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 AT THE YEAR OF 1989/INSIDE

Chill-out, it's cold out there

By MIKE TYREE
 staff writer

Sub-zero temperatures clamped down on the Novi area last weekend with an icy vengeance and accompanying conditions which could only please penguins, polar bears and the most extreme apologists of midwest winter living.

Everyone else shivered and complained. The dials of electric meters spun at a dizzying pace.

Wreckers pulled cars that had shuddered and died.

Children brayed at parents to let them go outdoors and, after prolonged dressing rituals, retreated to the house after 15 minutes in the cold.

Adults scurried out to buy warmer clothing.

And by Christmas people were listening eagerly for word of when the thermometer would climb into above-zero double digits.

The extreme cold of the past week also made an impact on several organizations that serve the public.

Lou Layton, spokesperson for Detroit Edison, said the week ending Dec. 18 set a winter record for energy use.

"Utility use reaches its peak during the summer due to air conditioning," he said. "But we broke our winter record by using 6,663 megawatts of electricity."

Layton said scattered power outages were reported over the weekend.

"The problems were not widespread," he said. "Icing of the power lines combined with heavy winds were to blame for whatever small problems we had."

Emergency wrecker services were busy, as well. AAA of Michigan spokesperson Renee Monforten said calls for assistance were much higher in the past week than in 1988.

"Calls by people requesting road service numbered 23,020 for the week of Dec. 19 to Dec. 26," she said. "Last year, 14,690 asked for road service over the same period."



Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Continued on 8 Becky Haas battles frigid temperatures while shoveling the snow outside her Novi home

'Grand Plan' rezoning is now on hold

By JAN JEFFRES
 staff writer

Four proposals on zoning and master plan changes necessary to the future of an industrial park in the western part of the city were tabled by the planning commission following a heated public hearing on Dec. 20.

During the approximately five-hour hearing on the proposed zoning change, about 24 people spoke against the industrial park/industrial relocation program. They were supported by the applause of a full house of Novi, Wixom and South Lyon residents at the Novi Civic Center. One speaker was in favor of the plan, a businessman who hopes to move his company to the industrial park.

Novi's "Grand Plan" calls for the relocation of some 22 industrial businesses from the city's Town Center area at Grand River and Novi Road, and along Interstate 96, to the proposed industrial park. This would free the land for commercial and office development, as well as residential development in the downtown area.

Items number one and two on the planning commission's agenda, both dealing with the rezoning of land in the northern half of Section 18 from residential to heavy industrial, were tabled until the city staff brought back answers to questions raised by residents about the project's impact on traffic and property values, as well as the ramifications of possibly building a seven-community solid waste transfer system on the site.

The staff was also asked to assess the impact of adding 300 acres of industrial development to the city's existing industrial lands, thereby subtracting from Novi's residential lands.

The first item called for a change in the city's master plan for land use, adopted in 1988, to recommend general industrial and non-center

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Residents launch petition drive in efforts to block the proposed industrial park/3A

Neighbors view industrial park

By JAN JEFFRES
 staff writer

The governments of Wixom and Lyon Township asked the City of Novi to reconsider its rezoning plans for a 326-acre parcel bordering the two communities.

Letters were sent from both communities. Each has residents who have protested the proposal to build an industrial park in Section 18 at Wixom, Napier and Twelve Mile Roads.

Novi is seeking the rezoning of 300 acres of the land to a general industrial classification and 26 acres to a general business designation.

Lyon Township Supervisor James Atchison spoke at a Dec. 20 public hearing before the planning commission. Several of the township's citizens living on Napier Road have written letters of protest to Novi or have circulated petitions against the rezoning.

"We wouldn't do it to you. We wouldn't put heavy industrial next to residential," Atchison said. "We would like to see a buffer."

A letter sent by Lyon Township reads in part: "We are very concerned that such uses may have a detrimental impact on the long-term development prospects for adjacent lands in the township. In general, our goal for the northeastern part of the township is to develop a light industrial corridor along Grand River Avenue, and reserve all land south of Twelve

Mile Road for low density residential development. Our hope is that even the gravel mining areas can eventually be reclaimed for residential use."

The township's master plan proposes rural residential development from Twelve Mile to the south. The letter states that the proposed rezoning in Novi would create an incompatibility between the two sides of Napier Road, which divides the two communities.

Lyon Township asked that Novi consider creating a transitional land use in the area, either light industrial or office research along Napier Road.

The statement from the City of Wixom was read in the public record by Darwin Parks, administrative assistant to the Wixom City Manager. Wixom residents living in the Leisure Co-op Apartments, a senior citizens' development, have protested the industrial park and a proposed waste transfer facility.

The position statement asked that Novi hold off on the rezoning until certain issues were addressed. These include the financial effect the industrial park will have on residential property in Wixom.

Wixom suggested that Novi consider rezoning the property to I-1 (light industrial) to allow greater control of developments within the

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Tire store gets reluctant okay

A Belle Tire Store in the vicinity of the Novi Town Center was given reluctant preliminary site plan approval by the planning commission on Dec. 20 despite protests from members of the automotive services business community.

The 9,000 square foot store on a 3-acre parcel would be located on the south side of Grand River between Meadowbrook and Novi Roads, west of the Marty Feldman Chevrolet dealership.

The planning commission voted 5-3 to recommend approval of the project to city council.

According to material provided by Belle Tire, 90 percent of its business will be the sales of tires, but 10 service bays are included in the plans for the installation of tires, wheel alignment and balancing, brake repair, oil changes and shocks installation. According to the prospectus for the store, no major auto repair is planned at the

Kramer: 'I think the next thing we should do with the logo of the city of Novi is replace the 'O' with a tire. Novi's becoming the tire center capital.'

"I always keep talking about gasoline alley. In a two-mile strip I counted 20 auto-related services," said Tom Tokar, owner of Tireman. "Belle knows they're going to steal all the service from Tireman and Discount Tire Company."

Jim Davis, another opponent of the Belle Tire plans, said that the business was not strictly retail.

"I'm angry because the Novi Planning Commission put together

laws governing auto repair facilities. It is an unfair business advantage if you do allow them to locate at this place. B-3 as it is written does not allow automotive repair facilities," Davis said.

"I think the decision needs to be re-thought as to the complexion of that business being retail."

However, Planning Commissioner Judy Johnson said the company had represented itself as a tire store. "We can't prove otherwise. If

it's not a retail store, they'll be ticketed for an ordinance violation," said Johnson.

"I'm not in favor of seeing the tire store there, but I'm not going to vote against it if the zoning allows it."

Planning Commissioner Gary Philips agreed that he didn't like the project but it met the ordinance.

"I'm very disappointed. This is one of the most inappropriate places to put a store like this. I have real, real serious problems like this," said Commission Chairman Charles Kureth.

Commissioner Kathleen McLallen agreed that the store designs indicated that it might be more than just a retail tire outlet.

"I think the next thing we should do with the logo of the city of Novi is replace the 'O' with a tire. Novi's becoming the tire center capital," said Planning Commissioner Edward Kramer.

Gridlock Shoppers create parking lot pile-up

By PHILIP JEROME
 managing editor

Police are claiming a moral victory in the war against gridlock despite another major traffic jam in the regional center area at Twelve Mile and Novi Road last Friday (Dec. 22) afternoon.

It was the second major traffic jam in the past week in the Twelve Oaks/West Oaks area. The first

case of gridlock occurred Saturday, Dec. 16, when police closed the Novi Road exit off westbound I-96 and shut down all entrances to Twelve Oaks Mall for a period of approximately 30 minutes.

Detective Jack Grubb of the Novi Police Department reported that the Dec. 22 traffic jam was not as severe as the Dec. 16 gridlock, but he acknowledged that individuals who were stuck in the pileup might

offer another opinion.

"The difference was that we were better prepared for the one last Friday (Dec. 22)," said Grubb, who was in charge of the traffic detail in the Twelve Oaks/West Oaks area.

"We didn't let it get out of hand." Police believe they were as well prepared as possible for the traffic jam which developed late in the afternoon last Friday.

Grubb noted that this was the

first year that Christmas Day has fallen on Monday since 1983 - the year of the first major traffic jam in the regional center area.

"When Christmas falls on Monday, it causes special problems," said Grubb, who also was in charge of traffic during the gridlock which developed on Dec. 22, 1983.

"You have a lot of people getting

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Backstage jitters

Everybody knows actors get tense before a performance so Chris Bell Peche (far left) can be excused for acting a little like Sean Penn. The distinguished troupe of thespians pictured above hails from the Novi-Northville Montessori School which presented its

annual 'Christmas around the World' program last week. Pictured left to right are Chris Bell Peche, Andy Forsythe, Timothy Kava, B.J. Humphrey, Robin Lin and Amy Rayner.

Planners approve new subdivision

A preliminary plat for the proposed Westminster Village subdivision, a 54-lot single family development to be built on the west side of Haggerty Road between Nine and Ten Mile, was recommended for approval by the Novi Planning Commission on Dec. 20.

The 19-acre subdivision, to be built by Singh Development Company of West Bloomfield will be located south of Holly Hills subdivision between Ten Mile and Stonehenge Boulevard. It will tie into existing water mains and sewers in Haggerty and Squire Roads. Singh Development is also building Bradford Subdivision Number Two in Novi.

Final approval must come from the city council. The subdivision's density will be 2.84 dwellings per acre.

Planning Commissioner Kathleen McAllen was the only one to vote

against approval. "I hate this kind of subdivision because they're taking the land to the maximum possible," said McAllen. "I know it's legal. This subdivision is going to be a horrendous problem because this is one of the worst traffic areas. This is not a safe design."

Planning Commission Chairman Chuck Kureth disagreed. "I drive Haggerty almost every day, and 54 cars won't impact it," Kureth said.

The planning commission called for a screening berm to be built on the south side of the new subdivision. Squire Road will be continued into the new Westminster Village.

The subdivision's street names must be approved by the street naming committee and a street tree planting plan must be approved by the parks and recreation department.

Novi youths seek academy berths

Two Novi High School students have been nominated for 1990 appointments to the U.S. Military and Naval academies by Congressman William S. Broomfield.

Andrew Match has been nominated for appointment to the Naval Academy, and Colin J. O'Sullivan has been nominated for appointment to the Military Academy.

Match is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Match, while O'Sullivan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan O'Sullivan.

All nominees are selected on a competitive basis as a result of SAT scores, scholastic records, extracurricular activities, leadership potential and the recommendations of high school counselors. Under the competitive appoint-

ment system used by Broomfield, final appointments to the academies will be made by selection boards at each academy.

All appointments will be announced before May 1.

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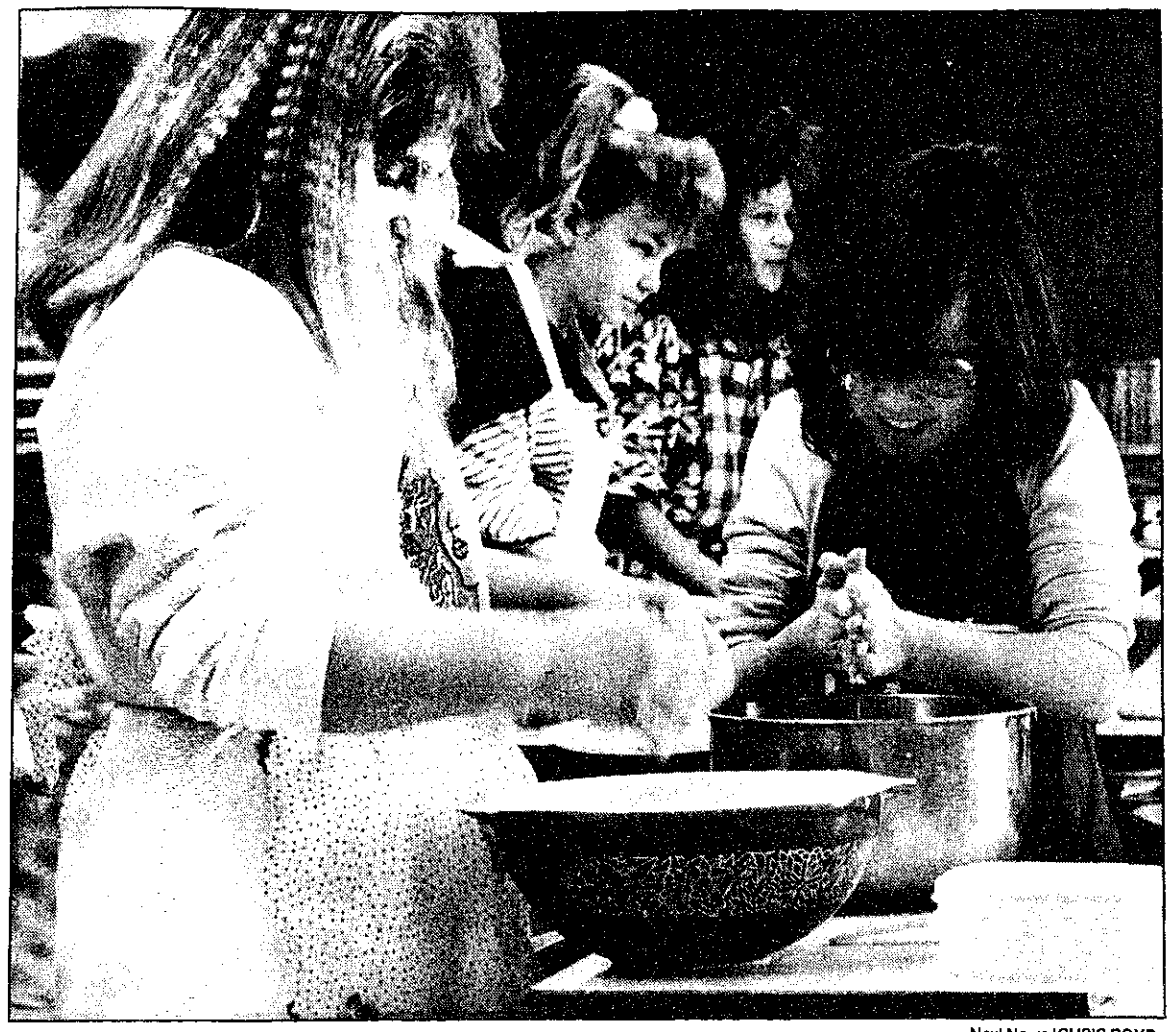
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Makin' pretzels

Mr. Wizard was right — science can be fun. Students in Sylvia Sobrin's fifth grade science class at Novi Meadows School had a 'fun' science project when they learned about yeast by cooking up

a batch of pretzels. Mixing up a batch of pretzel dough in the picture above are Shawn Hickey and Melissa Halvorsen.

Attorney explains zoning petitions

By JAN JEFFRES staff writer

While residents of Old Dutch Farms stood outside in the freezing cold last week to collect petitions protesting the building of an industrial park just north of their mobile home development, their 383 signatures cannot actually stop a rezoning.

Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson said during a planning commission meeting Dec. 20 that a petition of protest cannot halt a rezoning, but it can alter the type of city council vote required for the zoning change. If an appropriate petition were presented, the city council would require a 5-2 vote to approve the rezoning.

But the petition must include the signatures of 20 percent of the property owners within the area to be rezoned or 20 percent of both the property owners within the area and property owners 25 feet from the land proposed for rezoning.

Novi Meadows is owned by Lautree Ltd. of Farmington Hills and Old Dutch Farms is owned by Unipro Inc. of Birmingham. Unipro could be eligible to sign the petition.

About 300 acres of residentially-zoned land bounded by Wixom, Twelve Mile and Napier Roads is proposed for rezoning to I-2, or general industrial. Another 26 acres, now zoned industrial, is proposed for a change to a general business district, to accommodate a Meijer's Thrift Store.

In the area proposed for rezoning, there are 18 individual parcels of land. Five of them, totaling just over 188 acres, are owned by Millford A. Campbell, owner of Campbell Machine in Swannada, North Carolina. Campbell lives in the Caymen Islands.

Campbell has been working with the city on the development of the industrial park. He also owns the land proposed for the site of the Meijer's

Thrifty Acres. It is unlikely he is opposed to the rezoning.

Cadillac Asphalt Paving Co. owns 5.29 acres on Wixom Road. Delta Trucking Co. of Detroit owns about 16 acres. There are also seven individual residences in the area proposed for rezoning.

Two of the property owners have gone on the record as opposed to the zoning change. Paragon Properties Co. of Birmingham, owners of 75 acres west of the industrial park site, and homeowner Stuart Zuckerman, who owns five acres of land on Twelve Mile.

Paragon has sought to build a mobile home park on its land since May 1984, when the company first submitted a request for a rezoning from residential-agricultural to mobile home district. The rezoning request was denied by the city council on the recommendation of the planning commission. Paragon filed a lawsuit against the city in Jan. 1985, which was dismissed and then retried in June 1989. The case is still pending.

A letter delivered to the planning commission on Dec. 20 from the attorneys for Paragon reads in part: "In that action, the City of Novi has admitted that the property has no reasonable use as presently zoned."

Paragon protested the proposed industrial zoning on the grounds that it would deprive the company of developing the property for residential or any other use.

Together, Zuckerman and Paragon account for 11 percent of the property owners. A third homeowner has also criticized the plan, but has not gone on record as formally opposing it.

At least four property owners would have to sign a petition to require a 5-2 city council vote on the rezoning.

However, another type of petition drive has been active in overturning zoning changes. Earlier this year, led by Citizens for Responsible Development, residents opposed to a rezoning at Ten Mile and Beck Road successfully petitioned for a referendum election to overturn a city council zoning decision.

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VCR stolen from Orchard Hills

The theft of a videocassette recorder was reported by officials at Orchard Hills Elementary School at 4190 Quince on Monday, Dec. 18. Orchard Hills Principal Paul LePlae reported that the VCR was stolen sometime over the weekend of Dec. 15-16.

The machine had been returned to the audio-visual room on Friday, Dec. 15, at approximately 3 p.m. and was discovered missing on Monday, Dec. 18, at 8 a.m. School officials said the room is kept locked. Investigating officers reported finding no signs of forced entry.

The Sylvania VCR was valued at \$225.

Police Beat

while it was parked in his driveway. The responsible parties also removed the tailgate from the truck but did not take it with them and left it behind, lying in the street.

The four wheelcovers were valued at a total of \$120, according to reports.

FOUR WHEEL COVERS were stolen from a 1988 Ford pickup truck while it was parked outside the owner's residence on Louisiana in the Novi Meadows Mobile Home Park. The theft occurred Wednesday, Dec. 20, between 1:30 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. A complainant told police that unknown individuals removed all four wheel covers from the truck

VANDALS DAMAGED a 1982 Chevrolet Camaro Z-28 while it was parked in the Red Lot at Twelve Oaks Mall on Wednesday, Dec. 20. The owner, a Howell man, said unknown individuals dragged a key along the driver's side of the vehicle while he was sleeping inside the mall from 6 to 8:15 p.m. The responsible parties also broke the door handle off the car, according

to reports.

A NORTHVILLE WOMAN reported a malicious destruction of property incident (MDOP) while she was parked in the Green Lot at Twelve Oaks Mall on Friday, Dec. 15.

The woman said vandals scratched the right side of her 1986 Dodge while she was shopping inside Twelve Oaks from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Damage was estimated in excess of \$100.

UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS apparently attempted to steal a 1983 Mercury Capri owned by a Garden City man while he was at work at Stanley Electronics at 22700 Heisl Drive.

The man told police he left work to discover the lock on the hatchback damaged and additional damage to the vehicle's steering column.

Investigating officers said it appeared that the responsible parties were able to gain entry to the Capri through the hatchback but had not been able to get the vehicle started.

Novi Briefs

Fishing shanty registration: According to a new city ordinance, any fishing shanty, house or shelter placed on the ice of any Novi lake must display a City of Novi registration tag on an outside wall. Registration tags are available at the city clerk's office in the Novi Civic Center at 4375 Ten Mile. Offices are open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The permit fee is \$10 per shanty.

All fishing shanties must be removed before the ice because unsafe. On the last day of February, all fishing shanties must be removed on a daily basis. If a shanty is not removed by the owner following notification by Novi, it will be removed by the city. Violating the fishing shanty ordinance is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine, the costs of prosecution and/or imprisonment, in addition to shanty removal and storage fees.

Seeing red: A festive touch was added to the Dec. 20 planning commission meeting by four planning commissioners and five support staff and consultants decked in holiday red.

Planner John Balagna, Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson and Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers wore red ties, while Commission Chairman Charles Kurth sported a scarlet sweater vest.

Planning Clerk Karen Tindale dressed in a red blazer, as did Engineering Consultant Deb Gosnell. Red blouses were worn by Landscape Consultant Linda Lemke and Commissioner Judy Johnson, while Commissioner Kathleen McLallen chose a red dress.

Commissioner Ernest Aruffo wasn't wearing the color of the season, but he was observed taking notes with a red ink pen.

It's almost Chilly Willy time: And it's never too early to wish for snow. Novi will present its annual Chilly Willy Festival on Saturday, Jan. 13, beginning at 10 a.m. at Elia Mae Power Park and the Novi Civic Center.

Planned festivities include a snow ball tournament, a snow sculpture contest, a youth coloring contest, broomball, a chili cook-off, a Score-O contest, and Old Man Winter contest, an Old Woman Winter contest, a bridge tournament, a euchre tournament and a lip sync contest.

For more information call 347-0400.

Doctor donates fees: Dr. David Schindler, a board certified family practitioner with Oakland Family Physicians, will be donating the fees from his "Hypnosis Sessions to Quit Smoking" to the Novi Council for Substance Abuse.

His office will be for all sessions during the week of Tuesday, Jan. 2 through Saturday, Jan. 6. Cost is \$50 per program. Dr. Schindler has a 75 percent success rate with his program.

The Novi Council on Substance Abuse will donate all money to the DARE program. Call 347-4290 for appointments.

Dr. Schindler is located in the Novi Professional Village, 23985 Novi Road, Suite B101.

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Novak advises stranded drivers to stay calm and rationally plan their course of action.

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Novi residents, officials speak out on Grand Plan

By JAN JEFFERS
staff writer

Novi's "Grand Plan," a city initiative to relocate about 22 industries from along Interstate 96 and the Town Center area at Grand River Avenue and Novi Road to an industrial park in Sect. 18, has sparked tremendous controversy over the past few weeks.

The proposed industrial park at Wixom, Napier and Twelve Mile Roads could also be the site of a seven-community waste transfer station proposed by the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County.

In addition, a Meijer's Thrifty Acres is to be located at the corner of Wixom Road and Grand River Avenue.

Some residents' ire has been raised about the "fast track" timing of the plan, which was unveiled to the public Thanksgiving week. The first public hearing was then held five days before Christmas.

The industrial park will be located next door to the Old Dutch Farms Mobile Home Park. Seven houses are

Schmidt: 'I submit that this city will develop if this plan doesn't go through, that those businesses there (in the town center) will eventually sell and they'll develop like West Oaks and the Town Center did.'

directly within the area proposed for rezoning to an industrial classification.

Here's what some city officials, residents and neighbors had to say about the project at a Dec. 20 public hearing before the planning commission.

Lynn Brown, Old Dutch Farms resident — "I think that mobile home parks have gotten a bad rap mostly because of television. We aren't bums drinking beer and watching TV. We work hard during the day. I'd like to ask you to reconsider your

perception of mobile home parks and please don't put us next to an industrial park."

Stuart Zuckerman, who faces the prospect that his home will be rezoned to the industrial designation — "If I decide not to sell my house, will my taxes go up? I figured they'd carry me out the first from that house when I moved there five years ago."

James Wahl, Novi's director of community development — "Right now this area is farmland but it will be developed sometime in the future. These developments will bring cars

too rapidly in the eastern part of the city, we had this open western end and we didn't have to do that. I see it moving now, to the most intensive use the city has. This is not good planning in my book."

Jim Booth of Gottsman National Corp. on Nine Mile — "We would like to move into this industrial park. People here are worried about what an industrial park will do. Don't kid yourselves, it helps. The people who are interested in coming in there want this to be a showplace industrial park."

Bob Reay, a resident of Birchwood Drive — "There's four kinds of trash I can see here tonight. One would be the industrial park. One would be the trash dump. One would be the Meijer's store. And the other would be the trash I've heard here tonight."

Judy Johnson, city planning commissioner — "If we didn't care about our entire community, we wouldn't do this. Somebody said you should put this somewhere else in the community... in someone else's backyard. Then you have simply put the problem in another spot in the city... Change is very difficult to deal with and we realize this."

Planning Commissioner Kathleen McLallen — "Part of the process of being on the planning commission is very painful, when we hear how what we've been working so hard on comes across to you."

Marie Webster, of Wixom's Leisure Co-op Apartments, located about 1,000 feet north of the proposed industrial park — "We're senior citizens and our income really is limited. Don't tell me the property value isn't going to go down."

Brandon Rogers, city planning consultant — "We do not want to direct truck traffic through residential districts."

Linda Townsend, Old Dutch Farms resident — "It's important that you recognize that from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Grand River is a very busy road. You're widening it for Grand River and Wixom Road is going to become a funnel. That funnel is going to cause us as many accidents as the additional traffic."

James Shaw, an officer of Citizens for Responsible Development (CRD) — "As the city plan has unfolded over many years, as we looked at the sins of sometimes moving too quickly and

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Gasoline alley? City 'counts' auto centers

By BRUCE WEINTRAUB
staff writer

With traffic congestion a hot topic in Novi, it seems logical that the city is experiencing increased demand for auto service centers.

However, Novi Planning Commissioners said they are wondering whether city's approximate population of 31,640 can support the sudden proliferation of auto centers.

Assistant City Planner John Schlagheck said between nine and 13 auto service centers are currently located in Novi — most of them between Ten Mile and Grand River Avenue.

The issue of how many auto centers is too many arose recently when the Novi Planning Commission considered a special land use permit for the Weiss Development Auto Center. Planners denied Weiss the permit, because the auto center was to be located on a 1.9-acre parcel zoned light industrial (I-1) on the northeast corner of the Ten Mile/Novi Road intersection.

