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Novi's Mark Kohls fires a salute to police officers fallen in the line of duty

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Police honor fallen colleagues

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

Novi Police and citizens Tuesday honored four fallen police officers with music, prayers and a 21-gun salute.

In addition, police officers from other cities and Michigan state representatives were in attendance at the 11th annual police memorial day.

Honored were Lieutenant Donald Bezenah of the St. Clair County Sheriff Department; Police Officer Steven Reuther of the Milan Police Department; and Police Officers Terry Jablonski

and Raymond Rexer of the Bay City Police Department. All four were killed in the line of duty in the past year.

Novi Police Deputy Chief Richard Faulkner accepted proclamations from state and city representatives, declaring May 14 Police Memorial Day.

Three uniformed officers then raised the American flag to half-staff and Faulkner read off the names of each fallen officer. A memorial wreath was placed at the base of the flagpole.

The Novi High School band was also a part of the ceremony, playing several selections throughout the event.

The annual Novi ceremony is a part of law week, which includes a day of mourning for police officers killed in the line of duty. Law week and the day of mourning were first signed into law 29 years ago with a presidential proclamation by then-president John F. Kennedy.

Following the ceremony, the police department held an awards banquet to honor members of the police department and the community.

Guest speaker at the awards ceremony was Hal Helterhoff, special agent in charge of investigations for the Detroit branch of the FBI.

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## Novi looking to buy chunk of parkland

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

The city is in the midst of negotiations to purchase 125 acres of parkland somewhere on Novi's west side.

The new park, which would feature active and passive recreation sites, could be funded in part by state grants. The price of the land is in the \$750,000 range.

State monies — if available — might also be used to assist the city in developing five new soccer fields within the Ella Mae Power Park on Ten Mile Road. This could cost \$338,000.

"The city's still in preliminary negotiations," parks and recreation director Dan Davis said.

"It's all coming down to what they're asking and what we have in the fund balance. . . . It's possible it may be pretty soon. We have to work out the negotiations to option the property."

The city may make a public announcement on the potential purchase within the next three to

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Dan Davis,  
Parks and  
Recreation Director

four weeks, Davis said.

Local officials historically remain close-mouthed during the initial phases of land acquisition—in part because publicity might jinx a land deal.

"If we show that this is the site we want for all the reasons, they (the owners) might feel they have the upper hand in the negotiation process," Davis said.

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## Prosecutor closes Care Center case

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Writer

No further charges will be filed in connection with the death of a 70-year-old patient at the Novi Care Center last year, according to Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor Don Campbell.

There is insufficient evidence against owners of the Care Centers to bring further charges, he said this week. The Care Center has since come under new management, being operated as Charter House of Novi.

Patricia A. Foster, a former nurse's aide at the care center, was found innocent of one count of harmful neglect in the July 9, 1990 choking death of Esther Tauren. She was found innocent at a bench trial hearing before 52-1 District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie on April 24.

"Foster was the only person that we found sufficient evidence against to go ahead with charges," Campbell said.

Foster was spoon-feeding Tauren when the patient choked to death. The 26-year-old was unable to recognize that Tauren was choking and failed to administer life-saving techniques, police said.

MacKenzie said after the trial that evidence made it clear that



BRIAN MacKENZIE

Tauren showed no signs of choking.

The judge said Tauren had Alzheimer's disease, a degenerative brain condition, which was the likely reason that she didn't show signs of choking. He said Tauren was unable to speak or raise her arms to signal that she was in trouble.

Based on Tauren's condition,

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## \$11.77M budget is a done deal

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

The majority of the Novi City Council gave themselves and the administration a verbal pat on the back Monday, as they stamped their final seal of approval on the \$11.77 million budget for fiscal year 1991-92.

However, Council member Joseph Toth — while noting the financial blueprint had more positive than negative elements — said he could not in good conscience support the document due to concerns about the sidewalk and senior citizens program, the staff accrued time account and the planning commission funding. He cast the only black ball in the 6-1 vote.

While the entire budget was supported by Council Member Hugh Crawford and Mayor Pro Tem Edward Leininger, they were the only members not to okay a library board request to exceed the millage level dictated by Public Act 5 of 1982, Truth in Taxation. The library millage will rise by .0433 to .08449, an annual addition of \$48,410. Library board members said the money was

needed due to an increase of library users and to update the computer technology.

"As I stated in the budget session, I feel the library made a very good case for additional millage. I felt we should be consistent, that we gave out during these sessions that we were going to do everything under Truth in Taxation," Crawford said, explaining why he didn't support the increase.

Council Member Nancy Cassis praised the

■ Novi's sprinkler ordinance should be repealed, city council member Martha Hoyer argued Monday, saying enforcement officers are already overworked and there is no money in the budget to hire more. She originally supported the measure. The story is on page 12.

10.6916-mill budget for its sensitivity to the current economic situation.

"It's the best budget I've ever seen since I've got on council. The tightest budget," she said.

Mayor Matthew Quinn described the document as a maintenance budget which did not sacrifice any quality.

The council adopted the budget one week before their city charter deadline. Novi's fiscal year begins July 1.

In a personal position statement issued to the council, Toth said he was dismayed that no money was allocated to the sidewalk fund this year. He said he had never been given the total operating costs for the senior citizen program and could not make an informed decision on this segment of the budget.

Toth has requested that the finances for the senior center be tallied separately, rather than falling under the auspices of the parks and recreation budget.

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## Line items raise ethics questions

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

One question which floated to the surface as the Novi City Council waded through this year's city budget had nothing directly to do with money.

Council Member Nancy Cassis asked City Attorney David Fried to clarify when and if council members should refrain from voting on the budget due to personal financial involvement.

Both Council Member Hugh Crawford and Mayor Pro Tem Edward Leininger have relations on the municipal payroll.

Based on the city charter, Fried advised on both May 14 and April 29 that a council member should abstain on a given line item where he or she — or any member of his or her family — has financial interest. However, that council member is free to vote on the budget as a whole, he added.

The charter does permit a council member to vote on a line item such as a salary increase for a family member employed by the city, Fried said.

Monday, all council members cast their ballots on the full budget.

During an earlier budget meeting, Council Member Hugh Crawford voted in favor of an across-the-board, 5-percent salary increase for 30 of the city's administrative staff — among them, Crawford's wife, Kathy, a special recreation coordinator in Novi's parks and recreation department. Her nine years of seniority on the city staff pre-date Hugh Crawford's first bid for office in 1985.

Saying he was surprised the issue came up again, Crawford said Monday he had fully explained his position during the course of the budget meetings.

"Had there been something special in my wife's situation and she was to receive a 7-percent increase

and not a 5-percent like everybody else, then I would have abstained," he said.

"She wasn't standing out from that group for special treatment."

Mayor Pro Tem Edward Leininger abstained on voting for a pay hike for the fire department's paid-on-call crew. His son is one of the part-time firefighters.

Mayor Matthew Quinn did not vote when his law firm Cooper, Shifman, Gabe, Quinn & Seymour submitted a \$41,000 budget to the city. The firm serves as prosecuting attorney for the city and was paid \$38,876 last year.

Saying she was probably putting her neck out, Cassis said she was uncomfortable with the situation, which she discussed with Fried over the weekend.

"What has been done has been done. . . . You can raise an issue as I have done, but you can't force action," she said.

"I do agree with Mr. Fried that the

opinion came after the budget session."

The charter's Section 5.9 on the financial interest of elected officials prohibits council members from voting on any contract or purpose which yields a payment of more than \$100 to a family member, or his or her firm, partnership or corporation.

The May 14 document on financial interests of council members noted one line from the city charter was omitted in the April 29 opinion. This provision notes that a contract does not include the furnishing to the city of personal services as an officer or city employee.

Fried said that the category of personal services includes work done on the job by a city staffer.

On May 6, the city attorney May 6 that all council members were required to vote on the full budget, "irrespective of what was done at prior meetings."

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**HOME & GARDEN 2**

A SPECIAL SECTION

## Community Calendar

Today, May 16

**Historical society:** The Historical Society of Novi is set to meet in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

**Newcomers:** The Novi Newcomers Club is scheduled to meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center.

**On the road:** The Novi Bike Club is scheduled to hit the road at 7 p.m., riding the paved trails beginning at Meadowbrook and I-96. All riders, at all levels, are welcome. Riders should meet in the parking lot of the office complex at 41310 Meadowbrook Road. Riders will set their own distances and ride at their own paces. Riders are strongly urged to bring spare tubes and helmets.

Saturday, May 18

**Armed Forces Day:** Honoring the men and women of the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marines is the order of the day.

**Little Red Riding Hood:** The Michigan Opera Theatre will perform Seymour Barab's opera, "Little Red Riding Hood" at 11 a.m. at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center.

**Band Boosters Drive:** The Novi High School Band Boosters will sponsor their Annual Spring Bottle and Can Drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Members of the high school Marching Band will call on members of the community at their homes to collect empty beverage containers. Proceeds will help fund the band's performances throughout the year. The band would greatly appreciate it if those wishing to contribute would set out bags or boxes of empties near the curb in front of their homes for quick pick up. For more information, call 348-0153 or 344-4956.

**Bake sale:** The Charter House of Novi Community Council will hold its Third Annual Bake Sale fund-raiser from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. outside the Novi Farmer Jack grocery store. This event will be the culmination of the home's week-long celebrations for National Nursing Home Week. All proceeds from the sale will be used to enhance the lives of residents of Charter House. Those wishing to donate baked goods for the sale should bring them to the Charter House Activity Department on Friday, May 17, or drop them off at the bake sale site on the day of the event. For more information, call Bernice Frederick at 477-9118 or Fran Sino at 477-2000.

**Plant and bake sale:** The women's service club of the Meadowbrook Congregational Church will hold its annual plant and bake sale

from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Ceranums and many bedding plants will be available. The church is located at 21355 Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine roads in Novi.

**Rummage sale:** Shepherd King Chapel Lutheran Church will hold its first annual rummage sale beginning on Friday and running through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The sale will be held just west of Novi Road between Grand River and 10 Mile Road, just west of Novi Road. Proceeds from this sale will go toward the church building fund.

Monday, May 20

**Boosters board meeting:** The board of the Novi High Band Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. in the band room of the high school. Immediately following, at 8 p.m., will be a general membership in Auditorium A of the school. In that meeting, there will be an election of board members and information will be provided about a proposed trip for the band next year. All band parents are being encouraged to attend.

**Town meeting:** Walled Lake Schools will host a Citizens' Town Meeting to discuss the topic of school finance with legislators at 7:30 p.m. in the Walled Lake Western High School auditorium. The school is located at 600 Beck Road, just north of Pontiac Trail. All citizens are being urged to attend. The meeting will focus on two issues: the state recapture of funds from out-of-formula school districts and, secondly, the 1992 property tax freeze, which will cost the school district an estimated \$3.5 million. Superintendent James Geisler will explain the project needs and effects. Legislators scheduled to hear citizen input including Sen. David Hontigman, Sen. Jack Faxon, Rep. Barbara Dobb, Rep. Jan Dolan and Rep. Claude Titm.

**Support group:** The monthly bereavement support group meeting conducted by Dr. Michael Meyer will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The topic "Why Me?" will be discussed with prayerful reflection by the Rev. Jim Russell of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. There is no fee and all are welcome.

Tuesday, May 21

**AAUW:** The Northville-Novi branch of the American Association of University Women will meet for its annual Education Foundation Dinner at 6 p.m. in the faculty room of Northville High School. At this time, the group will meet the student awarded the AAUW scholarship. Any graduate of an accredited college or university is eligible for membership in this organization. For more information, call Paula Rivard, 344-9843.

Thursday, May 23

**Spring Festival of the Arts:** Some very special robots are going to be paying a visit to Novi High School during the Spring Festival of the Arts. The robots can be seen in the Fuerst Auditorium lobby as a part of the arts festival. All were made by third and fourth grade classes at Novi Woods as a part of a science fiction reading assignment. Other selected artwork created by students at each school in the district will be on display at the festival from 6 to 9 p.m. At 7 p.m., awards for the high school art competition will be announced. Following the awards, a spring choral concert featuring student singing groups from Orchard Hills, Novi Meadows and Novi High School will perform. There is no admission fee for the event.

**Spring concert:** Our Lady of Victory Church will host its annual spring concert at 7:30 p.m. The program includes diverse repertoire and instrumentalists of the church's 5 p.m. Contemporary Ensemble, the two Handbell Chorus, the 9 a.m. Folk Group and the Adult Choir. Of special interest will be Our Lady of Victory's newly formed Children's Choir which will perform selections from the musical "100 Percent Chance of Rain." This evening of entertainment is free.

Monday, May 27

**Memorial Day:** City offices will be closed this Monday, The Novi Public Library and Novi schools will also be closed for the day. Novi's annual Memorial Day parade is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m.

Wednesday, May 29

**Senior honors:** The students of Novi High will be holding a student blood drive from 7:30 p.m. in Fuerst Auditorium of the high school.

Thursday, May 30

**Blood drive:** The students of Novi High will be holding a student blood drive from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Room 634 of the high school.

Friday, May 31

**Last day for licenses:** Since dog license fees are scheduled to go up June 1, Friday will be the last day to get tags before the price rises.

To get your event listed in the Community Calendar, send information regarding the event, activities to be included, who is sponsoring it, location time and date, ticket information and the purpose to which any proceeds will be put to the Novi News at 104 Main Street, Northville, 48167.

## Recreation in Novi going private?

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Writer

The recent boom in sports such as softball and soccer in metropolitan Detroit has some Novi officials wondering if the city can meet all of its residents recreational needs.

Last month's granting of preliminary approvals for an indoor soccer arena in Novi could suggest a growing trend toward privatization of recreational facilities, they say.

According to City Manager Edward Kriewall, as Novi continues to grow, fewer city funds will likely be available for new recreational facilities. He said larger portions of the city's budget will have to be devoted to public safety in upcoming years, making less money available for departments like parks and recreation.

"Additional facilities will be private," Kriewall said. "There just isn't enough money to do everything everyone wants."

Currently, Novi has 125 acres of parkland and recreational facilities, said Dan Davis, parks and recreation director. The city also has the park locations as well as a four-diamond softball complex adjacent to the Novi Civic Center.

"The softball complex is one of the finest facilities in the region," Davis said. "We are able to cater to our residents. They are our number one priority."

Traditionally, Davis said, private businesses have always provided facilities for certain types of recreation, such as golf and bowling. In the last decade, he said, business has been getting more involved with activities generally associated with municipalities.

Softball, for example, has moved beyond the realm of being solely municipally operated. Canton Township boasts one of the area's best privately run softball complexes with leagues playing almost year-round.

The proposed indoor soccer arena in Novi would conduct both youth and adult leagues in the winter months, Davis said. It's another example of a recreational program that has been traditionally run by municipalities.

Leagues operated in the soccer arena will be a supplement to the city's program, he said. The director added that enrollment in the city's soccer program is up over last year.

"The indoor facility will be great for the community," Davis said. "But, it won't detract from our program."

If the soccer arena is constructed, it would be one of several new privatized recreational facilities in the city. Grand Slam, an indoor baseball and basketball facility, came to the city within the past year.

Davis said Novi works with businesses that want to operate new recreational facilities to avoid duplication. He added that they are supportive of the private sector.

"We are open to the idea of them coming," Davis said. "We are looking for buying new parkland for recreation."



Photo by SUZANNE HOLLIER

### First Lady reads in Novi

Students of Novi's Parkview Elementary School listen intently as Michelle Engler reads "The Lorax," a story by Dr. Seuss. Engler, a native of Texas, is the new wife of Gov. John Engler. Both

have been visiting schools across the state to read to students in recent weeks as a promotion of education. Michelle Engler was in Novi May 3.

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K-12 student art work will be on display in the auditorium lobby from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. featuring student musicians, and story-telling robots created by students.  
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# Teenagers caught dropping rocks

A Novi Police officer caught two teenagers dropping rocks of an overpass above Haggerty Road May 12. Two vehicles, both belonging to Livonia men, were reported damaged when a rock struck the hood of the first vehicle, bounced off and hit the second vehicle.

The police officer, who had been summoned to the scene by an area resident, reported the youths were standing over a guard rail kicking the rocks onto the freeway below.

The officer stopped the youths and drove them to a nearby home, releasing them to their parents' custody.

At that time, according to the police report, the Livonia men arrived and reported the damage to their vehicles.

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In addition, the resident told Novi Police, fraudulent checks and credit card charges began to appear on his bank statements.

The resident said he noticed the checkbook and credit card missing immediately after the guest, an Indiana resident, left. None of the fraudulent transactions were reported in Novi.

**STOLEN HUBCAPS:** A resident on North Hills Drive reported May 6 that someone stole the wheel cover centers from his 1988 Lincoln Continental.

Novi Police investigating the scene found a slotted screwdriver that may have been used to steal the wheel

# Novi woman bilked by psychic

By STEVE KELLMAN  
Staff Writer

A 35-year-old Novi woman and her mother told Plymouth Township police they were bilked out of \$4,549 last Wednesday by a self-proclaimed psychic.

The woman told police she called the psychic, who called herself Rita and had business cards bearing that name, after reading an advertisement in the classified section of the April 1 Novi News. She said she first met with the psychic May 1 and was charged \$900 for the session. A second session cost \$249.

"(The woman) says that some of the things Rita said hit home so she began to believe in what Rita said," according to the police report. "Rita also gave (the woman) instructions to be followed in order to clear the dark cloud of bad luck that had been happening to (her) family."

Those instructions included having the woman place \$2,700 in \$100 bills, in three stacks of nine, on an altar at Rita's rented Plymouth Township home. Rita also reportedly told the woman's mother to wear \$1,500 in a money belt around her waist for 24 hours.

Rita then had the women leave

both the stacks of \$100 bills and the money belt on an "altar" in Rita's home May 7, and told them to return the next day, according to the police report.

When the woman and her mother returned to the psychic's home on May 8, as instructed, both the money and the psychic were gone. The owner of the home told police that Rita and her family had been evicted for not paying their rent. Rita had given the owner a different name when the family rented the home.

Plymouth police received a second complaint about Rita May 13. An Ann

Arbor woman reported paying her \$400, \$300 of which was supposed to be returned. The woman told police that Rita first wanted \$2,700 in \$100 bills but "settled for \$300 to lift a spell."

By the time the woman returned to Rita's house, the psychic had moved out.

The self-proclaimed psychic is described as a short, overweight woman of European descent in her 30s. Plymouth Township police are trying to locate the psychic and her family, and expect to release a composite picture of the woman this week.

## Novi Briefs

**Charities Sought:** Town Hall organizers are seeking organizations who wish to share in its annual Board of Awards presentations. Those wishing to do so should apply now.

"Since Town Hall participants are drawn from Plymouth, Farmington, Novi, Livonia and South Lyon as well as Northville, we feel it only proper to return part of the proceeds to charities in these areas," said Sue Korte, publicity chairperson for the group.

Organizations should apply in writing to Northville Town Hall, Box 93, Northville, MI 48167, Attention: Mrs. Frances Mattison.

The deadline for all applications will be May 31.

Tickets for the 1991-92 Town Hall series are on sale now. Season tickets are \$85 and are available by mail. To order, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope and a check payable to Northville Town Hall to ticket chairperson Bonnie Dewan, Box 93, Northville, MI 48167.

Speakers for the 1991-92 season are Carmel Quinn (Oct. 10), B. Carter Randall (Nov. 14), Richard Lamparski (March 12) and Vladimir Sakharov (April 9).

**Fifties memorabilia:** Do you have any old photographs depicting life in Novi in the 1950s? Do you still have furniture — tables, chairs, lamps — from that era? The City of Novi is putting together a display/exhibit of such items for the Fourth Annual Michigan '50s Festival, scheduled for July 24 through 28. Photos will be copies and returned within two weeks. The furniture will be used to set up a 1950s house exhibit. Contact Gerrie Dent at the Novi Civic Center at 347-0475.

**After the storm:** Many service men and women are home from Saudi Arabia and have been the recipients of warm homecomings. It's business as usual now and Operation Desert Storm is a memory. Unfortunately, many area men and women are still in the Persian Gulf and would like everyone to keep those cards and letters coming.

Sgt. Alvin Stazeni is a 1982 Novi High School graduate. He is serving in the U.S. Air Force as a forward air traffic controller. Stazeni may be in Kuwait for six to eight months. His mother, Linda Stazeni, lives on Clark Street in Novi and said that her son would like more mail sent to his unit, which numbers close to 2,000 men and women.

The mailing address is Sgt. Alvin L. Stazeni, 385-64-3887, Operation Desert Storm, HHC/418th, 3rd Ad, Attn: 8-3, APO New York, 09681-2310.

Martine Cpl. George Hayden is also serving in the Persian Gulf. He is a 1987 Novi High School graduate and was a member of the Novi High School Jazz Band. His mother, Robert Hayden, said he should be coming home in late May or early June.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Winning woodworkers

Novi High School students won first place in every category they entered in a woodworking contest held at North Farmington High School on April 26 and 27. The Michigan Industrial Technology Education Society sponsored the competition and show. Pictured clockwise from the front center they are Angel Konarska, an eleventh grader who won second place for a picture frame and table; Chris Benedetto, a tenth grader who won first place for a cherry table; Chris Modelski, a tenth grader who won

fourth place for a wall cabinet; Robert Shoupe, a tenth grader who won first place for a wall cabinet; Dennis Pollock, a tenth grader who won third place for a wall cabinet; and Mike Wysoccki, an eleventh grader who won second place for an inlaid veneered box. Not pictured is tenth grader Jamin Valdez who won second place for a wall cabinet. Benedetto and Wysoccki won eighth and tenth places respectively in the state competition held in Grand Rapids on May 2 to 4.

# CEMS ambulance showdown flops

By MIKE TRYEE  
Staff Writer

A rumored public showdown featuring competing ambulance firms, a fire department and angered residents fizzled last week.

Rumblings that residents were miffed over Northville Township's decision to drop Novi-based Community Emergency Medical Services (CEMS) in favor of Huron Valley Ambulance (HVA) bore little fruit, only two speakers debated the ambulance switch at a May 9 public hearing.

Turnout was a far cry from what township officials feared. One resident spoke on behalf of a homeowners association and an elementary school PTA.

The second speaker was the president and CEO of the Jilted ambulance firm, which also provides services to the City of Novi.

Township officials decided in April to hold a public hearing after some residents questioned a February decision to drop CEMS, and after a CEMS-penned letter sent to the residents blasted the move.

CEMS President Greg Beauchemin, whose firm handled township emergency medical transports for the bulk of the 1980s, told the board he came to the hearing to clear the company's name.

Beauchemin said township fire department complaints that prompted the ambulance firm change were untrue.

"Some of the allegations I heard to night are false and not verifiable," he said.

Township Fire Chief Rosselle recommended the move to Washtenaw County-based HVA after charging that CEMS response times were slow, emergency rigs lacked vital equipment, ambulance locations were misrepresented, and CEMS employees displayed rude behavior to patients and other emergency workers.

Rosselle reiterated those points Thursday evening.

"Cooperation had broken down," he said. "(CEMS was) not good enough for Northville Township."

"HVA is the one we saw fit to handle (emergency calls)," Township resident George Patak represented the North Beacon Woods Homeowners Association and the Rosaline Elementary PTA.

"We do not challenge (Rosselle's) reason for making the change," he said. "We're not comfortable with ambulances coming from Plymouth."

HVA bases two ambulances available to Northville Township in Plymouth.

Dale Berry, HVA director, told Patak and the township board that moving one ambulance to Northville Township was a possibility.

"We would consider moving the second one (to the township) if space through the mud in the whole was found," Berry said.

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**Ongoing programs at Boisford:** The following are meetings held each month at Boisford Hospital in Livonia: "A Life in Your Hands," adult and infant/child CPR classes; car seat rental and education program; "Celebrate the Event," childbirth education; childbirth review classes; "Cholesterol Connection"; pre-marital counseling on the transmission and prevention of sexually transmitted diseases; prenatal and postnatal water exercise programs.

The following are weekly support group meetings at Boisford: Adult Children of Alcoholics, Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.; Alcoholics Anonymous, Sundays at 7 p.m.; Alcoholics Anonymous, Thursdays at 8 p.m.; at Boisford Family Services at 26905 Grand River Avenue in Redford; Nar Anon Family Support Group, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Boisford Family Services, 26905 Grand River Avenue in Redford; Narcotics Anonymous, Mondays at 6:30 p.m.; Narcotics Anonymous, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Boisford Family Services at 26905 Grand River Avenue in Redford; Overeaters Anonymous, Mondays at 7 p.m.; Smokers Anonymous, Saturdays at 7 p.m.; Women for Sobriety, Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Boisford Family Services, 26905 Grand River Avenue, in Redford.

**Hospice Home Care:** Angela Hospice Home Care has recently received a grant of \$10,000 from the Metro Health Foundation (MHF) to purchase eight new hospital beds and bedside stands. The equipment will be loaned to their terminally ill patients in the tri-county area. Angela Hospice Home Care, with administrative offices in Livonia, began serving people with a life threatening illness and their families in 1985. Health Care professionals and trained volunteers provide physical, emotional and spiritual support. They plan to build an inpatient facility next year.

