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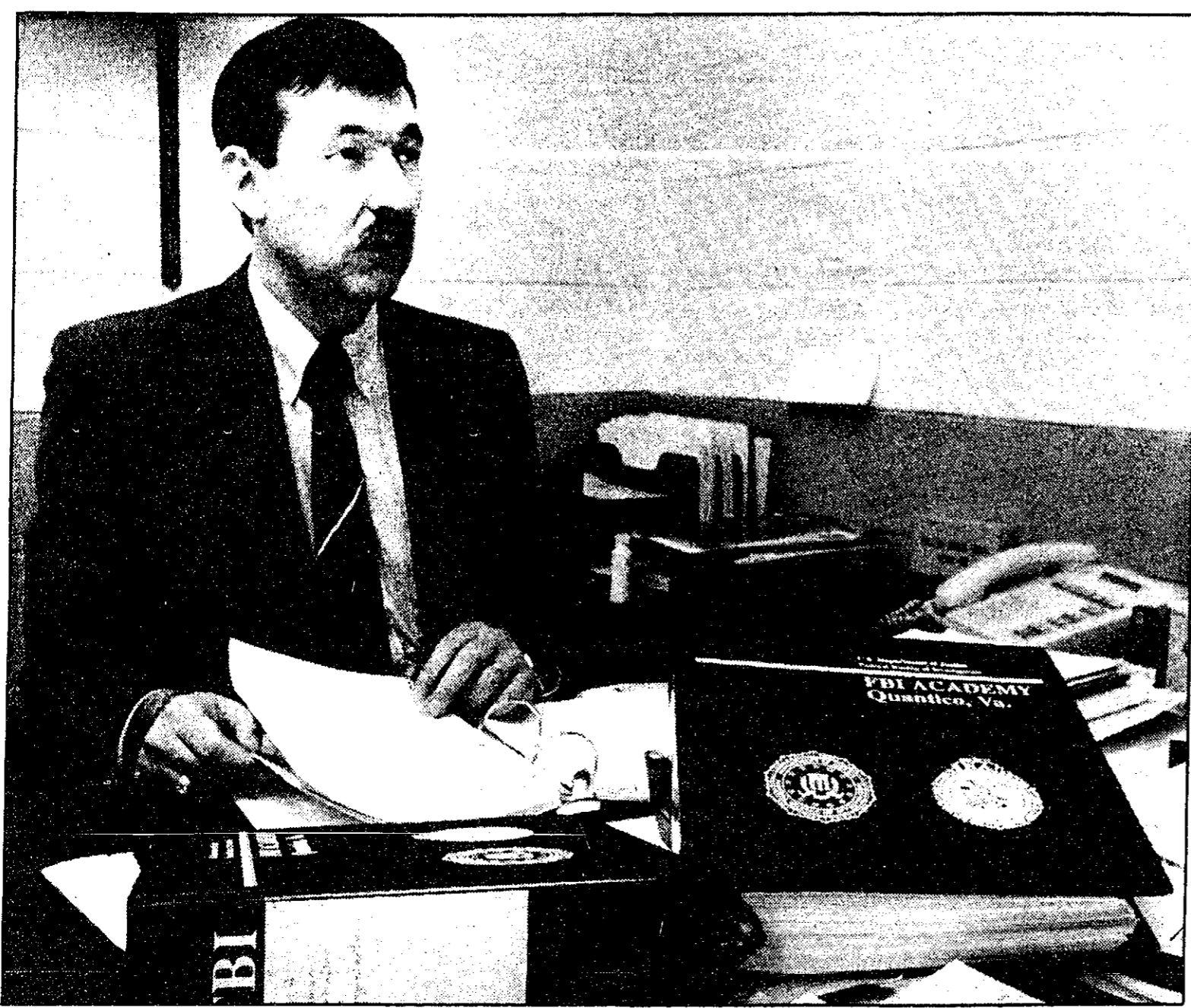
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Al Rasmussen, fresh from the FBI Academy.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## City ponders maternity benefits plan

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

The city council broke a long silence Monday on an issue that has catapulted the community to the attention of the national media — how Novi deals with its pregnant employees.

The request from city administration to extend medical insurance coverage for six months for temporarily disabled and off-the-job staffers — including expectant mothers — was put on hold until more financial data is available.

The initiative was approved by Council Members Nancy Cassis and Tim Pope. And Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford was ready to support the proposal as written.

"This is a very minimum cost to get this city out of the 1950s and into the 1990s. Even as inadequate as this policy might be, this is a step in the right direction," Pope said. Jamil Akhtar, the attorney repre-

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senting Karen Koester and Deanna Hall, two Novi police officers now suing the city for discrimination, said he was pleased by the city's move. Both were denied light duty while pregnant and say they were pressured to leave the force.

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## Voters to decide trash fee increase

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Novi voters will be asked in November if they're willing to tag onto their tax bills a fee for citywide trash collection, including recycling.

The unanimous council decision deflects a lawsuit threat leveled by Taxpayers United for the Michigan Constitution, a Farmington Hills-based group led by Richard Headlee.

Taxpayers United has charged that a mandatory recycling fee considered by the city would have been a tax levy banned by the Headlee Amendment to the state constitution.

"Is it a good enough idea to suspend our constitutional rights and not put our tax to a vote? The answer is no," Patrick Anderson, a board member of Taxpayers United, said.

Novi's attorney has advised that the assessment is a fee for services, not a tax. But the council unanimously agreed to "democratize" the process.

Your attorney has called a duck a duck and our attorney has called a cow a cow. Whatever it is, there's no question we're going to put it before the voters," Mayor Matthew Quinn said.

Rather than raise the question during the August primary, when few residents head for the polls, Council Member Robert Schmid's suggestion to hold off until Nov. 3 was adopted. The original plan called for an August election.

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## Officer trained at FBI academy

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

Novi Police Lt. Al Rasmussen is lucky to be a statistic.

He is one of the one-fifth of 1 percent of all police officers in the United States who ever get the opportunity to attend the FBI National Academy program in Quantico, Va.

"It's quite an honor and a privilege to be able to attend it," Rasmussen said. "I don't know if all police officers want to attend it, but most know about it, and most want to attend it at some point in their careers."

The 11-week session, which he attended from September to December, culminated in a graduation ceremony last Dec. 13, which included 145 law enforcement officers from all over the world.

According to information released by the FBI National Academy, the program in which Rasmussen took part began in place since 1935. It offers advanced investigative, management and fitness training for selected officers having a proven record as a professional within his or her agency. On the average, these officers have 16 years of law enforcement experience, and usually return to their agencies to serve in executive level positions.

Rasmussen, who has been in law enforcement for 21 years and has worked for the Novi Police Department since 1975, lived in a dormitory on the grounds of the FBI Academy while attending the session. He took classes with titles like "Fitness and Law Enforcement," "Constitutional Criminal Procedures," "Forensic and Technical Service for Managers" and "Human Behavior in Organizations."

The fitness class was hard work. An optional part of that course included the endurance course portrayed in the movie "The Silence of the Lambs."

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## DARE banquet called successful

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

A dinner held Feb. 9 raised \$2,500 for Novi's DARE program, said Novi Police Detective Bob Gatt, who teaches the classes in the Novi schools.

Gatt said the money will go toward purchasing DARE hats and shirts, which will be presented to students at a "culmination" end-of-program ceremony the week of May 18. Last year's ceremony featured Sparky Anderson, and Gatt is currently looking for this year's speaker.

However, Gatt said DARE still needs to raise \$1,500 more so that every DARE participant will

get a hat and shirt. He hopes to convince local civic groups to help with the remaining funds.

DARE is an anti-drug program that targets 11- and 12-year-olds. It goes beyond telling kids to "just say no." It teaches them how to say no.

The DARE dinner, Gatt said, was "successful in many ways" in addition to the fundraising aspect.

"The kids were the highlight of the evening," he explained. "They performed a song that brought tears to your eyes." The song, titled "I Will Dare," was written by local resident and parent Lois Self. About 100 kids sang at the dinner.

They also performed in some skits and comedy routines that brought the house down. They

received a standing ovation.

"It really gave those kids a boost of self-esteem," Gatt said. "Those kids who performed will never forget those people standing up and giving them applause."

"And my goal is to make them remember this. That's why I want the hats and shirts. Every time they put on a DARE shirt, they gotta remember something about the DARE program."

In addition to the other presentations, to Gatt's surprise, the kids wrote and performed a rap about him.

"He's in our school three days of the week."

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## Three sites eyed for district court?

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

The word is out on the street that the choice of sites for the new 52-1 Walled Lake district court has been narrowed to three, but a county official working on site selection says that's news to him.

Mayor Matthew Quinn announced during his "State of the City" speech on Feb. 18 that Novi was included in at least one of the top three locations.

Quinn said Friday that developers of the proposed Westbrooke office complex — across from the Providence Hospital's medical center — have been told they're a prime contender for the courthouse.

The location is on the north side of Grand River Avenue at Beck Road.

Jack Hays, director of the county's corporation counsel, says

no way has the county culled its choices down to three — yet. County employees are still mapping out and evaluating 13 proposals, he said. All but two are for Novi locations. The others are for Wixom and Walled Lake.

"I haven't even got the comparisons yet," Hays said. "Absolutely not... Unequivocally not. Nothing's been done in any way, shape or form."

"If there is, I don't know what the three are. I'm going to be the one to give them some recommendations."

Hays said he will present several favored choices to a March 10 meeting of the county board of commissioners' finance committee.

Novi is likely to be a finalist. Hays has said he agrees with the city's assertion that state law requires the courthouse to be in the community with the largest population.

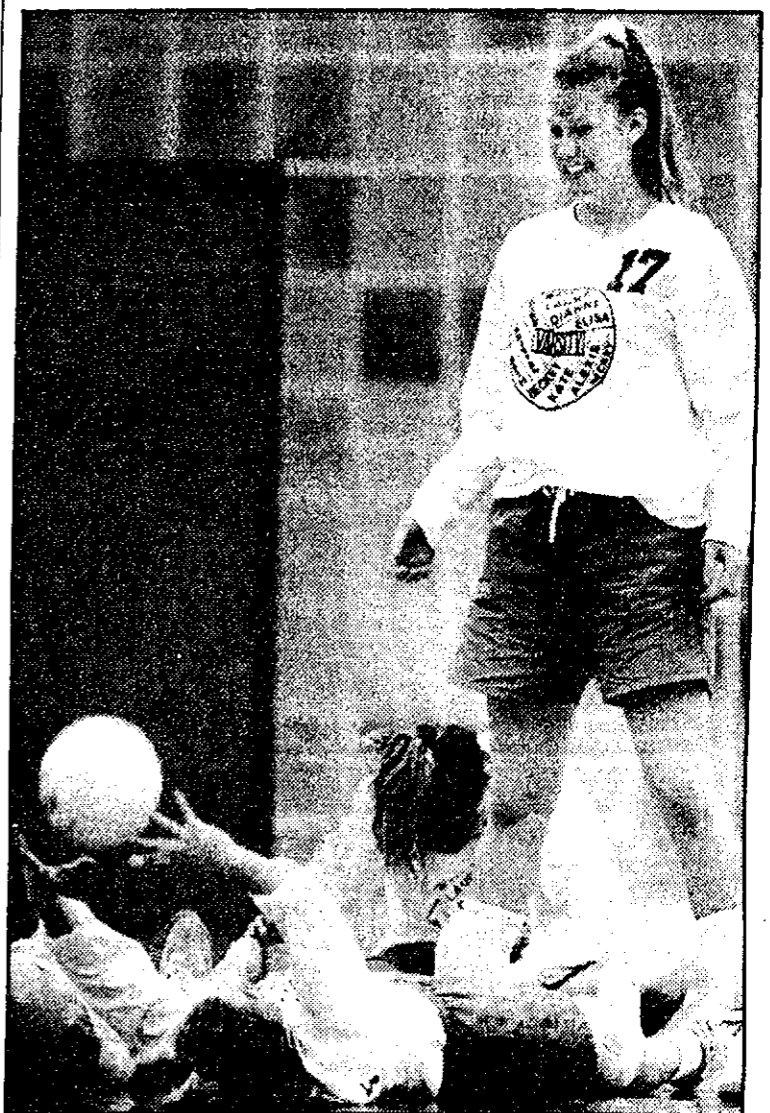


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## Pre-game warm up

Despite narrowly missing chances of winning the KVC title this year, Novi's volleyball team is on track for its best winning record in years. Above, Kristin Kenny (standing) and Beth Vanderhoff play catch and relax before the game. The story is on page B7.

