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Police to grow with city

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

Growing pains in Novi take their toll on city services in many ways — particularly when it comes to the Novi Police Department.

That is what city officials said in response to a recent complaint by Novi police officers who claim police shifts are undermanned with supervisors.

In a memo written to Novi Mayor Matthew Quinn and Novi City Council members two weeks ago, the Novi Police Officer's Association Union claimed that by forcing low-ranking police officers to replace supervisors during emergencies or illness, the city is creating a potential liability problem.

The union complained that city police officers aren't trained to handle supervisory responsibility and shouldn't be forced to do so. Sergeants are usually the command officers who supervise shifts.

As of early this week the police union's president, Frank Barabas, had received no response to the memo. City officials last week said they didn't see the issue as a significant problem and did not plan a response.

But in an interview Tuesday, Novi City Manager Edward Kriewall said supervisors on every shift will not become the rule until the department grows larger.

"When we get larger, we will have more supervisors," Kriewall said about the police force, which is soon expected to increase to 50 officers. "But when you're in a transition period this will happen — not only with the police, but with fire, water and sewer service, too."

Barabas, however, said he believes Novi is big enough to have all police shifts staffed with a supervisor. In response to the city officials' argument that work schedules will return to normal when a lieutenant who is currently ill returns to work, Barabas said, "I don't see anything changing."

"That lieutenant is not on the road and works during the day," Barabas said. "Add that to the fact that guys have the day off and people always get sick. What they need is more bodies — it's as simple as that."

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Hoola hoop extraordinaire Matt Plendi performs at the Novi High School. For more '50s Festival photos see page 8-A

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Providence to transfer beds

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

In an effort to encourage state approval for a new \$45 million hospital satellite in Novi, Providence Hospital officials will remove nearly 200 beds from their Southfield location.

In an announcement last week, Providence officials said they planned to transfer 188 beds from their Southfield hospital location to the proposed 200-bed facility at Grand River Avenue and Beck Road in Novi.

"We hope that will increase our chances of receiving our Certificate of Need (CON) from the state," said Carol Jonson, manager of community relations for the hospital. The hospital applied for the CON last month.

Jonson could not provide further information about the proposed hospital expansion to Novi. Providence Hospital President Brian Connolly has been unavailable for comment. Also, Greg Knepley, the hospital's vice president of planning and marketing, would not return several phone calls made by The Novi News.

A CON must be awarded by the state Department of Public Health before any new hospital can be built in Michigan. However, CONs were denied for several hospitals within the last few years — particularly in Oakland County — due to an over abundance of hospital beds.

Providence officials hope that by showing only a slight increase in Oakland County beds under their proposal — from 188 to 200 — state officials will approve the CON.

The prepared release from Providence stated that because hospital officials plan to move beds, they are not any less committed to Southfield patients. The removal of beds is a result of shorter hospital stays and increased out-patient care, which has led to rising vacancy rates.

Furthermore, say officials, approximately 40 percent of Southfield's current patients come from Novi and other suburbs located north and west of Southfield.

The project may be 5-10 years away from completion, when con-

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Group attacks CSX safety record

By BOB NEEDHAM
staff writer

CSX Transportation — the company which owns the train tracks running through Novi — has the worst safety record of any major railroad, according to a new report.

The national group Citizen Action charged that CSX Transportation's safety record is the worst of any major railroad in the country. The group said its conclusion was based on the total numbers of accidents reported in 1977.

CSX officials later angrily denied the conclusions of the report, saying their company's safety record is about average. They also said train transportation in general, and within CSX, is steadily getting safer.

A CSX spokesperson in turn accused Citizen Action of being a

"front" for a group of powerful trial lawyers working the railroad industry at the expense of the public. A Citizen Action spokesperson denied that charge.

In a press conference at the Novi Hilton last Thursday, Citizen Action spokesperson Robert Creamer said, "CSX Transportation ... has the worst accident record of the nation's major railroads."

The Citizen Action report says that CSX reported 410 major train accidents and 58 accidents involving hazardous materials, "both the highest of any rail carrier." The report also says that CSX had the highest rate of accidents per million train miles traveled of any of the largest railroads.

Citing an audit of the railroad industry by the federal General Ac-

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Fifties fever!

Festival draws crowds, profit

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

"Bigger," "better," and "profitable" are the best words to describe the second annual Michigan '50s Festival, which drew bigger crowds than last year and put the project in the black for the first time in its two-year history.

"It was very successful," beamed festival president Connie Mallett after last week's event, which ended Sunday. "We tripled our attendance, turning over about 30,000 people in the five days. I'm not even sure we did 10,000 last year."

"It was just a fantastic week, and the whole thing improved dramatically over the last year," said Novi City Manager Edward Kriewall, who along with Mallett attended the festival every day, marking its success.

Both serve on the Michigan '50s Festival Board of Directors, with Mallett acting as president for the second year.

"Are we looking at one for next year? You bet," Mallett said.

Although final figures have not yet been tallied, Mallett said the festival definitely made a profit this year. Last year the festival lost about \$13,000 to \$14,000 largely due to a Sha Na Na concert rainout.

Festival treasurer Rick Gilbert agreed with the profit analysis but reserved estimating profits until all the bills are tallied next week. "I will say that we'll make up what we lost last year and at least break even," he said.

Any profit the committee makes

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will go toward purchases and improvements for next year's festival, Kriewall said.

Those purchases could include tents and barricades, which have been rented the last two years. "All the money will be put back into the festival," Kriewall said.

Mallett said that of the \$71,725 the festival committee had planned to spend on the event, costs ran slightly over budget for hiring extra security.

The largest contributor to the festival was Twelve Oaks Mall, she said, explaining that mall officials decided not to collect on the approximately \$10,000 they loaned the festival last year. That gesture dramatically reduced the event's debt burden to \$3,000-\$4,000, a debt festival officials faced going into this year's event, she added.

Other large contributors to the festival included the City of Novi and Coors Beer Company, donating \$5,000 each.

Festival officials learned from

last year's experience, consequently making some things run much smoother this time around, Kriewall said.

For instance, by locating the beer tent and food concessions near each other, both food and drink vendors enjoyed more business this year than last, not including the hike in attendance. Plus it was more convenient for the crowd, he said.

Also, the musical group The Contours performed in the Novi High School auditorium, where adverse weather would have no effect. Last year's Sha Na Na concert was scheduled to take place on the high school football field, but a torrential downpour cancelled the concert.

A total of about 1,500 people turned out to see The Contours during the group's three concerts Saturday, one-third of which were tickets exchanged from last year, said Mallett. Concert-goers were given the chance to redeem Sha Na Na tickets for The Contours concert.

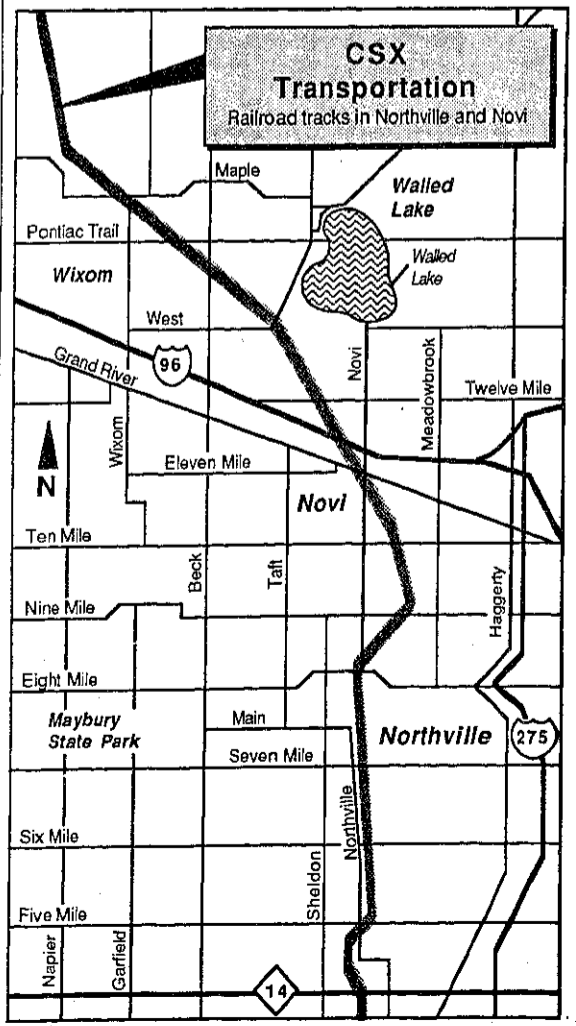
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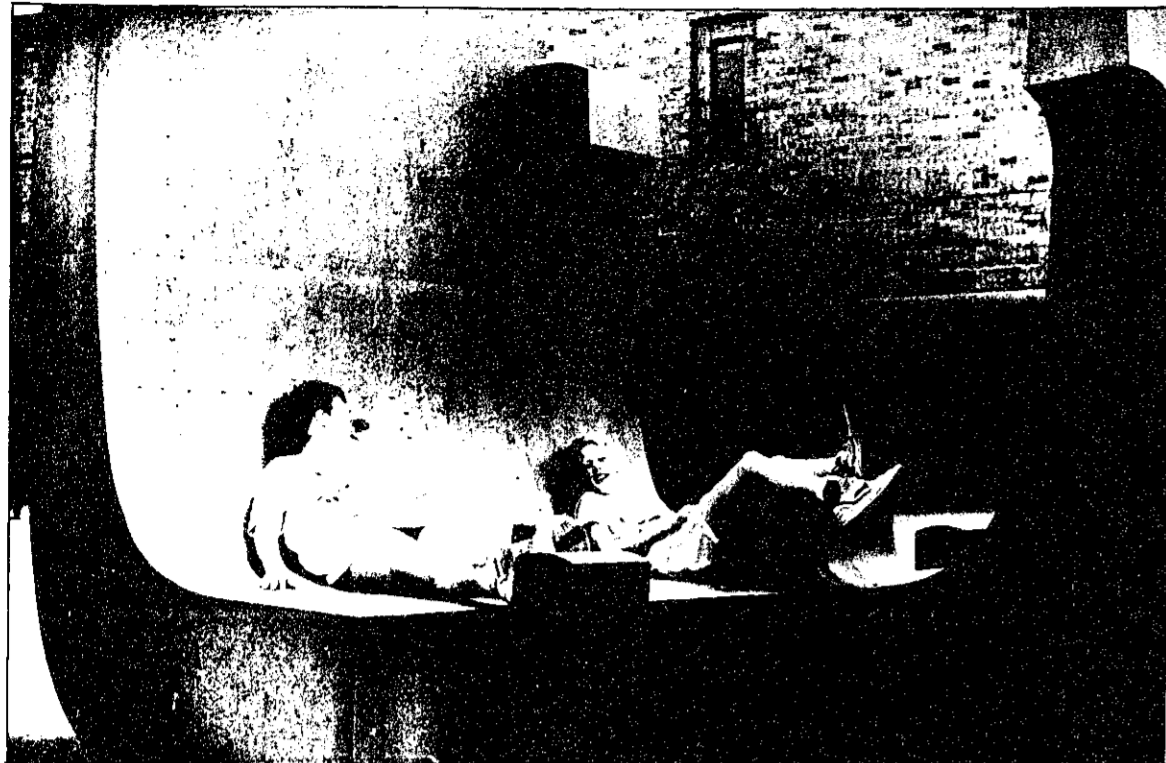
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Kicking back

On those lazy, hazy days of summer, sometimes there's nothing better than taking time to enjoy the... sculptures. Andrew Loussaert, 12, and his friend Scott Mills, 11, did just that earlier

this week. The youths take a break to relax on the bronze sculpture outside Novi High School.

Novi News/JANET L. COX

Disney store comes to mall

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck have just found a new home and Novi's Twelve Oaks Mall is going to be the place.
Opening Aug. 5 will be Michigan's first Disney Store, the 28th in a chain of Disney Stores throughout the country. The shop will feature a wide range of Disney products, including entertainment items and character figurines of such familiar characters as Mickey, Donald, Pluto, Winnie-the-Pooh and more. Even practical items like Mickey Mouse toothbrushes are available.
Although Disney paraphernalia collectors may think the stores are paradise, Disney executives claim the stores cater to young and old alike, and to pocketbooks of all measures.

Judging by the success of other Disney stores, Twelve Oaks Mall Manager Philip Morosco is convinced that what's good for Disney is also good for the mall.
"There's no question about it. This will definitely bring more people to the mall," said Morosco in a phone interview Monday. "We're very excited to be adding this special and unique store to the mall."
The store's grand opening will occur Aug. 28 when special guests Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse will be on hand most of the day.

Negotiations with the Walt Disney Company to bring the store to Novi occurred this spring, said Morosco. He said the decision to come to Novi probably stemmed from the fact that a prior Disney Store was already in place in an affiliated Taubman Company mall on the West Coast.

Disney's move to Novi — its first penetration of the midwest market — is yet another indication that major national retailers are seeking out Twelve Oaks Mall, Morosco added.

Likewise, the mall's reputation for garnering new concepts and having the "best of the best" in retailing produced the first exclusive Liz Claiborne women's clothing shop in the area in April, Morosco explained.

Disney Stores officials claim to have something for everyone, ranging from 50 cent trinket toys to expensive figurines. A six-foot doll priced at \$50 or a \$37,000 diamond Mickey Mouse watch will be there for the buying, as well as games, buttons, sweaters and stuffed Disney characters. Of course Novi's outlet will have the mouse ears in stock, too.

Besides the merchandise, patrons will be drawn to the store by animated window displays, television screens showing Disney movies and videos promoting the Disney Land and Walt Disney World theme parks. Tickets to the parks are also for sale.

And making sure that all the magic falls into place are the "cast members" (sales clerks), who invite the cherished "guests" (customers) to see the "show" (merchandise) on the "stage" (sales floor).

Disney officials have charged employees with maintaining that enthusiastic "you are king" attitude that exists throughout their theme parks. And apparently the theatrical approach to retailing works, as Disney boasts an average volume of three to four times that of other tenants in the same malls.

Hoyer retains SEMCOG vice chair

Novi City Council member Martha Hoyer has been re-elected to a one-year term as vice chairperson of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

As a SEMCOG officer, Hoyer will represent the organization in Lansing and Washington, D.C.

Hoyer also was elected to serve as City/Village Bloc Delegate to SEM-

COG's Regional Clearinghouse Review Committee (RC2). Created in 1984, the RC2 consists of local elected officials charged with review and comment responsibility for state and federal assisted projects submitted to SEMCOG.

Milton Mack Jr., a Wayne County Commissioner, was elected chairman of SEMCOG, a voluntary association of counties, cities,

villages, townships, intermediate school districts and community colleges in the seven-county southeast Michigan region.

Detroit City Councilman Clyde Cleveland was elected first vice chairperson.

In addition to Hoyer, other vice chairpersons include Gerald McCaffrey of the Macomb Intermediate

Board of Education; E.A. Jackson Morris, supervisor of Pittsfield Township; and Richard Rutnicki, Livingston County Drain Commissioner.

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Funny faces

Any celebration is hardly complete without colorful, costumed clowns and the '50s Festival was no exception. Joann Roma, left, and Allison Downs passed out balloons and toys to children at the

downtown merchants free ice cream social, a popular event during the festival. The ice cream social was held near Marcus Glass on Novi Road. Guests also were treated to popcorn and lemonade.

Novi News/JANET L. COX

Novi merchants attract shoppers during '50s fest

By JEFF HAWKINS
staff writer

Good news. Novi merchants say they experienced a marked increase in sales due to the Michigan '50s Festival last weekend.

"Sales were definitely up," said Janet Blair, manager at Children's Palace in the Novi Town Center, the hub of activity for the '50s Festival.

While exact figures on the increase in sales were not available for release, it's safe to say that community businesses as a whole benefited from the response to the '50s Festival. Planned activities attracted shoppers to Novi who may not have otherwise visited.

"The festival brought people into the area who are not usually familiar with Novi," said Phil Morosco, manager of Novi's Twelve Oaks Mall. "During the festival, I answered a lot of phone calls at the (50s Festival) headquarters and most of the calls I received were from people looking for directions."

The '50s Festival, which ran from July 27-30, came to Novi for the second year and appeared to be a success for most of the businesses in the area.

"This was probably the best weekend we have ever had," said Steve Silberg, manager of Frosty's Ice Cream and Yogurt. "Business was very good."

Stores located within the Novi Town Center and throughout the city sponsored a variety of activities to attract consumers to Novi, including sidewalk sales. According to Silberg, business outside the store fared better than it did inside the store.

"Outside did real well," Silberg said. "It attracted people to us because a lot of people didn't know where we were."

Some activities drawing interest from shoppers included a hula hoop contest at Children's Palace, a Happy Days Beer Tent in the Novi Town Center parking lot and a '50s Festival

Morosco: 'The festival brought people into the area who are not usually familiar with Novi. I answered phones at the ('50s Festival) headquarters and most of the calls I received were from people looking for directions.'

Baby Contest, co-sponsored by Prestige Portraits and the Novi Jaycees.

Employees in some of the Novi stores dressed '50s-style to further enhance the atmosphere of the festival.

"The festival raised the level of Novi itself," Morosco added. "Business was good and we got our share of traffic."

While local merchants enjoyed the financial success of various '50s Festival events, visiting consumers proved that the festival wasn't all business.

"We're going to do it again," said Connie Mallett, president of the Michigan '50s Festival Committee.

Schools sued over 1986 slip accident

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

A Novi man is suing the Novi Community School District over a "slip and fall" accident that occurred in 1986.

The suit has been filed by Leon Wolman, a Novi resident who alleges that he slipped and fell in the Novi

High School locker room as a result of the school district's negligence. The incident allegedly occurred during a "Swim for Seniors" event at the high school in August 1986.

Claiming to have suffered shoulder, neck and back pain, disability and mental anguish, Wolman is asking for damages listed only as in excess of \$10,000. The civil

suit was filed earlier this summer in Oakland County Circuit Court.

Wolman charges the school district with failing to warn participants in the "Swim for Seniors" program of "dangerous building defects." He states that the locker room contained slippery floors without "non-slip" traction mats, and that there were no grab bars attached to the walls for

support from falling.

In addition to his injuries, Wolman has alleged that he has incurred significant medical costs, lost time from his employment and continues to suffer humiliation and embarrassment as a result of the accident.

Wolman has requested a trial by jury.

