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The cast of "Shay" gathers in the dressing room for a pre-show group hug.

Photos by HAL GOULD

## Prisoner of home brings house down

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

The Novi Players opened the first production in their new location at Novi Expo Center last weekend.

"Shay," a comic drama by Michigan resident Anne Commire opened at the new Novi Circle Theatre to an audience of about 25 people.

"Shay" is the name of the main character, played by Jan Salisbury. Shay is a woman who is destroying herself with her own paranoia, and is afraid to leave her home.

Shay is so paranoid, in fact, that to avoid seeing others, she tells people to leave notes in the milk chute instead of knocking on the door. That way she avoids meeting them. "Shay" tells what happens to Shay when her daughter unexpectedly decides to bring her boyfriend home at Christmastime, so that she can meet him. It's not a pretty sight.

The new Novi Circle Theatre, constructed by Novi Players members Jack Baker and Bill Salisbury, is a small room with a stage that rises only about six inches from the main floor, creating an intimate environment between the audience and the actors.

"Shay" is directed by Genevieve Terry, who notes "Shay" is an extremely thought-provoking play. We all know someone near to us like Shay. What a tragedy for a family to close their eyes and keep their secrets."

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Jan Salisbury as Shay and Bill Salisbury as Ed in performance in the Novi Players new show, "Shay."

## Hackles raise over details of park purchase

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

While Novi is still wrapped up in hush-hush negotiations to buy park land, elements of the deal disturbed some council members enough to bring the issue up for a public discussion Monday.

City Attorney David Fried has already been authorized to negotiate an option to purchase the property on the west side of the city. The real estate broker is Thompson-Brown, but Novi is keeping mum about other details.

However, in a recent letter to Mayor Matthew Quinn, John Goodman, president of Novi Youth Baseball, said the players look forward to opening the spring 1993 season at the new park — if all goes well. What concerned Council Mem-

■ Parks and recreation officials from Novi, South Lyon and Lyon Township may decide later this month whether to combine forces to jointly purchase land for parks use. Officials from the three communities met last week to discuss the possibility of forming a parks consortium to buy the land. The story is on page 8.

ber Carol Mason was whether or not a listing agreement was in existence

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## Direction points to more sidewalks

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

City officials may require more sidewalks within Novi developments.

At present, sidewalks are *de rigueur* along all major thoroughfares, service drives and industrial service streets; on all local streets in platted subdivisions with lot of 85 feet or smaller; and on one side of "marginal access streets."

Under scrutiny now is adding the concrete caveat to multiple developments such as cluster housing,

site condominium subdivisions, two-family home developments and residential unit developments.

But some feel that sidewalks should be placed in all types of subdivisions, even those with "large lots."

And apparently not all developers are putting in the walkways, as agreed upon.

Planning Commissioner Ernie Aruffo has inventoried 25 to 30 cases where sidewalks were required but not built. Typically, the city holds the money for the safety

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## Student lobbies for sex education

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
Staff Writer

A Novi High School senior saw a problem at school — she knew of at least six students who became pregnant this year — and she decided something needed to be done.

Kristen Sue Mathias wrote a paper about the need for reproductive health education at Novi High School for a class assignment.

The district does not teach sex education. Some lessons are given in a health class about communicable diseases, but reproduction as a family planning issue is not

taught, said Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Rita Traynor.

The district had not established a reproductive health advisory committee, which under a 1977 state law is necessary before schools can teach reproductive health.

Mathias felt the school district's attempts at teaching students about reproductive health were lacking. But she took her writing assignment one step further than most students and sent her essay to Novi school board President Stephen Hitchcock last December.

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## Tax freeze won't stop all appeals

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
Staff Writer

Property owners who think their cracked driveway should lower the assessed value of their home can save themselves a trip to the Board of Review.

Driveways are not considered in property assessments and the Board of Review will not lower an assessment because of the condition of a property owner's driveway.

The board also will not consider garbage pickup services — or a lack of such services.

"We have a lot of people who mention they don't have garbage pickup," said Board of Review member Denise Jenkins.

"None of us do. That is nothing we can do anything about for you."

Any other Novi residents interested in appealing their tax assessment have until tomorrow, March 6, to submit a petition to the city assessor's office.

