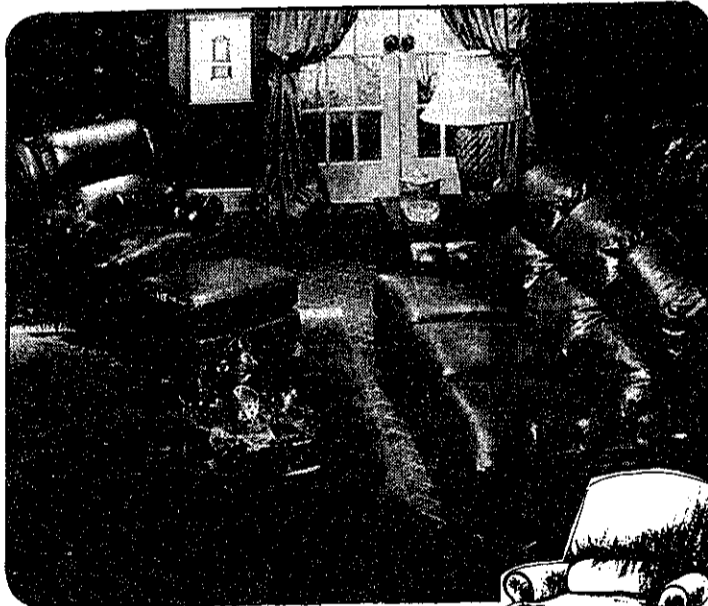
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Back in business McCollum reopens Novi pharmacy

By PHILIP JEROME

In a manner of speaking, the newest business in Novi is one of the oldest.

George McCollum, own owned Novi Drugs on Grand River from 1959 to 1979, is back in business.

McCollum has reopened Novi Drugs — the only difference is that the pharmacy is now located in the Peachtree Center near the Ten Mile/Meadowbrook Road intersection.

"It's a good location," said McCollum, taking a sip from a coffee cup inscribed with the message, "Pharmacists are Rx-ceptional people."

"We're right in the heart of Novi," continued McCollum from behind the counter of his new pharmacy. "We're right in the middle of the residential areas."

Although his new story has been open only a few weeks, the truth of the matter is that McCollum has never been far away from Novi.

"This is my hometown," reported McCollum, now 60. "I've lived here since 1941. The family farm was located at Eleven Mile and Taft Road — where the middle school is now."

McCollum attended the University of Michigan and Detroit Institute of Technology. He spent two years in the U.S. Army as a pharmacist in a hospital in Japan during the Korean War. He then returned to the Novi area where he worked five years as a pharmacist at Gunsell's Pharmacy

"I guess I just wanted to get out of a chain store operation. I prefer to work for myself; I like to be able to offer friendly, personal service."

— George McCollum,
Novi Pharmacy

in Northville before opening Novi Rexall Drugs on Grand River in 1959.

He remained at the Grand River location until he sold the business in 1979. He returned to Wayne State University for some additional education, and returned to Novi the following year, working as a pharmacist at Brown's Drugs, Apex Drugs and Perry's Drugs until leaving to open his new store in the Peachtree Center.

"I guess I just wanted to get out of a chain store operation," he said of the decision to leave Perry's in order to start his own pharmacy. "I prefer to work for myself; I like to be able to offer friendly, personal service."

Like anyone who has been around Novi any length of time, McCollum has observed significant changes in the community over the years. "All the malls have made a major change in Novi, particularly in the area around Twelve Oaks," he said. "There are better living facilities for the residents nowadays as well — much better," he added.

"And there's a faster pace now than there used to be in the old days," he continued. "And the traffic... the

congestion on the roads is much different than it used to be."

But despite the changes, McCollum said he still enjoys Novi. And despite the physical changes, he says the people are pretty much the same.

"That's been one of the nice things about opening my own pharmacy," he said. "The people."

"A lot of my old customers who remember my store on Grand River have come in to see me. And I'm also getting a lot of their children and grandchildren coming to me as customers. Novi's a progressive community, but there are a lot of oldtimers still around, too. It's a very family-oriented community with a lot of second and third generation families."

"I'm already seeing people like the Passinos, Eileen Campbell, the Renauds, Jack Lapides from Jack's Meat Market. A lot of the people who've known me a long time are stopping in to say hello and wish me good luck."

"It feels good to be back in business," he added.

"It feels good to be sitting behind the counter of my own drug store once again."



Pharmacist George McCollum is back in business at his own store in Novi

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U-M professor explores the character of entrepreneurship

An entrepreneur is a combination of a thinker and a doer, says University of Michigan Prof. John E. Troman in a new book, "Entrepreneurial Systems for the 1990s: Their Creation, Structure and Management."

In order to succeed, he said, the entrepreneur must have not only good ideas, but also the proper environment in which those ideas will be allowed to flourish. The entrepreneur might be the person developing a new product, but could just as well be the manager who can elicit new ideas from employees, and then structure work conditions in such a way that the new concept is developed and produced.

My analysis of entrepreneurship shows it as an on-going need in daily business rather than an isolated event from some crazy guy in his garage," said Troman, who is an adjunct professor of organizational behavior and human resource management at the U-M School of Business Administration. He also is a professor at the U-M School of Social Work.

"It takes three things to run an organization — money, people and ideas. Most energy in recent years has been spent on money; secondly on people; and lastly on ideas. I think

there are plenty of organizations with lots of money and people, but which are conceptually bankrupt," Troman said.

Without a steady supply of new ideas, American organizations are doomed to ever decreasing productivity and ever increasing disappointments and failures in the world competitive community," he noted.

"There are common misconceptions about entrepreneurship — that it focuses on small businesses and that it is individual oriented."

As analyzed by Troman, there are four elements that must be in place and operating if new ideas in any organization are to take root and grow. He calls them the "Four C's of Entrepreneurship," or the entrepreneurial quartet.

The four essentials are:

- Characteristics. Entrepreneurs do have identifiable characteristics. For example, they tend to be risk-takers who are self-starting, independent and persistent. "The most important thing to remember about characteristics is that they are changeable and adaptable," Troman said. "They can be honed, augmented, improved and modified. It is the three other ingredients which need more emphasis to create successful new ventures."
- Competencies. To be a successful entrepreneur, you need to do various things and do them well. They include certain intellectual, interpersonal and organizational skills and also distinctive personal and organizational styles.
- Conditions. These are the intermediate influences between individual characteristics and competencies and the larger world. They include the organization — its staff, culture, structure and system — within which the entrepreneur works.
- Context. This is the larger setting, the society, the world, the attitudes and structures of the society which influence the other three elements.

"The entrepreneurial process depends on an individual with certain characteristics, but the three other factors are equally important," said Troman. "You can develop competencies in creating and implementing new ideas, but you need a set of organizational conditions that are supportive and favorable."

"You also need a context that is hospitable to new products or processes. The best idea will die on the vine if your firm or business has a culture hostile to innovation."

In the book, Troman introduces an exercise called the Four C's Conference through which companies can assess their position on each of the four C's. The conference involves members of the firm, and is geared to a group-oriented process.

"In order to compete in the new, global marketplace, you have to renew your organization's elements of innovation and newness," said Troman. "You can't order up entrepreneurship, but you can develop an entrepreneur orientation with attention to the essentials."

Troman's book, co-authored with Gersh Moringstar, is published by Quorum Books. It was written with the support of the Zell-Lurie Commission in the Teaching of Entrepreneurship conducted each year at the U-M School of Business Administration.

Metro MLS chief notes benefits of building up equity in homes

If you are one of America's homeowners — nearly two out of three households — chances are you hold equity worth \$43,285.

That's the median figure for the nation's 56 million homeowners with the total of such savings adding up to about \$3.2 trillion, according to a recently released survey for 1988.

"With the strong appreciation in home values over the past few years, this figure now would be substantially higher," said Eric J. Hunt, president of Metro MLS, the state's largest multiple listing service.

"The recent changes in the tax laws have focused new attention on home equity loans as a means of borrowing needed funds while retaining federal tax deduction benefits," he said. "But, as Realtors keep pointing out, building equity through home-ownership has many other benefits and usually ends up as the largest portion of a typical homeowner's assets."

He said equity built up over several years of home-ownership increases the ability to keep moving up the housing ladder or to pull out a portion of funds for other purposes when a move is made.

"The one-time exclusion of capital gains on primary residences, which can be claimed by persons 55 or older,

also encourages using home-ownership as a long-term savings vehicle," he added. "This is especially important for older homeowners at time of retirement. They can enjoy the fruits of their built-up equity by trading down to smaller, lower-cost housing or liquidate all or the equity and rent."

Hunt noted that median home equity holdings increase with both the age and income level of homeowners. Among age groups, the highest is \$54,537 for those between 55 and 64. The figure was \$100,000 for owners having that or more in annual income, but was at \$35,000 for those making only \$20,000 or less.

"In the Midwest and South, where home ownership percentage is highest, median home equity is only around \$27,000," he said. "This compares with \$50,000 in the Northeast states and \$60,000 in the West."

"But, when you look at the costs of buying a home in the latter two regions, the reasons are quite apparent and indicate why home-ownership is down about 10 percent lower."

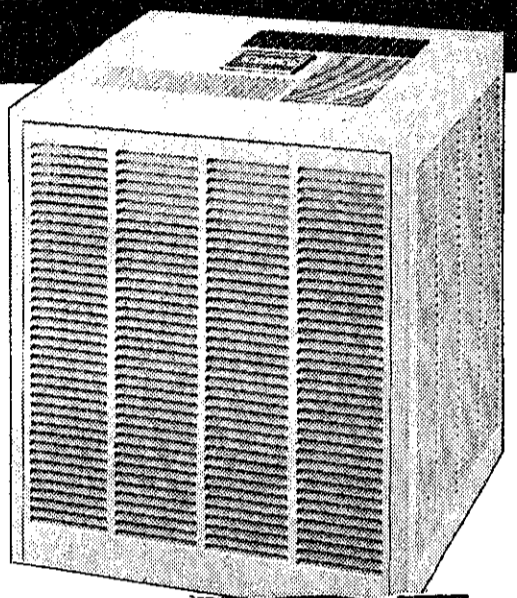
He said March median prices for existing homes in the Northeast were \$146,100 and \$135,800 in the West. This compares to a Midwest median of \$70,900 and \$85,700 in the South.

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From the time your child first finds a dollar from the tooth fairy under the pillow until the time he or she begins saving for college tuition, your role is to help understand the value and purpose of money. Unfortunately, parents frequently forget that even the way they treat pennies in a piggy bank communicates a message about money to a child.

Sara, for example, would often give her 5-year-old son Adam coins to save in his piggy bank. On occasion, however, she would take a few coins out of the bank if she needed change for a toll machine she passes on her way to work. One day, when Sara came into room, she couldn't find the bank. On questioning Adam, she was surprised to find he had hidden the bank on purpose. "You said it was mine," he protested. Only then did Sara realize she had already begun communicating a mixed message to Adam about money.

One of the best vehicles for teaching money management is the weekly allowance, usually given to children from the time they are at least 6 or 7 years old. To make an allowance an effective learning device, CPAs suggest you follow some simple guidelines.

First, don't make an allowance contingent upon household chores. If you link an allowance with chores, the child may very well start viewing the allowance strictly as payment for a job.

Bob found this out the hard way, when his son Peter began working as his household chores. When Bob threatened to cut off his allowance, Peter shrugged. He had decided that he would rather be paid for riding his bike and delivering papers than for doing the dishes and cleaning his room.

Remember, an allowance tells the child he or she is a part of the family; in other words, the allowance represents the child's fair share of the family's income. Household chores, on the other hand, represent the child's duty as a family member. If you confuse the two issues, so will your child.

Another way to make an allowance an effective part of a child's financial learning experience is by carefully outlining its purpose. Take time to explain what expenses you expect the allowance to cover. So, if you expect half of the allowance to pay for school lunches while the remainder covers movies and other types of entertainment, let him or her know.

This way, if your child carelessly spends the money on candy or other items and then cannot afford to go to a movie on the weekend, he or she will get a first-hand lesson in the importance of budgeting.