MHF is a private Detroit grant making foundation. The foundation gives grants to Michigan organizations for health care and health-related fields.

## Limousine licensing mulled

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Stretch limousines, used as an essential to the average senior prom or wedding as well, flowers.

Now, some council members are wondering if the city should continue to require local taxicab licenses for them—or deregulate the luxury vehicle industry.

City Attorney David Fried was unanimously instructed by the council Monday to come back in 30 days with a reworking of the vehicles-for-hire/taxicab ordinance which would exclude limousines.

Last fall, a Southfield-based firm, Transerv Inc. asked the city to exempt the ritzy vehicles. In August, a company limousine was ticketed by local police for not having a license.

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case," Krehbiel said. "That's why you need to regulate them."

"I think it does dampen the business climate in our community to be one of the few communities that attempt to regulate limousines... The price will just go up. The free market seems to be working well. I haven't heard any complaint about this type of vehicle."

The ordinance was first passed as a public safety measure, said City Attorney David Fried, and does not create revenue for the city.

Council Member Tim Pope wondered if the center line is clearly drawn between the services offered by a taxi and by a limousine.

"My concern is what distinction is between a luxury sedan and a taxi. That distinction says to me that if you're riding in a Cadillac, we're not going to be concerned with your brakes, but if you're riding in an LTD, we'll regulate you," he said.

Oliver told the council that Transerv is currently driving ahead with the state to come up with a statewide limousine licensing program.

"Each individual municipality regulates cabs. The state of Michigan has stepped in in this case. They have stepped in but they don't know where to walk," he said.

Council Member Hugh Crawford asked the attorney to accelerate an ordinance revision allowing the licensing policy to be reviewed again if the state didn't enter the process.

"With the ex-falling in Lansing, I'm not counting on any money going into the inspections you're looking forward to and I don't think you are, either," Council Member Martha Hoyer said.

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### Math contest winners

The Michigan Council Teachers of Mathematics regional competition was held at the University of Detroit on April 27. Competing in the event was the Novi Middle School math team. Pictured from left to right in the back row, they are Andrea Pastor, Deborah Frelch, Alice Lin, Mark Schaefer, Andrea Mione and

Brenda Shah. In the front row from left to right, they are David Kovacs, Shannon Faulkner and teacher Lynn Serenson. Mione won 12th place out of 200 eighth-grade competitors. She will compete again Saturday at a state competition.

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## Consultants to aid search for chief

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Novi will employ a professional assessment center to help them find a replacement for retiring Deputy Chief Richard Faulkner.

Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver said the city has already been deluged with applications from employees at neighboring police departments who are eager to fill Faulkner's shoes. Faulkner will be retained as a consultant by the city, specializing in labor negotiations.

The city has commissioned McIntyre and Associates, Bloomfield Hills-based industrial psychologists to help them find the best candidate. This should assist in keeping political elements out of the decision-making.

Klaver said in a May 2 memo to the Novi City Council. For \$5,760, the assessment center will analyze both deputy chief and chief positions (the ideal candidate will be able to occasionally take over the helm from Chief Lee BeGole, de-

velop a job specification to be used by city staff in an initial screening of candidates and then test anywhere from six to eight top applicants.

The eight-week program will be managed by Dr. Frank McIntyre, who holds a doctorate in Industrial Organizational Psychology from Cleveland State Western Reserve University and John Bahroek, a former Warren Police commissioner.

The screening at the assessment center will focus on interpersonal and administrative skills. The analysis will include individual and group exercises, role playing, self-report inventories and psychological tests. Candidates will engage in an in-basket exercise, in which they are asked to prioritize and respond to incoming tasks.

Three trained assessors with police command experience and one with city administration experience will evaluate the deputy chief hopefuls.

The City of Southfield recently used the same firm to assist in selecting a new police chief, Klaver said.

## Maybury to host its fifth "Old Times" family day

Maybury State Park's "Old Times Day" and Homespun Traditions Country Craft Show will take place 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 2 at Maybury State Park, located at Eighth Mile and Beck Roads in Northville Township. Admission is free.

This will be Maybury's fifth year of hosting the family-oriented Old Times Day.

A sheep-to-shawl contest will be conducted in the farm area: Contestants will shear the sheep, spin the wool and knit a shawl. In the past

there have been tractor-pulled hayrides, walks along the wildflower trails, and you're always welcome to bring your bicycles for the bike trails.

Homespun Traditions will have 60 arts and crafts exhibitors displaying their wares from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Felicity Strings will be performing live dulcimer music throughout the day.

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# Deputy chief prepares to hang up his hat

By CRISTINA FERRIER Staff Writer

It's been 30 years, and Novi Police Deputy Chief Richard Faulkner is ready to hang a sign on his door. "Gone Fishin'" is what it might say.

Faulkner, 55, is retiring this month, May 24 is his last day. But he doesn't call it retirement. Instead, he says, he is just "changing careers."

"I'm not retiring, per se, but my career path is changing," he said. "I'm the kind of person who always has to keep busy."

"So, I'm going to move on to a new career. I don't know what that career will turn out to be. It may be spending quality time with my family."

Faulkner and his wife agreed 10 years ago that they would retire somewhat early.

"My wife and I have been planning this career change since 1981," he said. "In 1981 my wife had a bypass operation and that's when we decided that life can be very short and everyone is entitled to spend quality time away from the trials and tribulations of work. We decided then that we'd retire at the end of 1991 or early 1992."

"So we had planned this for a long time," Faulkner said. "I guess I notice it a little bit, even on weekends. Saturday it was kind of a dismal day and I was eating bread-

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Richard Faulkner

was and still is the first police officer Novi ever had.

"I've got a lot of chores to do, a little fishing to do," Faulkner said. He chose the May retirement date in order to be ready for prime walleye season.

Other than fishing, he said he has no definite plans. "I guess we'll just have to wait and see," he said. "I can't look into a crystal ball."

As he looked around his office last week — he's started some of the packing, but the place still looks pretty much the same — Faulkner couldn't really nail down his feelings about leaving any more than he could his exact retirement plans.

"You have mixed emotions," he said. "This has been a part of me for 30 years."

"I guess I notice it a little bit, even on weekends. Saturday it was kind of a dismal day and I was eating bread-

fast and reading the paper and I thought, 'Now, what will I do on a dismal day like this?'"

"It's the people, he said, that he will miss the most.

"I will miss the association with people you deal with every day — citizens and fellow employees. That's basically what we're here for — to help people."

"I don't think there's anything I'll not miss. Oh, he said a lot of things — like I'm sure not going to miss that, but I don't really mean it."

There's little doubt Faulkner will be active after retirement. He's very involved in Lions Club, both at the local and district levels. He attends St. James Catholic Church, which he helped build Holy Family Church. And he used to be involved in Little League programs, and wants to get back into it.

At 17, Faulkner dropped out of

high school to join the U.S. Army. He spent 18 months in Korea with the 7th, 25th and 3rd Divisions.

After he was discharged in 1956, he returned to school and got his diploma in 1958. He went on to attend an electronics school in Detroit during the day, while at night he pumped gas at a local station.

It was at that gas station that Faulkner first began thinking of becoming a police officer. There, he said, he would see a lot of police and would talk to them.

When an opening came up in the Novi Police Department, Faulkner applied and got the job. He went on to move up through the ranks, going from patrolman to corporal to sergeant to lieutenant and to captain and, later, deputy chief.

During the first 10 years of his police career, Faulkner worked the streets of Novi. He did road patrol and was active with juveniles, working closely with the schools and juvenile officers.

Over the years, Faulkner has had a front-row seat in Novi, watching as the community has grown and changed.

"I knew everybody in Novi because I had the opportunity to deliver mail. I didn't even need an address — I only needed the name."

Being close to the community helped when he joined the police department. For example, if Faulkner was

called to the scene of a disagreement between neighbors, he often came more in the role of a friend than a policeman.

"A lot of police work is cut and dry," he said. "An average police officer responding to a neighbor problem would have to identify himself and follow procedures."

But in Faulkner's case it was different. "Everyone knew you," he recalled. "You'd sit down and talk to them, maybe have a cup of coffee and talk . . . eventually I'd say, 'are you really sure you want me to go next door, and have them know you called the police?'"

"A lot of the time they'd say, 'Oh, let's just forget about it.' One thing Novi may be missing today, Faulkner said, is a sense of community."

"Novi needs that 'front porch' atmosphere," he said. "Neighbors need to get to know each other, care about each other. Nowadays, people move into the neighborhoods, and never know their neighbors."

"I just feel people should learn to love thy neighbor."

No successor has yet been named for Faulkner, but he has advice for whoever it may be.

"As far as my successor is concerned, his responsibility will be to learn the community and every aspect of the community."

# Fire ravages Chateau Estates home

By SCOTT DANIEL Staff Writer

A fire destroyed a home in the Chateau Estates mobile home park in Novi Saturday.

According to Novi Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan, nobody was at home when the blaze began shortly before 4 p.m. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

"We know that it started in the bedroom," Lenaghan said. "It went through most of the trailer."

The chief said neighbors of the home, at 29823 Carousol, notified the department of the fire at 3:39 p.m. He said the department responded in six minutes.

It took firefighters about 20 minutes to bring the blaze under control. Lenaghan said it took nearly two hours to totally extinguish flames. He said 18 members of the department worked at the scene.

An estimated \$28,000 of damage was done to the home and its contents. Lenaghan said the owner of the home, whom he declined to identify, was informed of the fire.

"Two-thirds of the home was heavily damaged," he said.

The fire was brought under control before it could cause damage to other homes. Lenaghan said one home, directly to the south, was the only one in any danger.

The fire at the mobile home park is

the second in three months. In mid-March, an accidental fire destroyed a second home in the Chateau Estates. The fire was started by a child playing with matches, according to Assistant Fire Chief William McEwan.

A family of five was in the home when it started, but escaped unharmed. The home was "totaled," McEwan said.

Three firefighters were slightly injured in Saturday's fire, Lenaghan said.

One of the firefighters was overcome by heat and taken to Providence Hospital in Novi for precautionary reasons, he said. The chief added that the firefighter was later released. Another firefighter suffered a slightly cut ear and a third, a knee abrasion.

Lenaghan said cause of the fire on Carousol should be determined by the end of the week.

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# Obituaries

Arthur W. Graeser, 66, died May 8, at St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia of metastatic lung cancer. Mr. Graeser was the son of Len Oliphant and Otto Graeser.

Mr. Graeser was an industrial engineer with Ford Motor Company for twenty years. He retired in 1981. He also served with the United States Navy in World War II. Mr. Graeser was a member of Redford Lodge No. 152 F & AM and a past member of the Shrine.

Mr. Graeser's wife Bonnie preceded him in death in 1971. He is survived by his sisters Patricia Eden of Northville and Doris Grigg of Jackson, his daughters Susan Swan of Detroit, Judy Edwards of Marine City, Marlene Seltva of Marine City and Dawn Ogles of Dayton, Ohio, as well as 14 grandchildren.

Services for Mr. Graeser were held at the Ross B. Northrop and Son Funeral Home on Monday, May 13, at 11 a.m. The Rev. Guy Lynch from the Church of Today officiated. Interment was in Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorials to the Michigan Cancer Foundation or Alcoholic Anonymous would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements were made by the

# Northville post to slash hours

By SCOTT DANIEL Staff Writer

The Michigan State Police Post in Northville will soon be reducing its hours due to state budget cuts.

The Northville post has jurisdiction over highways in Novi. According to Post Commander Jack Moulk, post hours will be reduced, likely beginning Aug. 1. He said after that date the post, which is currently open 24 hours, would be open from 8 a.m. to either 4 p.m. or 5 p.m.

The reduction is scheduled to coincide with plans for beginning a central dispatch system at the Northville post, Moulk said.

After posts in the state police's second district shut their doors, he said, patrol units will be dispatched from Northville. The second district includes posts in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and St. Clair counties.

A target date of Aug. 1 has been established for bringing the central dispatch system on-line, Moulk said. Currently, the post is preparing a former storage area in its basement to house the dispatch.

State Police Trooper Richard Percy explained how the system will work: Calls from the public, service or emergency, in the dispatch area will be routed to computer operators. The operators will then send the message across the room by computer to the dispatcher handling the area the call came from. Dispatchers then assign troopers from the appropriate district post to handle the call.

Moulk said the Northville post closes its door in the evening. It will operate much the same as local police departments. A telephone will be located at the building's entrance, he said, for those who wish to speak with officers at the post after hours.

in January, Gov. John Engler announced plans to trim 9.2 percent from the Michigan's budget, including the state police department. In order to meet that cut guideline, the department came up with several cost-saving measures, including the reduction of post hours.

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# No charges seen against Center

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MacKenzie said, he was unable to find proof beyond a reasonable doubt that Foster was harringly negligent.

In commenting on the case, he raised the question of further litigation by suggesting that the investigation into Tauren's death be reopened.

"The evidence raises a strong possibility that other parties may be liable," MacKenzie said. "I would hope that (the prosecutor's office) reopens the investigation."

The Oakland County Prosecutor's office took more than a month to review the incident before issuing the single misdemeanor warrant against Foster Sept. 6. Campbell described that investigation as "complete."

The assistant prosecutor said that to reopen the investigation or bring charges against the owners of the former care center, several conditions would have to exist.

First, Campbell said, the prosecutor's office would have to be able to prove that the action of the care center's board of directors was responsible for Tauren's death. Secondly, a charge with a line would have to be able to be brought against a corporation can't be put in jail. Lastly, the prosecutor's office would have to prove that the corporation's conduct in Tauren's death was "willful and wanton."

Campbell said not enough evidence against the care center corporation, or its board members, exists to "clear the hurdle" of those conditions.

The assistant prosecutor said three other factors make it difficult to file other charges.

The Care Centers Corporation no longer exists, Campbell said. Secondly, its board of directors would likely be difficult to track down. Lastly, linking them to the activity that led to Tauren's death would also be difficult.

Although the prosecutor's office isn't pursuing further litigation, Campbell said he thought enough proof was presented in Foster's trial to convict her.

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# Council to decide road changes

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

On June 3, the Novi City Council will be asked to rule on proposed changes in the paving plans for Eleven Mile and Whison roads — both projects underwritten by the voter-approved \$18.6 million road bond.

Council Member Hugh Crawford, noting he lives on Eleven Mile, asked Monday for an update on the controversial designs, which have been presented by homeowners along both roads.

"I'm getting a lot of questions from people. The longer we delay that decision, the more problems

we're creating," Crawford said.

Anthony Novicki, Novi's director of public services, said that he will present the council June 3 with a survey of homeowners along both roads and seek a final decision at that time.

City engineers, in lining up the road bond program with the city's 1988 master thoroughfare plan, found design discrepancies.

As now proposed, Eleven Mile would be paved and widened to 36 feet rather than the originally stated 24 feet. This would save \$352,000 but cost an additional 172 trees.

For \$758,000 less than first anticipated, Whison Road from Ten Mile to Grand River would be paved

and remain 24 feet with side ditches, rather than a prior design of curbs and gutters.

Rob Marooch, a resident of the Birchwoods Subdivision along Eleven Mile and the chair of Neighbors Against Poor Planning, wrote a May 3 letter to the city requesting that they adhere to the designated road bond plan or delete 2.7 miles from the bond issue. The curb and gutter design would save trees and redistribute salt and oil runoff from the road, Marooch wrote, as well as help reduce speeds.

Cost reductions in the program means that the city will sell fewer bonds, saving dollars for taxpayers by decreasing millage rates.

# Business women meet this week at Hilton

Focusing on political and social changes, local clubs from Novi and Northville are sending delegates to the Michigan Federation of Business and Professional Women's 73rd annual convention this weekend.

But they won't have to travel far, the convention is being held at the Novi Hilton.

The convention, representing more than 3,000 members throughout the state, will be held Friday through Sunday in the Novi Hilton. New officers will be elected.

A new budget, bylaws and legislative platform also will be adopted. Keynote speaker will be Kimberly Kasser, a graduate of Central Michigan University and owner of a consulting firm in California. Kasser is a former Michigan BPW Young Career Woman, a special program which honors outstanding young career women.

The convention, which will be the largest convention ever held at the Hilton, will also feature Dona Wells, national legislative chair of BPW USA.

# Tax foes duel for ballot slot

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

Three groups are organizing petition drives to put tax questions on the 1992 Michigan ballot.

One would cut property taxes and raise the sales tax rate 2.5 percent to 6.5 percent. The other pair would limit property assessment growth to 2 percent a year and limit the tenures of U.S. congressmen and state legislators.

Meanwhile, the state Legislature has put a proposal on the 1992 ballot to limit property assessment growth at 5 percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less.

Still unknown is the fate of Headlee II. The Taxpayers United proposal to cut assessments 20 percent over two years. The state Board of Cass voters last week failed to certify it for consideration by the Legislature and voters. TU chair Richard Headlee of Farmington Hills said the next step is the state Court of Appeals.

Here is a rundown of the new petition drives.

**SALES TAX SHIFT**  
Committee name: Fair Share School Financing Committee, 304 S. State, Ann Arbor 48104.  
Principals: George W. Sallade, Democrat of Ann Arbor, former state representative; Roy Smith, Republican of Ypsilanti, former representative, now Washtenaw County commissioner; Fred Vigel, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. IBEW paid for the petition.

Proposal: Amend state constitution to increase sales tax rate by 2.5 percent; require state to refund 65 percent of property taxes on home-owners and resident farms (up to \$10,000 per home, \$12,000 per resident farm); give a 100 percent refund of school operating taxes for persons 62 or older; provide proportional refunds for renters.

Unaffected: Circuit breaker rebates of 100 percent for persons over 65 would continue; no break for commercial, industrial, personal and mining property.

"Our news release made a big hit," said Feigel, IBEW's assistant business manager in Ypsilanti. "We got many calls from southwest Michigan farmers around Grand Rapids and the Upper Peninsula."

Impact: \$2 billion in new state revenue under the sales tax increase would be earmarked for property tax reduction. An estimated 25 percent of sales tax paid by non-Michiganians, resulting in a shift away from state residents.

How to join: Call George Sallade (pronounced Sai-a-day) at 662-1218 or Roy Smith at 434-9347.

**TERMS, ASSESSMENTS**  
Committees working together: Committee to Limit Politicians Terms, Committee to Lower and Limit Taxes, headquartered locally at 3309 Rochester Road, Royal Oak 48073.

Principals: Dick Jacobs, of Taxpayers Association of Michigan, Holland; Tim Purdy and Tish Berkey in Royal Oak; Mike Pray in Saginaw area. Affiliated groups are the Oakland County Taxpayers Association, Citizens for a Better Northville, and Justice Pro Se of Dearborn. A former Libertarian candidate, Jacobs said the Libertarian Party has not taken a position yet.

Term limitation proposal: three terms for state representative, two terms for state senator, two terms for each executive officer branch (governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general); three terms during a 12-year period of U.S. representative, two terms during a 24-year period for U.S. senator.

Impact: Fed up with career politicians? Put citizens back in charge according to the literature, Jacobs said Colorado has such a state constitutional amendment. Incumbent congressmen, in particular, are sure to oppose this on the grounds Michiganans could never accumulate enough seniority to gain powerful committee chairs.

Tax proposal: No new taxes or increases without voter approval; a 20-percent property tax refund from the state; no assessment increases beyond 2 percent; inheritance tax prohibited.

Impact: Property taxes would grow slower than inflation.

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# Local shop owner puts shine on pace cars

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
Staff Writer

A local auto repair shop owner watched in disbelief as a pace car in the Long Beach Grand Prix crashed last month in California.

Jeff Niffin, a Novi resident, had painted the pace car at his Haddad Lake shop.

"I wouldn't believe it," said the Ladd Road Collision owner. "I was disappointed, but I knew it was going to come back."

He was right. The blue and orange Toyota is back in Michigan for another paint job and some body work. The pace car, which was driven by three-time Indy 500 winner Johnny Rutherford, hit a wall buffered by trees. The tracks are still visible on the car's front end.

The damage, although relatively minor, will take four to six weeks to repair. Pittsburgh Plate Glass (PPG), the car's sponsor, wants the car completely repainted, Niffin said.

The company wants the goldish hue in the car's blue finish to be more obvious. On top of the "light seal skin" colored paint, Niffin will apply over 20 coats of lacquer so the PPG logo is level with the paint. The entire job will run PPG upwards of \$8,000. If PPG sounds fussy about the paint on its cars, it is, Niffin said.

The company supplies paint to the automotive industry. It's only advertising comes from sponsoring pace cars and auto racing.

And to paint one of its pace cars is a big honor, he said.

"Not many shops get to do their cars," he said.

The car Niffin is painting will be in Detroit this summer for the Grand Prix complete with a goldish hue accenting its new blue paint.

And if it crashes in the Detroit race, Niffin will have another job ahead of him.

"They always send the same car back to the shop where it was originally painted. If you're too busy they won't bounce it to another shop," Niffin said.

Niffin did not get involved with painting race cars simply because of his interest in auto racing. He has always enjoyed racing and cars in general, but it was his work painting experimental cars for Chrysler that got him into race car painting.

New car colors are donated by PPG and tested on vehicles that are not yet available.

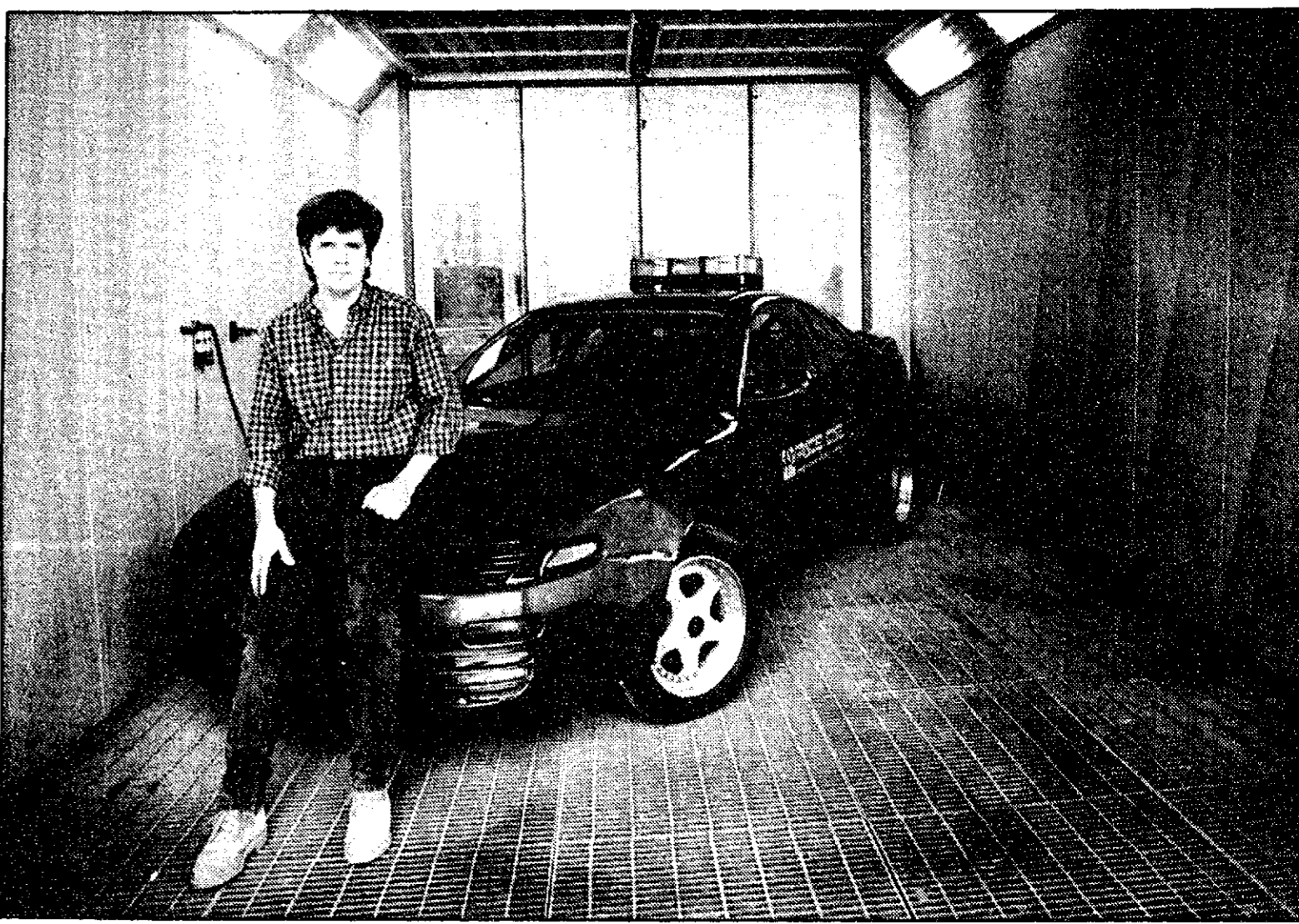
"The big shots come in and see if they like that color on that particular style of car," Niffin said.