■ The spring thaw may be on us, but real estate property tax assessments in Novi — as elsewhere in the state — are frozen solid this year. Rather than the two weeks of protests the city's Board of Review heard last year, only a three-day session next week is anticipated. The story is on page 11.

The Novi Board of Review will meet by appointment next week with residents interested in having their property tax assessment lowered.

Petitions to be heard by the Board of Review are available in the assessor's office on the second floor in the Civic Center.

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## Price hikes on tap for water, sewer

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Novi residents on city sewer and water could be paying heftier bills this year.

Sixty-six cents could be tagged onto the existing \$1.11 charge per metered gallon of water, while the per gallon sewer payment might jump from \$1 to \$1.23.

For the average homeowner — who uses 32,000 gallons of each service every three months — the rates could soar in March from \$32 to \$39.36 for sewers and from \$41.25 to \$61.88 for water. The combined quarterly bill would then leap from \$73.25 to \$104.95.

"That's almost a 50 percent increase. Do you know what these people are going to say when

they start watering their lawns? They're going to shoot this council." Council Member Joseph Toth said.

The proposed rate hikes were tabled by the Novi City Council Monday, until further information is available.

The per gallon water fees kick in after a minimum payment is made based on meter size. For example, for a one-inch meter, the first 15,000 gallons have a minimum rate of \$34.34.

City Finance Director Les Gibson noted in a memo to the council that the last user fee increase was in 1988. Since then, a growing customer base has enabled the city to absorb rising costs. But soaring prices from the Detroit Water and Sewer Department and the Huron-Rouge Sewer System, as well as the city's own expendi-

tures "have finally caught up to us," Gibson noted.

"We've seen the costs grow," Gibson said. The user fee covers the operating and maintenance of the water system, including equipment, office staff and meter readers. When a new customer joins the system, the tap-in fee pays off interest on the bonds the city issues to build the water mains and other components of the service.

"What will happen if there's a shortfall and we don't vote for this?" Council Member Nancy Cassis asked.

The city could lose its blue chip bond rating if it runs the utility at loss, City Manager Edward Kriewall said.

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## Community Calendar

Today, 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 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.

**Novi Players:** The Novi Players will present "Shay" in the Novi Civic 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 Civic 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.

**TOPS:** Take Off Pounds Sensibly, a weight loss group for all ages, meets in room 109 of the Novi High School building every Monday at 7:30 p.m. For more information on the group and its activities, call 348-9691.

**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

**Kindergarten Roundup:** Kindergarten roundups for youngsters to register for kindergarten next year will be held at Orchard Hills Elementary school at 7 p.m. and at Village Oaks Elementary school at 7:30 p.m.

**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.

Tuesday, March 17

**School concert:** Novi High School and the Novi Middle School will host a concert in Fuerst Auditorium in the high school building at 7 p.m.

**Meadows PTO:** Members of the Novi Meadows PTO will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the elementary school building.

Wednesday, March 18

**Parent-teacher conferences:** Parents of Novi Middle School students will be able to meet with their teachers from 6-9 p.m. in the cafeteria of the middle school.

Thursday, March 19

**Parent-teacher conferences:** Parents of Novi Middle School students will be able to meet with their teachers from 6-9 p.m. in the cafeteria of the middle school.

Friday, March 20

**Career day:** Students of Novi Middle School will have an opportunity to explore a variety of career options during Career Day at the school.

Thursday, March 26

**Board of education:** The Novi schools board of education will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Woods Elementary school building.

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.

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## Bill limits officials at bargaining table

By **TIM RICHARD** Staff Writer

A public official wouldn't be able to sit on both sides of the union bargaining table under a bill approved by the state Senate.

All Republicans were joined by two Democrats as Senate Bill 498 won 20-15 approval last week. It goes to the Democratic-run House, where its future may be dim.

"It says an elected official shall not simultaneously serve as a union bargaining agent," said the sponsor, maverick Democrat G.D. DiNello of Macon County. "We're talking about the same local unit of government."

Early in 1990, Gov. Blanchard appointed a Macon County commissioner as judge. The county board appointed (as commissioner) a labor negotiator with AFSCME (American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees).