For a similar reason, you may want to set Monday or Tuesday as "allowance day." This tactic forces children to stretch their funds until the weekend, when they usually need more money. In many cases, an early- or mid-week allowance can make a child understand that he or she cannot always spend money as soon as it's received.

One last point about allowances: whenever possible, keep the amount of your child's allowance similar to those of his or her friends. If you cannot provide a comparative allowance, explain why. In simple matter-of-fact terms, no matter how guilty or frustrated you may feel, try to explain the necessity for

Good jobs available for anesthesiologists

In Hollywood's version of an operating scene, a masked doctor tells the patient to breathe deeply and count slowly backward from one hundred. The patient complies, but rarely reaches ninety-five before drifting off under the effect of an anesthetic.

In reality, patients respond to general anesthesia just as quickly, said David Stasiak, president of the Michigan Association of Nurse Anesthetists.

But, he said, the medical profession administering the anesthetic, rather than being a medical doctor, an anesthesiologist, is just as likely to be certified registered nurse anesthetists.

With yearly salaries as high as \$45,000 to \$50,000, nurse anesthetists are among the highest paid of all nursing specialties, said Stasiak.

The demand for nurse anesthetists will probably increase as more surgery is being done on an outpatient basis. And many physicians who previously administered anesthesia themselves for minor procedures are now choosing to have anesthetists present.

"There are over 60 positions open for certified registered nurse anesthetists in the Detroit-area alone," said Stasiak.

"This profession appeals to a certain type of person," said Christine Zambricki, director of the Nurse Anesthetist Program at Mercy College of Detroit. "They enjoy their knowledge, rather than just taking orders from someone else."

With that independence comes responsibility, however. Mary Jean on a typical day, is involved with three to 10 cases.

She said her duties include inspecting the machinery and the medications, conducting pre-operation interviews with patients, and administering the anesthesia and monitoring the patient's condition.

Certified registered nurse anesthetists must have a Bachelor of Nursing degree and one year's experience in a critical care unit prior to admittance to a nurse anesthetist program, a two- or three-year course of study. They are required to study the use of anesthetics in a variety of areas, including emergency medicine, obstetrics and pediatrics, as well as in such areas as heart surgery.

"It's a very challenging field," said Sherree Campbell-Harris, a nurse anesthetist, who also teaches at the University of Detroit School of Nursing.

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In the past two decades, financial planning has evolved into a multi-billion dollar industry with thousands of advisors who plan and manage investors' finances.

To help consumers select a reputable financial planner who meets their needs, the Better Business Bureau/Detroit and Eastern Michigan has released a booklet titled "Tips on Financial Planners."

The booklet is the latest in the BBB's Consumer Information Series which offers helpful tips on more than 80 topics of consumer interest. Copies of the new booklet can be obtained by sending a stamped, self-addressed, business-sized envelope to the BBB at 150 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48226.

"Consumers should not take the process of looking for a financial planner lightly," said Detroit BBB President Thomas F. Ashcraft.

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Sweet or tart, cherries please

Here are some quick and easy ideas for using sweet cherries:

•Serve a Fruit Salad of 2 cups pitted cherries, ¼ honeydew melon, pared and sliced, and 1 orange, peeled and sliced, on a bed of lettuce. Add cherries to a fruit salad at the last minute as the color tends to run. Serve with Yogurt-Lime Dressing: Combine ½ cup plain yogurt, 1 teaspoon honey, ½ teaspoon lime juice and ¼ teaspoon lime peel.

•For Ice Cream Pie, soften 1 quart vanilla ice cream. Fold in 1 cup diced, pitted cherries and 2 tablespoons rum or brandy. Spread ice cream in a chocolate crumb crust. Freeze. Garnish with sweet cherries.

•For a sweet Cherry Shake, place ¼ cup pitted cherries, 2 scoops vanilla ice cream, 1 cup cold milk and a dash of almond extract in a blender. Blend well.

•For a Cherry Dip, combine 1 (3-ounce) package cream cheese with 2 tablespoons mayonnaise, 1 teaspoon lemon juice, 2 tablespoons powdered sugar, 1 tablespoon almond extract. Serve with chilled cherries.

•To make Cherries Jubilee, combine ½ cup sugar with 1 tablespoon cornstarch. Blend in ½ cup water. Cook, stirring constantly on high until thick and smooth, about 2 to 3 minutes. Lower heat, add 1 pound pitted cherries and ½ teaspoon orange peel and cook 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add 2 tablespoons brandy. Serve cold over ice cream.

Preheat oven to 375 F. Beat together egg, ½ cup sugar, butter and milk. Sift flour, salt and baking powder. Add to egg mixture, mixing well. Put into buttered 12-by-8-by-2-inch baking dish. Combine cherries, remaining ½ cup sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg. Spread fruit mixture evenly over batter. Bake for 30 minutes or until golden brown. Serve hot with whipped cream to which a little cinnamon has been added.

Cherry Rhubarb Tart

2 eggs
½ cup sugar
3 tablespoons sour cream
4 teaspoons flour
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1½ cups fresh cherries, pitted
¾ cup chopped rhubarb, fresh or frozen
Pie pastry (single crust)

Preheat oven to 350 F. Line 9-inch tart pan with pie pastry, using your favorite recipe or store-bought. Hold pastry in place by lining it with foil and weighting it down with dried beans or rice. Bake 15 minutes or until slightly brown. Remove foil and weights. Cool slightly before proceeding.

Beat eggs, sugar, sour cream, flour and cinnamon; stir in cherries and rhubarb. Bake 45 to 50 minutes until knife inserts near center and comes out clean. This pie is best served slightly warm.

Fresh Cherry Pie

Pie crust for 2-crust, 9-inch pie
1¼ cups sugar, or to taste
2½ tablespoons flour
¼ teaspoon salt
4 cups cherries, washed and pitted

Mix sugar, flour, salt and cherries together. Line pie pan with pastry, add cherry mixture and cover top with crust. Bake in preheated 450 F oven for 10 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350 F and bake 25 minutes longer.

Cherry Cobbler

1 egg
1 cup sugar, divided usage
3 tablespoons butter, melted
½ cup milk
½ cup sifted all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
4 cups fresh sweet cherries, pitted
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
¼ teaspoon cinnamon
Whipped cream for topping (if desired)

Cherry Crisp

2½ cups pitted cherries
2 tablespoons sugar
¼ to ½ cup margarine, as needed to moisten
1 cup flour
1 cup sugar
Pinch of salt

Preheat oven to 375 F. Place cherries in 9-inch round pie pan. Sprinkle with 2 tablespoons of sugar.

Blend together margarine, flour, sugar and salt with fork until crumbly. Spoon flour and sugar mixture all around and on top of fruit. Bake until light brown, about 25 minutes. Cover with foil and freeze. May be frozen before or after being cooked. Stella Parks serves the crisp warm, spooned into a bowl and topped with vanilla ice cream.

Linda Susan Dudley is food editor at The Tribune in San Diego.

Take your pick of early cherries

By Linda Susan Dudley

Every year folks look forward to the first cherries of the season with keener anticipation than for any other item on the produce stand.

Something about the bright scarlet of the early crop seems to declare that summer is truly on its way, that it's almost here.

The promise has its poignancy, for cherry harvest winds up before that of any other summer fruit. The peak of the crop coincides with the formal turn of the season in June. By early August, the trees will have been picked clean, and the cherries you see thereafter probably will have come from cold storage.

First to ripen are the Lamberts, smallish, heart-shaped red cherries. They are followed by the most popular variety, the Bings, and a new premium type, the golden Rainiers.

When people think of cherries, they probably have Bings in mind. At the season's peak, the red of the fruit deepens almost to black. Few sensations of summer equal a prize Bing—fresh, crisp of texture and bursting

with a winelike richness of flavor. It's worth waiting all year for.

The Rainier is a recent hybrid. A development of a Washington State University agricultural center, it first appeared in markets some nine years ago. The fruit grows to the largest size of the three principal varieties found on produce counters, and it has the highest sugar content.

The flavor is refreshing but less vigorous than the Bing. The Rainier wears a distinctive yellow color, shading to a pink blush; the cherries sometimes look like miniature apricots.

Rainiers fetch premium prices because of their scarcity and because they are much more prone to bruises. Rainiers have largely supplanted the older and even more fragile Royal Anns, which is too bad, since fresh Royal Anns have an exceptional flavor for baking.

Sour cherry varieties rarely show up on produce counters; they go into canned and frozen products, but you may see a few in specialty markets.

Cherries are rarely associated with bland, mundane recipes. Instead, the inclusion of cherries means excitement and the promise of culinary pleasure. For example, there's Cherries Jubilee and cherry-studded Black Forest cake, but what cook ever wastes fresh cherries on instant pudding? On a gourmet menu you'll find crispy duck in cherry sauce but no creamed cherries on toast.

The bottom line is that fresh cherries are, indeed, special—a low-sodium, low-calorie summer treat. One cup of large cherries has about 50 calories and provides potassium, fiber and vitamin C.

Here are a few tips for choosing and cooking with cherries:

•Choose plump, sweet cherries with bright color. They should already be ripe, as they do not ripen off the tree. Bing cherries range in color from red to mahogany or purple-black. Lambert cherries are bright red, while Rainier cherries are yellow tinged with red.

•Use fresh cherries promptly—no

ripening is needed, so buy them ready to eat. Keep them cold and humid and use within a few days.

•To remove cherry pits for recipes, slice each cherry in half and remove the stem and pit. Or use a cherry pitter, sold in cookware shops and generally inexpensive. Or pit cherries with a vegetable peeler. Pull the stem off the cherry, insert the tip of the peeler and lift out the pit.

•One pound of cherries produces 2 to 2½ cups of pitted fruit.

•Look for the biggest ones; unlike many fruits, which may be at their best in petite sizes, large cherries are more flavorful than little ones. And the darker the cherry for its variety, the sweeter it will be.

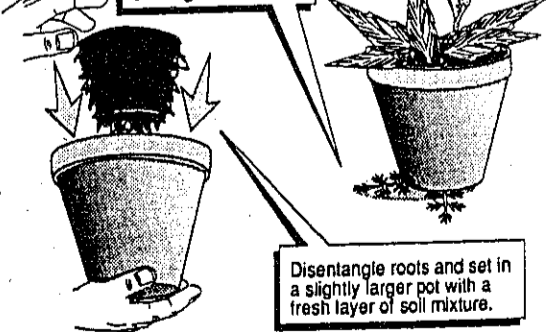
•Good quality cherries are firm, and their stems will still be green and flexible. If a cherry looks or feels bruised or wet, or smells "fermented," avoid it. It not only will taste bad, but it will spoil the good cherries it comes in contact with.

•When you pick up or buy your cherries, refrigerate them right away.

Around the House: Garden Tips

Repotting Plants

Repot when the plant looks top-heavy or roots straggle out of drainage holes.



Disentangle roots and set in a slightly larger pot with a fresh layer of soil mixture.

For cuttings, use pieces that are about 3 inches long. Plant cuttings in small pots set on a bed of damp peat while they take root.



Around the House: Designs for Living

Small sized home for empty-nesters

By James McAlexander

Hip roofs emphasize the long, low ranch lines of the Washington 1. The front elevation is enlivened by the protruding den alcove window and by an entry wall that forms a miniature court around the front door. Instead of a plain rectangular floor plan, the house angles at the entryway, opening up the rear dimension to permit a spacious living room that opens out onto the back patio.