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Fancy footwork

Novi Seniors Sixth Gate Cloggers perform at the Novi Town Center during the '89 Festival, appropriately outfitted in poodle skirts and bobby socks. Front to back are cloggers Eileen Stoops of Novi, Ruth Reinke of South Lyon, Donna Thomas of Plymouth,

Theda Thayer of Farmington and Glenna Sherman of Northville. Clogging is a unique dance technique that combines elements of tap dancing in shorter, quicker steps.

Novi News/CAREY STEVENS

People

Three Novi residents have earned Master degrees from Walsh College in Troy.
GARY GAGARIN earned a Master of Science in Taxation, RICHARD HARRIS earned a Master of Science in Finance and ANDREW MCCOMAS JR. earned a Master of Science in Taxation.

KERRY WAGNER of Novi has graduated from Kalamazoo College with a BA degree. She is the daughter of Ross Wagner of White Plains and Phyllis Wagner of Dearborn.
Wagner majored in economics and business administration. For her career development internship, she worked for F&E Check Protector Company in Detroit. She studied in Hanover, West Germany, as part of the college's foreign study program. For her senior individualized project, she wrote a thesis titled "The German Federal Bank." The research was done while doing an internship at Berliner Volksbank in Berlin, West Germany. Wagner received honors in 1986 and 1987. She was a member of the student commission, a teachers aid in economics, a dormitory representative and president of the Film Society.

BRYAN DROSTE of Walled Lake has graduated from Kalamazoo College with a BA degree. He is the son of Alicia Roberts of Novi and Raymond Droste of Grosse Pointe Park.
Droste majored in economics and business administration with a concentration in international commerce. For his career development internship, he was an analyst in the sales and accounting departments of American Plastic Toys in Walled Lake.
He studied in Madrid, Spain, as part of the college's foreign study program. For his senior individualized project, he was an internist in the sales department conducting research at Molmen, Inc., in Walled Lake. Droste participated in intramural volleyball and ISO at Kalamazoo College.

KATHY LYNN HAWN of Novi received an associate of arts degree in Banking and Finance from Northwood Institute during May 13 commencement exercises.
A Novi High School graduate, she is the daughter of Jim and Shirley Hawn of Novi.

KATHRYN BLACKMER of Novi was named a Student Honor Delegate and participated in the "Salute to Excellence" student forum and banquet sponsored by The Educational Foundation of the National Restaurant Association during the National Restaurant Convention in Chicago.
Students were selected on the basis of academic performance, career interest, industry work experience and achievements by the deans and directors of hotel, restaurant and institutional management programs at college and universities.

Two Novi residents — CARRIE DUFFY and ALISON TYLER — have been cited for academic achievement at Oakland University.
Duffy and Tyler were cited for maintaining grade point averages from 3.60 to 4.0 while taking at least 12 credit hours of numerically graded university work during the 1989 winter semester.



Young artist

Courtney Harfoot, 5, carefully paints a cross, one of the activities included in Vacation Bible School sessions at Faith Community Presbyterian Church in Novi. Children were introduced to

Novi News/JANET L. COX

various crafts, including weaving, beading and brick making. Craft sessions were held outside the church, beneath canopies.

Senate approves bill raising state park fees through '95

By TIM RICHARD staff writer

State park fees will go up by half next year and keep going up through 1995 under a bill on its way to Gov. James Blanchard's desk.

The Michigan Senate last week had to vote twice on the controversial bill before giving it 24-8 approval. Area Sens. Robert Geake, R-Northville, Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, and Fred Dillingham, R-Fowlerville, voted for the bill.

Sen. Doug Cruse, R-Troy, spoke for opponents when he said, "It's amazing the increase we've had in the state budget in the '80s. For us to increase fees while the tax base is expanding so rapidly is unthinkable. There should be enough tax revenue to operate the parks."

Geake supported the increase because "Michigan's state parks are rated among the best in the nation, but we were not adequately funding them for proper maintenance and supervision."

Debate was brief as senators waded through a stack of budget con-

ference reports in the cramped quarters of a committee room. The Senate chamber has been torn apart during extensive renovations of the State Capitol Building.

Vehicle admissions provide \$2.8 million a year for park operations and maintenance, about 20 percent of the operating budget.

Here is how fees would rise under House Bill 1461:

□ The annual vehicle permit, which had been at \$10 since 1980, would go to \$15 next year, \$18 in 1993 and \$20 in 1995.

□ Daily permits would go from the current \$2 to \$5 for Michigan residents.

□ Senior citizens fees would go from \$1 a year to half the general admission price.

□ Non-resident fee would go from \$3 to \$6 daily.

□ Commercial buses and vans holding more than 12 passengers no longer would be able to buy annual stickers. They would be charged daily fees of up to \$15 to be set by the Natural Resources Commission.

□ A bigger chunk of the annual

permit money would go for park operation and maintenance, a smaller proportion into capital outlay and special maintenance. Reason: Voters last year passed a \$140 million recreational bond issue last year that is to be used solely for capital outlay.

□ The Department of Natural Resources could raise fees for camping reservations and camping fees, which are paid on a daily basis over and above vehicle entry fees.

Current fees are "ridiculously low," according to a staff analysis.

Meanwhile, staffing is down, toilet facilities are sometimes in disrepair, and stairways are deteriorating.

"The money goes into a special, restricted fund," said Sen. Phil Arthurs, R-Whitehall. "It is used for day-to-day operations — rangers, trucks. Fees have not been increased in a number of years. This does not mean inflation."

"The DNR budget is based on this fee increase," Arthurs said as he briefed the Senate.

Big changes for Holy Family

Congregation members at the Church of the Holy Family in Novi are facing two big changes.

First, Father Kevin O'Brien, pastor at the church for nearly 15 years, is leaving after being re-assigned to St. Priscilla's Church in Livonia (see related story on page 14-A).

Second, a new parish is being formed in the western part of Novi to serve a growing population within the city and an expanding congregation at Holy Family, with members presently totaling about 2,500.

Father Jim Cronk was assigned to form the new parish by Cardinal Edmund Szoka. Boundaries for the parish are 696 on the north, Nine Mile Road on the south, Novi Road on the east and Napier Road on the west.

According to a letter written by Cronk and included in a recent Church of the Holy Family newsletter, the new parish will be named in honor of St. James the Apostle, the first parish in the archdiocese to be named for this saint.

Cronk was pastor for 12 years at Our Lady of the Lakes in Waterford.

Recently he has performed Mass at Holy Family to acquaint himself with the congregation.

"I know it will be very hard for most of you who live in the newly designated area to separate yourselves from Holy Family..." Cronk wrote in the newsletter.

"But I think there will be a great deal of excitement, challenge and fun in creating a new worshipping community."

O'Brien commented that "it will be interesting to see what happens" with the new venture.

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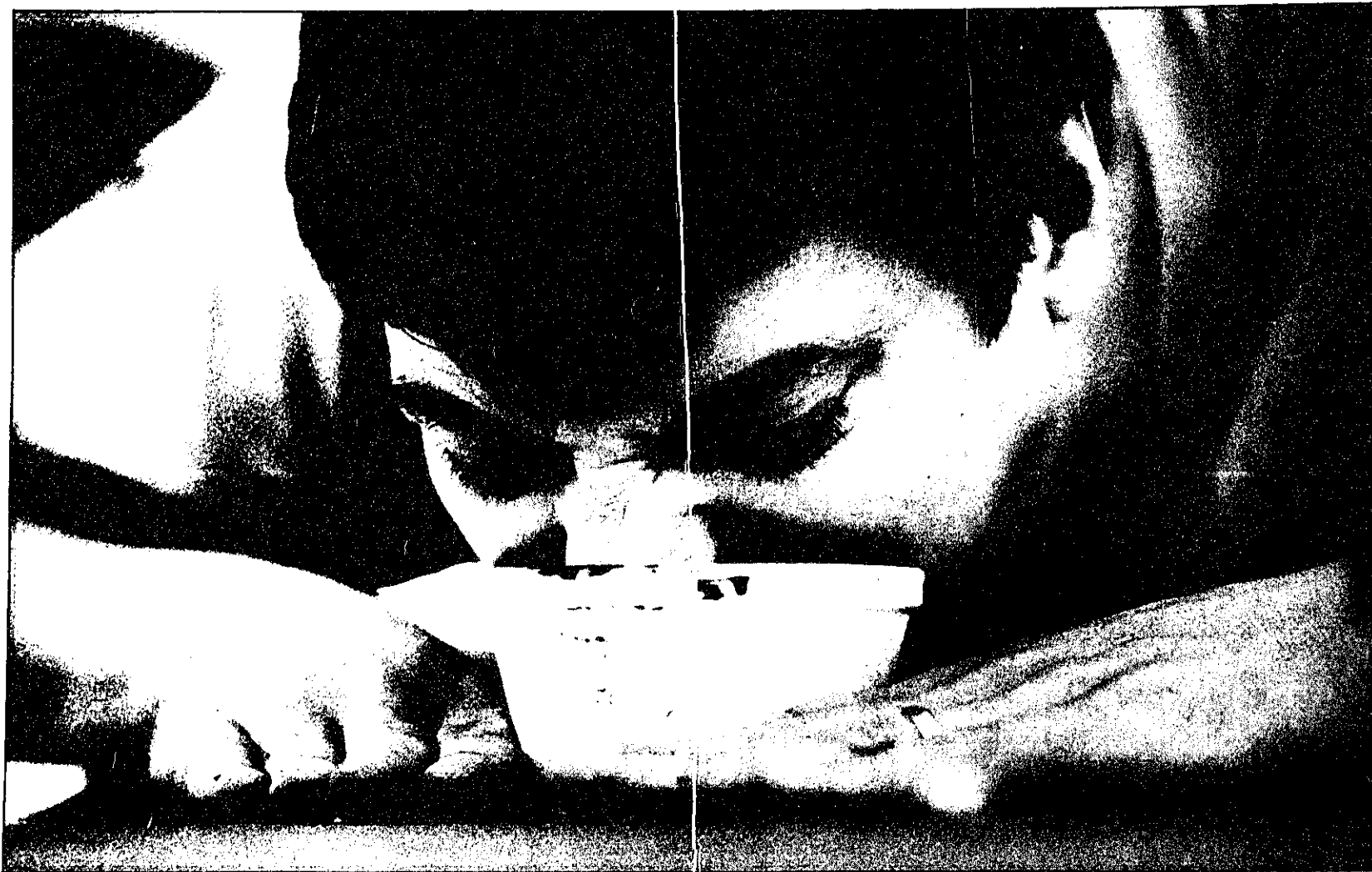
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Happy Days era returns



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Arty Wolf performs with this three-piece '50s band "Arty Wolf and the Pack"



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Tony Jett of Farmington, left, wins second place in the '50s car show for his 1940 Ford, while Dan Hunter of Livonia wins first place for his 1940 Ford convertible



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Tom Scandary and Diann Romanek of Redford share a special moment during the '50s Festival car show

Church Notes

Good Shepherd Evangelical: Vacation Bible School classes will run from Aug. 14-18 at Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, at Nine Mile and Meadowbrook roads in Novi. Sessions will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each day. Children ages 4-14 are welcome. Transportation will be provided to those who need it. This year's theme is "Jesus Is." The morning will consist of Bible-based lessons, music, art projects and refreshments. There is no registration fee. Daily freewill offerings will be taken. For more information or to register call 349-0565 or 348-2613. Enrollment is limited and participants are asked to register as soon as possible.

Novi Baptist Bible School: Vacation Bible School will be held Aug. 21-25 at the First Baptist Church of Novi. Sessions will be held from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. for children ages 4-13. The theme of this year's Bible school is "Bad News - Good News." Sessions will be based on the Bible and will include lessons, crafts, puppets, games, prizes, refreshments and bus transportation. For more information call 349-3477 or 349-3647.

Detroit Nazarene: Dave and Irma Edwards will appear in concert at the Detroit First Church of the Nazarene on Sunday, Aug. 6 at 6 p.m. In addition to their musical outreach, Dave and Irma are known for their senior adult ministries. They have directed the nation's largest weekly senior adult program for the past eight years and currently are directors of the new "Breakfast Club" in the Center for the Performing Arts in Clearwater, Fla. Detroit First Church of the Nazarene is at 21260 Haggerty Rd., in Farmington Hills, north of Eight Mile Road. For more information call 348-7600.

Fairlane Assembly: Fairlane Assembly West will offer "Sowseker Safari," its Vacation Bible School Aug. 8-12. Sessions are held from 6 to 9 p.m. for children in kindergarten through eighth grade. Music, games, cookies, prizes and Bible stories are some of the planned activities. Parents also are welcome to attend. For more information call 561-3300. Fairlane Assembly is at 41355 Six Mile Rd., in Northville.

Cathedral of Hope: Rev. Norice Gallop, missionary to the U.S. military in the Far East, will visit the Cathedral of Hope Assembly of God on Sunday, Aug. 6. The church is currently meeting at the Novi Hilton, 1275 at Eight Mile Road. Service begins at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and nursery are provided for children. Gallop enlisted in the Navy when he was 18 years old and served two tours of duty for his country. For more information call 349-0565.

Detroit Nazarene: The Jews for Jesus evangelistic team called "The Liberated Wailing Wall" will be coming to Detroit First Church of the Nazarene on Sunday, Aug. 20 at 4 p.m. Some of the group's music reflects the poignant longing that has been a part of the synagogue worship throughout the ages. For more information call 348-7600.

Wixom Baptist: Ron "Patch" Hamilton will present a family musical program at the First Baptist Church of Wixom on Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 7:30 p.m. The program is sponsored by Wixom Christian School. Offerings will be accepted for the school. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. The church is at 620 North Wixom Road in Wixom. For more information call 624-3823.

Church of Holy Spirit: In Hamburg hosts its 10th anniversary festival on Saturday, Aug. 5 from noon until 1 a.m. The festival includes bingo, chicken dinner, lent auction, putt-putt golf, hay rides, computer games, live entertainment and a drawing.

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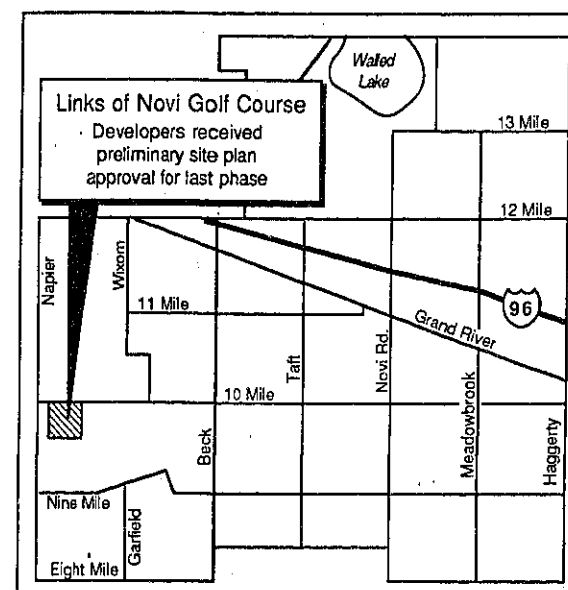
By AMY ROSA staff writer

The Novi City Planning Commission voted to approve a woodlands permit and plans for the final phase of the Links of Novi golf course, despite objections by some planners that the city's woodlands ordinance was compromised. Developers for the project had their preliminary site plan for phase II tabled by planners in early July because of missing information, including an environmental report on the effect of the removal of nearly half the 200-acre site's trees. The city's environmental consultant, Linda Lemke, previously told planners that she recommended not granting a needed woodlands permit because of the intrusion into what she called unique flower, shrub and tree species. She also said wildlife and birds would flee the area.

However, the golf course development firm, Novi Golf Associates, presented its requested study, which portrayed the would-be intrusion into the woodlands and wildlife as much smaller in scale. The study said the impact on the forest would be much greater if the golf course site weren't actually part of a much larger woodlands system.

But since it is part of a 640-acre ecological system, the report indicates, intrusion will not be that great. Although less common species of wildlife and birds will probably relocate and multiply elsewhere, other kinds of new habitat would come to the area, according to the report. The study described that effect as "enhancing" of the surrounding nature.

Some planners, however, were not convinced and continued to suggest that the developer create an 18-hole course rather than a 27-hole course to



lessen the intrusion.

Commissioner Ernest Aruffo favored the 18-hole course, he told the audience.

Professional Golf Association member Gary Whitner, a partner in the developing firm, said that according to the study the environment of the parcel, located south of Ten Mile Road and east of Napier Road, would undergo only a gradual change.

Commissioner Judith Johnson, a staunch supporter of the city's woodlands ordinance, asked Whitner what his firm's hardship was for not being able to design a golf course with fewer holes. "There is a burden to demonstrate that they can do

ing. What this boils down to is an economical consideration," retorted Johnson. "An alternative is to have an 18-hole course and minimize the intrusion."

New planning commissioner Thomas O'Branovic disagreed, saying the change in the woodlands, although significant, is a tradeoff for a lower-density project that preserves open and green space. "We should grant this and move on," he said.

Commissioner Kathy McLallen told the commission that for planners to believe that there will never be intrusion into city woodlands because of the protective ordinance is "not realistic."

She said that although the golf course project violates much of what the ordinance stands for, a settlement must be reached because the city officials "are not buying that woods, and we do not have total control over it."

Commissioners Enrico Digroliano and Gary Phillips agreed, saying they favored the open green space to a housing development.

Novi Planning Commission Chairperson Charles Fureth ended the discussion by saying that in his opinion the forest intrusion is not that drastic when considering the entire 640-acre ecological system in that area. The course will be built only on 200 acres, he said.

The woodlands permit was approved by a 7-1 vote, with Johnson dissenting.

Commissioners voted 6-2 in favor of granting preliminary site plan approval, with Johnson, again, dissenting along with McLallen. Both cited incomplete site plans as reasons for their votes.

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Byers discusses recognition, growth of district

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

This is the second part of a news interview with new Novi Board of Education President Raymond Byers. Byers was first appointed to the board in 1985 and currently serves as Educational Affairs Manager for Ford Motor Company.

In part one of this interview Byers gave his thoughts on what the coming school year will bring to the school board and school district. He discussed district communication, drugs in the schools and future expectations.

In talking about excellence, let's mention the March 31, 1989 Wall Street Journal article, which named Novi schools as one of the top 20 school districts in the nation. Was that really a milestone for the district?

BYERS: Yes, it was. But only because at all the conferences I go to, including one I was at this week, people say, "Oh, you're from Novi. Oh, you're one of the best districts in the country."

I was with Donald Bemis, the superintendent of schools for the state of Michigan. Don introduced me as "Ray Byers — he's on the board of education in one of the best districts we have in the state." Now I'm not out beating the band saying "Novi." People are out saying "Oh, Novi." I've heard of that. I saw the Wall Street Journal article. I saw them in the Detroit News. I've heard about them in other places.