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# Community Calendar

Today, February 27

**Board of Education:** The Novi school board meets in regular session at Novi Meadows Elementary school at 7:30 p.m.

**Newcomers:** The Novi Newcomers Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

**Historic district study:** The Novi Historic District Study Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Friday, February 28

**Novi Players:** The Novi Players will present "Shay" in the Novi Circle Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

**Property taxes:** Today is the last day property taxes will be payable at the Novi city treasurer's office.

Saturday, February 29

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Sunday, March 1

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Monday, March 2

**VOICE:** The regular monthly meeting of the Village Oaks VOICE organization will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the elementary school building.

**City Council:** Novi City Council meets in the civic center at 8 p.m.

**Senior Parents:** Senior Parents will meet in Room 107 of Novi High School at 7 p.m.

**Choir Boosters:** The Choir Boosters will meet in the Novi High School library at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3

**Center Seniors:** Novi Center Seniors will hold their general meeting at 11 a.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

**Board of appeals:** The Novi Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in the Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

**Jaycees:** The Novi Jaycees will hold a membership meeting in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

**Novi Woods PTO:** The PTO of Novi Woods Elementary School will

meet in the community room of the school building at 12:30 p.m.

**Middle School PTO:** The members of the PTO of Novi Middle School will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the school building.

**Orchard Hills PTO:** The members of the PTO of Orchard Hills Elementary school will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the school building.

**Parent conferences:** Parent-teacher conferences will be held in Novi High School in the Commons from 6-9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4

**Parent conferences:** Parent-teacher conferences will be held in Novi High School in the Commons from 6-9 p.m.

**Planning:** The Novi City Planning Commission will meet in the Novi Civic Center at 7 p.m.

**Board of review:** This is the last day to submit petitions for appointments to appear before the Novi board of review to appeal this year's property tax assessments. The deadline is 5 p.m.

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Thursday, March 5

**Board of education:** The Novi board of education will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Services Building on Taft Road.

**Boosters rescheduled:** The regular meeting of the Novi High School Athletic Boosters Club has been rescheduled for today at 7 p.m. in room 107 of Novi High School. The high school athletic boosters normally meet on the first Wednesday of each month.

**Band concert:** The Novi Meadows/Middle School band will hold a concert in the Fuerst Auditorium in the Novi High School building at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 6

**Half day of school:** Students of Novi High School will be dismissed from school after third hour at 10:25 a.m.

Saturday, March 7

**Dance for Heart:** The Third Annual Dance for Heart Aerobic-thon will be held in the Novi Civic Center from 8:30-11:30 a.m. The event will be limited to 100 participants. The event is a three-hour fund-raiser for the American Heart Association of Michigan. The event consists of warm-up exercises, an aerobic workout, muscle repetitions and a cool-down with floor stretches. Those interested may pick up pledge sheets at the Novi Parks and Recreation office in the Civic Center prior to March 7. For more information, call 347-0400 or 349-2193.

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Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

**Bluebird workshops:** Learn how to bring the bluebird back to Michigan at a 4-H Bluebird Workshop at 1 p.m. in the Novi Public Library. The workshop will discuss why bluebirds have fled the state and how these birds can be brought back to Michigan. Bluebird house kits will be available for \$4.50. To register, contact the Oakland County 4-H office at 858-0889 by March 6. For more information, contact the Oakland County 4-H office at 858-0889.

Sunday, March 8

**Novi Players:** The Novi Players will present "Shay" in the Novi Circle Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

Monday, March 9

**Community education:** The Novi Community Education Advisory Committee will meet at 7 p.m. in the Educational Services Building on Taft Road.

**Debate boosters:** The Novi High School Debate Boosters will meet in the library of the high school building at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10

**Kindergarten Roundup:** Kindergarten roundups for youngsters to register for kindergarten next year will be held at Novi Woods Elementary school at 7 p.m. and at Parkview Elementary school at 7:30 p.m.

**Camera Club:** The Novi Camera Club, sponsored by the Novi Arts Council, meets on the second Tuesday of every month in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 11

**Talent show:** Novi Meadows Elementary school will hold its talent show in the Fuerst Auditorium in the Novi High School Building at 7 p.m.

Monday, March 16

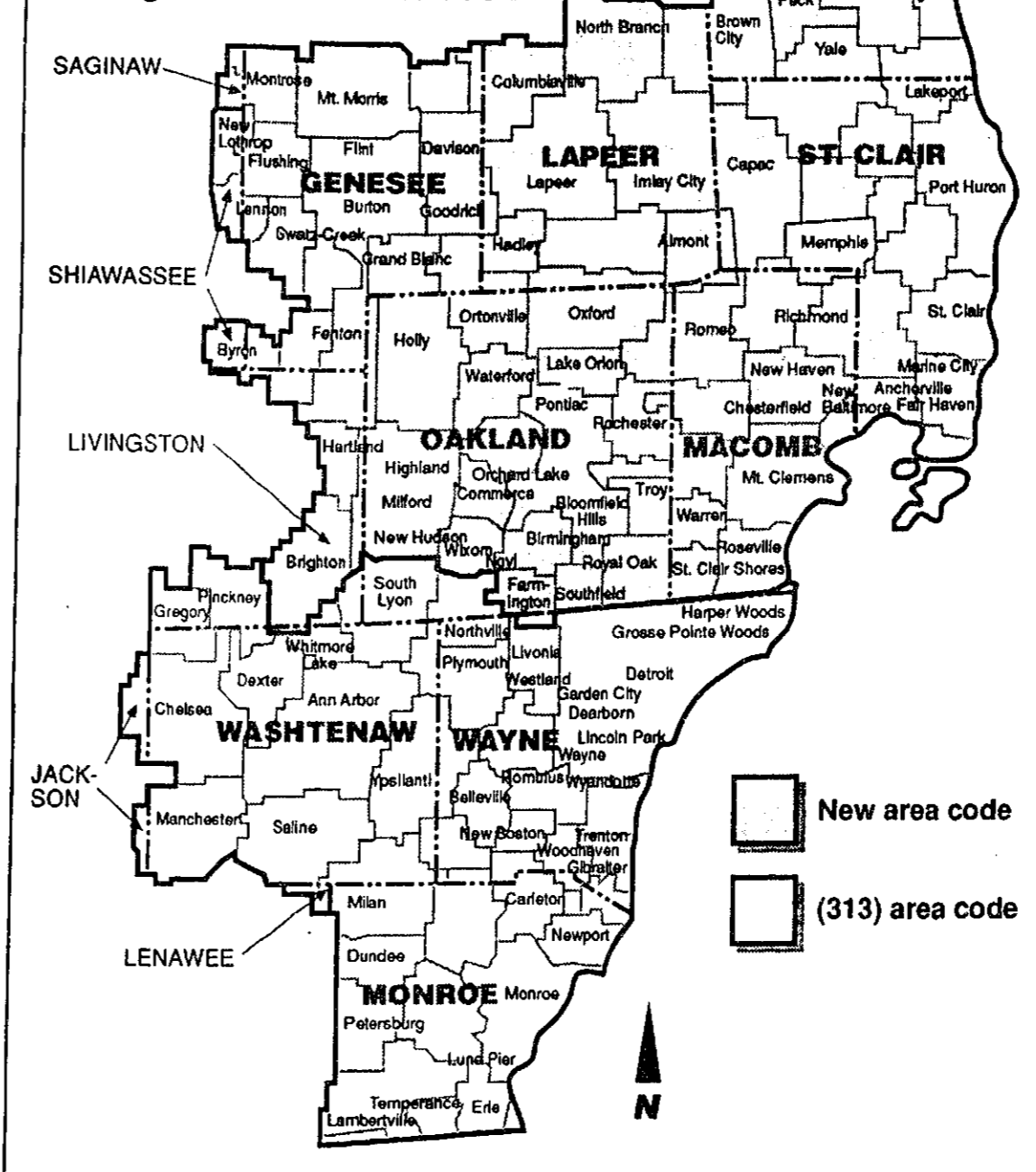
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**Non-critical parenting:** Judith Cox of Wise Mothers Inc. will conduct a parenting workshop entitled "Becoming a Non-critical Parent," from 7-9 p.m. in the cafeteria of Novi Wood Elementary School. The program is sponsored by the PTOs of Novi Woods, Orchard Hills, and Parkview elementary schools. The purpose of the program is to teach parents how to recognize critical statements and replace them with productive praise. The program is free.

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.

## Proposed realignment of area codes

To go into effect in 1994



Map by ANGELA PREDHOMME

## Novi officials call on Ma Bell to reject second area code

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Novi officials are hoping Michigan Bell doesn't hang up on their request to avoid splitting the city by area codes. "We expressed some very strong concern with what they are proposing to do with Novi... They are going to talk to their technical people," City Manager Edward Kriewall said at Monday's city council meeting.

Portions of Novi within the Farmington and Walled Lake/Wixom telephone exchanges would gain a new area code if the plan goes into effect in early 1994. Southern Novi, within the Northville exchange, would remain within the 313 exchange.

Neighborhoods such as Willowbrook, Village Oaks, Old Orchard and Applegate might find themselves cut in two by area codes, Kriewall said.

"The biggest problem we've been having is dealing with 349 and 477. That would split us through subdivisions. That's not very good," he said.

"There might have been a third area code. Can you imagine three area codes in Novi?"

The prefixes for the Northville exchange are 344, 347, 348 and 349. The Farmington exchange includes 471, 473, 474, 476, 477, 478 and 553, while the Walled Lake area is served by 624, 669 and 960.

The telephone company's representatives met with Kriewall and Mayor Matthew Quinn before the 313 split was announced publicly Feb. 19.

"The thing to keep in mind is that this is not a final plan. This is not in concrete," Mary Jo Filarek, Michigan

"We expressed some very strong concern with what they are proposing to do with Novi... They are going to talk to their technical people."

Ed Kriewall  
City Manager

Bel public relations director for Oakland County said Tuesday.

To keep Novi within one area code, the exchanges might need to be switched around.

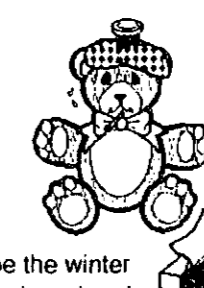
"Do people want to give up the existing telephone number they have established?" Filarek wondered.

The current area code covers thirteen southeastern Michigan counties—but Bell spokespersons say the influx of residents and the prevalence of new technology such as FAX machines and cellular phones have just about used up available telephone numbers.

Besides Novi, other communities which could be split by area code are Livonia, Wixom and St. Clair Shores.

Michigan Bell is inviting customers to place a toll-free call to 1-800-831-8999 to comment on the proposal.

The new area code is expected to be made public this spring, if a go-ahead is given by Bell Communications Research in New Jersey, which assigns area codes.



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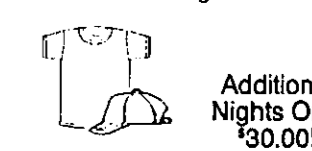
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from victim's rights to traffic violations.

The public information hotline, called Tele-Court, was developed by the State Court Administrative Office

(SCAO), the administrative arm of the Michigan Supreme Court. The toll-free recorded telephone messages offer information on subjects that local courts are frequently asked. Among the areas covered are: divorce; garnishment; wills; adoption; victim's rights; landlord-tenant relations; restraining orders; and drunk driving violations.

Tele-Court callers will be able to select from a menu of subjects. The

brief recordings, available 24 hours a day, provide essential information, with directions for where to get further assistance. The message will be updated frequently to reflect caller interests and inquiries. Callers can also request brochures on a variety of topics covered by Tele-Court. This service is available to callers using either a touch-tone or a rotary telephone.