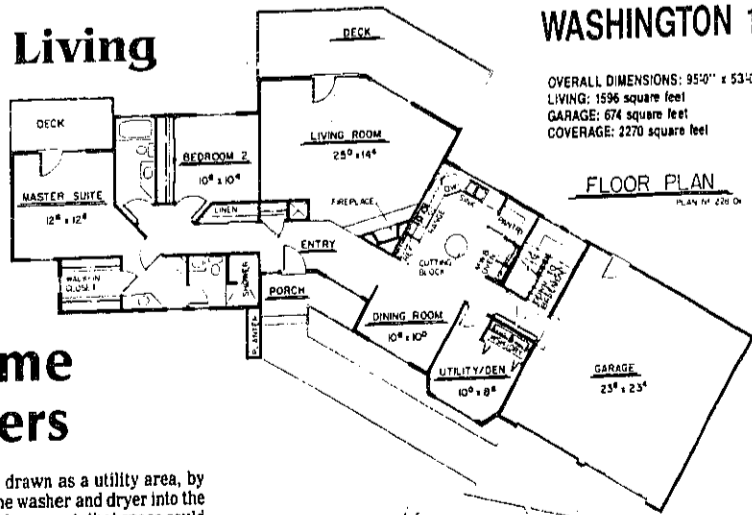
For a basically modest house, there have been few compromises in features. The country kitchen is designed with lots of counter space, a pantry and central butcher block. The master suite includes a full bath, walk-in closet, vanity and its own private patio. The adjacent second bedroom has another full bath next door.

Although the front room next to the

garage is drawn as a utility area, by moving the washer and dryer into the garage or basement, that space could become a den, office or third bedroom. Besides the bedroom closets, storage on the main floor is limited. Again, the basement and garage provide opportunity spaces to locate closets and lockers.

The one unavoidable compromise in the Washington 1 is the dining room, which is only slightly larger than the kitchen. Holiday feasts with large numbers of guests probably would be served before the fire in the large living room. In summer, parties can easily flow out of this area to the back patio and yard.

For a study plan of the Washington 1 (228-01), send \$5 to Landmark Designs, P.O. Box 2307 CN, Eugene, OR 97402. (Be sure to specify plan name and number when ordering.)



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**Around the House:
Decorating**

**Paint brightens
dull bathroom**

By Rose Bennett Gilbert

Q: We're renting a gracious old apartment in the heart of downtown. I love everything about it except the bath. Although the old fixtures are big and charming, the tile has gone quite dingy with age. Replacing it is out of the question.

A: Paint is canned magic when it comes to brightening any room. No, I don't mean paint the tiles (there are epoxies that will do the job, but they're best left in the hands of a pro).

I mean, pick a color that tones down the yellowing tiles rather than pointing them up. That's the trick interior designer Rhonda Brandt pulled off handsomely in the old bath we show here. She, too, was facing a room filled with vintage fixtures, including tile, that couldn't be replaced.

*I love antiques but they can look musty," she said. Her answer: Paint the walls so they contrast only subtly with the tiles—"It makes things look mellow instead of just old"—and throw in a surprise color accessory for prettiness.

Her choice was soft, rosy-beige walls and towels in fresh, pale aqua. Other refreshing ideas from Brandt:

*A mixture of modern classics with antiques like the bentwood scroll chair by Alvar Aalto, the rolling gold leaf screen by Patrick Naggar with Pontal decorations on top.

*Arched Moorish wall sconces for architectural interest.

*The Scandinavian chest that

warms towels in front of the radiator. *Towel storage in a Chinese 19th century tall cabinet. *A profusion of elegant surprises: the crystal ice bucket, artworks, metal bath-side table.

As the designer says, "Just because your bath is old, it doesn't have to look like a relic."

Q: When we were in Italy I fell in love with a pair of hand-blown glass vases and logged them all the way home—despite my husband's grumbling—to be made into table lamps.

Now I hate to admit it, but they don't match the picture I saw in my mind's eye that day in Murano. What can you suggest?—K.S.

A: Without seeing the lamps, I can only guess that you've somehow gotten the proportions wrong between the lamp base and the shade.

As a rule of thumb, the shade should be only two-thirds as tall as the base, and the simpler it is in shape and color, the better. There are really only four traditional shapes:

*Drum shades: deep, with the top an inch or so narrower than the bottom. *Pancake shades: fairly shallow with straight sides.

*Bouillotte shades: very shallow with slanted sides (bouillotte shades are named for the 18th century card game they lighted).

*Empire shades: sharply slanting sides, with the bottom about twice as wide as the top.

Take your lamp to a shade shop and try on "hats" until you find the right size and shape in proportion to the base. Good luck.



Q: My sister-in-law has bought a gorgeous new sofa from Baker, all white-on-white, crewel embroidery with down cushions.

Now-it hurts me to even say it—she is ordering clear plastic slipcovers. What can I do to stop her?—Agahst in Atlanta.

A: Plastic slipcovers reveal a lot more than the upholstery beneath them. First of all, your sister-in-law no doubt grew up in a house with plastic covers. My research shows they're congenial.

Her mother probably covered the furniture for one of two reasons: 1. She knew she couldn't afford to buy anything new anytime soon. 2. She was a clean-nik bordering on compulsive.

I have three other observations about plastic slipcovers: Cats won't sit on them; small children stick to them; grown people tend to slide off them onto the floor.

In short, plastic slipcovers convey a subconscious message: "Admire my furniture, but don't touch."

Q: I am in love with an architect. That's the good news.

The bad news: He is stone set in his ways when it comes to matters of style and taste. He wants everything cool, pale, refined and, as he says, "correct."

I, who love chintz and warm colors—and hate Barcelona chairs to excess—can foresee a design donnybrook in our future together.

Can you suggest any compromises?—S.N.S.

A: Knowing that architects are brought up to believe they have the last word on design in any form, I'd advise against a frontal assault. Instead, infiltrate.

Start with rooms where you can claim the advantage—the bedroom, your bathroom, are safe bets. Eventually, you'll find a way to soften the public areas: a paisley shawl over the sofa, for example, or carpeting in an off-neutral color. But only time will tell if you'll win out over that inevitable architect's icon, the Barcelona chair.

**Around the House:
Repairs**

**Dingy aluminum
can be cleaned**

By Gene Gary

Q: My first home is a brick rambler "fixer-upper" with aluminum windows and doors. How do I brighten the aluminum?

A: Aluminum is easy to maintain if done properly and consistently, but like any other surface, neglect or negligence makes eventual restoration more difficult.

Recommended routine cleaning is regular wiping with a damp cloth or washing with water containing a mild soap, synthetic detergent or a non-etching chemical cleaner (available from some of the larger manufacturers of aluminum products).

If this is not effective, use a wax-base polish cleaner, a non-wax-base polish cleaner or an abrasive wax with a clean, soft rag or pad, following manufacturer's directions. You can even use a mild abrasive scouring powder on a damp, clean cloth.

A first step is to remove surface dirt and soil with one of the routine cleaners, then apply the heavy cleaner. There are four basic types of cleaning, which should be tried in the order named:

1. Use a heavy-duty cleaner. 2. Use an etching chemical cleaner. 3. Use a heavy-duty abrasive cleaner and an etching chemical cleaner combined. 4. Use a rotary wire brush with a power tool.

If the aluminum still has a good coating of Aluminate (it has been anodized) omit steps B, C and D. With heavy-duty abrasive cleaners use a damp cloth or stainless steel wool pad (60 grade or finer). Rub by hand in a back-and-forth motion with the grain. Rub evenly to prevent bright spots, rinse and dry thoroughly. Waxing the finish will help protect the aluminum, or a coat of clear lacquer can be applied, preferably of the methacrylate type.

Protection of this kind will often last for several years, provided the surface is not subjected to continual friction use, like a hand rail.

With the exception of wax-base cleaners, cleaner deposits should be removed with clean water followed

by a thorough drying of the surface. Wax-based cleaners leave a protective film that need not be removed unless a lacquer finish is to be applied.

Q: Neglected, aluminum may become so soiled or discolored that none of these methods may be effective, especially on outdoor surfaces. Heavy-duty cleaning then becomes necessary, to be used only as a last resort. Information on commercial products designed for such cleaning is available from aluminum manufacturers or larger hardware stores.

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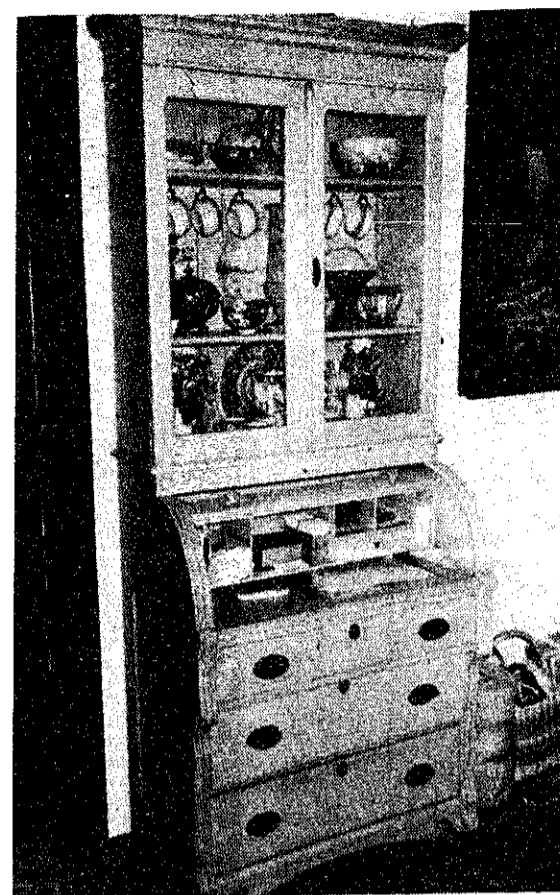
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A first step is to remove surface dirt and soil with one of the routine cleaners, then apply the heavy cleaner. There are four basic types of cleaning, which should be tried in the order named:

**Around the House:
Antiques**



**'Antiqued' secretary is good example
of how to spoil a piece of furniture**

By James G. McCollam

Q: Enclosed is a picture of an antique secretary that has been "antiqued" and equipped with new hardware. Please tell me how old it is and its value.

A: This is a Victorian cylinder-front secretary made in the late 18th century, probably of walnut. If this were in good condition in its natural finish and with the original hardware, the value would be in the \$1,500 to \$1,800 range.

It's impossible for me to assess the diminished value caused by the paint and improper hardware. This is a prime example of what one should not do to a fine antique.

Q: What can you tell me about my pottery stein with a pewter lid? It holds about a pint and is decorated with the head of a man wearing a helmet. On the bottom is the enclosed mark.

A: Your stein was made by Peter Simon Gerz in Hohn-Grenzhausen, Germany, about 1900. It would probably sell for about \$100 in an antique shop.

Q: I have several old Bibles. What should I look for to determine if they have any value as collectibles?

A: There have been more Bibles published than all other books combined. On the basis of age alone, a Bible should be about 200 years old to acquire unusual value. Bibles that are illustrated by famous artists (Albrecht Durer, Salvador Dali, etc.) are valuable collectibles.

The best thing to do is check American Book Prices Current at your public library. It lists hundreds of Bibles that have higher than usual value.

Q: I would like to know when my Buffalo Pottery plate was made and its value. It is titled "Fallowfield Hunt, Breaking Cover."

A: This was part of the DeLidare ware for which Buffalo Pottery is so famous. Your plate was made about 1908-1909 and would sell for about \$25 to \$28.

Q: I have a primitive-looking 12-inch bowl that is decorated with a peasant man with a pipe surrounded with a floral wreath. It is marked "HR Guimper, France." What can you tell me about it?

A: Your bowl would be classified as Quimper pottery. The name is derived from the town of Quimper in France. The "HR" was used by Jules Henriet between 1896 and 1926. Your bowl would probably sell for \$15 to \$18 in an antique shop.

Q: There seem to be several versions of the origin of Mary Gregory glass. Can you clarify this for me?

A: Tradition has it that Mary Gregory worked for the Boston and Sandwich Glass Co. and decorated dark-colored glassware with white enamel figures of Victorian children.

According to most experts, Mary Gregory worked for the Boston and Sandwich Co. during the 1880s, but did not produce that glass the bears her name. It was first imported from England. It may have been made in Germany or Bohemia.

Q: Recently I read that Shaw Tea Leaf china was extremely valuable. I can't find any information about the company nor any mention of Shaw China in any of the price guides. Can you tell me anything about this china?