To gain a special land use permit, a facility needs at least two acres of land and 200 feet of frontage on a major arterial. Weiss had only 1.9 acres and 165 feet of frontage on Novi Road.

Despite the inadequacies of the site, planners briefly discussed the viability of establishing another auto service center in Novi. Commissioner Ernest Aruffo said he could not approve a special land use for the project unless an economic feasibility study is completed.

During its Nov. 1 meeting, planners granted special land use approval to the Omni Auto Service Center for a site on the east side of Novi Road between Ten Mile and the CSX Railroad tracks.

However, Schlagheck said it is not fair for the city to comment on how a parcel of land is used by a developer. He added the special permit requested by Weiss Development Center was rejected by planners "for more concrete reasons."

Commissioner Judith Johnson said, however, that planners should look into "need based on population" of a certain type of facility and possibly incorporate it into the ordinance.

"When you look around the (Grand River) area, you can find several auto centers," she said. "And we definitely don't want a repeat of strip malls, where we'd have half-filled auto centers."

Johnson argued further that planners should not grant special use permits to anything less than the most desirable types of land uses.

"But, at this time if a development meets the ordinance," Johnson said, "then we have to take what we get."

Harvey Weiss, owner of the Weiss Development Corp., said his firm commissioned an economic feasibility study of his site and "everything came back viable" with respect to the auto center. "The Novi Road traffic and Ten Mile Road — which feeds into nearby residents' subdivisions will be our main customers," Weiss said.

He added that he believes the Weiss Auto Center will have "absolutely" no problem lining up tenants — in fact, Weiss said he has received commitments from some national auto care companies.

"We have commitments by national users who would like to do business in Novi," he said. "Certain types of users look at location and we're situated on a corner lot near a light."

Weiss said in comparison to other communities, Novi has a relatively low number of auto centers. He said he believes the city could support more service centers.

As for the deficiencies in his previous proposal, Weiss said the revised site plan has fulfilled both the acreage and frontage requirements.

"We have signed leases from national auto service companies," he said. "I hope the city does not stand in our way of doing business."

Vicky Tyson, president of the Tremen Auto Center on Grand River, said earlier this year that she opposes the Weiss Auto Center proposal at the Ten Mile/Novi Road intersection "because Novi is becoming a gasoline alley."

"I don't know what we'll do with all these auto service facilities," said Tyson, adding that she has counted 13 auto centers in Novi.

Resident Dan Douglis, owner of Dan's Auto Repair, said he has counted 17 auto centers in the city. "I think we have enough auto centers in Novi," he told the Novi Planning Commission recently.



Butch Hoppe changes a tire at the Tremen store on Grand River Avenue

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Neighbors respond to Novi

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park, including outdoor storage. The city also asked that Novi enact special ordinances, rather than special industrial park covenants, to control uses within the park, including smelting factories and junk yards, prior to the rezoning of the land.

The Wixom letter read in part: "We have grave concerns about the

implications that the proposed developments will have on Wixom Road, Grand River, Twelve Mile and the Wixom Road/I-96 interchange on/off ramps. We understand that road improvements are contemplated for Wixom Road, Grand River and Twelve Mile. The City of Wixom is not in a position at this time to judge the adequacy of the proposed road improvements."

statement said that Wixom would not enact any zoning changes of its own until a commitment on the road improvements is reached. Ten acres of a proposed Meijer's Thrifty Acres will be located in Wixom; the remaining 26 acres are in Novi. The success of the industrial park hinges on the Meijer's deal. Wixom plans to engage an independent traffic consultant to review Novi's traffic study data.

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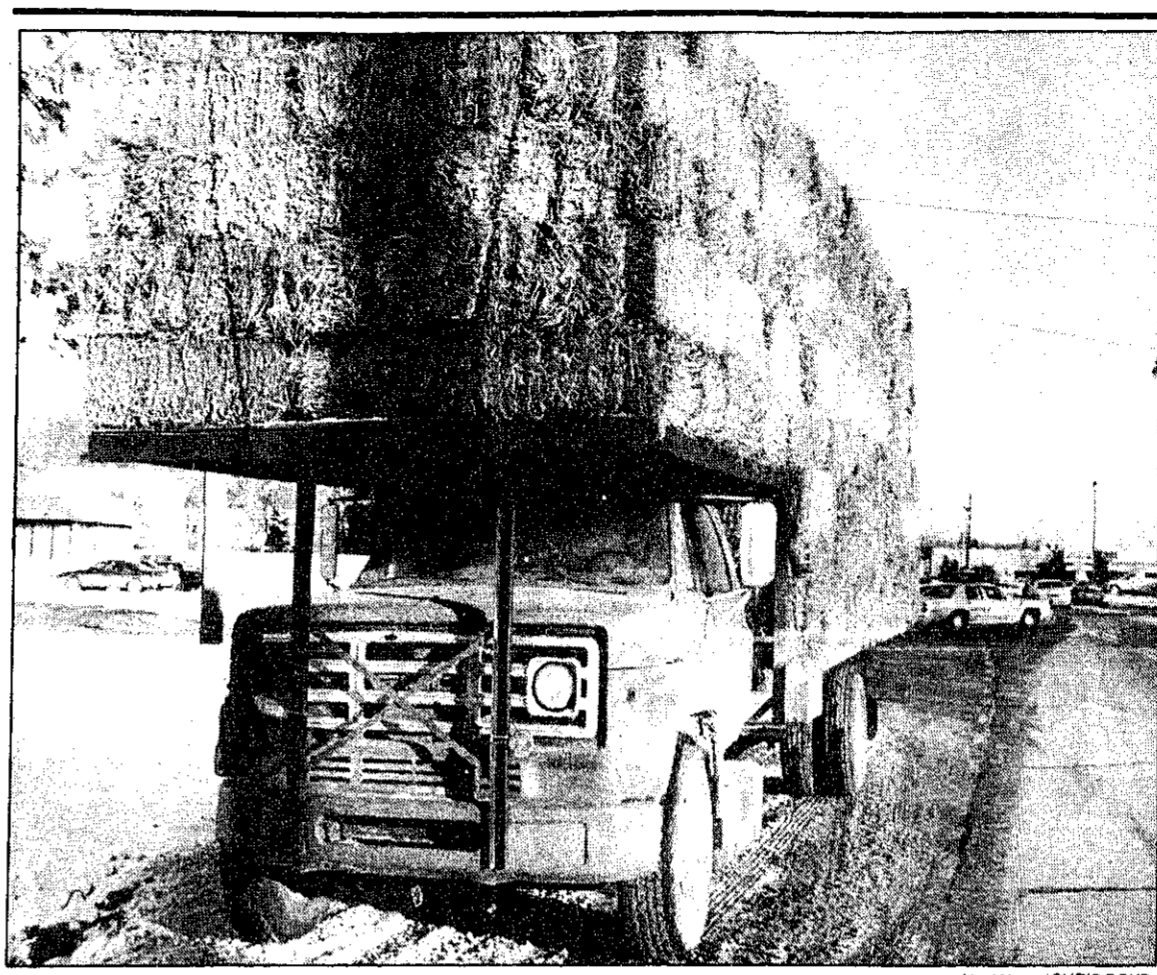
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A hay truck sits on the side of Novi Road after striking a Northville woman near Guernsey's Farm Dairy last Thursday

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Tragic accident kills local woman

NORTHVILLE — Tragedy struck on Novi Road three days before Christmas, when local resident Mary Flynn was killed while crossing the street.

While the investigation by Northville City police is not yet complete, the police department reported that Mrs. Flynn of Reed Court was killed Dec. 22 while crossing to the west side of Novi Road just north of Allen Drive at 7:30 a.m.

Police would not release the name of the driver of the truck involved in the accident, a Northville resident. The road was reportedly wet and covered with snow at the time the accident occurred.

Mary Flynn, a retired schoolteacher, was remembered by family and friends as a caring, outgoing lady who enjoyed teaching and loved children. She was also a regular customer at the Guernsey Farm Dairy on Novi Road, and was reportedly returning home from the restaurant when the accident occurred.

"She's a regular at Guernsey, she'd always go in there and sit with the people," recalled neighbor Linda Reeves.

"She lived almost across from the Dairy," said Guernsey owner John McGuire. "She used to come out every single morning. And then in the afternoon she'd make the trip again. She was a lovely person."

I used to warn her, 'Mary, don't go across that road, be careful crossing that street,'" McGuire said. "It was dark out at that time too," he added.

According to McGuire, the Fowlerville truck driver called the Northville police from Guernsey's after the accident. "The poor boy that did it," he said. "He made the call from our place, just shaking all over." McGuire said the driver was transporting a load of hay to Northville Downs at the time.

"Everybody knew Mary, and everybody liked her," McGuire said. "She was just good-natured."

According to her son, Thomas Flynn of Livonia, Mary Flynn was born in Pittston, Pa., and became a teacher after moving to Detroit with her husband, Thomas, in 1947. She also taught in the Clarenceville elementary schools for 20 years. Flynn and her husband moved to Northville in 1962, but Mr. Flynn died of a heart attack in 1967.

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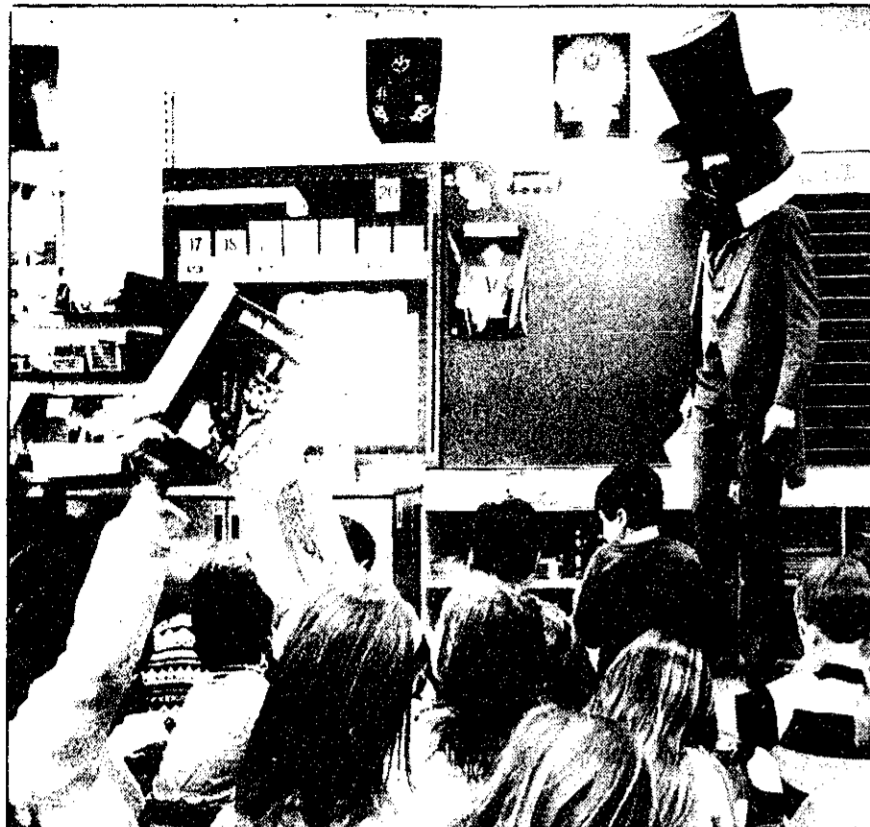
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Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Students at Novi Woods Elementary School greeted a special visitor last week. No, it wasn't Smokey the Bear. And it wasn't Yogi Berra. It was B. Humbear who handed out coupons and coloring books to the youngsters prior to the holiday break.

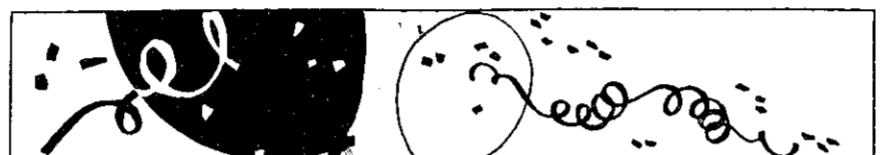
B. Humbear is national spokesman for Host International, which operates food and beverage facilities and gift shops in 61 airports across the U.S.

Traffic gridlock hits Novi

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off work at noon on Friday. A lot of them have just got paid and are looking to wrap up their Christmas shopping," said Grubb. "As a result, there tends to be a major run on the shopping centers."
Grubb said the gridlock last Friday afternoon began to develop at approximately 4 p.m. as expected. "You've got shift change at a lot of the stores and you've got a lot of people starting to leave for home at that time," he explained.
"There are almost 200 stores in Twelve Oaks, and you've got about 500-600 people leaving work and about the same number coming in to replace them," he continued.
"You've got the potential for somewhere between 1,000 to 1,200 vehicles with just the employees."
As the gridlock started to develop, the Novi Road exit ramp off westbound I-96 was closed down by Michigan State Police. As things continued to worsen, police subsequently

shut down eastbound Twelve Mile at Novi Road in order to get cars from the West Oaks and Twelve Oaks parking areas out onto Twelve Mile.
"The Beck Road exit off westbound I-96 was closed at approximately 5 p.m. and police later closed westbound Twelve Mile at Meadowbrook Road."
Grubb said that the situation had cleared by 5:45 p.m. and the Novi Road and Beck Road exits off I-96 were re-opened to traffic at that time.
Unlike the Dec. 16 traffic jam, it was not necessary to close off the entrances into Twelve Oaks Mall during the Dec. 22 jam.
Grubb said there were no further traffic problems after the 4:45 p.m. rush. Traffic on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 23-24, also was at normal levels.
Officers from the Wixom and Farmington Hills police departments along with the Michigan State Police assisted Novi in bringing the situa-

tion under control.
Grubb said he was pleased with the way traffic was handled despite numerous complaints from motorists.
"This was the first time since 1983 that Christmas has fallen on Monday, and I think things went extremely well under the circumstances."
"You've got to remember that we have added West Oaks and the Novi Town Center since we had that gridlock in 1983," he continued.
"When you add in those new shopping areas and the opening of the I-96 extension, we have a lot more traffic in that area than we had seven years ago."
Officer Vere Wirwille noted that traffic flow at Twelve Oaks is restricted by the fact that it's a "two-sided mall."
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Monforten said most of the calls received by AAA concerned vehicles that would not start.
"I think it's safe to say the cold weather is responsible for the increase in calls," she said.
A spokesperson for Providence Hospital Novi Center said business was about normal at the facility.
"We didn't notice anything major at all" related to the cold weather, stated the spokesperson, who did not want her name used. "We only had a handful of cases - people who got mild frostbite by wearing shoes instead of boots, or mild fingertip frostbite - during the last week and a half."
"There has been an increase (in calls) this year," she said.
"But not everyone had tales of woe. We have seen a market increase in cold weather clothing," said John Buetter of Lapham's Clothing and Tailoring Shop in Northville.
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PATRICIA LIVINGSTON

Patricia Ann Livingston of Novi, a past president of American Legion Auxiliary Post 147, died Dec. 14 at University Hospital in Ann Arbor. She was 84 years old.

Funeral services were held Dec. 18 at the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi with the Rev. Leslie P. Harding officiating. Interment was at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Livingston was a Life Member of VFW Post 4012 and a past president of American Legion Auxiliary Post 147. She also was a member of Eagles Chapter 1063.

She is survived by her husband, Bill, and five children — Betty (Turner) McFarland of Tennessee; Linda (Randy) Brandenburg, Mike (Katie) Ellsgood, Bill Livingston and Tom Livingston. Also surviving are a brother, Charles Chesner, and two sisters — Janet Bell and Joy French. Six grandchildren and one great grandchild also survive.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Cancer Society, Oakland Regional Center, 2611 North Woodward, Berkeley, MI 48072-9990.

Obituaries

VERA MAE DILL

Funeral services for Vera Mae Dill of Detroit were held Dec. 20 at the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home with Dr. Michael Meyer officiating.

Mrs. Dill died Dec. 17 at Botsford General Hospital. A homemaker, she was 83 at the time of her death.

She is survived by a daughter, Betty Schmitt of Novi, and a granddaughter, Peggy Kellenberger. Three great grandchildren — John, Melissa and Adam — also survive.

Interment was at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

MARY FLYNN

Mrs. Mary Flynn, 83, died Dec. 22 as the result of a traffic accident on Novi Road.

Mrs. Flynn was born Dec. 9, 1906 in Pittston, Pa., to the late Andrew Corcoran and Mary Donahue. She moved to Detroit in 1942. An elementary teacher in the Clarenceville school

system for 20 years, she continued to provide tutoring services after moving to Northville in 1962. She was also an active campaigner in local politics. Her husband, Thomas Flynn, died of a heart attack in 1967.

Mrs. Flynn is survived by a son, Thomas Flynn of Livonia, 56; his wife Bridget; and their two children, Colleen, 23, and Sean, 20.

A memorial service was held at Casterline Funeral Home in Northville on Dec. 26 from 4 to 9 p.m. Funeral services were held at Our Lady of Victory Church on Dec. 27 at 10 a.m. Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

AREY POTTER

Arey Edward Potter, a Novi resident, died Dec. 14 at Botsford General Hospital. Born in Detroit, he was 63 at the time of his death.

A funeral service was held Dec. 18 at the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home with the Rev. Terry McIntosh officiating.

Mr. Potter had been employed as a machine designer.

He is survived by his wife, Carmel, and a daughter, Carolyn (Tony) Mallia. Also surviving are a brother, William; a sister, Shirley Less; and a grandson, Christopher.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Michigan Heart Association, 16310 West Twelve Mile, P.O. Box 160-LV, Lathrup Village, MI 48076.

MICHAEL TYBINKA

A funeral Mass for Michael Tybinka of Venice, Florida, was observed at the Holy Family Church in Novi on Dec. 15.

Mr. Tybinka died Dec. 11 in Florida.

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth; a son, Thomas (Gillian); and two daughters Judith (Thomas) Williams of Novi and Karen (Carl) Frampton. Also surviving are two brothers, Peter and Harry, and a sister, Marie Washburn. Other survivors include seven grandchildren.

Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield through the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River, Novi, MI 48050.

FYI

Public hearing slated: The Novi Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, Jan. 17, to consider a rezoning request from the Tri-Mount Development Company. The hearing will be held in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

Tri-Mount has petitioned the commission to rezone a large parcel of land in the northeast portion of Section 21 from its existing R4 residential agricultural zoning classification to a R-1 (one-family residential) district. Section 21 extends from Ten to Eleven Mile between Taft and Beck roads. The property slated for rezoning is located west of Novi Community School District property and north of the Simmons Orchard subdivision.

All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing. Written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 West Ten Mile, Novi, MI 48050 until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Upcoming vacancies: The City of Novi is now accepting applications to fill upcoming vacancies on several boards and committees. Specifically, the city is accepting applications from individuals who would like to serve on the Construction Board of Appeals, Election Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Library Board of Appeals, Library Board, Board of Review, Cable Access Committee, Housing and Community Development Committee, National Resources Design Plan Implementation Committee and the Economic Development Corporation.

A booklet containing an application form and information about the boards and commissions may be obtained in the city clerk's office in the Novi Civic Center during regular working hours. Deadline for applications is Jan. 31, but the council will accept applications up to the date of the interview session. For more information call the city clerk's office at 347-0400.

Video coupon books: The Novi Choir Boosters and Novi High School Choir members are selling coupon books which entitle the purchaser to free movie rentals at Novi Video.

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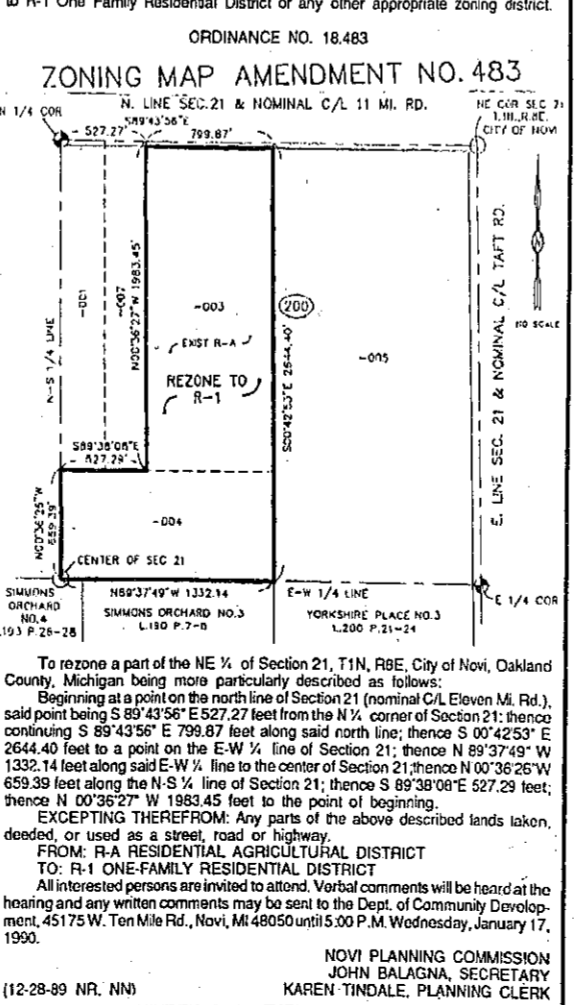
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 17, 1990 at 7:30 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI to consider MAP AMENDMENT NO. 18,483, a proposed rezoning initiated by Tri-Mount Land Development Co., Inc. for property located in the NE portion of Section 21 (South of 11 Mile west of Taft) Sidwell No. 50-222-1-1, 200-003, 004. To be rezoned from R-1 Residential Agricultural District to R-1 One Family Residential District or any other appropriate zoning district.



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Industrial park rezoning tabled **Health Notes**

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commercial use rather than single-family residential for 320 acres of land bound by Wixom, Twelve Mile and Napier Roads.

Currently, the master plan for the area calls for 16 dwelling units per acre, or a total of 5,120 home sites which would house approximately 600 people.

An amendment in the master plan is enacted by the planning commission and requires the support of six of the nine members.

The commission did pass a motion that the master plan amendment approval would hinge upon city council approval of the rezoning. Planning commissioners Kathleen McLallen and Gary Philips dissented. Commissioner Thomas O'Hranovic, who is manager of Novi Meadows, a mobile park next door to Old Dutch Farms was not at the meeting.

But a move to actually pass the master plan amendment itself failed to pass with the required 6-3 vote. The commission was split 4-4, with Timothy Gilbert, Edward Kramer, McLallen and Philips against the motion. Keith Ernest Kruffo, Judy Johnson and John Balagna were in

favor of the motion.

"We have traffic issues and safety issues to resolve. Conceptually, we truly are adding to our bank account of industrial land by 200 plus acres and we didn't withdraw that from anywhere in the community," McLallen said.

The second item on the agenda called for the commission to decide if it would recommend to the city council that 300 acres be rezoned from residential/agricultural and single family residential to general industrial and another 25 acres of already industrially zoned land be rezoned to business to allow a Wexom Road and Grand River Avenue.

"I think Meijer's has shown good faith by sending a site plan to the city which is being reviewed and is almost ready to come before the commission," Planning Commission Chairman Charles Kureth said.

Petitions against the rezoning bearing 383 signatures of Old Dutch Farms residents, a mobile home park which is immediately south of the proposed industrial park, and 140 signatures of residents of Wixom's Leisure Co-op Apartments, located

about 1,000 feet from the site, were presented to the commission.

"We have seen some friendly examples of I-1 and I-2 usages in this area. Some of this is in my backyard," said Gilbert. "I don't think we're trying to build a Pittsburgh here."

But decisions on the master plan amendments and rezoning were held over. Kureth said he doubted the items would be back on the agenda by the commission's Jan. 3 meeting.

Items three and four on the Dec. 20 agenda will be open to a public hearing on Jan. 3.

Item three concerned an amendment to the city's zoning ordinance which would revise regulations for I-2 general industrial districts. These regulations would reduce individual bearing requirements for outdoor storage at individual business located within a berm-enclosed industrial park and would permit the manufacture of cement, lime, gypsum and plaster of paris within the I-2 zoning classification. It would reduce individual building setback requirements within the industrial park.

Item four on the agenda called for a zoning ordinance amendment which would allow a planned development option (PD-4) within the office-service zoning district (OS-2). This would permit high-tech combination office/research/testing and assembly facilities within office zoning.

At the present time, these uses would be allowed only in a light industrial district. Permitting uses would include testing laboratories, data processing centers and technical training research facilities.

The new ordinance would allow high-tech development along Interstate 96, as heavy industries in that area would be encouraged to move to the industrial park.

The city also received one letter in support of the "Grand Plan" and 14 expressing some degree of opposition to the project. In addition, a letter was sent from the Enamalum Corp. at 2560 Novi Road, expressing an interest in moving to the industrial park. The city already has letters of intent from five other businesses prepared to relocate in the proposed industrial park.

Free immunization clinic: The Oakland County Health Division will offer an immunization clinic at the Walled Lake United Methodist Church on Tuesday, Jan. 2, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The church is located at 113 Northport in Walled Lake.

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

For more information call 424-7042.

Expectant parent classes: A series of six Expectant Parent classes will be offered at the Oakland County Health Department's Southfield office beginning Tuesday, Jan. 9. The Southfield offices are located at 2725 Greenfield Road.

Classes will be taught by public health nurses for six consecutive Tuesdays from 7:30-9 p.m. Topics will include maternal physical changes, good nutrition, growth and development of the fetus and baby, labor and delivery, infant care and parenting.

There's no charge for attending the classes, but pre-registration is requested due to limited enrollment. The Health Division recommends that expectant mothers enroll as early in their pregnancies as possible. To pre-register call 424-7042 by Jan. 5.

Adult diabetes classes: A series of six diabetes classes will be offered at the Oakland County Health Division's Southfield office beginning Thursday, Jan. 18. The Southfield offices are located at 2725 Greenfield Road.

The classes, which are for adult diabetics and members of their families, are taught every Thursday from 7:30 p.m. by a public health nurse and a registered dietitian.