What does it mean to have state and national recognition, such as the middle school receiving a state exemplary award last year, and the high school receiving a national exemplary award the year before?

BYERS: It simply means that we are considered to be the best of the people who have applied. And that we are a level of excellence that other high schools won't even file for, or that we're better than those that do file in our educational programs.

I helped Bob Youngberg (Novi High School principal) do the state evaluation for Southfield High School, and I came away with a much better appreciation of what goes into that application procedure. It's more

than just filling out a piece of paper. They have to go through a full day's intensified interview of their entire program, and they're marked down in various categories. It's a lot tougher than I thought it was.

Does all of this recognition feed the notion that Novi is truly a sought-after community?

BYERS: It was true before the Wall Street Journal Article. I think all that did was confirm in our minds what we thought we already knew.

We didn't know they were doing that article. They called us and requested some information, but I didn't tell us what it was for. And we provided it. They said it was for an article they were doing on a national issue, but we had no idea what it was for. So we were real surprised.

Now with the piece that ran in the Detroit News (in June), the reporter came out from Lansing and went through the school system. He interviewed the principal, walked through the facilities, asked questions and came away very impressed. We didn't do anything special that day that we don't already do. We weren't hyping up just for one day. You're still going to excel or you can't get the recognition we've had.

Do we go out and apply for awards? No — except for the national excellence awards for the high school and other schools. That we do. We think it's important. We think it helps the school system. But the others, we didn't go out and raise our hand and say "Look at us."

Is there a concern on the part of school officials that such recognition will trigger unusually fast growth in the district?

BYERS: I'm not concerned as much about that, because the housing prices in Novi are not cheap. You're not going to have a lot of people with small children heading down the door of a community that has \$150,000 to \$200,000 homes.

I'm more concerned personally that the quality of parents coming in is as good as the quality of parents we have in Novi right now. What I mean by that is, the parents we have in Novi right now are loving, caring, parents who are involved in school projects, who come into parent nights and are involved with band, athletics and everything you can think of. We have a lot of community-parent support.

I would hate to have people come to Novi because we have excellent

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Novi school board president Raymond Byers

schools and drop their kid off at the doorstep and say "Educate him, make him as good as you say you are," and walk away. That concerns me. Most of the parents we have in Novi right now, from my perspective, grew up in Novi. These are not a lot of new "Novilles." These are people who have been here a while.

Do you see a trend toward unrecognized parents?

BYERS: It's my own personal concern. I have no trend analysis. Nobody in the administration has said a word to me. It's my own concern.

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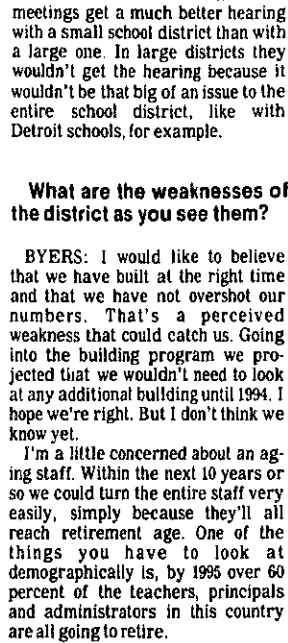
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Our starting salary is not out of line with everybody else's. It's simply a matter of the staff coming in, doing a good job and staying. And we have made it a practice of hiring very qualified staff. We didn't go out and hire very many first year teachers.

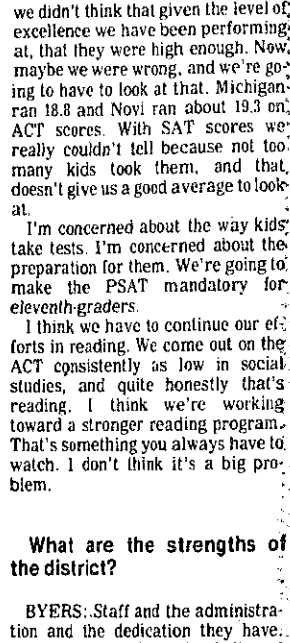
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Another concern is an awful lot of mediocre people coming out of education schools today. You don't have a good pot to draw from for truly good prospective teachers. And the strength of the school district is on those teachers. I'm concerned that higher education is not turning out the best of the best.

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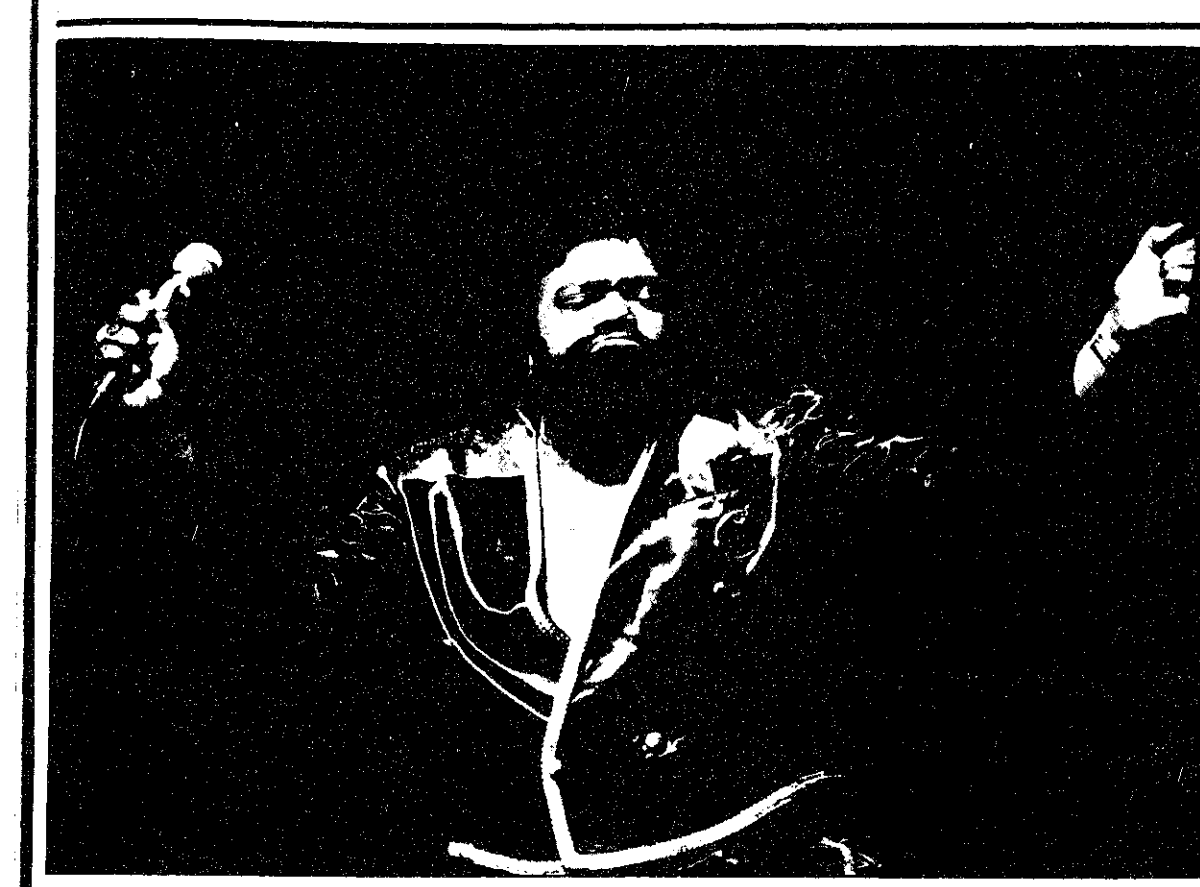
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Singer Darrel Nunlee, one of the members of The Contours, moves to the music

Contours, hoola hoops entertain

By BRENDA DOOLEY
staff writer

They danced and sang in true '50s form — four men in snappy matching white suits and voices to die for. The Contours came to Novi last weekend, performing three well-attended concerts as part of the '50s Festival, July 26-28.

The five-member group — minus singer Joe Billingsley — dominated the stage at Novi High School's Puert Auditorium, transporting its audience back to the days of good ol' rock and roll. Those attending the 7 p.m. concert Saturday, 700 in all, included people of all ages — children, teens, parents and grandparents.

Emceeding the performances was radio personality Tom Ryan of WJMC-FM. The station also played '50s tunes during intermissions.

If the music didn't remind concertgoers of the '50s, the group's opening act by Mat Plendl probably did. Plendl performed routines with a favorite '50s item... the hoola hoop.

In fact, there were dozens of hoola hoops — metallic ones, hoops with lights on them, neon ones and hoops with bright light-catching stripes.

Plendl combined hoola hoop stunts with dancing, costume alterations and singing in highly entertaining routines that often drew gasps of wonder and delight from audience members. He has appeared on the

Dolly Parton and Johnny Carson shows, gaining national attention for his skills in hoola hooping.

Following Plendl's show, The Contours' musicians, the Fifth Avenue Band, put audience members in the mood for '50s and '60s music. And that's just what they heard.

Hits performed at the 7 p.m. concert included "Burn Baby Burn," "Get Ready," a medley of "The Way You Do the Things You Do," "My Girl" and "Your Love is Lifting Me Higher," "First I Look At the Purse," "Shake Sherry," "In the Still of the Night," "Crying" and "You've Lost That Loving Feeling."

But clearly the biggest audience response was evoked when the group

broke into the opening lines of "Do You Love Me," a hit for The Contours first in the 1960s and more recently an overwhelming favorite in the 1980s. The song was featured in the movie *Dirty Dancing* and helped launch a national tour for The Contours.

The "Do You Love Me" song was highlighted by solo dance routines performed by each of the singers. As a whole, dancing played a big role in the concert, as the singers moved in unison to each of their songs.

The concerts drew impressive crowds, with 200 people attending the 3 p.m. show, 700 at the 7 p.m. show and 600 at the 9 p.m. concert.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND

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The Michigan Strategic Fund (MSF) will hold a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. at the MSF's offices located on the Third Floor of the Law Building, 525 West Ottawa, Lansing, Michigan on the 17th day of August, 1989, on the issuance of bonds by the MSF on behalf of Temperorm Corporation, a Michigan corporation (the "Company"), TEMPERORM CORPORATION, 10000 E. Grand Ave., Farmington Hills, Michigan, for the purchase, lease and acquisition of related equipment, all located at 25425 Trans X Drive, Novi, Oakland County, Michigan (the "Project"). The Project will be owned and operated by the Company for the manufacture of cast castings. The bonds are proposed to be issued in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed One Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,100,000). The bonds shall be limited obligations of the MSF, payable only from loan repayments to be made by the Company to the MSF and other collateral pledged by the Company. The bonds will not constitute an indebtedness of the MSF, the State of Michigan or the City of Novi within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision and will not constitute or give rise to a charge against the general credit of the MSF or the general credit or taxing power of the State of Michigan or the City of Novi. The MSF has no taxing power. The hearing shall provide the fullest opportunity for expression of opinion, for argument on the merits and for introduction of documentary evidence pertinent to the nature and location of the Project and the proposed issuance of bonds. Written comments will be accepted by the MSF but must be received on or before the date of the hearing.

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The request will be considered at 9 P.M. on August 10, 1989 at the Novi City Office, 45 175 W. Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be addressed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to August 10, 1989. (8/8/89 NN)

NOTICE CITY OF NOVI 1989 PROPERTY TAXES

The 1989 July tax bills have been mailed. If you have not received your tax bill, please contact the City Treasurer's Office with your parcel identification number. Payments must be received by the Treasurer's Office by August 31st to avoid a 4% penalty.

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Hospital project moves forward

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reworking. Until they know how the zoning issue will be handled, Providence officials are not purchasing the land outright. They have an option to purchase it for an undisclosed amount, an option that expires in January 1990. Providence officials have stated previously.

Providence has said that regardless of the satellite project in Novi, health care facilities are permitted only in office or industrial zoning classifications.

Jonson said that within the next month Providence Hospital officials will be approaching Novi officials about the zoning matter.

Officials in Novi's Community Development Department have yet to receive formal applications for the

Numbers measure festival's success

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The festival did not occur without glitches, however. During the opening day Wednesday (July 26), an electrical transformer blew due to an overload of power from the food vendors and the like, said Kriewall. Power was gone from about 5 to 9:30 p.m., before it was restored with generators.

"We'll have a larger transformer next year, that's for sure," Kriewall said. "I heard it said that it takes about three years to get something like this running smoothly."

Kriewall said that as many as 4,000 to 5,000 people may have attended both Saturday and Sunday festival events nights alone. And as proof of the increased attendance, Gilbert offered an interesting beer statistic. "This year we went through 125 kegs compared to 70 last year."

Kriewall added, "There was standing room only in the beer tent the whole time."

And making sure that underage drinkers weren't being served were the men in blue from the Novi Police Department. Officers were stationed at numerous locations throughout the length of the festival.

"We had no incidents of any kind, and didn't even write any tickets," said Novi Police Chief Lee BeGole.

Officers only had to clock overtime on Sunday, when parts of Grand River Avenue and Meadowbrook Road were closed for the "Cruisin' Grand River" car parade.

Also popular was the lip sync contest that was introduced for the first time at the festival. "The crowd went nuts over it," he explained, saying contestants impersonated the likes of Aretha Franklin, the Blues Brothers and more.

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As We See It

Train safety issues require more study

Hazardous chemicals being transported on trains seems to be the hot issue of the moment.

Recent derailments have highlighted the problems that can develop from the rail transport of potentially dangerous materials. The recent formation of Citizens Against Toxic Trains started the bandwagon rolling in this area. A report and press conference at the Novi Hilton last week, both involving the national group Citizen Action, continued the movement.

Lots of public officials on the state and national levels of government have hopped aboard the bandwagon in the last couple of weeks.

Just because all this attention has come about suddenly does not mean the issue is not real. The Novi/Northville area has had more than its share of problems with train dangers, including a couple of local incidents involving hazardous chemicals. The public furor over chemical-carrying trains may or may not die down a while after the latest incidents, but either way, the actual situation will remain.

A natural reaction to situations like the train derailment near Freeland — after which thousands of people had to leave their homes for several days — is to think that such chemicals should not be used at all, or if they are, they should not be moved by train.

Trains carrying dangerous chemicals are probably a fact of life. These substances will not simply vanish from use. Hazardous chemicals are, unfortunately, necessary to manufacture things we need and use every day. So not using them does not appear to be a reasonable option.

Not moving them by train is not a great idea either. The only real alternative is to use trucks, and trucks are indeed used to move hazardous chemicals. Using only trucks would do basically no good, since the same things that can happen with trains can happen with trucks. Trucks do not derail, but they do overturn, rupture, catch fire, and, sometimes, force evacuations.

Communication urged

One can't dispute the fact that the City of Novi is growing at a very fast rate, and the growth is being felt in many ways — particularly on city services. Although these growing pains are not necessarily news, when the subjects of health and human safety come into play, it gets our attention. And, we suspect, the attention of the community at large.

The Novi police officers' union recently sent a memo to city officials complaining about the lack of supervisors on some shifts. The union claims that by forcing low-ranking officers to fill in as supervisors, an unfair burden is being placed on those officers in the arena of liability — in this, the heyday of lawsuits. Those officers, says the union, are not trained to handle emergencies the way supervisors are.

Response from the city has been rather quiet, except for a few comments by the city manager and his assistant saying that officials don't really feel there is a problem. They cite Novi's current size as reasons for not adding more supervisors to the force and indicate that when the population and budget grow so will the police force. Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver added, "Supervision is only a phone call away," for those subbing officers.

Clearly there are a number of

In search of a hoola hoop

When I heard the words "hoola hoops", I was skeptical. Sure, what could some guy possibly do with hoola hoops that hasn't already been done? Yawn, yawn.



Brenda Dooley

Well let me eat my words. Mat Plendl, the opening act for The Contours concert during the Novi '89 Festival on Saturday, July 29, performed incredible stunts with hoola hoops. My skepticism quickly vanished. Those who didn't get a chance to see Plendl perform are probably wondering the same thing I did before seeing it for my very eyes. But you can take my word for it — he was good.

In most of his routines, in fact, Plendl used more than one of the colorful hoola hoops. Just the hoops themselves were impressive enough — they ranged from brightly colored ones with silver stripes to black ones with lights on them. Then he began hoola hooping. There were moments when Plendl danced and sang with six hoops circling his arms, neck, waist and knees — all at the same time.

Maybe Plendl's act was so amazing to me because I'm not the most coordinated person in the world (it took a lot of nerve to finally admit it). If there's a sidewalk crack in my path, chances are I'll stumble over it. If there's a wall, I'll walk into it. And I can't even count the times I've rammed my foot against a cement curb when crossing the street. I need I go on with this humiliation?

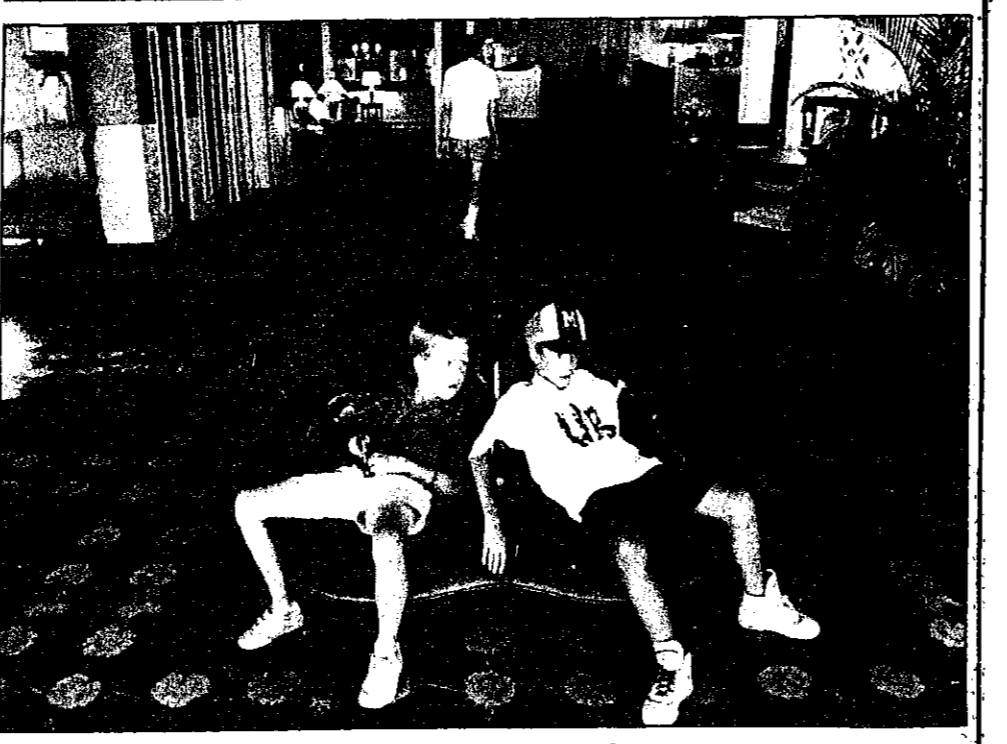
This coordination quirk surfaced at an early age when I broke my toe inside the house on a carpet guard, just before my very first birthday party. Thankfully, I don't remember it very well. The incident seemed to set a trend that continued throughout my life. Anyway, hoola hooping was never included in my list of favorite things to do, for obvious reasons.