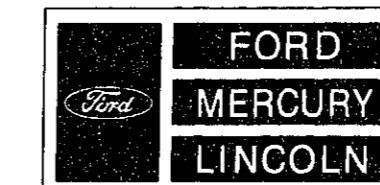
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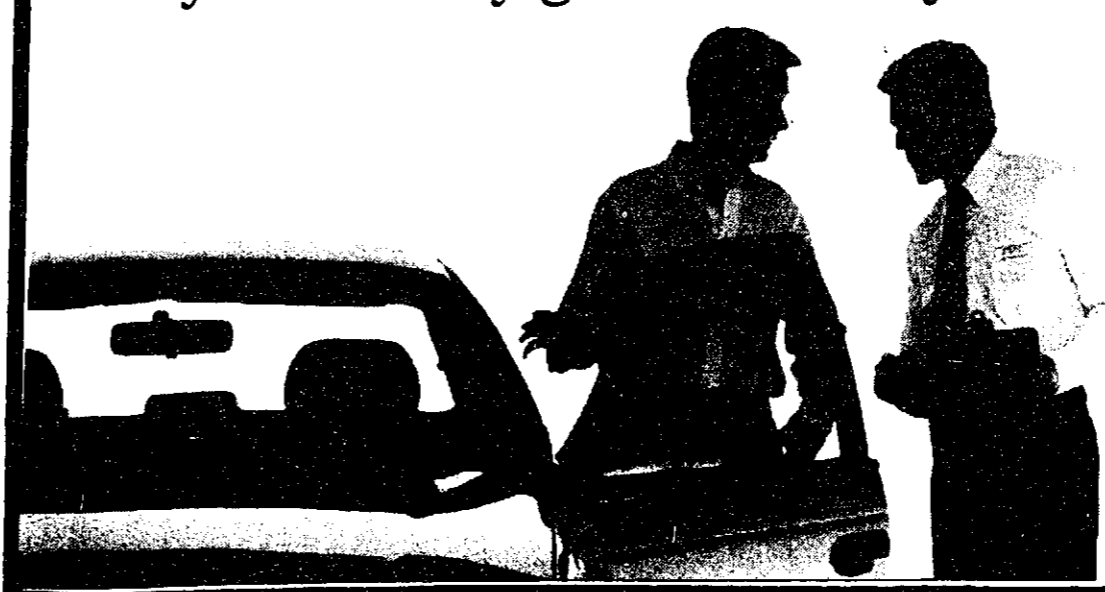
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# Anti-Japan vandalism suspected

A resident on Willowbrook may have been the victim of someone taking the "Buy American" trend too far. The woman reported Feb. 15 that her 1992 Toyota, which was parked in her driveway, may have been damaged when someone threw a gallon jug filled with dirty motor oil on it. The jug burst on the car, possibly damaging the paint.

Left in her driveway, police said, was a "Buy American" bumper sticker.

The woman discovered the damage at approximately 8:30 p.m.

## Police News

Later, while she was at work, the woman said she received a phone call from a man who asked for her, then said he had the wrong number.

Finally, a male called Novi High School and asked to talk to her daughter, she said. When the school would not interrupt her daughter in class, the man on the phone said to get a message to her to contact her mother, and that there's been an accident.

The woman told police that no accident had occurred, and that she had no idea who might be doing this.

**OUIL:** Novi police arrested a 33-year-old Walled Lake man Feb. 20 for OUIL. The man was reportedly driving eastbound on Novi Road in a 1989 Ford Fairmont.

**SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES:** A Novi woman reported Feb. 14 that she had many "hangups" recorded on her answering machine, with one message that stated "Yes, this is the right one." She said those calls occurred around 11:30 p.m., Feb. 14.

church halls. He said that, when he asked them what they were doing, they claimed to be "waiting for their mothers."

Approximately five hours later, at 8 p.m., a different church employee reportedly walked into the church hall and observed someone in the audio-visual room. She called for the priest to come down, she said, and when he arrived two teenagers ran out, and one of them pulled his dark jacket over his head.

After the two suspects left, a telephone, a VCR and control box were reportedly discovered missing from the church.

**MORE POP BOTTLE BOMBS:** A resident on Brookline reported Feb. 19 that she heard a loud noise and saw a "furry" smoke coming from a plastic pop bottle thrown in her yard.

Police said the bottle had partially "melted," and that some liquid remained in it.

Police said the bottle was taken to the Novi Fire Department, where the liquid was determined to be "some type of acid."

**LARCENY:** Novi police said Holy Church on Meadowbrook was the victim of a larceny Feb. 18. According to police reports, a church custodian reportedly saw three male teenagers, age approximately 13, wandering through the

Police said they then disposed of the bottle and liquid.

**NOOP:** A maintenance supervisor at the Tree Top Apartments complex reported that on Feb. 18 he discovered various incidents of property damage.

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**CHECK ALTERED:** A resident in the Waterway Apartment Complex reported Feb. 17 that a check he wrote to his Detroit News carrier was somehow altered from \$1.50 to \$9.50.

The man said that, since the check was written, a different paper carrier has been working the route. He said he does not know the name or whereabouts of the original paper carrier.

# Man kills self after overdose, argument

By CRISTINA FERRIER Staff Writer  
Novi police investigation has determined a local man's Feb. 18 death

in his home to be a suicide.

Police would not release the name or age of the victim or any information about where the incident occurred. However, the man apparently died of a self-inflicted shotgun blast to the chest.

According to police reports, the man may have also been overdosing at the time on prescription drugs that he took for a mental condition.

The man's wife reportedly told police that she left the house shortly after noon that day after the two had been arguing.

She said she went to a store in Novi Town Center to deliver a note about

an unrelated matter to her son-in-law. She told police she returned home about a half-hour later.

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# Novi Briefs

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**Pitching tips**  
Matt Flaherty, age 10, gets a little help on his pitching form from coach Jeff Tanderys during a recent Baseball Camp held at Novi Meadows Elementary and sponsored by the Novi schools Community Education Department.

# Traffic cited in nixing of plan

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

The bottom line was money. Developers of the proposed Romano's Macaroni Grill Restaurant said they need access to their early off Haggerty Road to ensure the restaurant's financial success.

But the Novi Planning Commission said 4-2 that other concerns were more important than the financial success of the Macaroni Grill developers.

City traffic consultant Rodney Arroyo said the restaurant's proposed Haggerty Road access just north of Chili's Restaurant would create a traffic hazard when the remaining vacant land on Haggerty is developed as an office complex.

The proposed office complex is on hold due to the economy, planning consultant Brandon Rogers said. But when it was first proposed, the plan did not include a Haggerty Road access point.

Commission Secretary Timothy Gilberg said he is tough on health and safety issues.

"Introducing another curb cut on Haggerty does not meet my standards," Gilberg said.

It's up to the commission to ensure harmony and proper function, and all I see is disruption."

Commissioner Ernest Aruffo said the final decision should be up to the City Council. Aruffo suggested approving the plan contingent on council approval of the Haggerty Road entrance.

In the final vote, Aruffo and Commissioner Judith Johnson were the sole supporters of approving the project.

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# City acts on Grand Plan site to halt rezoning by default

By JAN JEFFRIES Staff Writer

It wasn't exactly the sequel to the Son of Grand Plan, but the Novi City Council did look at the rezoning of part of Section 18 Monday.

It's just housekeeping pure and simple, according to Council Member Tim Pope, who requested the second look.

The controversial 28 acres at the southeast corner of Wixom and Twelve Mile roads was once proposed for a Meijer site which would be part of a city-initiated industrial relocation park.

After the Grand Plan failed in 1990, Meijer went across the street to Wixom. In March 1991, hoping to entice the discount store back, British West Corporation asked the city to rezone the land from heavy industrial to business.

The city put that request on ice until a former Meijer plan came through. It never did.

This time around, British West did not seek the zoning switch and had no representatives at the meeting.

"It came to me when we were in a council goal session that that issue had been left on the table. There could have been a legal argument that if the council didn't act to take that off the table, that by default the land could have gone to this rezoning," Pope explained.

# Commission budget gives council a choice

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

The Novi City Council will have two choices when it budgets for the Planning Commission this year.

The commission approved two budget proposals at its Feb. 19 meeting. The council can take its pick.

One budget proposal is a sort of wish list with extra money for Town Center planning and a right-of-way acquisition plan.

The second budget proposal trims out a few extras.

Included in both plans is \$72,000 for a planning and traffic consultant.

Both plans also include \$600 for magazines, \$6,000 for zoning map amendments, \$700 for memberships and dues, \$8,000 for printing and publishing and \$6,500 for conferences and workshops.

In the original larger budget request, \$7,000 was allocated for a woodlands map update. But commissioners axed the money out of their own budget when they learned that the map could be done in house, rather than through consultants.

The smaller budget proposal totals \$149,800 with the larger plan totaling \$202,490.

The larger budget also includes \$26,900 for a Master Plan update. The figure drops to \$17,900 in the reduced budget.

The largest figure up for council debate is a \$23,000 Beck and Wixom road corridor study plan for the area along I-96.

Some commissioners suggested the study, which accounts for a hefty chunk of its budget, could be in the budget of another city department.

But Commissioner Development Director James Wahl said the study belongs in the commission budget, adding that he is investigating alternatives for funding the study.

The budget could go to the City Council for approval as early as sometime in March, Wahl said.

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As We See It

City medical leave policy is worth price

We can appreciate the desire of Novi City Council members to be making any kind of final decision, but the proposal on the table Monday night to extend medical insurance coverage for six months to temporarily-disabled/off-the-job employees would be a long step in the right direction.



The issue came up as a way to address the problem which led to the ongoing dispute between two pregnant police officers and the city. Officers Deanna Hall and Karen Koester have filed suit against the city over its refusal to give them light duty assignments while they were pregnant. The city administration has contended that light duty cannot be given to the pregnant officers unless it is also offered to all other employees who suffer minor medical conditions. And that could be very expensive.

Indeed it could. Jamil Akhtar, the attorney representing Koester and Hall, argues the two were denied light duty while pregnant and pressured to leave the force. Each lost medical insurance coverage from Novi while off work.

As we stated, we can appreciate the

Panels should meet often

Novi Mayor Matt Quinn recently announced that the City Council and the Novi Board of Education will meet in a joint session come the end of March. The time has since been set for 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 21.

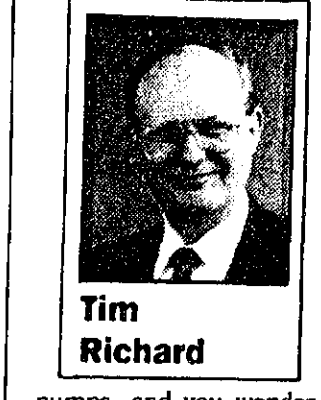
We think that's a great idea. And we'd like to propose a topic for discussion — getting together more often. We'd like to propose they get together on a regular basis, perhaps semi-annually.

Needless to say, there are a good many topics for the two bodies to discuss — the construction of the district's TechLink facility, the impact of a possible TIFA to support a parking structure at the Novi Expo Center, the need for roads to support school buildings, planning to meet the needs of a growing population, and the list could go on and on.

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Judges, lawyers don't get it



Tim Richard

The judges and lawyers don't get it. They simply don't get it. Michigan's economy is flat, if not shrinking. So is most of state government. Colleges aren't getting an increase. State parks are tightening their belts, maybe closing. Liquor inspectors are spread thin. Last week the attorney general charged a bunch of southeastern Michigan stations with cheating at the gasoline pumps, and you wonder how many were missed.

So what is the state Supreme Court doing but asking for more Court of Appeals judges. Appellate law trials welfare as our biggest growth industry. Our 1964 Constitution created the Court of Appeals with nine judges. Today there are 24. And they want 15 more — a 62.5 percent increase. They want nine this election and six more in 1994. That would make 39 — more than quadruple the original gaffe of nine. The high court administrator says we really need 80! Chief Court of Appeals Judge Martin Doctoroff of Birmingham and Judge Roman S. Gribbs of Detroit got a sympathetic hearing before the House Judiciary Committee last week. "The Court of Appeals is drowning in work," Doctoroff told lawmakers. Two years ago, its backlog was 1,400 cases; today it's 4,500. "We're aware of the cost involved. That's for you to resolve," said Doctoroff. "What's the story?" asked committee chair Perry Richard. D-Ann Arbor. "Is the law so unsettled that attorneys have to appeal?" "Crime and drugs," said Doctoroff. There are automatic appeals when a judge departs from sentencing guidelines, but that's not the core of the problem.