A: Here are some prices of Meakin Tea Leaf cups and saucers as shown in current price guides: *Kovel's—\$47.50. *Warman's—\$30 to \$45. *Antique Trader—\$40 to \$60. McCollam is a member of the Antique Appraisers Association of America.

Q: Anthony Shaw founded the Mersey Pottery at Burslem, England, in 1850. The company remained in business until the turn of the century.

His usual mark was "Warranted, Anthony Shaw, Stone China." Sometimes it was "A. Shaw," and some very early pieces were marked "J.B.," an unidentified designer.

Currently Shaw's "Lily of the Valley" pattern Tea Leaf cup and saucer is selling for \$75 to \$110. Other items are proportionately priced.

Q: There have been some conflicting statements made about the prices of Tea Leaf pattern cups and saucers made by Alfred Meakin, Ltd., in Haney, England.

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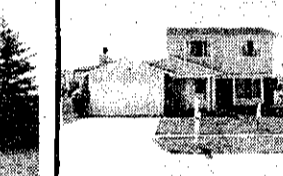
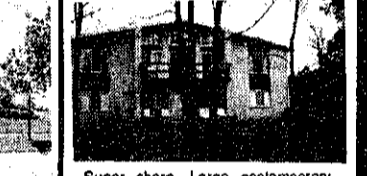
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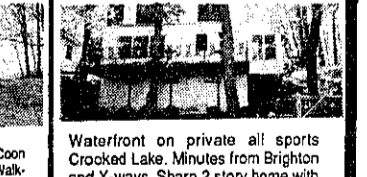
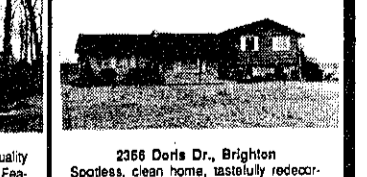
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ALL HOMES OPEN SUNDAY, JUNE 25th 2-5 PM

 <p>633 Six Mile, Northfield Twp. Brand new const. 1344 SF ranch, 3 bedrooms, 2 full bath on treed lot, minutes to Ann Arbor, 1/2 mile from US-23. Immediate occupancy. Call Nick Natali or Dan S. Leabu III. Code No. 4097 Price \$109,900 Your Host: Nick Natali</p>	 <p>353 Hardman Howell's Lantern Village. This double wing colonial features the master bedroom on the first floor and three up. Formal dining room, family room, finished garage, land contract terms and more. Code No. 4614 Price \$127,000 Your Host: Ken Ives</p>	 <p>11889 Creekside Lane Water & Beach Privileges! Lake Moraine. Sturdy 3 bedroom brick ranch. Beautifully landscaped lot. Full windows & doors. Ceramic tile floors. Central air. A must see! Easy access to expressway access. Code No. Price \$118,000 Your Hostess: Sandra Brown</p>	 <p>4814 Pine Eagles Oak Pointe. Sparkling condo in like new condition. Loaded with extras and upgrades. Each bedroom has private bath. Enjoy this special life-style with golf & lake privileges nearby. Code No. (new) Price \$169,900 Your Hostess: Margaret Funk</p>	 <p>5407 Navajo Trail Sharp & ready to move into. Almost 2400 sq. ft. Tudor Style Colonial. This home includes 3 b's, 2 1/2 baths. Family room, fireplace, Sunken Spa in Custom Deck & much more in Premium Subdivision. Code No. 3944 Price \$164,900 Your Host/Hostess: L. Buckmaster</p>	 <p>4950 Brookwood Meadows Dramatic contemporary in Brighton's "Rolling Meadows." 4 Large bedrooms, 2 full baths & 2 half baths, 1st floor laundry, and library. Custom built, decorated and landscaped. Less than two years old! Code No. 4109 Price \$219,000.00 Your Hostess: Rhonda Rosa</p>	
 <p>631 Illinois Excellent 3 BR, 2 bath ranch, with privileges on Howell's Thompson Lake. 1st floor laundry, partially finished basement, and nearly a 3 car garage. Large lot and a very nice neighborhood. Code No. 4463 Price \$86,900 Your Host: Paul Pipoly</p>	 <p>8792 Skyline Sharp 4 BR, 2 bath contemporary in beautiful Brighton Sub. Cathedral ceiling, ceramic foyer & baths, neutral decor. Large, corner lot with attractive landscaping. Code No. 4571 Price \$127,000 Your Host: Rick Smith</p>	 <p>3350 S. Cemetery Rd. Clean and well kept three bedroom ranch, full basement, 24x30 detached garage on one acre. 5 miles west of Howell on Grand River, lot on Cemetery to address. Code No. 4573 Price \$74,900.00 Your Hostess: Shirley Leabu</p>	 <p>Look what's growing in your neighborhood... the MICHIGAN GROUP REALTORS</p>		 <p>5381 Oak Grove Hardwood floors, a brick fireplace, a full basement, and a 2 1/2 car garage are a few of the features that complement this 3 BR brick ranch located minutes north of Howell. Code No. 4406 Price \$85,500 Your Hostess: Pam Walsh</p>	 <p>614 Glenwyth City of Brighton. Quick occupancy on this lovely almost new contemporary-type Colonial. 3 Bedrooms, first floor laundry, versatile floor plan, plus Great Room with fireplace. Move in condition. Code No. 4407 Price \$109,900 Your Hostess: Irene Kraft</p>

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 <p>2680 Parklawn Enjoy the summer on the all sports lake. This four bedroom full brick ranch has too many features to mention. Excellent expressway access to both U.S. 23 & I-96. Code No. 4343 Price \$154,900 Your Hostess: Robin Dymond</p>	 <p>7814 Debra Dr. Luxurious living in this full brick, custom home, located in one of Brighton's most prestigious subdivisions. Many special amenities including central air, central vac., jar, jz, zj, and a beautiful stone fireplace plus much more. Code No. 4486 Price \$29,900 Your Host: Randy Meier</p>	 <p>8011 Boyd All sports waterfront, 2300 sq. ft. Colonial, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room with fireplace. Large laundry room. Screened porch. Dock and all appliances stay. Vets can assume low interest loan. Code No. 4356 Price \$149,900 Your Hostess: Marge Everhart</p>	 <p>9457 Bergin Road Country ranch, paved road, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, master suite, 10 Acres, large barn, fenced paddock, spring pond, 1/2 mile west of old U.S. 23, 1 mile south of M-59. Code No. 4190 Price \$174,900 Your Hostess: Sarah Leshaw</p>	 <p>4398 Rurik Waterfront! Nicest lot on all sports Crooked Lake. 172 feet of prime beachfront. Walk-out ranch, 2700 square feet with central air, 2 large porches overlooking water. Bring offers. Code No. 4481 Price \$279,000 Your Hostess: Donna O'Hara</p>	 <p>Waterfront on private all sports Crooked Lake. Minutes from Brighton and X-ways. Sharp 2 story home with deck overlooking water. Country atmosphere on a very quiet street. Code No. 4579 Price \$119,900 Your Hostess: Donna O'Hara</p>
 <p>By Appointment Only Gorgeous contemporary, walking distance to Howell, with lake access. Fine wood accents, driftstone fireplace, large deck. Immediate occupancy. Call Mary for details. 229-7766, 109 E. Caledonia. Code No. 3392 Price \$129,900.00 Your Hostess: Mary Connelly-Bortels</p>	 <p>4764 Oak Tree Ct. New construction in Oak Pointe Subdivision. Large contemporary with walk out basement, open floor plan, 12x14 deck off breakfast room. Immediate occupancy. Call Mary for details. 229-7766. Code No. 3871 Price \$268,500.00 Your Hostess: Mary Connelly-Bortels</p>	 <p>658 Alpine Immaculate nearly new Brighton Colonial. Extra large family room. Large attached garage, 24x30 wooded back yard, city conveniences. Lots of extra features. Great price. \$113,500. Owner transferred. Code No. 4583 Price \$113,500.00 Your Hostess: Lenore Carlson</p>	 <p>10786 Charring Cross This Victorian home features formal dining, parlor plus open kitchen-family room. Come see the wood cove moldings and fine details. 9 mile east of U.S. 23. Code No. 4158 Price \$169,900 Your Hostess: Bea Johnston</p>	 <p>2915 Dunaway Brighton, over one acre waterfront. Quality custom, contemporary has everything. Features 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2 fireplaces, central air and much more. Owner is anxious and says sell. Code No. 4458 Price \$199,900.00 Your Hostess: Sandy Gavin</p>	 <p>2366 Doris Dr., Brighton Spacious, clean home, tastefully redecorated, in excellent area. Quad w/2000 sq. ft., 2 1/2 car garage & Gambrel storage shed. Code No. 4175 Price \$137,500 Your Hostess: Barb Pizyski</p>

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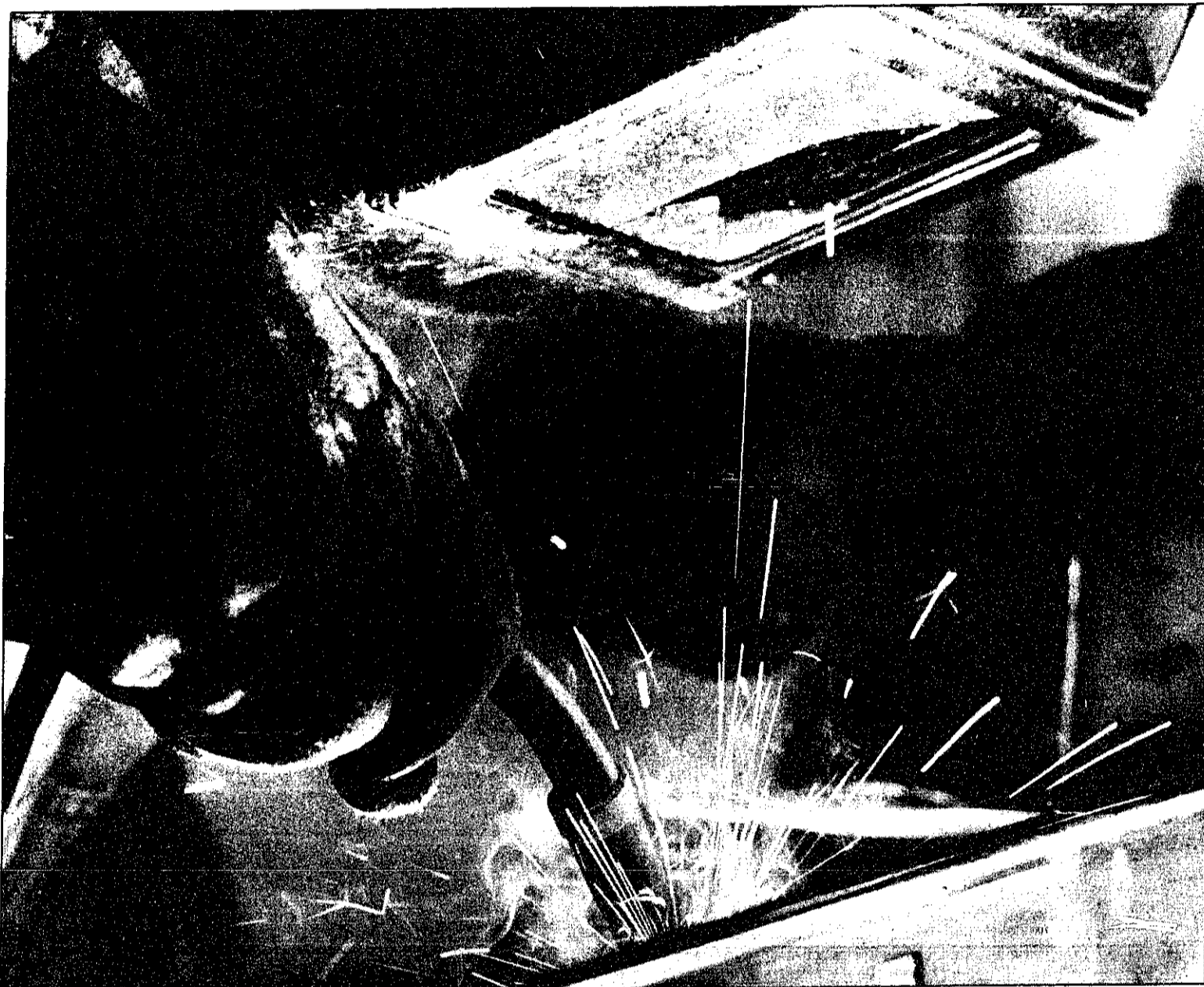
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BREAKOUT:
New substance abuse
group lends support to teens/3D

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Ron Carter of Northville Collision uses MIG welder at work. Welding has been labeled a declining career in the state.

Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

So you've decided on a career. Or maybe you're still thinking about it.

No doubt all those high school students who just finished another year of classes are still facing that eternal question: "WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH YOUR LIFE?"

Well, it's summer. Sit back and have another sip of ice-cold lemonade.

Let's look into our crystal ball to see just what occupations are in demand in Michigan. At the same time, we'll take a look at the professions that don't have such a rosy future.

With a little help from the Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESC), we can pinpoint the state's career outlook for the 1980s and 1990s.

In "Outlook," a publication

JOB forecasts

compiled by the Michigan Occupational Information Coordinating Committee (MOICC), more than 200 professions are ranked on a general scale listing those highest in demand to those declining in demand. The following job growth terms are used: much faster than average, faster than average, fast as average, slower than average, stable and declining.

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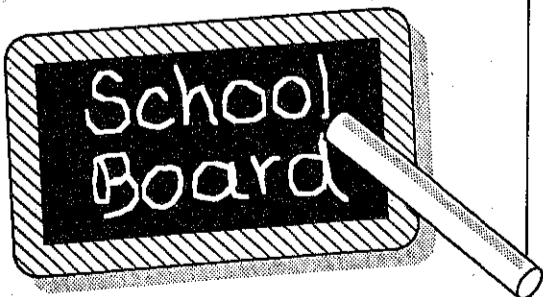


Cindy Dove of Travel Agent International answers phones at West Oaks II. Travel agents are growing in demand in Michigan.

Random Sample

Q: Have you ever gone to a city council or school board meeting?

Four said: "Yes" Six said: "No"



"I have no children so I'm not interested."
"No, I seem to always be working."
"Yes, years ago, but I don't go now because I get so mad at them."
"No, and I don't particularly care to, either."
"Yes, if it includes something near my house."

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

Volunteers

Woman donates time

By DOROTHY NASH
special writer

Friends of an organization are volunteers who stand in the background, supporting as needed. Mary McDonald is one such friend.

She is president of the 28-member United Methodist League of Children's Friends, whose purpose is, as she said, "to be supportive in whatever way we can" of the Children's Village, the Methodist Children's Home located at 26645 West Six Mile Road.

Sixty children, largely Detroit metropolitan area children, who are five to 14 years of age and who have been abused or neglected or need special counseling, are placed in the Village for periods from one year to 18 months.

"Children landing there are lucky," McDonald said, because, living six to eight in a cottage, they get individual attention.

"The Friends raise money to provide the extra things that aren't included in the regular budget," McDonald explained — things like playground equipment, computer equipment, washing machines.

How do the Friends raise money? In three ways, McDonald answered — two annual rummage sales held at United Methodist churches, a "Gift of Love" luncheon at the Village, and the sale of 25,000 Christmas cards, which are designed by high school students in Novi and Livonia.

Also, she said, "We have raised money with Bill Knapp coupons."

The League of Children's Friends — the 26 members — McDonald said, meets about four or five times a year, and representatives from all over the state meet annually.

How did she get into this volunteering? One thing led to another, she said, beginning with her membership in the Women's Society of her church, being invited to membership in the League, and then being asked to take over for the president who resigned for health reasons.

Why do it? "I like to help wherever I can," was Mary McDonald's answer. "And it's a new interest in life."



Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Mary McDonald views volunteering as a new interest in life

Job forecast offered for state

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The number of yearly job openings throughout the state is based on growth and replacement needs, meaning large stable occupations might have more job openings than small rapidly growing ones.

Occupations "growing much faster than average," according to the MESO and the Michigan Occupational Information System include flight attendants, lawyers, computer programmers, computer systems analysts, electrical and electronic technicians, legal assistants, stockbrokers, travel agents, aircraft mechanics and medical assistants.

Michiganers may want to take to the skies, head to the courts or don a white coat and stethoscope to secure a solid career future.

Other professions with promising outlooks are aircraft pilots, medical records personnel, occupational therapists, optometrists and registered nurses.

Jobs that are "declining" in demand throughout the state include statistical clerks, stock clerks, industrial truck operators, locomotive engineers, railroad brake operators, college instructors, pest controllers, meteorologists, farm workers, farmers and farm managers and assembly line workers.

In other words, it wouldn't be wise to fuel up the tractor to begin plowing the fields, unless of course, you are one of the few successful Michigan farmers.

Other occupations on the decline in Michigan are blacksmiths, furnace tenders, grinding machine operators, industrial sewing machine operators, metal molders, millwrights, punch and stamping press operators, tool and die makers and welders.

Not surprisingly, professions with the best forecasts, according to MESO data, are in the science and health fields. Occupations in the transportation and industrial produc-

tion and are decreasing in demand. Professions growing "faster than average" include education and service-related careers such as elementary school teachers, special education teachers, teacher aides, bartenders, cooks and chefs, correction officers or jailers, food counter workers, food preparation workers, guards, kitchen helpers and dishwashers, refuse collectors and waiters and waitresses.

In the social sciences, job growth is also "faster than average" for market research analysts, social workers and economists. Careers in the art, design and communications fields growing "faster than average" include commercial artists, photographers and public relations specialists.

Continuing in the "faster than average" lane, science-related jobs such as broadcast technicians, civil engineers, air traffic controllers and electrical engineers can be added to the list. Construction careers including asbestos and insulation workers, drywall installers and tile setters are growing at the same rate.

In the sales occupations, cashiers are needed. Looking to the business and office fields, jobs as accountants, bill collectors, computer operators, financial managers and receptionists also are growing "faster than average."

If you're handy with tools occupations in the mechanical and repairing fields in demand include auto body repairers, locksmiths and office machine repairers.

Dental assistants, dental hygienists, dietitians, emergency medical technicians, health administrators, nurse aides, optometric assistants, physical therapists, physician's assistants, podiatrists, radiological technicians, respiratory therapists and veterinarians are the jobs growing "faster than average" in the health field.

Growing Careers in Michigan

Occupation	Employment Outlook and Est. Pay
Flight Attendants	90 openings/yr. \$883-\$2,630/mo.
Lawyers	1,510 openings/yr. \$20,000-\$30,000
Computer Programmers	1,020 openings/yr. \$11,400-\$43,680
Computer Systems Analysts	580 openings/yr. \$20,220-\$60,000
Electrical & Electronic Technicians & Technologists	370 openings/yr. \$12,480-\$31,068
Legal Assistants	280 openings/yr. \$14,000-\$29,232
Stockbroker	680 openings/yr. \$14,000-\$60,000+
Travel Agents	220 openings/yr. \$10,000-\$20,000
Aircraft Mechanics	80 openings/yr. \$18,470-\$33,345
Computer Service Technicians	50 openings/yr. \$374.42-\$584.50/wk.
Aircraft Pilots	150 openings/yr. \$21,600-\$50,200
Medical Assistants	390 openings/yr. \$4,544-\$12,70/hr.
Medical Records Personnel	70 openings/yr. \$12,501-\$19,520
Occupational Therapists	40 openings/yr. \$14,951-\$27,857
Optometrists	180 openings/yr. \$21,982-\$60,823
Registered Nurses	2,980 openings/yr. \$20,642-\$40,319

Declining Careers in Michigan

Occupation	Employment Outlook and Est. Pay
Statistical Clerks	10* openings/yr. \$6,968-\$29,120
Stock Clerks	440 openings/yr. \$5,011-\$15,72/hr.
Industrial Truck Operators	10* openings/yr. \$4-\$14.80/hr.
Locomotive Engineers	10* openings/yr. \$13-\$15.50/hr.
Railroad Brake Operators and Couplers	10* openings/yr. \$80.70-\$104.10/day
College Instructors	350 openings/yr. \$19,625-\$39,768
Past Controllors	10* openings/yr. \$20,400-\$30,000
Meteorologists	10* openings/yr. \$18,458-\$39,171
Farm Workers	510 openings/yr. \$3.35-\$4.70/hr.
Farmers/Farm Managers	4,520 openings/yr. \$5,431-\$31,758
Assembly Line Workers	990 openings/yr. \$3.35-\$15.71/hr.
Blacksmiths	10* openings/yr. \$7.84-\$15.24/hr.
Furnace Tenders	10* openings/yr. \$9.05-\$12.84/hr.
Grinding Machine Operators	140 openings/yr. \$6.71-\$15.99/hr.
Industrial Sewing Machine Operators	280 openings/yr. \$7.17-\$13.15/hr.

Source: Mich. Employment Security Commission * Less than

Church Notes



JIM AND DENISE BEYER

Novi Methodist: Vacation Bible School will be held July 10-13 for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. This year's theme is "Bible Times Marketplace." Sessions will be held from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the church. Registration forms are available at the church office. Cost is \$5 per child or \$12 per family.

Spirit of Christ: Spirit of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church will host a church camp at the church June 26-30 from 9-11:30 a.m. The church is located at 40700 West Ten Mile, west of Haggerty Road. The camp is open to children age 3 to the fourth grade. Registration is \$5 for children. There is a maximum charge of \$10 per family. For more information call the church at 477-6296.

Fairlane Assembly: Jim and Denise Beyer will present a special concert this Sunday, June 25, at the Northville-based Fairlane Assembly of God West church during the 6:30 p.m. service. Denise Beyer is a former Miss Michigan who took part in the Miss America Pageant in 1984. Jim Beyer is a trumpeter who has trained under some of the masters of the instrument. Together the Beyers will minister with music and share their experience of how they came to Christ in a service for the entire family.

Since their marriage in 1986, the Beyers have doubled their talents and used them to serve God and encourage the church. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. For more information call Fairlane Assembly of God West at 948-9030.

Single Place hosts divorce workshop

NORTHVILLE—Single Place, a support group for adult singles, is sponsoring a host of fun-filled activities throughout the summer.

A weekend get-away trip is planned July 7-9, when Single Place members will travel to Double J's Dude Ranch in Rothbury, Mich., just outside Muskegon. The event begins Friday, July 7, at 8 p.m. Planned activities include horseback riding, daily and evening entertainment, riflery, archery, swimming, hot tubs, canoes, row boats, tennis, volleyball, miniature golf, horseshoes and shuffleboard.

Two nights of entertainment are planned at the resort, giving those in attendance a chance to meet a lot of people. Hosts of the trip is Debbie Anderson. Cost of the weekend is \$194 and a \$50 payment is required in advance to guarantee a reservation. Call Anderson at 949-4426 for more information.

On Saturday, July 15, Single Place will host a day at Boblo Island, especially for children and children-at-heart.

A grand reunion is planned Sunday, July 23, for all those who have experienced Starting Over Single. Participants are encouraged to renew past acquaintances and to enjoy the day. Food, games and socializing are planned during the reunion/picnic. Members are invited to bring along children, friends and significant others. More details about the event will be released later.

A singles camping trip is planned Aug. 11-13 at Ludington State Park in Ludington. Interested participants are asked to call Mike at 459-4612 or Mary Lou at 349-2881 for reservations and more information. A \$4 deposit is required to hold a campsite. Experienced and inexperienced campers are welcome to participate.

As always, the group meets at the Big Boy restaurant on Eight Mile and

Haggerty Road in Novi every Sunday at 12:30 p.m. for brunch. Rita Roden, a co-leader of Single Place, will greet all those attending. Just ask for Single Place at the door.

For more information about any of the activities listed above, call the singles information hotline at 349-6474 or the First Presbyterian Church of Northville at 349-0911.