NO — Democrats Jack Faxon of Novi and Lana Pollack of Ann Arbor.

the county. And he still carried on bargaining — over policy, money and working conditions."

Opposed was Sen. John Cherry, D-Cliv. He saw "absolutely no conflict of interest."

Cherry saw greater conflicts of interest in an insurance agent elected to a local board and bidding on insurance contracts, or a hardware dealer selling hardware.

State law allows union members working in one local unit to serve on boards in other local units. For example, many people teaching in one district serve on the boards of education in their home districts.

"We're swatting flies with a shotgun," Cherry said.

Here is how area senators voted: YES — Republicans Robert Geake of Northville, Fred Dillingham of West Bloomfield.

## District raises objections to new athletic rule

By **SUZANNE HOLLYER** and **SCOTT DANIEL** Staff Writers

Novi schools made official its opposition to a Michigan High School Athletic Association non-school competition plan last week.

The MHSAA proposal would limit student athletes from participating on athletics teams outside of school if they participate in the same sport at school.

MHSAA's 19-member governing body will decide in May if it will adopt the rule, which was proposed by an MHSAA ad-hoc committee.

Current rules allow students to participate in a sport for their school and an outside organization as long

as the two seasons do not coincide. The new rule would not allow students to represent an organization outside of their school except to participate in a maximum of four individual sports meets or contests in that sport out-of-season during the school year.

The plan is intended to encourage students to participate in more than one sport and to discourage specialization.

The school board on Feb. 27 unanimously voted to approve a motion that urged the MHSAA to reject the proposed change.

Board of Education members voted against the proposal at the urging of Novi Athletic Director John Fundukian.

"Our feeling is those choices should be left to parents and students," Fundukian said.

The MHSAA plan assumes that specialization in a sport is bad for a student, Fundukian said.

"The idea is three sports are better than two sports and two sports are better than one sport," he said.

Fundukian gave the example of one student at the high school who is marginally talented as an athlete. But as a middle school student, the boy decided to specialize in basketball. Now the boy is a talented basketball player.

If that boy had been encouraged to play several sports, then he may have been unable to make teams when the competition increased at higher grade levels, Fundukian said, adding that the MHSAA plan does not recognize the importance of athletics in keeping kids at school.

Another student has a 4.0 grade point average and is involved in several activities. But the student's only athletic involvement is on the diving team. The boy recently won a county-wide diving contest. Fundukian wondered why the school district or MHSAA should be involved in making that student's decision.

Fundukian said he has received 40-50 letters from parents support-

ing his position.

At Novi High School, about 40 percent of students participate in two sports with 20 percent participating in three sports and 20 percent not participating in sports, Fundukian said.

The ad-hoc MHSAA committee also recommended that school districts adopt as local policy a proposal to:

- Educate boys and girls through sports.
- Discourage single-sport specialization.

Encourage coaches, administrators and parents to participate in a variety of school activities and school sports.

Prohibit the use of school facilities by non-school organizations that work contrary to the above proposals.

To ban promotion or publicity of non-school organizations that work contrary to the above proposals.

To prohibit students and coaches from participating in non-school activities during the school year that resemble a school team.

The school board did not adopt any of the committee's recommendations.

## Recession can't slow Novi's development

By **SUZANNE HOLLYER** Staff Writer

Development in Novi is holding steady despite the recession and a water moratorium.

James Wahl, Novi's Director of Community Development, said the city has seen a steady number of site

plans for review throughout the recession.

City planners reviewed 50 new site plans in 1991, compared to 49 in 1990 and 54 in 1989, Wahl said.

"It's been pretty consistent. Actually, I would say almost level in '89, '90 and '91," Wahl said.

This year, the city has seen an increase of site plan submissions. Traffic consultant Rodney Arroyo said he reviewed 19 site plans in January alone. Planning consultant Brandon Rogers reviewed 14 site plans in January.

"The nature of development in Novi has changed, Wahl added.

"I would say the recession has had an impact, but our residential development is continuing on," he said.

The city is seeing more residential development in recent years, and that trend will continue. The city is about one-third developed, but much of the remaining land is zoned for residential use.

"The whole western part of Novi is zoned residential," Wahl said.

And the new residential development is moving toward house construction and away from apartment construction.