Moments

By Bryan Mitchell

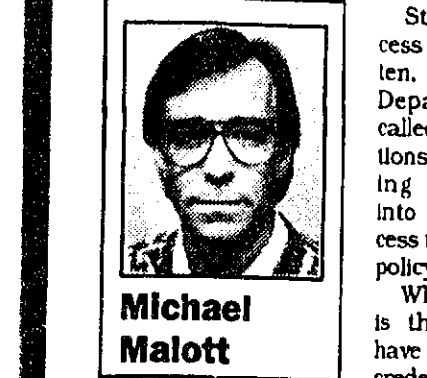


'Shadows in the fog' A view of Pine Park in Northville on a foggy day

Equality wins over learning

What I fear most in the recent flurry of proposals to equalize funding between rich and poor school districts is that it will hurt the good schools and gain little or nothing in the poor ones. It's called "averaging down." Both Democrats (whose ideology of equality usually leaves little room for quality) and Republicans (who complain ceaselessly about taxes without wondering what they get us) are about to compound their past errors by setting in motion wholesale averaging down in our schools. Of course, variations in per-pupil spending between rich and poor districts are both large and inequitable. Some districts in the Oakland County office belt spend more than \$8,000 per child; some rural districts, well below \$3,000. Indeed, most school districts served by this newspaper have property values (and, therefore, per-pupil expenditures) well in excess of the Michigan average. And that's why last year's so-called "Robin Hood" school finance law hurts local communities so badly. The tax-base sharing law takes head-on the growth from industrial and commercial property taxes in above-average districts and distributes it to poorer districts. Farmington, straddling the I-696 and I-275 freeways, would have lost somewhere between \$400,000 and \$775,000 if tax-base sharing hadn't been stalled in court. It can pay salaries and benefits for 10-19 low-seniority teachers. For the losing districts, class sizes have increased. Special programs like computer education, music, art and foreign languages have been slashed. Morale is poor and periodically,

The FOI, the Novi police and you



Michael Malott

Still in the process of being rewritten, the Novi Police Department's so-called "media relations policy" is being transformed into a "public access to information" policy. What that means is that you don't have to have media credentials in order to obtain the information you need from the Novi police department. It also means the media won't be privy to information you wouldn't be able to get yourself. Information which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy or would otherwise be considered out-of-bounds for the general public. That simple change is one of two revisions to the policy I consider most important. The other is a generally much less restrictive view of what information can and should be publicly released by the department. This week, reporter Cristina Ferrer has put together a story, which appears on the front page of our Living section, about the various ways in which individuals can use the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. It's an important story. Anyone who believes in participatory democracy must realize that the "right to know" is a fundamental underpinning of that style of government. Unless the public has all the information, it cannot hope to make good decisions about how its government should operate. Although I don't want to go into the details until the policy is finalized, I think I can safely say that the primary emphasis in the re-writing has been to make the policy match state law as closely as possible, including the Freedom of Information Act, other state laws pertaining to the availability of information and various court decisions and attorney general rulings which have addressed this area of law. There are still places in which we disagree with the city on its interpretation of those laws. Remember that ultimately this is to be the po-

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To the Editor: It is one week since the D.A.R.E. dinner that was held at the Novi Civic Center. I would like to take this moment to thank the appropriate people responsible for its success. D.A.R.E. is a 16 week course, taught to our sixth graders, dealing with the pressures to use drugs, steel, cheer or almost anything that is wrong, but tempting. D.A.R.E. takes the usual anti-drug message one step further, and teaches the students not only to say no, but how to say no. Role playing in the classroom is used, and is a very successful tool. Lessons include peer pressure, self-esteem, assertiveness, stress management, media influence in our lives, support groups and other important topics in today's world. At the end of the semester, the students are given shirts and hats with the D.A.R.E. logo imprinted on them, to wear proudly and to remind them of their commitment to saying no to the pressures to do wrong things. The D.A.R.E. dinner is the major fund raising event to purchase these items for our sixth graders. This year, almost 400 sixth grade students will be instructed in the D.A.R.E. lessons and thus will receive shirts and hats this Spring. I would like to thank the following people and organizations for making the D.A.R.E. dinner, and the D.A.R.E. program so successful. First, of course, the Novi Police Department and the Novi School System for teaming up and allowing me to teach D.A.R.E. Specifically, Chief Doug Steiner and Dr. William Barr, whose support is mandatory. Next, the Novi Optimist Club and the Novi Council on Substance Abuse for cosponsoring the dinner and for all the time and effort that went into planning the event. Specifically, Mr. Craig Klaver and Kathy Crawford from the Optimist Club and Mrs. Pat Gil-

Letters

berg and Mrs. Judy Maxwell from the Novi Council on Substance Abuse. Although others were involved from both organizations, these four were the driving force that made the dinner so successful. I would like to see that dinner went off without a hitch. Next, I would like to thank the staff at Novi Meadows School, where D.A.R.E. is taught, for all of their support, both during the dinner and throughout the school year. Specifically, Dr. Tim Falls, Mr. Greg Carnacchi, Ms. Susan Harris and Mrs. Carol Smith should be singled out for the help they have given since D.A.R.E. was first introduced three years ago. Again, others have helped and supported a great deal but these four were, and are, the driving force behind D.A.R.E.'s success at Meadows. Finally, I would like to thank the

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To the Editor: The current hype concerning trade with Japan has brought some important issues to the forefront, but alas, I fear we may be trying to solve some long term problems with "quick fixes" that are in themselves going to make us less competitive in the long run. Consumers should choose products based on quality and price and not primarily on where they are made. If every consumer in the world mainly bought products in their own country, American companies in foreign lands might as well come home. In order to be competitive we need to do some of the following: Give the customer what they want, a quality product at a competitive price. Foreign competition makes us more competitive and fights complacency. Have a national policy to ensure that countries who do not practice open trade with us are penalized via high import duties for goods sent to the U.S.A. The additional Federal revenues generated in this manner should be set aside in order to fund a federally sponsored program to finance research and development. For foreign aid we should make it a condition that the recipient countries spend the money dealing with their own local businesses or with U.S. companies. Giving a country financial aid in order to import goods and services from non U.S. companies does not make sense. For each dollar of foreign aid spent, a matching amount should be paid into a Federal fund that would provide business loans to "high risk" businesses that cannot get financing through regular channels. This program should be run as a for-profit organization and interest rates should reflect the amount of risk involved. The current Japan bashing is causing us to encourage racism while at the same time withdrawing into our shell. Many wars have been caused by nationalism. With the fast changes in the world that have occurred in the last few years and with nationalism on the rise, we need to be opening trade borders and encouraging international trade. If two countries have a substantial investment in each others economy then the last thing they want to do is destroy the other country's market, as this will be like attacking oneself. My father was a British soldier in World War II and was captured in Tobruk. He spent four years in Italian and German POW camps. As a I remember asking him why it took America so long to enter both World Wars, he answered that American was the greatest nation on earth and that she was like a slumbering giant. If one wanted to kill the giant they would have to sneak up on it and slay it before it awoke. Fortunately, in both wars, the giant awoke and was angered into response. Thank goodness prominent comments have been made to slander our work ethic. The giant is awakening and getting angry. However, we must make sure its energies are spent wisely. To respond by racist action or to discourage international trade will come back to haunt us. As in sports, to go on the defensive when you are behind means you cannot win. To go on the offensive is the only way forward. Let's map our strategy, fuel our passions, set our sights and join the fray. We may not win every battle but we have to win the war. There are numerous countries that have been fighting an economic war with us for many years and we now need to stem the tide, beat them at their own game and leapfrog into a new dimension. Michael W. Parry

I'm the victim, have a lot at stake

To the Editor: I feel compelled to clear up some misconceptions and misinformation contained in your recent Novi News editorial regarding the flooding of my property. 1. Other adjacent lots in Lexington Green have the same amount of surface drainage across the property, yet those lots do not retain stormwater. Stormwater accumulates and is detained on my property because it cannot escape into the wetland and down stream since the wetland becomes filled beyond capacity due to the restricted culvert which functions as a dam. An analogy would be if I were to build a berm along my east and west property lines with only a narrow space for water to pass through. I believe that would be illegal and unneighborly, just as I believe the FHEASST concrete sewer and other trash/debris that dumps out with the water, which I closely monitor and properly dispose of, would be entering and polluting the wetland and watercourse. Changing the point of discharge would also cause destruction of trees and shrubs along the wetland. In addition, so this proposal would be a disruption — not a solution. 2. The City of Novi's former proposal would not redirect all of the surface drainage off my property — only the overflow from the Lexington Green retention pond, which is a relatively small amount overall. The same amount of stormwater would still be entering land be "dammed up" in the wetland, and detention would still occur on my property. Furthermore, changing the pond overflow discharge point would involve abandoning the established underground drainage system which also discharges stormwater into the wetland from a culvert at the edge of my property. This means that the plastic, paper, styrofoam, concrete, wood and other trash/debris that dumps out with the water, which I closely monitor and properly dispose of, would be entering and polluting the wetland. If that were the case, I would have filed a lawsuit over a year ago as I explained to Steve Kellman (filing a lawsuit is only a last resort option to protect my property. 3. I did not add an accusation of illegal wetland filling — a fill permit was obtained, what I said was that the developer and the City of Northville did not have permission to use the wetland as a detention basin. I contacted Steve Kellman about this and a correction did not appear in the Novi News. I also provided Kellman with a copy of a letter I had sent to the MDNR accordingly. 4. Considering that I initiated and have spent over a year following up on every government contact available, I believe that it is very unfair and inaccurate to even suggest that I appear more interested in lawsuits than problem-solving. I am an innocent victim, and I have a lot at stake because of this encroachment. Laura J. Lorenzo

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# Charter House expansion set

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
Staff Writer

Charter House of Novi will soon be getting a face lift. Owner of the Meadowbrook Road nursing home Alexander Spiro asked the Novi Planning Commission on Feb. 19 to recommend City Council approval of an addition to the H-shaped building. Spiro said he also plans renovations for the buildings

interior. Spiro received unanimous approval to build two nursing stations in each of the building's two courtyards. The additions will add 1,400 square feet to the Charter House of Novi. Commissioner Timothy Gilberg supported the plan, but made a push for sidewalks outside of the Meadowbrook Road development.

City engineering consultants said the steep angle between Meadowbrook Road and the Charter House would make sidewalk construction difficult. Gilberg suggested sidewalks may be possible on city-owned property outside the Charter House. The safety of children walking on Meadowbrook Road is at issue, Gilberg said, noting that an ice cream

parlor sits near the Charter House. Gilberg asked city administrators to review rights-of-way near the property. Final City Council approval is contingent on right-of-way review, according to the Gilberg's motion. Charter House of Novi is a 144-bed facility on 2.73 acres. The new plan will allow the nursing home to operate with two nursing stations, Spiro said.

# Harassment taints workplace

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
Staff Writer

An off-color joke told by employees breaking at the company water cooler is not grounds for a sexual harassment lawsuit, attorney Charlene Snow said at a Novi Chamber of Commerce roundtable discussion. But to avoid sexual harassment lawsuits, employers should institute policies banning harassment from the workplace, Snow said. Snow, an attorney for the Detroit-based Chiamp & Associates law firm, spoke at a chamber roundtable discussion Feb. 19. Carole Chiamp was to be the featured speaker, but Snow came in Chiamp's place.

Snow said that one distasteful joke is not likely to result in a lawsuit. But if an employee's jokes create an uncomfortable work environment, then the business owner could be risking a possible sexual harassment lawsuit, Snow said. It is in the best interest of an employer to institute a sexual harassment policy and to follow the policy, Snow said, because employers are ultimately responsible for work environment. If one employee at a local business sexually harasses another employee, then the business owner can be held responsible, Snow said. She compared harassment to physical violence. A business owner

would be held responsible if one employee hit another employee. The same can be said for sexual harassment. But with a policy in place, sexual harassment can be discouraged, Snow said. The office "character" can be forced to stay within certain parameters if employers implement a policy addressing sexual harassment, she said. For the well-intentioned men who complain that current sexual harassment law has them afraid to speak to women in the workplace, Snow offered some reassurance. Frivolous lawsuits are not likely to make it in today's overcrowded legal system.

## Library Notes

**Adult book discussion group:** "Boy's Life" by Robert McCammon is the featured book for the upcoming Adult Book Discussion Group at the Novi Library. The next meeting will be held at the library, Monday, March 2 at 7 p.m.

If you are interested in attending, please read the book before the session and be prepared to discuss it with the group. Advanced registration is requested. Call the library at 349-0720.

**Sleep program:** Do you have trouble getting to sleep at night? Dr. Thomas Giacarlo, Medical Director of Michigan Sleep Disorders Center, will speak on "Sleep and Sleep Disorders" at the Novi Library Thursday, March 5 at 7 p.m.

To register for this free program, please call the Novi Library at 349-0720.

**Tax service:** A free tax service for senior citizens aged 55-older will be held at the Novi Public Library Thursday, March 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The program is presented by volunteers from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). Registration is required for this program. Please call the library at 349-0720 for an appointment.