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By PHIL GIBBOTT

The next 12-14 months could see the take-over of the Novi Police Department by the Novi Police Officers Association (NPOA). The NPOA is currently in the process of organizing a petition drive to force the Novi City Council to consider a referendum on the issue.

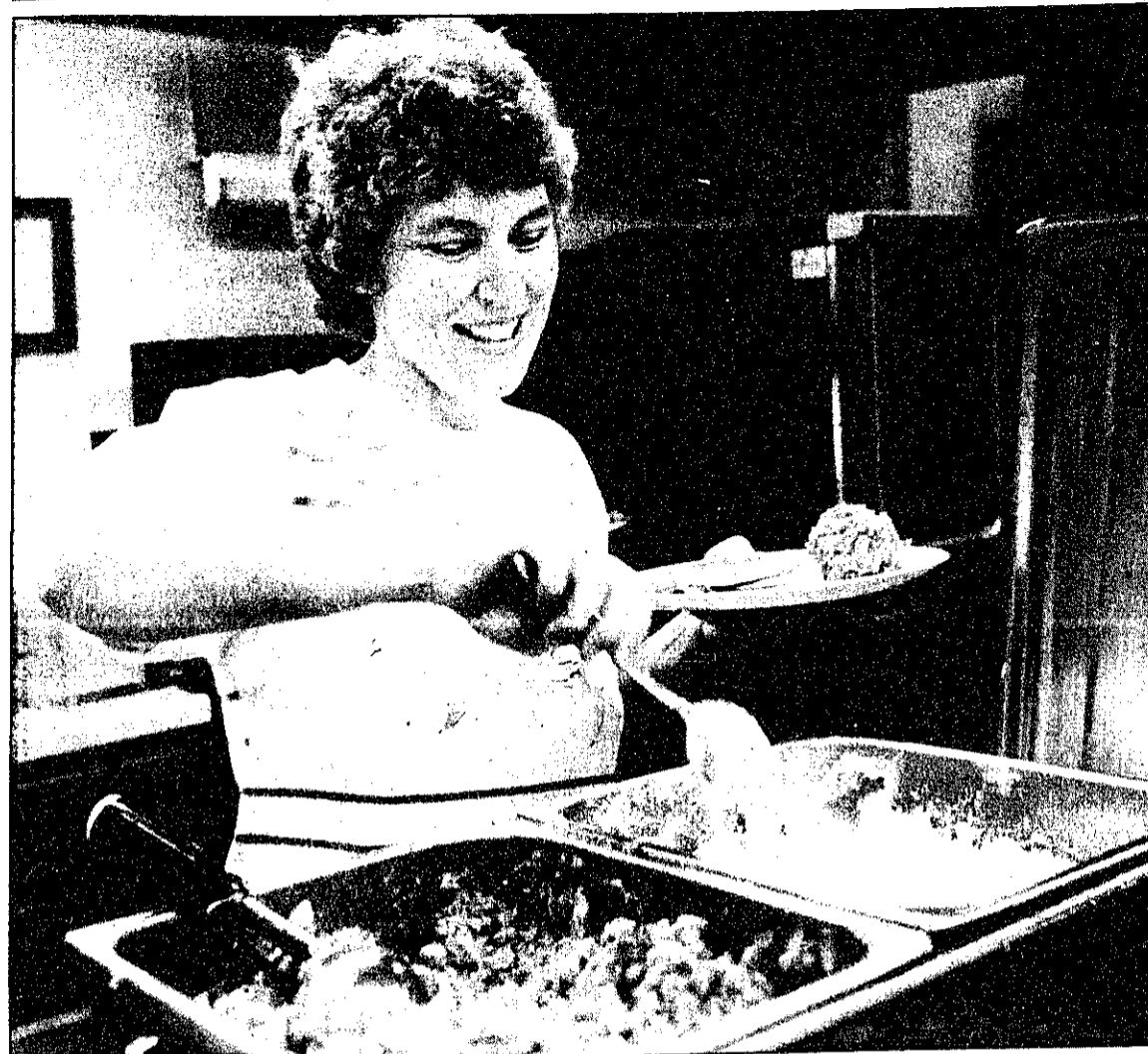
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Barb Lewis serves mashed potatoes at a recent family dinner hosted by Novi Methodist Church

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Family feast

Novi Methodist plans Friday dinner

All Novi residents are invited to stop by the Novi United Methodist Church for an old-fashioned fish fry on Friday, June 30.

The fish fry is the June offering in the Final Friday dinner series offered by the church. Novi Methodist offers a family-style dinner the last Friday of each month to encourage families to get out to have supper together before heading out into the community for other events.

Blood supply low

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Engagements

Austin-Blanc

Mr. and Mrs. Neil L. Austin of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Romanie, to Thomas Edward Blanc of Novi, son of Albert and Joyce Blanc of Novi.

The bride-elect is a 1985 graduate of Novi High School and a 1989 graduate of Michigan State University. She plans to begin working for Plante & Moran in Southfield in July.

The future bridegroom is a 1982 graduate of Novi High School and a 1985 graduate of Schoolcraft College. He works at General Motors in the STG CAMS Division.

A December wedding is planned.

SARAH ROMANIE AUSTIN and THOMAS EDWARD BLANCK

In Uniform

Navy Lt. EDWARD KNIGHTON was recently awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal. He is the son of Edward and Shirley Knighton of Novi.

Marine Lance Cpl. DAVID WIERS has been promoted to his present rank while serving with Second Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station New River in Jacksonville, South Carolina.

Navy Airman Apprentice DARRYL URBAN of Walled Lake has graduated from the Naval School of Photography at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Florida.

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Public stations make air waves

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

Tired of the same old disc jockey gabble, repeat tunes and brief news briefs? It's time to let you in on a little secret — National Public Radio (NPR).
NPR junkies will tell you there is nothing better.
With over 350 stations nationwide to choose from, there is virtually no spot in the nation where you can't pick up an NPR signal.
Right here at home listeners can tune into WDET 101.9 FM, Detroit; WUOM 91.7 FM, Ann Arbor and WEMU 89.3 FM, Ypsilanti.
For in-depth news coverage and story analysis, more and more listeners are realizing there is no comparison with NPR's national Morning Edition, All Things Considered and the host of other programs and features originated at state and local levels.
"NPR has been called everybody's best kept secret," said Donald Gonwey of Michigan Public Radio — a service network offered to all NPR stations in the state. "You can't go back once you start listening."
Evidence of NPR's popularity can be seen in the large portion of some stations' funding that comes directly from listeners. Sometimes that portion is up to 50 percent, while the rest comes from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and other sales and services. The network is not-for-profit.
Gonwey said what draws people to NPR is mostly the affiliates' news coverage, although music and other feature programs also fill the slots.
"They get something from public radio that they don't get anywhere else," Gonwey said. "The average news station covers the world for you including two one-minute commercials."



National Public Radio listeners tune in regularly to hear in-depth news and feature stories

NPR's two most famous news-oriented programs — Morning Edition and "the granddaddy of Public Radio," All Things Considered, run two hours and 1 1/2 hours respectively, the first during morning drive time and the second in the early evening. Both programs originate in Washington, D.C., and are composites of world and national news,

as well as features presented in longer packages than those of most radio news programs.
NPR's format, including broadcasting lengthy, uncut and uninterrupted interviews and single news or feature pieces sometimes averaging 10-20 minutes, has been copied by other news services, added Gonwey.
"We've been called the 'New York Times of the airwaves,'" he said, adding, "but at the same time we have to make it lively."
The network, which today boasts over 350 affiliates, began with just 90 stations in 1970. The famed All Things Considered began a few years later during the Watergate era, branding the network with its unique coverage style.
And as far as musical programming goes, said Gonwey, it is a misnomer that all NPR stations are either classical or jazz.
For instance, Gonwey's base office of WDET, located on the Wayne State University campus, plays a variety of music. "You never know what you're going to hear when you tune in here. One minute you might hear Benny Goodman, then blue grass and then maybe some George Fitzgerald."
"The criteria is that it should be good music, not formulaic."
Other Michigan National Public Radio stations and their locations on the dial are as follows:
□ Alpena — WJML, 91.7 FM
□ Berrien Springs — WAUS, 90.7 FM
□ Flint — WFBE, 95.1 FM and WFUM 91.1 FM
□ Grand Rapids — WYGR, 104.1 FM
□ Houghton — WGGL, 91.1 FM
□ Interlochen — WIAA, 88.3 FM
□ Kalamazoo — WKAR, 102.1 FM
□ Lansing — WKAR, 90.5 FM and 87.0 AM
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Northville hosts summer festival

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Free shuttle service will be available from the Northville Downs parking lot to events held downtown. The festival is sponsored by the Northville Merchants Association.
Cool Notes: Novi's Sheraton Oaks Hotel presents "Cool Notes," a special concert series on Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. throughout the summer. There is no cover charge to attend the concerts, and the public is invited to stop by to sip a cocktail or favorite summer beverage while enjoying music by a variety of performers.
Following is a list of scheduled performers: Steve King and the Ditties on June 22; Mario and Boy Smiling on July 6; Alexander Zonjic on July 13; Genre and the Dreams on July 20; Broken Yo-Yo on July 27; Regular Boys on Aug. 3; Mario and Boy Smiling on Aug. 10; Suspects on Aug. 17; Alexander Zonjic on Aug. 24; and Steve King and the Ditties on Aug. 31.
Sheraton Oaks is located at 27000 Sheraton Drive in Novi, near the intersection of I-96 and Novi Road. For more information call 348-5000.

In Town

Concert series: Novi Arts and Culture Committee kicks off its 1989 Summer Concert Series on Friday, June 30, with a performance by the Brookside Jazz Ensemble, featuring Novi High School Band Director Craig Strain.
Other scheduled performers include blues music by Big Tom on July 7; Walt Lipiec Orchestra, featuring the Marzarka Dancers, on July 14; Novi Concert Band on July 21; Good Old Days Jazz Band on Aug. 4; Friends and Strangers on Aug. 11; and Rhinelanders on Aug. 18.
All concerts are held outside the Novi Civic Center on Fridays at 7 p.m. In case of rain, the concerts will be moved inside the building. The performances are free. Popcorn, lemonade and frozen candy will be available for purchase.
The concerts are sponsored by the Ford Motor Company Foundation and Providence Hospital Novici Center.
Summer sounds: Northville Arts Commission continues its complimentary Summer Concert Series this Friday, June 23, with an appearance by the Arbor Winds Quartet.
Other performers include the Schoolcraft Wind Ensemble on June 29; the Novi Concert Band on July 7; Northville Jazz Orchestra on July 14; Detroit Brass Society on July 21; Schoolcraft Wind Ensemble on July 28; Tom Rice, Mark Mitchell & Jeff Branch, an evening of folk and bluegrass music, on Aug. 4; Squander — Pop and Country Standards, on Aug. 11; Novi Concert Band on Aug. 25; and Northville Jazz Orchestra on Sept. 1.
The concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. at the town square band shell in downtown Northville and the community is encouraged to attend. Concerts continue at the band shell every Friday evening until Sept. 1.