At his State of the City address

Mayor Matthew Quinn said that 1991 was the first time in seven years that no apartment units were constructed in Novi. In 1990, 341 apartments were built in Novi.

Wahl said with the exception of a proposed planned unit development in Novi's northern portion, the city has few sites remaining with multiple-family zoning.

"I'm sure it's a combination of that and market," Wahl said.

"There are a lot of vacancies out there."

Single family developments are

still growing. In 1991, 353 new houses were built in Novi compared to 369 in 1990. Those numbers were the highest in the last 10 years of development in Novi.

Wahl said the recession has had some effects on non-residential development in Novi.

"I think we've had a combination of the recession and market," Wahl said.

"In other words, the market has overbuilt for certain activities like, for example, hotels."

## Smoke-free buildings considered for possible Novi school policy

By **SUZANNE HOLLYER** Staff Writer

Novi schools could be smoke free as early as next month.

The school board discussed at its Thursday meeting the possibility of making all school buildings and vehicles smoke free.

Current district policy permits smoking by district staffers in designated areas like teachers' lounges.

But Superintendent William Barr said the practice of designating smoking areas has not been easy. Some buildings schedule times when smoking is permitted in teaching lounges. Others use potentially unsafe areas for smoking rooms like janitor storage closets, Barr said.

Barr said only the bus driver contract prohibits the administrators from banning smoking in district vehicles. But a new state law that prohibits bus drivers from smoking in buses may make the contract issue a moot point, Barr said.

Board Secretary Craig Foreback applauded the proposal.

"Smoking is the biggest drug problem the United States has," he said.

Barr said the policy will not prohibit smoking outside of school buildings.

"If you go outside the good Lord is going to blow it (smoke) away," Barr said.

The district will allow smoking outside to be fair with its smoking staffers.

"There is a limit as to how much you can restrict," Barr said.

Martha Franchi, president of the district teachers union, said the union currently is discussing the proposed ban.

"We're in the process of discussing it and hopefully negotiating an amenable agreement," Franchi said.

She would not comment on whether the union supports the ban.

The proposed smoking ban will be discussed at a school board meeting tonight, March 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Road.

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# Man reportedly beaten, abducted

Novi police are investigating a report by two White Lake residents who said they saw a young man punched and kicked, then thrown into a van Feb. 23 in the Novi Town Center parking lot.

The White Lake residents said three people, described as white males all with medium builds, attacked the victim then physically pulled him into a red and white Ford Ranger-type truck. They said the suspects then left westbound on Crescent, hooking the horn.

The victim was described as a young white male with a medium build, wearing glasses.

**LARCENY FROM AUTO:** A Utica man reported Feb. 20 that his 1992 Saturn was broken into while parked outside the clubhouse of the River Oaks apartment complex.

The man said he and a friend parked and locked the car outside the clubhouse at approximately 9 p.m. and returned at 9:45 p.m. When he returned, he said, the vehicle was still locked but the driver's side seat appeared to have been moved farther back.

## Police News

Upon investigation the man reported discovering a suit, radar detector, tire iron and other items missing.

There are currently no suspects or witnesses.

**BANK ROBBERY:** The First of America Bank on Wixom Road at Pontiac Trail was robbed shortly before noon on Wednesday. Wixom police said there were no injuries or shots fired during the robbery, which took less than five minutes. There were reportedly three suspects involved, who escaped.

There was no further information available at presstime.

**WHEELS STOLEN FROM CAR:** A resident on Solomon in the Highline apartment complex reported Feb. 21 that someone stole the rear wheels from his 1991 Ford Escort.

The man told police that he parked and locked his vehicle in a carport at the west end of the complex, near a dumpster area Feb. 20 at 9:30 p.m.

The next morning, at 6:45 a.m., the man reportedly got in the car to drive to work. He said he backed his car out of the carport approximately six feet before discovering that the rear wheels were missing.

Police said the rear of the car had been propped up on two plastic milk crates.

**MOOP:** A resident in the Woodland Glen apartment complex reported Feb. 23 that someone broke into his van and stole various items.

The vehicle was parked in front of the owner's condominium at the time of the incident, police said.

Police said the car was locked at the time. There were no apparent stolen items.

There are currently no suspects or witnesses to the case.