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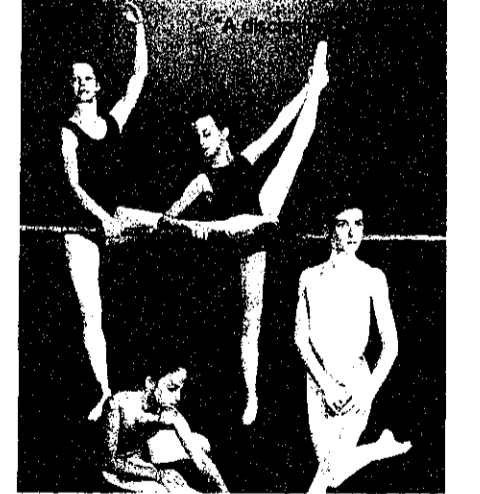
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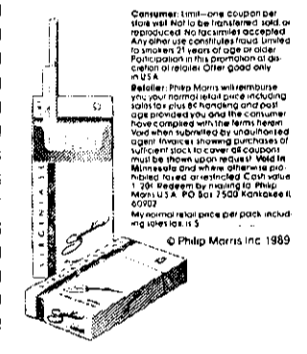
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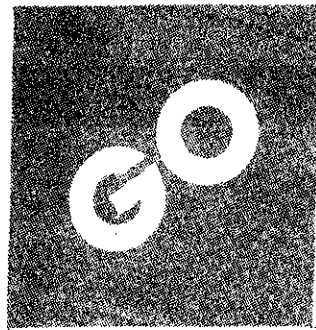
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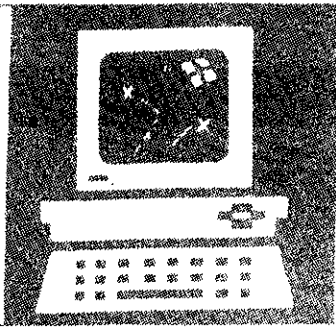
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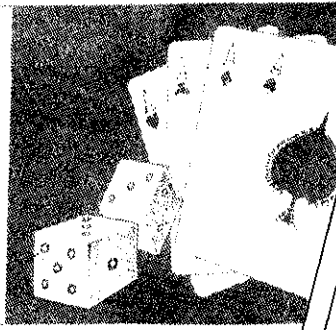
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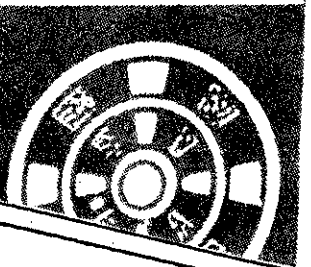
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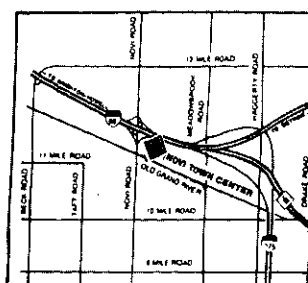
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Margaret White (left) and Cherie Clark review blueprints and design samples at Interior Visions in South Lyon

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Design studio offers clients personal touch

By PHYLLIS STILLMAN

Have you ever wondered if it would be possible to hang your own wallpaper or install ceramic tile?

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Offering the free videos epitomizes the type of service-oriented business that owner Cherie Clark wants Interior Visions to be. The staff is there to help the customer, whether that customer needs one roll of wallpaper or wants a whole home decorated.

This focus on customer service probably stems from the fact that Interior Visions started as a shop-at-home service, originally selling only

vertical blinds. But customers started asking for more, and eventually the business outgrew the shop-at-home concept.

"It's really the customer that made us get a showroom because of the fact that sometimes people wanted to come in and see things, or there were so many samples we just couldn't bring everything with us," Clark said.

Clark and her staff will, however, still gladly come to a customer's home. They like to talk with the customer first. "We determine what type of home they live in, the styling, color scheme, and so forth over the phone to determine what samples to take out on a call," Clark explained.

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Business Briefs



ROBERT NORWOOD JEFFREY M. FLOYD

ROBERT NORWOOD of Northville has joined the staff at Wayne State University as a governmental affairs officer. The move was announced by Roberta Palmer, vice president for governmental affairs at the university.

Norwood joins WSU after serving as a staff attorney to the state's Speaker of the House, Gary M. Owen, and counsel for a subcommittee of the U.S. House Energy and Commerce committee. He is a 1978 graduate of Wayne State and was also the district field representative for U.S. Rep. John Dingell.

JEFFREY M. FLOYD of Northville has been added to the staff of television producers at the Troy headquarters of MVP Communications, Inc.

Floyd was a senior producer at WXYZ-TV, Channel 7, in Detroit, where he spent the last 15 years. He has written and produced a variety of news and special events with an emphasis on special projects. His credits include responsibility for the special coverage of the visit of Pope John Paul II to Detroit.

He lives in Northville with his wife Jo-Allison and their two sons, Matthew, 5, and Colin, 4. Floyd attended Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

MVP Communications, Inc., is a full-service broadcast/corporate visual communications company headquartered in Troy. MVP maintains a full-time staff of writers, producers, technicians, editors and production personnel.

MICHAEL A. HALL, vice president of Cobb Insurance Agencies of Milford and Howell, successfully completed the annual continuing education requirement of the Society of Certified Insurance Counselors (CIC) in Austin, Texas.

Hall, a seven-year veteran of the industry, has been a CIC since 1986. In order to earn the designation, each individual must attend five institutes covering all phases of the insurance business and pass five rigorous examinations.

Interior Visions

Design studio offers personal touch

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also designed to help the customer. The wallpaper, for example, is displayed by type. "We have all the books categorized. We help them find the area in which to look," Clark said.

And Interior Visions has a line of wallpaper in stock. "I personally thought there was a need... this town that wasn't being addressed in the in-stock wallpaper. A lot of people want to buy it today and hang it tonight. This way they can do that," Clark explained. The store also stocks all the supplies a customer needs to hang the paper that same day.

Another feature of the store is what Clark calls "room vignettes." These are displays of a small portion of a room, completely decorated with wall and window treatments and coordinating colors, meant to help the customer visualize different design concepts.

The room vignettes also contain furniture, some of which is custom-made and available by special order, and some of which comes from Tempenny Furniture in South Lyon. "We work a lot with Tempenny Furniture. It's good to help one another when you're in a small business, especially in a small town like South Lyon," Clark said.

Interior Visions will consult with Tempenny's customers on design, and will send their customers to Tempenny to look at different types of furniture.

Interior Visions offers a complete design service. Clark works with three well-trained designers. "We belong to a number of decorating

associations. We're constantly sending them (the staff) to educational seminars, so they can keep up with the latest innovations."

And they must be doing something right; a model home they decorated in Greenock subdivision of Ten Mile for builder Felky & Williams was featured in the Michigan regional section of Builder Architect magazine, the November-December 1989 issue.

When a customer does want Interior Visions to design their room or home, the dedication to customer service remains. "We're real service-oriented. The way our lifestyles are now, we're always so busy that if we can help the customer, make them feel at ease while we take care of the scheduling and all the different phases of their project, it's a lot easier on them. We'll go the extra mile for them. And they find that our prices are very competitive," Clark said.

But she added that customers needn't worry that Interior Visions will do too much or take the project over. "We believe in total customer involvement. We want to know their lifestyle, any hobbies, how many children, so we can get an idea of what kind of an environment they're going to be comfortable with. And we try to go from there. We work in their budget."

When working with a new home, Interior Visions likes to start at the very beginning, with the blueprints. "What we like to do is, a lot of customers bring in their plans to ask recommendations on color and so forth. A lot of times we can help

CPAs offer help on interest deductions

Money Management

Remember the good, old days when figuring your interest deduction involved nothing more than taping a few keys on a hand-held calculator?

Well, those days are long gone. Today, one of the most baffling elements of tax law centers on the rules for deducting interest.

According to the Michigan Association of CPAs, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) distinguishes between four basic types of interest—business, investment, mortgage and personal.

Each type of interest receives different tax treatment. As Hamlet would say, there's the rub. Before you can determine how much, if any, interest is deductible, you must first figure out how tax law would classify the interest.

BUSINESS INTEREST: Any interest that you incur while conducting your business or trade is almost always fully deductible as long as you carry out the business or trade with the intent to make a profit. For example, if you operate a catering business for profit and borrow money to purchase a new state-of-the-art oven, interest on that business loan will probably be 100 percent deductible. Luckily, taxpayers rarely encounter complications when deducting business interest.

INVESTMENT INTEREST: Unfortunately, investment interest is somewhat more difficult to pin down. Under tax law, investment interest is any interest paid on loans used to buy or carry property held for investment purposes.

In general, investment properties are those which generate interest,

dividends, annuities, capital gains, rents or royalties. For example, you may pay investment interest on a margin account used to purchase stock, or on a loan used to purchase land that you expect to appreciate greatly in value.

Interest on investment loans is fully deductible up to the amount of your net investment income. For 1989, you can also deduct up to 20 percent or \$2,000 of the interest in excess of your net investment income, whichever is less. To determine net investment income, reduce your investment income—such as interest, dividends or capital gains—by the amount of expenses you incurred to produce the income.

MORTGAGE INTEREST: Generally, you may deduct home mortgage interest on your principal residence plus one secondary residence. To qualify, the interest must be incurred on a loan secured by the residence.

However, the deduction for mortgage interest is not as simple as it may appear at first glance. Under tax law, home mortgage interest must be classified as either acquisition indebtedness or home equity indebtedness. According to the IRS, acquisition indebtedness is debt incur-

red in acquiring, constructing or substantially improving a personal residence.

If your debt satisfies these conditions, you may deduct interest on loans of up to \$1 million. (Alternatively, any mortgage debt incurred prior to Oct. 14, 1987, is treated as acquisition indebtedness under a grandfather provision of the 1986 Tax Act and is not subject to the \$1 million limitation.)

On the other hand, home equity indebtedness is debt secured by a personal residence but used for purposes other than those associated with acquisition indebtedness. If your loan falls into this category, you may deduct interest on up to \$100,000 in debt. For example, you can take out a home equity loan to finance the purchase of a new car, a trip to Hawaii and a year of college tuition for your child, and still deduct the interest on the loan as long as your total home equity indebtedness does not exceed \$100,000.

Whether you can afford to risk your home on a loan for such expenses, however, is a question you should discuss with your CPA.

You should also note that a single loan can qualify as both acquisition

and home-equity indebtedness. Let's say you refinance a mortgage with a balance of \$80,000. Since your property has appreciated, you are able to obtain a new loan of \$120,000. According to tax law, the new loan consists of \$80,000 in acquisition indebtedness and \$40,000 in home-equity indebtedness (unless the \$40,000 is used to substantially improve your residence).

PERSONAL INTEREST: The last type of interest is personal. Personal interest is interest paid on debt used to finance personal items such as a car or a student loan. For 1989, only 20 percent of such interest is deductible. In 1990, the deduction slips to 10 percent, and in 1991 it will disappear completely.

Since 1990 is the last year in which personal interest is even partially deductible, CPAs strongly urge you to pay off all consumer loans and credit cards as soon as possible.

How can the IRS tell whether interest on a particular debt is business, investment, mortgage or personal? In case of an audit, the IRS will make a judgment based on the evidence you supply. In other words, if you plan to take a full deduction for interest expenses, be prepared to prove how you have used the funds in question.

In particular, pay attention to your record keeping, carefully filing cancelled checks and miscellaneous loan records. You may also want to deposit proceeds of different types of loans into separate bank or checking accounts so that you can clearly demonstrate which funds were used for what purposes.

Unemployment system rates high

A recently issued federal study of state unemployment insurance programs reports that Michigan has one of the nation's most highly experience-rated systems.

"The findings mean that Michigan employers are more directly able to control their own unemployment tax rates than employers in most other states," said Elizabeth P. Howe, director of the Michigan Department of Labor.

"In other words, a Michigan employer to a great degree can control his or her unemployment costs by controlling layoffs."

The study showed that Michigan had an experience rating index (ERI) of 80 percent in the 1988 rate year, ranking Michigan fifth among states for which funds were available. Wisconsin had the highest rating at 90 percent followed by Illinois and West Virginia at 85 percent and Indiana at 81 percent.

At 38 percent, Wyoming had the lowest rating. The 1988 rate year is based on data for the 12 months ending June 30, 1987.

Howe explained that the index shows that 80 percent of jobless benefits in Michigan are effectively charged to

taxable employers.

"Michigan's rating clearly demonstrates that we are meeting our commitment to making the unemployment insurance tax system one that is highly experience rated," she said.

The ERI is best suited as an indicator of changes in a state's rating over time and is less useful as a comparative measure between states because of differences in UI financing laws.

The ERI report, the first of its kind, was prepared by the U.S. Department of Labor and will be issued annually. The study of state ERIs arose from a suggestion made by the National Commission on Unemployment Compensation and further developed by the Office of Inspector General.

Howe noted that the index is based on a one-year record—the latest computation year. Consequently, it can fluctuate from year-to-year because of law changes and economic shifts.

Changes in the state's unemployment insurance law, which took effect in 1983, helped make Michigan more experience rated.

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Consumers uses state resources

Natural gas produced in the State of Michigan is playing an instrumental role in meeting Consumers Power Company's annual natural gas requirements.

Approximately 90 percent of the utility's yearly natural gas supply comes from the state. This compares to 16 percent in 1985.

"We believe it makes good business sense to purchase as much of our supply from Michigan as possible," said Edgar L. Doss, General Manager of Consumers Power Company's Metro Region. "By purchasing natural gas from Michigan, we're providing economic benefits to our state."

Since 1987, Consumer Power has purchased natural gas from fields located in Northville, Novi and South Lyon in Oakland County and Casco Township in St. Clair County. In addition, natural gas is also purchased from fields located in the lower peninsula communities of Gaylord, Kalkaska, Manistee, Newaygo and Osceola.

Most of the utility's remaining supply comes from wells located in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Kansas, accounting for about 78 percent.

The Free Trade Agreement between Canada and the United States is expected to increase Canada's share of Consumers Power's annual supply. Currently, the utility purchases about two percent from Canada. With the Free Trade Agreement, Canada's share is expected to rise to 10 percent by the 1990 heating season.

In 1988, Consumers Power Company delivered 288 billion cubic feet of natural gas to its more than 1.2 million natural gas customers statewide. Nationally, the utility ranks as the nation's sixth largest natural gas distributor.

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Wok provides stir-fried delights in a jiffy

By Alicia Garrison

Too busy to cook? In just minutes you can dice, slice and sizzle your way to a flavorful Chinese stir-fry. Just grab your wok and get to work! Stir-frying is a quick-cooking technique in which meat and vegetables are cooked in a small amount of oil over high heat.

The point of stir-frying is to keep the food moving constantly so that all parts of the dish come in contact with the hottest part of the pan and cook evenly.

"The wok gets so hot that the food can sometimes stick to the bottom," said Ken Yeung, manager of the Golden House Chinese Restaurant in Howell. "You have to put two-to-three tablespoons of oil on the bottom of the wok."

Because the food is tossed quickly in hot oil, the nutritional value, flavors and color of foods is preserved—the meat remains tender and juicy and the vegetables stay crisp.

The wok is the ideal utensil for stir-frying as its rounded bottom and sloping sides help keep the food in motion, but a skillet can also be used. Woks are made from steel, aluminum or cast iron. Stainless steel woks aren't as good because they don't retain heat," Yeung advised.

Some ingredients commonly used in stir-frys are chicken, beef, shrimp, snow peas, broccoli, green, yellow and red bell peppers, water chestnuts, bamboo shoots and bean sprouts.

Dishes can be seasoned with ginger root, garlic, cornstarch, plum sauce, scallions, sugar, soy sauce or wine.

"A lot of people don't know the right amount of seasonings to use," Yeung said. "You have to add seasonings slowly, until you get the desired taste."

In making stir-fried dishes, you take time to prep your ingredients. As it takes only a few minutes to cook meats and vegetables in the wok, everything must be prepared ahead of time.

Cutting the ingredients is the most important part of preparation. Foods must be cut into small pieces so that they will cook rapidly.

The general rule of thumb in stir-frying is to slice the ingredients as thin as possible so they will cook fast. Meats are typically cut into 1/4-inch thick slices and vegetables should be cut to the same size and shape so that they will cook in the same amount of time.

Unless your wok is non-stick, it should be brushed with unsalted oil or fat over low heat before you begin stir-frying. You will be able to tell if the wok is heated enough for cooking by sprinkling a few drops of water into the wok. If the water bubbles and sizzles, the wok is ready.

Ingredients can be cooked in two tablespoons of any oil—sesame, peanut, vegetable or corn oil. Meats should be browned first before adding vegetables.

You will be able to tell when the food is done because it changes color. Thinly sliced pork and chicken turn white and beef is no longer red. Vegetables become brighter in color and remain crisp.



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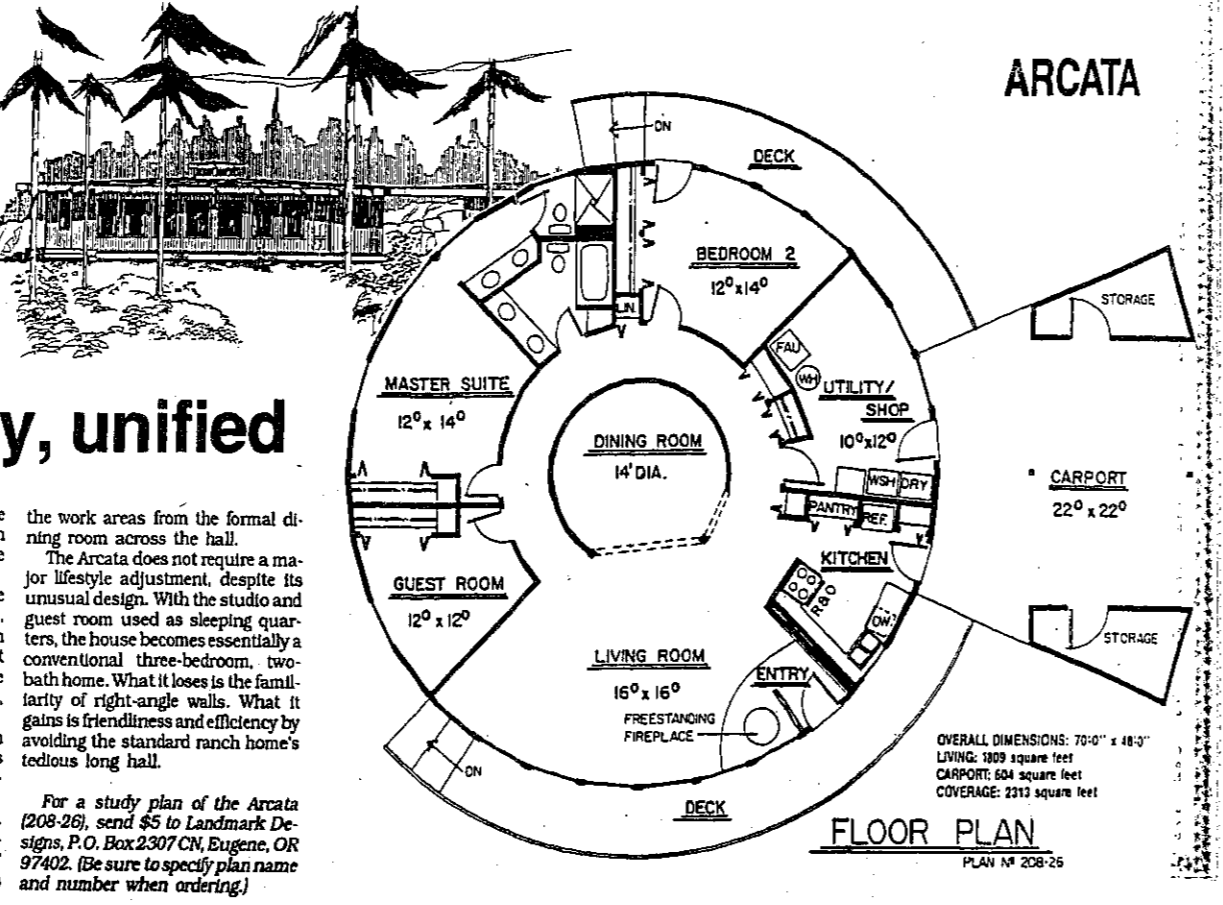
- Chicken with Cashews**
 - 1 can (8 ounces) sliced water chestnuts
 - 4 green onions (with tops), cut into 2-inch pieces
 - Following are several light and healthy, quick-cooking stir-fry recipes taken from Betty Crocker's "Out of the Orient" cookbook.
- Sply Stir-Fried Beef**
 - 1 1/2 pounds boneless beef sirloin steak
 - 1 tablespoon cornstarch
 - 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
 - 2 tablespoons soy sauce
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
 - 1/2 to 3/4 teaspoon finely crushed dried red pepper
 - 1 teaspoon finely chopped ginger root
 - 2 large cloves garlic, finely chopped
 - 1 large green pepper, cut into 1/4-inch strips
 - Thinly sliced pork and chicken turn white and beef is no longer red. Vegetables become brighter in color and remain crisp.
- Chicken broth:** heat to boiling. Stir in cornstarch mixture; cook and stir until thickened, about 20 seconds. Stir in cashews and green onions. Five servings.
- Mandarin Pork**
 - 1 1/2 pounds pork boneless loin or leg
 - 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
 - 2 teaspoons cornstarch
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon sugar
 - 1/4 teaspoon white pepper
 - 2 green onions (with tops)
 - 1 large green pepper
 - 1/4 cup vegetable oil
 - 1 teaspoon finely chopped ginger root
 - 1 teaspoon finely chopped garlic
 - 1 can (8 1/2 ounces) sliced bamboo shoots, drained and shredded
 - 1/4 cup shredded carrots
 - 1 tablespoon soy sauce
 - 2 teaspoons chili paste
- Trim fat from pork; shred pork (cut meat, with the grain, into long strips, about 2 inches wide. Cut each strip across grain into 1/4-inch slices. Stack slices and cut into thin slices). Toss pork, 1 tablespoon vegetable oil, the cornstarch, salt, sugar, white pepper and 1/2 teaspoon soy sauce in glass or plastic bowl. Cover and refrigerate 30 minutes. Cut green onions into 2-inch pieces. Cut green pepper into 1/4-inch strips.**
- Heat wok. Add 1/4 cup vegetable oil; rotate wok to coat side. Add pork, ginger root and garlic; stir-fry until pork is no longer pink. Add green pepper, bamboo shoots and carrots; stir-fry 1 minute. Stir in green onions, 1 tablespoon soy sauce and the chili paste. Five servings.**
- Subung Tolu**
 - 1 pound tofu
 - 5 ounces bok choy (about 4 large stalks)
 - 4 ounces pea pods
 - 1 medium red pepper
 - 2 green onions (with tops)
 - 2 tablespoons cornstarch
 - 2 tablespoons cold water
 - 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
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 - 1 can (13 ounces) whole straw mushrooms, drained
 - 1/2 cup sliced canned water chestnuts
 - 1/4 cup chicken broth
 - 1/4 cup oyster sauce
- Cut tofu into pieces (1 x 1 x 1/4 inch). Cut bok choy (with leaves) diagonally into 1/4-inch slices. Remove strings from pea pods. Place pea pods in boiling water. Cover and cook 1 minute; drain. Immediately rise under running cold water; drain. Cut red pepper into 1/4-inch strips. Cut green onions into 2-inch pieces. Mix cornstarch and water.**
- Heat wok. Add 3 tablespoons vegetable oil; rotate wok to coat side. Add tofu; cook, stirring carefully, 2 minutes. Remove tofu from wok.**
- Add 2 tablespoons vegetable oil to wok; rotate to coat side. Add bok choy; stir-fry 1 minute. Add mushrooms and water chestnuts; stir-fry 1 minute. Stir in chicken broth and oyster sauce; heat to boiling. Stir in cornstarch mixture; cook and stir until thickened. Stir in tofu, red pepper, green onions and pea pods. Five servings.**

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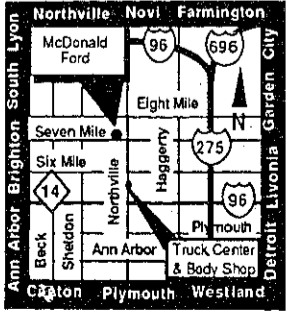
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Members of the Novi police force take down the flag (above) as part of their annual Police Memorial Day ceremonies.

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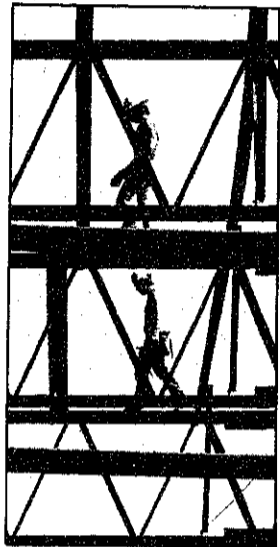
IN REVIEW

A SPECIAL SECTION TO THE NOVI NEWS

DECEMBER 28, 1989



Nancy Covert, top vote getter in the city council race, gets a hug (right) from City Clerk Gerry Stipp.



Iron workers (left) walk along trusses at the site of Progressive Tool's new facility.