A truck painted by Niffin was featured in Sport Truck Magazine for winning a contest for the best paint on a 1984 Chrysler truck.

Besides painting pace cars and experimental vehicles, Niffin's company works on projects for the average person's car.

A car damaged or scratched in a fender bender is welcome at the Rig Street shop.

"We do everything," Niffin said. Niffin has owned Ladd Road Collision for two years.



Jeff Niffin, pictured with the pace car he is preparing for the Detroit Grand Prix, still showing the damage it suffered in an accident during the Long Beach Grand Prix in California. Photo by HAL GULD

# VP Quayle fields questions on Detroit business

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

Vice President Dan Quayle told metro Detroiters "education is critical to competitiveness" but added he's cool to the idea of requiring employers to spend one percent of payroll on worker training.

"When Bill Brock comes up with a proposal, you've got to give it serious consideration, which I've done," Quayle said in an interview with four Michigan business writers.

"What he's talking about is 'Look, let's get serious about education and training,' and I can't disagree with that."

"But I can't quite buy onto the funding aspect."

Brock, a former Labor secretary, trade negotiator, Republican national chair and U.S. senator from Tennessee, is one signer of a proposal from the National Center on Education and the Economy, a bi-partisan policy analysis group. Other signers are Roy Marshall, another former Labor secretary; UAW president Owen Bieber and Philip Power, chair of Suburban Communications Corp.

Their plan calls for giving U.S. employees incentives, assistance and requirements to train employees. The goal is a more highly skilled workforce worthy of high wages. Germany requires a 3.5 percent expenditure, Sweden 2.5 percent and Japan one percent.

"Bill Brock and I have talked long and hard about this idea," Quayle said. "It's a real deer in the field of training and education. The problem is the funding, the payroll tax side of it."

Quayle was in Detroit Friday to visit Councilor Keith Butler's Faith Christian Academy, tour automation supplier Detroit Center Tool Inc., talk to Big Three auto executives and prepare himself for a trip to Japan aimed at easing the Pacific superpower's trade restrictions.

The vice president chairs President Bush's Competitiveness Council. He said he will "keep the pressure on" Japan to get its auto transplants to buy component parts from the U.S. instead of shipping them across

the Pacific.

Asked what he would tell UAW leaders who fear a free trade pact with Mexico would drain jobs there, the 44-year-old vice president said: "Look, this is not going to export jobs. We're talking about exporting products. We simply do not buy the idea that a free trade agreement with Mexico is going to be harmful to your union, your workers."

"Where's our competition? From low wage countries? Or high wage countries? It's from high wage countries — like Japan, Germany, the U.K."

"Finally, this is an interesting political situation. We're saying it's okay to have a free trade agreement with Canada — with Israel — but it's not okay to have free trade with Mexico."

"What's wrong with Mexico? It's our third largest export market. Mexico's a neighbor of ours. We have a large hispanic population in this country."

"We'd like to see Mexico develop economically. We'd like to develop some more exports. One billion dollars in exports translates into 22,000 jobs in America. If you had a stronger Mexico economically, you'd have more exports."

"If we can accomplish a free trade agreement with Mexico, it will be a model for opportunities in Latin America (population: 450 million)."

Cov. John Engler, accompanying Quayle, added that some members of a congressional delegation which visited Michigan recently had converted to the auto industry's view that stricter fuel economy standards would hurt the domestic auto industry.

"That's the most significant, pending, economic threat to the auto industry and the American auto worker," said Engler.

Quayle agreed: "That [higher fuel economy standards] is a big-ticket item that might put the auto industry under for a long time, and it might never come up for air," Quayle said.

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## Hoyer says city can't enforce rule

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Saying the city's ordinance officers are already overworked, Council Member Martha Hoyer Monday called for a repeal of Nov's law sprinkling ordinance.

"This city is constantly adopting ordinances to enforce and we keep the same level of personnel," Hoyer said during a discussion of the city budget for fiscal year 1991-1992. "There's not enough personnel to

enforce it." Hoyer said she also objected to the fact that violators will be ticketed on a per complaint basis. "I don't think an ordinance enforced in that manner should be on the books."

Monday, no one on the council ran with the ball thrown out by Hoyer, who originally supported the ordinance when it was adopted in April. Residents with an even-numbered address may water their lawns only on even-numbered days — and the reverse is true for homeowners with an odd-numbered address. First offenders may be hit with a \$5 ticket, while chronic violators could be slapped with a \$10 penalty.

Children using sprinklers as a form of water recreation are exempt. City staff have said they don't expect the ordinance will be widely enforced.

## Novi council gives final nod to 1991-92 budget

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He also protested the \$12,600 placed back in the planning commission's budget, after the council whittled away a long list of proposed studies.

"The addition of \$12,600 to the planning commission's budget along with a proviso that they come up with a way to spend it with little or no strings attached was very distasteful for me and was not the traditional way this council operated with respect to other departments. . . . We requested that each department provide full justification for their budget requests and now it seems — maybe because of some bad press — that we are trying to make amends with this 'cash gift,'" Toth said.

Over the last 10 years, he added, the council gave the planning commission \$750,000 for studies, 88 percent over it over the past five years. Yet the implementation of these projects was not funded anywhere near the same level, he said.

Toth argued that of the initial \$102,000 requested this year by the commission for planning studies, only 19 percent was direct work effort

and the rest was "window dressing" such as preparation of slides and booklets.

Council member Martha Hoyer said she suggested that the \$12,600 revert to the commission. "They had a long list of studies. We eliminated them one by one. . . . They definitely have a priority to choose from. Bad press has never prompted me to make a decision at this table and it certainly didn't in this case," she said.

Toth also called for a formal action plan on the accrued time account. Accrued time is vacation and sick days which have not been taken by a resigning employee and are therefore paid off in cash. City Manager Edward Kriewall said.

"The accrued time obligation is a financial burden for the city that has not been addressed to my satisfaction and the \$1 million plus that the city owes today quite frankly scares me," Toth said, calling for a separate account to be set aside to cover the liability.

Kriewall said the \$1 million figure would have to be paid by the city if all employees resigned today.

## Planners' budget sliced 20 percent

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Writer

Adoption of this year's city budget has reduced funding for the planning commission and brought words of concern from planners.

"When the new fiscal year begins July 1, the city planning commission will face a 20 percent smaller operating budget from fiscal year 1990-91. Funding for several proposed studies, including a habitat plan, were cut by the city council."

"You always find a way to work with what they give you," said commissioner Judy Johnson.

City Council adopted an \$11.77 million budget for Nov Monday. Included in that budget was \$36,000 less in operating funds for the commission. A total of \$144,000 was approved for fiscal 1991-92 compared to an estimated final budget of \$180,000 for the current year.

The planning commission had originally sought a budget of \$208,109

for the upcoming fiscal year. Among the cuts were: \$18,000 Hager-Harty Connector study, a \$9,000 industrial area study and a reduction of \$5,500 in funding for Town Center Planning Committee.

Johnson said council's unwillingness to fund several of the studies was surprising, but somewhat disturbing.

"I am more concerned with differences in the philosophic approach (between the council and commission) about the necessity of doing some things," she said.

The commissioner said she was referring to remarks made by City Council member Hugh Crawford last month.

"You can do all the studies you want," Crawford told Johnson and Planning Commission Chair Ed Kramer at a budget session last month. "The end result is the developer is going to come to us and try to get what they want." Johnson disagreed.

"You have to have the best data and most current information to make the correct decisions," she said. "We can't base decisions on opinions. It's extremely important to have the facts."

The planner pointed to the proposed habitat study. By conducting a study of where Nov's "habitat corridors" are, Johnson said, the city's wildlife could be preserved and still allow for development.

"If we know where (habitats) are," she said, "then it would be one more thing to take into consideration before handing out woodland and wetland permits."

A total of \$12,600 was asked for to fund the study. Without city money, Johnson said, grants will likely be sought to do the study.

Comments such as Crawford's and Council member Joe Toth, who said the proposed habitat study "sounds like an Ann Arbor ordinance" where "they check bunny trails and all that," made the budget process difficult this year, she said.

"I found it to be one of the worst I've participated in," Johnson said. "It was difficult to participate and remain professional."

Several remarks made about the commission's budget were "statements of ridicule" and not geared to be constructive, she said.

The commissioner said she has been concerned for "six or seven months" about a seeming breakdown in communication between the council and planners. Former planner Charles Kureth made similar comments last month after receiving a service award from the city.

"Team Nov" is to me the cooperative spirit between the city, the volunteers and the staff. . . . I have observed an almost complete disintegration of Team Nov," Kureth said.

Johnson said she wasn't sure what has caused the communication problem between the two bodies. "I don't know what has caused that," she said. "But, it seriously needs to be addressed."

## Novi seeks 125 acres of parkland

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Voters in 1989 and 1990 said no to a one-half mill property tax increase to purchase parkland. Davis said the city sought the tax hike then — rather than pursuing the present land-acquisition tactics — because the millage would have also financed the development and maintenance of the new city parks.

Monday, the city council during its consent agenda unanimously — and silently — passed a resolution transferring \$30,000 from the city's 1990-91 contingencies fund to the parks and recreation department for land acquisition. This is an addition to at least \$156,000 the department

has in reserve for land purchases. Saying that the city's potential free land was being snapped up quickly by developers, the city council instructed Davis in January to track down potential parkland. After this was reported in *The Nov News*, he said his phone was ringing off the hook with calls from Realtors.

To aid in buying the 125 acres, Novi has already applied to the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for a grant through the Natural Resources Trust Fund. The city would be required to put up 25 percent of the \$750,000 — about \$187,000.

The project might be phased over two years, with as much as \$265,000

seeded, bleachers and an entry road and parking lot would cost \$338,000. If the state awards the money to Novi, the city's share would be \$84,000.

"I'm concerned about it, if the DNR grant funds get cut. It's hard to tell. I'll be watching closely," he said. Recent fee increases in parks and recreation programs have netted few customer complaints, Davis said.

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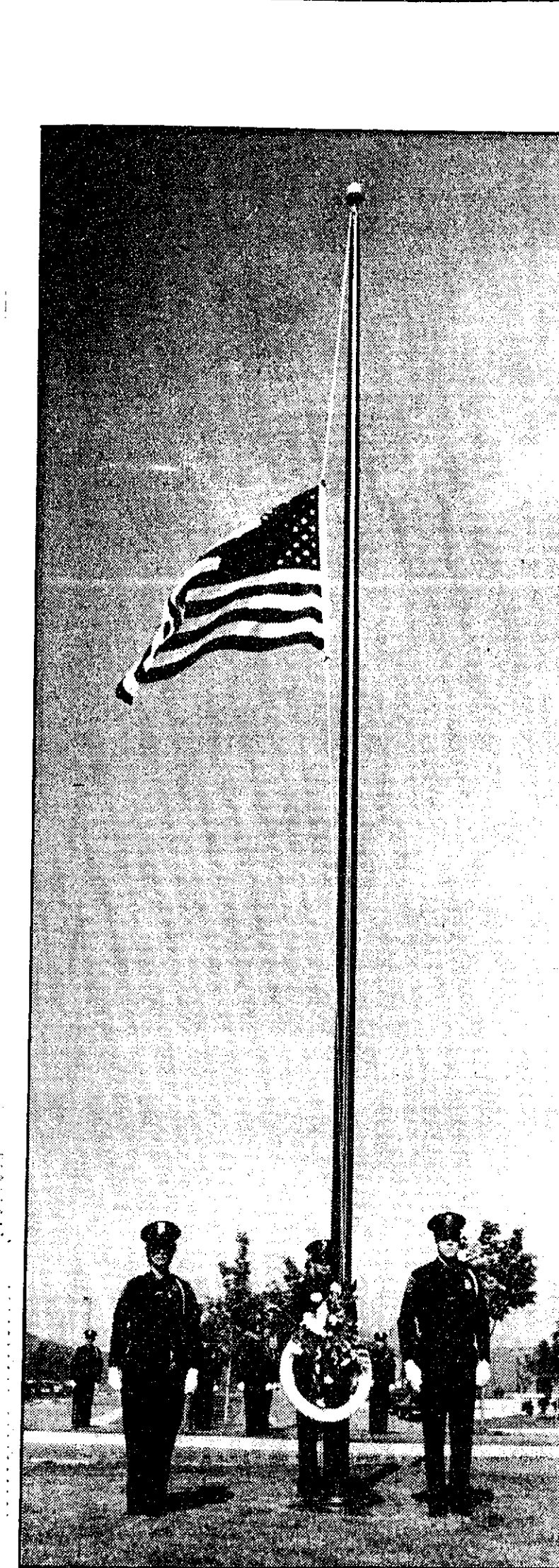
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Above, the flag is lowered to half mast during the Novi Police Memorial ceremonies in honor of those officers who have died in the line of duty. Above right, a close up of the memorial wreath laid at the base of the flag pole. Below right, sergeant Phillip Schoen honors officers with a salute.

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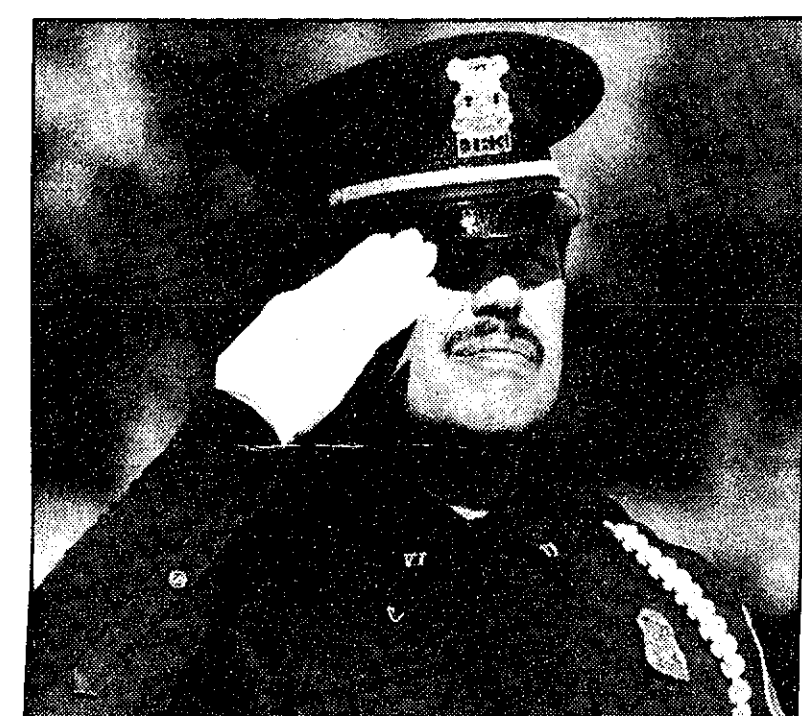
"You have been successful because you made the extra effort," he added. "To define greatness is very difficult, but you know when you are close. I have seen many great law enforcement officers in my day and those being honored today are the finest that there can be."

The awards presented are as follows: Civilian Citations awarded to Chris Pease and her son, Rick Harrison Dietz, 11, for their actions in thwarting an attempted robbery and hostage situation at the Twelve Mile Road McDonald's last December.

Pease and Dietz "demonstrated initiative and fortitude with total disregard for their own safety," Faulkner said, when Dietz escaped from the robber to call 9-1-1 and alert the police. Pease later punched the robber in the head in order for them to escape to a waiting police car.

Professional Excellence Citations awarded to Communications Specialist Melissa M. Moteschall; Novi High School Band Director Craig Strain; Officer Alan Bahfield of the Wixom Police Department and Graphic Artist Todd Faulkner.

Moteschall, who is Faulkner's daughter, has assisted the Novi Police Department without compensation by developing a media relations policy, acting as a guest speaker on media relations and developing a police officer/new recruit communications policy, Faulkner said.



Strain has assisted with the Police Memorial Ceremony each of the past 11 years, Faulkner said, and Blashfield has offered his services as a traffic reconstruction specialist to Novi on many occasions. Todd Faulkner, who is Deputy Chief Faulkner's son, has developed graphics for the department without compensation.

Departmental Citations awarded to Sergeant Herbert Harbin; Officers Deanna Hall, Victor Lauria, Larry Lemerand, June Tomms and Paul VanPelt; Dispatchers Sherrie Westfall, Donna Cerretani and Connie Brown; Detectives John April and Frank Barabas; Crime Prevention Officer Bob Gatt; and Officer Paul Stullgrosz.

Harbin, Hall, Lauria, Lemerand, Towns and VanPelt all responded to the McDonald's incident and acted in a "calm, professional manner," Faulkner said.

Westfall and Cerretani were on duty last August when a choking victim called 9-1-1. Westfall, Faulkner said, gave the victim instructions over the telephone that saved her life. Cerretani continued to take calls in a "calm and professional manner," he said.

April and Barabas were honored for their work on the Dorlando Kenney murder case. Kenney's body was discovered in Novi last November along an isolated stretch of Twelve-and-a-half Mile Road.

Faulkner said anyone at the scene

that day "never would have thought in a million years that matter would be solved." April's and Barabas' work has led to the arrest of two suspects.

Gatt was honored for his highly successful work with the DARE program, the crime prevention program and the police memorial program.

Dispatcher Sherri Westfall was again honored for her work last August when a man called, threatening suicide with a gun. Westfall remained on the line with the man while Cerretani manned the switchboard alone.

Stullgrosz was honored for his work with that same man. He spent five hours communicating with the man until he eventually placed the gun on the floor and was taken away by ambulance.

Merit Citations and Commendation Certificates were also given to Novi Police staff members for a variety of reasons, including overall excellent performance and work on specific incidents.

Commendation Certificates were awarded to Officers Mark Kohls, Matthew Conquest, Patrick Fanning, Paul Stullgrosz, Michael Wilson, John Nelson, Todd Anger, Kevin Heaney, Greg Hunderman, Paul Katsling, Victor Lauria, Thomas Lindberg, David Molloy and Kenneth Meier. Sergeant Phillip Schoen, Detective Jack Grubb and Lieutenant Thomas Hesse.

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## Now is not the time to hike school taxes

If Novi Community Schools has its way, the average Novi homeowner will have to cough up an extra \$200 for the school district next year. Now that's an additional \$200, over and above the \$2,000 total tax bill the average Novi homeowner is paying to the school district already this year.

If that kind of a price increase seems somewhat out of line, it being a recession and all... well, we'd simply have to agree.

Nonetheless, that is in essence what the administration proposed when it called for a operational tax rate increase of 1.335 mills over this year's levy in its preliminary draft of the district's 1991-92 budget.

Superintendent Dr. Robert Piwko recommended the millage rate hike when he presented the budget draft to the board recently. The board has scheduled a public hearing on the fiscal plan for tonight (Thursday, May 16).

Now, an increase of 1.335 mills does not sound as if it should produce that kind of an overall jump. But there are several factors playing into it, all of which are contributing to a somewhat sizable hike in the taxes this year.

Figure that the average value of a home in Novi this year is about \$136,000. The total tax rate for Novi schools is 29.495 mills (26.395 mills for operating and 3.10 mills for debt retirement). The formula for calculating property taxes is one dollar per mill for each \$1,000 of assessed valuation (which is half the true cash value). So the average tax bill in Novi schools for 1990-91 would come to something like \$2,005.66.

The value of Novi homes increased an average of four percent this year, as a result of the annual adjustments in assessments. Some adjustments were higher, some lower, but the average was four percent according to the city assessor's office. And that would bring the average home value somewhere close to \$142,000.

The debt retirement side of the millage rate equation has already increased, from 3.10 mills to 3.35 mills, thanks to the passage of a bond proposal to build the new Technik building.

And then if the board decides to add 1.335 mills to this year's levy of 26.395, the tally for school district operations would jump to 27.73 mills. Add debt and operations together and you have a final figure of 31.08 mills.

On that \$142,000 average home, taxes would be \$2,206.68.

Of course, it might be worth that much, depending on what improvements in the program you get for those extra bucks. Besides the Technik building, you get a new foreign language offering—Japanese; \$25,000 worth of new equipment and technology in the high school and middle school; and a strings music program. Keep in mind the \$50,000 cost of the strings program will establish it only in the fifth and sixth grades, so the cost will increase each coming year as new grade levels are added.



### Education

Now if that doesn't sound like a proposal voters would likely go for, that's okay. The board can enact this increase on its own. The school board will have to take a vote to override the state-mandated truth-in-taxation rollback (absent that vote, truth-in-taxation would require the operational levy be reduced to 25.516 mills) but the rate remains well within the requirements of the Headlee Amendment. The Headlee Amendment would allow the district to go all the way up to 29.719 mills without a vote of the people. Its total authorized millage is 33.04 mills.

So the Novi school board does deserve some credit. Fiscal conservatism in past years has kept the tax rate down, well under the level which would have been allowed. And even at the tax rate proposed, the board will remain well under what it could levy under the Headlee Amendment. So it is not like the board is merely trying to soak Novi taxpayers.

Still, the proposal before the board is whether it should break custom and exceed truth-in-taxation limits, and even increase the levy beyond last year's rate. And it seems to us this is not the time to make such a move.

It is not just a taxpayers being strapped by the recession, though that is a pretty good reason. There is also the question of where precisely the school district's own finances are headed. Tight financial times, relatively speaking, could be on the horizon as early as next year.

For one, the state is likely to take away even more money than it did this with the so-called "recapture" of social security money. There is a tax assessment freeze expected to dip into the district's budget next year. The tax freeze combined with the recession calls into question the degree of growth in the tax base the district can count on for next year.

Now would not appear to be the time to add programs. And especially not programs like the strings music program, which include an escalating cost in years to come.

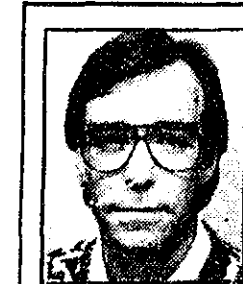
Rather, belt tightening—in preparation for tighter times ahead—would seem the order of the day. One needs to keep in mind that the belt would not have been drawn too tight at this point. Even if the school district kept its millage rate at last year's level, overall revenue would see a growth of about 7 percent due to new building and assessment hikes.

In the final analysis, we can't see a cause for hiking the millage beyond last year's level and we'd urge the school board to spare taxpayers the hike.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## Life of an 'urban pioneer'



Mike Malott

These aren't jokes, just things that make you say (point finger to temple) "Himmmmmh."

Those of you who have noted my hypocrisy—decrying on these very pages the horrors of urban sprawl while at the same time giving up as an "urban pioneer," attempting to sell my house in Pontiac and trying take up the suburban life in or around Novi—might get a chuckle from the following tale.

I was mowing my front lawn last week (a rarity in and of itself although not quite as astounding enough to warrant mention here on its own) when two middle-aged women came strolling down the sidewalk toward my house.

Now I'd never seen these women around the neighborhood before, but they were smiling at me and eager to chat, as if we were long lost friends. Being the polite person that I am, I turned off the machine to find out what it was they had to say. Merely small talk. "She is a reference to my wife, no doubt) has got you out mowing the lawn, hey?" The one asked. She fired off a couple of other pointless questions that I really couldn't give answers to.

I was beginning to wonder what this was all about when the two asked me to give them a ride. Now I'm occasionally slow on the uptake, so I assumed that the point of this was that they were trying to bum transportation somewhere. Very suspicious. I of course declined, pointing to my lawn mower and noting that I was very busy.

"Want to get buster?" one of them fired back. Finally it dawned on me. . . this wasn't a friendly chat. It was business proposition. I was being solicited for, shall we say, services. And a few comments followed that.

though not printable in a family paper, confirmed my conclusion. These ladies-of-the-afternoon, as it were, apparently were trying to establish some kind of door-to-door service.

Now, I've always been very positive about the idea of refurbishing and revitalizing our inner cities, but this incident made me long for the days when I lived in 'Burbs and the most serious criminal matter I had to worry about was whether our shed complied with the zoning ordinance.

Many readers have asked just exactly what the outcome was of the so-called sprinkler protest, in opposition to Novi's new mandatory alternate day lawn watering ordinance, that I called for in my column for the weekend of April 27 and 28. I've tried to avoid putting the results in the newspaper, but I suppose I should share the enlightening tabulations.

(Keep in mind that the results are unscientific, since I took my counts from an automobile survey of subdivisions and could not possibly cover the entire city within the one-hour protest time.)

■ One spotted sprinkling illegally on Saturday between the designated times of noon to 1 p.m. (Obviously a homeowner of strong convictions. Either that or a homeowner who was unaware the new sprinkling rules.)

■ Five spotted sprinkling legally Saturday during the designated protest times. (Perhaps, these homeowners were so eager to protest they couldn't wait until their designated protest times the next day.)

■ None spotted sprinkling illegally on Sunday during the designated times. (The thrill had apparently worn off by then.)

■ Seven spotted sprinkling legally on Sunday.

■ An estimated 31,987 Novi residents didn't sprinkle at all that weekend.