**LARCENY:** A resident on Rousseau reported Feb. 20 that several items were stolen from his shed.

Reported missing were a lawnmower, a weed trimmer, a curl bar and 85 pounds of weights.

Police said the unknown suspects apparently cut the lock on the shed to enter it.

The resident told police that the incident may have occurred any time over the past few weeks.

**LARCENY:** A resident on Cranbrook reported Feb. 23 that someone broke into his van and stole various items.

The vehicle was parked in front of the owner's condominium at the time of the incident, police said.

Citizens with information about the above incidents are urged to call the Novi Police Tip Line at 349-6887.

## Novi Briefs

**Band festival tonight:** Novi High School and Middle School bands join forces tonight, March 5, in the high school's Fuest Auditorium for a free concert.

The Festival Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. as high school symphony and concert bands perform with middle school concert and cadet bands.

The performance is in preparation for a high school band and orchestra competition on Saturday. The Saturday contest will be held at Pinckney High School and the Novi band goes on at 9:35 a.m. Call 348-8300 for directions.

**DSA breakfast tickets on sale:** It's time to make reservations for the annual Jaycees Distinguished Service Award breakfast.

According to DSA organizer Becky Staab, 15 people have been nominated for the award this year, which will be presented at the 9 a.m. breakfast, March 14 at the Wyndham Gardens hotel.

The breakfast, open to anyone who wishes to attend, is \$7 per reservation. Call 348-3121.

Staab said in addition to the DSA award, the Jaycees will honor volunteers for their service to the community, firefighters and law enforcement officers, and two essay contest winners.

**Spelling bee champs:** Novi Meadows recently won first place out of 10 in a Liv-Oaks spelling competition. Winning first place overall was Meadows student Sophie Lass. Student Ginny Waymouth won second overall in the individual competition. Other team members were Rachna Arora, Melanie Turek, Kristen Sullivan and Keika Ide. Teacher Joan Pelham sponsored the event.

**Endorsed diplomas:** Novi Community Schools Assistant Superintendent Rita Traynor will represent the school district in a county committee studying state-endorsed diplomas.

The county is expected to take a position on the mandate, which is expected to take effect in 1994. Rep. Willis Bullard, R-Highland, told the school board at a recent meeting that the idea of the state "endorsing" diplomas sounded good at first to lawmakers.

But only 30 percent of students who took the Michigan Education Assessment Program tests in the 10th grade this year would qualify for endorsed diplomas. The remaining 70 percent received scores that were too low to meet the state requirements. Some legislators hope to postpone the endorsed diploma plan, Bullard said.

**Dues due:** Novi Chamber of Commerce President Ray Davis has announced that the deadline for membership dues is March 15. Current members who fail to make payment by that date, Davis warned, may start to lose chamber benefits shortly thereafter.

# Colleges face funding shortfall

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

Schoolcraft College's Richard McDowell summed up the community college's case.

"In tough economic times, we're asked to do more retraining of workers... But we end up losing money."

McDowell, Oakland Community College's Patsy Fulton, James Stevenson, formerly of OCC's Orchard Ridge Campus, and others used the word "frustrating" repeatedly Thursday before state legislators.

On paper, it looks as if Gov. John Engler wants to give Michigan's 29 two-year colleges \$238 million in state aid — the same as this fiscal year.

And since Wayne County Community College's special subsidy is being cut \$3 million and spread to the others, it looks as if most are getting a 1.4 percent hike.

But in reality, the colleges said, they're facing cuts because:

- Retirement costs are rising faster than state aid — from 9 percent of payroll at Schoolcraft last year to 11.28 percent this year to 12.03 next year.

- "We get \$116,000 more [state money], but our increase in retirement costs is \$175,000, so we end up losing \$60,000," said McDowell.

- That's the equivalent of one full-time faculty member. Chancellor Fulton said OCC's net loss was \$130,000.

- In troubled times, many workers head back to community colleges to upgrade job skills. Fulton said OCC's enrollment is rising at 4 percent a year.

- By state law, assessments are being held flat this year. Any local revenue growth must come from new construction — if any.

- Cities and townships give property tax breaks and create downtown development authorities to "capture" new business investment. "It's illegal," said Stevenson, now president of Muskegon Community College, "to take the money away from community colleges which do the training work. Half of my county is in a TIFA [tax increment financing authority] or a DDA."