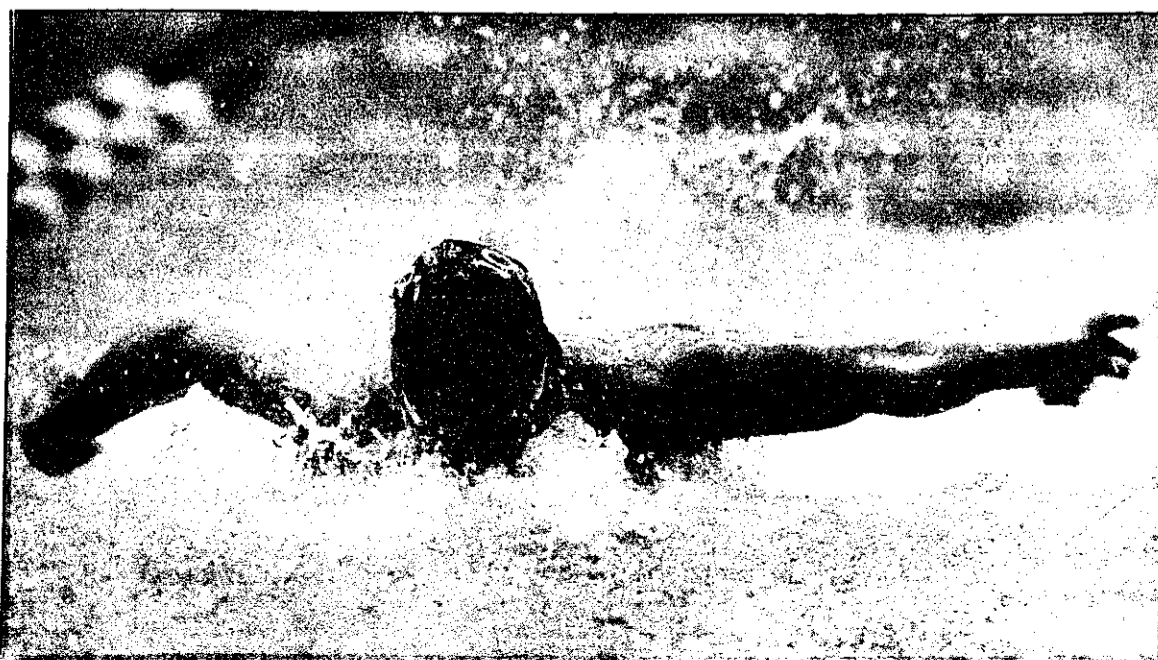


Firefighters (above) stand on part of a wall that collapsed during a \$5 million fire at American Plastics.



Novi Police Chief Lee Begole (above) takes the time to read to some second graders at Village Oaks School.

Jon Cohen (left) made a big splash in competitive swimming, leading the Wildcats to a 10-0 record and capturing a third state title.





Newly elected councilman Tim Pape (left) wore out two pairs of shoes canvassing neighborhoods for votes. It paid off as he displays his unofficial vote tally.

Arthur Valenti and his Summit Street neighbors (below) circulate a petition opposing the Haggerty Road connection.



1989 swept across the globe like a comet, leaving the world changed in its wake.

A slightly less dramatic year in Novi, the past 12 months introduced events and people that will potentially transform the city's future.

In December, the opening of the final link-up of the Walter Reuther Freeway brought the eastern and western suburbs closer together, creating a regional beltway formed by I-696, I-94 and I-275. According to planning consultants, the fre-

way has already played a profound role in Novi's development. As one of the few communities on the "I-696 Corridor" with remaining open land, Novi's growth in the 1990s is insured.

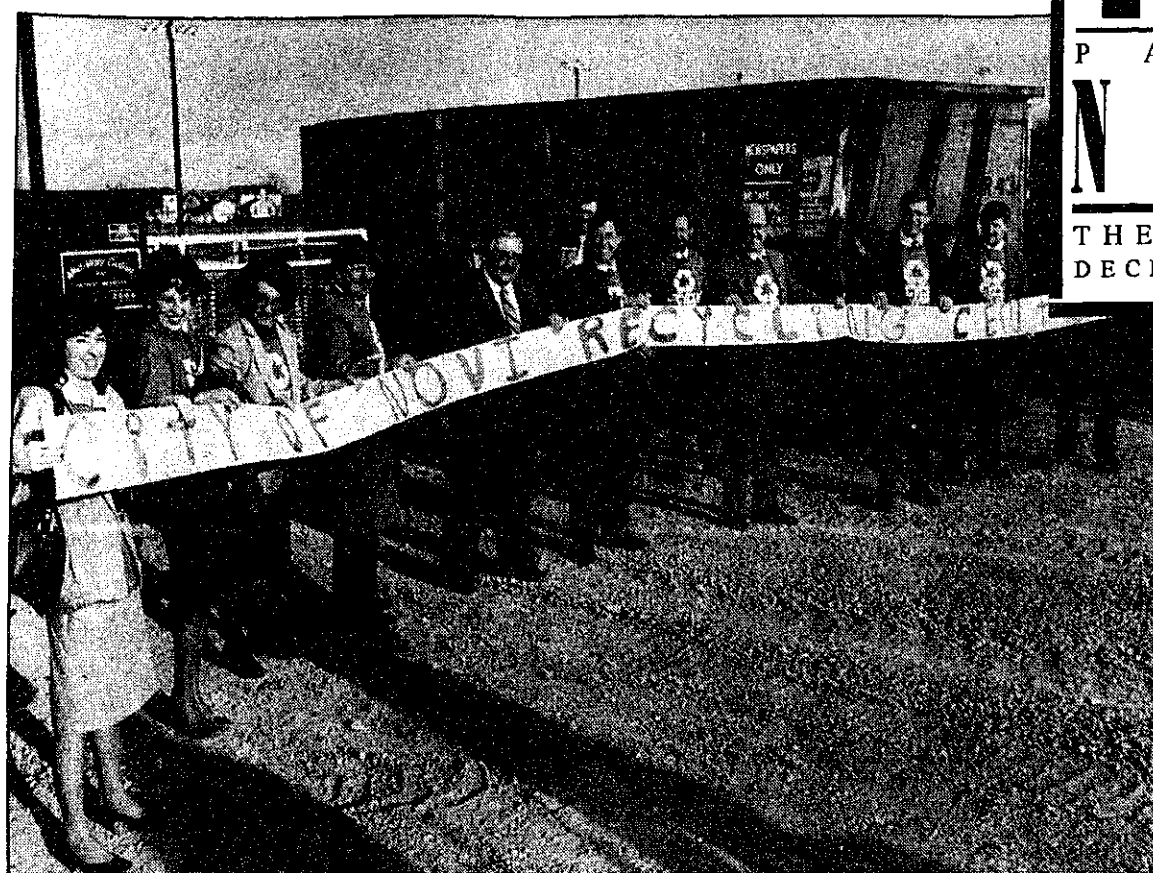
The city's late-breaking program to give a facelift to the downtown area by encouraging older businesses to settle in an industrial park may also lead to a metamorphosis of Novi unimagined by most 15 years ago.

But should the growth every seem too unwieldy to Novi resi-

dents, 1989 also saw the birth of a local activist group which could also provide a framework for the future — Citizens for Responsible Development.

THE GRAND PLAN: The city announced Nov. 22 a proposal to change the face of the city's downtown, historically the intersection of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue, by encouraging older industries to relocate to a 320-acre industrial park in the west end of the city. City

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City officials (left) joined a growing group of citizens concerned about waste disposal and opened a recycling center to combat the problem.

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Manager Edward Kriewald called "The Grand Plan" philosophically one of the most important things to happen to Novi.

As an incentive, the city is considering tax abatements and tax-free land exchanges. Developers interested in land in Novi's Town Center district would negotiate a property switch with a business relocation candidate by purchasing land in the industrial park, building a new facility for the participating business and then trading it for land in the downtown area or along Interstate 96.

As the year drew to a close, the "Grand Plan" remained in preliminary stages.

THE LANDING: The Landing, a joint city and private sector development agreement initiated three years ago, appears to have reached the end of the line.

Developer Jay Eldridge had until Dec. 15 to begin building a hotel on the site of the old Walled Lake Casino, at the intersection of Novi Road, Thirteen Mile and South Lake Drive.

After acquiring the land, the city sold it to Eldridge for \$10 an acre in 1986. In return, the city signed a contract calling for the developer to build a 100-room hotel, with four restaurants and retail space. He would also provide a public marina and a boardwalk along the lake.

Due to legal difficulties, Eldridge did not acquire clear title to the land until March 1988. In August, he told the city's Shoreline Property Committee that new hotels built in the Novi area since the original agreement was drafted made it impossible to get financing to build The Landing. As a substitute, he suggested 72

condominiums. Meeting with opposition to this, he came back again with a two-phase building proposal. The first phase would have included banquet facilities, retail and restaurants. The hotel would have been built in the second phase if financing were available.

Instead, the city council opted to let the contract stand and time ran out on Dec. 15.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, NOVI:

They gave a party and everybody came. About 1,000 people showed up at the Novi Civic Center on Feb. 25 for the city's 20th birthday celebration. Present were four of the seven who have served as mayor of Novi — Robert Daley, Gilbert Henderson, Patricia Kavevich and present Mayor Matthew Quinn.

A resolution commemorating the big day was passed by the state legislature, and U.S. Congressman William Broomfield

and State Rep. Willis Bullard were among the guests.

THIS OLD HOUSE: The Yerkes House, the only Novi historic site officially recognized by the state and federal government, was destroyed by fire in the early hours of Aug. 24. In early October, the Novi Fire Department determined that the cause was arson.

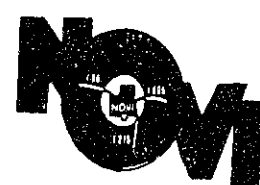
Built circa 1870 by Joseph Yerkes, the son of a Novi pioneer, the once-proud mansion had stood abandoned and in disrepair for many years. Last home to a member of the Yerkes family in the 1950s, the house was owned by Plymouth resident Patricia Hann, who planned to restore it and build eight condominiums on the land.

But that didn't happen. Following the fire, the still-elegant white house stood charred, boarded up and surrounded by rubble. Shortly afterwards, the state legislature was deemed a safety hazard and demolished.

FIRE SAFETY: Serious questions were raised by members of the Lakes Area Residents Association (LARA) following a report released by Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan in June. The report revealed that since Jan. 1 eight emergency calls to Fire Station No. 2 in the north end of the city were never answered and a substantial number of calls were only answered 15 to

20 minutes later. This occurred when the department's paid-on-call (volunteer) firefighters were on-duty, not during the Monday to Friday work week served by the full-time staff.

In August, the fire department initiated a sleepover program staffed by paid-on-call firefighters and in the fall kicked off the biggest volunteer recruitment Continued on page 4



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drive ever, netting 30 candidates. The goal was to hire 12 to beef up the existing paid-on-call staff of 40.

PROVIDENCE HOSPITAL: To meet the needs of local patients, Southfield-based Providence Hospital is planning to move 188 beds from its hospital near Northland to Novi. A 200-bed hospital, along with a rehabilitation facility, would be built on the site of the Westbrooke Golf Course.

On Nov. 16, the city council agreed to rezone the golf course from residential to office service and light industrial, removing one obstacle from the path of the proposed Providence-West. The city government, and at least 800 residents who signed petitions of support, welcomed the hospital to Novi.

But at least one obstacle remained. Providence will need a certificate of need from the state department of public health. The hospital asked in November that a decision on its application for the certificate be pushed back from Nov. 29 to Jan. 31, when its option to purchase the golf course expires.

NOVI ROCKS: On July 26-29, Novi's second annual Fifties Festival turned a profit of \$10,000 — a distinct improvement over the first festival, which lost \$14,000 when a Sha Na Na concert was rained out. About 30,000 people turned out to consume 125 kegs of beer and enjoy events like the "Cruise Grand River" '50s car parade, the ice cream eating contest, the lip sync contest and a concert by Motown hitmakers "The Contours."

A crowd twisted the night away to the music of "Moose and Da Sharks." Explained Novi resident Nancy Cotter, "This music has a great beat and you can understand what they're saying."

VOTERS SPEAK: A Nov. 7 election saw the addition of a new member to the city council, Tim Pope, and the re-election of Nancy Covert and Hugh Crawford. Mayor Matthew Quinn, who ran unopposed, was returned to office. Citizen-activist Laura Lorenzo lost in her second bid for city council.

About 31 percent of the voters turned out for the election, a grand total of 6,132. Novi residents drew their pursestrings tight and trounced three ballot proposals which would have increased their taxes. State Proposals A and B, both calling for an increase in the sales tax were overwhelming defeated.

Defeated by a smaller margin was the city's own Proposal One to raise from one-half to one full mill the amount levied for the parks and recreation department. The increase was put on the ballot at the recommendation of the parks and recreation needs assessment committee, which said the money should be used to purchase two city parks, including the 170-acre Novi Tree Garden.

Faring better was the city's Proposal Two. Voters okayed a change in the city charter allowing the city council to raise the dollar amount for purchases requiring council approval and the dollar amount of purchases requiring sealed bids. Both had remained unchanged since 1977 at \$1,500 and \$3,000 respectively.

NOVI'S ARK: Some Novi residents found themselves row-boating home when four inches of rain fell over a three-day period, cresting on June 21 as the city's stormwater detention basins and the middle branch of the Rouge River flooded.

Meadowbrook Lake subdivision's name took on new meaning when water sheeted over the dam on the neighboring lake and coursed through some streets.

Other areas hard hit included



Vice President Dan Quayle (left) focused national attention on Novi when he attended the Police Memorial Day ceremonies in May.

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NO FLOW, NO GO: Construction in some parts of Novi ground to a halt in November 1988 when Novi's four cubic feet per second discharge flow into Wayne County's system exceeded capacity. A moratorium on new sewers went into place, putting on hold at least \$194 million worth of building in the city. Construction continued only when it was possible to tap into existing sewer lines.

In Nov. 1989, Novi signed a contract with the City of Livonia to lease two additional cubic feet per second discharge flow in the Rouge Valley Sewage Disposal System Interceptor to tide the city over until "Super Sewer," the North Huron Valley/Rouge Valley Interception System is completed in 1992.

MR. VICE-PRESIDENT: On May 16, Vice-President Dan Quayle focused national attention on Novi when he attended the ninth annual Police Memorial Day Ceremony. The event honored three Detroit policemen who fell in the line of duty during the past year — Lt. James Schmitt and Officers Frank Walls and Charles Beasley.

Escorted by a motorcade of police cars and motorcycles with lights flashing, Quayle arrived to greet an enthusiastic crowd of 1,000 and spread the word on

President George Bush's \$1 billion "Take Back the Streets" campaign against crime.

PEOPLE VS. PLAZA: Developer Lee Walters' plans to build a grocery store and strip mall at the northeast corner of Ten Mile and Beck Road met staunch opposition from some residents in the first half of 1989. Citizens for Responsible Development (CRD) was organized to fight the project.

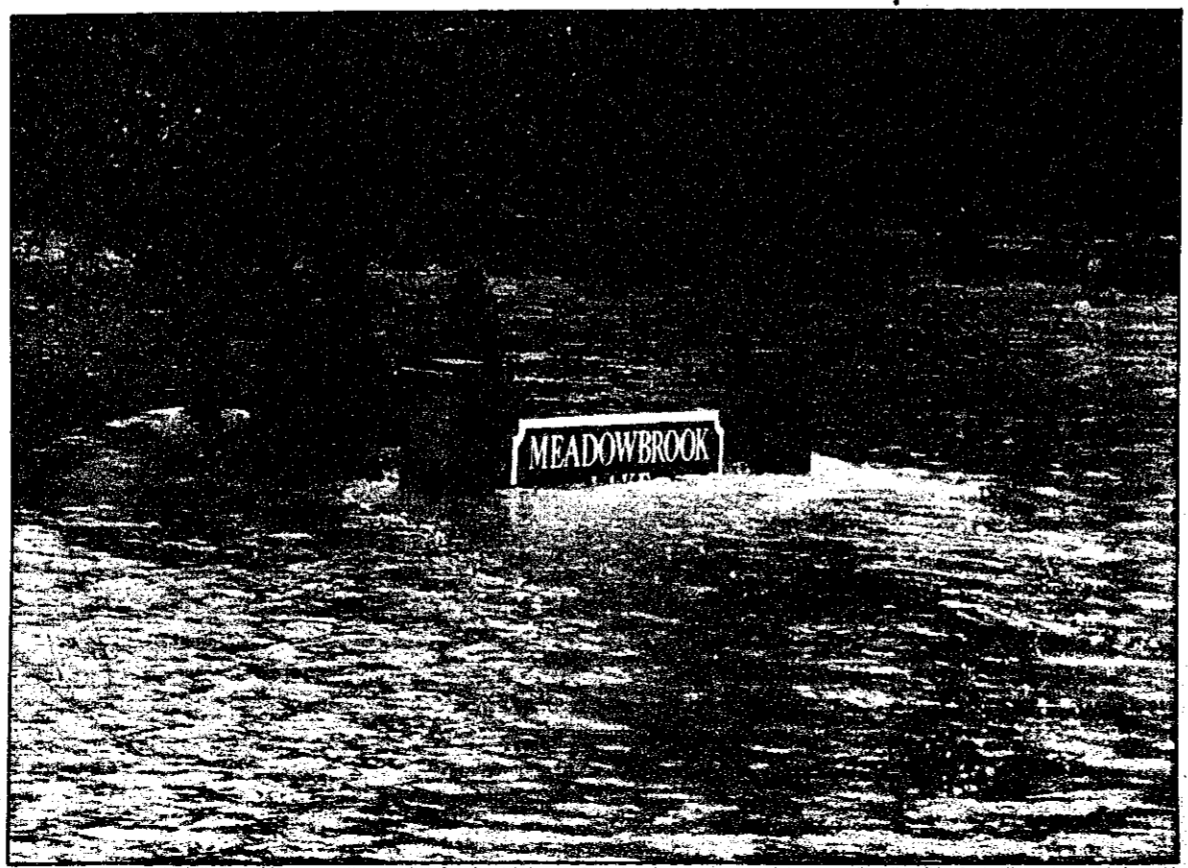
In Oct. 1988, the city council had granted a rezoning of the 10-acre parcel from residential and business to a more intense commercial zoning, B-2. A petition drive by CRD led to a February reinstatement of the original zoning by the city council. In March, the city council once again rezoned the site.

Again, a petition drive, this time seeking a special referendum election. A section of the city charter — previously little-known until the Briarwood Plaza issue — allows voters to overturn city council decisions in referendum elections.

Meanwhile, Walters took his case to court, to block both the zoning change and the referendum election. The Oakland County Circuit Court approved the election, but the zoning lawsuit remains tied up in the state appeals court.

City Manager Edward Kriewall and Councilman Hugh Crawford (left) admire the city's 20th birthday cake.

Heavy rains caused flooding (below) at Meadowbrook Lake Park.



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SCHOOLS

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Takeski Kato (left) gets an eyeful during Police Chief Lee Begole's reading to second graders at Village Oaks School.

It was not a typical year for the Novi Community School District, but it was a momentous one.

The usually quiet Novi schools were rocked by several disclosures during the year. The school board had to contend with a lawsuit brought by a mother who charged that her daughter had been sexually molested by a volunteer adult diving coach.

The school board itself came under fire when it was disclosed that all seven board members and two administrators had attended a convention in Florida at taxpayer expense. The group took advantage of the Florida sojourn by arranging to go on a cruise following the convention. Board President Michael Meyer was the object of special attention when it was revealed he had missed one of the three days of the convention to attend

to personal business. Meyer later apologized.

There was good news as well, of course. School officials were elated when Novi was cited as one of the 20 best public school districts in the nation in a special report by the Wall Street Journal on the quality of education in the United States.

It also was the year when the

school district opened a fourth elementary school — Parkview Elementary was opened to students in September. And it was also the year when Joan Daley, a school board member for 12 years, decided not to seek re-election.

STUDENT TRAGEDY: The year started out on a sad note as Novi Middle School students

mourning the death of an eighth-grade classmate, Christy Short. She died from automobile-related injuries sustained before Christmas. Follow students remembered her as an outgoing friend.

Shortly afterward, in March, the Novi Education Association donated a special book to the middle school library in Short's name. The book, entitled "Into

the Unknown — The Story of Exploration," was published by the National Geographic Society.

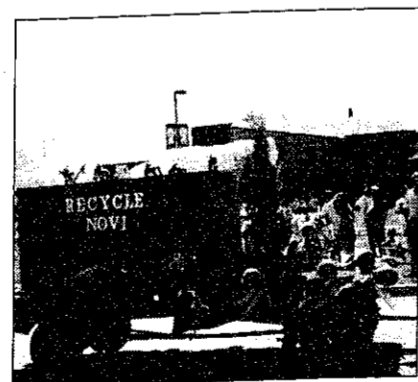
STUDY SESSIONS: Novi Board of Education members gathered for a four-hour workshop to discuss their roles as trustees. The idea of then-school board president Michael Meyer,

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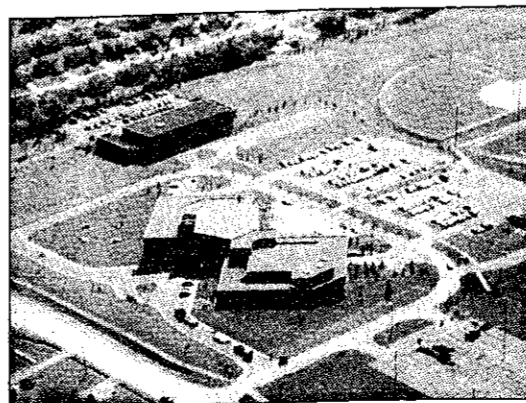
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the gathering was designed to promote the concept of teamwork.

As a result of the workshop, two new committees were appointed by the board — an appointments committee, consisting of trustees Robert Schram and Julie Abrams, and a communications and perceptions committee, consisting of trustees Raymond Byers and Sandra Thornton. The appointments committee was designed to allow further review and study of community members appointed to school district committees. Meanwhile, the later committee was formed as a means of improving communications between the board and Novi residents.

SCHOOL MUSICAL: Novi High School students performed the musical "Oklahoma" Jan. 26-28.

STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Several Novi students represented the school district at shoring academic stars throughout the year. In January, students at Novi Middle School participated in a geography bee as part of a national campaign to increase geographical awareness. Middle school student Jason Kirk won the local contest and was eligible to compete in the National Geography Bee.

Also in January, Novi High School student Albert Hwang traveled to the White House to watch President George Bush be sworn in on Inauguration Day. His trip was made possible courtesy of the Congressional Youth Leadership Program. Hwang was one of 479 students traveling to witness the historic event.

In June, Novi High School educators announced the names of three valedictorians and four salutatorians. Valedictorians were Kathy Bealor, Noelle Brown and Kendra Kovak. Salutatorians were Pamela Hsu, Albert Hwang, Grace Yee and Wendy Howard.

At about the same time, Matt Latham, a Novi High School junior, became a candidate for the U.S. Olympic Chemistry team.

CURRICULUM CHANGES: Worldwide issues became topics of conversation among Novi



Megan Hartrick (left) gets a good look at firefighter Joe Shelton during a visit by the kindergartners to Fire Station 1.

Jennifer Cheal (below far left) was named assistant principal at Novi High School.

Joan Daley (near below) ended her 12-year stint on the school board when she decided not to seek re-election.

Board of Education trustees as they reviewed educational courses dealing with Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

Trustees also studied methods of increasing the number of students taking PSAT and other college-entrance exams. To improve computer literacy, the board also approved a new computer application course.

PERSONNEL CHANGES: Shifts in personnel were felt throughout the school district as Joseph Imrick was selected as principal of the new elementary school (Parkview). He formerly served as principal of Novi Meadows School.

Meanwhile, Timothy Falls, former assistant principal at Novi Meadows, was promoted to principal of the school.

In June, Jennifer Cheal joined Milan Obrenovich as assistant principal at Novi high school. She had previously worked as an assistant principal for a school in Adrian. Cheal replaced former high school assistant principal Calvin Schmucker, who moved to the Novi Middle School as assistant principal. Schmucker replaced Falls.

SCHOOL LAWSUIT: In February, the Novi News learned about a lawsuit filed against the Novi Community School District by the mother of a former Novi High School student.

The lawsuit charged that school officials were negligent in a year-old case involving a sexual assault by a volunteer swimming coach on her daughter.

Filed in Wayne County on Jan. 13, the lawsuit charged five

Novi administrators with gross negligence in the handling of fall 1987 offenses involving a 15-year-old. The volunteer swim coach, Timothy McCoy Pelfrey of Novi, also was named in the suit, which sought damages in the range of \$400,000 to \$1 million.

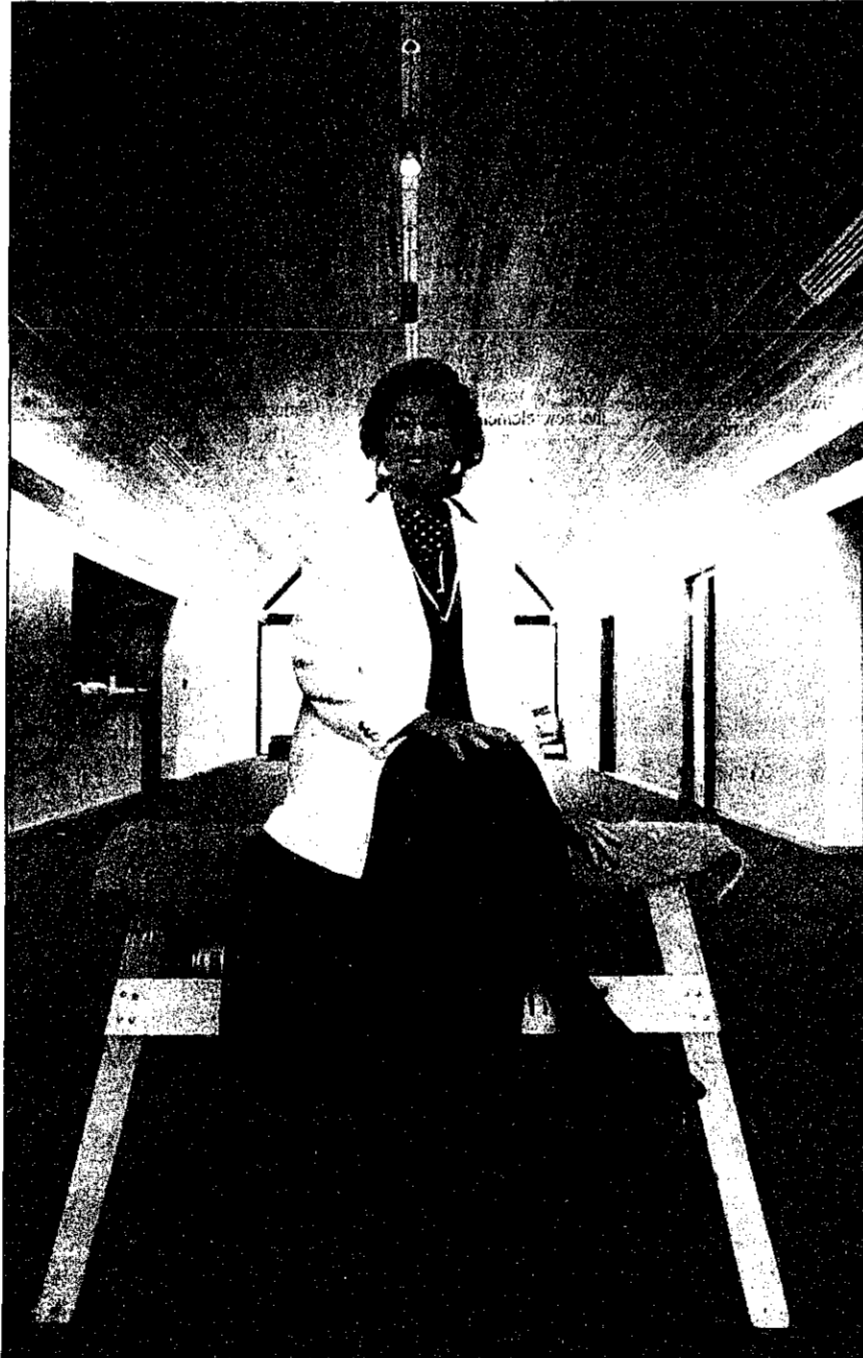
School officials remained mum on the lawsuit issue, until March, when it was announced that the district would fight the charges. School district officials decided not to settle out of court with the parent and denied wrongdoing in the matter.