Speaking of the concert, I shouldn't overlook the performance of "The Contours." The group's singing and dancing style was truly entertaining. I especially enjoyed watching the singers dance in unison, a technique I have admired since seeing "The Spinners" perform on TV when I was a kid.

And who could resist clapping and tapping their feet to the beat of the music? It was better than trying to swivel those hips the way Plendl did.

Forum

By Chris Boyd



Lounge lizards

Artist capitalizes on cat craze

Carlye Crister is out to get me. More correctly, she is out to get my money.

"Maybe we should have Carlye do our cats," she said.

"I don't think our cats would sit for a portrait," I said, trying to think quickly.

"I work from photographs," said Carlye.

"There's no way our cats are going to let anybody dress them up in funny costumes," I said.

"I add the costumes after I've finished the rest of it," said Carlye.

"They'd sure be nice," I said to my wife, trying to think up other excuses. "But I don't think we have any room left on the walls to hang portraits of four cats."

"Don't be silly," she answered. "We'll just take down some of those dumb nudes you bought last year."

Links not leaving enough trees

Letters

To the Editor:
I generally agreed with your recent editorial regarding "The Links of Novi," and believe that Novi city officials should carefully consider alternatives to the proposed 27-hole golf course which will result in a significant impact on a high quality woodland.

not depend on locating people via their mailboxes. Is there some way to make the residents of Novi aware of this problem and encourage people to display their addresses more prominently.

Equal service

To the Editor:
On behalf of the Lakes Area Residents Association I wish to again commend the Novi News in its journalistic support of our association's goal to bring about adequate police and fire protection to all our citizens.

Bumpy riding

I certainly hope that we can handle the hoop issue in a quick, simple manner, taking into consideration the needs of the city and the state. Perhaps the council can move on to the other pressing needs of our all too quickly growing city.

Save the hoops

To the Editor:
Dear Mayor Quinn and Council Members:
How can our city council discuss basketball hoops and not address the needs of children? In the survey, did anyone decide what our children would turn to if all hoops are removed? Maybe the drug problem which Novi does not have would then have to be addressed.

Many thanks

To the Editor:
We would like to thank the people of Novi for their support of the Celebration of Summer Festival. It is a great pleasure for the Novi Jaycees to promote fun family activities.

Staying hidden

To the Editor:
As a 16-year resident of Novi, I have noticed that the homeowners of Novi don't want to be found. I have been in several subdivisions and found that people do not have their addresses displayed on their home or garages. Some of the homes may have an address but it is not visible or hard to read.

Commute to Detroit has changed

Have you driven to Detroit lately? Do you commute every day, battling the hassles of the freeway and congestion?

In addition, the Civil War in the early 1860s began to bring more people to the cities. The Industrial Revolution that resulted from the war produced factory jobs that were more reliable than the seasonal farm work had been.

Communication urged

Imagine the same trip without freeways, without concrete, and — often — without roads. Farmers living in Novi in the 1800s found Detroit a good market for their produce, but it was a difficult and time-consuming place to get to.

As more and more people began to move to the cities, the demand for fresh farm produce rose. Detroit's farmers' markets became ideal places for Novi farmers to sell their produce. With the use of the DUR, goods were able to be cheaply and expeditiously shipped to their destinations.

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Father Kevin O'Brien of the Church of the Holy Family in Novi is preparing to leave the community

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Saying good-bye Father O'Brien bids Novi farewell

By BRENDA DOOLEY
staff writer

It hurts to say good-bye. "Going isn't the hard part," said Father Kevin O'Brien of the Church of the Holy Family in Novi. "Saying good-bye... that's what is so hard..." his voice trailed into silence as he recalled nearly 15 years of service to the people of Novi.

O'Brien is wrapping up loose ends as he prepares to leave the Novi Catholic church for St. Priscilla's Church in Livonia, where he was reassigned by the diocese. His last Mass is Sunday, Aug. 13.

"My time was up in June so it's time for me to go," O'Brien said. "I'm a people person so I know it'll be fine in Livonia, but it's tough to leave everyone I've met here."

Church members will host a farewell open house in O'Brien's honor from 3 to 7 p.m. on Aug. 13 at the church. Members of the community are welcome to attend.

Since his assignment as founding pastor of the Church of the Holy Family in Novi in 1974, O'Brien has seen the church grow from about 400 parishioners to 2,550 today. He attributes most of the growth to the expansion and development of the city.

The biggest changes he has witnessed during his stay here include construction of the current Novi High School and the Novi Civic Center and, of course, development of Twelve Oaks Mall. Because he served on the city's Economic Development Committee, these developments have special significance for O'Brien.

But without hesitation, he said the city's most valuable attribute is its people.

"I have enjoyed the people most," he said. "They're super."

O'Brien pointed out that church members raised in excess of \$50,000 in charity last year — a generosity he still finds incredible. And some of his fondest memories, he said, are those that involved blessing the church buildings and taking part in parish get-togethers.

O'Brien also has high praise for the ministers in Novi.

"They're a super group and they have been right along," he said. His feelings about fellow ministers are mutual. Pastor Richard Henderson of Faith Community Presbyterian Church in Novi describes him as a caring, compassionate man and a good friend.

"He's been a tremendous person in the community — he's been involved not only in the church but in the community as well," Henderson said. "We both started new churches here — he started Holy Family at Orchard Hills School and we started at Village Oaks school, so we've shared a lot of the same experiences. He's always been willing to work together with other churches."

Henderson, who has been at Faith Community for 13 years, cited the Good Friday community services — held annually at Holy Family — as an example of how the local ministers work together.

"We're really going to miss him," Henderson added.

Father Leslie Harding of the Church of the Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Novi echoed Henderson's sentiments.

"I'm going to miss his face," Harding said. "I was here in the community when he came... he's a tremendous pastor. He's been a very

real part of this community."

Harding is finishing his 20th year as pastor at Holy Cross and praised O'Brien's involvement in the Novi Minister's Group as well as his work in the community.

"It's going to be difficult seeing someone else in his place," Harding added.

O'Brien's career has been varied and accomplished. The son of Michael and Stella McDonnell O'Brien, he attended Sacred Heart Seminary for high school and received his bachelor of arts degree in 1950. O'Brien was then assigned to St. John's Provincial Seminary in Plymouth, where he received theological training.

Following ordination by Cardinal Mooney in 1954, he served as associate pastor at St. Sebastian's and then at St. David's. In 1962 he was reassigned as associate pastor in St. Rose's parish where he remained until 1967 when he went to Guardian Angels Parish in Clawson. He then received specialized training in pastoral counseling and became director of the Archdiocesan Opportunity Program in 1968. He remained with this program until recruited by the state to become chief of field operation for its Bureau of Manpower Services in 1971. His staff monitored all federal and state labor contracts except those in Detroit.

In 1974, he became founding father of the Church of the Holy Family in Novi. He also has served on the boards of directors of Boysville and St. Francis Home for Boys where he is currently director of the personnel

committee.

O'Brien's successor has not yet been named. Working toward that goal, the church congregation has written a parish profile, which was sent to the Archdiocese. The document contains information about the congregation that will assist selection committees in their search for a pastor to replace O'Brien. The Cardinal's office is expected to evaluate the profile and eventually make a recommendation on his successor.

Until then, there are bittersweet moments that fill the days as O'Brien performs his final duties at Holy Family.

"I've enjoyed the whole city and my relations with everyone," O'Briensaid.

CSX safety record attacked by group

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counting Office, the Citizen Action report also charges that CSX — along with the rest of the industry — had underreported numbers of accidents, lost workdays due to accidents, and property damage caused by accidents.

The report places much of the blame with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), which it calls a "toothless watchdog." Creamer said of the FRA, "They basically front for the rail industry, and that's it."

"Both CSX and the FRA share responsibility," Creamer said during a question-and-answer session with reporters. "CSX wins the jackpot for unsafe operations... The concern (is) for their bottom line at the expense of people's safety."

Creamer called for much tighter regulation and inspection of railroad operations to guard against future accidents.

The recent train derailment near Freeland which forced the evacuation of about 3,000 people was on a CSX line. An April derailment in Highland Township of the Dow Chemical Co. unit train — dubbed the "death train" by some — was also on CSX tracks.

The train lines that run through Northville are CSX tracks (see map). The Dow unit train travels the local tracks once a week.

CSX spokesperson R. Lindsay Leckie said Citizen Action's figures were "cooked to make the rail industry and particularly our company look so bad to the extent that they say CSX does not care about safety. That's not correct. We do care, very much."

"We do not run an unsafe railroad."

Leckie said preliminary 1988 figures show CSX with a total of 332 reportable accidents, with a frequency of 4.69 per million train miles operated. The average rate for the country's 10 largest railroads was 4.25 accidents per million train miles operated, he said.

Two companies had a higher rate than CSX, he said, although he was not sure which ones they were.

"Reportable" accidents are those which cause more than \$5,700 in damage, Leckie said. At the press conference, Creamer criticized that figure as a threshold for reporting, saying that a person could die and it might not be a reportable accident.

The threshold for reporting increases every two years, Leckie said, mainly to account for inflation.

He said railroads, including CSX, have steadily gotten safer over the last 10 years.

"The decline has been... cons-

tant," Leckie said, adding that individual years may have shown increases. He said CSX's current accident rate "is the lowest in the history of our company and its predecessors." CSX formed as a combination of the old Chesapeake System and the Seaboard Coast Line.

"There has been a constant decline in accidents throughout the rail industry," Leckie said.

Creamer said at the press conference that the number of accidents involving hazardous chemicals has steadily increased over the last five years, "no matter what the FRA says."

Leckie said it is inappropriate to directly compare accident rates among railroads because of different operating conditions across the country.

"I'm not trying to dilute the situation, but... there are a lot of factors that come into play," he said.

Another CSX spokesperson, Lloyd Lewis, said Citizen Action has an axe to grind against the railroads. A 1988 law called the Federal Employers Liability Act (FELA) — which applies only to railroads — essentially forces litigation for any worker's compensation claim against a railroad, he explained.

Lewis said the rail industry is trying to change that system, and that Citizen Action opposes those efforts because it is backed by trial attorneys who have an interest in keeping those compensation claims in the court system.

"The group (Citizen Action) is backed by a group of lawyers who have everything to lose (by eliminating FELA)," Lewis said. "We've had it with 'em. They're not doing the public any good."

Citizen Action spokesperson John Cameron disagreed, saying that his group deals in many public-interest issues, including such things as lowering insurance and utility rates.

"That's what the rail industry always says when we talk about their safety record," Cameron said. "We work on a broad range of public-interest cases... We've had a long history of battling the powers that be."

"It's nonsense... We think, as usual, they're trying to obfuscate the real issue here, which is the safety of their railroad."

At the press conference, Creamer appeared with Tom Horrigan, a Northville resident who is a major spokesperson for Citizens Against Toxic Trains (CATT).

Formed in Highland after the April derailment, CATT recently called for an emergency 25 mph speed limit on all trains carrying hazardous cargo.

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Milford Music owner Tim Twiss (left) prepares student Jeff Ewing for a guitar track recording on a piece of music. Ewing has been taking lessons at Milford Music for nearly two years. Twiss

recently bought the store from Tom Rice, who owns the Gittfiddler in Northville.

Photo by John M. Galloway

Former employee buys, transforms area music shop

By DAVE WASKIN

Teacher, musician and performer Tim Twiss has turned his hobbies into his work. Now, as a small business person, he has turned Milford's Gittfiddler store into Milford Music.

Twiss bought the music store last September from Tom Rice, owner of the Gittfiddler in Northville. Having already worked a year for Rice as manager, purchasing the Milford store seemed the next logical step for Twiss when the opportunity arose.

"He (Rice) couldn't deal with having two stores and so he made me an offer. The transition was real smooth. About the only thing that change was the name," Twiss said.

Along with selling a variety of new and used guitars, from bass to acoustic to electric, the store employs several professional musicians who give lessons on a variety of instruments.

"A big focus of the business is education and lessons," Twiss said, listing the piano, saxophone, flute, drums, trumpet and guitar as the instruments that are taught at Milford Music. Lessons are entirely private,

given in half-hour sessions once a week and scheduled according to each student and instructor's availability and interests.

"If you call me up and just say you want to play guitar," Twiss explained, "there (are) five people I could set you up with. So instead of just giving you any one of them, I'll say, 'Who do you like, Joni Mitchell or Metallica?'"

"If it's Metallica, there's definitely a guy I'd set you up with. He's here two days (a week), so I'll say, 'What day would suit you better?' And it works real well."

The lessons cost \$9.50 per session and are offered six days a week until 9 p.m., helping ensure the flexibility that Milford Music emphasizes in its teaching.

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Around the Yard: Gardening

Plan now for next year

If you want to harvest a good crop of strawberries next year, give your plants some attention after harvest this year.

Eric Hansen, horticulture specialist at Michigan State University, says immediately after harvest is the best time to fertilize strawberry plants.

"Fertilizing before harvest results in soft berries and reduced yields," he says. "Fertilizing after harvest promotes growth to support next year's fruit production."

He recommends applying one pound of 12-12-12 per 100 feet of row.

Weed control is another important after-harvest chore.

Hoe around plants often enough to keep the weeds down and the soil base loose, Hansen advises. This promotes good growth and allows runner plants to root quickly. Hoe no deeper than two to three inches to avoid injuring shallow roots.

Water whenever rain doesn't supply at least one inch of water a week (up to two inches on sandy soils), he suggests. Wet the soil to a depth of six to eight inches each time you water, but avoid applying so much water that the soil remains saturated for long periods. Standing water around the roots is harmful even if it lasts for only a day or two, he says.

"All of the advice on after-harvest care applies only to strawberry plantings with vigorous plants that are relatively free from weeds, insects and diseases," Hansen notes. "A bed that has fruited several times that is choked with weeds or full of plants that are growing poorly because of insect or disease problems should probably be plowed under."

Avoid planting strawberries in the same spot next year, he advises, or in a part of the garden that has been planted to raspberries, tomatoes, peppers, eggplant or potatoes. These plants all act as hosts for the soil-borne verticillium fungus, which causes strawberry plants to wilt and die.

Rotating the strawberry patch from one site to another each time a new planting is made will also help reduce the buildup of many insects and other disease problems.

Eliminating perennial weeds and grasses before planting strawberries will make weed control easier.

— Tomatoes —

If you're spraying your tomatoes to control plant diseases but still having problems, it may be that the diseases you're trying to combat aren't diseases at all.

Several common tomato problems are related to the plant's environment, explains Hugh Price, Cooperative Extension horticulturist at Michigan State University.

One of these is blossom drop. The cause is high or low night temperatures.

"Most tomato varieties won't set fruit unless temperatures are between 55 and 75 degrees F for at least part of the night," Price says. "Most early-season cultivars set some fruit at lower temperatures but tend to have problems with warmer temperatures. If tomatoes don't set fruit, the blossoms drop off."

Sprays that supposedly prevent blossom drop may help somewhat if low temperatures are the cause, but sprayed fruits often develop misshapen and seedless.

Another common disorder is blossom-end rot. It begins as a leathery spot on the blossom end of the fruit and occurs most often on the first fruits to ripen. It develops when environmental conditions prevent the proper distribution of calcium in the plant.

Under stress conditions—low soil moisture plus hot, dry winds—the calcium moves to the leaves with the movement of water and bypasses the fruits. The lack of calcium in the fruit causes the breakdown of tissue in the blossom end.

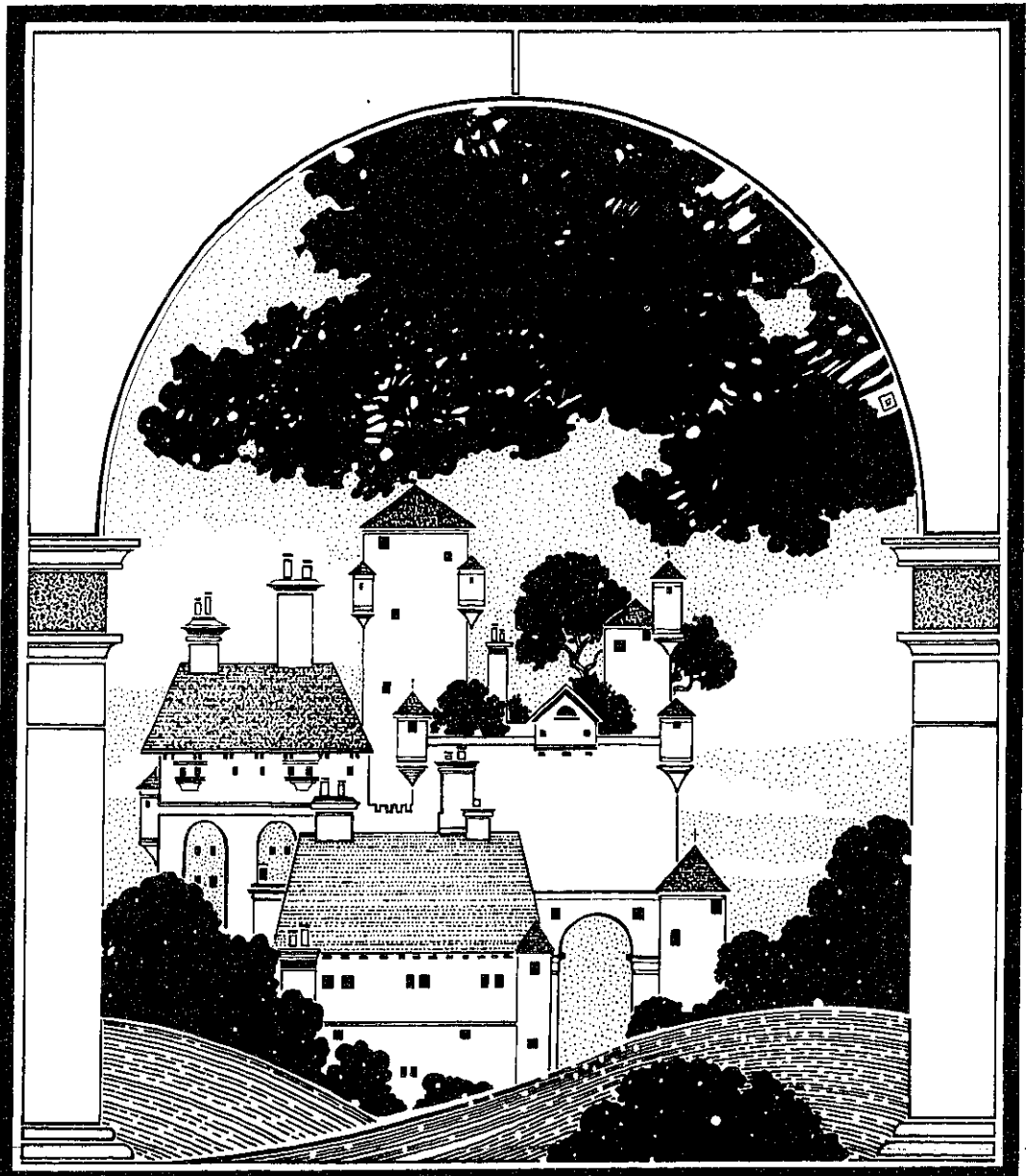
Excessive nitrogen and very rapid plant growth may also contribute to the condition.