- "I don't worry about one-year property tax freezes. Hell, I've got it forever," Stevenson said.

- "No question we'd have given more to community colleges — if we had it," said Gov. John Engler's budget spokesperson. "The problem is one of

protecting (what's there) rather than increasing," Drake urged the panel.

And if community colleges are being robbed by TIFAs, then they should bargain with cities for a share of those revenues since the colleges play the worker training role in the economic development drama.

Said Rep. Tom Matheu, D-Grand Rapids, chair of the House panel: "I'm of a mind to put something in (the budget bill) to reimburse community colleges for TIFAs."

That won't work, replied Sen. Harry Gast, R-St. Joseph, chief of the Senate panel. "The state's policy should include (reimbursing) counties, townships and cities as well as community colleges." Besides, said Gast, the budget already is \$500 million out of balance.

"Don't reimburse us. Just exempt us," said David Moore, president of Mott Community College in Flint. Moore said TIFAs cost Mott the equivalent of \$2 per credit hour of tuition.

Two-year colleges, enrolling 225,000 students, say they're being treated like "second-class citizens" on the pension issue.

The state is picking up university retirement costs, but not community colleges, said Jackson CC president

Clyde Letarte, adding, "There's a sense that somehow we're less important than anyone else."

Drake replied that it was an accomplishment to get all 15 universities "in the same boat" this year.

Rep. Tom Scott, D-Flint, suggested colleges in the I-75 corridor be boosted more than the others because of heavy job losses.

But he was quickly shot down by other lawmakers, who noted that western cities' job losses were proportionately as heavy. Said Gast: "I didn't feel any sympathy (from other parts of the state) when Clark Equipment and Whippool moved out of southwestern Michigan."

Under Engler's budget, which probably will be amended over the next few months, the 1.4 percent increase would bring area colleges these total amounts in state aid:

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The last day to accept Nominating Petitions is April 6, 1992 by 4:00 p.m. The Annual Wall Lake Consolidated School District Election will be held on Monday, June 8, 1992 — polls open 7:00 a.m. and close 8:00 p.m.

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Young artists

Novi High School students threw their artwork into the ring against 5,000 other junior and senior high school students in the nation this year in the Regional Scholastic Art Awards Competition. Only one-fifth of participants win what is considered the most prestigious high school show in the country. The work of local winners was exhibited at the Summit Place Mall last month. Pictured are Novi High School winners with their art. On the left,

11th-grader Tara Perkins is pictured with an ad she designed for the Detroit Institute of Arts, done in watercolor. In the middle, 12th-grader Julie Monger poses with a portrait she drew of Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf. On the right, 12th-grader Hiroto Fukushima shows his terra cotta, oil-finished sculpture of a lion. Fukushima is a four-time winner of the Scholastic Art Award.

# Board considers cultural diversity

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

Cultural diversity has become a fact of life in Novi schools, administrators told the school board at a Thursday meeting.

The school board considered forming a Multi-Cultural Committee to address Novi's growing cultural differences.

"We're a changing community. We're a changing world," Superintendent William Barr said, adding that Novi is changing from a once-rural town to a cosmopolitan city.

"The United States has forever been the melting pot of all religions, cultures and peoples of the world," Barr's proposal said.

"Usually when our differences have not mixed very well, it has been because of a lack of information, education and understanding."

A proposal given to the school board for consideration said the school district is responsible for educating students about their cultural differences.

The Multi-Cultural Committee will evaluate how well the district's curriculum is meeting the needs of various cultural groups in the community.

Barr suggested that a school district conference be held this year to discuss details of the proposed committee's charge.

The school board did not take action on forming the committee at its Thursday meeting.

One question the committee might

address was first posed by Novi Middle School student Brandon Griffin. Griffin asked the school board at a January meeting to consider closing school or recognizing Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday in future years.

Henry Griffin, Brandon's father, said on Tuesday he thinks forming a Multi-Cultural Committee is a step in

the right direction.

Forming the committee would give the district a chance to address concerns like the one raised by his son, Henry Griffin said.

The next school board meeting is today, March 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Road.