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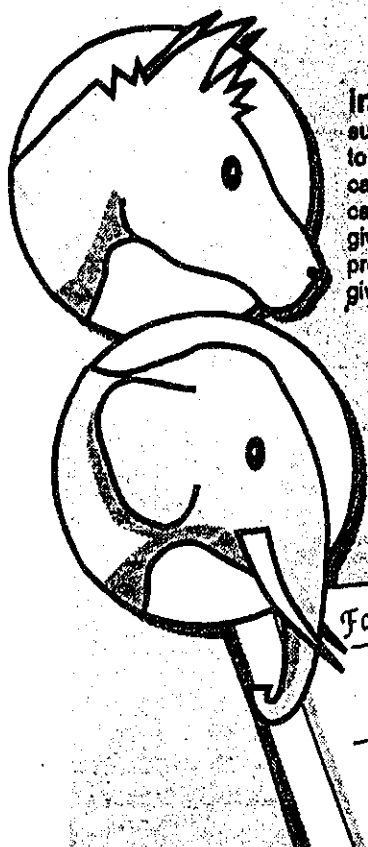
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## What you CAN find with the FOIA:



**Election information** such as contributors to a candidate's campaign fund, the candidates in a given election or the precinct totals for a given campaign.

**Records for schools, the county, and other municipalities:** all of the bills, vouchers and invoices. Also, the amount public employees are paid and information on people who have received gun permits.

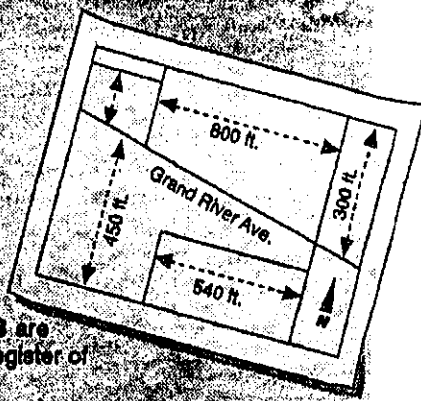
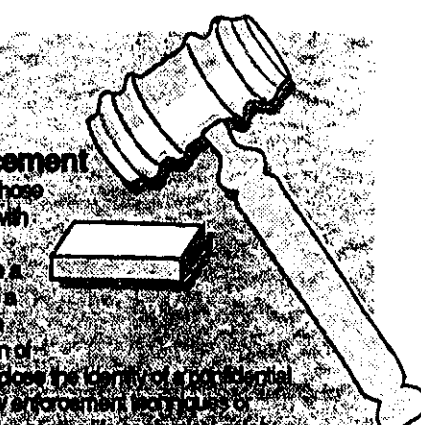
**Information on births, marriages, divorces and deaths:** (Birth certificates are only available to a person listed on the certificate, not a spouse or grandparent).

**Property descriptions** are available in the register of deeds office.

**Also, you can find:**

- ✓ Delinquent tax rolls at the treasurer's office.
- ✓ Information on actions taken by any county governmental body, such as the board of commissioners, planning or food commissions.

**Law enforcement records** except those that would interfere with law enforcement proceedings, deprive a person of the right to a fair trial, constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, disclose the contents of confidential source, disclose law enforcement techniques or procedures of enforcement or the file or personal notes of law enforcement personnel.



## Use your FOI rights to tap information

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

Michigan's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), used often by journalists to gain access to information, is a useful tool for anyone who needs — or wants — to know the facts.

Planning to have surgery? Use the FOIA to find out if your doctor's had any lawsuits.

Hiring someone? Use the FOIA to see if that person has a criminal record, or if he or she has a pattern of suing previous employers. Use it to find out if there have been any complaints filed against a contractor you want to use.

Want to know how your congressman voted on an issue? Use the FOIA. Want to know how much the school superintendent is paid? Use the FOIA. Want to know if your Don Juan is really getting a divorce? Use the FOIA.

The FOIA is available for anyone to use, and you don't need to give a reason why you want the information.

Drafted in 1976 and enacted in 1977, the FOIA sets requirements for the disclosure of public records by all public bodies in the state. All state agencies, county and other local governments, school boards, departments, commissions, councils and public colleges and universities are covered under the FOIA. Any program primarily funded by a state or local authority is also covered.

The law applies to all documents contained in government files for which the FOIA itself does not give an exemption. A list of exemptions is included in the law allowing some records to be withheld from the public. The FOIA also applies to more than just paper documents. Tape recordings, photographs, maps and computer files can all be requested under the FOIA.

But of course, you have to know what you are looking for. And it can cost money.

The Oakland County Clerk's office will give some information over the phone, although many counties are not as liberal. If you want copies of Oakland County documents, it costs 25 cents per page. And some documents can get pretty long.

As one worker in the Oakland County Clerk's office said, "The

freedom is of having the information. That doesn't mean it is free."

Stephanie Schroeder, a supervisor in the Oakland County Clerk's office, said she sees all kinds of people each day, using the FOIA to get information.

"Today we had a guy checking on a landscaping company because the (landscaper) is coming after him after three years, saying he never paid him. He paid him cash, three years ago. So he was checking to see if that company has a record of past complaints, or anything like that."

Most common requests, she said, are for divorce cases in the courts. Often, she said, she sees realtors checking for newly filed divorces. They want to sell their houses. And people often want to find out if their married boyfriends or girlfriends are telling the truth about plans to divorce.

"And a lot of them just want to check on their neighbor," she said. "They might have heard something, and they want to find out what's going on."

So, she said, "Sometimes it's a little bit of nosiness, but usually it's business reasons."

Oakland County has a computer system for searching out public documents.

Schroeder and her staff help people by showing them how to use the computer. "But we don't give any legal advice, and we don't recommend attorneys," she said.

Occasionally, Schroeder said, people will come in looking for something specific, and will request far more documents than they need.

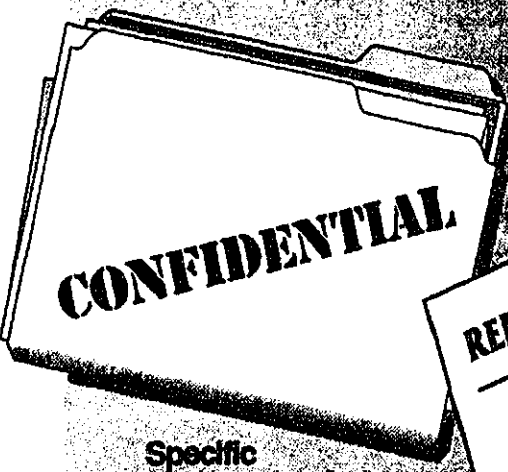
"When that happens, we try to explain to them (which documents they really need), and we help them that way. If they still want them all, we'll give it to them, but it's 25 cents a page."

If you are asking for large files of information, you can expect to pay in advance at most offices. According to the FOIA, a person must put down a 50 percent deposit if the required documents will total more than \$50 to compile.

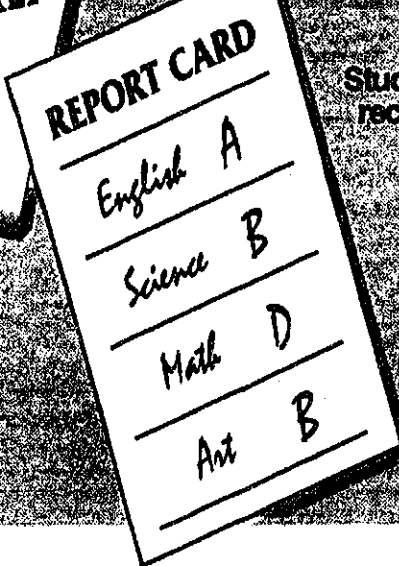
A person looking for information through the FOIA will often be charged the amount it costs to make the copies, plus an administrative fee for the time it took a person to make those copies.

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## What you may NOT have access to:



**Specific information about an individual's private affairs:** If the right to have the information protected from public scrutiny is greater than the public's right to the information.



**Student records**

**Medical counseling or psychological facts** which would reveal an individual's identity.

**Other possible exemptions from the FOIA:**

- ✓ Trade secrets or commercial information voluntarily provided to an agency in use in developing governmental policy.
- ✓ Information subject to attorney-client privilege, test questions and answers, job interviews and other examination instruments.

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## Volunteer



DONALD SAMHAT

## Baseball program aids in child development

By DOROTHY NASH  
Special Writer

For an activity outside his law office, Donald Samhat volunteers as president of Northville Junior Baseball, a program in which 800 to 900 children, ages 5 to 18, participate every year.

He presides at year-round monthly board meetings of 12 men and women, who discuss reports from the following committees:

Safety, registration, photography, training and development, umpire director (salaried), financial, equipment (annual replacement) and scholarship fund.

Although Junior Baseball is separate from Northville Community Recreation, Samhat said, "The rec program does supply miscellaneous things," among which are administrative offices, paper work and maintenance of playing fields.

There is something for each age of boy and girl, from T-ball for 5- and 6-year-olds, through softball and

hardball for each age through age 18.

Playing is not done entirely in Northville, he pointed out. Some is done in travel programs and World Series, in which Northville teams compete with those from and in other communities.

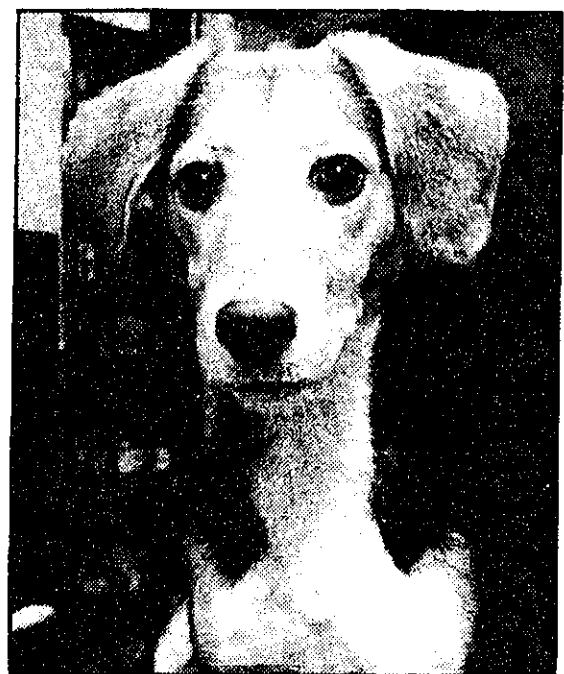
Money to maintain Northville Junior Baseball, he said, comes from registration and sponsors. Money also comes from the World Series games — money which is used in awarding two annual scholarships of \$500 each to students who at some time have participated in the program for two years.

Donald Samhat doesn't just sit at meetings. He coaches too. "My wife got me into it," he said. "She got me into coaching," and that led to the board involvement.

Why do it? "I get satisfaction out of teaching kids, encouraging them, seeing them develop." Yes, he has a child of his own in the program.

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## Department sponsors lacrosse

By CINDY STEWART

If you combine the fast action of soccer, the running and passing of football, the catching and throwing of baseball and the shooting of basketball you've got the hottest new sport to hit Novi — lacrosse.

Novi Parks and Recreation is continuing what Novi Community Education and Coach Don Sill started last spring. The 1991 practice team of seventh and eighth graders has now developed into a travel lacrosse team to play in the Michigan Lacrosse League, Middle School Division and a new lacrosse program for high school students this spring. Coach Sill's ultimate goal is to make lacrosse a regular part of the Novi athletic program.