Draw your own conclusions about what those numbers mean.

## Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



'Sleeping beauty'

## Items from our catalogue



Bob Needham

It's nice to know that some things never change. When I was in college, the food served in the commons was . . . well, just like the food served in my college. Terrible. So whenever I could scrounge up a couple of dollars, by collecting returnable bottles or selling a story to the local newspaper, I'd order food.

One year in particular I got into a rut of ordering a submarine sandwich from Pizza King, one of the many fine similar establishments dotting the landscape around Alma College. My habit came to an abrupt halt, however, when one night a guy at Pizza King answered the phone. I said, "I like to order a sub," and the guy responded, "Is this 312 Maple?"

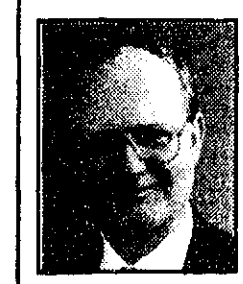
This was all in the distant past until last night. My wife and I decided to get dinner from the Pizza Cutter (which incidentally beats even Pizza Sam all hollow). My wife made the call this time. She gave our name, but before she had a chance to get the address out, they said, "That's okay. We know where you live."

This time, however, it's not going to stop us from calling again.

I had an odd thought the other day after calling someone and asking that they send me some information. I specifically asked the person to "drop it in the mail," but that phrase made me stop and think. Fax machines have become so popular, it seems like everyone has access to one in some way. If I had asked the person to fax what I needed, I would have received it a lot quicker—and I'm sure it would have cost a great deal less than a first-class stamp.

This is the odd thought: Are we approaching a time where the postal service, at least for purposes of most day-to-day business correspondence, simply becomes obsolete? We may be close to it already. The march of technology continues, and nobody can do a thing to even slow it down.

## No one has a monopoly on brains



Tim Richard

It's fashionable to say politicians are dumb and inefficient while business people are smart and efficient.

So here are two unfashionable stories to the contrary. State government's budget is \$1 billion out of whack, so Gov. John Engler is proposing to zero out arts subsidies, meanwhile, freezing arts grants, right? In the case of several suburban symphony orchestras, the damage could reach more than \$9,000 a year each.

On the program cover for the most recent Livonia Symphony Orchestra concert was a sticker acknowledging a grant from Ford Motor Co. Only days before, Ford and General Motors had announced losses for the quarter—that's three months, not a full year—of \$2 billion.

As state government stopped its bleeding by reducing its spending, an auto giant maintained its flow.

The other story was told by a West Bloomfield lady who read my account of state Sen. David Honigman's bill to prohibit local governments from having residency requirements.

About one-fourth of local units require employees to live within city, village or township boundaries.

Only government, said Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, would make a rule so obnoxious and oppressive to personal liberty.

Not so, said my caller, who told of a relative working for a paper company in Louisiana. Executives are required to live in a rinky-dink burg where the company is located. They would prefer to live in a nicer town 20 miles away with better schools.

Assuming the story is true, it suggests private business can be every bit as obnoxious as government is alleged to be.

I have a theory about groups of people. My idea is supported by an insurance claims adjuster friend. He says 95 percent of claimants just want to be made whole; they want their losses covered—no more, no less. Ten percent are shady. Five percent are cheaters.

My theory is that 85 percent of any group—rabbits, nuns, fundamentalists, gringos, Orientals, blacks, plumbers, surgeons, bureaucrats—want to do an honest day's work for an honest day's wage, pay their fair share of taxes and live in peace. Ten percent are lazy or cut corners. Five percent are crooks.

Our figures match. Neither business nor government has any monopoly on brains, fairness and efficiency.

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Suzie Heinz, in her new job as head of Gov. Engler's Detroit office, tells the story of an elderly man who came to see her with the offer of some stationery.

"It's generic stationery—for the office of the lieutenant governor," he said.

The stationery bears the lieutenant governor's title but no name.

The donor was Hicks Griffiths, husband of former Lt. Gov. Martha Griffiths. "We want Corrie Blinsfeld to have it," he said. "We like Corrie."

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events.

## Free to accomplish our dreams

The following essay won an honorable mention in a contest sponsored by the Novi Jaycees. The award was given at the recent Jaycees Distinguished Service Awards breakfast. By EMILY PARKER

Pride in America. Whenever I open a newspaper or listen to a radio, the news always seems to be about crime or what we are doing to harm our world. It causes me to stop and ask myself what is happening to our country.

The answer to that question is one reason I am proud to be an American. Yes, we make mistakes, but we are willing to admit our problems and try

to correct them. We have finally realized that we have to take better care of our world and animals that live in it.

Another reason that I am proud of our country is that we are willing to help other nations when they are in need. We try to share what we have with others. In times of trouble we have rolled up our sleeves and pitched in to help. Sometimes we

help with money, but many times it has been with food, equipment, medical supplies, doctors, teachers, engineers and construction workers.

I am proud to be an American because we are survivors. Our history is the story of that survival. From our birth as a nation through a Civil War, a great depression, two World Wars, Presidential assassinations, and the unrest of the Sixties, we have met the

challenges and marched on together. I take pride in the fact that we live by a set of rules and codes that are written for the good of all and still attempt to protect the rights of the minorities. Some of these laws and codes have been changed and new ones have been added to accommodate a growing nation. Other laws have stood the test of time and are just as right today as they were two hundred years ago.

I am proud that we are free. We are free to worship or not to worship, free to speak out and to disagree, free to question and learn, and free to dream and to accomplish our dreams.

Minnesota has a statewide plan. Business executives and political conservatives generally like it because it makes public schools compete with each other as well as with private schools.

A companion measure—SB 159—would allocate \$1 million for pilot programs in about six county intermediate school districts (ISDs) which apply.

The purpose would be to work toward cross-district choice within a county.

All child-county ISD is known to be interested. It is sponsored by Sen. Dan DeGroot, R-Port Huron, another Engler ally.

It would be voluntary. All boards of education within an ISD would have to agree to participate.

It passed 22-10, but with less of a party line vote.

Republican Ceake voted no, saying, "We can't afford the \$1 million planning money. There is no provision for state reimbursement for transportation between the districts; it's unclear who would be stuck with that cost."

Ceake added it's doubtful that such out-of-formula districts as Northville and Novi would be reimbursed at all.

Republican Honigman and Democrat Pollack voted yes.

Republican Dillingham missed the final roll call vote.

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## Student Essay

Whether they like it or not, local school districts would have to plan "schools of choice" programs under a state Senate-passed bill.

Senate majority leader Dick Posthumus' bill won't force parents to send their kids to the neighborhood school, but it would require Michigan's 562 school districts to offer in-district choice programs.

"No later than Oct. 1, 1991, each local school district shall establish a schools of choice planning committee consisting of representative parents, teachers, building principals and other school administrators," says the opening section on Senate Bill 158.

After approval by the state Department of Education, the plan would have to be in place by April 1, 1992, for the 1992-3 school year.

Posthumus, R-Alto, is Gov. John Engler's closest legislative pal. That means Engler likely would sign it.

But it also means the Democratic-dominated House may be cool when it gets the bill next week. The House defeated a similar measure last year.

The measure was passed 21-12 Wednesday on nearly a party-line vote.

Republicans Fred Dillingham of Fowlerville, Robert Ceake of Northville and David Honigman of West Bloomfield voted yes.

Democrats Jack Faxon of Farmington Hills and Lana Pollack of Ann Arbor voted no.

Faxon was emphatic: "Make the school better" was his solution. "The answer is not to tell people in a poor neighborhood to go to another school . . . The better schools are not better because the teachers are better. They're better because kids who go there come in with more advantages."

For Pollack, it was "one of the more difficult votes I've had to cast." As a parent she was happy her fourth-grader could switch to an alternative Ann Arbor school. "But I have a problem with taking away power of local school districts. I'm uncomfortable with giving mandates."

Honigman is a passionate believer. "Freedom works. Freedom is right whether it works or not."

The Department of Education will: ■ Draw up eligibility rules for transportation aid. ■ Help local districts with administrative and technical support. ■ Report to lawmakers, districts and the public the outcomes of choice plans.

Only about 1 percent of parents are expected to exercise the choice option, according to experience in other states.

The choice concept was pioneered in New York City where schools began specializing in science, performing arts and other academic areas.

But he said there would be no "quid pro quo"—he won't require Bush to endorse his counselor plan in return for supporting the president's initiative.

Elementary teaching is becoming more difficult, and teachers need the backup support of counselors, said Pursell, a former teacher.

"Today, kids spend 91 percent of their time outside the classroom and 9 percent in class. Half the parents are divorced, even in an affluent place like Livonia," he said in response to an audience question about reducing dropout rates.

"The teacher has very little help in an elementary classroom with 25 to 32 students," he said.

His plan would seek a pilot program, perhaps in Michigan, to introduce counselors into elementary

schools, not just high schools.

The Bush policy is to encourage educational experimentation with the states as laboratories for new ideas, he said.

The eight-term congressman said textbooks aren't enough in classrooms filled with kids who have working parents and who watch a lot of television.

"We need satellite technology to help teachers . . . videotapes . . . floppy disks. You will see major, significant, educational changes in the next five to 10 years," Pursell said.

A second pair of proposals being studied by the National Science Foundation: spreading educational research to the classroom teacher.

Consulting dozens of veteran teachers in the 2nd District, from Livonia to Jackson, Pursell last winter

found the federal government was spending millions for educational research that most teachers outside Ann Arbor didn't even know about.

The concept NSF is studying, he said in an interview, is the one used in the agricultural Cooperative Extension Service which, beginning in the 1860s, transformed American farms into the world's most efficient.

"It worked then. It can work now," he said.

Pursell said Alexander, former governor of Tennessee, "cleaned house" in the Education Department. Christopher Cross, the assistant secretary who accompanied Pursell on his winter trip, has been replaced.

"I don't know if that's good or bad," Pursell said.

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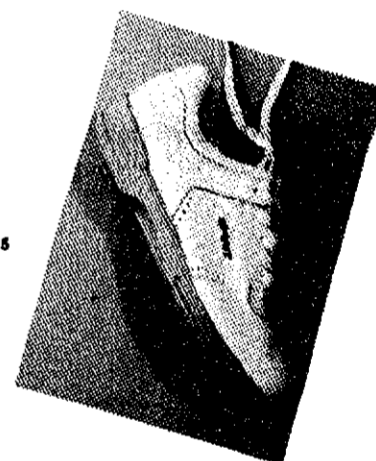
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## THE WAY WE WORE

### Civil War clothing is back

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

It's real easy, according to Novi resident Jo Marie Soszynski.

Just take four long panels of cloth. Sew them together. Draw the edges in to a 26-inch-or-so-waist — this is the hard part. Then hem by hand those 180 inches at the bottom. That should take about two hours.

Don't forget to line that skirt. And maybe add a few tiers of ruffles. Or tacked-on flowers.

You're halfway to THE LOOK. The look, at least, that's in demand with a growing brigade of Civil War re-enactors.

Then you stitch up a bodice, reinforced with steel stays and closed in the back with eyelets and laces. Drape it off the shoulders for the revealing look Mammy didn't want Miss Scarlett to wear to the barbecue. Or convert the basic hoop skirt to an afternoon dress with a buttoned-up bodice, maybe with pagoda or bishop sleeves.

Authenticity is the creed. A hastily revamped old prom dress doesn't make it in the re-enactment circles.

Soszynski — who's been sewing for 23 years — was dragged back to the mid-19th century by her friend Carol Bauer, whose husband, Jerry

plays in the 5th Michigan Regiment Band. The Novi-based brass band takes the role played by their Livingston County counterparts during the Civil War.

Tonight, 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, the Novi Historical Society is sponsoring a fashion show and concert by the 5th Michigan Regiment Band. Soszynski will be narrating and wearing a seamstress's gown, complete with a belt carrying the tools of her trade.

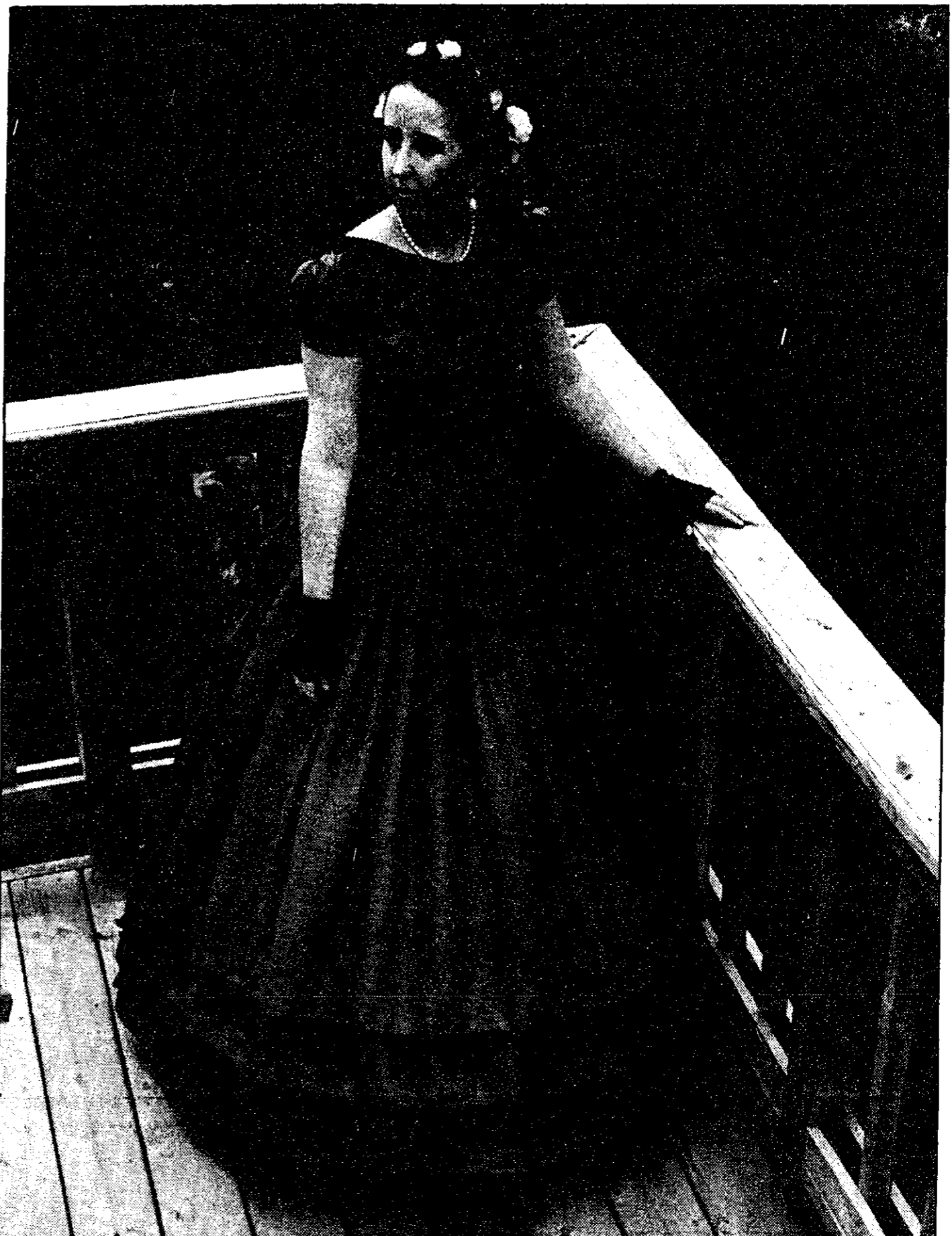
The Bauers, along with Carol Smith and her band member husband, Guy, will model costumes made by Soszynski and others.

This fall, Soszynski and the Novi Historical Society plan to present a 19th century fashion workshop, with pointers on how to sew yourself into the past, in time for Northville's Victorian Days and Novi's Pioneer Festival.

In one year, the Novi resident has made 10 Civil War women's costumes, along with an assortment of pantaloons, crocheted red petticoats and men's Garibaldi shirts. She supplies them to a downriver retailer specializing in the Civil War era, "Past Reflections."

A two-blouse-a-day craftswoman.

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Above, Jo Marie Soszynski models a taffeta ballgown she made. At far left, she models a Civil War-era day bonnet. At left, members of the Fifth Michigan Regiment Band (clockwise from upper left) Novi resident Jerry Bauer, Brighton resident Guy Smith, Novi teacher Carol Smith of Brighton and Novi resident Carol Bauer pose at the 1866 Simmons Home in Novi.

### Volunteer



MARGARET SURDU

## PTA volunteer

By DOROTHY NASH  
Special Writer

If you are a parent, you can skip PTA or you can go and even volunteer to be on a committee.

Volunteering is how Margaret Surdu started, and eventually she became president of Northville PTA Coordinating Council — a one-year term ending on June 6.

In 1984 when a chairperson was needed for the Holiday Shop at Moraine Elementary School, where her son was in second grade, she took the job.

It was a short-term job, supplying children with order blanks for Christmas gifts they could purchase for brothers, sisters and parents. Parents OK'd the orders.

She was Holiday Shop chairperson again in 1985 when Moraine students were transferred to Amerman School.

Also in 1985 Surdu was chairperson of the sweat shirt sale at Meads Mill Middle School. Her daughter was in school there.

The next year she was secretary of

PTA at Amerman, and the following year she was co-president.

Meanwhile, at Meads Mill she got involved with an organization it hosted — the Michigan Association of Middle School Educators.

"Meetings were held at the school, and I helped organize the literature for the attendees," who represented all Michigan middle schools.

Then she went into the PTA Coordinating Council. She was elected vice president, then treasurer, then vice president again, and finally president.

But there's more, she said. "I'm on the Strategic Planning Committee to originate a five-year education plan for Northville."

"I'm on three action committees: high school day, class size and community involvement."

"And I'm a member of the Parents Advisory Committee at the high school."

Why did Margaret Surdu get into PTA in the first place?

Her answer is, "I wanted to get involved in the community. And I've enjoyed it. And I'll stay active."

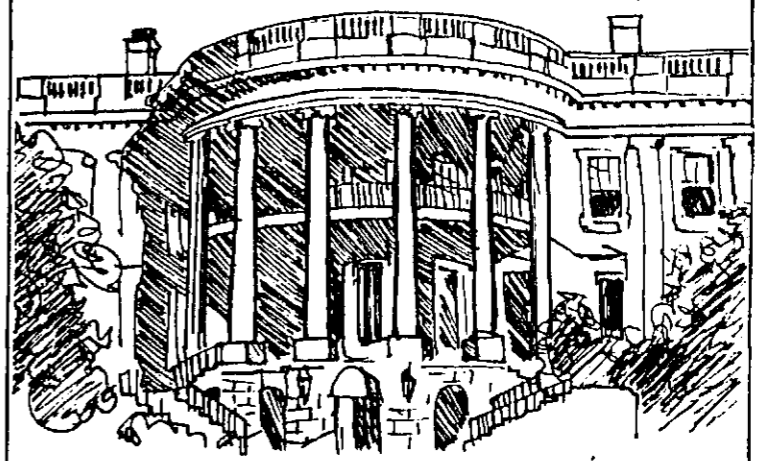
### Random Sample

#### Would you support Dan Quayle as president?

Three said, "YES"  
Seven said, "NO"

"Yes. I think he's smarter than people give him credit for."

"No way, he's a fool."



Graphic by ANGELA PREDHOMME

# American Legion searches for new post home

By JEANNE CLARKE  
Special Writer

The Novi post of the American Legion continues to work with other veterans groups in a search for a new post home.

Plans are being made for fund-raisers such as spaghetti dinners, fish fries, bingo, etc., to raise money for the purchase since the groups are already working with a realty company in the search for a location. One of the fund-raisers is the annual garage sale on June 8 at the old Fire Hall parking lot, if weather permits. If not, it will be inside. Anyone who would like to donate good usable items can call Commander Paul Root at 478-3860.

Another annual activity coming up is the Pompy Days sale scheduled for May 16, 17 and 18. Artin Krueger is in charge of this program. All monies collected from the sale will go into the post's Welfare Fund and are used only to help veterans and their families. Look for American Legion members selling poppies at the shopping centers around town. Still another activity in which the post is active this year is helping to plan the annual Memorial Day parade. The day's activities include a special service at 9 a.m. at the Oakland Hills Memorial Cemetery at the veteran's monument. Then at 10 a.m. the

## Novi Highlights

parade will start at the Novi town cemetery by Border's Book store. There will be a short memorial service at the Novi Road cemetery with just veterans groups participating. At 11:30 a.m. the memorial service will be at the veterans monument at Novi city hall with flyover by the Air National Guard.

The guest speaker will be General Gordon Stump, Novi resident and commander of the Michigan ANG. He will address the crowd at noon and there will be additional festivities and viewing of military equipment. At 1 p.m. snacks for marchers will be served at meeting hall on Novi Road just south of Grand River Ave. There will be a color guard, rifle squads and the Amvets and Marine Corps League and their families. Look for American Legion members selling poppies at the shopping centers around town. Still another activity in which the post is active this year is helping to plan the annual Memorial Day parade. The day's activities include a special service at 9 a.m. at the Oakland Hills Memorial Cemetery at the veteran's monument. Then at 10 a.m. the

and Madeline Lux are co-chairing the event.

Coming up on Sunday, May 19, on the day of Pentecost, the Rev. Gerald Bennel, former assistant to the Vicar now with St. George's Episcopal Church in Brandon, Fla., will be the celebrant and guest preacher.

Other upcoming activities include the planning for a parade float on Memorial Day and if enough people are interested, the church will be sponsoring it. Also coming up in the church school is a visit to St. Paul's Cathedral on May 19, then later on June 9 they will be having the end of the year party. The Rev. H. Irvin Mayson was present for combined service of Holy Cross and St. Anne's recently and they dedicated St. Anne's new spire in memory of Robert Campbell. Then Bishop Mayson received 14 persons for confirmation. The church also has both day time and evening meetings for A.A. and for information, call the church office for information. Novi Newcomers Club New officers for this coming year will be installed this evening. Included are President Laurie Fannon, First Vice President of Programs Kate

contact the above number or call the Parks and Rec. at 347-0400.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS The church is having its annual Spring Plant Sale at the church located near Taft Road at 10 Mile from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 18, and is being sponsored by the church.

Orders will be taken for geraniums, hanging baskets with begonias, impatiens and geraniums and flats of begonias, impatiens, marigolds, ageratum, petunia, salvia and abysum, dusty miller and strap-arsons, the order forms can be picked up at the church and turned back in. The church is also planning to have a giant rummage sale on June 15 and they encourage anyone in the community when they are doing house-cleaning to save the unwanted items for the sale. If you have large items, call the church and there may be places to store it until June so call the church and find out. Church members are reminded that there will be a need for sorters, pricers and sales persons. Judy Rizzo

Sanberg. Second Vice President of membership Peggy Howseplan, secretary Beth Stay and treasurer Diane Doyle. Other board members include Ina Miller, Brenda Kern, Jeanne Bowen, Mary Turco, Denise Nussbaum, Katie Paul, and interest group director Kathy Longo.

Committee positions included: advisor Sue Szalony; historian Bridget Hill; hospitality Paula Kowalsky; Terr Schluender, Sue Horgan and Elaine Camp; newsletter labels Margaret Myers; newsletter Debbie McCracken and Sue Szalony; newsletter typists Debbie McCracken and Dawn Maise; publicity Marcia Preston; Jo Montgomery; welcome gifts Alison Murray; and yearbook Peggy Howseplan, Diane Doyle, Laurie Fannon and Sue Szalony. The Bishop Mayson received 14 persons for confirmation.

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Their meetings are once a month December through May. Call any one of the officers for more information. June 1 has already been planned as the annual Road Rally and there is a limit for members and their friends to 20 cars with four in a car. Reservations have to be made early. Cost will include dinner.

They are also planning to participate in the Annual Memorial Day Parade for the whole family. Although the craft group will not be meeting through the summer, members have this past year learned about cake decorating, pine cone wreaths, Christmas sweatshirts decorated barettes, folk art painted bunnies and stenciled apron. The golf group meets every Tuesday at various area golf clubs with lunch following.

NOVI SENIORS Seniors are reminded that now the good weather is here about the time that are being planned for them by Kathy Crawford, special recreation director. Recently the group went to the Whitney mansion, had an elegant lunch and interview with a guide who

# Novi Players comedy opens

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

Ready for some laughter? If so, head to the Novi Civic Center this Friday or Saturday and see "Social Security," a hilarious Novi Players production of Andrew Bergman's 1986 Broadway hit.

"Social Security" is a story about how the lives of a trendy, New York City couple — David and Barbara Kahn, played by Richard Waller and Jeannine Coughlin, change when her elderly, cantankerous mother moves in with them.

Helen Weiss plays Sophie, the mother. Get ready for some surprises!

The play, directed by Jan Cable, is smooth and paced just quickly enough to keep everyone laughing. In fact, almost as soon as the laughter dies down from one funny line or situation, it starts up again from the next.