To prevent blossom-end rot, irrigate and mulch to maintain fairly consistent soil moisture levels, Price advises. Applying additional calcium to the soil or foliage does not prevent or cure the disorder, he adds, because it is not caused by a shortage of calcium but rather by inadequate distribution of calcium in the plant.

Tomatoes that are growing rapidly often crack, either in concentric rings around the stem or radially from the stem, especially during hot, dry weather following a wet period. Plant crack-resistant varieties, and water and mulch to prevent rapid fluctuations in soil moisture.

Yellow or white patches on the sunward side of a fruit are probably symptoms of sunscald. It's most common on immature fruits that are suddenly exposed to direct sunlight. Tissue may blister and eventually form a shrunken, grayish white spot with a papery surface.

"Sunscald often occurs when insects or disease defoliate plants and fruits are no longer shaded by leaves," Price says. "Unsupported plants that sprawl because of the weight of the fruit are also susceptible. Caging tomatoes provides better foliage cover than staking or allowing plants to sprawl. And protecting plants against foliar diseases and tomato hornworms—which can defoliate large areas once they are near full size—can preserve the foliage cover."



KIDS DREAM UP THEIR IDEAL

H • O • M • E

By James M. Woodard

Talk about dream homes! Consider this one:

A beautiful mansion, located on a hill. In the living room is a huge fireplace. Guests can enter a spacious ballroom on marble floors. The playroom is complete with a swimming pool. Several hot tubs are built into the bathroom. The house is surrounded by a lush 10-acre garden.

That's the dream house of Linda, a second-grade student at a private elementary school. She and other students described their dream home in detail, at our request.

Most of the described houses were very large, lavish and unique.

"My house is green and made of money," wrote second-grader Heather.

The kids are well aware of problems in being able to afford a home in today's market, said Sharon Nolan, school principal. They seem to enjoy the opportunity to forget about financial limitations, and let their imaginations run wild and free in describing their dream house, she observed.

One fourth-grader, Adam, did preface his house description with a concern about cost.

"My dream home of the future will be very expensive," he said. "But it won't really be too expensive for me since I plan to be a millionaire."

Adam's house will include a huge "water room" on the second floor.

"It will include a really big swimming pool in the shape of a dollar sign, a Jacuzzi in the same shape, and a long twisty water slide."

Adam also included a special "Nintendo room" in his dream home description, as did most of the other youngsters. Nintendo is currently the most popular electronic game for the younger set.

Lauren, another fourth-grader, took a more modest approach.

"My dream house is not a big, fancy, deluxe house. It's just a nice little two-story house with six bedrooms, eight bathrooms and an office-Nintendo room."

"In my living room will be an entertainment center, including a TV, VCR, radio, record player and compact disc player. In the back yard will be a swimming pool and Jacuzzi."

A fifth-grader gave us a long and very detailed description of his home.

"Let me give you the grand tour of my dream house," he said.

"As we enter the grand hall or entryway, please feel free to touch anything. The house has four stories. If you look to the front of the hall you will see four staircases and four elevators."

"Now let me lead you to the kitchen. It has a light blue tiled floor and counters, and in-

cludes all the modern appliances. The dining room is complete with a banquet table. Of course, maids and butlers do the serving and other tasks.

"Now let's go up to the second story and the gymnasium. Then we'll go to the third floor where my master bedroom takes up half the floor."

"Then we'll go to the fourth floor and see the library, study, billiard room and my office. The library wouldn't be complete without a librarian. She was one of my maids in the past, then I promoted her to librarian."

"Finally, our tour takes us to the roof. Here, I have two swimming pools and a four-jet-stream Jacuzzi. It also has a tanning area."

Fifth-grader Susan is particularly color-minded.

"My dream house would only have one story and it would be old-fashioned. Almost everything in it would be antiques. In my master bedroom I will have an aqua blue canopy bed and white carpet."

"I will have huge windows in my house with white curtains. On my dresser will be an aquarium with Moorish Idol and Queen Angel fish. My bathroom will be pink and white."

"By the looks of my description," Susan concluded, "you can tell there won't be many kids in my house."

New Americana books — on pottery, postcards and model trains

By Linda Rosenkrantz

"American Ceramics: Collection of Everson Museum of Art," by various authors; Rizzoli Publishing International, New York; 400 pages; \$75.

The American ceramics collection of the Everson Museum of Art in Syracuse, N.Y., has long been considered one of the finest, if not the finest, in the country.

In conjunction with the international ceramics symposium held there in May, Rizzoli has published an im-

posing volume, "American Ceramics: Collection of Everson Museum of Art."

The richness of the collection is evident in the superlative examples of all the major native potteries and potters of recent history, from Rockingham to De Vore, beautifully reproduced (600 illustrations, 100 in color) and meticulously described.

The text consists of essays by five of our leading American ceramic historians: Barbara Perry on Ancient American Ceramics and also on the period 1920 to 1950, William C. Ketchum on pottery and porcelain

from 1700-1880, Richard G. Case on early potteries of Syracuse and Onondaga, Ulysses G. Deitz on the art pottery of 1880 to 1920 and Garth Clark on the most recent developments in the field.

"Greenberg's Guide to Pre-War American Flyer Wide Gauge Trains," by Alan Schuweiler; Greenberg Publishing Co. Inc., Sykesville, Md.; 142 pages; \$40.

Latest from the prolific presses of Greenberg, publishers par excellence of books on model trains, is "Greenberg's Guide to Pre-War American Flyer Wide Gauge Trains"

by Alan Schuweiler. This volume completes the company's comprehensive series on the productions of America's major toy train companies—American Flyer, Ives, Lionel and Marx.

American Flyer offered its wide-gauge trains (some of its passenger cars measure 19 inches long) from 1925 through 1936—the Golden Age of American train models.

An introduction, well illustrated with contemporary ads, is followed by detailed studies and listings of electric-style locomotives, steam locomotives, passenger cars—

supported by precise illustrations of construction detail—freight cars, and such accessories as bridges, stations, signals, track, tunnels, etc., as well as paper items from the 1907 catalog.

"Greetings from Southern California," by Monica Highland; Graphic Arts Publishing, P.O. Box 10306, Portland, Ore., 97210; 112 pages; \$24.95.

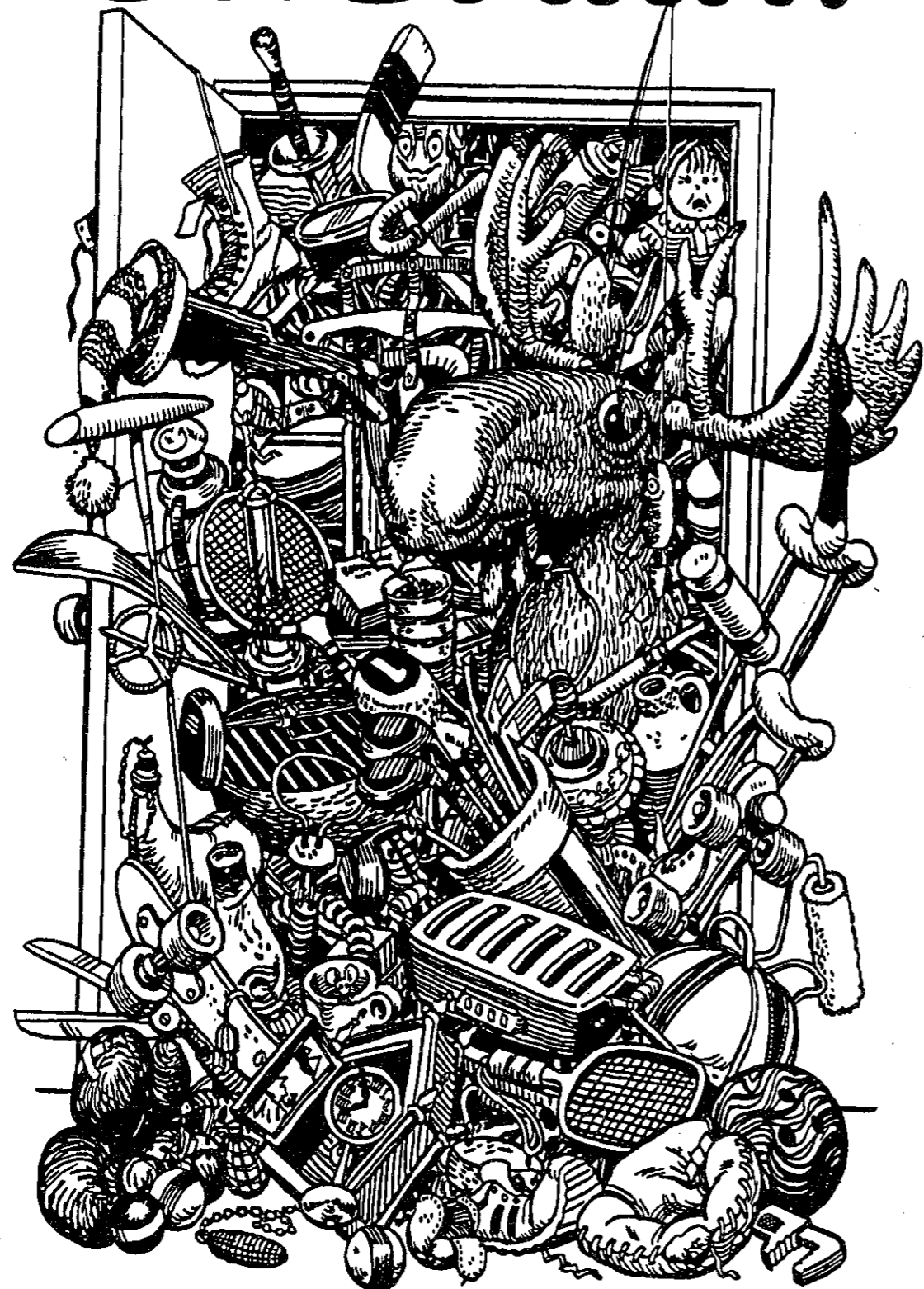
A real visual treat is the series of five vintage postcard books called "Greetings From..." (Colorado, New England, Oregon, Southern California and Washington).

My own personal favorite is "Greetings From Southern California," by Monica Highland, perhaps because the author's taste in postcards is so similar to my own—I was startled to find so many of the cards in my modest collection represented in the book.

The full-page (11½-by-9-inch) blow-ups are particularly striking, bringing these postcards perilously close to high art.

Linda Rosenkrantz edited Auction magazine and authored five books, including "Auction Antiques Annual."

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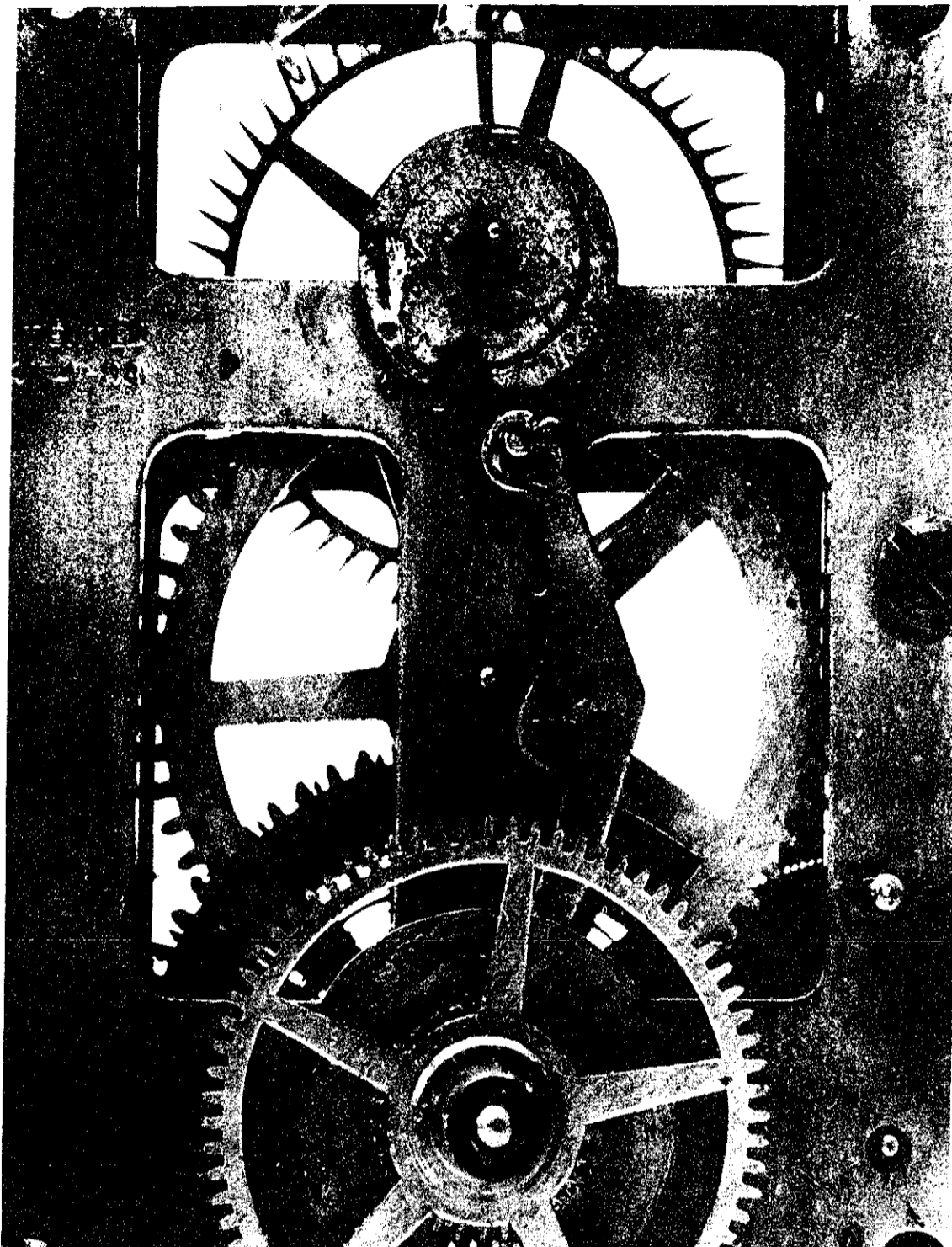
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THURSDAY
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Time ticks steadily at shop

Every hour, on the hour a clock chimes at the Northville Clock Shop. And every 30 minutes ... and every 15 minutes ...

Not just one clock, but at least 100 of them. Clocks of all shapes and sizes. Grandfather clocks and wall clocks and table clocks and a few select antique clocks.

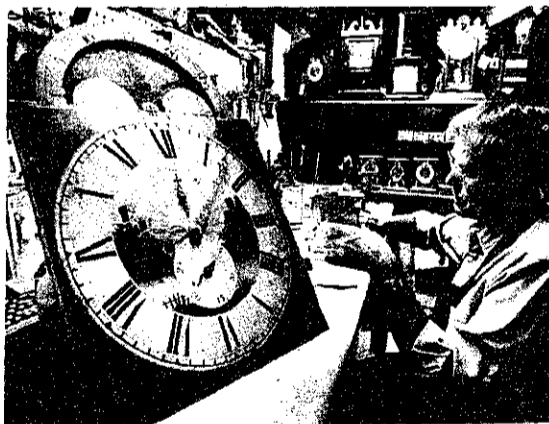
The historic white house at the corner of Dunlap and Wing streets is ticking all day long.

An impressive richly colored mahogany grandfather clock stands against a wall, instantly creating an aura of elegance. An American kitchen clock of walnut, circa 1880s, rests on a shelf nearby. And a French table clock of delicate china and gleaming brass — sold by Tiffany and Company, circa 1870s — is tucked safely away only for antique seekers to view.

Miller of Zeeland, Mich. and Sligh of Holland, Mich., set the standards for clocks throughout the industry. The Howard Miller company specializes in all types of clocks, while the Sligh company concentrates on grandfather clocks.

Clocks from both companies can be found at the Northville shop, the brainchild of Mel and Lois Anderson. The couple began collecting antique clocks merely as a hobby until they found there were too many of them to keep for themselves. So they opened a clock shop, which is entering its 16th year of business.

Mel Anderson's son, Dan, graduated from Northville High School in 1970 and enrolled in a trade school in Lancaster, focusing his studies on the intricacies of clocks. Three of the sons, Andy, Norm and Dan now work in the shop.



Repairman Plymouth Freed peers into the works of another timepiece at Northville watch and clock shop.

Grandfather clocks take up most of the space in the shop, but no two are the same.

"It's really a family-oriented piece of furniture," Andy Anderson said, referring to the grandfather clock. "People buy the clocks with the intention of passing them on in the family."

The grandfather clocks range in price from \$700 to \$8,500, depending on the type of wood out of which the cabinet is made and a host of other factors. A clock face with bevelled glass and solid brass hands or numerals will cost more than a clock face with curved glass and plastic numerals.

"It's in the details," Dan Anderson said.

Clock shop employees or furniture store workers should be able to advise shoppers what to look for

Story by Brenda Dooley
Photos by Chris Boyd

when buying a clock in their price range.