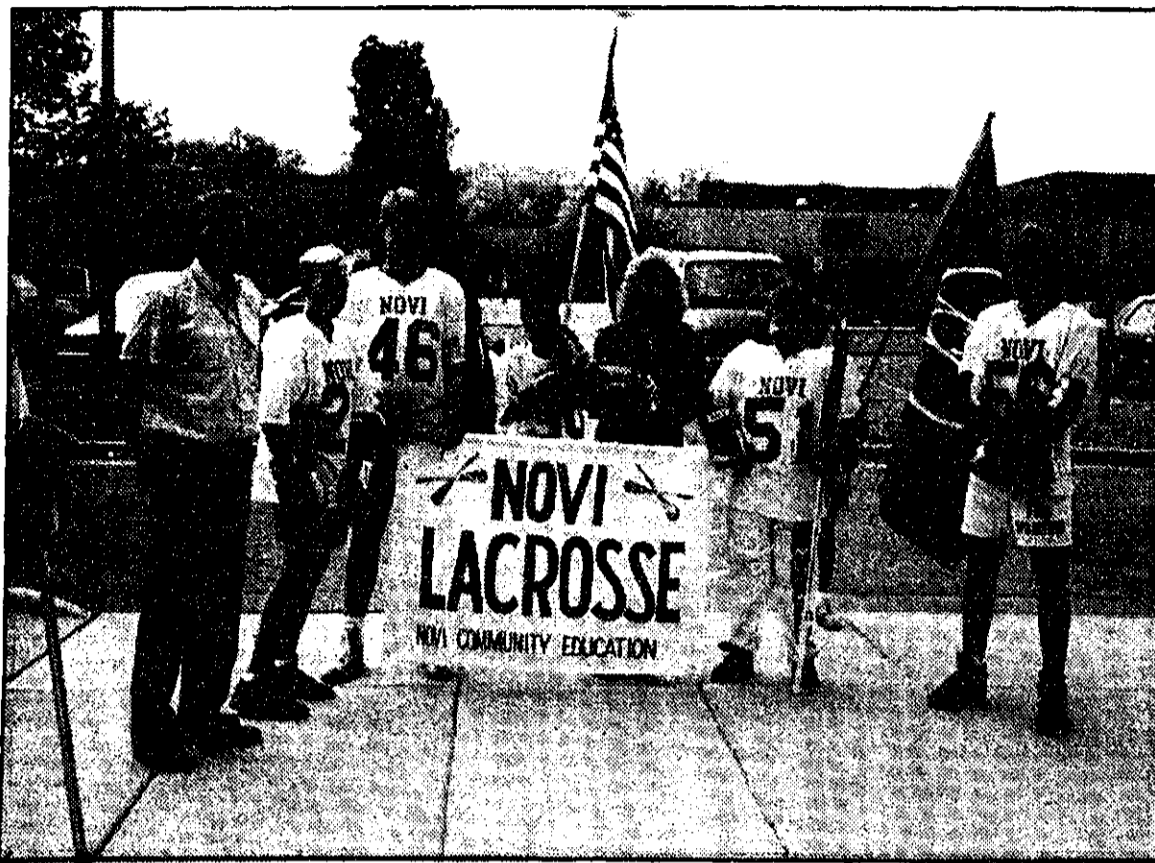
Lacrosse is a truly unique traditional American game that has been played in America for over 600 years. Many historians claim that it is "America's only true sport."

Don Sill has always loved lacrosse. He played all sports as a youngster, but his first love was lacrosse. Now that he is a parent and teacher he has grown to appreciate the sport even more. "The size of a player makes no difference in lacrosse, unlike most of the other sports. Everyone is equal. Quickness and skill are the measures of a good player," said Coach Sill.

Lacrosse is played in almost 20 schools and several colleges and universities in Michigan. There are over 300 colleges and universities with lacrosse teams and over 800 high schools with lacrosse programs nationwide.

The Novi Lacrosse Program began in Novi April 10, 1991, when a group of 30 seventh and eighth graders and their parents met at the middle school library to hear a short presentation and ask questions about starting a lacrosse program in Novi to be organized through Community Education. As a result of that meeting, 23 middle school students signed up for the spring session that met five days a week for seven weeks.

The group worked hard and made excellent progress to the point they



The Novi lacrosse team kicks off its first season this spring.

were proficient enough to play practice games with other schools. Every team that played the Novi team was impressed with the enthusiasm and level of skill the boys had achieved. Because of their remarkable progress, Novi was invited to participate in the Middle School State Tournament held at Cranbrook School in May as an exhibition team.

This year Novi Parks and Recreation will sponsor the two lacrosse teams. The Novi Middle School's eight-game season runs from April 4 through May 23. The Middle School Lacrosse Tournament is May 22-23. The Novi High School team will play in the Junior Varsity Division for the first year. Its 10-game season runs from March 23 through May 23 and the Michigan Lacrosse Tournament is May 22-23. The cost of the program

is \$45 per player and \$54 for non-residents.

Novi Parks and Recreation is also sponsoring a Summer Lacrosse Camp, June 22-26 and a Summer Lacrosse Program, July 6-Aug. 7. The program for grades six through 12 is Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Coach Don still always wondered why lacrosse never came to Novi in the past. "I hoped someone would get a program off the ground, but I never dreamed I would be the one to do it," said Sill. "The skills I stress in lacrosse, teamwork, discipline and sportsmanship are skills the kids will use throughout their lives."

Lacrosse is a fast-moving, high-scoring game that grabs not only the players but the spectators as well. Lacrosse compliments all of the other sports. Lacrosse has similar strate-

gies to soccer and basketball, and the conditioning helps football and basketball players keep in shape. During a typical lacrosse game, the players may run miles up and down the field. Coach Sill's 14-year-old son, Mark, uses lacrosse to get in shape for fall football.

Both Novi Parks and Recreation Lacrosse teams will have new uniforms this spring. Coach Sill is holding parent's meetings for grades 7-8 on Wednesday, March 4 at 7 p.m. and for grades 9-12 on Thursday, March 19 at 7:30 p.m. Both meetings are at the Novi Civic Center. If you can't attend the parent's meeting or need additional information, call Coach Don Sill at 349-2388 or Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400.

Cindy Stewart is the Public Information Director for the City of Novi.

## Rec Briefs

### Players sought for lacrosse travel team

**Lacrosse:** Novi Parks and Recreation is forming a travel lacrosse team to play in the Michigan Lacrosse League, middle school division this spring.

Cost is \$45 per player and \$54 for non-residents.

There will be a parent's meeting on Wednesday, March 4 at 7 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. For more info call 347-0400.

Novi Parks and Recreation is also organizing a lacrosse program for high school students this spring. Costs are the same as above.

Goals of the program are to learn the skills and rules of the game, play inter-squad games, scrimmage other teams in the Detroit area. For more info call 347-0400.

**Softball:** Many leagues will be offered by Novi Parks and Recreation for both men and women this year. The men's resident league will allow only five non-residents per team, while the men's Sunday, Wednesday, Thursday, women's open and men's 35 and over leagues have no residency rules.

Registration is going on now at the Novi Civic Center. Spring/summer registration ends April 1.

**Refs needed:** Soccer referees are needed for

the spring season. Call Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 for more info.

**Coaching Schools:** For all prospective coaches — become a championship coach. The ASA Junior Olympic sponsored event will teach crucial details and fundamentals, as well as common errors your players will make and how to correct them. Feb. 29-March 1 in Howell. Call Dennis Troshak at (517) 548-0693.

**Senior Golf:** Novi's golden retrievers golf league will begin play on the week of May 11 at Pebble Creek Golf Course. Choose from either the Monday or Thursday leagues. Novi residents can register now at at Novi Parks and Recreation.

**Senior Dances:** The Senior Sweetheart Dance will be held Tuesday, Feb. 25 from 1-3 p.m. Live band and refreshments. Cost is \$1.50.

A "Senior Wearin' O' the Green Dance" will be held March 31 from 1 to 3 p.m. Wear your green and dance to the live band for a cost \$1.50.

**Gymnastics:** Discover or develop your child's talent in gymnastics. Pre-beginner/beginner no experience required. For advanced beginners prior lessons are required. Intermediate

must be adequate in performing cartwheels, back walkovers and tumbling stunts. Register through April 3 at the Civic Center for spring classes.

**Banquet:** The 5th annual "Sportsmen On and Off The Field" awards banquet will be held at the Novi Hilton March 6.

This year's award winners include Desmond Howard, Dennis Archer, Jeff Bender and Tirrel Burton. Cost is \$65 for singles and \$120 for couples.

The banquet is sponsored by Wolverine Human Services. The non-profit agency serves more than 300 troubled adolescent males ages 11-17.

**Novi Youth Baseball:** Registration for all levels (ages 8-16 by July 31, 1992) of Novi Youth Baseball will be held from 6-9 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center March 11 and from noon to 3 p.m. March 7.

Fees range from \$40-\$50 per player, with a \$100 maximum for those families registering three or more players. Birth certificates are required.

For more information call 348-9456 or 349-6983. If you would like to volunteer for Novi Youth Baseball call 349-2543.



Raymond Hobbs, M.D.

High blood pressure, or hypertension, is an extremely common and dangerous disease which can be controlled and, in some cases cured, by therapy. However, many people have misinformation about the disease and do not seek or continue sound medical advice.

High blood pressure occurs when the average pressure in the blood vessels is higher than normal. It is similar to that of an over-inflated tire. In both cases there may or may not be noticeable problems, although the performance of each will decrease with time and life span may be shortened. With high blood pressure everything may appear to be normal and one may feel fine while serious damage is being done to the internal organs. The organs at greatest risk of damage are the heart, kidneys, brain and blood vessels themselves.

The consequences of this prolonged damage are stroke, heart failure, heart attacks, blood

## Health tips

vessel disease such as arteriosclerosis (hardening of the arteries) and kidney failure. Although these problems can be treated if discovered early, they are frequently irreversible if discovered late.

The causes of hypertension are not fully known, in spite of intensive medical research. In fact, only about 5 percent of cases can be fully explained. Known causes include narrowing of the arteries to the kidneys, kidney disease in general, certain rare tumors and glandular problems, medication and very rare conditions, such as consuming huge amounts of black licorice. Of the remaining 95 percent of cases, certain conditions such as high salt intake, obesity, race and sex have been shown to be associated with the disease, although the direct cause has not been proven.

Since the 1940s the treatment of hypertension has changed with the development of more than 50 drugs of varying potency, cost and mechanism of action. With such a wide variety of medications available, physicians use different

drugs to avoid unwanted side effects that may occur in certain patients. Other non-drug therapies such as weight loss, lifestyle, modifications and decrease in salt intake should also be useful.

In summary, several conditioning facts and reiterations are important:

- Although hypertension can be a devastating disease, it is easy to diagnose and treat.
- People with early hypertension may feel perfectly fine in spite of continuous slow damage to their organs.
- For most people hypertension is a life-long disease that must be continually treated since true cures are infrequent.
- Since people are different and different causes of hypertension exist, the therapy must be tailored for each individual.
- Finally, and most importantly, hypertension is treatable if it is diagnosed, the proper treatment prescribed and the therapeutic plan followed by the patient.

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## Saleswomen add impact in real estate

By James M. Woodard  
Copley News Service

Josie Ralstin has been an active real estate saleswoman since 1979. She is now a member of her brokerage firm's Multi-Million Dollar Club and has been netting annual sales commissions from \$75,000 to \$100,000 for several years.

Ralstin is one of an increasing number of women who are becoming leaders in real estate sales. And they are rising in the ranks of high officeholders in major real estate organizations.

"I often put in a 15-hour workday, but I still make sure there is quality time with my husband and 12-year-old son," she said. "I'm home every afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m. to help my son with homework take him to basketball practice or a zillion other things. It all has to be carefully scheduled."

Ralstin, married for 16 years,

handles her real estate and domestic activities like a master juggler.

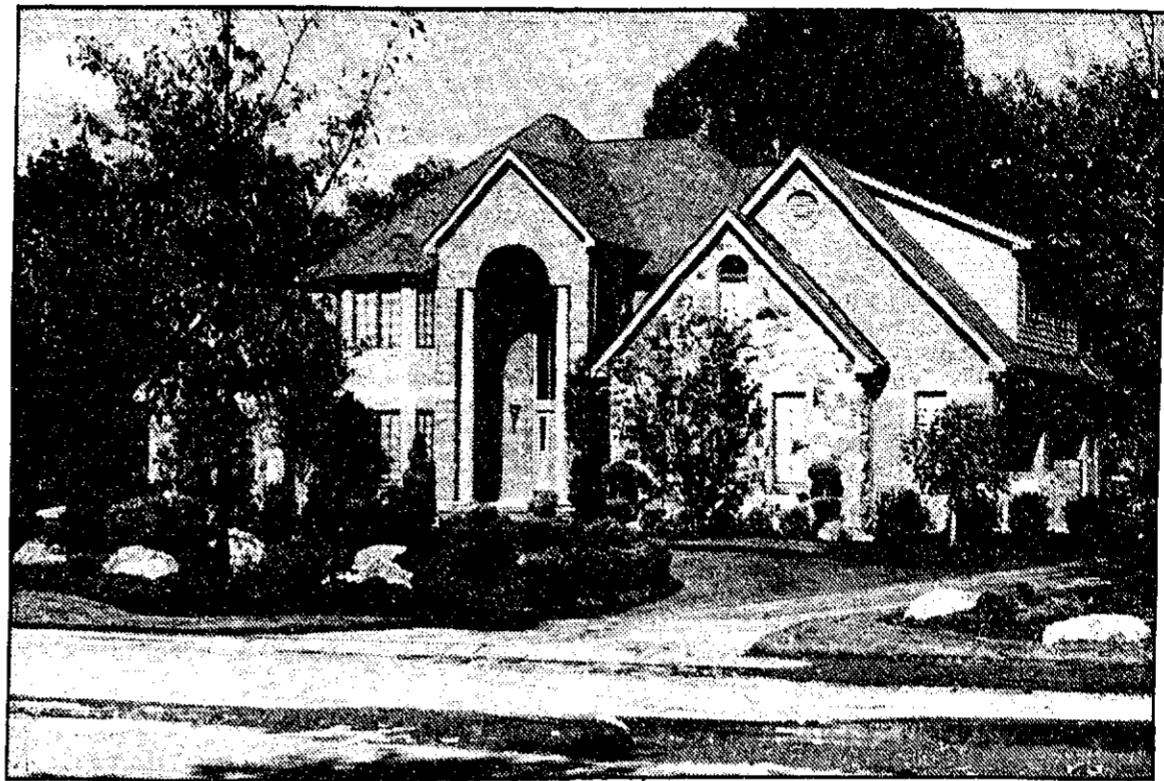
"I really love the real estate business. It brings you into a working relationship with all kinds of people. And that's what I enjoy most about it.