Other cast members include Judy Neese and Sam Welner as Trudy and Martin Heyman, the "uncool" couple from the suburbs; and Marc Holland as "famous artist" Maurice Koenig. It's well done. Go see it.

Showtime is 8 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Tickets are \$6 at the door and \$5 in advance. For more ticket information call 347-0400.



Jeannine Coughlin plays Barbara Kahn in the Novi Players production of "Social Security"

# More news about Novi neighbors

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talked about the family and how they had lived.

The group also attended the last morning coffee at Orchestra Hall and heard the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. In the future, the group will be going to the Northville flower show, which will lunch at Genlita's, a brook of Mill Race Village complete with some mysterious other places.

The center also has a number of special programs under the direction of center manager Jan McAlpine including some of the following: "chart your way through the supermarket," fire safety extinguishers, etc., crime prevention, patients rights under Medicare, guaranteed tax deferred annuities. On May 30, there will be a special memorial service for all those who have died within the past two years. The center does have a lunch each day with a variety of menus under the direction of Sister Camille Kelly who is the nutrition site hostess. She was the guest at a birthday celebration last Monday.

Seniors are encouraged to start walking if they don't already and Madrine organizes this on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. Doris Schultz, senior aide, does it on Friday. One of the big occasions was the Pen Pal party last week when the seniors and the first graders from Orchard Hills Elementary met for the first time. The seniors each gave the youngsters a gift and they in turn had made cards and little tokens for the seniors. The parents of the children had also made the goods for the party. There were about 50 seniors involved in the project, the youngsters also sang songs, read poems and performed for the seniors. The first graders were under the direction of teacher Ann Prime and Darlene Crowski.

Other activities were going to the Senior Power Day this week on Tuesday to Lansing and on the 15th they had a fun time with crazy bingo and everyone getting banana splits. Plan now to come to the Center pick up the calendar and meet the staff.

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATION-AL CHURCH This upcoming Saturday will be the annual plant and bake sale sponsored by the women's service club of

the church from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be beautiful geraniums and bedding plants of many kinds available.

There will also be a bake sale for those who want to pick up that dessert for Sunday dinner. The church is located at 21355 Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine Mile Roads in Novi. Then on Sunday, May 19, there will be a kickoff dinner for the building fund drive which is expected to be completed by Rally Day in September. Richard Dumwell, chairman of the building committee recently presented the architect's drawings for the new sanctuary and it is hoped that construction will start April 1992 and be available for the 1992 Christmas season.

During the month of April, the church had a concert by the Wayne State University Jazz band and they played contemporary jazz and tunes of the big band era. Then later in the month there was an art auction complete with delicious hors d'oeuvres music and a chance to bid on articles provided by the Oxford Art Gallery of Detroit.

The spring rummage sale was also a huge success and all the unsold items were distributed to the Salvation Army, Holy Family, Novi Library and Purple Heart. The next one is scheduled for Oct. 11 and 12.

On May 31 there will be a rehearsal of Church School Sunday which is coming up on June 9 and the rehearsal is called "fun night." All children who attended preschool through junior high are asked to attend. Dinner will be served and games will be played.

Then on Church School Sunday, which has become a tradition at the church, the children will be giving the Rev. Hunt a vacation day and taking over the Sunday worship service. The children will be involved in all aspects including conducting the service, performing in the choir and ushering. All church school teachers will be recognized for their work throughout the past year. Also included that day will be the all-church picnic to be held at Lake Shore Park on Walled Lake in Novi and there will also be an ice cream social.

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## Weight Loss Surprises Researchers

WASHINGTON—A nutrition organization was hopeful that a nutritionally complete "high" food tablet would help ease world hunger problems, until a study revealed that one of the ingredients could cause significant weight loss.

Researchers in Europe found that an ingredient in the aptly named product Food Source One actually caused people to lose weight, even though specifically instructed not to alter normal eating patterns, according to one study published in the prestigious British Journal of Nutrition. Researchers in an earlier study had speculated that the weight loss was due to a decrease in intestinal absorption of calories.

While the development of Food Source One, a project of National Dietary Research, would not be used to successfully fulfill its original goal, the discovery has been a windfall for overweight people.

A Daytona Beach, Florida woman fighting a weight battle for 12 years used the product on the recommendation of her physician and lost 30 pounds. She stated, "Not only have I lost 30 pounds, but my cholesterol has dropped from 232 to 143. I have two closets full of clothes which have not fit me in two years that I can now wear." In a separate report, a telephone interview revealed that a Wilmington, North Carolina pharmacist lost 14 pounds in 15 days on the product and was never hungry.

Food Source One is available through physicians and pharmacists without a prescription because it is not a drug and contains only natural ingredients already known to be safe. Copies of the referenced style are available free from National Dietary Research, Suite 553, 1377 N. St., Washington, DC 20005, however, please include \$2 Postage & Handling for each request.

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# Civil War era reconstructed

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Soszynski hopes to soon start her own company, custom-making fashions that was outmoded when your grandma was still cutting her teeth.

But this seamstress doesn't want to pin herself down to one fashion era. Already, she's been approached by War of 1812 re-enactors. She's got a commission to create medieval jester suits for a Halloween costume, although her own taste for historic dress runs to the elegant lines of the 1920s or the French Directorate era.

Soszynski doesn't just make the outfit. A costume typically includes the petticoat, the underpetticoat, the corset and the pantaloons. The pantaloons were designed for modesty when it was discovered that the wind had a way of whooshing up a hoop skirt.

"Prior to the 1860s, ladies did not wear underwear. I'm quite shocked," she said.

Hoop skirts were adopted as a comfort measure, replacing layers of heavy petticoats. At the time, newspaper columnists predicted they would be the ideal dress for shoppers, who would dangle stolen goods from the steel bands.

Bauer and Smith say the garments are not as uncomfortable as they look. The two women can hop into a van in full dress.

During the bicentennial, re-enacting the Civil War era became a hobby — or obsession — with thousands of Americans, according to Smith. During the summer, the 5th Michigan Regiment Band will take to the road two to three weekends a month.

Frequently, Soszynski dresses up with her friends and goes out on the

# Early settlers brought religion



Barbara Louie

Religious inspiration came to the early settlers of Novi and other Southeastern Michigan communities by way of circuit riders, ministers who preached in a circuit on periodic Sundays from one area to the next. It was the influence of these traveling preachers that encouraged the settlers to form their own houses of worship.

The first of these missionaries to add Novi to his circuit was the Rev. Eric Prince. He came to the area shortly after Novi was first settled in the mid-1820s.

The church that was organized at that time eventually became the Novi Methodist Church. However, it was over 40 years before the worshippers actually had a permanent structure to pray in.

The Novi church was served by traveling ministers until 1869 when regular preaching began and a permanent church was created. Previously, church services which began at the home of Novi's first postmaster, John Gould, had taken place in the schoolhouse.

In 1869, the Novi Methodist Church joined with the Willowbrook Community Church which had been organized in 1856. The unification created the Novi United Methodist Church, which is now located at Willowbrook and 10 Mile roads.

Novi's oldest church, however, was the Novi Baptist Church, founded in 1846 and built three years later on Novi Road near Grand River.

Among the founding members of the Novi Baptist Church was Deacon Loren Flint and family. He came to Novi early in its history, settling near what is today 12 Mile Road west of Novi Road. Flint and the other members of the church — which numbered less than a dozen in those early years — raised over \$1,000 and were able to erect what historian Samuel Dur-

ant called "a suitable edifice" in less than a year after making the decision to build it. The church, 34 feet by 40 feet in size, stood alone on nearly an acre of land supposedly donated by Daniel Lee.

An additional \$100 was paid to C.C. Gage, the owner of adjacent property to the rear of the church, which "seemed to be absolutely necessary" for purchase at the time. The old church was eventually destroyed and on this additional land was built a new church, 34 feet by 60 feet in size, at a cost of \$3,800. It was dedicated in 1876.

Once more, however, the Baptist Church was destroyed — this time by fire in 1912, the same fire that destroyed the Novi Town Hall next door.

Both buildings were rebuilt two years later, but by the late 1950s the congregation had grown enough to warrant an even larger, more modern church. It was completed in 1961. Renamed First Baptist Church of Novi, it is located at the corner of Taft and 11 Mile roads.

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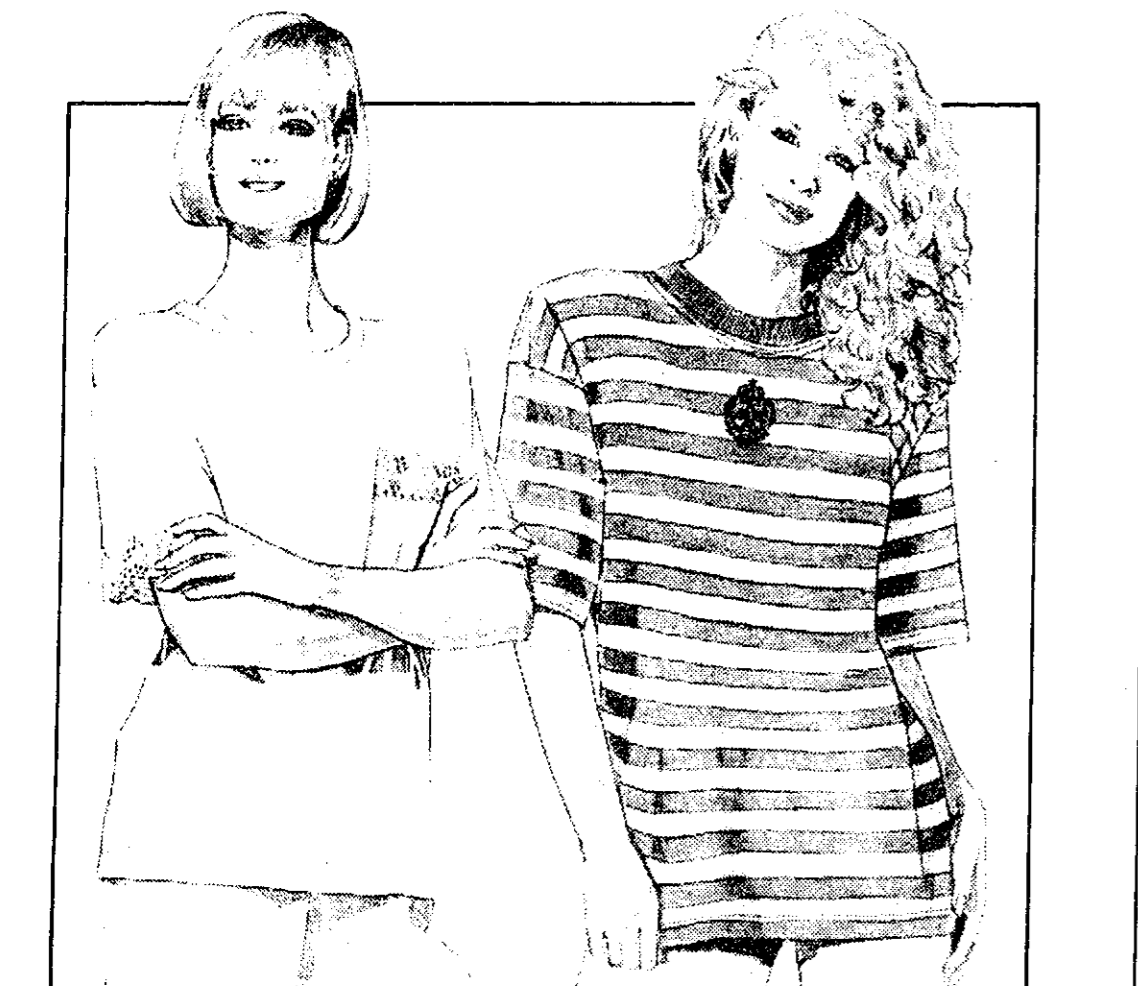
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## Museum displays Main Street

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Writer

Picture a time when Main Street was the center of activity in every small town. A time when a small factory, a general store and a train station could all be found within walking distance on that Main Street.

Although those days may seem long ago, at the Plymouth Historical Museum, they can be revisited. Located at the intersection of Main and Church streets in downtown, the museum offers patrons a glimpse into the past of Plymouth.

According to Executive Director Beth Stewart, a major attraction at the museum is its "Main Street" exhibit. She said the exhibit, which has been part of the museum since its opening, depicts what the town actually looked like after the coming of the railroad in the 1870s.

"It's pretty representative of business and what was in downtown Plymouth," Stewart said.

The historical museum opened its doors to the public in 1976. Since then, Stewart said, the focus of the museum has been to educate the community and present its historical artifacts in a way that the public can relate to.

"My thing is that when somebody can walk in and say 'I remember that,'" she said, "there is a connection."

Besides Main Street, the museum features a host of interesting exhibits and historical information.

Before the Big Three were big, Plymouth had its own car manufacturing company. Stewart said the "Alter Motor Car Company" was located in the city from 1914 to 1917.

The auto maker produced a 27-horsepower touring car that retailed for about \$650. Stewart said the company, which only assembled the vehicle in Plymouth, claimed to build a better car than Ford.

"It was competitive to Ford," she said. "But Ford was producing cars for \$200 less."

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The Plymouth Historical Museum will offer a trip back in time

museum's main exhibit area. Two women, dressed in Victorian attire, sit and listen to the band as they play in their bright-looking uniforms.

Instruments, either donated or on loan, are abundant in and around the exhibit. Genuine uniforms of the bands, still neatly pressed, can also be found.

No visit to the Plymouth Historical Museum, however, would be complete without a stop in its archives section.

Complete sets of the "Michigan Pioneer Collection" and the "Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies" can be found in the section. In addition, maps, photos and newspapers from Plymouth and the surrounding area are available to every visitor of the museum.

"Many people come to the

research for the genealogy. Two, they come to look at (pictures of old houses."

Admission rates for the museum are \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for children and children under the age of 5 are free. For more information call 455-8940.

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## Comedy featured by area players

### In Town

The Novi Players will present Andrew Bergman's "Social Security" beginning tomorrow.

The play is a hilarious comedy about how the lives of a middle-aged couple are turned upside down with the unexpected arrival of her mother.

Showtime is at 8 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center on Ten Mile Road. The play runs from May 17-19. Tickets are \$6 at the door and \$5 in advance. For more ticket information call 347-0400.

### Karaoke

The Novi Hillton's Whispers Lounge is looking for a few good singers. It will be holding Karaoke-assisted auditions on Friday and Saturday evenings. Singers are asked to reserve performance times. Phone 349-4000 to do so or for more information. The Novi Hillton is located on Haggerty Road just north of Eight Mile Road.

### Learn About Family Fun

"Detroit Kids Catalog" author and Detroit News "Kid Stuff" columnist Elyce Field will conduct a leisure-planning seminar for parents called "Family Travel and Recreation" on Sunday, May 13, from 6:30-8 p.m. at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center. The seminar, a workshop and problem-solving session, will include Field's descriptions of the many festivals, events, vacation spots and low-cost adventures to be enjoyed within the state and the metro area. She will also provide successful strategies for pleasurable travel and other outings with children. A charge of \$3 per person must be paid at pre-registration at Borders information desk. Call 347-0780 for more information.

## 'Social Security' presented locally

### Nearby

The Rosedale Community Players will be presenting a hilarious comedy "Social Security" by Andrew Bergman on May 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 17 and 18. All performances will be held at The Upstage located at 21728 Grand River Ave., just east of Lahser.

All performances are at 8 p.m., except for a 2 p.m. curtain for the Sunday, May 12, performance. Tickets are \$7 per person and all seats are reserved. Group, senior citizen and student rates are available. For further information, call The Upstage at 532-4010.

### Southfield Chorale Performs

The Madrigal Choral of Southfield, under the direction of Robert A. Martin, presents a joint concert with Musica Gloria of Burlington, Ontario, under the direction of Blair E. Havers.

Performances may be enjoyed at St. James Church, Woodward at 8 1/2 Mile, in Ferndale on Saturday, May 18, at 8 p.m., as well as at Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine Road at Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills on Sunday, May 19, at 7 p.m.

The Madrigal Chorale will perform a variety of music including a premiere performance of Robert A. Harris' "Kyrie/Gloria." Musica Gloria will perform music by Canadian composers as well as by Brahms, Scarlatti and Butler.

Northville resident "Analee" will perform with the Madrigal Chorale.

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## MEAN STREAK

### Cedar Point unveils new coaster

By DORIS SCHARFENBERG  
Staff Writer

Notice to persons who love to be slammed-dunked through walls of negative gravity: Another stomach-dripping gratification is cranked up and ready for your screams.

The world's highest wooden roller coaster was launched last Saturday, May 11, at Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio.

The Mean Streak, a \$7.5 million basket-weave of cross beams and buttressed pillars, containing 1.5 million board feet of Southern yellow pine, has been checked and rechecked for the big day. Three 28-passenger trains have had their wheels, bolts and seat belts inspected.

Passengers sit in steel-framed vehicles with wooden sides, L-shaped lap bars, a seat belt, padded seat divider and high-backed seats.

The cars take coaster-mantics to the top of a 160-foot-high lift hill and drop them 155 feet at a 52-degree angle, reaching speeds of 65 miles an hour when the track levels out five feet above the ground.

The coaster's mile-long track traces an oblong path three times while navigating 12 hills and valleys.

Why wood? Timber was used in the Mean Streak because a more pliable wooden structure gives riders an out-of-control feeling that can't be duplicated on steel coasters. In 1990, fans took more than 14.3 million rides on Cedar Point's scream machines, which the Guinness Book of Records describes as the largest collection of its

kind in the world.

One classic, the Corkscrew, flips riders upside down three times, sometimes directly above the midway. Sending you downhill west is the specialty of Soak City, an adjacent but separate Cedar Point attraction. There are 10 slithering water slides (one set where kids slide through chutes and ladders, a training ground for the big stuff).

If riding the hills is not your cup of coffee, Cedar Point has other lures: Bengal tigers in circus acts, live stage shows, a ferris wheel, jungle safari, rowing musicians, dolphin and sea lion stunts, storybook characters and a 67-by-88 feet IMAX movie screen showing a film about transportation.

The history of Cedar Point as a playground goes back more than 100 years, with one of the original old hotels still on duty. The Breakers, built in 1905, has been designated a National Historic Landmark. Its Tiffany glass touches and a five-story rotunda are close to the fun, but far from the pace of the theme park.

The new Sandcastle Suites Hotel and a camper's village, also on the grounds of Cedar Point, offer alternate nearby accommodations, but you must reserve early.

For information call your travel agent or Cedar Point at (419) 627-2119. Theme park admission rates this year are \$21.95 for adults and \$11.95 for anyone of any age who is 48 inches or shorter.

You may find discounted tickets through one of the organizations you belong to. Groups of 25 or more can buy admission tickets for \$16.

The Mean Streak, now open at Cedar Point, lays claim to being the world's highest wooden roller coaster.

## Yellow Ribbon Summer program offers Desert Storm scholarships

The Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc., which owns four Sea World and two Busch Gardens facilities, as well as Cypress Gardens in Florida, has joined forces with the United Service Organization (USO) in a program called Yellow Ribbon Summer.

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The program also allows active duty military and active reservists and their immediate dependents to visit any of the company's seven entertainment parks free from Armed Forces Day, (May 18) through Labor Day (Sept. 2).

The parks include Sea World parks in San Diego, California; San Antonio, Texas; Orlando, Florida; and Aurora, Ohio, near Cleveland. Free admission is



Iris Sanderson Jones  
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ters for the Tecumseh Area Historical Society and the Promenade itself.

Tickets are \$5 before May 17, \$6 the day of the tour, \$5 anytime for seniors and students. For information call (517) 423-2374.

THE BAHAMAS is offering a new wrinkle, maybe two new wrinkles, to the travel scene. The promotion-minded islands, determined to jump-start a summer season, has appointed Vernal Sands "Director of Sunshine."

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It's a promotion, but it brings up an important point. The Caribbean is not much hotter in summer than in winter. We go south mid-winter because it's cold here. And we don't usually go to the islands mid-summer because it's hot here. Check it out with your travel agent.

TECUMSEH, MICHIGAN, will hold its 16th annual Historic Home Tour from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 18 and 19. "Promenade the Past 1991" includes seven restored homes as well as the old stone church which is the headquar-

## Michigan celebrates 'morel month'

The championships and festival may be over, but May is still "morel month" and you can still join the mushroom-lovers who are prowling around Michigan northwoods.

It may be a tongue-twister, but April showers and warm temperatures bring on Michigan's luscious morel crop.

Although last year's harvest was not as good as previous years because of a dry April, mushroom hunters are hopeful that this season will produce an abundant supply of morels. And so are tourism officials, since a good morel crop brings in thousands of visitors.

"About half a million people residing in and out of the state head for the Michigan north each year to hunt mushrooms," reports Peter Erickson, AAA Michigan Club Services director. "Hotel rooms, restaurants and shops all benefit from morel fever."

Many folks with morel-mania, especially from Ohio and Indiana, also stay overnight in Michigan campgrounds in their search for the elusive morel.

The Black morels, which usually surface in late April or early May, are in full bloom. White morels, which fruit about a week later, are followed by giant morels.

Mushroom-hunters say the best spot to find morels is in the upper half of the Lower Peninsula in woods near

the base of hardwood trees and in hilly areas. If you're a hunter where to find the mushrooms, he's likely to sav something like "east of town."

Which town? Peter Fitzsimons of the Boyne Country Convention and Visitors Bureau says the best places to look are on state lands, on hills, "not on low land, swamps or pine country."

"Stop into a local chamber of commerce and get a map of state land," he said. "Look for no trespassing signs, because not all state land is public."

Experts advise the most important point to know about morel hunting is how to recognize false morels which could be poisonous. Inexperienced pickers should hunt with a knowledgeable guide.

When morel hunting, wear comfortable long-sleeve shirts and long pants to avoid insect bites and poisonous plants. Bring a paring knife to cut more stems and a paper sack or basket to carry the mushrooms.

It's also a good idea to bring a compass if hunting in unfamiliar territory.

Erickson added that morel hunting can be cheaper than purchasing the savory mushroom, since a pound will average anywhere between \$8 and \$18 this season, depending on availability.

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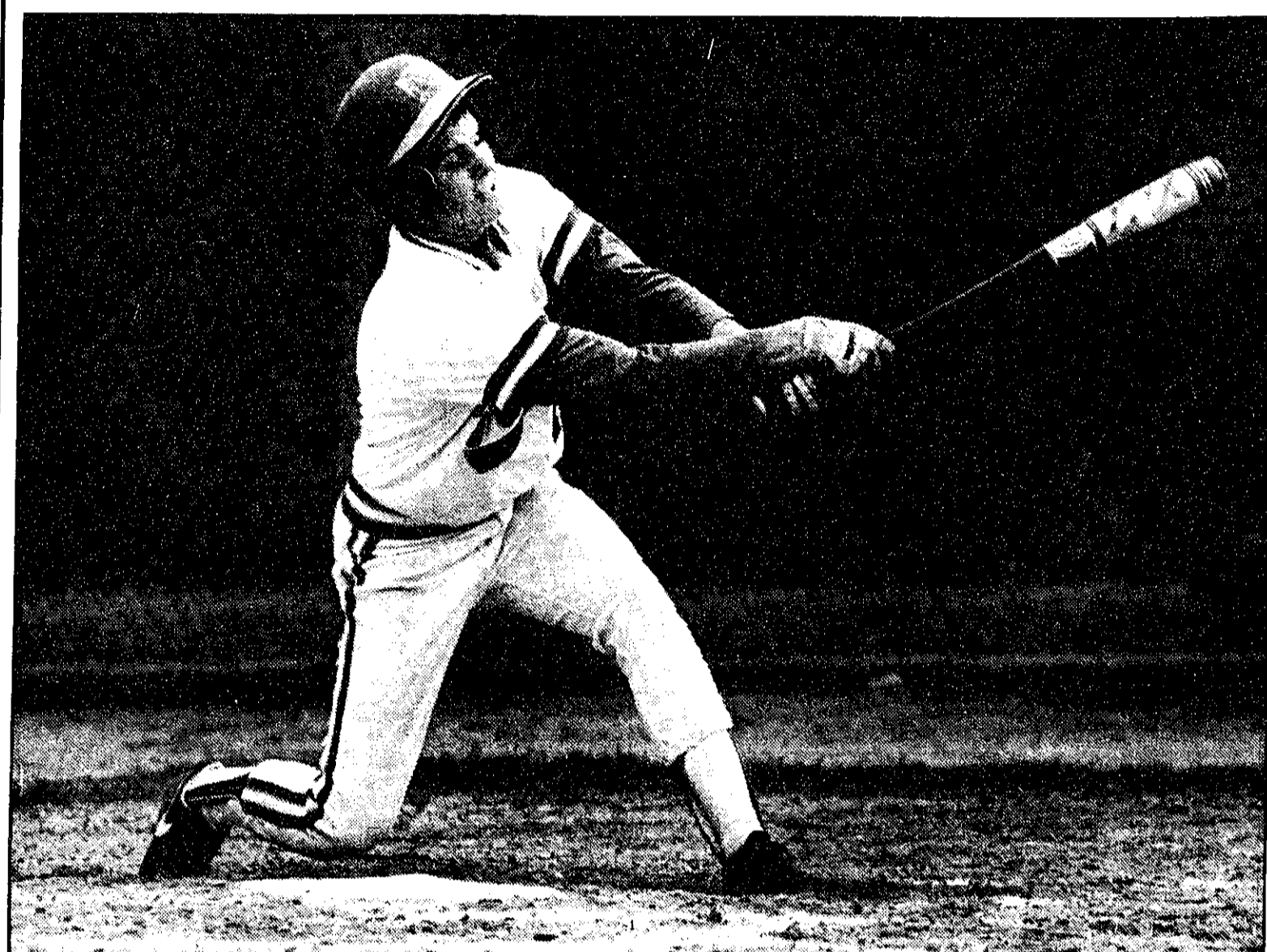
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## 17-1 triumph sparks Novi baseball squad



Novi's Dan Sveller takes a cut versus Howell on May 8

### 'Cats are 12-11-1 after 3-1-1 week

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
Staff Writer

A 17-1 triumph over Hartland May 6 may have been the most important game of the season for Novi baseballers.