A chime also makes a difference in cost factors of a clock. The most expensive bell chime is a nine-tubular bell chime, a feature that can add about \$1,000 to the total price of a clock.

Upon purchasing a grandfather clock, owners must maintain it. Andy Anderson recommends oiling a clock every two years, a specialized process that must be completed by a trained specialist.

In an age of fast-paced, double-income families, Dan Anderson admitted that the shop "sells a ton of battery-operated clocks" because people don't have the time to take care of wind-up models. In the long run, however, the Andersons recommend investing in a quality clock that has an eight-day spring, meaning that it must be rewound every eight days.

They don't have many good things to say about 31-day springs in watches or clocks because they are hard to repair. The length of a 31-day spring allows a clock to run for 31 days.

"German mechanisms in a clock are the best quality," Dan Anderson said.

Andy Anderson recommends oiling a clock every two years, a specialized process that must be completed by a trained specialist.

Potential clock owners are advised to take a lot of time and consideration before purchasing a grandfather clock. And most people do, according to Andy Anderson.

"We've found that Michigan people are really protective and selective about their furniture," he remarked.

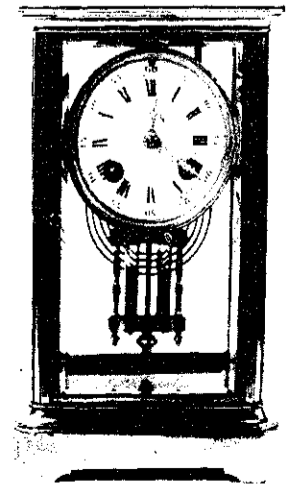
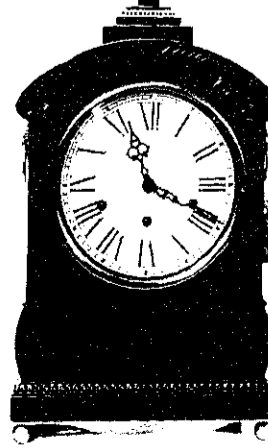
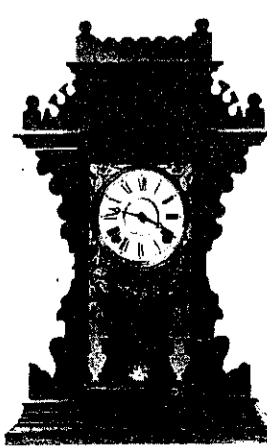
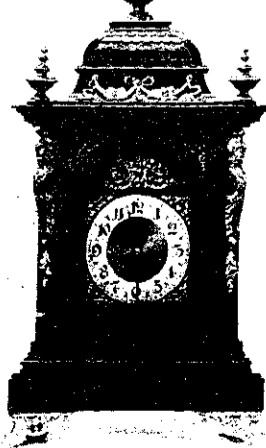
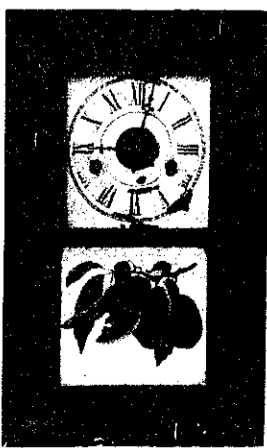
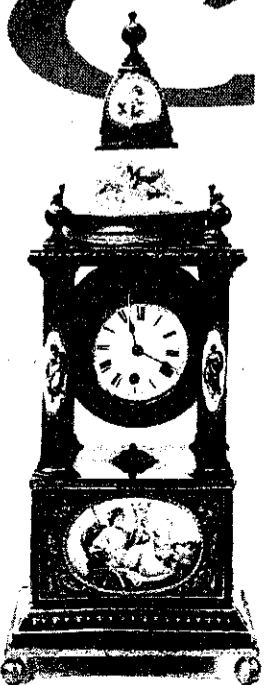
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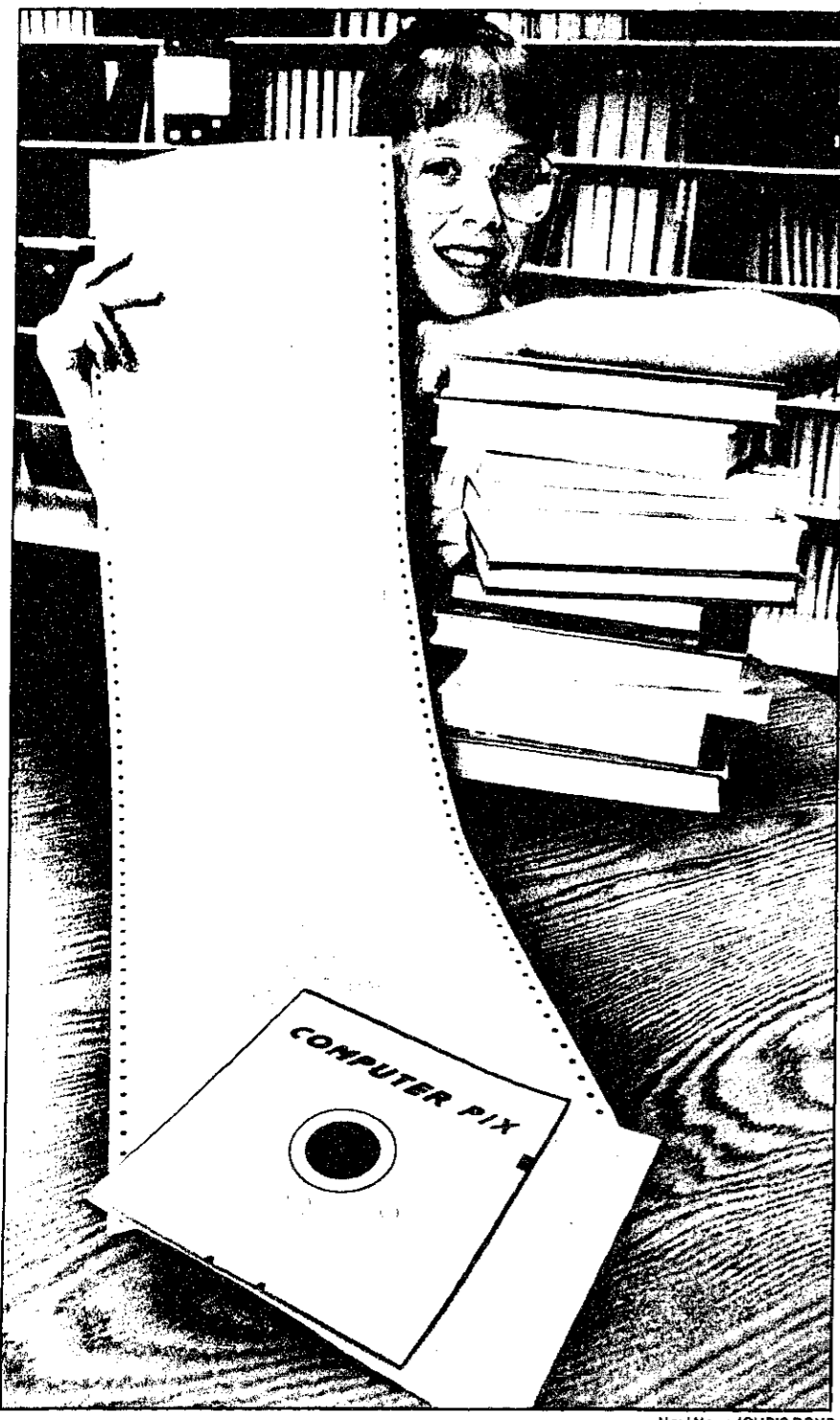
- Andy Anderson

Those who are surprised to stumble upon a clock shop in the quiet, quaint city of Northville might find it interesting to learn that the two largest clock companies in the world are located in Michigan.

Andy Anderson, a longtime employee at the Northville Clock Shop — and one of the shop owner's sons — explained that Howard

CLOCKS





Emily Pipas tells the library computer what her interests are and winds up with a lengthy reading list.

Computer pix

Local teens match interests

By AMY ROSA
staff writer

For teens who find the summer is dragging on, a good book or two might make the days a little less boring. And with a computer-picked personalized reading list, the choosing can be as fun as it is easy.

"Computer Pix" is a reading selection program that 62 libraries in the Wayne-Oakland Library Federation (WOLF) have access to, including the Novi Public Library. It is designed especially for young adult readers from seventh through 12th grades. The program works by matching a teen's personal reading preferences with a computer data base from which a list of 15 suggested books is printed. There is no cost for the service which runs through mid-August.

Novi Library Director Brenda Burrell said the program has been a hit for years. "The kids enjoy it — being able to choose from a list designed especially for them."

Take Emily Pipas, an 11-year-old soon-to-be Novi middle schooler, who tried out the program for the first time this week at the library. Emily, who is already an avid reader, said being able to choose from a book list designed especially for her "makes it easier to find the books I like."

Of the reading themes listed in Emily's questionnaire, she picked mystery/crime as her favorite. She also indicated that she wanted main characters to be female and male — as opposed to animals or science fiction characters, and requested a time frame of the 1800s to 1900. Emily also asked that the books' story take place in other countries.

Some of her 15 computer-printed suggestions included espionage tales, mystery novels and sagas involving orphans, models and sinister servants. "I like the suspense ones the best," Emily said.

Also pleased with the program is Emily's mother Barbara, who said she would rather see her daughter read than watch television.

Computer Pix started as the brainchild of a committee of WOLF young adult librarians, who were searching for ways to encourage reading in teenagers.

According to Silvia Makowski, coordinator for WOLF's young adult committee, the program took off in 1982 after it received a Library Services grant and won the Walter H. Kaiser Award from the Michigan Library Association that fall.

Makowski: 'This is the age when many youngsters start to drop off from reading... The library is up against some stiff competition — their interests become much more social... We get calls frequently from other places wanting to tap into our program. But we can't sell it commercially because it was made with grant money.'

Makowski said the reason the librarians created such a program for young adult readers, as opposed to other age groups, is because teens need the most encouragement when it comes to reading.

"This is the age when many youngsters start to drop off from reading," she said, citing homework, after-school jobs and activities, and peer pressure as the reasons.

"The library is up against some stiff competition — their interests become much more social," Makowski added.

Although the approximately 1,000 books in the computer data base are geared to teens aged 12-18, graduate and college students, as well as people in their early 20s continue to use the service, said Makowski. Students wanting to participate have to at least be entering the seventh grade, she added.

Figures compiled from recent years suggest that Computer Pix is becoming more and more popular throughout the WOLF group. Makowski said that 1988 participation tripled from the previous year, and that the numbers have continued to increase since.

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Art train brings toy treasures

The "toy" train is coming to town. Michigan's Arttrain, the nation's only traveling museum on a train, will contain more toys than Santa can pack in his bag on Christmas Eve when it rolls into Brighton for its Aug. 10-13 visit.

This year's exhibition, "Treasures of Childhood: 150 Years of American Toys," will feature more than 300 toys from the Lawrence Scripps Wilkinson Collection of Toys, one of the finest toy collections in the nation, according to Artrain officials.

Artrain's visit is being dovetailed with the popular Brighton Summer-merit weekend, highlighted by the sixth-annual Great American Folk Art Festival, sponsored by the Olde Brighton Merchants Association, on Aug. 12-13; and the fourth-annual Classic Car Display and Parade, sponsored by the Brighton Kiwanis Club, on Aug. 12.

Artrain visitors will be able to explore the history of the past 150 years through toys. In fact, a primary function of the collection is to illustrate various aspects of the historical progress of civilization, with an emphasis on post-Industrial Revolution development in the United States.

Artrain, which will be located near the Main Street railroad crossing in downtown Brighton, will feature three gallery cars with displays of antique and classic toys (model trains, historic board games, mechanical banks, china dolls and a family tree of teddy bears).

A visit to Artrain will evoke the look and feel of childhood in the distant and recent past, providing a nostalgic view of play and playthings from your childhood, your parents' childhood and your grandparents' childhood.

Artrain officials say they hope the exhibition will help the audience explore the lessons that toys teach and the social values that they transmit.

In the first gallery car, visitors will be introduced to the "Treasures of Childhood" exhibit with an audio-visual presentation, featuring historical photographs of children at play. The first gallery car also features early childhood toys, such as blocks, Mickey Mouse and Mother Goose toys.



Toys from 1890's attract visitors to Art Train

Sunday funny papers on the walls of the gallery.

The history of board games from the Victorian period to contemporary times will fascinate viewers, and visitors will be able to test their skill at three different games from the 19th century. Hands-on mechanical banks and videotapes of mechanical toys in motion will show visitors how these objects work.

Transportation is the theme in the third gallery car, which will include a panorama of toy boats, trains, horse-drawn carriages, automobiles, airplanes and spaceships, all in specially "landscaped" displays.

The third gallery ends at the Arttrain Museum Shop, where a variety of toys, including ones handcrafted by Michigan artists, will be offered for sale. After touring the galleries, visitors can see toymakers and artists at work in Artrain's demonstration area.

Artrain will be open to the public from noon to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 11; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 12, and Sunday, Aug. 13. It takes approximately 45 minutes to tour the train.

There is no admission charge, but a small donation is requested. Artrain officials said. Artrain's visit to Brighton is sponsored by the newly formed Livingston Arts Council.

The sixth-annual Great American Folk Art Festival, slated on the weekend of Aug. 12-13, will feature artists and crafters displaying their wares in downtown Brighton.

Brighton's Kiwanis Club is sponsoring the fourth-annual Classic Car Display and Parade, which last year included more than 100 classic cars.

The cars will be on display at Scranton Middle School on Spencer Road (on the visitor's left as you enter Brighton off I-96), starting at 3 p.m. Saturday. The parade is slated for 7:30 p.m. and will proceed down Main Street to the Mill Pond Park.

Right after the parade, Moose and Da Sharks, a 60s band, will perform a free concert at the Mill Pond Gazebo. Another Gazebo concert, by Wally Jackson and Sundown, is slated for 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 13.

Study analyzes college selections

Women who attend single-sex Catholic high schools are more likely to go on to "selective" colleges than women who go to coeducational Catholic high schools — even though their average Scholastic Aptitude Test scores are identical.

Women from the all-girls' Catholic high schools also are more likely to consider graduate training and to seek a master of business administration or law degree, says Valerie E. Lee, assistant professor of education, and Helen M. Marks, a graduate student research assistant.

While men who attend single-sex Catholic schools also are more likely to attend top colleges, attending a single-sex high school has no effect on their pursuit of graduate training, they say.

"It does seem to have a slightly negative effect on their concern for social justice and their enjoyment of the social aspects of the college experience," the study says, "but, overall, the impact of single-sex educational setting may be more likely to assume they can succeed," Lee said, "so they are more willing to compete."

"U-M researchers came to these conclusions after they analyzed data on a random sample of 1,533 students who had attended 75 Catholic high schools throughout the nation. Forty-five of the high schools were single-sex schools.

The students, who came from a broad range of economic and social backgrounds, were followed from their sophomore year in high school (1980) to their senior year in college (1986).

Why are young women affected so positively by single-sex schooling? "Girls schooled in a single-sex educational setting may be more likely to assume they can succeed," Lee said, "so they are more willing to compete."

"Would women in non-Catholic girls' high schools be similarly affected?" "We are deep into research on this issue to determine if that is the case," Lee said, "but I suspect that the results may be similar."

The U-M study also found that women who had attended single-sex Catholic high schools were very concerned about finding jobs that offered them a less "sex-stereotyped" work environment.

"And they were more likely to be active in political affairs by the end of college," Lee adds. "More of them had attended political gatherings, worked and campaigned for candidates, and held an elective class office of some sort."

Lee suggests that the attitudes of teachers and staff in single-sex schools may have a significantly positive effect on women students.

Several displays in the first gallery compare ancient, antique and modern toys. Dice and tops from the Fourth Century A.D. rest beside remarkably similar toys made as recently as 1982.

In the second gallery car, visitors will find many toys with accompanying hands-on displays. Also in the second car are rows of cartoon character toys, from Buster Brown to Dick Tracy, which recreate the with. Recreated toy shop windows from 1895, 1920, 1945 and 1960 display dolls, trains, games and other toys of each era.

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Novi Players performs fairytale

Novi Players presents its summer children's production of the classic fairytale "Cinderella" Aug. 5-6 at 1 p.m.

Tickets are \$5 adults, \$2 children 16 and under and can be purchased at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

Shows are presented on the stage at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road.

For more information call 476-2099.

Four Lads:

Agape Smiles Foundation presents "A Blast From The Past" featuring the Four Lads, a popular singing group from the 1950s.

Every year the Agape Singers hosts a major fund-raising event. This year's benefit concert is by The Four Lads. The event will be held Saturday, Aug. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at Novi High School. Entrance for the concert is Mike Whorf.

Tickets are \$25. Call 473-1172 to order tickets or mail a request to: The Agape Smiles Foundation, 41390 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI 48060.

Marquis play:

Historic Marquis Theater in downtown Northville presents "Winnie-the-Pooh" for 11 performances Aug. 12-26.

The productions feature the timeless tale of Christopher Robin, Piglet, Tiger and the lovable Winnie-the-Pooh. Performances are Tuesdays through Thursdays, with two shows on Saturdays.

Showtimes are: Aug. 12, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24 and 26. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday performances are at 10:30 a.m. Saturday performances are at 11:00 a.m. and 3 p.m. Tickets are \$5 children, \$6 adults.

Tickets are available at the door or from the Marquis Stores. To purchase them in advance by credit card, call 349-8110.

In Town

Summer sounds: The Good Old Days Jazz Band will perform behind the Novi Civic Center on Friday, Aug. 4, as the 1989 Summer Concert Series sponsored by the Novi Arts and Culture Committee continues.

Other scheduled performers include Friends and Strangers on Aug. 11, and the Rhinelanders on Aug. 18.

All concerts are held outside the Novi Civic Center on Fridays at 7 p.m. In case of rain, the performances 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 Novi Center.

Summer sounds:

Northville Arts Commission continues its complimentary Summer Concert Series this Friday, Aug. 4, with a performance by Tom Rice, Mark Mitchell and Jeff Branch, who will provide an evening of folk and bluegrass music.

Other performers in the concert series include 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 bandshell in downtown Northville, and the community is encouraged to attend. Concerts continue at the band shell every Friday evening until Sept. 1.

Michigan State Fair events set

Nearby West State Fair Avenue, Detroit, MI 48203 or call 388-1000.