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# Association eyes woodlands law

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

Builders would prefer if Novi did not have a woodlands ordinance, but a local builders' association doesn't plan to take the city to court.

A West Bloomfield woodlands ordinance was overturned by Judge Gene Schelz in the Oakland County Circuit Court.

West Bloomfield is planning to appeal the decision.

But Martin Rubin, a spokesperson for the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, said Novi is not next on the hit list.

Builders would prefer that woodlands ordinances did not exist, Rubin said. But ordinances like the one found in Novi have not been viewed as overly restrictive or confusing by builders, Rubin said.

"There is not as much a problem with other woodlands ordinances in the area," Rubin said.

James Wahl, Novi's Director of Community Development, said the West Bloomfield ordinance had problems with being procedurally difficult to understand.

"We haven't had those types of problems," Wahl said, adding that the Novi ordinance has raised very little controversy.

Any plan that comes in may have some technical issues the city needs

to work out with developers, Wahl said.

"As far as the substantive, 'Hey, we think this ordinance is unworkable,' I don't think we've run into that," Wahl said.

In his decision against the West Bloomfield ordinance, Schelz wrote that protecting the environment should not come before property rights.

"The right of private property owners to use their property is one of the basic freedoms on which our country is based," Schelz wrote.

"It is a fundamental right and basic tenet of our society which should be compromised only with the greatest of reservations and only to further public interests."

The U.S. Supreme Court may be setting down guidelines that could reach as far as Novi on how far a municipality can go in regulating the development of private property.

The high court heard a case Monday where a South Carolina man was attempting to develop two lots on a beach in that state. The Beachfront Management Act defined the man's property as critical, preventing him from developing the lots.

The man hopes to be compensated for the property. The Supreme Court will decide if the man was unfairly denied use of his land sometime before it adjourns in June.

**NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jimmie's Rustics, Inc. has requested a temporary use permit to allow outdoor display of furniture, for the period April 1, 1992, through September 30, 1992, for Jimmie's Rustics, 48700 Grand River Avenue. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for Temporary Use Permit.

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 12, 1992, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to March 12, 1992, (9-5-92 NR, NN)

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## City, county on same wavelength for tower

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

A compromise plan to build a county radio tower on city owned land, along with a new department of public works building, was approved Monday with the proviso that Novi meet the same demands it makes on commercial developers — and build a bike path.

Oakland County originally hoped to raise a 300-foot, \$250,000 Motorola tower on its own land at the Walled Lake/Wood Wastewater Treatment Plant on Decker Road. Home owners there protested and Novi's Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver suggested using city property on DeWaal Drive at Eleven Mile Road.

The project — and the radio tower — have since grown. The city Council last year approved an upgrading of Novi's emergency communications system. Oakland County has agreed to build the tower to 400 feet, to make room for Novi's radio equipment.

In addition, the city will build a \$274,000, 9,600 square foot cold storage building for the department of public works. This facility will also house a joint city/county radio communications room.

Council Member Tim Pope accused City Manager Edward Krenwell of behaving like a typical developer when he suggested the city put off building the bike path along the north side of Eleven Mile Road in Novi's town center.

Krenwell said the majority of the site will remain vacant and might be used for future city buildings — or it could be sold. The path would then have to be torn up, he predicted.

"I believe to put that sidewalk in would be a waste of taxpayers' dollars," he said.

Pope disagreed, upholding a Planning Commission recommendation favoring the safety paths.

"You have made the argument of every small businessman and developer who doesn't want to spend the money," he said.

Mayor Matthew Quinn and Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford held off on approving the facility's preliminary site plan complete with bike paths, the entire council opted to cement the 25-year agreement with Oakland County.

"You talk about wise use of taxpayers' money and you want to landscape a vacant field," Crawford said, protesting the bike path.

The county's share of the bargain, along with a \$1 payment to close the deal includes: building the radio tower and a back-up generator; designing, wiring and funding for the radio room and paying its utility charges; and financing 3.75 percent of the cold storage building.

Novi will be able to use the generator during blackouts to operate its own radio system, as well as power the city's vehicle and equipment fueling facility.

To meet Federal Communications Commission standards, Oakland County must have this tower and seven others up and running by August. The towers, to be used by the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, will increase radio coverage of the county from the existing 70 percent to 95 percent.