Plymouth offers summer concerts

The Plymouth Community Arts Center presents its summer "Music in the Park" Concert Series through Aug. 23.
Concerts will be held every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth, at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street.
Local and area musicians are featured at these concerts, highlighting a variety of musical styles and forms.
D.L. Turner, a local performer who has entertained at the Mayflower Hotel, Mountain Jacks and Plymouth Fall Festival, will present easy listening in a pop and folk style on June 28.
Other scheduled performers include Jerry Jacoby on July 5; Mary Kleam on July 12; Chris Romanowski on July 19; Arbor Winds Saxophone Quartet on July 26; Deborah Rebeck Ash on Aug. 2; Debra Hynes on Aug. 9; Ronnie J. on Aug. 16; and Mary Ann Stokes on Aug. 23.
The exhibit features work from each of the nine departments at the academy: architecture, ceramics, design, fiber, metalworking, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture.
The museum is at 500 Lone Pine Road in Bloomfield Hills. For more information call 665-3312.
Local opera: Detroit composer James Hartwig's "Ke-Nu and Parade," the first opera produced by Wayne State University's summer theater for children. The

Nearby

one-act opera, based on Indian legend, opens June 25 and plays weekdays through July 14 (except July 4) at 10:30 a.m. at the Hilberry Theater.
For ticket information call the theater promotion office at 577-3010.
Theater: Ann Arbor Civic Theater and MainStreet Productions present "The Sign in Sidney Brustein's Window," written by Lorraine Hansberry and directed by Marvin Sims.
Performance dates are July 6, 7, 8, 12, 14, 15, and 20, 21 and 22 at 8 p.m. at the Ann Arbor Civic Theater, 1035 South Main Street.
General admission tickets are \$5; Thursday tickets are 2 for 1. For ticket information and reservations call 662-7262.
Art fair: The 19th annual Outdoor Art Fair, sponsored by the Royal Oak Department of Recreation and Public Services and the Royal Oak Arts Council will be held July 9 in Memorial Park, at Woodward and Thirteen Mile.
The fair will open both days at 11 a.m. and run to 6 p.m. About 95 Michigan and outside artists are entered in the juried art show in the categories of pottery, metal work, painting in various media, wood crafts, photography, sculpture, glass, jewelry and weaving.
Food and beverage concessions also will be available. There is no admission charge, and the fair will be held rain or shine.

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Eight Wildcats named to All-Area team

Back in the early 1970s, Roger Kahn wrote a national bestseller titled "The Boys of Summer" about his childhood in Brooklyn and his love affair with the old Brooklyn Dodgers.
The "Boys of Summer" included Jackie Robinson, Pee Wee Reese, Duke Snider, Roy Campanella and Gil Hodges. They were the Brooklyn Dodgers of the 1950s and played at venerable old Ebbets Field.
We're calling the 1989 Sliger/Livingston East All-Area Baseball squad "The Boys of Summer" because they exhibit the same type of joy for the game, and the kind of skill and talent at the prep level that very few ever achieve.
Our "Boys of Summer" have names like Irish, Wladischkin, Byrd, Andrus and Vigh. Here is the All-Area East first team:
MATT BYRD, South Lyon, pitcher: Byrd gave up 44 hits, 12 walks and 19 earned runs in 54 innings, good for a 2.46 ERA. He also struck out 78 of the 224 batters he faced.
"Outstanding control" is Matt's number one asset. "He had a tremendous strikeout-walk ratio. He also throws pretty hard... and developing that spillover as an out pitch really helped him."
Offensively, the switch-hitting Byrd batted .358 (29-for-81) with five home runs and 31 RBIs. He led the Lions in RBIs, triples (3) and walks (16).
STEVE ROSS, Novi, pitcher: This senior led the Wildcats and the area during the regular season with eight victories — an outstanding figure in such a short high school season. Ross was 4-3 with a 3.56 ERA and 62 strikeouts.
"Steve is a true pitcher," Novi coach Gar Frantz said. "He's got an outstanding breaking ball, and he mixes his pitches well. He has good command of his pitches and that's what you want from your pitcher."
Offensively, Ross batted .329 with 21 RBIs, 16 steals, seven doubles and 14 runs.
JEFF IRISH, Milford, catcher: Redkins mentor Mike Shearer calls this senior the best all-around player he has ever coached.
"How about the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association inviting him to play in its annual all-star game today at Tiger Stadium?"
And how about a .414 batting



Members of our 1989 Sliger-Livingston East All-Area First team are shown in their summertime attire at Lakeshore Park in Novi. They are (left to right) Mark Hoon, Doug Justus, Ken Hendrian, Tim Neppjuk, Jeff Irish, Steve Vigh, Matt Byrd, Steve Ross, Steve Andrus and Jim Curtis. Scott Wladischkin is not pictured.

average. 11 doubles, eight home runs, 37 RBIs, 39 runs and eight stolen bases this past season?
It's no wonder Irish has been named Sliger-Livingston East Baseball Player of the Year for 1989.
"There was a lot of pressure on Jeff this season but he handled it real well," Shearer said. "He's a classy kid and a real leader. Even though his statistics are good, he still does a lot of things that don't show up in the box score. His defense, for one, was a real key for us."
Irish committed only two errors — both on throws — and did not have a passed ball.
JIM CURTIS, South Lyon, in-

fielder: Only a junior, Curtis displayed exceptional quickness — both as a second baseman and a baserunner.
Defensively, his range resulted in 33 putouts, a team-high 42 assists and a .904 fielding percentage. He also led the Lions with 26 runs and 18 stolen bases.
"Fielding is Jim's strong suit," Shanks commented. "It's not so much his glove as it is his quickness. He just gets to a lot of balls that others wouldn't have a chance at."
Curtis was consistent with the bat as well, recording a .274 average and .490 on-base percentage from his lead-off spot in the batting order. His other statistics include two doubles, two triples, 13 RBIs, 13

walks and a .360 average with runners in scoring position.
KEN HENDRIAN, Novi, infielder: A broken jaw threw a monkey wrench into Hendrian's junior campaign, but he rebounded to have a stellar season this spring.
Hendrian batted .430 and added 17 stolen bases, 17 RBIs, one homer, one triple, seven doubles, 34 hits and an on-base percentage of .463.
As a pitcher, he had a sparkling 7-1 mark and a 3.52 ERA.
"To win seven games as a pitcher, to bat well over .400 and to play shortstop as well as he did, it's easy to see why he was so important to us," Frantz said. "Last year was such a disaster for him and I was very happy to see him come back because he has a lot of talent."
DOUG JUSTUS, Novi, infielder: The Kensington Valley Conference coaches scrubbed this senior third baseman when they left him off the All-KVC team, but he was a rare commodity. Not many infielders born after 400 from the beginning of the season to the end and commit only two fielding errors in the same span.
"I felt Doug was totally ripped off by the league coaches," Frantz stated. "To accomplish what he did as a fielder and a hitter and then to win seven games as a pitcher is a shame."
Justus led Novi with a .530 on-base percentage and was among the area leaders in hitting (.418),

runs scored (18) and steals (20).
TIM NEPPJUK, Lakeland, infielder: Eagles coach Jerry Ganzel can't help comparing this talented sophomore to two of his former stars.
"I kept Tim (on the varsity) knowing that he had the ability to hit the ball hard," the coach explained. "Just by the way he swings reminded me a lot of (Darryl) Noren and (Kevin) Alexander. Just like them, he hits from the left side and drives the ball."
Neppjuk led the Eagles with a .440 batting average, recording six doubles, three homers and 29 RBIs. His fielding average at the hot corner was .836.
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Sliger-Livingston East

First Team				
NAME	GRADE	POSITION	SCHOOL	
Matt Byrd	12	P	South Lyon	
Steve Ross	12	P	Novi	
Jeff Irish	12	C	Milford	
Jim Curtis	11	IF	South Lyon	
Ken Hendrian	12	IF	Novi	
Doug Justus	12	OF	Lakeland	
Tim Neppjuk	10	IF	Lakeland	
Steve Andrus	12	OF	South Lyon	
Mark Hoon	12	OF	Novi	
Scott Wladischkin	12	OF	Novi	
Steve Vigh	11	DH	Northville	

Second Team				
NAME	GRADE	POSITION	SCHOOL	
Matt Carter	12	P	Milford	
Bruce Hamlin	12	P	Lakeland	
Rob Zwinck	12	C	Lakeland	
Joe Gibson	12	IF	Milford	
Matt Hutchins	11	IF	Northville	
Dave McKee	12	IF	South Lyon	
Denny Skatzka	11	IF	Milford	
Scott Armstrong	11	OF	Northville	
Brian Frellick	12	OF	South Lyon	
Brian Silivinski	11	OF	South Lyon	
Rick Timmerck	12	DH	Novi	

Player of the Year: Jeff Irish, Milford
Coach of the Year: Mike Shearer, Milford
Honorable Mention: Lakeland - Keith Butler, Andy Hart; Milford - John Finley, Greg Petru, Greg Wilhelm; Northville - Randy Jones, Joe Kaley, Jim Williger; Novi - Brian Daniels, Rich Friedrich, Marc Tolsdorf; South Lyon - Mike Grant, Eric Niernur, Mike Skatzka.

More 'Boys of Summer'

All-Area second team loaded with talent
Here is the Sliger/Livingston East All-Area Second Team:
MATT CARTER, Milford, pitcher: A steady performer throughout his prep career, this senior southpaw was instrumental in leading the Redkins to a runner-up finish in the Class A state tournament.
After going 8-2 in the regular season, Carter won four of five playoff decisions — with the lone defeat coming in the championship game against Harper Woods Notre Dame.
"Matt depends on location, which was outstanding all year," Shearer said. "He really knows how to pitch. He's a thinking pitcher... one who moves the ball around and sets up hitters."
Carter gave up 35 earned runs in 99 1/3 innings this season, good for a 3.23 ERA. His other pitching statistics include 74 hits, 38 walks and an area-best 105 strikeouts.
Offensively, Carter batted .244 with one homer and seven RBIs.
BRUCE HAMLIN, Lakeland, pitcher: In his first full season as a hurler, this senior posted a 9-3 record and a 5.92 ERA — with the latter mark indicating during the last week of the season.
His other pitching statistics include 38 strikeouts and 25 walks in 42 innings.
"Bruce threw pretty hard and he had a decent knuckle ball," Ganzel said. "When he was going good, he would move the ball around real well and change speeds now and then. He was kind of inconsistent,

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Kurtis to set fast pace in Northville Rotary Run

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

Northville marathon guru Doug Kurtis is again planning to participate as an exhibition runner in this weekend's ninth annual Discover Northville 8 Kilometer Run sponsored by the Northville Rotary Club.

Kurtis, 37, is coming off one of the most successful months of his long running career and brings instant credibility to the event, which is slated to get under way at Northville Downs this Saturday, June 24, at 9:30 a.m. He's finished first overall in the Rotary Run the last two years, but wasn't recognized as the winner because he entered both races as an exhibition runner.

"I love Northville and the proceeds from this race go towards community service projects," Kurtis said. "It's called Discover Northville for good reason because the course goes around town and it's a nice chance to show off."

In mid-April Kurtis made waves in this area by setting a new course record of 1:07:32 at the West Bloomfield Half Marathon. But that was just the beginning of a tremendous series of runs for Kurtis that culminated on May 27 with a new national age group record time of 1:05 at the 13.1-mile Dexter/Ann Arbor Half-Marathon on May 27.

In between the two half-marathons, Kurtis finished 10th at the New Jersey Marathon on April 10 in a time of 2:17, was second at the Ottawa (Canada) Marathon two weeks later (2:18) and was fourth (2:16) at the Cleveland Marathon.

Last weekend, Kurtis won the 13th annual Grandma's Marathon in Duluth, Minn. He covered the 26.2-mile course in 2:16:49 for his 17th career victory.

"I've really been on a roll," he said. "In that one month span, it was probably the best month of my career. (The win in the Dexter/Ann Arbor race) was the second fastest I've ever run a half-marathon, but I consider it my best performance. In the back of my mind, I thought I had

a chance for the record and I went after it.

"For me, these successes have really boosted my confidence."

As for the Discover Northville Race, Kurtis calls it "one of the better races in the area." As a matter of fact, he often runs the same route in his daily workouts.

"I can tell you everything about the course, including what areas need repaving," he laughed.

Pre-registration numbers for the race are coming in daily, according to race director Dick Milder, and appear to be right on schedule.

"Last year we had a little over 300 runners and we hope to have more than that this year," he said. "With Doug Kurtis' involvement again this year, we are very optimistic because he does attract runners. People like to come and see him run. Not too many people have had the success he's had, and we appreciate his efforts."

Milder pointed out that weather conditions have a big influence on the numbers of participants.

"Many don't run if it's raining," he said. "Last year we were unfortunate because the race happened to be on the hottest day of the summer and it got up to 104 degrees."

"We always get good comments from the runners, though. They like the food and beverages we provide, and they like that we give away a bath towel instead of a T-shirt because it's unique."