Heading into the contest, the Wildcats were struggling below .500 (9-10) and starting to press. This talented squad was feeling the effects of a mediocre first half, and the lopsided road win against the Eagles couldn't have come at a better time.

Spurred on by the win, the 'Cats went on to register an impressive 3-1-1 week and pull above the break-even barrier for the first time since early in the season. Novi is currently 12-11-1 overall, and 9-8-1 in the Kensington Valley Conference.

"It was a raining, nasty and cold when we played Hartland and the umpires showed up 35 minutes late," Wildcat Coach Brian Howard said. "Despite all that, we made the most of it."

"I'm feeling real good about the team right now. We seem to be looser now and the kids feel better about themselves."

The Wildcats scored three in the first and added two in the second to take a 9-1 lead. Chris Lowery drove in two runs and Darnel Krause

knocked in a run during the rally. Doug Soper's two-out single drove in two to cap a four-run third inning and Novi added four more in the fourth before the mercy rule was invoked.

"Everybody played brilliantly," Howard said. "Dan Sveller pitched very well."

Sveller fanned four and allowed only two hits and no earned runs in five innings of work. The hitting stars included Tom Grigg (2-for-4), Soper (2-for-3) and Jason Wladischn (2-for-3).

Novi was winning game two 2-0 when it was postponed due to darkness. The game will be finished this week.

NOVI 14-4, HOWELL 2-4: For the first time this season, the 'Cats did not split a completed KVC doubleheader.

Novi whipped Howell 14-2 in game one on a 4-4 tie in the nightcap. Krause had a huge outing at the plate in the opener, knocking in seven runs thanks to a pair of three-run homers. The other hero was pitcher Kevin Rubin, who scattered three hits and allowed just two unearned runs.

"It was an impressive game,"

## Novi boys get back into KVC title chase

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
Staff Writer

The Novi boys vaulted back into the Kensington Valley Conference track race on May 9 with an outstanding performance against Milford, the defending KVC champs.

The Wildcats thumped the Redskins 90-47 and now are the only squad that can realistically challenge Brighton for the title at the KVC meet on May 21. Novi is 4-1 in league meets (6-1 overall) and the Bulldogs are 5-0.

"The kids haven't given up on the KVC — not by a long shot," Wildcat Coach Bob Smith said. "If we beat Brighton at the league meet, we will get at least a share of the title. It would be the school's first ever in track."

"If we can duplicate the effort we had against Milford, we'll beat Brighton."

Smith called Novi's performance against the Skins the best ever. "That was the best I've ever seen a Novi track team perform," he said. "Once we got to the magic number, 69, the score ballooned in our favor. So it wasn't quite as lopsided as the score indicates."

"I was really nervous about this meet. Milford has four or five big guys but our depth came through."

The Wildcats won all four relays, including a school record effort in the 3,200. Rob Herman, Vince McLean, John Crawford and Brian Molloy clocked in at 8:21.42 to set the new mark. In the 400 relay, Joe Taylor, Shawn Barthlow, Keith Yost and Ken Fenchel took first (45.86), and the winning 800 relay team featured Taylor, Rob Herman, Vince McLean, John Crawford and Brian Molloy clocked in at 2:23.15.

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As expected, Novi dominated the field events. Aaron Federspiel won the discus (135'-11") and set a personal best in the shot put (45'-5 1/2"). The other field event firsts came from Jason Stimac in the long jump (19'-8 1/2") and Greg Larson in the pole vault (11'-7").

The rest of the Novi firsts came from Andy Beal in the 110 hurdles (16.25), Taylor in the 200 (23.54), Filela in the 400 (52.97), Crawford in the 800 (2:04.54) and Molloy in the 3,200 (10:03.29). Taylor, Filela and Crawford all had season-best times, and Molloy topped his previous best by 10 seconds.

The seconds included Kris Krueger in the high jump (6'-2"), Steve Myers in the pole vault (11'-0"), Jeff Schram in the 110 hurdles (16.28), Beal in the 300 hurdles (43.06), Fenchel in the 100 (11.42) and Molloy in the 1,600 (4:34.51). The thirds came from Scott Vermillion in the shot put (40'-5 1/2") and the discus (121'-7"). Schram in the high jump (6'-0") and 300 hurdles (44.74), Shady Sardy in the long jump (19'-8"), Filela in the pole vault (10'-0"), Yost in the 100 (11.98), York in the 400 (54.54) and Herman in the 3,200 (10:23.15).

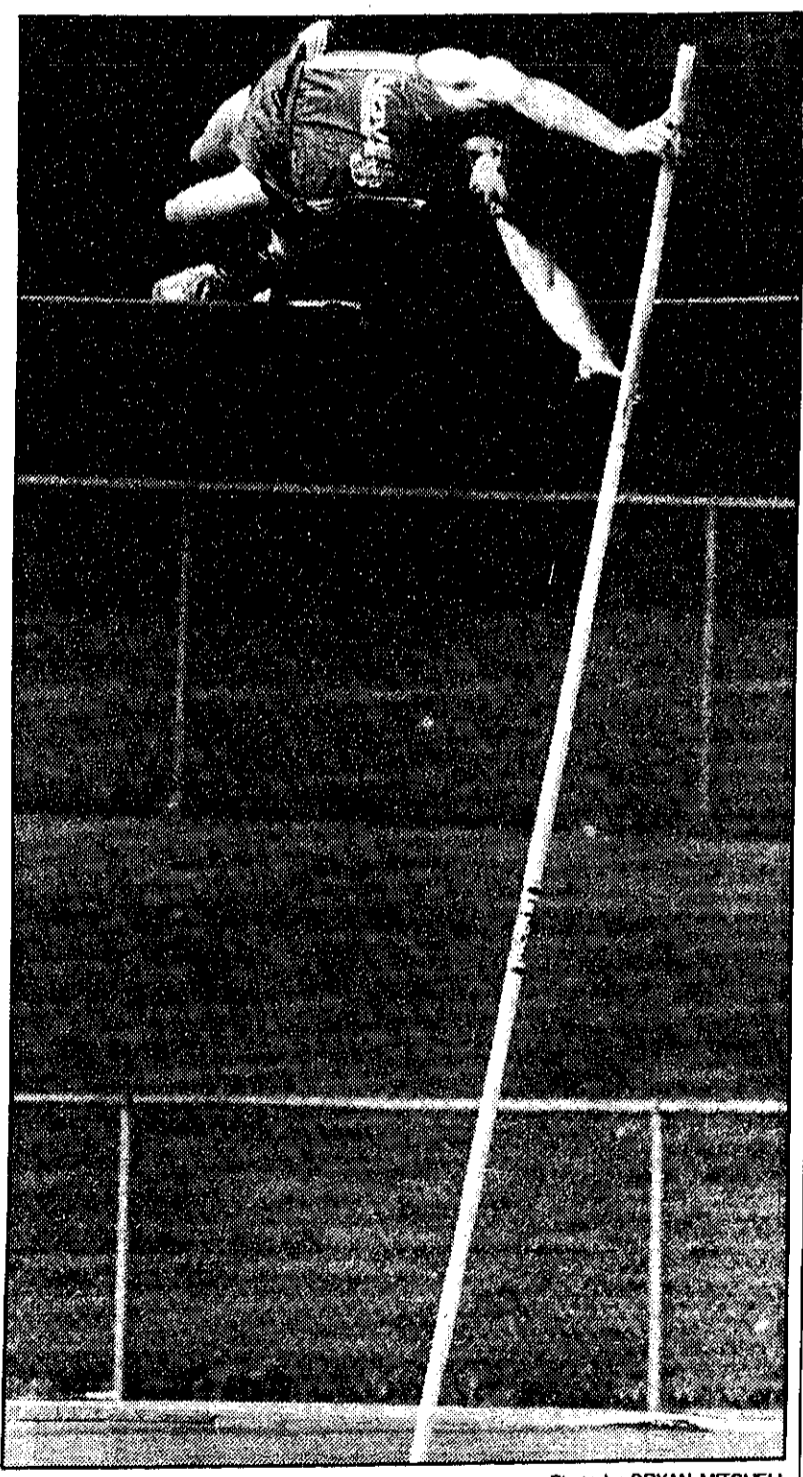
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Steve Myers took second in the pole vault against Milford

## Girls' track team looking for first win

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
Staff Writer

Without any chance to win the meet, Novi girls track coach Connie Ahrens used last Thursday's 100-200 dual meet loss to powerful Milford as an opportunity for her underclassmen to qualify for the Oakland County Freshman Meet.

"We ran a lot of freshman and qualified five more for the County Meet," Ahrens said. "Now we have a total of 16 qualified. Last year we had only three."

"We knew we couldn't compete with Milford, so our goal was to keep improving, and the girls are doing that. Milford never let up on us . . . even after the outcome had long been decided. They just kept pouring it on."

Connie Ahrens  
Novi Track Coach

The undermanned Wildcats won just two of 16 events, and the winners were freshman Christy Carmichael and sophomore Kate Mackenzie. Carmichael placed first in the 200-meter dash (27.85) and Mack-

Angel Konarske in the 300 hurdles (53.46). The thirds included Mackenzie in the shot put (28'-2 1/2"), Gin Jeffries in the discus (80'-0"), Kerri Jettie in the high jump (4'-9"), Konarske in the 110 hurdles (17.27), JeWon Hwang in the 1,600 (5:57.34) and Carmichael in the 400 (55.74).

The Wildcats fall to 0-7 overall, 0-5 in the Kensington Valley Conference. The highlight of the season was a first-place finish at the seven-team Madison Relays on May 3.

"We have some good young talent, so if these kids stick with us for three or more years, we should be able to build a good program," Ahrens said.

Novi will host 16 other teams at the MHSAA Regionals on May 18.



Wildcat runner Jennel Johnson competes in a relay race

SCOREBOARD

# Hartland forfeits victories

The Hartland High softball team, which had a good chance of capturing the Kalamazoo Valley Conference title this season, faced an unfortunate setback last week.

Athletic Director Tom Barbieri and a counselor discovered April 26 that a player on the team may have been academically ineligible due to a class she failed in the first semester. The Hartland administration then proceeded with a thorough investigation beginning the following Monday, and by Thursday, April 26, the investigation panel proved that the original finding was correct.

The Michigan High School Athletic Association was then notified, and because of the violation, state rules said the Eagles had to forfeit 10 games in which the reserve athlete had participated earlier this season.

"The counselor brought up the subject, so we searched through the records and found there may have been a problem," Barbieri said. "I immediately got a message to (softball coach) Jack (Wells) prior to the Howell game and told him not to play her. So he kept her out of those games, the Siskelander Classic softball tournament, which Hartland won and the games the next week.

"After our investigation, we called the (MHSAA) and once we realized what happened, they then told us the steps we had to take."

In this situation, for any game in which the athlete's name appeared in the scorebook, those games had to be forfeited. Individual records, however, remained the same.

"When we discovered the problem, we had to do something," Barbieri said. "It was just the right thing to do. We're in the business of educating students and we have to set an example for them. In this case, there was a computer error which we didn't pick up on. Fortunately, we found it."

"The school system made a mistake and there was no question what we had to do. Our integrity was at stake."

Before the penalties were implemented, Hartland had a 23-4 overall record and was 11-3 in the KVC.

BASEBALL

KVC STANDINGS

Milford	11-3
South Lyon	10-5
Novi	9-8
Brighton	9-8
Howell	5-10
Hartland	4-14

Record

Kom (Milford)	5-0
Holland (Lakeland)	5-2
Holis (Brighton)	5-1
Perry (Milford)	4-2
Saxon (Howell)	3-3

Pitching

ERA Leaders	
Paulson (Milford)	0.41
Austin (South Lyon)	1.99
Finney (Brighton)	1.00
Gardner (Hartland)	1.30
Ryan (Novi)	2.08

Record

Hitting	
Poru (Milford)	500
Holis (Brighton)	500
Gardner (Hartland)	454
Duncan (South Lyon)	463
Taylor (Milford)	444
Griff (South Lyon)	424
Grace (Lakeland)	379
Clark (Howell)	378
Boyd (Lakeland)	368
Kraze (Novi)	355
Duncan (South Lyon)	338
Tromby (Novi)	353

Double

Ostencik (Howell)	9
Fisher (Brighton)	7
Hartman (Brighton)	7
Saxon (Howell)	7
Grigg (Novi)	6
Gardner (Hartland)	6

Triple

Holis (Brighton)	3
Poru (Milford)	3
Duncan (South Lyon)	3
Griff (South Lyon)	2
Lowery (Novi)	2

Home Runs

Wiley (Brighton)	8
Paterson (Milford)	4
Kraze (Novi)	4
Barhart (Lakeland)	4
Grass (Lakeland)	4
Holis (Brighton)	3
Whithead (Novi)	3

RBI

Wiley (Brighton)	23
Duncan (South Lyon)	22
Saxon (Howell)	19
Sybil (Milford)	18
Holis (Brighton)	18
Griff (South Lyon)	18
Grass (Lakeland)	18
Soper (Novi)	18

Runs

Poru (South Lyon)	26
Grigg (Novi)	21
Barhart (Lakeland)	21
Griff (South Lyon)	20
Hemik (Lakeland)	19

SOFTBALL

KVC STANDINGS

Milford	17-2
Hartland	11-6
Brighton	9-9
Novi	8-12
Howell	5-7
Milford	6-12
South Lyon	5-12

Record

Hitting	
Wright (Hartland)	550
Miller (Lakeland)	482
Cameron (Milford)	482
Sutton (Milford)	448
McBride (Lakeland)	432
Thal (Novi)	421
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Gabriele (Brighton)	400
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KVC LEADERS — BOYS

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Shot Put

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Treash (Hartland)	55
Ferguson (Hartland)	29
Molait (Hartland)	26
Elden (Milford)	24

Discus

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SOCCER

KVC STANDINGS

Brighton	7-0
Lakeland	7-1
South Lyon	4-2
Novi	4-1
Milford	4-1
Howell	5-6
Hartland	2-8
Milford	2-8

Record

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# Ladycats go 1-5 in KVC contests

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
Staff Writer

The Novi softballers revived bad memories of last season by going 1-5 in a half-dozen Kensington Valley Conference games last week, and then going 2-1 and placing second at the seven-team Novi Invitational several days later.

The Wildcats dropped both ends of a KVC doubleheader to Brighton on May 10, including a heartbreaking 9-8 defeat in game one.

"It was a tough loss for us," Novi Coach John Peace admitted.

The Bulldogs jumped in front 5-1 but Novi tied it with four straight hits in the second inning. The 'Cats took an 8-5 lead in the bottom of the sixth but Brighton scored four unearned runs in three hits and an error to pull it out in the seventh.

Heather Campbell gave up nine hits and four earned runs and was saddled with the loss. The hitting stars included Jennifer Fornwald (2-for-4), Tammy Snider (2-for-2) and Jennifer Sieradzki (2-for-3, 2 RBIs).

In game two, Brighton dumped Novi 10-0 in a five inning mercy. The Bulldogs tagged starting pitcher Julie Swinehart for nine runs in the first three innings, but only two were earned. Offensively, the Wildcats managed just two hits and no base-runners advanced past first base.

"This was probably our worst outing hitting-wise since very early this season," Peace said.

**NOVI 3-6, HOWELL 1-10:** The Wildcat's only KVC win last week came in game one of this twinbill on May 8.

Novi broke a 1-1 tie with two runs in the fifth on back-to-back hits by Kristen Mathias and Jennifer Thal.

Campbell was outstanding on the mound, hurling a four-hitter with nine strikeouts and two walks.

"This was a very good game by Campbell," Peace said. "The whole team played a solid game."

Mathias (2-for-3) and Thal (3-for-3) accounted for all five Novi hits.

The Highlanders won the nightcap 10-6, but Novi took the early lead thanks to a run-scoring triple by Thal

and a two-run homer by Laura Jones. Howell tied it at 4-4 after three innings and then opened a 9-6 lead soon after that.

"They had a big fifth inning that killed us," Peace said. "They scored five times with two out, and that was the big difference in the game."

Campbell (12 hits, eight earned runs, five strikeouts) suffered the loss, and Thal (2-for-3) paced the offense.

**HARTLAND 11-5, NOVI 1-4:** On May 6, the Ladycats dropped a pair to the Eagles. In game one, Hartland scored 10 runs in the first four innings before Novi got on the board to temporarily avoid the mercy rule. But the Eagles scored a single run in the sixth to end it.

"Not much went right for us," Peace said.

Campbell was tagged for 11 hits and nine earned runs, but the Novi hitters went 3-for-17.

The Wildcats scored three runs in the top of the seventh inning of game two to take a 4-2 lead, but Hartland responded with three of their own in the bottom of the stanza on five straight singles.

"It was a well played ballgame," Peace said. "We just weren't able to clamp onto the win."

The leading hitters included Thal (2-for-4), Sue Gowans (2-for-3) and Mary Grace Yankowski (2-for-4).

**NOVI TOURNAMENT:** The host Wildcats went 2-1 overall and placed second in a field of seven teams on May 11.

Novi advanced to the finals but fell to Plymouth Canton 7-3. The Chiefs scored six unearned runs in the fifth to erase a 3-1 deficit. Campbell scattered 10 hits and was credited with one earned run and seven strikeouts. Fornwald went 2-for-4, but the rest of her teammates combined to go 2-for-23 at the plate.

The 'Cats opened the tournament with an 8-0 shutout over Plymouth Salem. Campbell fired a one-hitter and fanned 11 batters, but Novi didn't break it open until a five-run rally in the last inning. Jones went

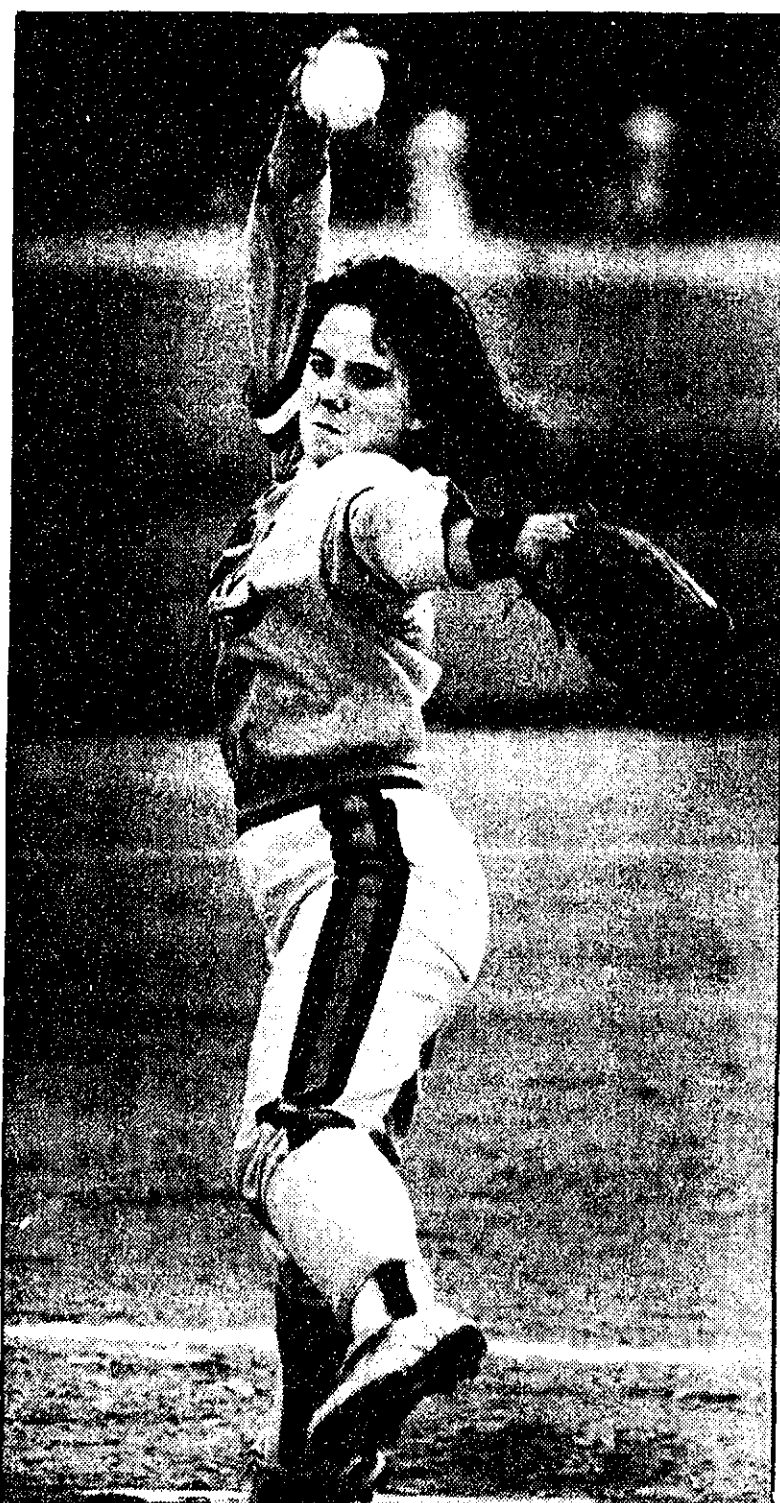


Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Heather Campbell fired a one-hitter against Plymouth Salem

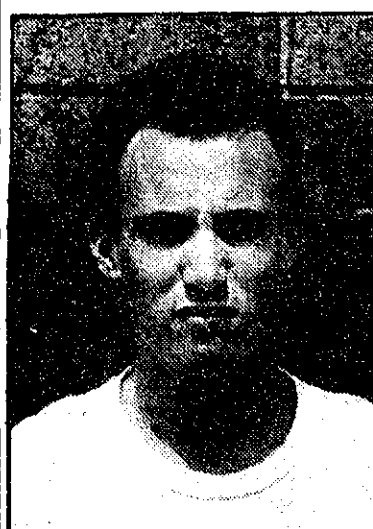
3-for-4 and Yankowski delivered a two-run single.

In the second game, the Wildcats topped Birmingham Groves 8-3, and again, a last inning rally secured the win. Yankowski ripped a three-run homer that broke open a 5-3 game. Fornwald also had a big outing

with three hits in three plate appearances. Campbell (seven hits, three earned runs, eight strikeouts) was the winning pitcher.

For the week, Yankowski went 9-for-30 with 10 RBIs and four extra base hits. Novi is now 14-17 overall, 8-12 in the KVC.

## Wildcats of the Week



JOE TAYLOR

Senior Joe Taylor was involved in four victories in Novi's crucial 90-48 track victory over Milford on May 9, and "Wildcat of the Week" honors are heading his way. Taylor won the 200-meter dash in a career-best time of 23.54. He was also the lead-off runner in three winning relay races — the 400, 800 and 1,600. "Joe is the primary reason we are winning the sprint relays because of the great start he always has," Novi Coach Bob Smith said. "And his 200 time against Milford is real fast. I think that will send a message to the rest of the league."



DARNEL KRAUSE

Novi senior Darnel Krause sparked the Novi baseball squad to a record of 3-1-1 in the last five games, and we think "Wildcat of the Week" honors are in order. Krause went 7-for-15 in that span (.466 average) at the plate with eight runs batted in. His biggest outing, on May 8 against Howell, included two three-run homers and seven RBIs. For the season, Krause is at or near the top of the Novi statistics in areas like batting average (.355), homers (4), on base percentage (.512) steals (16) and RBIs (17).

## Trackin' The Cats

**Baseball:** Novi at MHSAA Districts, TBA, Thursday; Novi at Milford, 4 p.m. Friday; Novi at Livonia Clarenceville, 10 a.m. Saturday; Novi at South Lyon, 4 p.m. Monday.

**Softball:** Novi at MHSAA Districts, TBA, Thursday; Novi at Milford, 4 p.m. Friday; Novi at Montrose Invitational, TBA Saturday; South Lyon at Novi, 4 p.m. Monday.