Attorneys for the district formally denied the charges of negligence involving alleged sexual assaults made by the volunteer swimming coach on a 15-year-old student in late March. Attorneys also requested that the suit be transferred from Wayne to Oakland county, where they maintained the case properly belonged. A change of venue request was submitted to Wayne County Circuit Court on March 16, along with formal responses to the charges.

In late April the change of venue was granted, allowing an Oakland County court to decide the case.

MILLAGE RENEWAL: In February, the school district held an election to renew a 13.0 millage package, representing about one-third of the district's total operating budget. The 13.0-mill package was one of two packages that must be renewed at regular intervals.

The millage renewal was approved by voters on Monday, Feb. 20, 430-171. Less than 5 percent of the registered voters turned out.



Following the election, the question arose over whether or not it was legal because the election was held on a different date than the one included on written records and approved by the board. Some voters turned out to cast ballots on Tuesday, Feb. 21, due to a front-page story in The Novi News stating that the election was on Feb. 21.

The school board then came under fire for sloppy and inadequate minute-taking.

EXPENDITURES: In February the school board voted to buy \$295,000 in furniture for the new elementary school. One month later, trustees approved a \$20,000 purchase of textbooks.

SCHOOLS/CITY RIFT: In late March city and school officials agreed to work together

regarding the district's building projects "in a spirit of cooperation."

As construction crews worked to complete the school district's new elementary school and educational services building, school officials submitted a request to the city for an extension of preliminary site plan approval — even though the buildings were nearly finished.

The action fueled a long-standing debate between the city and school district. In 1987 the planning commission and school district disagreed over who had the authority to oversee construction of a warehouse facility on Eleven Mile.

ORLANDO TRIP: Novi Board of Education members drew sharp criticism in late March upon returning from a school-related convention in Florida.

The \$9,656 trip was not made public until resident Kathy Langham told the board she had heard a rumor and addressed trustees at a March 23 meeting, asking for more details about the trip.

It was then revealed that seven school board members and two administrators flew to Florida earlier in March to attend an American Association of School Administrators convention in Orlando. All nine of them then went on to enjoy a four-day cruise to the Bahamas.

Attending the convention were trustees Michael Meyer, Robert Schram, Raymond Byers, Stephen Hitchcock, Joan Daley, Julie Abrams, Sandra Thornton, superintendent Robert Pwko, assistant superintendent William Barr and all nine spouses. Cost

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for each official was \$1,072. Board members labeled the trip an asset to the district, arguing that continuing education enhanced the district and the school board. However, residents continued to question the value of the board's Florida trip.

Adding fuel to the fire, it was later revealed that board president Michael Meyer took a side trip during the conference. Saying he couldn't fight rumors, Meyer admitted to missing one afternoon and one morning of the conference when he took a personal trip to Tampa to visit the area where his father had died.

COACH FIRED: Parents protested when it was announced that John Cicchelli, Novi High School basketball coach, was fired.

TOP HONOR: Novi Community School District received national recognition when it was cited in The Wall Street Journal as one of the top school districts in the country.

A special educational supplement in The Journal listed Novi as one of the 20 best school districts in the United States. The only other Michigan district listed was Bloomfield Hills.

PRaise FOR PIWKO: Novi Board of Education trustees commended superintendent Robert Pwko's for his favorable job performance during a 66-hour closed evaluation session in April.

Board President Michael Meyer praised Pwko for hiring Novi Athletic Director John Fundukian and Novi Special Education Supervisor Donna Tinberg during the 1988-89 school year. He was also praised for the recognition bestowed on the district by The Wall Street Journal.

COMMUNICATION ISSUES: In an effort to polish the school district's tarnished standing in the community, trustees Sandra Thornton and Raymond Byers presented the school board with a report on how to improve relations between themselves and the public.

The report, released in April, recommended forming a communications committee with parents and school staff. It also suggested asking for community

input on areas needing improvement.

BUDGET MATTERS: School officials adopted a \$20 million budget for the 1989-90 school year, reflecting an 11 percent increase over the 1988-89 budget.

SCHOOL ARSON: A morning fire broke out at the Novi High School in late May, leading to the evacuation of 1,130 students. Fortunately, nobody was injured. The blaze started in the high school art room, in June Fox's jewelry-making class. A 15-year-old freshman was held in connection with the incident.

BOUNDARIES RESET: Reflecting the growth expected in Novi school district's student population, elementary school attendance boundaries were realigned by school officials during the year.

A need to realign attendance boundaries was brought about by the construction of a new elementary school. Plans called for dividing the adjoining Simmons Orchard and Yorkshire Place subdivisions into two different zones. The change affected about half the children attending Novi Woods Elementary.

A small portion of students attending Orchard Hills School — students living in the Country Cousins and Highland Estates mobile home parks — also would be reassigned to attend the new elementary school (Parkview). To equally distribute students between Novi Woods and Parkview, officials also divided the Novi Woods attendance zone into two sections.

ELECTION: Four candidates ran for two seats on the Novi Board of Education in June, in the largest voter turnout for a school board race in years.

Seeking election to the board were incumbent Julie Abrams, Craig Foreback, Sally Marchak and John Streit. One of the vacancies was created when Joan Daley, a long-time trustee, decided not to run for re-election. The other seat was formerly held by Sharon Pelchat, who resigned last fall. Pelchat was temporarily replaced by Abrams, who was appointed to seat by the school board.

A total of 2,446 ballots were cast in the June election, representing about 14.3 percent of



Greg O'Neill (left) dances with daughter Amy, 8, at the Valentine's Dance at the civic center.

Second grader Cloe Clark listens (below) to fourth grader Quinn DeLoughary read during a buddy reading program at Novi Woods.

the district's registered voters. Winners were Streit, receiving 854 votes; and Foreback, winning 554 votes, just 32 more than Marchak's vote total.

LUNCH BOYCOTT: Novi High School students staged a 10-day protest over school lunch price increases and an alleged reduction in quantity.

The incident reached an amicable end, however, when a food service committee was formed and found that lunch prices in Novi were lower than neighboring districts.

SCHOOL DRAMA: Novi High School students performed "A Murder Is Announced" in November.

ENROLLMENT INCREASES: Fourth Friday counts revealed that enrollment rose 3 percent over last school year in the Novi Community School District.

ENDORSEMENT LETTER: Trustee Sandra Thornton was criticized by the Michigan Education Association (MEA) in June for a letter she sent to some school staff members, endorsing candidate Sally Marchak. MEA officials labeled the action "an abuse of power."

Thornton argued that the letter in no way mentioned that she was a board of education member and saw nothing wrong with the action.

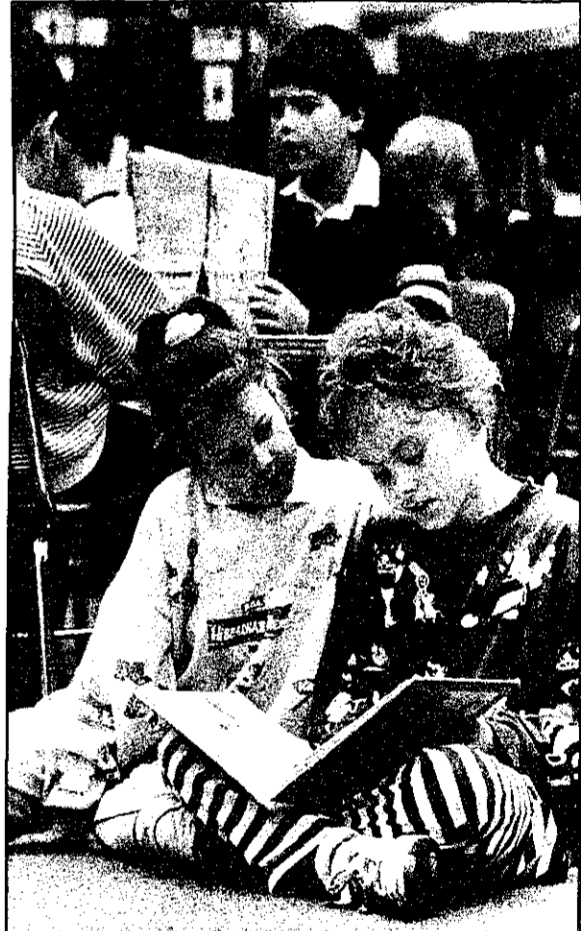
SALARY HIKE: A salary increase of 7 percent over the next two years for school administrators was approved by the school board in late June.

NEW PRESIDENT: Raymond Byers was elected president of the Novi Board of Education in July, replacing Michael Meyer as the board's leader.

Byers will serve as president until June 30, 1990. In interviews with The Novi News, Byers said one of his goals was to improve relations between the school board and community.

HEALTH PROGRAM: Officials from Novi schools, the business community and Providence Hospital kicked off a fitness program called PACE (Providence and Community for Education) late July.

HOMECOMING: Robert Miller, Dena Richardson, Lori Balagna, Terence Orlanbach, Beth Vanderhoff and Michael Broz were named to the Novi High School 1989 Homecoming Court. Homecoming queen was Gwen Rowlands.



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Boom times continued in Novi in 1989 as the city continued to attract commercial, industrial and residential developers throughout the year.

The city's board commercial base showed continued diversification, particularly at Twelve Oaks Mall which continued to further its upscale image with numerous new stores.

Most prestigious of the additions was Liz Claiborne. The popular and successful design firm decided to open its first retail shop — and selected Twelve Oaks as the site for its first store in the nation.

Another hotel came to town in 1989 — the Hotel Baronette received site plan approval for construction on the peripheral property at Twelve Oaks Mall. The new hotel — the fourth in Novi — will cater specifically to the Japanese business visitor.

YERKES HOUSE: The year began with Novi's historic Yerkes House gaining a one-year site plan extension from the Novi Planning Commission. The extension ended with an Aug. 24 fire that gutted the house.

In the interim, developer Pat Hahn searched for backers of

the project — which was supposed to restore the home into an office center. Hahn did find partners for the project, but not in time to save the old mansion on Eight Mile that had been lived in by the Yerkes, who are regarded as Novi's first settlers.

CONDUCT CODE: In late January, planners considered a "code of conduct" regarding their relationships with developers. The proposed code, which

was introduced by commissioner Judith Johnson, apparently came in response to articles printed in The Novi News regarding interaction between commissioners and developers.

Johnson's suggestions included not accepting developers' transportation to other cities to view existing projects, not accepting invitations to dine or go to grand openings of events that are not in Novi and refraining from working for deve-

lopers the commission has authority over. Two weeks after introducing the code, planners unanimously rejected it — with commissioner Kathleen McLallen saying she didn't feel the commission needed "a total guide book at this time."

ANOTHER HOTEL: Novi's fourth "business class" hotel received preliminary approval from planning commissioners in

May. Called the "Hotel Baronette," the 162-room facility is scheduled to be completed by June 1990.

Located on Twelve Oaks Mall peripheral property east of Novi Road and south of Twelve Mile, the hotel will also feature a 112-seat restaurant, a 42-seat bar, a bakery, meeting rooms and a conference center which will accommodate 300 people.

The developer is the Tokyo-based Suzuki and Son, Ltd., in

conjunction with the Taubman Company, which own and operate Twelve Oaks Mall and other malls.

CLAIBORNE: Liz Claiborne Inc., selected Novi as the site for its first retail store. One of the nation's most popular women's clothing designers, Liz Claiborne will occupy about 10,000 square feet in the Hud-

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Liz Claiborne, Inc., opened its first retail outlet (left) in the United States at Twelve Oaks Mall.

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son's upper level wing at the Twelve Oaks Mall.

Immediately adjacent to the store is Claiborne, the fashion retailer's men's division. Together, the two stores occupy some 13,700 square feet, making them the largest single tenant in Twelve Oaks except for the four department stores.

NEW SUBDIVISIONS: At least two subdivisions received approval from the Novi Planning Commission during 1989. The commission approved plans for Cambome Place, a 33-lot subdivision located just north of Ten Mile between Haggerty and Meadowbrook roads, and the Woods of Novi, an 82-lot subdivision located on the west side of Decker Road, north of Thirteen Mile.

COMMISSION CHANGES: Two new faces appeared on the Novi Planning Commission during 1989 — Thomas O'Branovic and Timothy Gilbert.

O'Branovic was named to the commission in June following the decision by planner Thomas Kavanagh to not seek reappointment. Kavanagh served on the planning commission for three years.

Some controversy surrounded O'Branovic's appointment, however, as the city council accepted his application to serve on the commission a full month after the application deadline had passed.

Three months after the O'Branovic appointment, commissioner Enrico Digitalomo resigned due to a job transfer to

Europe. In late November, Tim Gilbert was named as his replacement.

NEW ORDINANCES: Many new ordinances received the planning commission's recommendation for approval over the past twelve months.

Some of the new ordinances include: daycare in office service commercial districts, stacked car parking and revisions to the woodlands rules regarding cluster options.

HOOPS ORDINANCE: This ordinance probably garnered more attention than any other proposed set of rules during 1989.

After three months of discussion, commissioners recommended approval of an amendment which allows for pole-mounted (basketball) structures on either side of the driveway within the one-half front-yard setback of the dwelling.

Nearly two weeks later, city council members gave final approval to the planners' recommendation.

MONEY WOES: Novi planners approved their 1989-90 working budget of \$232,800 in March amidst controversy that the \$24,500 increase over last year was not necessary.

Planner Enrico Digitalomo said he wouldn't support the budget because of the \$24,500 increase over last year's budget. "We should stay within the realm of last year's."

Commissioners approved the budget, but the city council mandated that a sizable chunk of money be removed from the budget. In April, commissioners

approved a scaled-back budget of \$185,000. It was the smallest planning commission budget since 1985-86 when the commission operated with a budget of \$108,800.

MAPLES OF NOVI: Novi's first PUD (planned unit development) made great strides in 1989, as planners gave final approval to phase one of the Maples of Novi in late September.

Maples of Novi is located east of Decker Road and Fourteen Mile. Phase one includes 84 detached single family homes to be built on the northeast portion of the site.

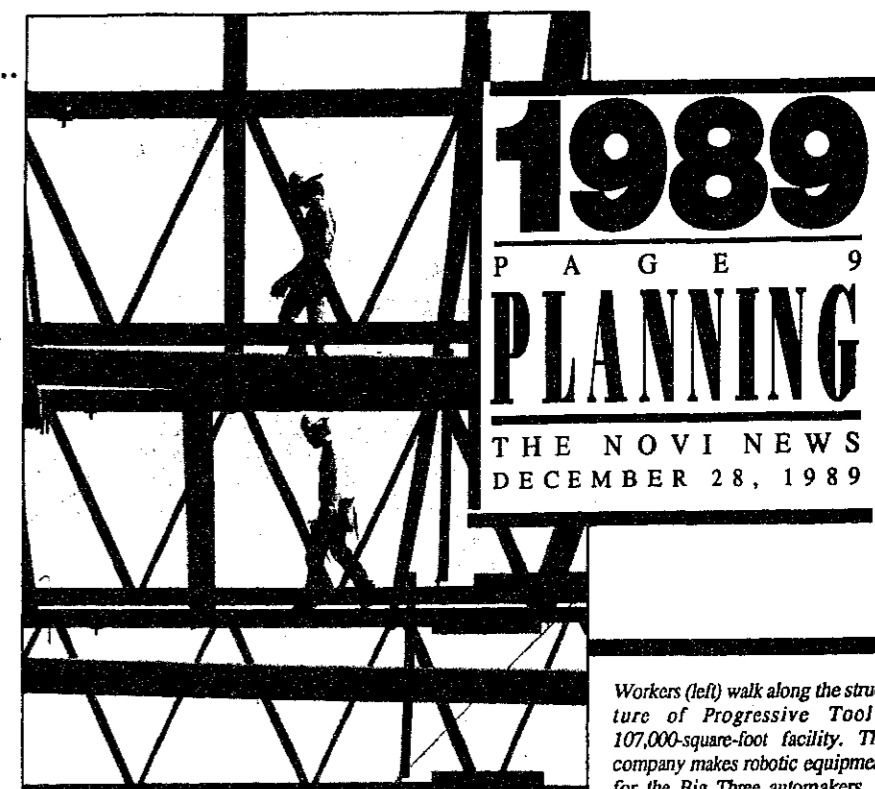
When the project is completed, Maples of Novi will be a mixture of 900 dwelling units, including 100 senior citizen units, 300 single-family attached condos, 350 single-family detached condos and 150 "starter homes."

JOHNSON NAMED: Novi Planning Commissioner Judith Johnson was named vice president of the Michigan Society of Planning Officials (MSPO) in October.

"I'm very excited and honored to be representing Novi in this organization," said Johnson, who joined the commission in 1983.

MSPO is a state planning group of roughly 3,500 members.

PROVIDENCE? Nearly two years after planners rejected their initial location at Ten Mile and Taft Road, Providence Hospital gained a rezoning approval from commissioners. The new location is scheduled



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Workers (left) walk along the structure of Progressive Tool's 107,000-square-foot facility. The company makes robotic equipment for the Big Three automakers.

on the southwest corner of the Grand River/Beck Road intersection. Providence is proposing to move about 200 beds from its Southfield hospital to the 120-acre Novi site.

In December 1987, Novi planners rejected the hospital's request to rezone the land on the southwest corner of Taft Road and Ten Mile.

AUTO CENTERS GALORE: On its second try, the Omni Auto Service Center received a special land use permit from planners. The auto center will be located on the east side of Ten Mile and the CSX Railroad tracks.

On the heels of the Omni Auto Center plans, commission-

ers rejected a request for special land use to Weiss Development Auto Center, located on the northeast corner of Ten Mile and Novi Road.

Planners cited two inadequacies with the land use request and also hinted the auto service center market in Novi may be unable to support another facility.

CREATING DISTRICTS: As 1989 came to an end, planners began considering the validity of Planned Development (PD) overlay zoning districts.

In late November, commissioners decided to retain the PD-1 option which allows for increased building height and commercial facilities in an

amount only necessary to serve the residents of the development.

At the same meeting, planners voted to hold a public hearing on the creation of a PD-4 overlay zoning district. The PD-4 option allows for light industrial development within OS-2 (office service) districts.

PIER ONE: Plans to develop a Pier One store in Novi moved forward in October, as planners recommended site plan approval.

The 9,000 square foot store will be located in the Novi Town Center on the corner of Novi Road and Crescent Boulevard.

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Novi Community Schools : Gearing Up For The Nineties

With the beginning of a new decade knocking on our door and the close of a century just around the corner, the Novi Community School District is making strides to make the 90s the best decade ever. And what a better way to lead into 1990 than with a review of 1989, a year filled with achievements and honors.

1989 brought many distinctions to the Novi School District. Among them was the Wall Street Journal's listing of Novi as among the top 20 school districts in the country, the Detroit News claiming that Novi is a class act district, and the Middle School earning their second "exemplary" school status from the State of Michigan. With all these honors, staff and students have placed Novi among the best Michigan has to offer.

As for academic achievements of Novi's students, they once again led the pack. The 292 members of the Class of '89 earned honors of valedictorians and 80 percent of the class going on to college. The Class of '89 also had 43 students with a g.p.a. of 3.5 or better, 33 students on the four-year honor roll and 17 students recognized by Phi Beta Kappa for earning a g.p.a. of 3.8 or higher throughout their high school career. In total, the class earned \$86,000 in college scholarships, almost \$200,000 more than the Class of '88.

In other academic areas, Novi students also continued to excel. Over 400 students in grades four, seven and ten achieved 100 percent on the state MEAP test to rank Novi in the upper percentiles in the state. The High School had three students selected to be National Merit

Scholar finalists with one of these students qualifying to vie for a spot on the United States High School Chemistry Olympic Team.

Novi students also proved their skill in other endeavors throughout the year. Five woodworking students took the top awards at the regional contest with two of the five placing in the top ten at the state competition. Business students also competed at both the regional and the state level, leaving with top prizes in each. The Southeastern Michigan Regional Scholastic Art Awards Competition handed prizes to five talented Novi students. And three promising journalism students received awards at a workshop held at Ball State University in Indiana for their work on the Wildcat Roar.

Honors abounded for both the vocal and instrumental music programs over the past year. As a whole, the High School concert choir

maintained their high caliber of performance and had 14 individual members participate in the regional honors choir. Of those, two students were selected to be members of the State Honors Choir.

The High School Band earned its share of accolades, too. They received a first place rating at the 1989 Michigan State Fair Parade and made an excellent showing in the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association competition. Their upcoming trip to Disney World for the All American Music Festival will be the culmination of a year of hard work.

As always, the year in sports provided thrills and excitement for everyone. The Wildcat football team captured its fourth consecutive KVC title, in spite of losing a spot in the state playoffs. Coach John Osbourne was inducted into the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame for his

impressive 22 years as Wildcat head coach and his record of 131-79. Two other staff members were honored by their colleagues: John Fundukian by the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association and Robert Smith as the KVC Cross Country Coach of the Year. Smith's '89 team had one runner, Brian Molloy, earn state honors in the MHSAA Class A meet and qualify for the nationals. Swimming featured stars Steve Cohen and Gwen Rowlands. Cohen competed in his fourth state finals, and Rowlands recorded a finish in the top five at the MHSAA meet. The soccer, girls and boys tennis, track, wrestling and baseball teams all had winning seasons in '89, each with their respective stars too numerous to mention by name.



1989

Over the Summer of 1989,

the school district experienced the retirement of one Board member and the election of two new ones. Long-time Trustee Joan Daley left the Board in June after serving the district for 12 1/2 years. Elected to fill two vacant Board posts were Dr. Craig Foreback and John Street.

When school opened this fall, the newest district facility was ready. On Sept. 5, Parkview Elementary School opened its doors to 300 eager students' faces. The focal point of the new facility is the light tower that looms over the media center. At the Parkview dedication ceremony, Superintendent Robert Street said the light tower represents a "beacon of education spread out across Novi." In addition to the elementary school, construction was completed on a new educational services building and a variety of renovations to other district facilities.

One of the highlights of the year was the Vice Presidential visit to Novi. For one day, all eyes were turned to our small suburban city. Many Novi students took part in the 1989 Police Memorial Ceremony. The High School band and a group of High School singers were called upon to perform for Vice President Dan Quayle. Courtesy of their press passes, the TV production students bumped shoulders with the big local stations to get the lead story for the day.

All in all, the year was filled with many achievements and once again, the Novi School District can close the books on a successful year and gear up to meet the challenges of the 90s and the decisions of a new decade.

It was a Hall of Fame sort of year on the Novi sports scene.

First of all, John Osborne — the only football coach in the history of Novi High School — was inducted into the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame during ceremonies in May.

And then eight of the biggest names in the history of racing became the initial inductees into the Novi-based Motorsports Hall of Fame of America in June.

Osborne was one of 25 coaches inducted into the Football Coaches' Hall of Fame. An Alma College graduate, Osborne has compiled a 128-79 record in 23 years of coaching, all of them at Novi.

Larry Ciancio, commissioner of the Motorsports Hall of Fame, is hopeful that 1989 will be the turning point in plans to establish a Motorsports Museum in Novi. Ciancio is counting on the exposure gained from the first-ever Hall of Fame induction ceremonies to produce additional corporate sponsors for the proposed museum.

The initial inductees — Cannonball Baker (motorcycles), Don Garlits (drag racing), Barney Oldfield (general), Richard Petty (stock cars), Jimmy Doolittle (air racing), A.J. Foyt (open wheel racing), Phil Hill (sports cars) and Bill Muncey (power boats) — received plaques during ceremonies at the Rooster Tail Restaurant in Detroit on June 15.

Long-range plans call for the Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame to be erected on a 10-acre parcel east of the Novi Town Center.

WINTER SPORTS: Number one story on the high school sports scene during the winter was the Wildcat boys swim team led by Jon Cohen — perhaps the most successful athlete in Novi High School history.

Cohen, a high school All-American, led the Wildcats to a perfect 10-0 record and a ninth place finish in the MHSAA Class A State Meet.

Individually, Cohen capped his senior season by winning the state championship in the 200 individual medley for the third consecutive year. He also took second in the 500 freestyle at the state meet, and finished his high school career with a total of four state championships.

