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Big splash

No, this is not a big bowl of Cheerios. It's actually the giant wave pool at Red Oaks. The Novi Teen Center recently took a field trip to the wonderful world of water and so did a few other people, above. At right, Megan Barton, 12, of Novi, fights off the waves with the aid of an inner tube.

Tax picture outlined for citizens

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

If Novi residents are concerned about their property taxes, you wouldn't have known it by the turnout at a special meeting on July 11.

Only about a dozen residents showed up for a detailed explanation of the city's assessing process, the millage and the 1990-91 budget. The discussion, led by City Manager Edward Kriewall, City Assessor James Klausmeyer and Finance Director Les Gibson, was sparked June 4 by a delegation of citizens who asked the city council to roll back the millage to last year's levels, as advocated by council members Tim Pope, Nancy Cassis and Joseph Toth.

Those present agreed with Kriewall that the next step is a meeting for Novi residents with State Sen. Jack Faxon (D, Farmington Hills) and State Rep. Willis Bullard (R, Milford).

"If you want to change the whole taxing picture, you have to bring some of these people down and start yelling at them," said Kriewall. "City to city, local governments are running responsibly. When you start getting to



EDWARD KRIEWALL

the county and state level, that's another thing."

Village Oaks resident Oliver Hayman, who has protested the increase in local taxes, praised the administration for its explanation of the city finances.

"The issue however is not with the administration of the budget," he said. "The issue is with the council. They're the elected officials and they determine where the money is spent. This issue was not addressed and could not be addressed because the council members weren't here."

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Haggerty held over to spring

By SHEILA PHILLIPS
Staff Writer

Wetland mitigation issues will delay the Haggerty Road Connector project at least two months, pushing construction plans into the spring of 1991, according to state highway officials.

Originally Michigan Department of Transportation officials hoped to finish its environmental impact statement by Oct. 1 in order to begin interchange work on the highway project this fall. But because of problems in MDOT's mitigation plan, this preliminary work is now delayed until spring.

The Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA), the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and other related agencies found potential holes in MDOT's wetland mitigation plan earlier this month and are mandating additional site testing as well as alternate mitigation sites.

"When we did the field review, the (environmental groups) found some problems with the sites we had chosen and want us to look at new sites and do more soil tests," said MDOT Planner Hank Lotoszinski.

The EPA is also attempting to convince MDOT to create 1.5

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A trip to Camp Oakland is a treat for a lot of kids and John Putgutierrez, 10, of Novi, above, was no exception. For more on the camp see page 2A.

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News Briefs

Planning Commission

spot: Mayor Matthew Quinn is expected to make recommendations to the City Council on three planning commission posts at tonight's (July 16) meeting.

Incumbents Kathleen McLallen and John Balagna are expected to fill two of the three spots. However, Commissioner Gary Phillips is not seeking another term, prompting at least one new face on the commission.

Vying for that spot are Eric Schaefer, Dean Unick, Laura Lorenzo and Ed Phelps.

Grassroots initiative: Residents of the 590-unit Country Place condominium complex on Eight Mile Road recently decided to start their own newspaper recycling program.

"It was to get people introduced to the idea of recycling. . . We do want to support recycling," said Helen Seward, chair of the condo association's new committee in charge of the procedure.

As a trial, two dumpsters have been placed in their clubhouse parking lot. Condo residents have been concerned that if mandatory curbside recycling comes to Novi, the layout of the complex would make this problematical.

"We decided to see what we could do," Seward said.

So far, the dumpsters seem to be filling up, she added. The Country Place association pays their regular trash hauler \$50 a trip to empty the newspaper dumpsters.

Still counting: Although Census Day, April 1, has passed, the Census Bureau has initiated a follow-up procedure to ensure an accurate and complete count called the "Were you Counted?" campaign. This campaign marks the last opportunity for households and individuals missed in the count to participate in the census. The bureau will make available a one-page, abbreviated census form. Anyone missed in the census should complete and return the shortened questionnaire to the address indicated on the form. Call toll-free to answer the census: 1-800-999-1990; or for the hearing impaired, 1-800-777-0978.