In addition to her real estate brokerage work and family responsibilities, Ralstin finds time to serve on the Grievance Committee of her local Board of Realtors.

Today, about half of the real estate sales associates and brokers who are members of the National Association of Realtors are women. That proportion is up from 18 percent in 1975, according to NAR.

A recent survey by Women's Council of Realtors, an affiliate of NAR, revealed that 28 percent of their members have ownership interests in the broker-

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One of the homes in Edinborough of Novi.

HOME DESIGNS



## It's a mansion, it's an estate, it's the Fairbanks

By James McAlexander  
Copley News Service

Call it a mansion, or call it an estate. With more than 10,000 square feet of living space, the Fairbanks clearly is a high-class home. The combination of colonnaded entrance and rough-hewn stone exterior puts one in mind of the unpretentious solidity of a Roosevelt-era hunting lodge.

The breathtaking 20-foot-wide circular foyer, vaulted to the second floor, serves as a hub offering five choices of direction, and it could take hours to explore all of them. Nothing is little here. Even the hallways are 5 feet wide.

One of the most unusual features is a 27-by-44-foot recreation room, larger than some homes. It includes a row of skylights, a wet bar at the far end and a recessed fireplace that punches out one side. Fill it with bright lights and twirling dancers and you've got a ballroom. A huge skylit spa, with convenient bathroom, and a half-oval-shaped study complete this wing.

Each of the family living areas gathered together at the opposite end of the Fairbanks has its own unique features. The oddly shaped living room has a fireplace and a bay window, and the formal dining room is a perfect oval.

The free-form kitchen has both a

cooking island and an eating bar with a vegetable sink.

Light from another row of skylights makes the nook an ever cheery space, and a fireplace provides additional warmth in winter. The utility room includes a pull-down ironing board.

Each of the three bedrooms downstairs has its own private bathroom, and two have walk-in closets. These rooms could easily be used as guest or servants' quarters.

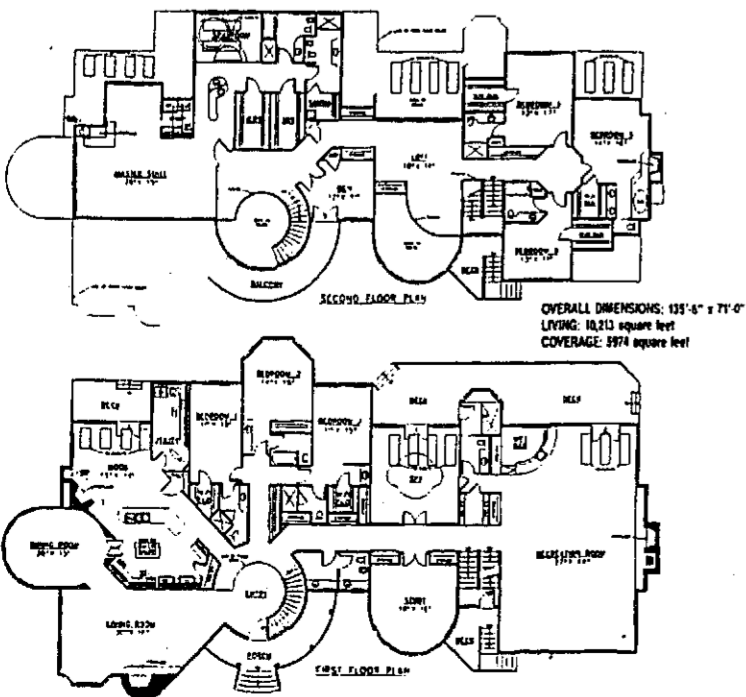
Three equally lavishly outfitted bedrooms are upstairs (one with a fireplace), along with a small den and an enormous master suite—a home in itself.

In addition to a sleep space, the suite includes a sitting room, with adjacent small kitchen, his-and-hers bathrooms (each with a bidet), and his-and-hers closets.

A novel vanity island has a double-sided mirror with basins beneath each side.

Twelve-foot-wide sliding-glass doors open into an elevated spa, and a small sauna adds the final luxurious touch.

For a study plan of the Fairbanks (209-13), 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.)



# TOP SHELF

By RICK BYRNE  
Copy Editor

When it comes to quality home developments, Edinborough of Novi holds all the aces. A prime location, an ideal setting, and an exquisite building quality combine to make this new custom home development perhaps the most luxurious ever in Novi.

"Novi really never has had as nice a luxury development as this," said Phyllis Lemon, a Realtor for the Michigan Group who is selling the homes. "The homes will start at around \$400,000."

When developer and landowner Len Wasczewski started the project, he knew from the beginning he wanted to go top-shelf on everything. After all, the property itself seemed to demand it. The 23-acre tract, located off Beck Road between Nine and Ten Mile roads, is blessed with a wealth of trees, and a large wetland area along the eastern border which creates a buffer from the traffic on Beck Road.

When so many housing developments are sacrificing wetlands and woodlands, this one takes pride in its surroundings and tries to make them a selling point. Seven of the 23 acres have been dedicated as natural-habitat parklands. The remainder of the property, when complete, will feature 17 homes on lots ranging from 1/2 to 1 acre.

Wasczewski chose his builder carefully. He wanted one that would be in stride with what he had in mind. The homes would all be custom-designed and -built. He settled on the team of Frank "Tony" Bauss and Al Spicer, well-

known for their work on homes in the Northville area, with a combined 63 years of experience between them.

"I met with Frank and Al. I liked their workmanship, and we got together," said Wasczewski.

Bauss said the entire development will be controlled by the partners from beginning to end, to ensure the highest level of quality. Though there will be a separate land cost calculated into the final price of an Edinborough home, Bauss and Spicer will be the only builders. A buyer can choose any architect, but the design must be approved by an Architecture Committee.

"We knew we wanted tight control over the quality and the architecture that went in," said Bauss. "Rather than sell the individual lots to someone who might build something that doesn't fit in, we have complete control.

"We want to do custom homes. Nothing will be duplicated."

There is no "model" home here. Each one will be one-of-a-kind.

"If you have 70 homes with only five different styles, they may look wonderful on their own," said Bauss. "But when there are so many, it doesn't work."

That Edinborough will only have 17 homes, each with a minimum frontage of 120 feet and a lot depth of 250 feet or more, makes it an intimate little neighborhood.

"Building the large homes on a small lot wouldn't look good," said Bauss. "This doesn't have the feeling of a large sub. People here will all know each other."

To demonstrate the quality that will be the hallmark of the development, Lemon points to Spicer's own home, the first in the subdivision to be completed (another

is nearing completion, and two more are in the planning stages).

Details, details and more details fill Spicer's 7,000-square-foot home. Shades of the Homearama dream mansions come to mind.

From the door jambs to the crown moldings to the wainscoting in the formal dining area, wood trim abounds.

"The trim is all custom millwork," said Bauss. "We can do custom millwork in oak, cherry, ash — whatever the customer wants. I'm doing one right now that's all mahogany."

Interior doors are all solid oak, as are the kitchen cabinets. French doors in the great room and dining room feature beveled and leaded glass in oak framing. Hardwood floors appear in practically every room. A study on the first floor is finished entirely in cherrywood.

There are four working fireplaces in the home, including one of stone in the great room. The use of classic materials like stone and hardwoods hint at the tastes of the potential buyers.

"They tend to stay," said Lemon.

"There's nothing in here that they won't still like in 10 years. It will still be in."

The bathroom adjoining the airy master suite features a tub with Jacuzzi, a shower, two sinks, a vanity and access to an outdoor deck. Adjacent walk-in closets are furnished with built-in storage spaces.

There are five other bathrooms in the home, and three bedrooms. One of the upper level bedrooms, currently occupied by Spicer's daughter, is a suite with a sitting room.

On the lower level is a family room, and plenty of recreational space. A hot

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## When to plant

By C.Z. Guest  
Copley News Service

**GARDENING**

For some reason, some people haven't the slightest idea when to start seeds. If there is a warm day in late February, people get all excited and planting fever sets in! They go out and buy seeds and plant everything—squash, tomatoes, onions, lettuce, beans, etc.—without figuring out when they can get them out in the garden. Then the problems begin!

Rule of thumb: Simply think ahead to when the plants are going out in the garden. If you start too early, you end up with weak, spindly plants, too frail to adjust to outdoor life.

You can use the last frost date for your area for timing, but watch out: Your garden may be warmer or colder. You really should plan according to your own experience of when the frost is out of the soil and the ground becomes workable.

Because crops can go outdoors at different times, and because they all germinate and grow at different phases, it's important to plan for each one, not to try to set them all going on the same day. I divide my crops into hardy, half-hardy and tender.

In my area, I plant seeds

outdoors around May 15, and unless we have an unusually cold spell, they get off to a good start. Of course, if you are lucky and have a cold frame to harden off your seedlings (which you started indoors in March), you may be able to get these tougher seedlings into the garden a week or so earlier than that. However, if there is a cold spell, give them some protection.

For best results, when you're ready to start planning your garden, consult a calendar and locate the approximate date on which each crop can go to its bed in your garden.

For example, broccoli can go out a week or two before the last frost date. If that's May 15, you can plan to have your seedlings ready for the first week of that month. Count back 40 days and you'll find out you should start broccoli seeds indoors during the last week of March.

On the other hand, squash only takes three weeks to get ready and should go out only after all danger of frost is out

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## Calculating planting dates

- Crops go outdoors at different times, so figure a planting date for each.
- Use a calendar to calculate planting dates, and leave enough time to start seeds indoors. Use the last frost date in your area to figure the timing.
- Divide crops into hardy, half-hardy and tender. Hardy crops generally take longer from germinating to planting than tender crops.
- Don't forget to harden off seedlings before transplanting them outdoors. Use cold frames or simply open the window to let seedlings get a mild draft.

	DAYS TO GERMINATE	DAYS TO TRANSPLANT SIZE	DAYS TO GARDEN	TOTAL DAYS
<b>HARDY CROPS</b>				
Onions	10	10-15	20-30	40-55
Leeks	10	10-15	20-30	40-55
Parsley	21	21	20-30	62-72
<b>HALF-HARDY</b>				
Broccoli	10	10	20-30	40-50
Cabbage	10	10	20-30	40-50
Caulliflower	10	10	20-25	40-45
Corn	5-7		14	19-21
Celery	15-20	21	21	57-62
Lettuce	7	7	14-21	28-35
Swiss chard	10-14	10-14	21-28	41-56
<b>TENDER</b>				
Eggplant	14	14	28	56
Peppers	10-14	14	28	52-56
Tomatoes	7-14	14	14-28	35-56
Cucumbers	7		14	21
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## Sold on snacks New Highland store has snack food galore

By TERESA BERTUZZI  
Special Writer

Paul Kaczmarek, owner of Snack Attack in Highland, says he wants to become more involved with the community.

Along with the new store Snack Attack, which opened in October, Kaczmarek also owns the Eye Care Connection, located just two doors down in the same shopping center, Highland Corners.

He said he's owned the eye care shop in Highland for about three years, so when he heard of another opening in the shopping center he thought it would be a great place to open another shop.

"I found there was a need in the area," he said. "We carry just snack food items. Eventually, I would like to carry every snack food available."

The store now carries about 500 different items. Kaczmarek said he hopes to expand the store to offer a total of 800 snack foods.

Not only is Kaczmarek sold on snacks, he's gotten his whole family in on the Snack Attack idea. His sister, Mary Anne Williams, is manager and his two nieces, Julie and Melissa, work at the store on the weekend.