**Boys Tennis:** Novi at MHSAA Regionals, TBA, Friday and Saturday.

**Girls Soccer:** South Lyon at Novi, 5:30 p.m. Friday; Novi at MHSAA Districts, TBA Wednesday.

**Boys & Girls Track:** Novi at MHSAA Regionals, 10 a.m. Saturday; Novi at KVC Meet, TBA Tuesday.



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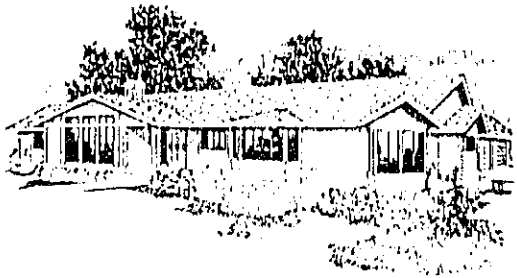
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## The Carson Thoughtful designing and nice living

By James McAlexander  
Copley News Service

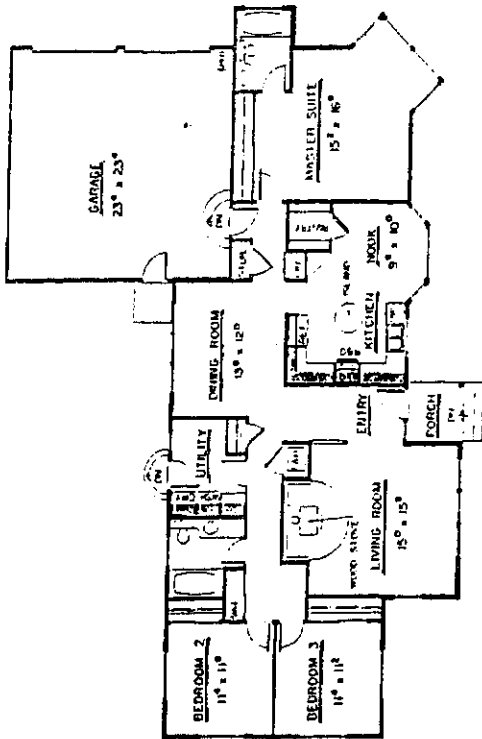
The thoughtfully designed Carson offers good looks on the outside and livability on the inside. This union of class and coziness makes this three-bedroom, two-bath home perfect for a starting family or a retired couple.

Unlike many designs, two garage doors don't dominate the view from the street. With this home, the two-car garage is on the side of the house, far from view. What a visitor does see from the street are banks of windows and multilevel gables that offer depth to this design.

On the inside, the Carson is like an Oreo cookie standing on end—bedrooms on both sides and a formal entertainment area in the center whose lines of sight extend into the dining room. A gourmet kitchen with a butcher block island stands ready for any rank of chef, from rookie to culinary expert. When the dishes are done, the cook can take a respite in the sun-dappled nook.

At the end of the day the masters of the house can retire to their own private wing. Here, a walk-in closet and a private bathroom help take the edge off the day.

Two guest bedrooms and a separate bathroom anchor the other side of this house.



OVERALL DIMENSIONS: 74'-0" x 50'-0"  
LIVING: 1813 square feet  
GARAGE: 576 square feet  
COVERAGE: 2389 square feet

### FLOOR PLAN

PLAN N° 209-51

For a study plan of the Carson (209-51), send \$7.50 to Landmark Designs, c/o HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River Ave., Howell, MI 48843 (Be sure to specify plan name and number when ordering.)



Laurie Moomey likes to relax in the great room which features a living room area with fireplace on one end and a bar for entertaining on the other.

## LABOR OF LOVE

### After five years couple has their dream house

By Laurie O'Dell  
Staff Writer

It sits on a hill overlooking Nine Mile Road, surrounded by 20 acres of rolling land, woods, a creek, pond and an open meadow.

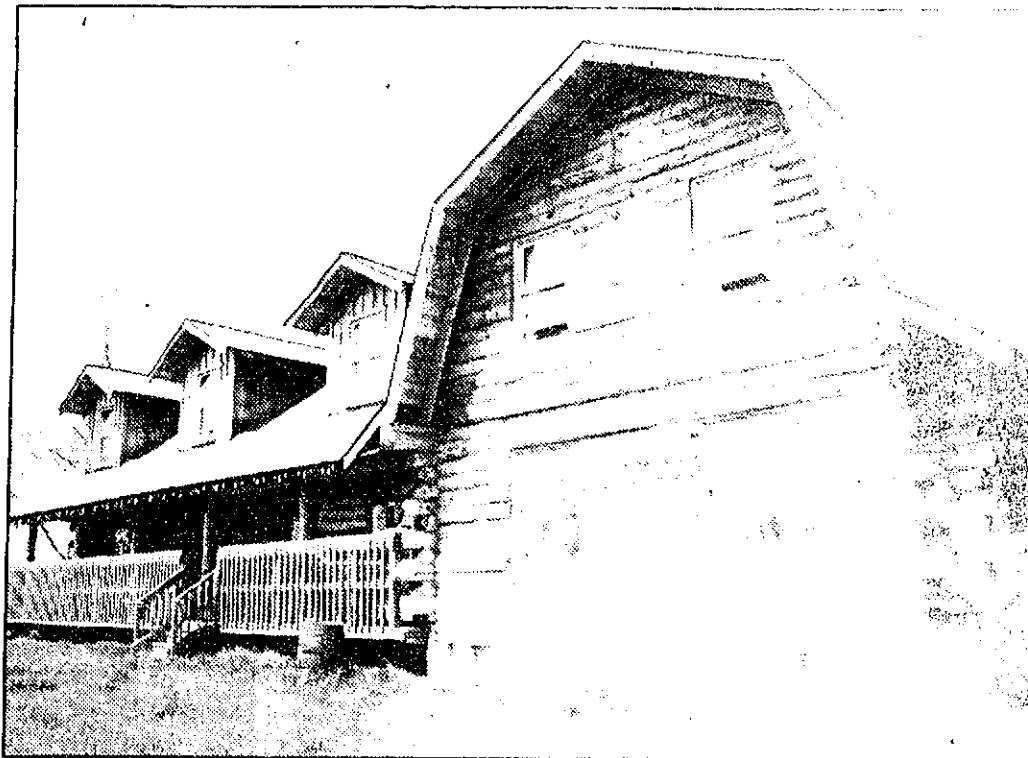
It sounds like paradise. For Dan and Laurie Moomey it is. The 4,000 square foot log cabin, made of red and white pine, is the home they've always dreamed of. It's their labor of love.

Five years ago the South Lyon couple decided they needed a change. They put their home in Salem on the market and sold it in record time. Then they asked the local Century 21 office to do the impossible — find them a piece of paradise at a price they could afford.

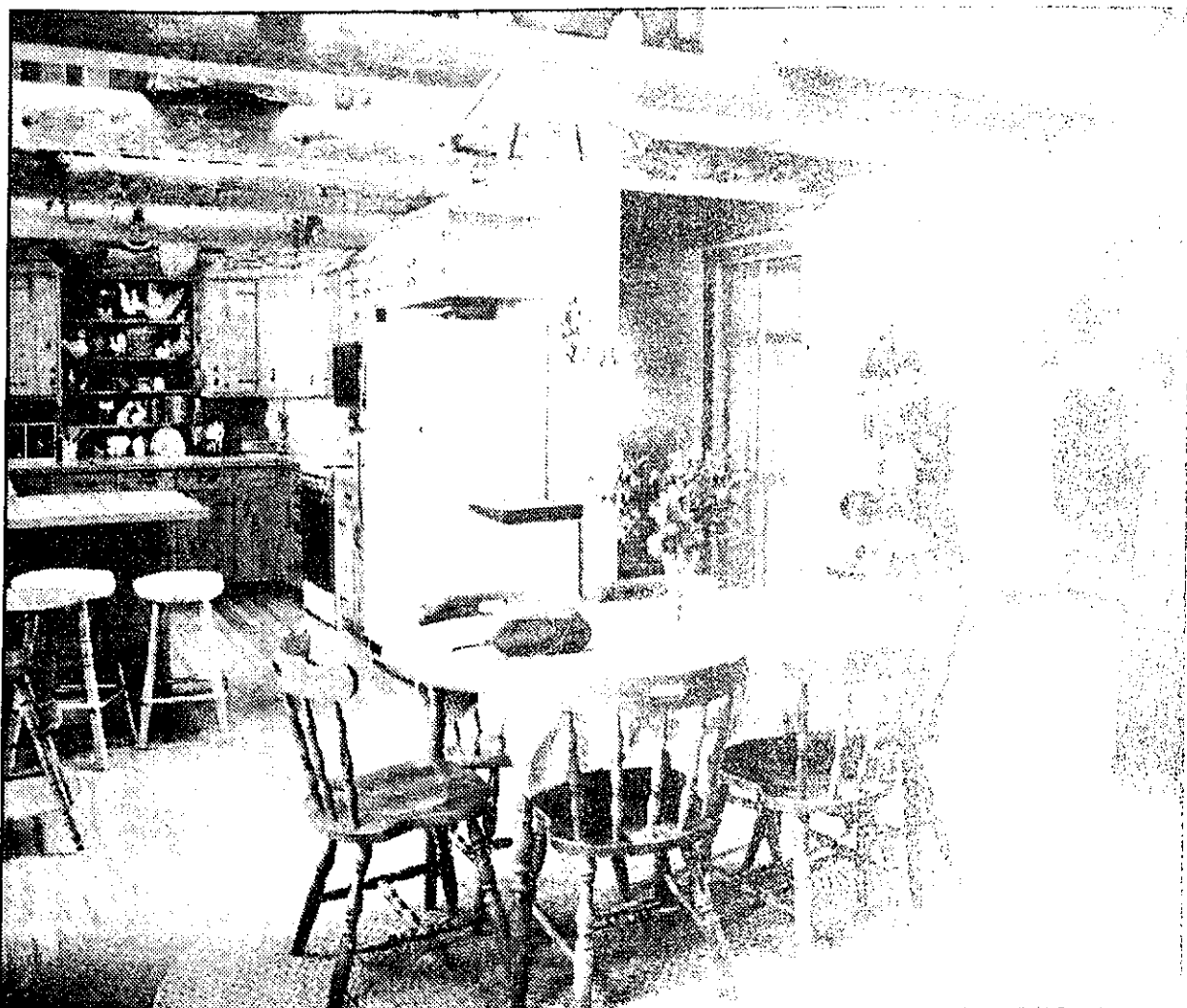
While the real estate company was searching for a parcel of land, Laurie and her sister, Sherril Richardson, went to work designing the perfect house. Laurie found a picture of a log home in a magazine. It needed a few minor changes, like adding a third dormer window, but it was the house she wanted.

Richardson designed the inside. Taking into account Dan's tendency to feel claustrophobic and his size — he's 6 feet two inches tall and weighs over 200 pounds, she designed a floor plan with big open rooms and large hallways. With pictures, designs and notes in hand, the couple drove to Superior Log Homes in Perry.

"I laid a wad of money on the table and said I want



This 4,000 square foot log cabin, constructed of red and white pine and owned by Dan and Laurie Moomey, is a perfect example of a log home. The kitchen and dining area is Laurie's favorite part of the log home. A variety of antiques and other decor items give the home a cozy feeling.



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By James G. McCollam

## Violin should have expert evaluation

By James G. McCollam

Enclosed is a picture of a violin that was purchased by my father about 90 years ago in Austria. It has the name "Stain" engraved on the back.

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been seen with an engraved pedestal.

It is marked "Sterling Ale — Reiter & Co. Highland Spring Brewery Boston."

The stem was made in the 1900s and is marked "J. & E. Stevens."

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A. Your bank was made in the 1920s and would probably sell for about \$165 to \$175 in an antique shop.

Q. Are old advertising clocks valuable?

I have an electric wall clock.

A. The Buffalo Pottery was established in Buffalo, N.Y., in 1902 to supply pottery to the Larkin Soap Co., which used pottery for penholders.

Your pitcher is an early piece and would probably sell for \$325 to \$335.

Q. I have a cast-iron bank shaped like a cash register. It is marked "Junior Cash" and "J. & E. Stevens."

Can you tell me anything about its value and age?

A. Your bank was made in the 1920s and would probably sell for about \$165 to \$175 in an antique shop.

Q. Are old advertising clocks valuable?

I have an electric wall clock.

The dial is marked "Correct Time to Buy a Parker Duofold." The sweep second hand is in the shape of a fountain pen.

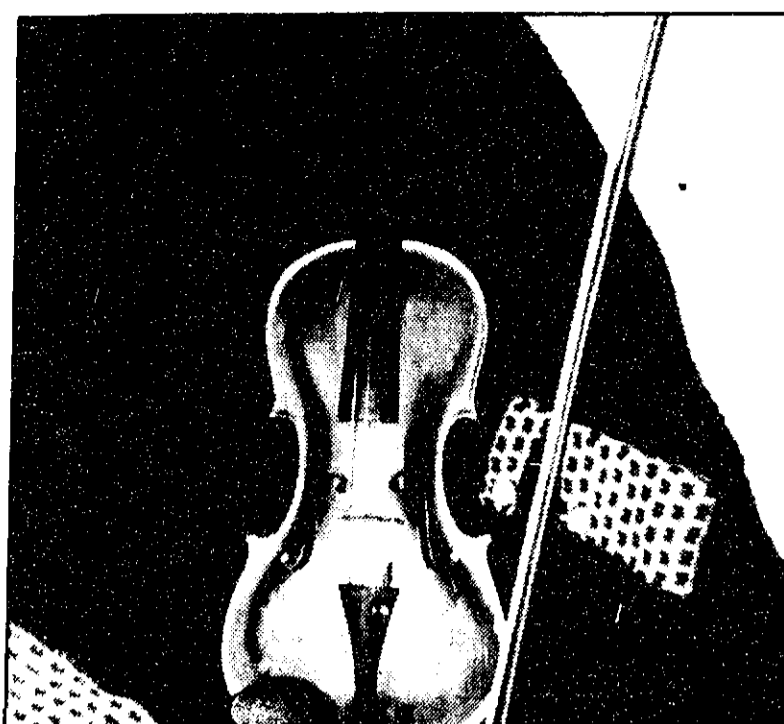
Does this have any value? When was it made?

A. You have a choice find. This clock promoting Parker fountain pens was made about 1930 and would probably sell for about \$600 to \$700.

Send your questions about antiques with pictures, a detailed description, a stamped, self-addressed envelope and \$1 per item to James G. McCollam, P.O. Box 1087, Natick, MA 01905.

All questions will be answered but published pictures cannot be returned.

McCollam is a member of the Antique Appraisers Association of America.



If this violin is an original, it would be worth thousands.

## New-generation glass blocks are easy to install

By Gene Gary

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## Dream house becomes log home reality for couple

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you to build me this home," explained Laurie.

The Moomeys hadn't even purchased a parcel of land yet, but they were confident Century 21 would find what they needed. Sure enough, the real estate company found the perfect parcel of land on Nine Mile Road, just two miles from Pontiac Trail.

It was owned by Morris Reef, a retired doctor from Southfield. The Moomeys struck a deal with Reef and it wasn't long before trees started falling in the West Branch area and log cabin walls started going up.

Laurie said Superior Log Homes used the biggest logs available. Not one log in the house measures less than 12 inches in diameter.

"It took six men nine days to erect the walls and put the windows and doors in place," explained Laurie.

The home is a dream come true for the couple, but at times it was a financially risky move. Laurie said they depleted their entire savings and the profits from their old house to build the home.

They lived pay check to pay check, purchasing materials when they could. They lived one winter in the house without a furnace.

The Moomeys relied solely on one of two fireplaces in the home for warmth. They blocked off the rest of the house with heavy plastic and spent all their time in the kitchen and great room. Most of the finish work was done by Dan and Laurie's father, Richard Sackett, a licensed builder.

The couple faced other difficulties as well. It took the well driller six months and six tries before he hit water 217 feet in the ground.

"I actually cried when they hit water," said Laurie. "Every time they drilled and came up empty it was costing us money. I was so relieved when they found water."

The Moomeys also went head to head with Lyon Township officials because they moved in before an occupancy permit was issued. A local judge was sympathetic and gave them a six-month extension to finish the house and pass an inspection.

Five years and several stumbling blocks later, the two-story log home is finished. It has a great room, kitchen and dining area, first floor bath, den, laundry room/mud room, nursery, children's bathroom, second bedroom/playroom, master bedroom and master bath.

Some of the unique features of the home are a split field stone fireplace and bar made out of logs in the great room. A second split fieldstone fireplace in the master bedroom makes it a comfy place to curl up for the night. A two-person jacuzzi in the master bath is a luxury Dan enjoys.

Don Goodfellow, 73, of South Lyon is the craftsman who built the two fireplaces. Laurie said he's the only stone mason left in the area who cuts the rocks by hand. It took him 2-1/2 months to complete the fireplaces.

The entire house is decorated with Laurie's antiques. Her warm, cozy country kitchen is decorated with baskets, brooms and antique bottles. A bright blue table cloth and a colorful arrangement of flowers on the dining room table caught the eye. Her doll collection is arranged carefully in a corner of the room and a variety of antiques, old farm implements, tools and saws line several walls throughout the home.

"I'd say 99 percent of the decorations came from garage sales, rummage sales, flea markets or were given to us," explained Moomey.

Most of the items were inexpensive, but Laurie treasures each and every one. Her pride and joy is an old Victrola which is displayed in the great room. It's the one item Laurie had to dish out a large sum of money for. It cost her just under \$500. But because she said "it's older than anything Greenfield Village has," it's well worth the price.

Some of the couple's treasures have practical uses. An old wood and tin-lined bathtub serves as a toy box at times or a coffee table, depending on the need. Because the Moomeys are practical people, Laurie said a lot of forethought went into planning the house. The children's bathroom has two sinks and a double medicine cabinet so that Matthew, 5, and Dani, 1-1/2, will each have his own space.

"A lot of my heart is in this thing," said Laurie. "I hope my kids grow up to appreciate the home we've built for them."

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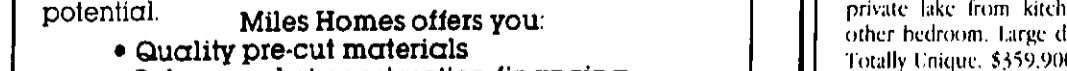
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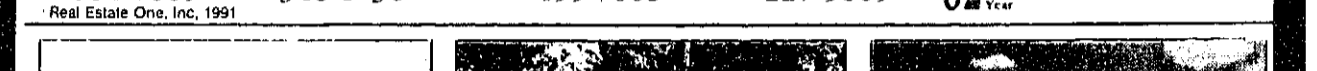
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NEW HUDSON, 2 br. ranch, 1 bath, full bsm't., \$565/mo. (313)685-2189.

NOVI. Two bedroom townhouse. Garage, first floor laundry, all appliances, also washer/dryer. \$700 monthly. (313)344-8825.

PLYMOUTH Condo 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, laundry room, all appliances, neutral, storage, carpet. 1 year lease. \$585 monthly. (313)347-0818.

SOUTH Lyon. Beautiful South-ridge condo. Enjoy small town living at its best. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 baths, and more, only 1 yr. old. \$695/month. (313)448-8375.

**088** Mobile Homes For Rent

PINCKNEY/GREGORY, 14x70 3br, 1 1/2 baths, refrigerator, range, washer/dryer hook-up, includes private country lot with shed. Very nice, no pets, \$525 plus security. (313)878-3346.

PINCKNEY, 12x60, 3br, 1 1/2 baths, new appliances. Washer/dryer hook-up. Includes private country lot with shed, no pets, \$500 plus security. (313)878-3346.

WEST Highland Mobile Home Park. 1 bedroom mobile homes for rent. (313)685-1959.

NOVI. Roommate to share farmhouse. Non-smoker. \$250 per month plus deposit, includes utilities. (313)349-7868.

SOUTH Lyon. Single male preferred to share 3 bedroom house on Silver Lake w/dock and boat space. Available June 1, \$290 monthly, plus utilities and security. (313)486-1799, between 7pm and 10pm.

**089** Mobile Home Sites For Rent

NOVI. Old Dutch Farms manufactured housing community. Off street parking, Club house, playground, RV storage, and more. Home sites available. Call Alison: (313)349-3949.

WEST Highland Mobile Home Park. Sites for rent. (313)685-1959.

**090** Living Quarters To Share

HIGHLAND area. Room for rent with use of house. Utilities included. Clean, modern. \$300 per month, first and last month's rent. (313)887-1957.

HOWELL. Comfortable, quiet home. Senior welcome. \$250 monthly, plus half utilities. (517)548-1829.

HOWELL. Looking for responsible female to share 2 br. duplex w/kitchen, \$250, plus half utilities. References. (517)546-9295.

HOWELL. Share our very large house. Walk to town or lake. Run of house includes, washer, dryer, cable, \$250. (517)546-8709.

HOWELL. Working female over 25 years old. \$200, 1/3 utilities. Late nights Lori (517)548-5579.

NEW HUDSON with male or female in country on 5 acres. Neat a must, must like animals. \$375 monthly includes heat, electric, ar. (313)437-6426.

NORTHVILLE. Part-time dad needs roommate for 2 bedroom apartment. \$350 plus. (313)380-7935.

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**091** Industrial, Commercial For Rent

BRIGHTON'S brightest new business address - Kensington Business Centre. Custom offices to suit. 2,940 to 14,000 sq.ft. Totally energy efficient 12601 E. Grand River. (313)229-7400.

BRIGHTON. Warehouse 4,200sq.ft. of warehouse space with possible office space connected. Large commercial overhead door, will divide. Call Karl (313)229-2469.

BRIGHTON area. All new industrial buildings.

6100sq.ft. 12,000sq.ft. 24,000sq.ft. 36,000sq.ft. 48,000 to 79,000sq.ft.

Loading docks, 28ft. ceilings, deluxe offices, tax abatement, 1/2 mile from U.S. 23 ramp. Very competitive rates. 20th Century Realty, (313)231-3300.

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HOWELL. 313 N Chestnut. Light industrial, 1200 sq.ft. building. Heat, water on 4 city lots. Rent \$300/mo or purchase \$40,000, 10% down. (517)546-5260.

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HOWELL. Promenade Mall with Kroger as anchor. Space from 1000 to 3500 sq. ft. First Realty Brokers, (517)546-9400

MILFORD. Office/warehouse space, 1000 sq.ft. and up. From \$2.75 foot. (313)685-8008.

MILFORD township, for lease, 4400sq.ft., heavy industrial, \$4.95/sq.ft. (313)437-7661.

BRIGHTON. Warehouse, office, retail. 1700, 2200 or take both 2300sq.ft. Available immediately. Close to I-96 and US 23. (313)231-9550

BRIGHTON. 1,250sq.ft. on Grand River. 3 bay w/office. 3 phase. Currently body shop. \$800 per month. Available June 1. Call (313)229-2054.

FOWLerville. 2 year old commercial building for rent. 4,200sq.ft. with front office. Large 18x14 electric front door. Zoned industrial. Large parking lot. Can be used for a variety of businesses. Located just off Grand River downtown. Call for more details. (517)546-5990

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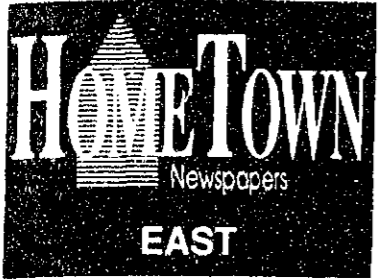
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Jim Freeman (left) and Marty Johnson go over some details at the Autolab shop in the Omni Auto Care Center

## Tuning up in 3-part harmony

### Center puts car-care variety under one roof

By RICK BYRNE  
Copy Editor

You can triple-team your car troubles at the new Omni Auto Care Center in Novi.

Located on Novi Road just north of Ten Mile Road, the Omni center puts several professional auto care shops under one roof. This auto mall concept has been successful in other communities, but this is the first one to appear in Novi. There are three tenants at present — Tuffy Auto Service Center, Autolab and Sun Country auto detailing — with space for two more.

Start off with Tuffy. This is the newest store in a national chain of franchises. Owner/manager of the Novi Tuffy is Chris Zlavrak, and his assistant manager is Dave Chubb.

They and their staff handle mufflers and exhaust systems, brakes, shocks and all front end parts like struts and CV joints. Tuffy also can perform AET testing and oil changes.

"We're also equipped to do custom exhaust system work," says Zlavrak. "In the future, we're going to add even more services to get to where we're a full-service neighborhood shop."

Tuffy is perhaps best known for mufflers, brakes and shocks. According to Zlavrak, the chain has built a reputation on the principle

stated in its motto, "We do it right. We do it right away."

"We're not a discount chain," Zlavrak says. "We use the proper part for the proper application."

The auto mall concept suits Zlavrak well, too.

"This is the first mall operation I've been involved with, and I think the concept is good," he says. "I've been in different buildings, and it's nice to have neighbors."