Concert: The Temptations and the O'Jays will perform Tuesday, Aug. 8 at the Baldwin Pavilion of Oakland University near Rochester. Tickets are \$22.50 and \$15.

Film talk: Farmington Community Library hosts a discussion "Movies are Better Than Ever" by Dan Greenberg, film critic for "The Observer" and teacher of film at Oakland Community College on Thursday, Aug. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

The discussion will be held at the Farmington Hills branch, 32737 W. Twelve Mile Rd. For reservations and further information call 553-0500.

Auto event: The annual "Concours d'Elegance" benefiting Meadow Brook Hall, Oakland University in Rochester will be held Sunday, Aug. 6 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., one of America's most prestigious automotive events.

The Concours is open to the public and includes and automotive fine art exhibition and sale, featuring original works by 13 selected artists. Tickets are \$10 adults, \$5 children 5-11. Souvenirs, food and refreshments also will be available. For more information call 570-3140.

Music, Music: The Plymouth Community Arts Council 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.

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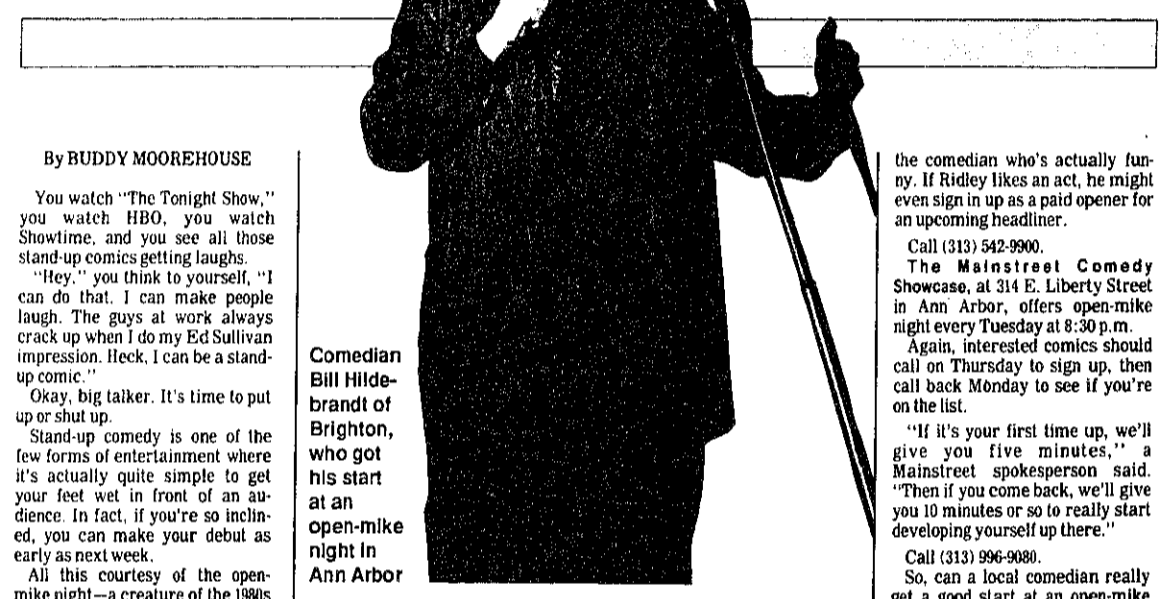
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OPEN-MIKE NIGHT



By BUDDY MOOREHOUSE

You watch "The Tonight Show," you watch HBO, you watch Showtime, and you see all those stand-up comics getting laughs. "Hey," you think to yourself, "I can do that. I can make people laugh. The guys at work always crack up when I do my Ed Sullivan impression. Heck, I can be a stand-up comic."

Okay, big talker. It's time to put up or shut up.

Stand-up comedy is one of the few forms of entertainment where it's actually quite simple to get your feet wet in front of an audience. In fact, if you're so inclined, you can make your debut as early as next week.

All this courtesy of the open-mike night—a creature of the 1960s and a weekly staple at two top comedy clubs in southeast Michigan—Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle in Berkley and the Mainstreet Comedy Showcase in Ann Arbor.

Every week, first-time comics take the stage at these two clubs to see if they have the stuff to become the next Andrew Dice Clay or Jay Leno.

And while open-mike nights are great for the would-be comic, they also provide good (well, sometimes good), inexpensive, live entertainment.

Regular admission to a comedy club can range from \$6 during the week to \$10 or so on the weekend (depending on who the headliner is). But for open-mike night, admission is only \$3 at both the Comedy Castle and the Mainstreet.

Granted, you might have to sit through some yappers (hey, not everyone can be Jay Leno), but you also might see some genuinely funny first-time stars. And occasionally, established comics will use open-mike night to test out new material.

If you're interested in perform-

Comedian Bill Hildebrandt, who got his start at an open-mike night in Ann Arbor

AIG ON Theater

THEATER: Rolier Players to perform. Jackson Community College presents the Rolier Players at the Cobblestone Farm in Ann Arbor during the week of Aug. 1-5. Show dates run Tuesday through Friday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50 adults, \$2 senior citizens, \$1.50 children. The Rolier Players, a repertory tent show, was established in 1986 by Richard Henderson of Mason and is still on the road today. Fisher Theater presents Les Miserables for a 10-week engagement on Friday, Sept. 8 through Nov. 19. Opening night is Wednesday, Sept. 13. Based on Victor Hugo's classic novel, Les Miserables is an epic saga that sweeps through three turbulent decades of the 19th century French history. Performance dates and ticket prices are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 p.m. at \$42.50 and \$25; Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. at \$45 and \$30; Sundays at 7:30 p.m. at \$42.50 and \$25; and Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. at \$42.50 and \$25. For more information call Fisher Theater at 872-1000. Michigan Theater's 1990 drama season includes the compelling new Pulitzer Prize winning play "Driving Miss Daisy," electrifying performances by three black women from South Africa in "You Strike the Woman, You Strike the Rock," Noel Coward's comedy classic "Billie Sybil," Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," and "The Rest of Gilbert and Sullivan." Drama Season 1990 opens Sunday, Oct. 1 at 8 p.m. with a production by the Market Theater Company of South Africa. Subscribers may choose two or all three drama season added attractions at a 20 percent discount. For subscription information call the Michigan Theater at 668-8397. Single tickets will go on sale beginning Sept. 11.

Sounds

MUSIC: Pontiac Jazz '89. Pontiac Jazz '89 presents its fifth annual three-day jazz fest, featuring free top-notch jazz. All performances will take place center stage at the ten-acre park along the Phoenix Center Plaza in downtown Pontiac on Aug. 4, 5 and 6. Among the headliners will be young jazz guitarist Kevin Ubanks, a native of Philadelphia and graduate of Boston's Berklee College of Music. He will perform with his quartet at 9:30 p.m. on Aug. 4. Brazilian songbird Flora Furim will perform Aug. 5 at 9:30 p.m. and Ramsey Lewis will perform Aug. 6 from 8:30 to 11 p.m. Other performers include Duke Dawson Blues Quartet, Sheila Landis and top Drawer, the Sun Sounds Orchestra and Wendell Harris and Friends. For more information call 334-2390. The Fabulous Thunderbirds will headline the Motor City Blues Festival Aug. 5 at the Michigan State Fairgrounds. Other acts appearing at the festival include Albert Collins, Koko Taylor, Buddy Guy, Lonnie Brooks, Lonnique Mack and others. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster outlets, including Hudson's and Harmony House. Sponsors include WCSM-FM, Hotel St. Regis and Harmony House. "A Little Night Music," a series of six free summer concerts featuring local and nationally known musical talent during August on the lawn of the Highland Lakes Campus of Oakland Community College. The concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 8 and 15. The Macomb Express will perform Aug. 15, playing traditional bluesgrass favorites. In case of rain the concert will be moved to the physical education building on the campus. The Highland Lakes Campus of OCC is at 7390 Cooley Lake Rd. in Union Lake.

SPECIALS: Michigan's largest duck race begins at 1 p.m. on Aug. 6 at Trenton's Elizabeth Park, when a field of 30,000 rubber ducks splash into the river canal for the start of the "Greater Detroit Duck Race." Thousands of children at William Beaumont Hospital Children's Center will benefit from the event. The one-mile "swim-a-thon" is expected to raise more than \$150,000. The public can participate in the race by adopting one or more of the ducks for \$5 each at any of the official sponsors including International Dairy Queen, the Lions/Lioness Clubs of Southeast Michigan and Southeast Michigan Cable Association. Duck adoption fees also are available by calling 433-3376. The largest outdoor sculpture exhibit in Michigan's history will be presented this fall by the Business Consortium for the Arts in "Michigan Outdoor Sculpture II." The event will feature works by 34 of Michigan's finest contemporary sculptors. The exhibit will be hosted by the City of Southfield in the Civic Center Courtyard, 26000 Evergreen Rd., Southfield, beginning Sept. 14 and running through Nov. 15. Interested parties can contact the City of Southfield Cultural Arts at 354-4717. Opening ceremonies will be Thursday, Sept. 14 at 5:30 p.m. Michigan Renaissance Festival features a unique photo exhibit. Festival organizers will display the 1988 photo contest winners and entrants through Aug. 10 in the North Hall of the Fisher Building. Prizes for the winners will be awarded Sunday, Aug. 13 at the Michigan Renaissance Festival. For more information call 645-9640.

Craig Foreback, a Novi resident for 12 years, is one of the two newest members of the Novi Board of Education. He is employed as the Division Head of Chemistry and Toxicology, Department of Pathology at Henry Ford Hospital, and is also an adjunct professor at Michigan State University's School of Medical Technology. All that combined with his new duties as school board member and continuing family man to wife Linda and son Chris, 14, and daughter Carissa, 11. Craig still finds time for his favorite things:

- 1. CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING.** Cross-country skiing in the snowy woods in northern Michigan is, definitely, one of Craig's favorite things, he said. But since Michigan saw very little snow this year, he and his family look to the slopes out west in Colorado.
- 2. STEAM LOCOMOTIVES.** He has a real fascination for the old choo-choos. He recently visited the town of Crossroad Village, north of Flint, to get a peek at the Norfolk and Western rail road there.
- 3. MUSIC.** "All kinds—I like jazz, blue grass, classical and rock and roll. The only kind he doesn't like is 'elevator music' or 'detrit' chair music," he laughed. Craig also sings in his church's choir.

My Favorite Things

Jacques Demers:

A combination restaurant-bar

If Mike Ditka can have his own restaurant in Chicago and Tommy Lasorda can have his own restaurant in Los Angeles, why can't some sports figure in Detroit have his own restaurant?

No reason, of course.

And with the opening of Jacques Demers' restaurant in Southfield a couple of months ago, Metro Detroit now has its own restaurant named after a popular local sports celebrity.

Demers, the coach of the Detroit Red Wings, has allowed a Chicago-based firm called the Management Group to use his name for the restaurant in the Embassy Suites Hotel located on Franklin Road near Northwestern Highway.

It's a combination restaurant-bar located inside the hotel which is very "Southfield" in appearance with its exposed steel beams and glass elevators carrying guests to the upper floors.

Quite frankly, I wasn't quite sure what to expect on my first visit to Detroit's first "jock" restaurant. Formal? Casual? Sporty?

Would there be burgers and pizza? Or would the house specialties involve rough and rugged "man" food—steaks, prime rib, etc.?

Those questions apparently remain on the mind of the owners of Jacques Demers' as well because I came away with no clear cut answers. The bar is located immediately inside the entrance to the restaurant. And it's pretty much what you'd expect from a sports bar. Television sets tuned to sports channels on the wall. Pretty waitresses wearing shorts and Red Wings jerseys serving drinks.

The impression that Jacques Demers' is designed for the sports crowd is continued at the hostess' stand where you can purchase Red Wing T-shirts and other paraphernalia, while waiting for your table.

But wait. The atmosphere changes when you enter the restaurant. Sure, there are framed pictures of Demers and other Red Wing stars on the wall, but the setting is also rather formal. It's a sports restaurant, but a sports restaurant which has ambitions of something more sophisticated.

And how was the crowd dressed? You name it.



Everything from suits and dresses to shorts and T-shirts.

The same aspirations for a somewhat more sophisticated restaurant are reflected in the cuisine, which has a strong California and Italian influence.

If you were expecting to find potato skins and nachos among the appetizers, you're in for a surprise. Instead, there are steamed mussels in a white wine broth and broiled stuffed oysters with asago cheese.

In fact, two of the more memorable dishes on a recent visit to Jacques Demers' were found among the appetizers—a Duck Fale served with sun-dried tomatoes and branded cranberry sauce and Lobster Ravioli, ravioli colored black with squid ink, stuffed with lobster and beautifully served in a creamy potato sauce.

For dinner, the restaurant offers four pasta selections and 14 entrees, including Jacques' Choice (lake perch sautéed with parmesian potatoes) and a "catch of the day."

Many of the selections come with the cutesy names you'd expect to find in a sports restaurant—Debbie Demers' pasta primavera or Wayne Ford's porterhouse steak, a massive 22-ounce piece of meat served with Bermuda onion strings.

The entrees generally tend to be somewhat straightforward, lacking the flair of the Lobster Ravioli, for example. Jacques' Center-of-Fork



Novi's Scott Wladischkin (right) nabs an interception for the East squad in Saturday's All-Star Game

Toughest public course?

By MATT SEIDL
 staff writer

This is the fourth in a series of feature articles on the local golf scene, courses and participants. Dunham Hills Golf & Country Club is located on Dunham Road in Hartland Township.

Some say you have to play it to believe it. Others play it, yet still can't believe it.

Dunham Hills Golf & Country Club, tucked away in eastern Hartland Township just inside the Livingston County border, is considered by many as one of the most challenging public courses in the state.

A 122 Slope rating by the Golf Association of Michigan supports its reputation as a monster course which brings hundreds of golfers to their knees each year.

Of the 19 holes at Dunham Hills, only a handful will allow the average linkster to relax. Most of them are long and include rolling terrain, large sand traps, strategic water hazards and fast greens.

"What makes this course difficult is you rarely get a flat lie," Manager Bob Fauteck said. "When you're hitting the ball, one foot always seems higher than the other. We have hills everywhere."

Other characteristics of the course include fairways lined with trees, as well as greens surrounded by bunkers. Dunham Hills officials take pride in the fact that every hole features its share of trouble spots.

"The development of the trees over the last five or 10 years has really changed the course," said Fauteck, noting that Dunham Hills opened in 1968.

The course measures 6,783 yards from the men's blue tees, 6,771 yards from the men's white and sixth most difficult, respectively. Both are par 56, with No. 17 measuring 556 yards and No. 18 covering 329 yards.

"Our finishing holes are outstanding," he said. "On 17, you tee off into a valley. Then your second shot's a key just to get into position for the approach shot. The green

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Wladischkin shines at 9th All-Star game

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
 staff writer

EAST LANSING — Football is a game dominated by large, physical players.

The ninth annual Michigan High School All-Star Football Game last Saturday (July 29) at MSU's Spartan Stadium, Novi standout Scott Wladischkin — at 5-foot-10 inches, 115-pounds — was the smallest member of the East squad. There were many questions concerning his size (or more accurately, a lack of size) and whether he had the ability to compete with so many big, strong and fast players. As a matter of fact, Wladischkin himself wondered at times whether he belonged.

But a solid performance, including six tackles and an interception from his left cornerback position, dispelled any doubts. It was an impressive outing statistically, considering Wladischkin played half the game, seeing action on every other defensive series. In a high-scoring 31-25 East victory, the West squad never did score a point when last fall's Wildcat star was on the field.

"When I first went to practice and saw all the huge players, I asked myself, 'what am I doing here?'" Wladischkin admitted. "But after a few days of practice, I fit in and felt more confident."

A crowd of 14,300, and a statewide TV audience on PASS, saw the East build a 31-18 halftime lead and then hold on down the stretch for the victory. The East now leads the series 5-4.

"The first week of practice was kind of boring," Wladischkin said. "All we did was eat, sleep and practice. But it was fun meeting some of the best players in the state. The game itself was a lot of fun — it was a great experience."

Wladischkin started the game with a solo tackle on the kickoff, but later in the first half, twisted a knee while making a tackle. It was the second minor injury in three days, but he stayed in the game and iced the knee at halftime.

"Two days before the game, I bruised my knee in practice," he explained. "I couldn't walk on it so I sat out one practice. The heel didn't give me much trouble in the game — I forgot all about it, especially after I twisted my knee. It wasn't

Wladischkin: "When I first went to practice and saw all the huge players, I asked myself, 'what am I doing here?'"

Novi's offensive coordinator. "I'd rather see him as a runner but that's my personal preference," Osborne said. "He can do so many things if you give him the ball. He's one of the smaller guys out there, but his handling of it well. There is really a trend back to the smaller, quicker players right now and Scottie fits that mold."

Wladischkin, headed for Ferris State University on a football/baseball scholarship, is one of 65 all-stars who will compete collegiately this fall. He is scheduled to report for fall practice in less than two weeks, and believes his participation in the game will be a big help.

"This should help me get more prepared for the season coming up," he said. "My mind is totally focused in on football and I'm ready to go."

The interception came midway through the third quarter and stopped a scoring threat. With the West inside East territory, receiver Marquise Harper ran a sideline pattern and then took off up the field, hoping to get Wladischkin to commit early. He didn't, but cornerback Jim Clement put the ball up for grabs anyway and Wladischkin was in perfect position to pick off the ball. He was immediately tackled by the intended receiver.

"(Harper) did an out on it," he said. "We worked on that play all week in practice. I was ready for it, I got into position and nabbed it."

In all, only one pass reception was completed against Wladischkin in the game, and it covered only 14 yards. He also provided some solid run defense and ended with four solo tackles and two assists.

"I thought Scottie played a good game and represented Novi very well," Novi Defensive Coordinator Cole Rowcamp said. "I think he's really stepped up for defense at this level. He anticipates well and understands his reads and coverage assignments. He was solid out there."

"He had one of two interceptions and the West didn't score when he was on the field."

Novi Head Coach John Osborne has maintained all along that he'd like to see Wladischkin on the offensive side of the ball, but that's after I twisted my knee. It wasn't

Legion squad notches victory



Reports of the impending death of the Novi-South Farmington American Legion squad were a bit premature.

Fresh off an awful 15-game losing streak, the team pulled together at the American Legion Playoff Tournament last week and played some fine baseball. On July 27, Novi-South Farmington ended the losing streak with an impressive 7-3 victory over Southfield-Birmingham at a first-round game in Clawson.

The locals pounded out a 12-hit attack and came up with a sparkling defensive effort.