Parade winners: The results of the 1990 Northville Jaycees Fourth of July Parade Contest are in. Winners in the float category were: first place — Northville players; second place — Northville Swim Club; third place — Northville Radio Controlled Airplane Club. In the band category: first place — Michigan Scottish Pipes and Drums; second place —

Order of the Alhambra Band. In the Senior Marching Groups category: first place — Northville VFW Post 4012 Honor Guard; second place — 14th Tennessee Infantry; third place — Farmington Elks Motorized Drill Team. In the junior marching groups category: first place — Northville Soccer Association; second place — Spiriters Baton and Cheerleading Squad; third place — Derek's Dynamos Baton Corps. In the animal entries category: first place — Four Seasons 4-H Horse Club; second place — Blue Ribbon groomers; third place — Maybury State Park. In the special entries category: First place — "The Roamers" Clowns of America; second place — Ford Retractable Club; third place — Order of the Alhambra Clowns.

This year's judges were Rose Zobl, Marcia Cooper, Mrs. Cummings, Bill Krueger, Sue Rodocker and Cheri Nelson.

Discount trips: Discount tickets for major amusement destinations such as Sea World, Cedar Point, Bob-Lo Island, the Michigan State Fair, Geuga Lake and the Detroit Zoo are available through the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. Residents will generally be able to realize savings of several dollars per

ticket. For information, call 347-0400.

History gift: The Novi Historical Commission is accepting donations of artifacts for the city museum planned for the old Novi Township Hall.

The commission is seeking belongings of pre-1900 Novi residents, including photographs, farming and household implements, diaries and letters, as well as items documenting pre-1950 village, township and city governments and local events. This would include memorabilia of the Walled Lake Amusement Park and Casino and anything related to the REO Speedwagon fire truck, including service manuals and equipment.

In addition, the commission is also interested in talking to people who lived in Novi prior to 1950, to collect local oral histories. Contact Kathy Mutch at 349-6774.

Notepaper: The Novi Historical Society has notepaper for sale at the Novi Public Library and the Novi City Manager's Office. Each package contains 12 note cards, three each of four subjects. Price is \$3, including envelopes.

Sports Briefs

Great Lakes Junior Masters:

Shawn Koch — the son of Brooklane golf professional John Koch — also won his age division at the seventh annual Great Lakes Juniors Masters Golf Tournament at Northville's Meadowbrook Country Club between July 9-11.

Koch shot a 90-82-82 — 254 in the 54-hole event to take the honors in the boys 11-13 division. Here are the top two finishers in each division:

Boys 16-17: 1. Derek Robinson (Jackson), 72-82-77 — 231; 2. Brent Idalski (Alpena), 75-80-78 — 233.

Girls 15-17: 1. Patricia White (Bloomfield Hills), 84-86-84 — 254; 2. Holly Alcaide (Chicago), 86-89-83 — 268.

Boys 14-15: 1. Jason Buha (Farmington), 77-74-83; 2. Douglas LaBelle (Mount Pleasant), 83-77-75 — 235.

Boys 11-13: 1. Shawn Koch (Northville), 90-82-82 — 254; 2. Jayson Buchmann (Clarkston), 85-93-88 — 266.

Girls 11-13: 1. Gina Kiel (Mount Pleasant), 90-90-87 — 273; 2. Nichole Ruddy (Bloomfield Hills), 124-101-109 — 334.

MONDAY EDUCATION

Camp Oakland brightens up kids' summer

By FRANK EICHENLAUB
Staff Writer

Asaah, summer camp! Remember those days? The hours were filled with hiking, canoeing, swimming, arts and crafts, storytelling and recycling.

Well, live out of six ain't bad. This recycling aberration hails out of Camp Oakland's Adventure Center, and is successful midway through its second session, campers report.

Recycle Woman, wearing a cape and a large K on her chest, greets the children as they arrive to camp and encourages them to conserve the environment in several ways.

By reducing the poundage of food wasted daily as well as flattening emptied cans and boxes, the children are told they can make more room for Recycle Woman to live in.

"I think it was neat," said April Grimm, 9, "but almost 10." Grimm, who lives in Novi, said she learned to smash cans and recycle paper to conserve the environment.

"It's bad enough that we already have a hole in the ozone layer," said Grimm, noting that she no longer uses pump hair spray.