It takes more than one person to post a 10-0 season and Cohen had some talented teammates, not the least of which was his brother Steve Cohen. Other key performers were Rudy Speerschnider, Steve Strausberg and Josh Matta.

The Wildcat basketball team had a sub-par season, finishing fourth in the Kensington Valley Conference with a 5-7 record. The Novi five was 7-14 overall.

The Wildcats were led by sharp-shooting senior guard Ed Cote who averaged more than 20 points per game and was a unanimous All-KVC selection. Cote twice hit for 37 points — both times against Howell. The school single-game scoring record was set by Scott Parsons who hit for 47 points against South Lyon back in 1976.

The big news in basketball came at the end of the season when it was learned that John Cicchelli had been relieved of his duties after five years as varsity coach. Cicchelli was unhappy, and several former players came to his defense. But the decision remained. In five years at Novi,



John Osborne (left) makes a few remarks at the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association banquet after being inducted into it hall of fame. Michigan's Bo Schembechler listens.

Jon Cohen (below) made a big splash in competitive swimming, leading the Wildcats to a 10-0 record and capturing a state title in the 200 individual medley, his third state crown in three years.

he compiled a 51-54 record. The Wildcat wrestling team went from riches to rags in 1989. After an outstanding 1988 season which included Novi's first-ever KVC championship, Coach Tom Fritze's grapplers struggled to a 2-14 record (0-6 in the KVC) in 1989.

Jeff O'Neill at 160 and Ed Price at 171 won KVC championships. Another bright spot was sophomore Mike Gowans, the only Wildcat grappler to qualify for the 1989 state meet.

Relatively speaking, it was a good year for the Novi volleyball team. Amy Radomacher took over the coaching reins and actually made some progress on the long trail toward achieving some credibility for the program. Novi's 5-12 record was considerably less than spectacular, but it did represent the Ladycats' best mark since the mid-1980s.

Team leaders were Nicki Kasten and Kim Black, both of whom were honorable mention All-KVC selections.

SPRING SPORTS: Virtually every Novi team enjoyed successful spring seasons... although success for some was measured in terms of improvement over previous years.

The Novi baseball team had a very fine 18-8 record. So why was Coach Gar Frantz disappointed? Because the talented team failed to win the KVC championship and was knocked out of the MHSAA Class A playoffs in the first round.

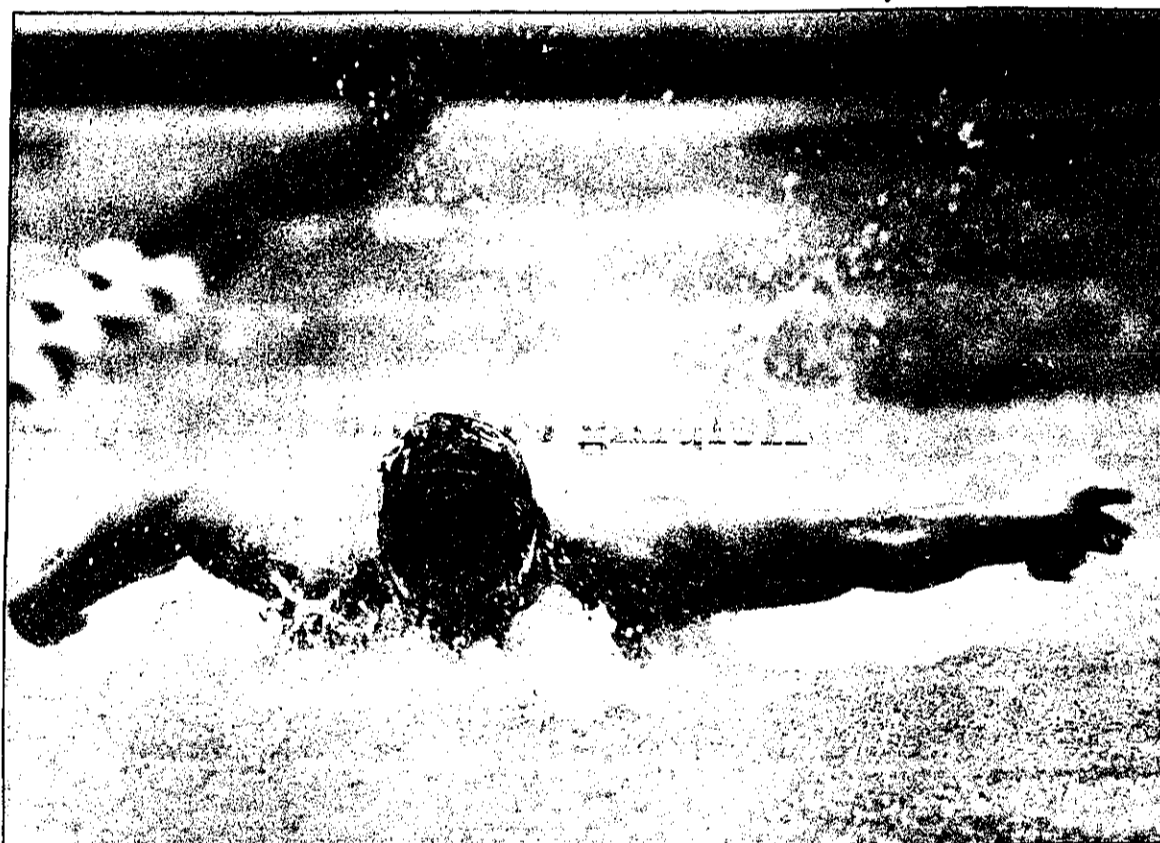
"We were a very good team that went into a slump at the wrong time," commented Frantz.

Offensively, the Novi nine was led by Scott Wladischkin who won All-KVC honors with a .437 average, 31 RBIs and seven home runs. One of the best athletes in Novi High School history, Wladischkin concluded his high school career with school records for hits (110) and stolen bases (81). His career average was .421.

Other key performers on the Novi nine were the pitching tandem of Ken Hendrian (7-1 record) and Steve Ross (8-3).

Another talent-laden Wildcat squad was Coach Bob Smith's track team. Novi demonstrated its awesome talent in the KVC Meet by winning eight of 17 events.

Maurice Richardson accounted for four of those KVC championships by winning the 100 and 200 meter dashes, the 300 meter hurdles and the long jump. Jeff Jeffres won the 400 meters at the KVC Meet and established a new conference record of 49.4 in doing it. And Daren Johnson won the KVC championship in the discus for the second consecutive year.



The immensely-talented Novi crew broke 11 of 17 school records in 1989, but still had to settle for second place in the final KVC standings. The Wildcats were 7-1 on the season and 5-1 in the KVC.

The girls track team went 3-5 under new coach Connie Ahrens — a major improvement for the Ladycats who won just one meet in 1988. Novi had no KVC champions, but got second-place finishes in the KVC Meet from Angel Konarske in the 300 hurdles, Lisa Heath in the 1,600 meters and Jennie Galland in the 3,200 meters.

Galland was the only Ladycat to qualify for the state meet (in the 3,200 meters). Konarske was a bright spot — only a freshman she set school records in the 100 and 300 meters, promising a bright future.

The Ladycat softball team finished with an 11-17 record, not bad for a team which wasn't expected to win many more than five games all year long. Nicki Kasten (.491 average) and Desanna Reid (34 RBIs) were named to the All-KVC second team, while Darcey Cupp and Heather Campbell received honorable mention recognition.

The Novi tennis team posted a 9-7 record — its first winning record in five years. The Wildcats were 6-4 (third place) in the KVC. Ken Chasse had an 11-6 record at first singles, but Novi's strength was in the doubles pairings where all three Wildcat tandems placed second in the KVC Tournament —



Valerie Toth (left), in action against Fordson, was named to the all-KVC soccer team.

Brian Anderson and Rich Mathias at first doubles, Brian Everett and Phil Hutchins at second doubles, and Andy Anderson and JJ. Mullett at third doubles.

The Novi soccer team won more games than any other soccer team in school history. Coach Nick Valenti's booters

were 4-6 (fourth place) in the KVC and 6-12-1 overall. Senior forward Stephanie Groom tied for the KVC lead in goals with nine and led the Ladycats in scoring with 18 points. Groom and senior fullback Valerie Toth were named to the All-KVC team.

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FALL SPORTS: Autumn is football weather — particularly in Novi where Coach John Osborne's Wildcats were shooting for their fourth consecutive KVC championship and third consecutive appearance in the MHSAA Class A playoffs.

The Wildcats finished the year with a 7-2 mark — successful by some standards but disappointing in Novi. The good news was that the Wildcats breezed through their KVC schedule undefeated to win their fourth straight conference title. The bad news was that the Wildcat gridders failed to qualify for the playoffs — losing to Northville in the Battle for the Baseline Jug in the final game of the season.

The Wildcats were led by an outstanding defense which featured linemen Bob Ahrens and Mike Schultz, linebackers Mike Yankowski and Jeff O'Neill and defensive back Heath Ruck. An inconsistent offense was led by halfbacks Craig Berry and Jason Wladischkin.

Gwen Rowlands was the big news on the Novi girls swim team. The magnificent senior capped an outstanding prep career in '89 by finishing third in the state in the 100 freestyle and fifth in the state in the 200 freestyle. Somebody dubbed her "the best high school swimmer in Michigan who never won a state championship."

Rowlands led the Ladycat tankers to a 4-6-1 record in

'89, a season that got off to a rocky start because there was no coach and there was no pool to practice in until the season was practically under way.

The girls cross-country team enjoyed a stellar season. The Ladycats were one of 28 teams to qualify for the MHSAA Class A State Meet, and Coach Norm Norgren felt they were one of the top 20 teams in the state.

Novi finished with a 4-2 record, good for third place in the KVC behind such state powers as Milford and Brighton. Individually, Novi was led by Jennie Galland and Lisa Heath, a pair of seniors who both earned All-KVC and All-Oakland County honors.

The boys cross-country team didn't qualify for the state meet, but insiders felt the Wildcats were also one of the top teams in the state. Novi finished fourth in the KVC with a 3-3 record, but they won the Waldo Lake Western Invitational and were sixth at the Oakland County Meet.

Biggest surprise was the emergence of sophomore Brian Molloy who came out of nowhere to serve notice of a bright future. Molloy was the only Wildcat to qualify for the state meet, finishing seventh — the best finish by any sophomore in the state. He was joined by Rob Herman to give coach Bob Smith a formidable 1-2 punch at the head of the pack.

It was an off-year for the Novi girls tennis team. The

Ladycats were 9-3 overall and 8-2 in the KVC, but had to settle for second-place in the conference after winning the championship in three of the four previous years. Rita Kang was the only returning starter from the 1988 team. The third doubles team of Bethany Vanderhoff and Dorna Kadar accounted for Novi's only KVC championship.

The Wildcat soccer team set a new school record for wins with a 12-7 mark. The Wildcats were second behind Brighton in the KVC with a 9-3 record. Dan Sitts earned All-KVC honors and set a new school single-season scoring record by kicking in 14 goals. Tony Scapaticci, Nat Scapaticci, Keith Parnley and Steve Miltzel also earned All-KVC recognition.

Novi had a new coach and a new attitude on the court in girls basketball. Chris Drogosch took over the reins of the struggling Ladycat cage program and helped the Novi five achieve a measure of respectability. After a 2-19 record in 1988, Novi was 5-15 in '89 and, more importantly, was much more competitive. Top player (and only senior on the team) was Adrienne Miskovich who averaged 10 points and 8.3 boards per game in earning first-team All-KVC honors.

The Novi golf team had its best-ever showing in the KVC, finishing in a tie for second place with a 4-2 record. Coach John Peace's golfers were led by Mike Malloy and Steve Megest.



Sophomore Brian Molloy (left) surprised everyone with a performance that led to the state meet.

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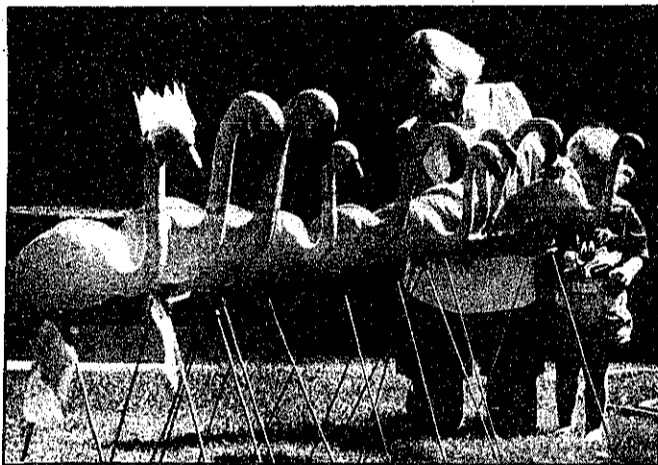
Bill Dean (right) gives his all at the Fun in the Sun watermelon seed spitting contest sponsored by the parks and recreation department.

Carrie Hillstrom and Melissa McDonald (below) have some fun in a flooded part of Meadowbrook Lake Park.



A flock of flamingos (below left) found its way to the home of Arne Rettig and her daughter Meaghan.

Justin Muldoon watches buddy Ryan Smith (below right) jump off their raft at Lake Shore Park.



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THURSDAY
December 28, 1989

History shapes today's wines

Deck the halls and fill your glasses. 'Tis the season to toast in the new decade with a flute of your favorite wine. It's also a good time to learn a few non-technical facts about the history and traditions surrounding the fruit of the vine.

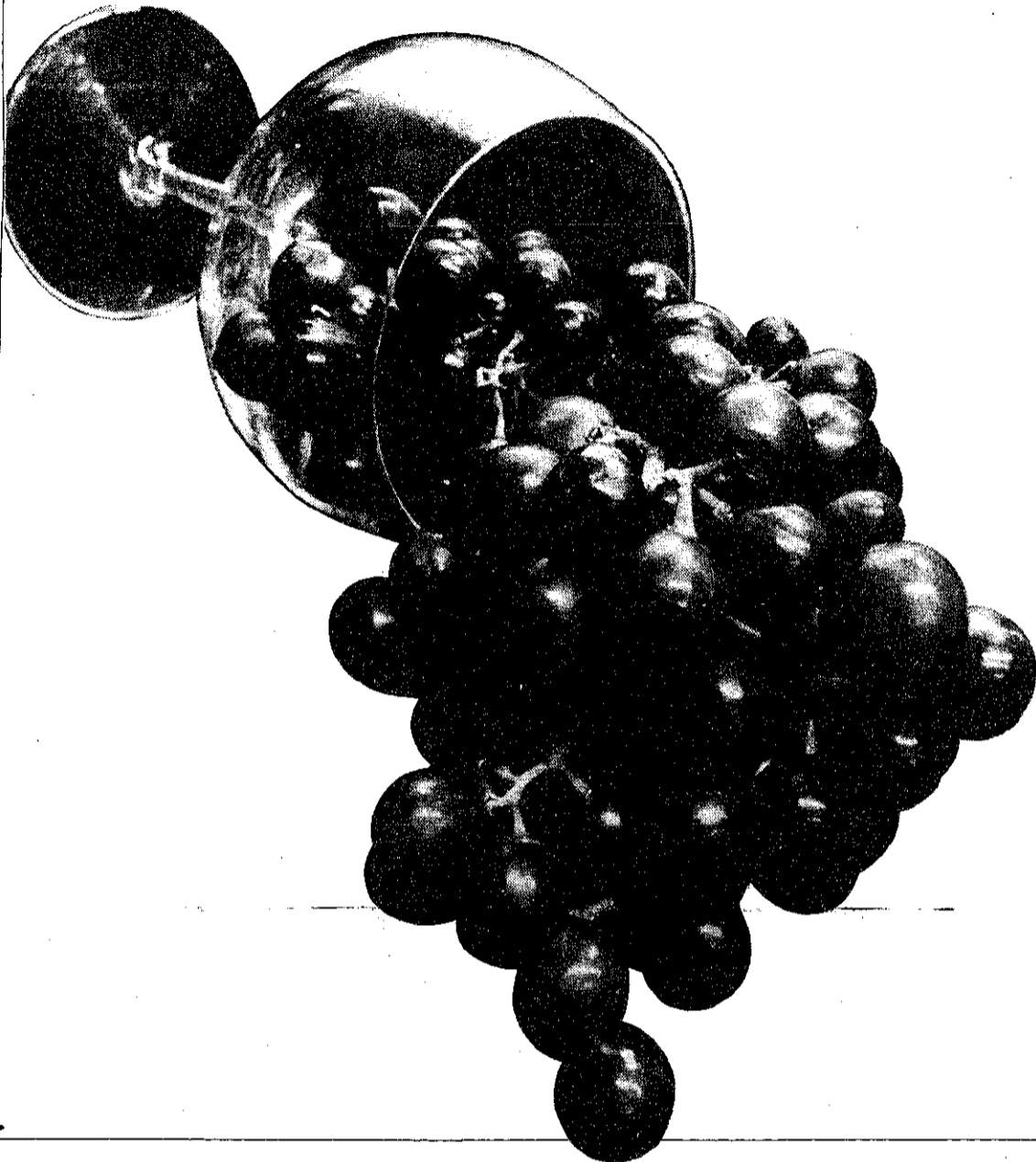
Wine was probably discovered by Adam and Eve before they were banished from the Garden. No one knows for sure. But in a perfect world, wine must have been available and possibly — even featured — in the infamous, serpent-apple-fig-leaf story. There are even some who swear Eve offered to peel grapes rather than slice an apple.

Centuries passed and man stumbled along from cave to hut to ark. First actual biblical mention of wine comes in the ninth chapter of Genesis. After the great flood, a soggy Noah gratefully grounded his ark on a mountain in what was probably Armenia. As luck would have it, grapes grow wild in this region. Accordingly, Noah set the animals free, and established a vineyard. No word on which was his best vintage.

Hieroglyphics — prove that ancient Egyptians not only relished wine but developed a thriving wine industry. Pictures of Egyptian slaves picking and stomping on grapes also show evidence of primitive arbors. Horace and Virgil mention the quality of Roman wine often enough to indicate the early development of the wine snob.

The wine industry lagged after the fall of the Roman Empire. This was undoubtedly the reason these times earned the label "Dark Ages." The Church kept the industry barely alive for sacramental purposes, and some European monasteries today are still known for their fine varieties.

During the 17th century, Dom Perignon, an enterprising Benedictine monk, discovered that cork was the perfect not-quite-airtight stopper that would allow delicate wines to age naturally without spoiling. This led



HOLIDAYS overflow with WINES

Stories by Sharon Rose • Photo by Chris Boyd

quite accidentally to his discovery of sparkling wine. When the good monk first tasted the fizzy stuff, he exclaimed, "Come quickly! I'm drinking stars!"

This is a good illustration of how seriously some people take

their wine. Since this exciting development occurred in the French county of Champagne, voila — champagne! To this day, purists believe the only real champagne originates from this region.

It is interesting to note that the

wine industry did not take root in the United States until the development of California. For a while, connoisseurs refused to acknowledge American wines as fine, but today California wines are earning prizes and awards right alongside their European

cousins.

Wine derives its hue, red, white or pink, from the color of its grape and the fermentation process. Many wines are named for the region in which they were

Expert suggests favorite wines

The shelves of The Vintage Wine Shoppe in Novi are stocked with hundreds of bottles of wine from dozens of countries with prices ranging from \$3 to well over \$100. Owner Morey Gergis can recommend a wine that will satisfy the connoisseur, a neophyte, your grandmother's cousin, or Scrooge himself.

It is interesting to note that Morey, who has tasted them all, prefers and highly recommends California wines. However his stock includes varieties from France, Greece, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Germany, Japan, Chile and Argentina. Right now, he says, South American wines are a good bargain in the U.S.

He suggests 5-liter bag-in-a-box brands for the hostess trying to save space. The heavy cardboard boxes are lined with a tough cellophane/foil bag with the wine of your choice. A faucet pops out of the side for easy serving.

The following is a greatly condensed list of Morey's suggestions for holiday enjoyment. Prices are approximate.

Champagnes:

Cordon Negro- Spain, \$7
Chandon Brut- Calif., \$15
Moet & Chandon White Star- France, \$25
Perrier Jouet- France, \$75
Dom Perignon- France, \$90

Natural Wines:

Beringer White Zinfandel- Calif., \$7
Robert Mondavi Chardonnay- Calif., \$18
Clos Du Boi Chardonnay- France, \$13
Beaulieu Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon- Calif., \$12
Sutter Home Cabernet Sauvignon- Calif., \$5
George Dubouef Beaujolais Nouveau- France, \$7

Michigan Wines:

Chateau Grand Traverse Chardonnay, \$10
Chateau Grand Traverse Johannisberg Reisling, \$12
St. Julian Champagne, \$7

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Random Sample

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"It's about time."

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

Volunteers

Local lady volunteers

By DOROTHY NASH
special writer

"I'll never remember all of this when I get there," Marian Zayti told her husband the first time she went to Historical Mill Race Village as a volunteer docent.

She was referring to all of the instructional literature she had been given. For example, "Docent Procedures" details things like "arrive 15 to 20 minutes ahead . . . put on costume . . . greet visitors . . . offer to show around . . . tell the history of the building." And the history of her chosen building — the school house — was also in the folder.

Fortunately, she did remember it all, and every year since then Zayti has been signing up for three summer Sunday afternoons at the School House between one and four.

She couldn't keep the date once this last year. So she got a substitute, and in ex-

change she substituted one time, not at the School House but at the Yerkes House. The historical background for Yerkes was also in the folder.

Then in addition to those three dates Zayti volunteered three times between April and November for groups of area school children who came with their teachers and wanted to look in at all of the buildings.

Truthfully, Marian Zayti — she hasn't said so — could tour people around Mill Race Village quite well without a script because, as she remarked, "All of the buildings are familiar to me. I was born in Northville."

As a girl she spent a lot of time in the old town library which is now the New School Church at Mill Race. And because of a girlhood friend who lived in the Hunter House when it was on Main Street, she played in it.

"This is my town," she exclaimed, and then she added that she is amazed at the enthusiasm everyone, newcomer or long-time resident, has in volunteering at Mill Race Village.

If you're not in on this, call the office at 348-1845, for information.



Marian Zayti volunteers at Mill Race Village

Child psychologist to speak at Novi Methodist

By JEANNE CLARKE special writer

John Bernardo will speak on the topic "Self-esteem: A Gift for a Lifetime" at the Novi Methodist Church on Thursday, Jan. 25, at 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend the special presentation which is sponsored by the Novi Co-Op Nursery.

A dynamic speaker, Bernardo is the father of four children. He was a child psychologist for the Detroit Public Schools and is a psychotherapist with a private practice in Birmingham.

The Novi Co-Op Nursery offers classes for three- and four-year-olds at the Novi Methodist Church under the direction of Joan Sellen. Approximately 50 students are enrolled in the school this year.

The co-op emphasizes the importance of parents in the educational process. Parents are asked to assist the teacher in the nursery several times a month.

Co-op students have had a busy holiday season. They made presents for their parents and were visited by Santa Claus.

Anyone interested in more information about the Novi Co-Op Nursery may call President Merry Kroll at 349-5842 or Membership Chairperson Sandra Betrus at 347-3509.

PERSONALS: Scott Gross, son of Jerry and Diane Gross, was awarded the Eagle Rank at a special court of honor of Novi Boy Scout Troop 54. His community service project was building benches and a bi-level terrace around the bell tower at the Novi Methodist Church on Ten Mile.

Novi Highlights

Gross, 17, has been a member of Troop 54 since the direction of Scoutmaster Norm Ross — for five years.

Carol Holmes, who has worked at the Novi Building Department for 17 years, was special guest at a retirement party hosted by co-workers and friends at the Old Orchard clubhouse last week.

Joe and Val Sprader of D'Mae Ceramics attended a surprise 70th birthday party for Ray See at Key Largo on Dec. 1. Thirty friends and relatives attended the party which was planned by Mr. See's children — Bob, Tom Jim, Lynne and Ray Jr. — and his wife, Peggy See.

The Novi Senior Citizen Club reminds all seniors that activities will resume Wednesday, Jan. 10, with the monthly pollock luncheon at noon at the Novi Civic Center.

Residents helped Olive Wenhelke celebrate her 101st birthday at a special party attended by friends and relatives.

Ongoing activities at the Care Center include bingo, exercise classes, and Bible study. There are separate men's and women's clubs, and Bernice Frederick leads a poetry-reading club named Rhythmes.

A Choir and Band Concert is scheduled for Jan. 13 at 2:30 p.m. A group of about 40 will perform under the direction of musical therapist Kelli Schiavi.

INTERACT CLUB: Matt Gowolski and Lisa McAleer are co-presidents of Novi Interact Club, the high school group sponsored by Novi Rotary.

Other 1989-90 officers are Colin O'Sullivan, vice president; Brian Kemp, treasurer; and Sandra Schaefer, secretary.

Interact members have completed several community service projects by collecting canned goods to donate to the Novi Emergency Food Program.

Novi CARE CENTER: It's been a busy month for residents of the Novi Care Center, according to Activity Director Ellen Fields and Fran Simo. Activities have included the Novi Rotary Christmas luncheon and a trip to see the holiday lights in Ypsilanti.

Numerous groups and organizations have visited the Care Center this month to entertain residents. A group from the Northville Baptist Church came to sing carols, and the Salvation Army brought gifts and a choir from the South Lyon Baptist Church presented a mini-cantata.

A group of Tiger Cubs sang carols, and additional carolers came from the Finnish Cultural Center, Village Oaks School and Orchard Hills School. The Suzuki Violin group presented a concert, and 22 J.L. Hudson employees brought gifts for a Christmas party.

The Novi Care Center's resident band performed at the Shrine of the Little Flower and was featured on Channel 2 television. Residents helped Olive Wenhelke celebrate her 101st birthday at a special party attended by friends and relatives.

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INTERACT CLUB: Matt Gowolski and Lisa McAleer are co-presidents of Novi Interact Club, the high school group sponsored by Novi Rotary.