"Mary Anne's more of a partner rather than just simply someone who manages the store," he said.

The employees all work together to decide on merchandise and the best way to run the shop.

The snack shop hires students from Lakeland and Milford High Schools also.

Kaczmarek said he also participates in the community by donating merchandise and gift certificates to local causes.

The store has donated to several local schools, churches and community organizations. It recently donated a gift certificate to a local Cub Scouts troop, to be used as a door prize for its blue and gold banquet.

More area families with small children are spending time together at home, said Kaczmarek. He said he thinks that may be beneficial to his new business.

"People often go out to buy snacks to bring home," he said. "This is a fun place for families."

Although the store doesn't cater specifically to children, kids seem to especially like the novelty items.

"The school helped us spread our name. Children talked to each other about the neat candy store on M-59," said Williams.

She said some children like the store so much that parents use it as a way to encourage good behavior.

"I've heard mothers say, 'If you're nice to your sister, you can go to Snack Attack.' Parents are using it as a reward for children," Williams said.

One item that is popular with children is the Tear Jerker Gumball. Since the store opened, it has sold about two tons of the gum.

Kaczmarek said, "We're like an

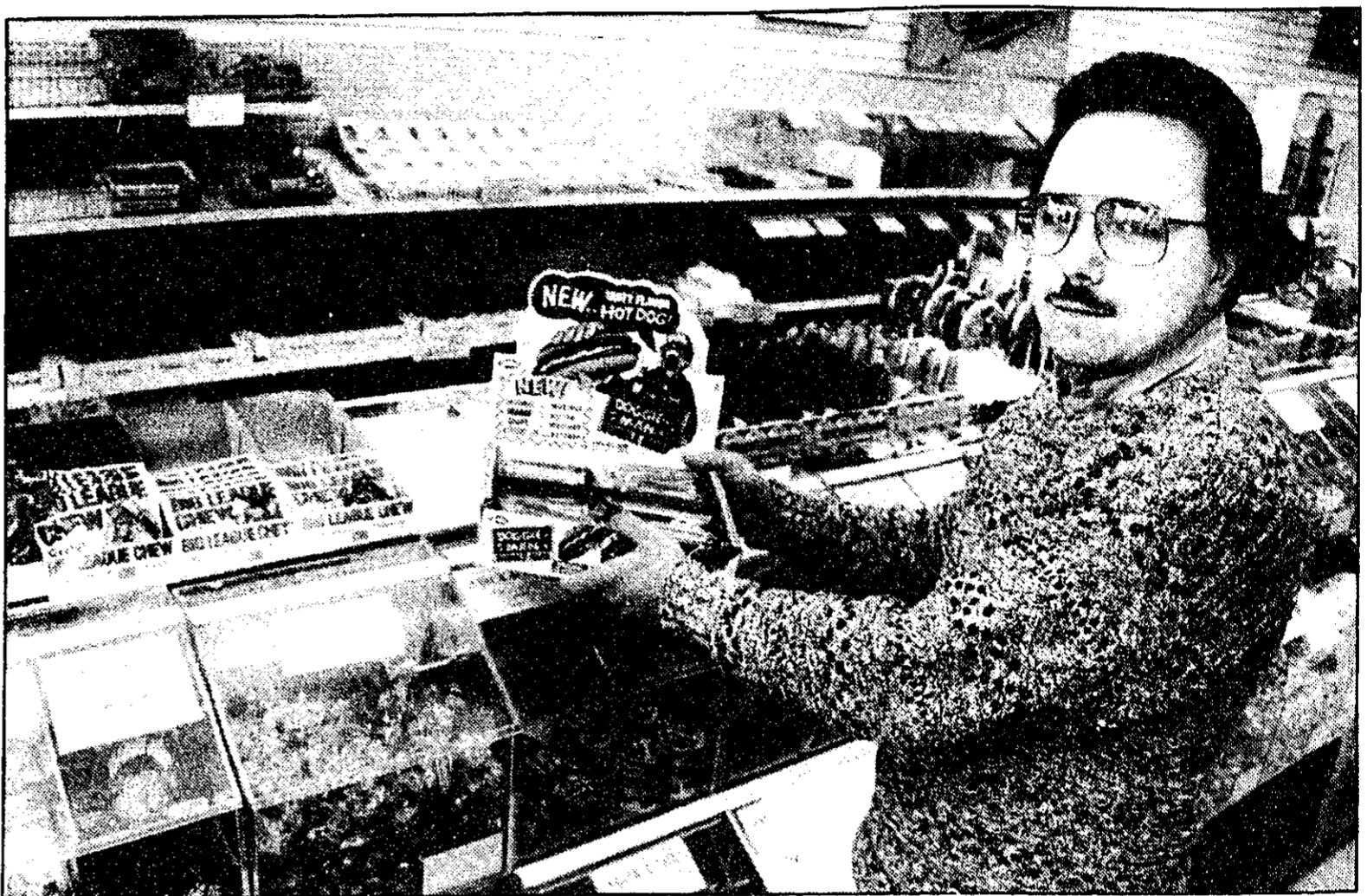


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Paul Kaczmarek is the owner of Snack Attack, a modern version of the old penny candy store in Highland

old-fashioned candy store gone rampant."

The old-fashioned ceiling fans and friendly employees make the store seem old-fashioned. Items like Candy Buttons, Giant Jawbreakers and Mary Jane candies bring back a lot of memories to older customers, too.

"We have people come in and say, 'I

haven't seen these things in years.' They are happy to see the candy they had as kids," said Williams.

"Some people come in and you can see their eyes open up really big and their jaw drops open."

Kaczmarek said, although he has gotten to know people in the area as a result of owning the eye care center, that having another store has

enabled him to get to know more people.

The shop has a lot of repeat customers and some people that come in almost every day.

Kaczmarek also belongs to the Highland Business Association and said he hopes to meet more local residents through that organization.

"I really like the people here," said

Williams.

In addition to Highland residents, some customers live in Waterford, Clarkston, Davisburg, Holly and other surrounding communities.

"We want to keep the small-town feel," said Kaczmarek.

"We want to be the corner snack shop."

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Business Briefs

EXOTIC RUBBER & PLASTICS CORP., a leading distributor of Parker hydraulics and rubber and plastics as well as a manufacturer, has announced that it will be offering a \$1,000 bonus to any full-time employee who purchases a new GM, Ford or Chrysler automobile.

Excotic Rubber & Plastics Corp. wishes to show its employees and customers the confidence the company has in American-manufactured cars and its support for the American economy. Excotic Rubber & Plastics Corp. is owned by Audrey B. Marino of Northville. Excotic Rubber & Plastics Corp. is located in Farmington Hills and has branches in Jackson, Freeland, Franklin, Ohio, and Indianapolis, Ind.

COUGAR CUTTING PRODUCTS & SUPPLY INC. has been appointed a "Full Service Dealer" by the Homelite Division of Textron, Inc. for the service repair of Homelite equipment. It was announced by Martin M. Schmitt.

To be eligible as a "Full Time Dealer," the company must meet specific standards set by Homelite. The criteria ensure that customers will receive the highest quality repair work and servicing of the full line of Homelite products.

The select designation means that Cougar Cutting Products & Supply, Inc. has agreed to perform all warranty repair work on Homelite products regardless of where purchased; that service personnel has attended specific training schools and dealer meetings; and that at least one Homelite trained mechanic is on duty at all times. Martin M. Schmitt points out that "Full Service Dealer" also must have adequate parts inventory, a well equipped shop and labor rates approved by Homelite.

Cougar Cutting Products & Supply, Inc. was located at 25100

Novi Road, but moved to a new, larger location Feb. 1. The location is at 46845 12 Mile Road, (at Beck).

FLEETWOOD ENTERPRISES INC. based in Riverside, Calif., has just named Darling Manufactured Homes of Novi as winner of the Fleetwood Circle of Excellence/1991-92 Customer Satisfaction Award.

This prestigious award recognized a commitment to customer satisfaction by Darling Homes, whose superior performance has resulted in a customer satisfaction rating of 80 percent for 1991-92. Darling Homes has been in business since 1972 and has been a Fleetwood retailer for four years.

Successful retailers such as Darling Homes have helped lead Fleetwood Enterprises to the position of America's largest home builder for the seventh consecutive year. To date, Fleetwood has provided affordable, high-quality homes to over 650,000 families across the United States. In fiscal year 1991, Fleetwood's Housing Division produced 34,917 homes, which represented sales of \$566,600. Fleetwood is currently listed 257th on the Fortune 500 listing of the nation's top industrial corporations.

NBD BANK recently elected Cheryl L. Mattingly vice president in the Metro West Region of its Southeastern Metropolitan regional Banking Division.

Mattingly joined NBD at its Novi office in 1969. She transferred to the Mortgage Department in 1971 and held progressively responsible positions in this department until her election as assistant vice president in 1983. In 1986 she was elected second vice president and appointed manager of Branch Operations Support. Later that year, she was appointed regional mortgage manager. Mattingly transferred to Residential Production Administration in 1987 and was named vice president in the NBD Mortgage Company in 1988. She transferred to the Metro West Division of NBD Bank's Southern Metropolitan Regional Banking Division as regional consumer loan manager in 1989.

A native of Detroit, Mattingly is a member of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America and the Michigan Mortgage Bankers Association.



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With interest rates currently lower than they have been in more than a decade, now is the time for homeowners to consider the opportunities of using the low interest rates for creative restructuring of debt.

Interest rates may decline even further. At present, they are relatively low so it may make sense to change your current financing, says Allen Ziegler, CPA. Ziegler is a member of the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA) Personal Financial Planning Committee.

Like all personal money management, she says, this type of strategy only has tax and financial ramifications, but also involves individual goals and philosophy.

Consider the following possibilities: ● If you have an adjustable-rate mortgage at a higher rate of interest, consider changing to a fixed mortgage at a lower current interest rate.

Explore the possibility of refinancing your present mortgage at a lower rate. If your goal is to lower your monthly payment, shop for the best loan terms and calculate how long you would have to remain in the home to offset the new fees and closing costs. If your primary goal is to lower the overall lifetime costs of the mortgage, the best method might be to refinance for a shorter term at a lower rate, assuming you can afford the new monthly payment and desire an earlier termination of your mortgage loan.

If you present investments are not generating an after-tax rate of return higher than your current after-tax mortgage interest rate, consider re-payment of your mortgage. You are, in effect, investing the cash at the

rate you pay on the mortgage. This strategy would only be effective if you have the cash to repay the mortgage and you are not likely to need it for living expenses in the foreseeable future.

If total repayment is not possible or desirable, prepaying a portion of the principal on your mortgage each month, or periodically, can be beneficial. Unless you can find a low-risk investment that is yielding more than your mortgage interest rate, prepaying some of the principal provides a guaranteed investment at that interest rate. "Remember you are locking up the cash until the end of the mortgage term and you must consider possible prepayment penalties imposed by the lending institution," says Ziegler.

Since the interest paid on consumer debt is no longer deductible for tax purposes, consolidating your auto loans and other consumer obligations is a good planning strategy. This can be done either by refinancing your mortgage or taking a home equity loan, not exceeding \$100,000 in order to convert non-deductible interest to tax-deductible interest.

Some of these strategies may fit your personal situation, but cash flow, taxes, potential fees and penalties, and comparative interest rates must all be considered before taking action. Your CPA can give you advice that is individually tailored to your needs and can help you decide if any of these planning strategies would fit well with your overall financial objectives.

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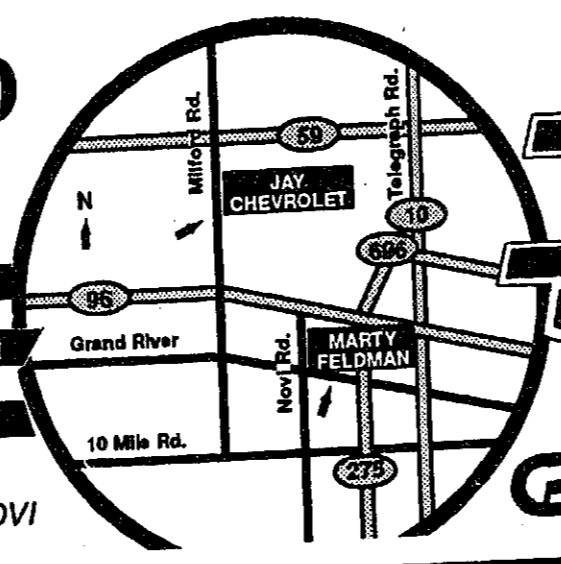
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