After leaping from a trash can filled with empty cans and paper products, Recycle Woman tells the campers that she is crowded for space because

"A lot of them have never set foot into a lake. Camp helps them in a positive way."

John Carlson
Asst. Dir.,
Camp Oakland

of excessive trash surrounding her. The children also hear talks on weather, insects, wildlife and wild birds of prey from several experts.

John Jutierrez, an 11-year-old from Novi said he liked the program "pretty good" and it taught him "to save the Earth."

Another interesting aspect of the camp is that the children are referred by Oakland County Youth Assistance and are considered economically disadvantaged or youth at risk. There is no charge to the families.

"They come from homes where they don't get to go to camp," said John Carlson, assistant director of Camp Oakland. "A lot of them have never set foot into a lake. Camp helps them in a positive way."

Grimm explained that she is a camping veteran with the Girl Scouts, but enjoys Camp Oakland more.



April Grimm (top left), 9, of Novi learns about recycling with campers at Camp Oakland

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

"I've had a little more fun here — except last night I couldn't get to sleep because I got scared easy," said Grimm, explaining that she was frightened by a storytelling session.

Private donations and Oakland County Youth Assistance help fund Camp Oakland, which is a private, non-profit corporation.

"Basically, we're just here to meet their needs and teach them beyond that self esteem and respect for others," Carlson said. "This summer is going awesome."

He had to run around in the pouring rain to get to the latrine's.

Grimm said the special nights — Halloween and Valentine's so far — were her favorite experiences.

But she also said, "I didn't really want to go here because my last camping experience wasn't very

good. I had to run around in the pouring rain to get to the latrine's. And watch out for the water. Grimm cautioned, "When you come out of the water you might smell like dead fish. But you can wash your clothes and take showers, too."

Asaah, summer camp!

Doc Doyle

Placement stats vital when picking a college

My son is going into his senior year in high school in the fall and not sure which college to apply to. He is interested in getting a degree in business. He has received information from several colleges and, of course, they all say good things about their business program. Is there any specific criteria he should use in selecting a college for a degree in business?

Yes. The most crucial information before enrolling into any institution is their placement record.

I am not referring to college catalog generalities such as "We work closely with major businesses who visit our campus every spring and interview business degree graduates for positions in their business world." That means nothing.

Find out from the college or university the percent of their business graduates who find immediate employment upon graduation. All institutions should have this data.

If they don't then I question their commitment to placing students.

Placement statistics at different institutions, I would guess, could range from 30 to 95 percent.

So much depends on the reputation of the department, be it business or biology, and the energy and commitment an institution extends in placing its own students. The commitment can range from professors making personal phone calls to alumni, to posting job opportunities on a bulletin board, to handing students the want ads section.

Since your son's grade point average is 3.65 he has some good options for college selections. First, he needs to decide between a small liberal arts college or the large university setting.

Small colleges are more expensive but more personal contact is evident because of small teacher/student class-size ratio. Assistant or full professors teach the classes in

smaller schools. Furthermore, in large universities, class sizes in lecture courses can have from 150 to 200 students.

The large universities often have inexperienced graduate assistants teaching in the undergraduate courses with the more experienced professors teaching in the graduate school. Personally I see our state's largest universities as graduate schools first and undergraduate schools second — by their own choice.

Two of my children went to a small private liberal arts college in Michigan and were very pleased. My daughter couldn't stand what she called the "high school setting of 1,000 students" and opted for Michigan State University. A lot depends on your son's own personality and preferences.

Never take a class, even a required class, because of its unique sounding title and wonderful sounding course descriptions. Investigate who the teacher will be. Your son should talk to as many students in the busi-

ness area as soon as possible by visiting the campus during his senior year and finding out who the outstanding teachers are — not the easiest, but the most competent.

Let's face it. Anyone who has gone to college knows there are outstanding professors and there are those who would be blown out of a high school classroom by some of our as-yet undisciplined young adults who are not paying college tuition, but are required to attend high school.

Most institutions have what is called early registration. Take advantage of this option and register before the general mass of students show up. You can get the better professors and have more options for developing a good weekly schedule.

Finally, have back-up applications to other colleges or universities. Your son indicated he is leaning toward the University of Michigan. Even with a 3.65 grade point average, he may or may not be accepted.