Southfield-Birmingham from the playoffs. Pitcher Jason Gross went the distance to notch the victory and scattered six hits in the process. Amazingly enough, Novi-South Farmington had only nine players on hand for the game.

The following day, with the same nine players in attendance, Novi-South Farmington was eliminated from the tournament by Troy. Starting pitcher Rick Ostrander allowed seven hits and went the distance, but was the victim of three unearned runs in the 3-2 defeat.

The nine players on hand included Jeremy Raspieris, Reid Gough, Andrew Rick, Eric Weigner, Joe Martowick, Jason Gross, Brad Lewis, Rick Ostrander and Darrel Krause. Eight of those players are expected to return next season, giving the squad a solid nucleus.

A ninth player — Andrew Margulick — will also return in '90. He was released from the team to play in another tournament.

Novi-South Farmington ended the '89 season with a 47 record.

Novi News/JOHN GALLOWAY
 The par-three, 14th hole at Dunham Hills



Christopher Jettie of Erwin Farms has several bats to choose from

Mr. B's takes fourth in tourney

The following is results from recent Novi Youth Baseball League action:

SENIOR DIVISION: Novi's newest entry into tournament baseball is Mr. B's Farm, a member of the Senior Division on the Novi Youth Baseball League (NYBL).

The team is made up of 15- and 16-year-olds, is managed by Len Bullock and coached by Ed Rhea. On the weekend of July 15-16, Mr. B's advanced to the semifinal round of a tournament in Trenton and ended up placing fourth. After winning the opening game easily, Mr. B's ran into early trouble against Monroe. With the bases loaded and no outs, starting pitcher Doug Soper was relieved by Dan Plumley and he promptly retired three straight batters.

Mr. B's took charge in the second, scoring three runs on four hits. Chris Lowery-Nate Faulkner, Scott Ver-

million and Dave Brown all singled in the rally to lead the team to an 8-3 victory. Plumley went the full seven innings and allowed only three runs while fanning 10.

In the semis, Novi dropped an 8-5 decision to Trenton, but not before a monumental struggle. Mike Carcone started for Mr. B's Farm, but was touched for four runs on three hits in the first inning. Mr. B's answered in their half of the first inning on a double by Jason Wladischkin and an RBI single by Lowery. Faulkner then crunched a big-league homer over the 365-foot sign in right-center field to narrow the gap to 4-3.

In the next four innings, Trenton scored four more times off reliever Eric Messner and that made Mr. B's two-run rally in the sixth a non-factor.

Rob Summerlee and Wladischkin were given defensive honors for their fine play in the tournament and Plumley received All-Pitching

honors. Plumley allowed only three runs and one walk, with 34 strikeouts in 27 innings of action.

MINOR DIVISION: File Electric topped Erwin Farms 6-3 in July 11. Nick Simon, Jeremiah Lalchak and Michael McShane all had two hits for the victors. File also completed a triple-play with Ricky Anderson tagging two runners out and then notching an assist on the third. File made it two in a row on July 14 with a convincing 17-7 win over Reid Lighting. Kevin Avenius and Nick Simon led the way with four hits each, while Michael McShane and Ryan Sahlberg added three hits apiece. David Lusky paced Reid with three hits. The defensive stars included Ricky Anderson, Jason Rafeld, Matt Maier and Joey Hart. In a rematch on July 20, File nipped Reid Lighting 7-6 thanks to timely hitting and good base running. Jason Rafeld delivered a clutch hit with two-out in the bottom of the sixth

to drive in the tying and winning run. Matt Maier went 2-for-3 for Reid despite the loss. Defensive standouts included Sean LaPointe, John Gauder and Jeremy Lalchak. File wrapped up the regular season with a 7-1 triumph over Heritage Prep on July 22, raising the team's record to 10-4. Ricky Anderson (2-for-3), Michael McShane (2-for-3), Ryan Sahlberg (2-for-3) and Nick Simon (2-for-3). Brian Wardwell went 2-for-2 for Heritage. Hiroshi Shiratori was a defensive star for the winners.

PONY DIVISION: Vision Craft topped Cone Zone 16-12 in a high-scoring game on July 14. Mike Mueller (2-for-2, 2 runs scored) led Vision Craft, while Jerry Eyras (3-for-4) paced Cone Zone. Pitchers Mark Lyster, Greg Hein and Erik Kestelodt, combined for the win. Eric Sahlberg fanned 11 in six innings. Cone Zone. The defensive standouts were Craig Walega and Nick Bechtel.

Rec Briefs

Soccer try-outs: Try-outs for a Novi select soccer team for boys born in 1980, will be held on Aug. 5 at the Novi Meadows Football Field at 9 a.m. For more information, call coach Patrick Tankersley at 348-9240.

Junior Olympians: Congratulations go out to three Novi Junior Olympians who placed at the Hershey National Track and Field State Finals on July 14 in Howell.

Gregg Teagartian, 11, placed sixth in the boy's 800-meter run in a time of 2:46.28. In the girl's 800-meter event, Julie Cahill notched a time of 2:53.25 to place seventh in the 13-14 division.

In the field events, Nick Iannotti jumped 7-feet, 6-inches in the standing long jump to take second place honors in the boy's 9-10 division. The Howell meet featured athletes from 63 cities all across Michigan. Approximately 500 athletes participated this year.

Goat Farm Ultramarathon: The Goat Farm Ultramarathon will be held Aug. 5 starting at 6 a.m. in Monroe and ending 42 miles later in Novi. The event is co-sponsored by the Novi Trackers, the Novi Parks and Recreation Department and the Monroe Millers. The race will start at the I-275 rest area near Telegraph and will finish at Mr. B's Tavern on Novi Road. Runners are to bring their own support crew. The entry fee (\$15) will cover plaques, shirts and a post-race party. For more information, call Jim Wahl at 347-9475.

Softball challenge: On Aug. 4 at 7:30 p.m., Lou LaRiche, a softball squad from the Novi Over-35 Men's League, will challenge an all-female team from Milan. The game will be held on the green field at Power Park. The Milan team won the state Class D title in 1988.

Stony Creek Distance Run: The 18th annual Stony Creek Metropolitan Distance Run will be held Aug. 3 starting at 8:30 p.m. The park is located near Utica. For details, phone 781-4242.

Novi summer soccer camp: Larry Christoff, former soccer professional and head coach at Schoolcraft College, will direct Novi's semi-annual soccer camp. The camp is for boys and girls age six and older. The session is from Aug. 7-12. The \$55 fee includes a quality soccer ball and T-shirt. For more information call the Novi Parks and Recreation Department at 347-9400.

Novi needs umpires: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department is in need of umpires for the Novi Youth Softball Leagues. Games days are Monday through Thursday; two games per night at 6:15 and 7:30 p.m. You must be 14 years of age. Pay is \$8 per game. For more information call Carla Scruggs at 347-9400.

Youth swim lessons: The Plymouth YMCA is offering swimming lessons for kids in August. The session will be from Aug. 7-17. Classes are offered between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. with times assigned before classes begin. You can specify morning or afternoon classes. Sites include pools in Plymouth, Canton and Northville. Cost is \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members. There are three different age division programs offered: under-three, 3-5 years old and 6-12 years old.

Swim teachers needed: Part-time Water Safety instructors are needed by the Walled Lake school district for upcoming summer sessions at Walled Lake Western High School. For more information call the Walled Lake Community Education Department at 624-0202.

Summer canoe liveries: Two canoe liveries are available in Ann Arbor for people who enjoy canoeing. The Argo Park Canoe Livery is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Standings

MEN'S THURSDAY OPEN Division I		MEN'S RESIDENT Division I	
The Shoppe	9 1	Action/McNish	14 1
Traditional Softball	7 3	Sterling Oil	10 5
Novi Standard	7 3	Precision Electric	7 8
Tract Construction	4 6	State Farm	6 9
Livonia Charles	3 7	Guardian Alarm	5 10
Eagles Masonry	0 10	MMI	3 12

Home Run Leaders: Carter (The Shoppe), 8; Bodrie (Standard Oil), 6; Griffith (Eagle Masonry), 6.		Home Run Leaders: Grudzien (Action/McNish), 11; Piotrowicz (Action/McNish), 10; Brisdon (Action/McNish), 10; Parsons (MMI), 8.	
Division II		Division II	
Galsby Lounge	10 0	Soft Shine Auto	13 0
Drilling Corp.	7 3	Novi Inn	12 0
DeMaria Building	5 5	Gatsby's/O'Brien	11 0
Graco	5 5	Novi Police	8 0
Bill Knapp's	2 8	Corp. Installation	4 1
Lightning Express	1 9	Crown Lift	0 1

MEN'S 35 & OVER Division I		MEN'S RESIDENT Division I	
Lou LaRiche	8 4	Wise Automation	13 0
Jerry's Barber	8 4	Novi Video	9 5
VPW 4012	7 5	Mr. B's Farm	7 6
Bosco & Sons	7 5	Alpha Ind.	6 9
Ernie's Auto	5 7	Clayton Env.	4 9
King Bros.	5 8	Duquet Jewelers	2 13
Coyotes	3 9		

MEN'S WEDNESDAY OPEN Division I		WOMEN'S LEAGUE Division I	
Novi Constr.	8 0	McNish	9 1
Tyrrell Electric	6 2	Novi Auto	8 2
Silvermans	5 3	C & W/MSS	7 3
Allen Resource	4 4	Jerry's Barber	7 7
Wayne Sleet	1 7	Country Epicure	1 8
Griffin & Smalley	0 8	TTS Ladies	0 8

Home Run Leaders: Puro (Jerry's Barber), 3; Hart (Jerry's Barber), 3; Michalak (Bosco & Sons), 3.		Player of the Week: Monique Mansoura (Novi Auto Wash).	
Division II		Division II	
Novi Constr.	8 0	South Lyon Hotel	9 1
Tyrrell Electric	6 2	Starting Gate	9 1
Silvermans	5 3	360 Services	5 5
Allen Resource	4 4	Mama Pasta	2 8
Wayne Sleet	1 7	Great Galsby's	2 8
Griffin & Smalley	0 8	Radio/T.V. Rookies	0 10

Home Run Leaders: P. McDonald (Silvermans), 3; Golich (Novi Constr.), 2.		Player of the Week: Diane Miner (Mama Pasta).	
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Heathers to host scramble outing

The Heathers Golf Course in Bloomfield Hills will host a unique benefit golf tournament on Aug. 9.

The First Heathers Golf Classic is a new five-person scramble tournament which will benefit Detroit's Hollywood Golf Institute.

The name Hollywood Golf Institute may sound like some trendy golf school of the stars, but it's nothing like that. In fact, it's an organization founded in 1983 to give young people from the city, ages 4-18, the opportunity to learn the game of golf.

It draws its name from Selma 'Hollywood' Johnson, the group's founder. Among those who are on the honorary committee presenting the tournament are Detroit Lions greats Dexter Bussey and Dick 'Night Train' Lane; University of Michigan football commentator Jim Brandstatter; and Jim Dewing, club professional at Oak Pointe Country Club in Brighton.

The five-person scramble will begin with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. There will be a dedication luncheon at noon, and a golf awards reception following the tournament. The \$125-per-person entry fee covers 18 holes of golf, power cart, luncheon and reception.

Highlighting the event will be visits from Evan 'Big Cat' Williams and Calvin Peete. Williams, billed as the 'World's Longest Driver' will be putting on an exhibition at 1 p.m. Peete, a PGA tour professional, will tee it up with each foursome from a designated hole during the tournament.

For further information on this benefit tournament, call 334-9770, or 644-3450.

CHRIST CHILD CLASSIC: Golfers are invited to compete in the 'Christ Child Classic' golf tournament on Aug. 14, to help raise funds for abused and neglected children.

Sponsored by the Christ Child Society of Detroit, the ninth annual mixed golf tournament will benefit needy children in metropolitan Detroit. Tee-off will begin at 11 a.m. at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon. Teams of four will compete in the scramble and a Yamaha 'Sun Classic' golf cart will be awarded to the golfer who shoots a hole-in-one. For \$160, participants may enjoy a



Ron Watson (left) and Larry Ciancio (right) present Hall of Fame inductee Richard Petty with the sculpture 'Horsepower'


Petty honored in special ceremony

Richard Petty, commonly called 'King Richard', was recently inducted on the first ballot into the Motorsports Hall of Fame of America, currently housed in the Novi Civic Center. The inaugural induction ceremony was held June 15 at the Roostertail in Detroit, but due to severe weather, Petty was unable to fly from North Carolina to the ceremony. "I sincerely wanted to be there in person and right up to the last minute, I planned on it," he said. An on-the-spot telephone hook-up was put together at the Roostertail while more than 500 guests listened to Petty's acceptance conversation with Ken Squier of CBS Sports.

At a special ceremony held at Michigan International Speedway earlier this month, Petty was presented with the prestigious 'Horsepower' sculpture, symbolic of his induction into the Hall. Larry Ciancio, Chairman of the Hall of Fame, and Ronald Watson, Executive Director - both of Novi - made the presentation.

The second annual Hall of Fame induction ceremony will be held June 14, 1990.

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Unless supervised by an adult or certified lifeguard, children are advised to stay away from lakes or pools

Swimming safety tips offered

It's unbearably hot and the water looks so inviting...

Before heading to the beach, lake, or pool this summer, a note of caution is in order.

Sure, swimming is a great way to cool off and a good overall method of exercise. But those beckoning waters can be a dangerous place for swimmers — especially young swimmers — who aren't careful.

Unless supervised by an adult or certified lifeguard, children are advised to stay away from lakes or pools. It is estimated that more than 300 children under five years of age could drown in pools this summer.

"Drowning in residential pools is the second leading cause of accidental death around the home to young

children," according to Elaine Glasser, Extension Home Economist for Oakland County Cooperative Extension Service.

Why? Drowning happens quickly and without warning; there is no cry for help.

When children are swimming, common sense should prevail. An adult needs to be at poolside or lakeside at all times to give undivided attention to children in and out of water. At any cost, young swimmers should not be left unattended, Glasser advises.

If an adult must leave the pool area and another adult cannot supervise, the children should be escorted into the house until the adult returns to

the pool area.

A cordless telephone located at the poolside may eliminate some of these interruptions. Better yet, if an emergency number is posted on the phone, precious seconds will be saved in summoning rescue aid in the event of an accident.

Glasser recommends pool owners adopt the following safety practices:

□ Constantly keep your eyes on young children while at the pool.

□ Never leave young children alone in or around the pool; if you leave, even for a few seconds, take the children with you.

□ Avoid confusion by always assigning one adult to watch young children who are in and around the

pool.

□ Know how to administer CPR to a drowning victim; contact your local Red Cross chapter or fire department for information on CPR training courses.

Swimming lessons are suggested for children of all ages in order to give them some basic guidelines to observe when enjoying summer's most popular recreational activity. And when in doubt, wear a life jacket.

Older, accomplished swimmers also are advised to be careful in pools and lakes this summer. It's recommended that people swim in groups of two or more just in case an accident occurs.

'Make Today Count' meeting set

Make Today Count, a national organization that brings together persons affected by life-threatening illnesses, meets monthly at Huron Valley Hospital in Commerce Township.

Individuals with serious illness, family members, health care professionals, clergy and concerned others are welcome at group meetings held the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

For program information, call 363-5233 or 626-3636.

Breast and skin clinic: A breast and skin clinic will be held at St. Mary Hospital at Five Mile and Levan roads in Livonia. Dates for the clinic are Sept. 13 and 27, Oct. 11 and 25, Nov. 8 and December 6. All sessions will be from 3:10-5:10 p.m.

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

Fitness notes

Appointments are necessary for the clinic. For an appointment or additional information, call 464-4800, ext. 2433.

Stress management workshop

'Time Out' — a workshop in stress management skills, will be held on Sept. 5 from 7-9:30 p.m. at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills.

The classes run four consecutive Tuesdays and are held in the Administration and Education Center. For more information, or to register, call 471-8090 between 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The program charge is \$60 and pre-registration is required.

Free screenings: Botsford Hospital's Health Development Network will offer free blood pressure and vision screening the second Monday of every month from 1-4 p.m. The screenings take place in the main lobby of Botsford General Hospital, 28050 Grand River in Farmington Hills. For more information call 471-8090.

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

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

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

Fitness Tips

Do you know how to read labels?

By SYLVA DVORAK, M.S., special writer

Getting to the grocery store is probably hard enough for you, and searching out the healthier foods and reading the labels may just be too much.

But it really does not have to be this way. Knowing the meaning of labels on all those packages will make your shopping much easier and quicker too.

CALORIES:

Be careful of serving size when comparing foods. The words used for defining foods may not mean what you assume they do. These are definitions used on packaging:

□ Low Calorie: no more than 40 calories per serving and no more than 4 calories per gram.

□ Light or Lite: may strictly refer to texture, color and taste; not

necessarily to calories.

□ Dietetic: reduced calories, reduced sodium or no table sugar.

□ Please don't assume that 'sugar-free' means no calories.

FAT:

Reducing saturated fats is most important.

□ Saturated Fats: include hydrogenated shortening, coconut, palm, palm kernel oils, some margarines, animal fats/lard, butter, beef and chicken fats.

□ Unsaturated Fats: including these oils — corn, safflower, sunflower, peanut, sesame, soybean and olive.

FOR DAIRY AND MEAT LABELS:

□ Low fat dairy products: between 4 and two percent.

□ Extra Lean: no more than five percent fat.

□ Lean Meat and Poultry: no more than 10 percent fat.

□ Leaner or low fat: at least 25 percent fat than the standard meat.

□ Lower fat: no specific definition.

SUGAR:

□ Sugar free or sugarless: contains no table sugar but may have, for example, fructose, which is equal in calories to table sugar.

□ Other forms of sugar: dextrose, corn syrup, maple syrup, honey, brown sugar, sucrose, sorbitol, manitol and fructose.

SODIUM:

Restrict daily intake to 1,100 to 3,300 mg. per day.

□ Very low Sodium: 35 mg., or less per serving.

□ Low sodium: 140 mg., or less per serving.

□ Reduced sodium: the usual level of sodium has been reduced by 75 percent or more.

□ Unsalted or no salt: product may

still contain sodium, but no salt is added during processing.

FIBER:

Optimal amount is 20 to 35 grams per day, according to "New Women" magazine's May 1988 edition. Eat plenty of vegetables, fruits and grains.

ADDITIVES AND PRESERVATIVES:

Natural doesn't have to mean free of additives and preservatives. Check ingredients for BHT, BHA, MSG, nitrates, sulfates, artificial colors and artificial flavors.

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

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