Other 1989-90 officers are Colin O'Sullivan, vice president; Brian Kemp, treasurer; and Sandra Schaefer, secretary.

Interact members have completed several community service projects by collecting canned goods to donate to the Novi Emergency Food Program.

Novi CARE CENTER: It's been a busy month for residents of the Novi Care Center, according to Activity Director Ellen Fields and Fran Simo. Activities have included the Novi Rotary Christmas luncheon and a trip to see the holiday lights in Ypsilanti.

Numerous groups and organizations have visited the Care Center this month to entertain residents. A group from the Northville Baptist Church came to sing carols, and the Salvation Army brought gifts and a choir from the South Lyon Baptist Church presented a mini-cantata.

A group of Tiger Cubs sang carols, and additional carolers came from the Finnish Cultural Center, Village Oaks School and Orchard Hills School. The Suzuki Violin group presented a concert, and 22 J.L. Hudson employees brought gifts for a Christmas party.

The Novi Care Center's resident band performed at the Shrine of the Little Flower and was featured on Channel 2 television. Residents helped Olive Wenhelke celebrate her 101st birthday at a special party attended by friends and relatives.

program. The club also sponsored another food drive to collect canned goods for the Novi Rotary Club's Christmas baskets.

Club members assisted Rotary with the annual Christmas luncheon for senior citizens at the middle school.

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FAITH COMMUNITY: The distribution center for the Novi Emergency Food Program and welcomes donations of food and money throughout the year.

Volunteers are needed to assist with distribution of the food on the second and fourth Mondays of the month.

The Literature and Christian Faith Group will meet at the home of Sue Thomas on Jan. 6 to discuss the book, "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings."

The semi-annual book sales will be held Jan. 13 in Ann Arbor. Carpool seats are available.

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS: Anyone interested in promoting high school athletics is urged to attend the next meeting of the Novi High School Athletic Boosters at Novi High School (Room 107) on Wednesday, Jan. 3, at 7 p.m.

The group is looking for volunteers to assist with projects, including the operation of the concession booth at all home athletic events.

Anyone who can assist with the concession stand is asked to call Kathy Kasten at 349-6712.

The Boosters are still selling family passes at a price of \$35. The passes entitle members of the same family to attend all athletic events at Novi High School for the rest of the 1989-90 school year.

More information about the passes is available from Membership Chairperson Nancy Maloy at 474-6277.

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The Boosters Club raises funds to purchase equipment for high school athletic programs. In the past, the group has purchased electronic scoreboards for the baseball and softball fields, cash-corders for all athletic teams, and timing devices for track and cross-country teams.

Pin Pointers: High bowlers were Colleen Smith of the Bowling Bags (190), Cybil Mitchell of the Adventurers (189), Fran Taylor of the Hi-Los (184), Jean Pilon of Lookin' Good (183) and Shirley Downing of Lookin' Good (182).

Karen Smith of the Hi-Los (179) and Barb Detlers of the B&Ds (177 in 502 series). Standings are as follows: Never A Doubt 37 1/2 22 1/2; Eagle Beavers 37 25 23; Hi-Los 31 1/2 28 1/2; Adventurers 31 29 29; Lookin' Good 30 30 33; M&Ms 27 27 33; Century 21 W Bowling Bags 25 25 35; By A Hair 18 42 42.

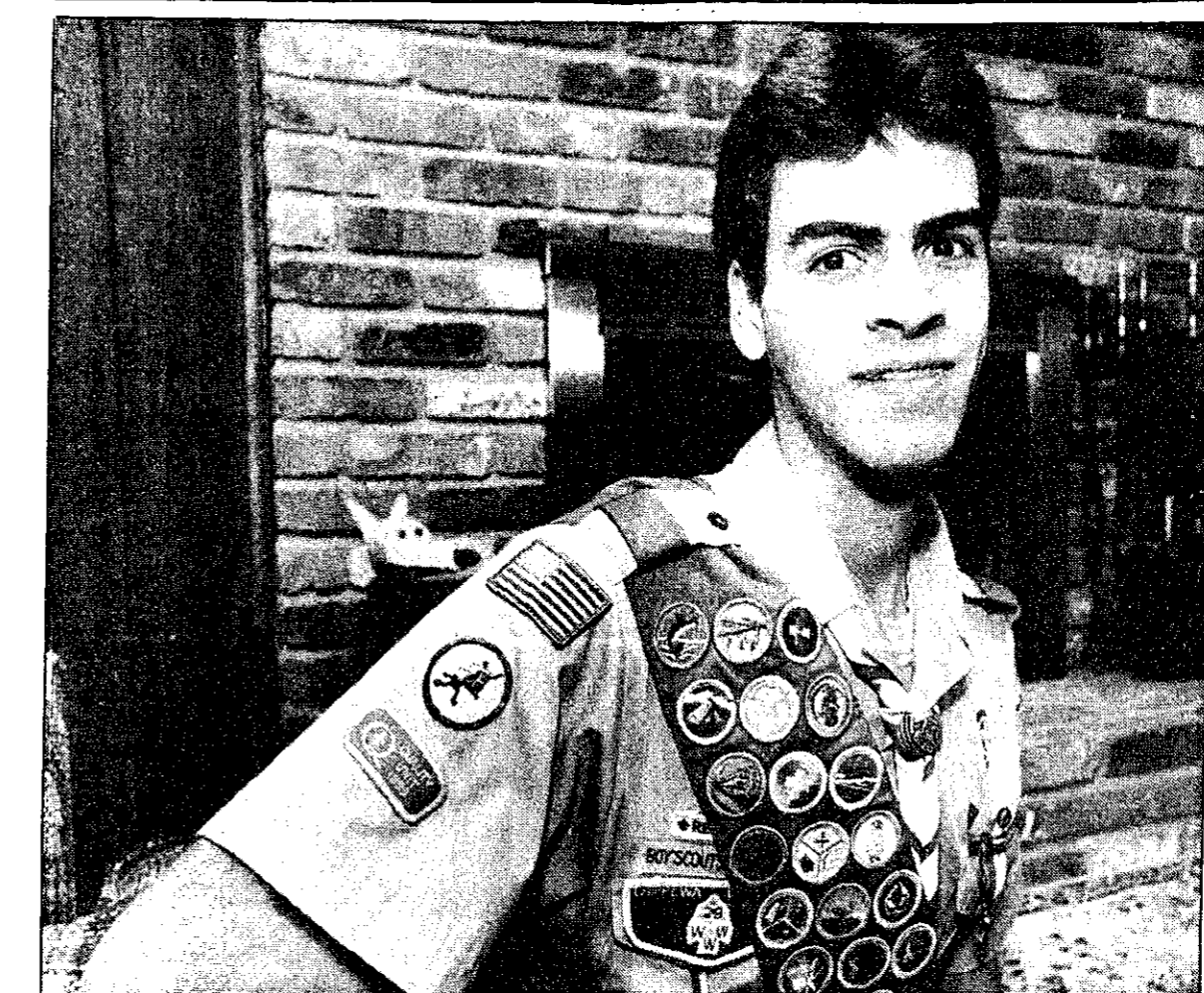
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CHURCH DIRECTORY

For information regarding rates for church listings call The Northville Record or Novi News / 349-1700

Table with 2 columns: CHURCH NAME and ADDRESS/CONTACT INFO. Includes St. Kenneth Catholic Church, New Life Christian Center, Open Door Christian Church, First Presbyterian Church of Northville, First Church of the Nazarene, Spirit of Christ Ev. Lutheran Church of Novi, Wallied Lake First Baptist Church, Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, St. John Lutheran Farmington, First Apostolic Lutheran Church, United Assembly of God, St. Paul's Lutheran Missouri Synod, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Hope Lutheran Church, First Church of Christ Scientist, First United Methodist Church of Northville, Fairlane Assembly West, Meadowbrook Congregational Church, Novi United Methodist Church, First Baptist Church, Novi, Orchard Hills Baptist Church, Faith Community United Presbyterian Church, Church of the Holy Cross Episcopal, First Baptist Church of Northville, Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Cathedral of Hope Assemblies of God, Shepherd King Chapel (L.C.M.S.), Novi Meadows School, and Worship This Sunday.



Scott Gross is the latest member of Novi Boy Scout Troop 54 to achieve the coveted Eagle Scout honors.

Gross honored as Eagle Scout

By BRENDA DOOLEY staff writer

Scott Gross received letters from President George Bush, Presidents Ronald Reagan, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter and Gov. James Blanchard — all congratulating him on his accomplishment.

Other letters followed — from Novi High School Principal Robert Youngberg and Rev. Kearney Kirby, former pastor at the First United Methodist Church of Novi.

He was asked to attend a Novi Board of Education meeting to receive recognition. And, of course, there was the beaming pride of his parents, Gerry and Diane.

They all have good reason to be proud of this Novi High School senior. Gross was recently named an Eagle Scout — the highest honor in Boy Scouting — at a Court of Honor ceremony for his involvement and commitment to Novi Troop 54.

"I felt great when the badge was pinned on," Gross said.

The Court of Honor ceremony was at the First United Methodist Church of Novi, where Gross completed his final project to earn the honor of being named Eagle Scout.

He constructed benches and a terrace around the church's bell tower, a task that involved 177 hours. He undertook the project in March and finished in May.

"I wanted to do something for my church because they're done a lot for me," Gross said. "I thought it would be nice to give something back."

A Boy Scout for five years and a Cub Scout for three years, Gross said it eventually became his goal to reach the Eagle Scout level.

"I felt I could do it," he said. "But I know it would take time."

He had good role models to follow. Scott's father also is an Eagle Scout. And Pastor Kirby, his project advisor, is an Eagle Scout as well.

When asked to offer advice to young scouts aspiring to become Eagle Scouts, Gross said: "Work hard, set goals and keep striving for them."

A piece of advice Gross, himself, has followed. He said he intends to stay active in Novi Troop 54, where he is now an instructor.

Upon graduation from Novi High School, Gross plans to attend Lawrence Technological Institute to study architecture or engineering. Currently he works at Die-Coat Corporation in Novi.

His hobbies include collecting stamps and coins and working on his truck.

Although he has achieved his goal of becoming an Eagle Scout, Gross acknowledged that it wasn't always easy. As a younger scout, he remembers times when other kids teased or hassled him because he was a Boy Scout.

"I chose scouts instead of sports and band — that's what I chose to spend my time doing," Gross said. "I'd just like to encourage others to do the same. It's worth it if you stick to it."

College sponsors poet competition

LIVONIA — Distinguished poet Alice Fulton will judge the seventh annual "Poet Hunt," a competition sponsored by Schoolcraft College and "The MacGuffin" literary magazine. The competition is open to all Michigan residents. Entrants may submit from one to five previously unpublished, original poems of 50 lines or less. There is an entrance fee of 50 cents per poem. Poems must be typed on 8 1/2 by 11-inch paper. Name, address and daytime telephone number should not be placed on the poems, but on a separate 3-by-5-inch index card. Entries should be mailed to: "Poet Hunt," Liberal Arts Building, Schoolcraft College, 462-4400 (extension 5292).

Deadline nearing for photo contest

There are just a few days left... Load the film, get out the camera and snap some photos. Better yet, dig through those piles of forgotten pictures. The deadline is nearing for entries to the 1989 Novi Photo Contest. Entry deadline is Friday, Dec. 29, at 5 p.m. This is the second year for the competition. Two divisions in the contest are adult and children 13-and-under. Contestant entries are open to any and all subject matter. Both black-and-white and color photography are acceptable. The entrant judged "Best in the Show" will receive a 35mm camera. Winners of the 13 other awards will win plaques.

Rules are available at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department office or at Dunes Camera of Twelve Oaks Mall, the contest sponsor. Those interested in entering the contest also may call the Novi Parks and Recreation office at 347-0400 for more details.

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Refresher course on holiday wines

Continued from 1... developed. This is the case with Chablis, Bordeaux, and Champagne — all regions in France. However, it is now common for other localities to "borrow" the name, as in a Spanish or California Chablis. Wines are natural or still, sparkling or bubbly, and fortified to a very strong or sweet port or sherry. A sparkling wine is bottled before its fermentation is complete, trapping some natural carbon dioxide inside. Fortified wine, such as port, is created by adding brandy during the fermentation process.

Vintage refers to the year a wine is bottled, and by inference, the climate of that growing season and quality of harvest. The exception here is with champagne. Most are a blend of several harvests, a grower declares a vintage only if the harvest is truly exceptional, and vintage champagnes are considered high quality. Not all wines age gracefully. In general, reds grow smoother and lighter as they mature, and the flavor of whites intensify with time. Another exception is the French Beaujolais Nouveau, recently popular, which should be enjoyed within three months of its November release. There is still plenty of this semi-dry wine available for holiday consumption, at reduced rates, now that the rush to taste the first issue is past.

Wine should be served in a large, clear glass. The shape isn't important unless a host is serving several different types and wishes to differentiate. In order to appreciate the fragrance or bouquet, the glass should be filled half-way, and its rim should curve inward slightly to hold the scent. Champagne is best served in a tall flute or hollow-stemmed glass so the path of its bubbles can be observed. Confused yet? The history, care, and traditions surrounding wine are complex and varied. But the enjoyment and appreciation of wine is almost universal, and largely subjective. So when selecting wine for your table or as a gift, take heart, and keep in mind that its goodness is simply defined by "the individual tongue."

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Cagers move to 4-1 after Northville win

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

When Novi and Northville meet in athletic competition, it's always intense and emotional.

But when the Mustangs travelled to Novi to meet the Wildcats on the basketball court last week (Dec. 19), emotions seemed to get the best of both teams.

Novi won the annual non-conference battle 55-41, but neither coach was particularly pleased with the way his team played — especially Northville's Omar Harrison.

"I can't figure out what happened tonight," he said. "We couldn't do anything right when we had the ball."

"We are not a very good team right now," Novi mentor Bob Shoemaker countered. "We haven't been playing the way you'd expect a team with a 4-1 record to play. We can be good in spurts, but never for an entire half."

It was a sloppy, turnover-filled contest. The Cats grabbed the early lead thanks to the shooting of Mark Fisher and Chris Weldon, who combined for 28 first-half points.

But in the second half, the Mustangs turned up their defensive intensity and got back into the game, cutting a 21-point Wildcat lead down to seven. Northville scored 14 unanswered points during one span as Novi went stone cold from the field — before Fisher came to the rescue down the stretch. He scored six points in the final 2:30 of the game to lift the Wildcats past the limping Mustangs by 14 points.

"It's really a mystery why we came out and played so poorly," Harrison said. "We played better defense in the second half but we never did get anything going on offense."

Novi shot nearly 60 percent from the field in the game, including 76 percent in the first half. Northville managed to hit just 31 percent from the floor.

It was the final contest of the pre-holiday schedule for both teams. At 4-1 (1-1 in the KVC) Shoemaker's team is already more than halfway toward last season's victory total

(seven). Northville, on the other hand, dropped to 2-2 overall and will start the new year with three straight road games.

The Wildcats burned the Mustangs with a series of back cuts and easy layups in the first quarter. Novi scored the game's first five points and never trailed. Two straight buckets by Fisher at the three-minute mark put the Cats ahead 13-5, but Mustang senior Paul Grant came off the bench and scored four quick points to narrow the gap to 17-11. The quarter ended 21-13 when Novi's Bryan Jacobs hit a shot at the buzzer.

Northville crawled to within five in the second period after a steal, driving lay-up and foul shot by Joe Kaley, but Fisher and Weldon responded with a series of baseline jumpers — five in all — as the Novi lead ballooned to 32-21. When Fisher put down a two-handed slam dunk with 30 seconds left on a breakaway, the Mustangs found themselves down 39-22 at the intermission.

Fisher went into the locker room with a game-high 18 points.

"I was not excited about the big lead at halftime because I knew (Northville) would come back on us," Shoemaker said. "They were much more physical in the second half. Those kids really came after us and I give them a lot of credit."

The Cats scored the first four points of the second half, but then didn't score again for the rest of the quarter. It was 43-29 heading into the final stanza, and when Kaley hit a three pointer and center Scott Meredith added back-to-back buckets, the big lead was whittled down to seven, at 43-36, with 8:48 remaining.

During the seven-minute scoring drought, Fisher went 0-for-6 from the field, but he came to life in the waning minutes. A put-back by Fisher off a miss by Weldon made it 46-36 and an offensive rebound and score off a missed free throw by Aaron Federspiel increased the lead to 12. When Kaley hit a three-pointer with 30 seconds left, it was too late.

"I never felt we were never in jeopardy of losing it," Shoemaker commented. "We had the chance to blow them out in the third quarter

and we didn't. But that's the mark of an inexperienced team."

Fisher led all scorers with 24 points, while Weldon hit for 13. Swingman Jeff Schram got in early foul trouble and ended the game without a point.

Kaley connected on a pair of three-pointers, tallied 12 points and shared scoring honors with Meredith. Forward Mike Lang added nine points but Northville's backcourt duo — Bill Kelley and Ryan Huzjak — combined for just one point.

"It was a bad game all-around, but it's not the end of the world," Harrison said. "We'll learn from it and we'll be back."

BIG GAME? Novi's Bob Shoemaker has only coached the Wildcats for five games, but he is already learning the importance of the Novi-Northville rivalry.

"They tell me this is a big game for us," he said prior to the contest.

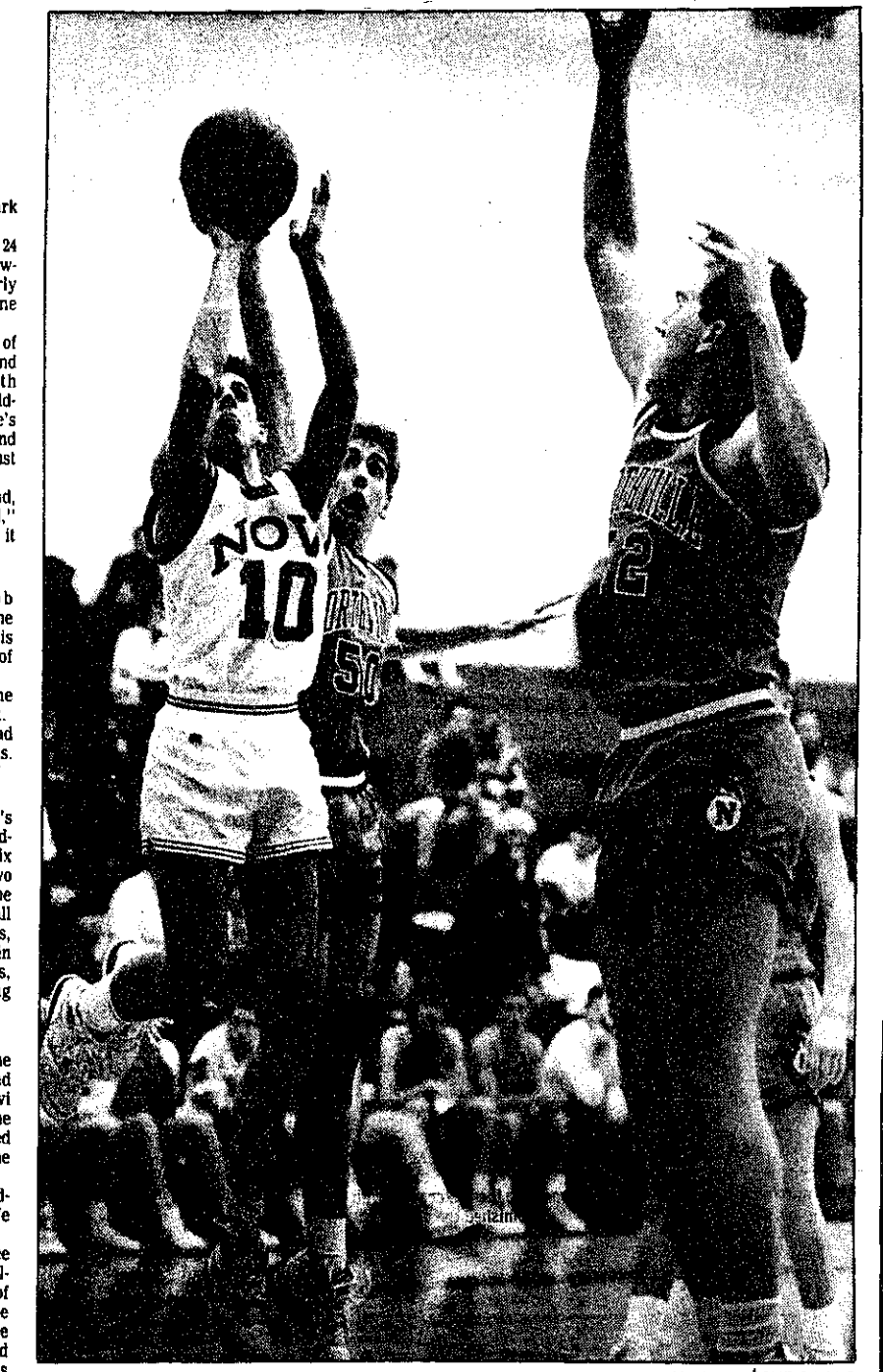
"It wasn't pretty, but we're glad to get the win," he said afterwards. "The kids really wanted this one."

ENDING THE STREAK: Novi's basketball win over Northville ended a streak of sorts. In the six previous meetings between the two schools in a variety of sports, the Mustangs had come out on top in all of them. The Northville victories, dating back to September, came in boys soccer, football, girls tennis, girls basketball, girls swimming and girls volleyball.

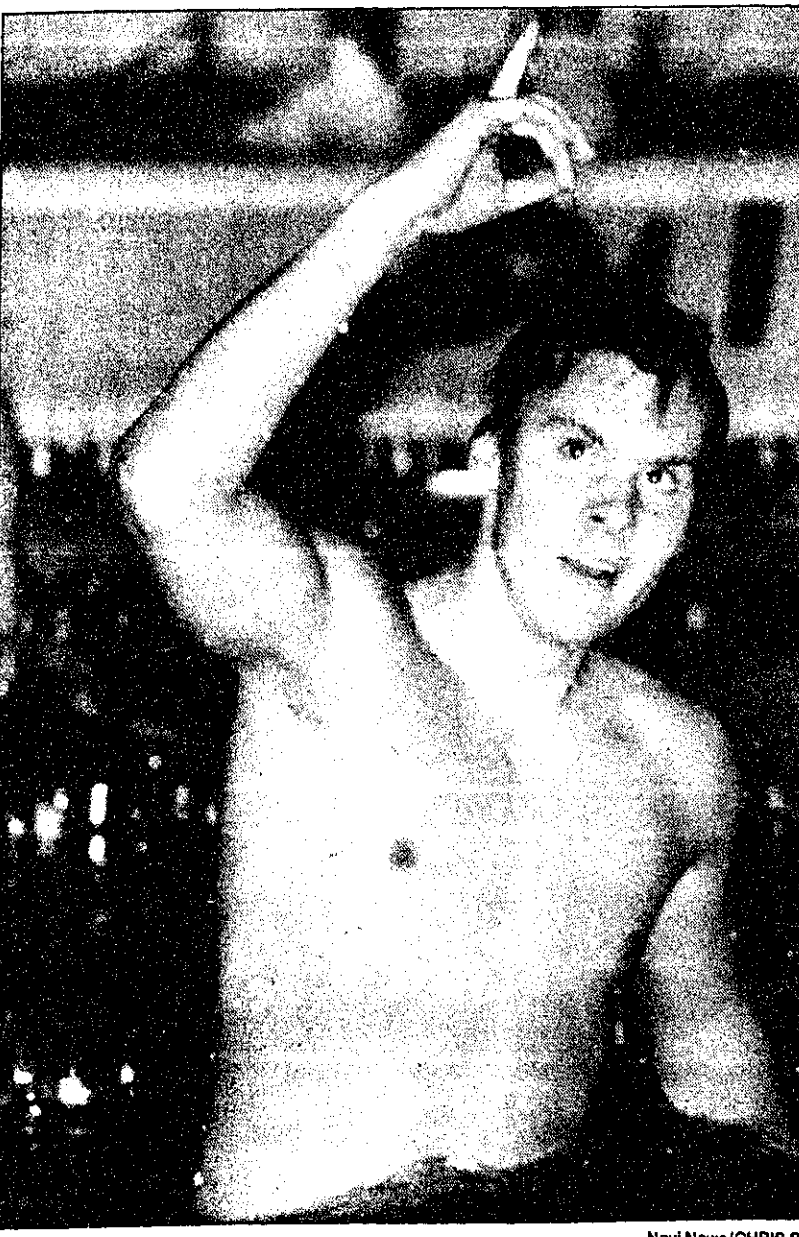
CHEERING SECTIONS: When the Wildcats secured a 14-point lead with a minute remaining, the Novi student section began singing the 'Goodbye Song,' the often-used taunt from the winning side to the losing side.

The Northville students responded with a chant of their own, "We Got The Jug." "We Got The Jug."

That was, of course, a reference to the 'Baseline Jug' — the travelling trophy awarded to the winner of the Novi-Northville football game by The Novi News and Northville Record. The Mustangs have had possession of "The Jug" since it was first presented to the winning squad after the 1988 clash.



Novi guard Bryan Jacobs (10) slices between two Northville defenders and gets off a shot



Dan Sveller looks in all smiles when he finds out he won the 200 IM against Walled Lake Western



Sveller in action during the butterfly leg of the 200 IM

Tankers dunk Union; extend winning streak

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

As the end of the pre-holiday portion of the season is here, the Novi swimmers are actually in better position now than they were a year ago at this time.

It's quite an amazing feat when you consider that the Wildcats are without All-American Jon Cohen — who graduated and is now at Michigan State — and All-Stater Rudy Speerscheider, who is recovering from a bout with mononucleosis.

Novi wrapped up a perfect 3-0 dual meet record on Dec. 19 by clobbering Redford Union 110-63. Add to that a first-place finish in the 13-team Eastern Michigan Invitational, and the Cats have started the season in impressive fashion.