There are too many unseen factors involved, such as those alumni who make substantial donations and have a son they want enrolled.

I'll never forget the quote from an admission officer at Harvard and he was not an elitist. He said: "We can get an entire class of 4.0 students. Right now we need a tuba player and a hockey goalie who are well-rounded people and good students."

Find out the quality of the business department first. Its placement record, use the early registration to get the finest teachers and have back-up applications at second choice institutions... just in case.

Dr. James Doyle, a Northville resident, is superintendent of the Huron Valley School District. Questions for this column should be sent to Doc Doyle, care of Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Kids take vows along with parents

By LESLIE PEREIRA
Staff Writer

It was a wedding and the pair exchanged vows, but when they left the church they were not married. Rather, it was the husband who exchanged vows with the wife's children and the wife and husband's children who also vowed to accept each other.

In a new twist on the traditional couple-oriented wedding, more and more husbands and wives-to-be are entering into second marriages are including their children in the ceremony.

"It is an understanding that some people do not come alone," said Dr. Lawrence Chamberlain, senior pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Northville.

Chamberlain said his church has offered an option for children's participation in second wedding ceremonies for several years, and recently people have begun using it more often. According to Chamberlain, 70-80 percent of the second mar-

riages he performs accept the multi-vow ceremony.

"It is not a mandated part of the ceremony," Chamberlain said. "It is just an option that some couples find helpful."

One couple that found it helpful was Mark and Debbie Wilkewitz, who both recently married for the second time at First Presbyterian.

"The kids were real positive about it," said Debbie, who has two daughters from a previous marriage.

Debbie said she and her then-fiance Mark Wilkewitz, who has a son, approached the minister with the idea that they wanted their children involved in their wedding ceremony.

"He suggested (the vows) and we thought it sounded great," Wilkewitz said. "Being children, if I was in their shoes, I would probably be very fearful and think I was losing my mom."

Wilkewitz said part of the exchange of vows between stepparent and child was to reassure the children they would not be losing one of their parents and that the new mem-

ber of the family would accept the child as their own.

"It clarifies for the children the role of their parent's new partner," Chamberlain said. He explained the vows helped to affirm the parent's new spouse not as a replacement for the child's other parent, but simply as the parent's new spouse. The child vows to uphold their marriage.

Pastor Richard Henderson of Faith Community Presbyterian Church in Novi said his church has only recently begun marriage ceremonies which included the entire family.

"It is really pretty new," Henderson said. He said although ceremonies are personalized, a 1986 guidebook used by the church first presented that type of ceremony, and it has really only been employed in the last couple of years.

Both Henderson and Chamberlain also believe that giving the child a participatory role in the wedding ceremony can alleviate some of the fears the children may have and provides an opportunity for the new parent to talk with the child about their relationship before the ceremony.

Monthly Allergy Tip

Enjoy the beautiful summer weather, whether you have allergies or not!

Don't allow allergies to keep you from enjoying sports and the fun of outdoor activities. Reduce the symptoms of sneezing, congestion, coughing, wheezing and red, itchy eyes by avoiding high pollen levels on sunny, dry days, particularly in the morning. Air conditioning can also help by removing pollen from the air. And, if these precautions are not effective, come see us.

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MONDAY UPDATE

Teen Center career day a hit

By LESLIE PEREIRA
Staff Writer

Last Monday 11-year-old Lauren Van Every of Novi had an opportunity to do something that most people only dream about. She got to look into the future, see herself in one possible career path, and decide whether or not she liked it.

Van Every was one of 25-30 young teenagers taking part in the Novi Teen Center's Career Day. Organizers for the Teen Center program worked in conjunction with local business people to place all interested students out in the field of their choice.

Van Every was spending the morning with pharmacist George McCollum at the Novi Drug Store. So far she has learned a bit about how to locate medicines and "how to use the machines that find everything."

"My friend's mom is a pharmacist and she said it was fun," Van Every said. However, Van Every admits that work in a pharmacy was not her first choice.

"I had police down but I didn't get it," she says. Cindy Stewart, public information officer for Novi and one of the Teen Center organizers, said that a day with the Novi Police Chief was by far one of the most popular choices. Also among the careers in demand were a physician and the manager of Twelve Oaks Mall.