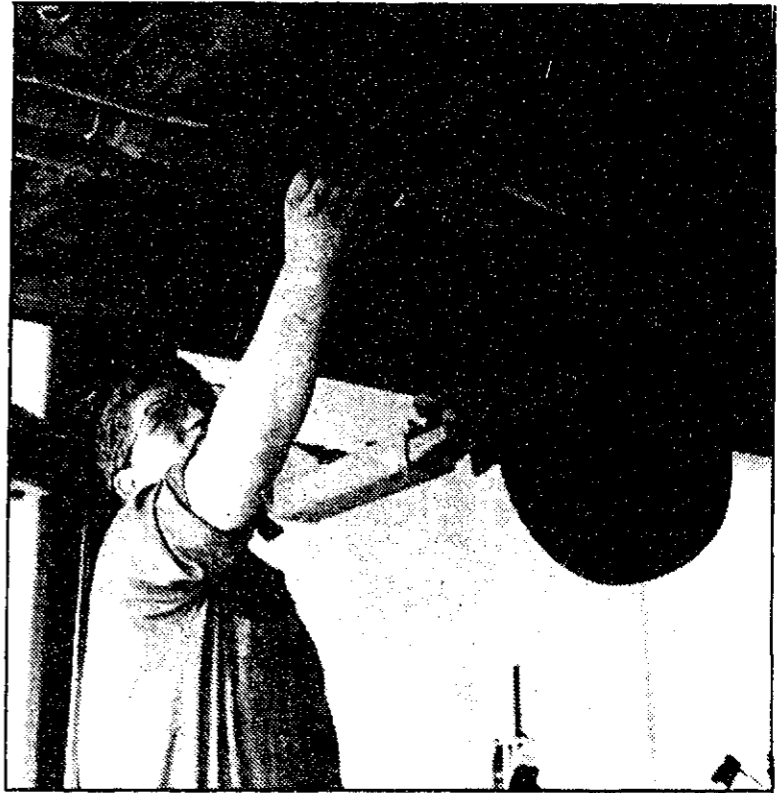
Next in line is Sun Country auto detailing. Sun Country can clean up a dirty car, or turn a clean one into something special. The store carries enough accessories and restyling kits to transform a car from bones basic into a head-turner.

The business is owned by Desiree Muldoon, herself a true car fanatic.

"I've always been really involved with cars," she says. "I've been involved in the Detroit chapter of the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA), Porsche clubs, BMW clubs, rallies, autocrosses. I've had several restoration project cars. In fact, I had to sell a really nice one to get this business."

She says the majority of her sales are in sunroofs, and electronic accessories like alarms, radar detectors, cruise controls and remote starters.

"Most of my customers are professionals," she says. "We get people of all ages. We get a lot of minivans in



Erik Wolter checks the fit on a new exhaust system at Tuffy

here."

She's also offering a special deal on sunroofs this Saturday only. All sunroofs are discounted. Prices start at \$159 installed while you wait, with a lifetime leak-proof warranty.

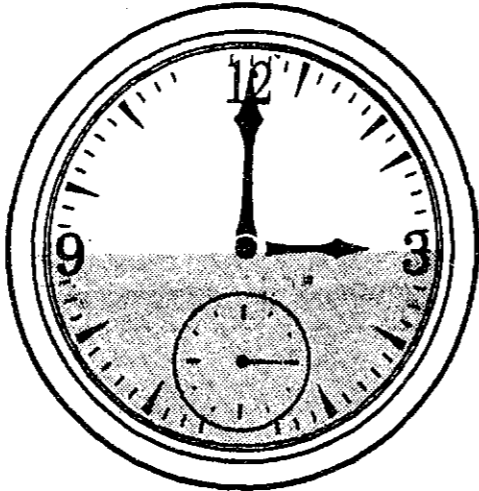
on their cars. She's even promoting a Ladies Day Tuesday special, offering a hand car wash for \$6.

"This is a nice, clean, upscale place to come," she says. "It's better than the greasy garage with the grungy coffee pot. A woman can come in in high heels and a suit, and not worry

Muldoon is hoping to capitalize on her prominence as a female business owner, too. She hopes women will be comfortable coming to her for work

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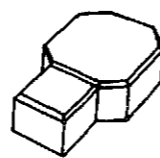
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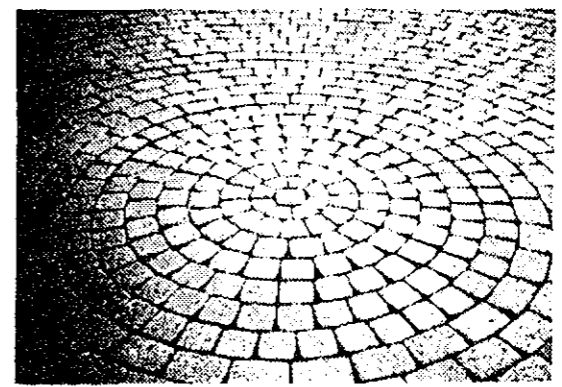
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**ENJOY** your summer? Call (313)437-6700, (313)437-8652 for spring cleaning or housekeeping.  
**EXPERIENCED** reliable mature woman to clean your home or office. Well known references. (313)229-6947.  
**HOME** Office cleaning 2 experienced and responsible adults. (313)229-6947.  
**HOUSECLEANING** Reliable, affordable, references, please leave message (317)449-6552.  
**HOUSEKEEPER** Weekly, bi-monthly. Reliable, experienced references. Nov/Nov/Nov/Nov/Walked Lake (313)444-6228.  
**HOUSEKEEPING** Reasonable, reliable, senior discount. Call Jane, (313)227-2233.  
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**WEEKLY** housecleaning, reasonable rates. Call Heather, (313)787-0185.  
**YOUNG** mature adult would love to clean your home/office. (313)448-2769, ask for Tara.

**185** Business And Professional Services

ALL typing services. Business correspondence, transcription, term papers, reports, resumes and mass mailing. Pickup and delivery. (313)887-5361

**SECRETARIAL SOLUTIONS**  
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**TOP SOIL** \$178, yards delivered. (313)632-7706.

**187** Business Opportunities

**BEAUTY** Salon for sale in Novi, with clientele. Call after 6pm, (313)949-3771.

BE your own boss. Good Humor ice cream business for sale. (313)229-6529.

**DELICIOUS** opportunity. Carry out. Del. high traffic, motivated sales. Call Denise Zarnit at Heritage Real Estate. (313)984-5346.

**EARN** unlimited income. Enjoy time freedom. No overhead. Call (313)486-1043.

**EARN** up to \$330 per week assembling our products at home. Recorded message available at the details. (313)229-0964. Extension 61.

**FULL** service ceramic business needs equity partner. Buy all or part. Owners will train working partner. Partial financing to qualified buyer with substantial down payment. Call, (317)548-5366, leave message on machine, ask for Dave, I will return call ASAP.

**HAIR** salon opportunity, Wisom. (313)47-2965.

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**MAKE** money assembling products at home. Excellent pay. Many opportunities. 24 hour message. (313)244-1416 dept. H-50.

**MULTIPLE** opportunities for huge income. Be your own boss. Part-time, full time. Retail/wholesale, networking, wrap meets, etc. You decide. Call (313)746-5385 or write: OPT Marketing, P.O. Box 117, Whitmore Lake, MI 48188-0117.

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What is the real impact of advertising on profitability? If you spend less, how much do you hurt your brand? If you spend more, is there any real gain?

Perennial questions, to be sure. And now some hard answers have come from a comprehensive research program\* conducted by The Strategic Planning Institute with the Ogilvy Center for Research and Development.

For more than 15 years, the Institute tracked 700 consumer businesses through good and bad economic cycles, in both North America and Europe. The unique study was called PIMS (Profit Impact of Market Strategy).

Using this substantial data base, researchers were able to determine the extent to which the level of advertising influences the "perceived value" of a product, and how this perception affects both the relative market share and the relative market price of the product:

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Their finding: "Brands that advertise much more than their competitors average returns-on-investment of 32 percent, while brands that advertise much less than their competitors

average only 17 percent return-on-investment." In other words, it not only pays to advertise—it pays more to advertise more.

In an era when productivity so often is understood only in terms of cutting costs, this research reaffirms the enduring importance of adding to the sales value of the products you sell.

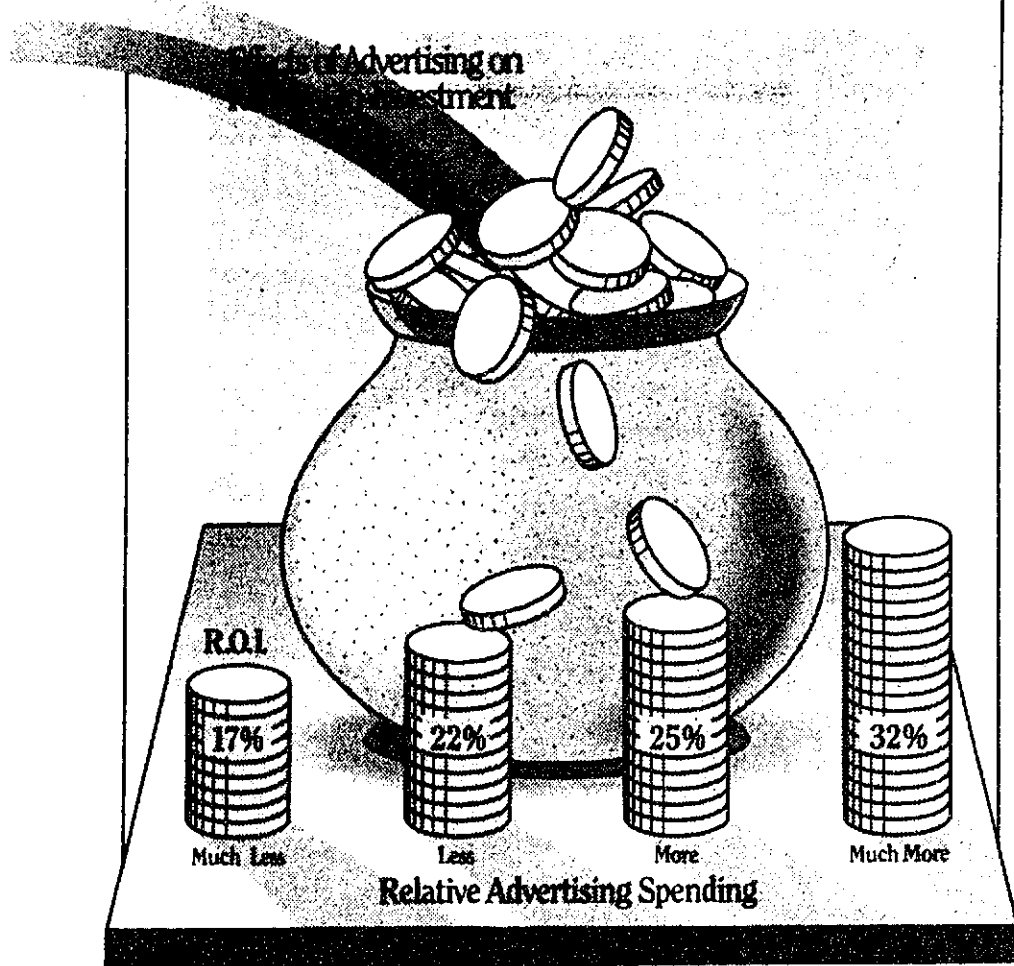
And it proves that, even today, there is still no better way to build a consumer perception of added value than through the use of advertising.

For more information about this important new research, write to The Committee on the Value of Advertising, Department A, American Association of Advertising Agencies, 666 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

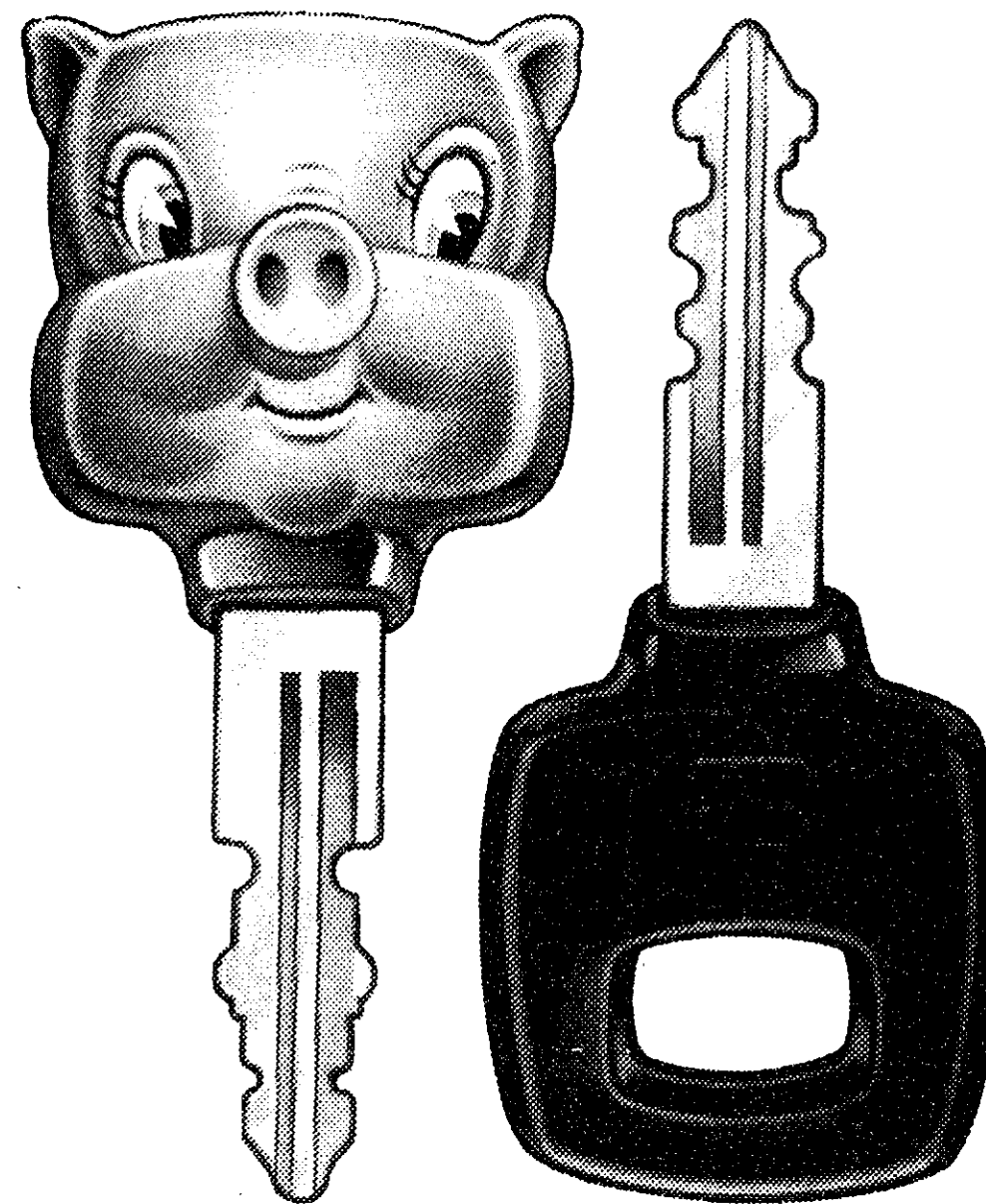
We'll send you a booklet that will lead you to one, and only one, conclusion. When it comes to determining your advertising budget, there truly is "strength in numbers."

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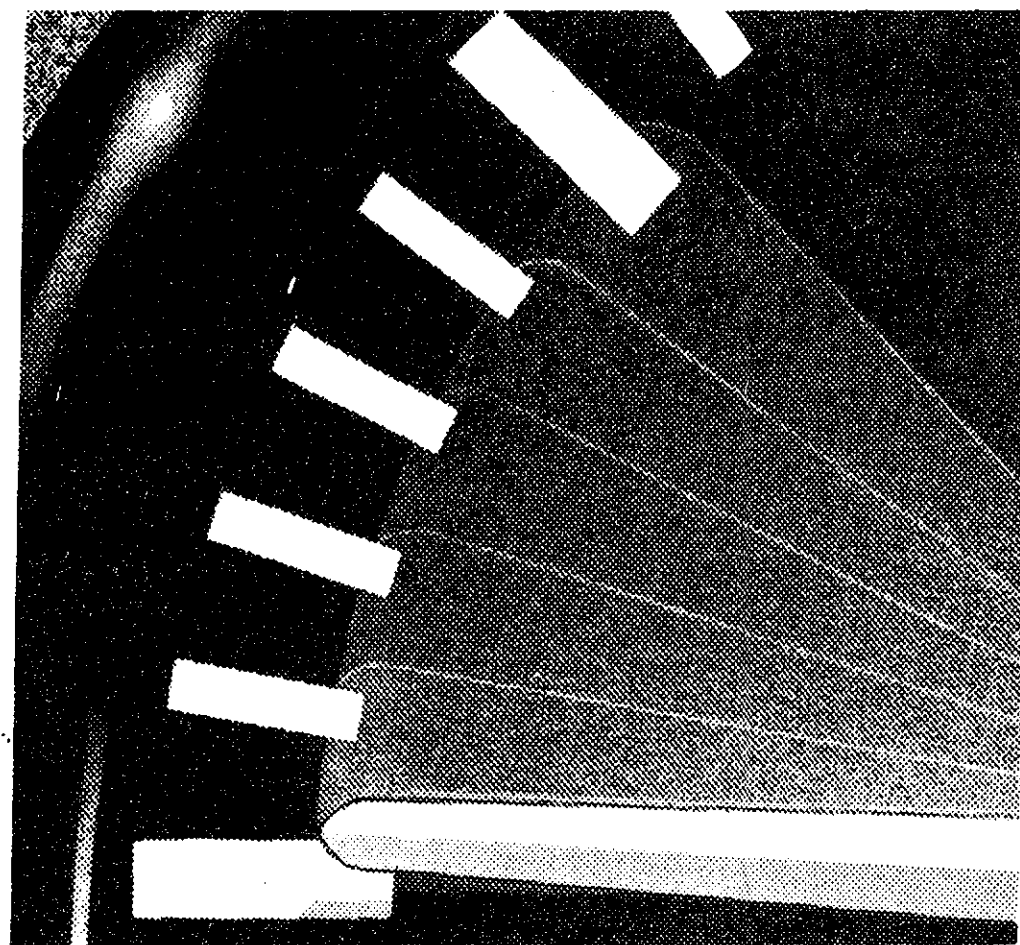


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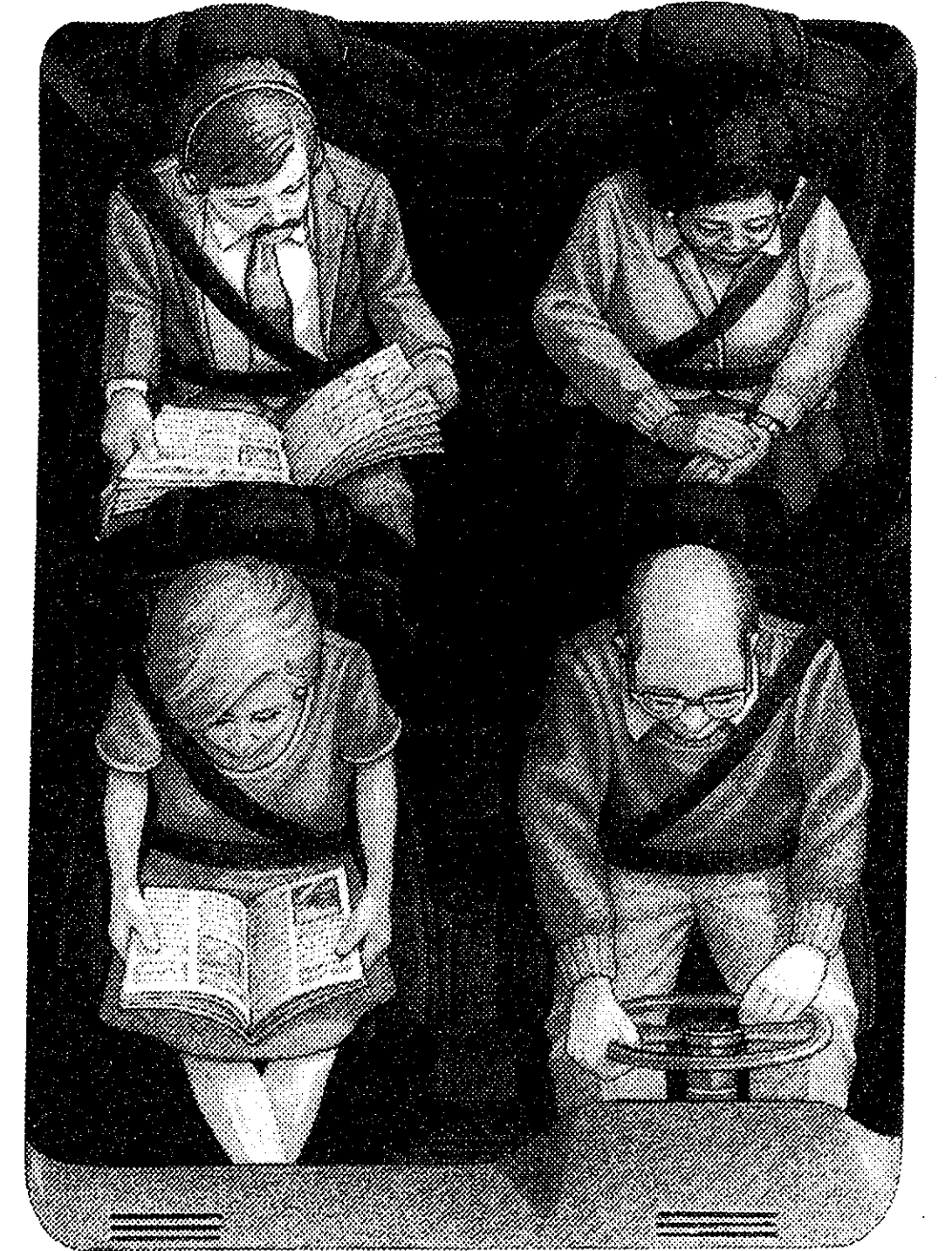


Using lower octane fuels will help save America two-and-a-half-million gallons of gas a day.

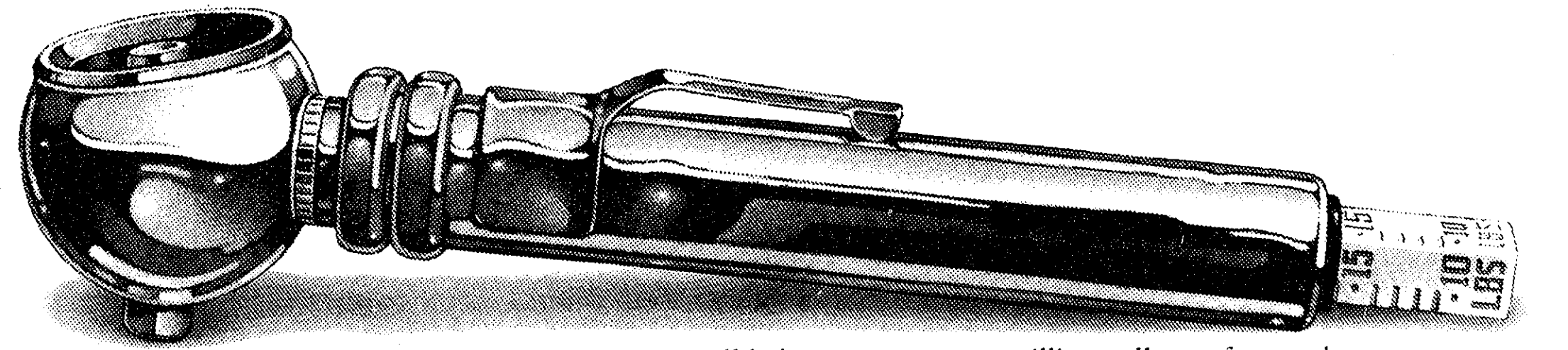
If you have two cars, using the more efficient one will help save us two million gallons of gas a day.



Driving just five miles per hour slower will help us save over two million gallons of gas a day.



Carpooling and using mass transportation will help save almost four million gallons of gas a day.



Maintaining the correct tire pressure will help save over two million gallons of gas a day.

It really is this easy. That's why President Bush hopes that, together, we can make America more fuel independent. **DO YOUR PART. DRIVE SMART.** The United States Department of Energy









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Stk. 2208  
**BRAND NEW DEMO 1990 PRIZM 4 DR.**  
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Automatic, air, great gas mileage, hurry!

**\$2999**  
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**87 LE BARON**

Automatic, air, sunroof, clean!

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**89 DAYTONA TURBO ES**

Loaded, only 25,000 miles!

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**89 BERETTA GT**

Automatic, loaded, V6, bal. manufacturer's warranty!

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\*Price includes rebates to dealers. Subject to F.T.B. approval if applicable. Must add 4% sales tax, title, doc. and plate fee and destination charge.  
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