FAITH RESULTS: Senior Rob Rasmussen leaves Novi High School as the best distance runner in school history. He was the Kensington Valley Conference cross-country champion and state meet qualifier last fall, and broke the existing school record in the mile run during the track season this spring.

So when Rasmussen was the overall winner at the eighth annual Faith Community Presbyterian Church Run on June 10, it wasn't a great surprise. It was, however, a nice bonus to have a local runner take first place.

"The highlight of the race was that a local kid won the race," said organizer Mike Everett. "We seem to draw about the same numbers each year. We had 135 all together this year. It was a little cool, but it was a pleasant day and everything ran smoothly."

Rasmussen won the four-mile run in a time of 21:10. The female winner was Tisch Schmidt of Brighton (28:30). Here is a list of the top three finishers in each age division:

MALE 18-UNDER
1. Red Bekke, Howell; 2. John Crawford, Novi; 3. Andy Phelps, New Hudson.

MALE 19-24
1. Mike Ducker, Novi; 2. John Thompson, Wixom; 3. Alex Bogeris, Wixom.

FEMALE 18-24
1. Laura Johnson, Westland; 2. Karen Hoffman, Northville; 3. Rebecca Killeck, Novi.

MALE 25-29
1. John Rodriguez, Dearborn; 2. Chris Regan, Yecipa, California; 3. Mike Webster, Plymouth.

FEMALE 25-29
1. Debbie Smuncney, Farmington Hills; 2. Maureen Shrnacki, Southfield; 3. Belinda Lee, Redford.

MALE 30-39
1. Stan Polkowski, Detroit; 2. Greg Hellar, Trenton; 3. Jeff Gaff, Ann Arbor.

FEMALE 30-39
1. Vicki Webster, Westland; 2. Donna Olson, Bloomfield Hills; 3. Susan Beaton, Novi.

MALE 40-49
1. John Hunt, Brighton; 2. Dave Sweeney, Northville; 3. Joe Mason, Plymouth.

FEMALE 40-49
1. Jo Adamson, Plymouth; 2. Cecilia Brays, Livonia; 3. Carol Murtha, Holly.

MALE OVER 50
1. Bob Pakialan, Troy; 2. Jo Adamson, Plymouth; 3. Larry Mishler, Plymouth.

FEMALE OVER 50
1. Shirley Martin, Garden City; 2. Mary Hunt, Southfield.



Rob Rasmussen won the annual Faith Community Run

Boaters must be careful

Boaters who keep an alert lookout and practice water safety procedures can help prevent fatalities, injuries and damaging accidents, according to AAA Michigan.

Michigan boat accidents killed 56 people in 1987, the latest figures available. Failure to post a lookout, reckless operation and hazardous waters were primary causes of boating accidents, investigators said.

"Michigan has about 750,000 registered boats — more than any state — but many owners have had no formal training in boat safety and operation," said Robert V. Cullen, AAA Michigan Safety Manager.

"The number of watercraft increases every year, so it becomes critical that every owner learn and obey the nautical 'rules of the road.'"

Alcohol also plays a role in up to half of all marine accidents, Cullen noted.

"Alertness, judgment, reaction time, vision and hearing are all impaired by alcohol," he said. "Those caught operating a boat under the influence are subject to fines and jail terms."

With Michigan's summer boating season well under way, other tips to help "Bring 'Em Back Alive!" from lakes and rivers include:

- Know your boat's capacity — don't overload.
- Wear a personal flotation device approved by the Coast Guard. Michigan law requires life jackets for each person on board.
- Fire extinguishers must be carried on motorboats with enclosed engines and are recommended for all watercraft.
- Check the weather forecast before leaving home and monitor a marine radio frequency for sudden warnings while under way.
- Carry a basic tool kit for minor engine repairs.

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Fife Electric wins opener

The Novi Youth Baseball League opened the 1989 season in impressive fashion on June 3 at Bosco Field in Novi with some exciting baseball action and a host of Opening Day festivities.

All coaches or statisticians who want to get their team's results into the Novi News should contact Larry Ciancio at 563-2844.

Here is a brief rundown of some opening week action:

MINOR DIVISION: In a rematch of last year's season-ending battle for first place, Fife Electric nipped Disser's Greenhouses 7-6 on June 3 to start the 1989

season. The Fife hitting attack was led by Nick Simon and Ricky Anderson who each went 3-for-3 at the plate. Jeremy Latchalk and Jason Rafeid also contributed with two hits apiece. Ryan Sahlborg, Michael McShane, Jim Hickey and Kevin Avenius paced the winners.

On June 8, Fife Electric increased its record to 2-1 with an exciting 11-0 comeback victory over Heritage Properties. Fife trailed 9-1 after three innings but fought back, including a five-run rally in the last inning.

Michael McShane and Nick Simon led Fife with three hits apiece, while Ricky Anderson, Kevin Avenius, Jeremy Latchalk and Ryan Sahlborg all went 2-for-3.

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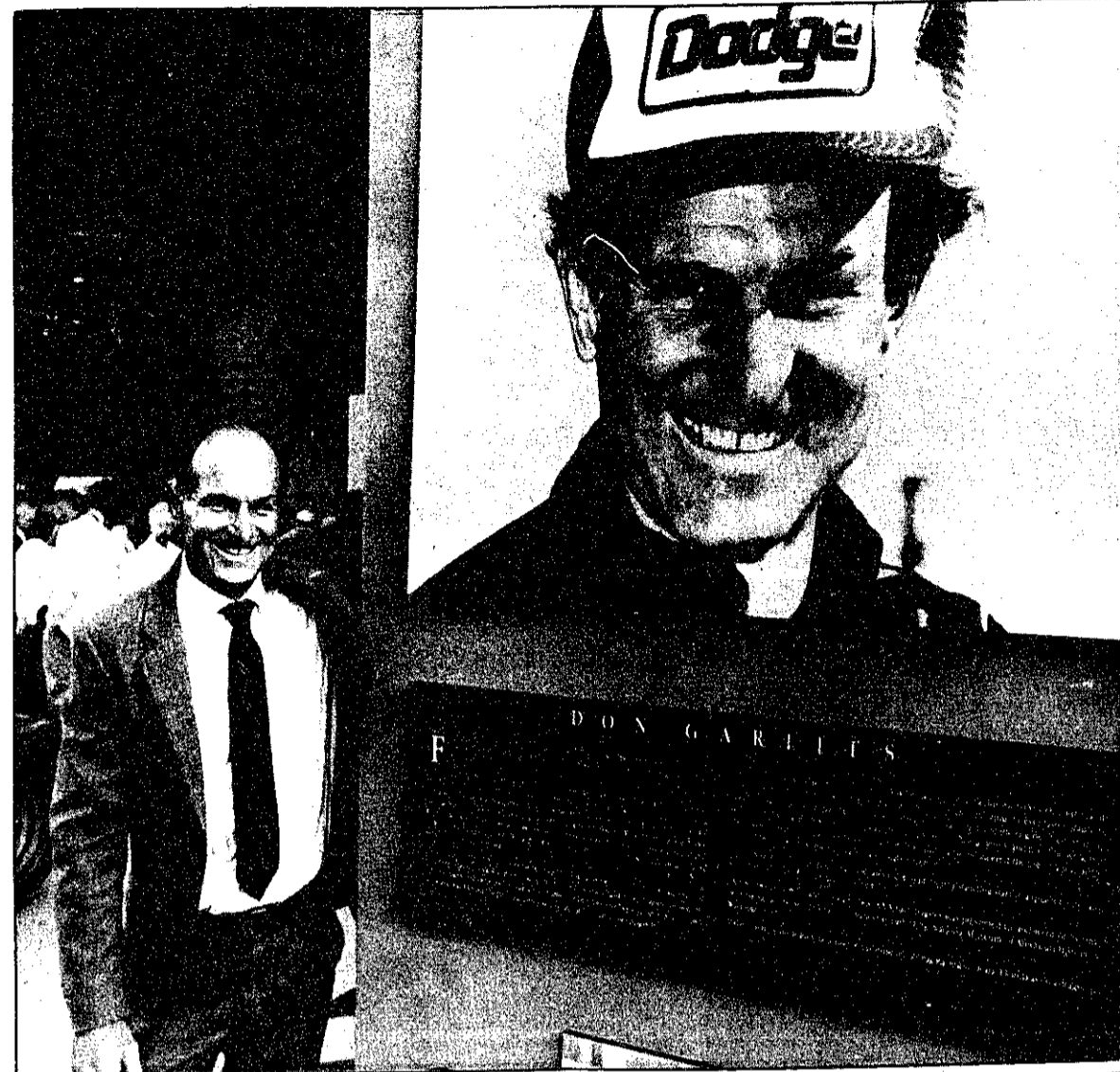
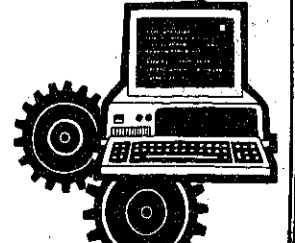
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'Big Daddy' Don Garrits stands beside his Motorsports Hall of Fame plaque now on display in the Novi Civic Center

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Racing legends accept induction to Hall of Fame

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

DETROIT — Some of the greatest names in racing gathered at the Roostertail on June 15 for the Inaugural Induction Ceremony of the Motorsports Hall of Fame.

And the City of Novi was universally praised for the spirit of its racing heritage and for having the foresight to organize the proposed Motorsports Hall of Fame and Museum of America.

The event was the culmination of four years of planning and, according to Hall of Fame Chairman Larry Ciancio, the fulfillment of a dream — making Novi the focal point of the racing world.

"A few years ago, an idea for this Hall of Fame came out of Novi and it was a good idea," Ciancio told the capacity crowd of 500 in his welcoming address. "On behalf of the board of directors, I want to thank you all for making this night a reality."

"It was a lot of years of hard work and tonight is the culmination of what we've been working for."

With the legendary Novi Special racer on display at the entrance to the Roostertail, guests received a first-hand look at a symbol of the city's great racing history. Reminders of Novi's participation in this project were everywhere. From the invocation by the Rev. Charles Jacobs of

Novi United Methodist Church to the presence of Mayor Matt Quinn and other local officials.

"It's incredibly fitting that we're here in the Motor City," said Larry Nuber of ESPN, the master of ceremonies. "The word 'Novi' is synonymous with racing. It doesn't mean just a car or a city — it was a spirit. Novi was the fastest car at Indianapolis in the '60s, and it never won. But this Hall of Fame recognizes the quest for speed in all motor sports."

The keynote address came from possibly the most famous driver of the Novi Special — Bobby Unser — who went on to win three Indianapolis 500 races.

"Up until now, motorsports have had no place to call home," he said. "It's fitting that the great Novi name is associated with this project — it's something that is long overdue. What better place to locate the Hall of Fame Museum?"

"It's the perfect place because the Novi Special was the most recognized car ever at Indy. The piercing scream of it's supercharger was the most famous sound in The Brickyard. I've always had an affinity for the Novi Special. It was way ahead of its time."

After Nuber officially claimed the Novi Motorsport Museum established, the eight charter members of the

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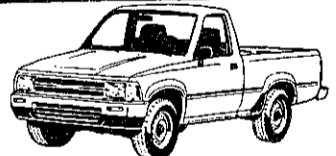
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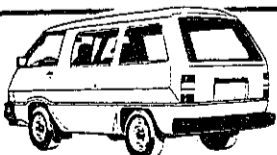


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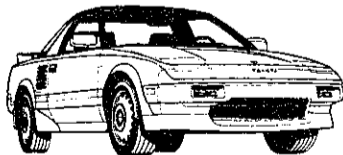
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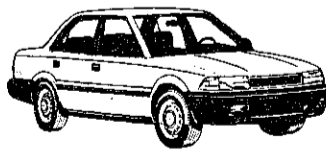
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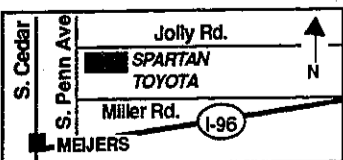
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