However, there was no problem placing any of the teen teens who wanted to spend a day out in the working world.

"We had more business people interested than kids," said Stewart. However, since this was the first year the Teen Center held a Career Day, Stewart said the response was good. Intended to be a day of fun as well as learning, the kids were able to find out about careers they had an interest in and they went out to lunch with their business match.

Megan Barton of Novi spent her day at the barber shop watching people get their hair cut and beards trimmed.

"This was my first choice," 12-year-old Barton said. "I like doing hair."

However, while Phyllis Wagner, the owner of Phyllis Barber-Styling Shop in Novi did not think her shop was an ideal choice for this program because Barton could not actually do much without a license. But Barton



Megan Barton holds back a giggle as she watches Phyllis Wagner trim a beard at career day

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

didn't seem to mind as she lounged in a swivel chair, her eyes on the shop television.

"At least she can see that it is kind of a relaxed atmosphere," said Wagner.

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Police News

Arson suspected in fire at gym

Arson was the reported cause of a fire at the Wayne County Childhood Development Center, at Sheldon and Five Mile. The gymnasium on the west side of Sheldon caught fire sometime between 5:10 p.m. July 1 before it was extinguished by the Northville Township Fire Department, police said.

OUIL - A 41-year-old Canton man was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol June 28 at 11:49 p.m. after he was stopped on eastbound Seven Mile near Haggerty, Northville Township police said.

KEYS AND SHOES STOLEN - A man told Northville Township police someone stole a set of keys and a pair of shoes from the beach of Silver Springs Lake while he was swimming. The theft occurred June 29 at approximately 3:20 p.m.

OUIL - A 26-year-old Perrysburg, Ohio, man was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol July 1 at 2:38 a.m., Northville Township police said.

WATERCRAFT DAMAGED - A 1985 Hobie Cat watercraft was damaged sometime during the past three weeks, an Inverbrook Apartments resident told Northville Township police. The four-foot lacration was reported in the trampoline canvas of the craft, according to police records. Damage was estimated at \$235.

STOLEN HUBCAPS - A Novi Post Office employee had two hubcaps stolen off her 1989 Pontiac while she was at work the morning of July 7.

LARCENY - A garage door opener was reportedly stolen from a patio table at an Edensberry residence June 30 between 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., according to police records.

STOLEN TOOL BOX - A tool box valued at \$50 was stolen from a boat docked off the Walled Lake shore sometime around July 1. No other items in the boat were removed.

LARCENY - A citizens band radio was stolen from a 1990 Jeep July 2 between 12:30 p.m. and 6 p.m., according to Northville Township police records.

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Jury finds Novi man guilty in auto thefts

By SHEILA PHILIPS Staff Writer

A Novi man, convicted on two counts auto theft-related charges in a recent jury trial, is expected to be sentenced in early August.

Ronald Bert Coon, 36, was found guilty on two counts of concealing the identity of a motor vehicle with intent to mislead June 26 in Oakland County Circuit Court after the three-and-a-half day trial.

He was found not guilty of a third count. Coon faces possible four-year jail terms on each conviction. His driver's license will also be suspended for a period of 90 days to two years. Although the date hadn't been announced by press time, police expect Judge Robert Tempin to announce sentencing the first or second week in August.

Coon was convicted of conspiracy to commit burglary in connection with a 1982 Livonia auto theft, according to police.

Coon, who lives on West Lake Drive in Novi, was arrested in April of 1989.

Connector delayed

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But MDOT maintains that 29 acres is enough and more than meets federal guidelines.

"We want to replace what we take, however, mitigation is expensive and we are already going beyond the one-to-one replacement ratio required by the government," Lotozinski said.

MDOT will re-examine its mitigation plan and make revisions. Officials hope that an acceptable compromise can be reached and the project's environmental impact statement approved by December.

The highway, which will run from Twelve Mile to Pontiac Trail just west of the existing Haggerty Road, will disrupt 23.5 acres of wetland areas, while current MDOT plans call for the creation of 29 acres of wetlands. The EPA would like the state agency to mitigate at least 35 acres.

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Local man reports assault over debt

By STEVE KELLMAN Staff Writer

Northville city police are seeking a warrant for the arrest of a 24-year-old Livonia man suspected of beating a Northville man.