"We had some nice swims, but the kids really didn't get up for the meet too much," Novi Coach Mark Winter said. "It wasn't a big emotional week for us, probably because we knew we'd be able to win easily."

Winter gave a few regulars the night off, including Jamie May. Others, like Steve Strausberg and Ryan Devereaux, were used sparingly, but the Wildcats still managed to take nine firsts out of 11 events against the Panthers.

Steve Cohen, Dan Sveller and Mark Chirgwin led the way with two individual firsts apiece. Cohen won the 500-yard freestyle (5:02.4) and the 100 breaststroke (1:36.2). Sveller grabbed firsts in the 100 backstroke (1:05.1) and the 200 IM (2:14.3), and Chirgwin took that a first-place finish in the 13-team Eastern Michigan Invitational, and the Cats have started the season in impressive fashion.

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The runner-up finishes came from Jon Mutch in both the 200 freestyle (2:01.5) and the 100 butterfly (1:02.8). Leahy in the 200 IM (2:18.7) and Derek Speerscheider in the 500 freestyle (5:09.2).

The thirds included Dennis Suchyia in the 100 freestyle (58.5), Mike Speerscheider in the 500 freestyle (5:37.8), Chris Foreback in the 100 backstroke (1:08.2) and Marc Boltho in the 100 breaststroke (1:13.5).

The Wildcats will return to action against Plymouth Salem in a home dual meet on Jan. 4. Rudy Speerscheider has returned to school and is improving daily.

"We're hoping to see Rudy back in the water by the New Year," Winter said. "We're hoping we can get him back in the line-up by mid-January."

Scoreboard

5-0 Milford rips WLW

Red-hot shooting by the Milford boys' basketball team produced an 88-51 victory over Walled Lake Western last Tuesday night at Milford High School.

The Redskins, now 5-0, converted 36-of-42 field goal attempts en route to a season-high point total and shooting percentage (.851). The effort included 30-of-48 accuracy (.625) during the first three quarters.

The locals led 22-9 after one quarter, 49-17 at halftime and 71-29 entering the final stanza.

"We shot well, and Western had problems with our press," Milford coach Don Palmer said. "They have some decent athletes over there, but the press killed them. We were able to get a lot of easy shots."

Scott Armstrong led the winners with 19 points, while teammates Greg Petra and Brandon Phillips scored 16 and 13 respectively.

Basketball

KVC STANDINGS

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Milford	10
Brighton	10
Novi	11
Howell	11
Hartland	11
South Lyon	11
Armsong	11
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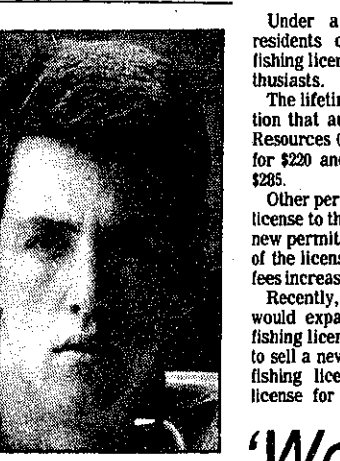
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Wildcats of the Week Lifetime licenses now on sale



STEVE COHEN



CHRIS WELDON

The Novi swimmers are off to a great start and senior Steve Cohen is one of the main reasons. A prime example of his contributions came Dec. 19, when the Wildcats clobbered Redford Union 110-63. Cohen was instrumental in three Novi victories that day, and we think "Wildcat of the Week" honors are appropriate. Cohen won both the 500-yard freestyle (5:02.4) and the 100 breaststroke (1:36.2), and also teamed with Derek Speerscheider, Steve Strausberg and Ryan Devereaux to win the 200 medley relay (1:49.9). Novi is a perfect 3-0 so far this season.

The unsung hero of Novi's 55-41 basketball victory over Northville was senior guard Chris Weldon. Often overshadowed by Mark Fisher, Weldon put in a fine effort to earn "Wildcat of the Week" honors. In the first half, Weldon and Fisher combined to score 28 points to give the Cats a 39-22 halftime advantage. Down the stretch in the second quarter, Weldon connected on three straight baseline jump shots from the 19-12 foot range, and went into the locker room with 10 points. He finished the game with 12 and is currently averaging 9.4 points a outing.

The second Women In Sports Leadership Conference, sponsored by the Michigan High School Athletic

Association, will take place at the Sheraton Lansing Hotel on Jan. 28-29, 1990. The conference will focus on what it takes to aspire into a role model that others can look up to; how to make avocations and vocations work together; and how to get that break that gets one started up the ladder of sports administration.

There was a lot of good information provided but that it was really the beginning point of what could happen in the future.

For additional information about the 1990 conference, contact the MHSAA at 1019 Trowbridge Road, East Lansing, MI 48825, or call (517) 332-5046.

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Rec Briefs

Cross-country ski clinics: Novi residents can learn the basics of cross-country skiing at two clinics offered in January by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. Instructor Frank Smith will teach the sessions at Maybury State Park in Northville on Saturday, Jan. 13, and Saturday, Jan. 27. Both sessions run from 9 to 10:30 a.m. There's a fee of \$10 per person (\$13 with ski rental) and class size is limited to 15 skiers. A state park daily or season pass will be required to enter Maybury State Park. Registration deadline is 24 hours before the class begins. Call Novi Parks and Rec at 347-0400 for more information.

Sno-Ball Tourney: The 1990 Chilly Willy Sno-Ball Tournament will be held Jan. 12 at Power Park in Novi. The entry fee of \$75 per team includes softballs, umpire fees and awards. It will be a double-elimination tournament with a maximum of eight teams. Entry deadline is Jan. 5, 1990. Call Dave Peterson at 347-0400 for more information.

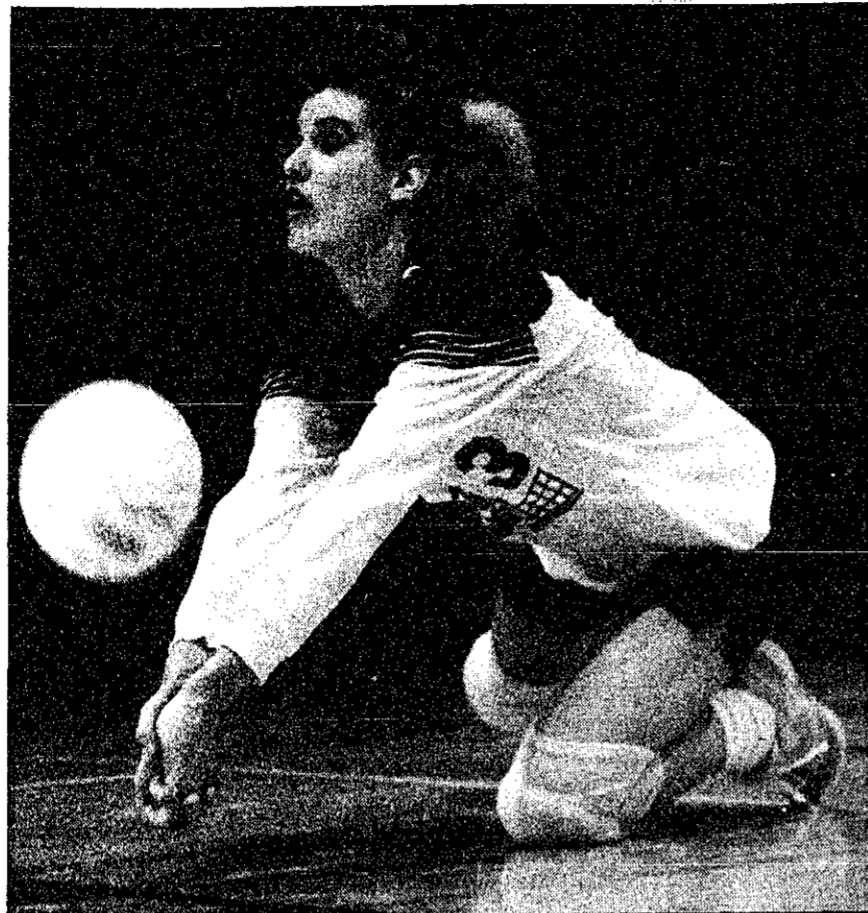
Adult volleyball league: The second season of Novi Parks and Recreation Department adult volleyball leagues will begin in early January. Existing teams from the fall league will be given first priority. Co-ed volleyball is offered Mondays and Thursdays; men's volleyball is offered on Wednesday. League registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 29 (or at 12 teams per league). A mandatory managers meeting will be held Thursday, Jan. 4, at 6:30 p.m. and the season begins the week of Jan. 8. Call Novi Parks and Rec at 347-0400 for details.

7-8th grade basketball: Seventh and eighth grade basketball players have the option to keep their skills sharp by participating in this league. Separate divisions for boys and girls are planned if there's sufficient enrollment. The fee of \$21 per player includes a T-shirt. Registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 29. Call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 for information or to register.

AAU tryouts: The Western Wayne Wildcats — an AAU girls' basketball program — is urging all interested girls, under 18 years of age to try out for one of five age group teams. The under-18 squad will start practice on Jan. 7 from noon to 2 p.m. in the Northville High School gymnasium. The under-16 and under-15 teams will practice from 2-4 p.m. The under-13 and under-11 teams will begin workouts on Feb. 4 from noon to 2 p.m. at Northville High. The coaches involved in the program include Northville's Ed Krlich, Plymouth Salem's Fred Thomann, Plymouth Canton's Bob Blohm, South Lyon's Ron Shanks and Farmington Mercy's Larry Baker. For more information call 349-4524.

Ladycat spikers fall to Mustangs

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer



Wildcat hitter Stephanie Toisdorf goes to her knees to successfully dig a ball against Northville

It was Northville's season opener and Novi's fourth match of the campaign, but the final outcome in this non-conference volleyball clash on Dec. 18 gave the impression that the roles had been reversed.

It was the Mustangs — not the Wildcats — who played like the experienced, veteran team in a 15-6, 15-10 triumph. "I thought we played decently," Northville Coach Paul Osborn said. "We're still rough around the edges in several areas, so we still have a lot of work to do."

Down 1-0, the Mustangs rallied to score 11 of the next 12 points to take command 11-2 at the end of the first rotation of game one. Each team scored four points the rest of the way. "I don't think we played nearly as well as we did in our win against Hartland," Novi Coach Amy Rademacher said. "We gave (Northville) too many free balls over the net and it gave them the chance to really set up their offense."

The second game was closer, but Osborn brought in four new players into the line-up, and that was probably a factor. The Mustangs built a 9-6 lead after the first rotation and then closed it out point-by-point.

"I played a lot of kids because we have a lot of depth," Osborn said. "I wanted to use all the girls and try to determine which ones will be starting for me this season."

As a team, Northville hit at a 92 percent clip and served at 78 percent, but the passing percentage was down to .720 — which is considerably lower than Osborn would like to see it. The most impressive thing about the match was the 17 Mustang kills.

"We had more kills against Novi than we've had in any one match in the last couple seasons," Osborn reported. "To have 17 kills in two games is very good. We were pounding the ball and Novi couldn't block them."

The 'Cats were led by Heather Spindler, who scored six points off her service. Stephanie Toisdorf (seven hits, four points) and Jennifer Forwald (seven hits, 12-for-13 serves) were also key contributors. As a team, Novi (22 overall, 1-1 in the KVC) connected on just 75 percent from the service line.

"We didn't seem to be as excited about trying to beat Northville as we did about Hartland," Rademacher said. "I'm sure our lack of emotion hurt us." Both teams are now off for a couple weeks due to the holiday break. Northville will get back into action on Jan. 6 at the Walled Lake Invitational. Novi will start off 1990 against Howell on Jan. 4. "We have the depth and it's going to take some time for me to find the right combinations," Osborn said. "That's my biggest challenge right now as a coach."

Illnesses slow down Wildcat grapplers

The same flu problem that hit the South Lyon wrestlers earlier this month made its way down Ten Mile to Novi last week.

The Lions lost nearly 20 grapplers to illness for the Oakland County Meet.

"The 'Cats weren't hit quite as hard when they travelled to Farmington Hills for a dual meet on Dec. 19, but it was a key factor in North Farmington's 36-27 victory."

Novi Coach Tom Fritz was forced to replace starters in five weight classes with junior varsity wrestlers, and the drop-off in talent made a big difference.

"I don't want to make any excuses — we got beat," Fritz said. "It's the same old story, we got pinned and we didn't get pins."

Novi registered wins in just five of the 13 bouts, but the final tally was a little deceiving.

"(The scores) was a little deceptive," reported Fritz. "When it became obvious that we couldn't win it, I put in a lot of youngsters who aren't regulars in our line-up."

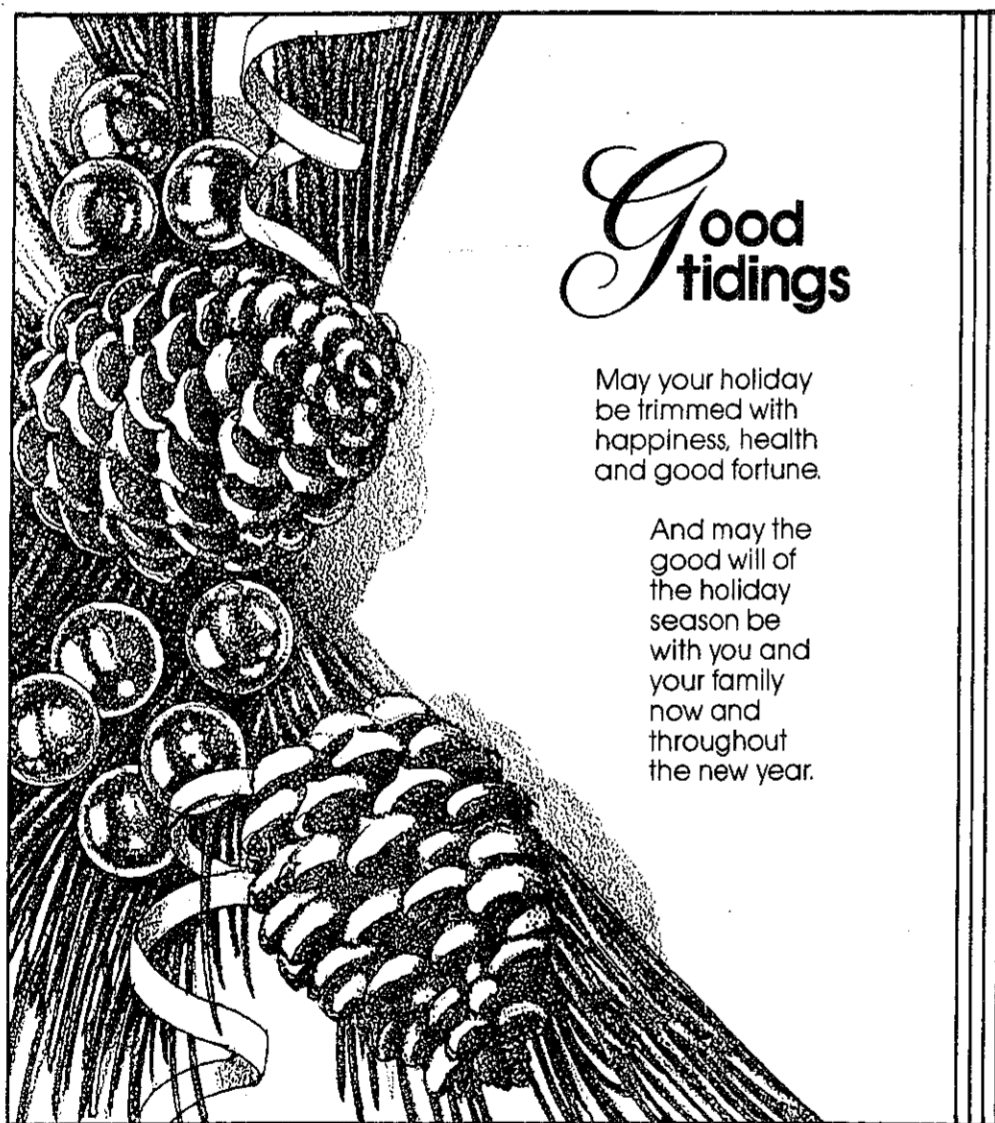
At heavyweight, for example, the Raiders were planning to forfeit to undefeated Novi star Bob Ahrens. So Fritz put in sophomore Joe Young instead, to give the youngster some varsity experience. He responded by decisioning Bob Chikg 6-4.

The remaining four Wildcat wins were pins. Brian Paquette needed only 53 seconds to dispose of Jeremy Moy at 112, Mike Borashko stopped Jpe Melazio in 1:30 at 130 pounds, Jeff O'Neill dumped Rob Jamroj in 3:34 at 171 and Eric Mathis pinned Steve Psilonoulos in 1:30.

"We had three freshman and five JV-ers in our line-up because of the flu," Fritz said. "It's the same thing that hit South Lyon, but I guess if it had to happen, this was a good time of the season."

"The 'Cats (0-1 overall) won't get back into action until Jan. 6 when they participated in the Plymouth Salem Invitational."

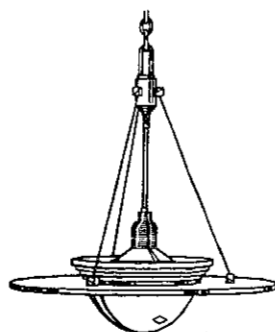
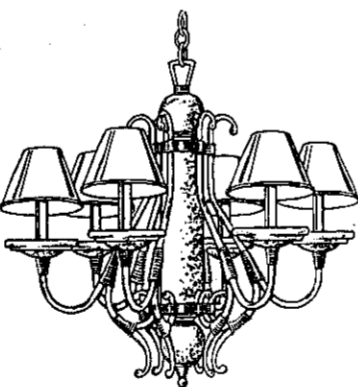
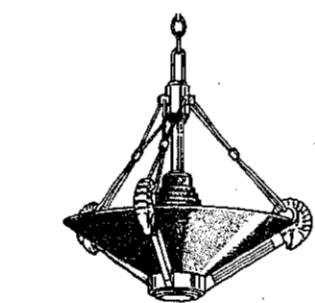
"The bigger the tournament, the better we'll be," Fritz said. "We are still a year away as far as how good we can be in dual meets. But with everyone healthy and down to weight, we will be competitive with anyone. Whether we can win or not depends on how many pins we get and how many times we get pinned."



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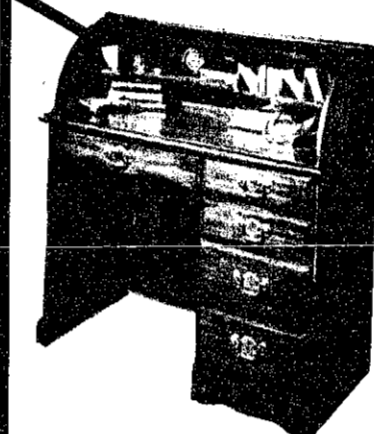
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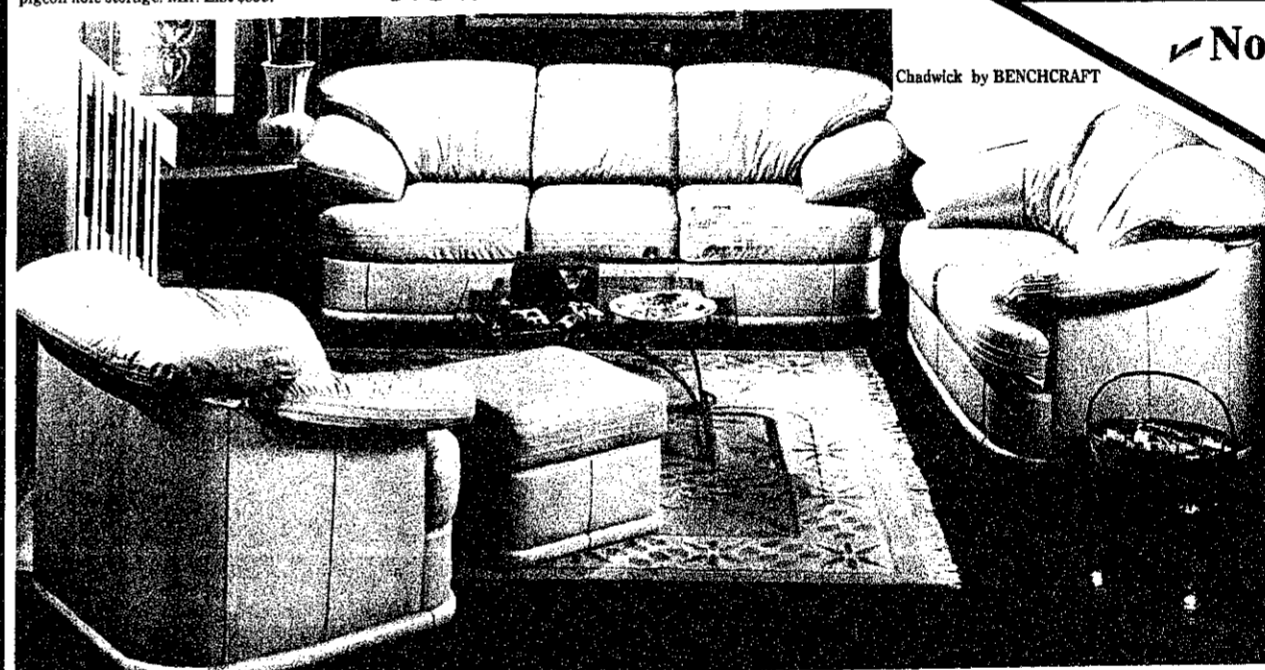


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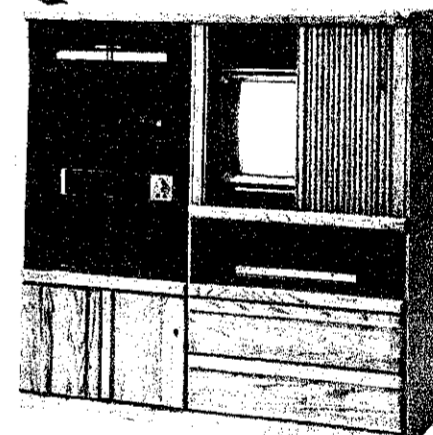
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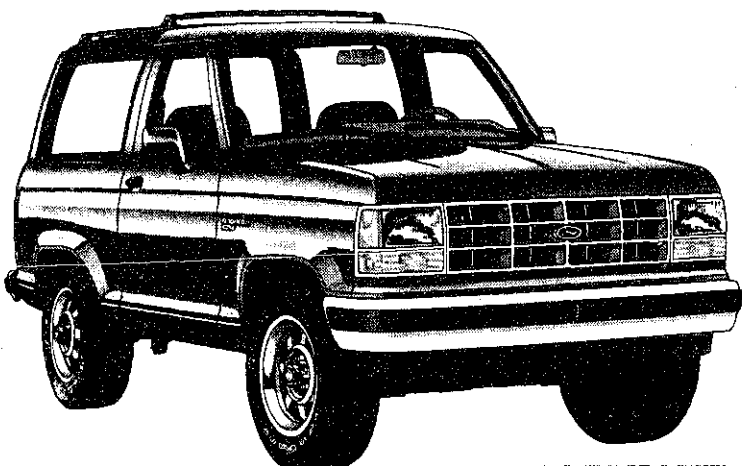
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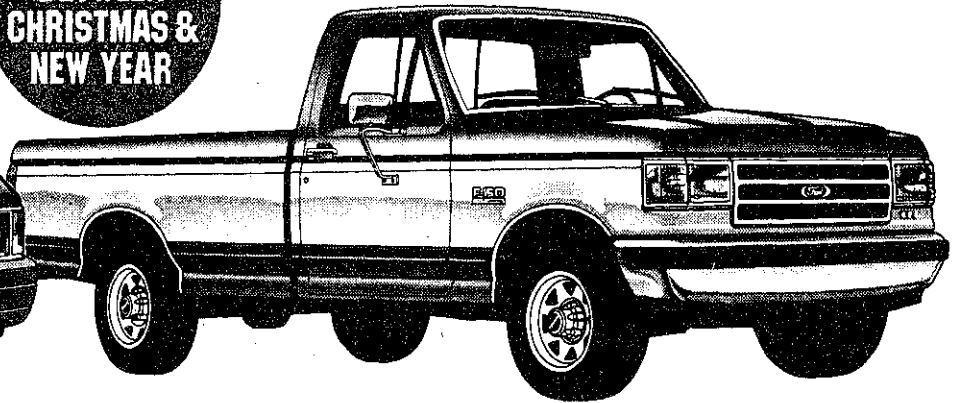
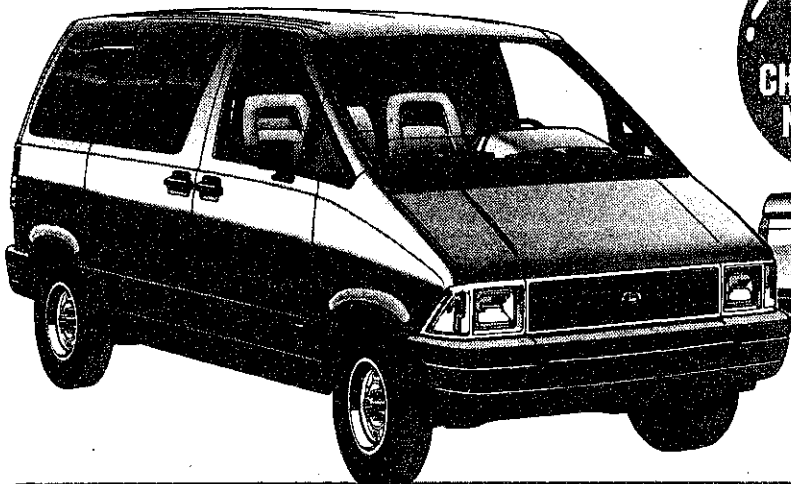


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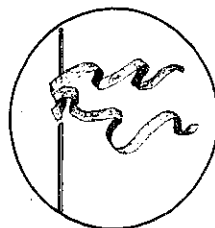
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