According to city police reports, charges filed by the victim, and the reports of several witnesses, the suspect came to the Center Street house where the Northville man was staying at 7:54 p.m. June 24. The suspect was apparently looking for \$350 that the Northville man owed him.

When the complainant said he didn't have the money, the suspect allegedly punched him about a dozen times. Kicked him several times when he fell to his knees, and then struck him with a board until it broke.

The complainant was visibly injured after the assault, with a cut on his nose, scrapes on his elbow and a swollen finger. He also complained of extreme pain in his ribs. He added that he never hit the suspect during the assault.

He refused medical attention at the time, saying he would have the injuries checked later.

City police said the Livonia man had called them earlier that day, warning them that he was going to "get" the Northville man so police could arrest him. The suspect added that the police would be called with the complainant's location after he was "tied up."

The suspect told police there were several warrants out for the complainant's arrest.

The suspect himself faces up to 90 days in jail and a \$100 fine if charged and convicted of the complaint. Assault and battery is considered a misdemeanor charge.

MONDAY BUSINESS

Checking out independents

Great Scott! buyout may spur sales

By RICK BYRNE Copy Editor

Owners of independent food markets, trade associations and a consultant in the industry are split on what impact the acquisition of Great Scott supermarkets by Kroger will have on independents.

Some speculated that a portion of Great Scott customers, who account for an 8-percent Detroit area market share, could take a closer look at independents, especially if those stores are convenient to the home or workplace.

Others, citing the neighborhood niche carved by many independents, projected little or no gain in their customer base.

"Still others suggested that as fewer big players get in the game and competition heats up, independents will have to work hard to keep the customers they now have."

"As long as independents have competitive prices and good service, they may do better," said Jerry McVety, as West Bloomfield consultant in the hospitality industry.

"Some consumers loyal to Great Scott, when the flag goes down, may go somewhere else," he said.

Ed Bullock, store manager at the Shopping Center Market store in Northville, only sees the sale helping independents if Kroger elects to close a Great Scott store.

"If Kroger takes over those Great Scotts, they have a good name," Bullock said. "It could hurt the independents unless they close them down—unless an independent can pick up some of the Great Scott stores."

The Northville Shopping Center Market is part of a five-store chain which includes the Food Emporium in Berkley, Bloomfield Hills and Southfield.

"In this area here, it's going to help the independents to some degree," he said. "There isn't a Great Scott around here. A & P and Meijer are the only competition we have."

"Bob Coleman owner of Bob's of Canton, and William Welch, an owner of the Hollywood Market in including one in Troy, believe the merger presents opportunities for their businesses."

"They (large chains) can't give the service I do," Coleman said. "Kroger is known for slow checkout. There things I dwell on—cleanliness, friendliness, quality and price. Quality and price are one."

"The perception was Great Scott was high prices," Kroger, too," said Welch. "That should leave a mark."

"I would hope to think that someone left out in the dark... would give Hollywood Market a shot," Welch said. "That could conceivably happen."



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-Jerry McVety Consultant

Jerry Zaidel, owner of Your Better Market in Redford, isn't as optimistic as Coleman or Welch.

"I don't think there will be any change," he said. "They'll stay right there, unless they close the store."

Linda Gobler, president of the Michigan Grocers Association, doesn't expect that independents will reap a windfall as a result of the Kroger/Great Scott marriage.

"I'm not sure a merger or buyout impacts on smaller stores," she said. "Most independents really create a niche for themselves. You get into different neighborhoods, and retailers are accepted and become part of the community."

Gobler sees more competition among the three large remaining chains, A & P/Farmer Jack, Meijer and Kroger/Great Scott, than between them and the independents.

"The industry is very competitive... and operates on a 1-percent profit margin," she said.

Ryan Mathews, editor of Grocery Marketing, envisions two possible outcomes with the recent local developments.

"Kroger would absorb Great Scott units and go through merge and purge locations... if they have two stores close to each other," Mathews said. "Typically independents can do well in those situations with niche marketing."

"The worst-case scenario is Kroger has made a firm commitment to the Detroit market, will keep the majority of stores, open new units and get very aggressive marketing."

Mathews expects Kroger to come out fighting.

"Convenience is a key to independents' survival," said McVety. Edward Deeb, president of the Michigan Food and Beverage Association, mentioned a couple of other factors.

Business Briefs

Novi resident, DR. ROBERT W. ELLIS, provost of Lawrence Technological University, has been elected president of the 3,000-member Michigan Society of Professional Engineers (MSPE), during the group's annual meeting.

MSPE is one of the largest state engineering societies in the nation and has 30 local chapters across Michigan. The group is dedicated to fostering professionalism and ethical standards in the engineering community, improving performance, and encouraging public responsibility and service.

One of Ellis' most urgent goals is to seek to reverse a U.S. shortage of engineers. He says it is crucial that more young people, particularly minorities and females, be encouraged to enter the profession.

"Recent studies all conclude that the United States will have between 200,000 and 700,000 unfilled engineering positions in the 1990s," Ellis says. "Michigan, with an economy largely based on manufacturing and technological industries, could be particularly hard hit by this shortage because engineering work precedes subsequent jobs in manufacturing, service, and sales. The shortage will create a ripple effect in the entire economy if we lose more engineering, research and development jobs overseas."

Ellis also sees the nation's aging infrastructure, and need for new transportation, waste management, and environmental solutions as fueling a national demand for more engineers, even when cutbacks in defense industries are taken into account.

Ellis was MSPE's 1987 Engineer of the Year, and he is a Fellow of the Engineering Society of Detroit. Registered as a professional engineer (PE) in Michigan, Florida, and Minnesota, he has published numerous scientific papers in his specialty of manufacturing engineering as well as on engineering education. In 1977 he received the national faculty award from the National University Extension Association.

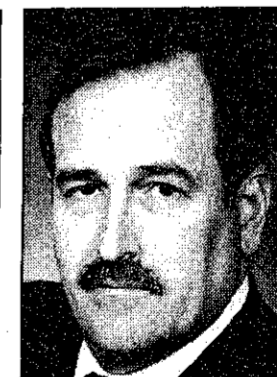
Dean of Lawrence Tech's College of Engineering from 1984 to 1989, Ellis is a former contract consultant with General Dynamics Land Systems Division, and was earlier a senior engineer with the U.S. Army Tank Command, a research fellow with NASA, and a metallurgical engineer with Litton Industries. He has also held several high ranking administrative positions within the Florida state university system and was president of Detroit Institute of Technology.

As provost and chief academic officer at 5,500-student Lawrence Tech, Ellis is responsible for the University's more than 30 undergraduate and graduate degree programs and various student service departments.

He holds three degrees, including the Ph.D., from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and also attended Harvard's Institute for Educational Management.



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DR. ROBERT W. ELLIS

Todd D. Knickerbocker has been named the new EDWARD D. JONES & CO. representative for the firm's Northville office.

Knickerbocker is a native of Canton and graduated from Hillsdale College with a bachelor's degree in finance.

"We're very proud to have Todd join our firm. He has successfully completed our intensive training program and is well-qualified to assist the people of Northville with their conservative investment needs," said John Bachmann, managing principal of the firm.

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Low turnout at meeting

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"It's hard to determine a year away from an election day, what's going to happen with the council, but they're getting some clear messages that this community is taxed to the limit. The whole tax issue is a groundswell that is going to be felt all the way to the federal government, but you have to start at the local level."

Council members Hugh Crawford and Pope attended the meeting as observers.

Novi homeowners this year saw a 6-percent average increase in the state equalized valuation (SEV) of their property, which by state law is one-half of the estimated market value. But in some areas, SEVs went up as high as 20 percent.

"Assessments do go up in inflationary times. Prices go up and your value keeps increasing," said Kistner. "What I am seeing now, is a very modest increase for 1991 overall and some reductions."

He estimated a 5-percent average increase for next year, down from the 15.5-percent average of three years ago.

The Headlee amendment and Truth in Taxation are two state tax laws designed to compensate for SEV inflation by rolling back the millage rate. One mill is a \$1 tax per every \$1,000 of SEV. Truth in Taxation, the most stringent of the two laws, requires that the millage be pushed back by the average percentage increase in the SEV, which does not allow municipal budgets to keep pace with increases in the consumer price index, Gibson explained.

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