Novi will contribute the following to the compact: the land; \$18,277 to upgrade the tower for use by Novi; construction of the storage facility and all paving and parking.

## Novi eyes rezoning 'odd' parcels

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

To make its master plan and zoning map match, Novi officials are looking at rezoning six areas, primarily on the east side of the city.

At a joint City Council and Planning Commission meeting Feb. 26, the commission's master plan and zoning committee targeted the sites for a less intensive zoning. As the zoning stands, these are "flagrant" examples of spot zoning, Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers said.

"There could be some development on these parcels that would be inconsistent with the plan's recommendations and would be poor planning," he said.

The six areas are:

- Eleven acres on the east side of Beck Road between Eight Mile and Nine Mile from RM-1 (low density multiple family) to R-1 (single family residential). A single family home and a two-family home are at the site.
- Five acres at the southeast corner of Ten Mile Road and Meadowbrook Road also from B-1 to OS-1. A Rymal-Symes Company realty office is on the land.
- A quarter acre on the north side of Ten Mile Road east of Meadowbrook Road also from B-1 to OS-1. A Rymal-Symes Company realty office is on the land.
- Michigan Department of Transportation property on the west side of Haggerty Road south of I-96/I-275 from I-1 (light industrial) to MH (mobile home) district.
- Land on the west side of Novi Road south of Austin Street from B-3 (community business district) to R-4 (single family residential).
- A site on the northwest corner of Meadowbrook Road and Cherry Hill from OS-1 (office service district) to RT (two family) district as well as adjacent

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Carol Mason  
Council Member

property to west from R-A (residential agricultural) to RT district.

Council Member Carol Mason protested that the owners were not notified that the properties are under discussion. If the city proceeds with the rezoning, owners and nearby property owners will be notified for a public hearing before the planning commission.

"I think before it is done the way we do it now, it should be done by speaking to the people first, before we do this kind of thing," she said.

"Property rights in the United States are one of our finest rights and when your property is being discussed, the person should know what you're doing."

When the discussion is in the preliminary stages, early notification may just upset people where nothing may happen, Planning Commissioner Eric Schaefer cautioned.

City Attorney David Fried agreed that it would be no problem to notify the owners by letter.

Two of the sites had been at the center of controversy several years ago. The two state DOT parcels were considered and rejected for a materials recovery facility.

The city is now looking at buying the DOT sites for a detention basin.

"It would be my opinion we should leave that as it is," Mayor Matthew Quinn said. "If a plan is to

purchase it in the future, we would up the price artificially just to change the zoning.

The land at Cherry Hill and Meadowbrook Road, near Meadowbrook Glens subdivision was once eyed by developer Max Sheldon for a medical center, but the project fell through. Nearby homeowners were concerned about traffic there. Earlier, an auto dealership had been proposed.

"Let's go back to a residential classification," Rogers said. "The committee suggested to me that maybe we should grab the bull by the horns. I've had many people contact me. 'Can we put a bowling alley, a catering institution, a retail operation there?'"

The RT zoning, which would allow duplexes, was described as a way to bring affordable housing to Novi, perhaps allowing an extended family to live side-by-side. RT calls for up to 4.8 residences per acre.

"This would offer a different housing, possibly for people in a very convenient situation and might challenge somebody to do something interesting," Planning Commissioner Kathy MacLellan said.

While the committee was given the go-ahead to proceed with the other areas, the Meadowbrook/Cherry Hill location was set aside for a closer look.

"The disparity between master planning and zoning, it gets us into trouble, quite frankly. I think this is an area that needs to be looked at, not just sat upon," Council Member Nancy Cassis said.

Planning Commissioner Tim Gilberg suggested taking the land back to a residential-agricultural designation: "It seems like we're encouraging developers. I'm not sure we want to do that."

What the city is looking for is good land use, Planning Commissioner Judy Johnson said.

"I've zoned all property as the owners wanted, it would be a hedgepodge. I'm not saying you disregard the property owner, but there has to be some overriding good to the city," she said.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Oh say can you see

The Novi High School choir warmed up the crowd, singing the Star Spangled Banner to start the event, at last Tuesday night's basketball game between the Wildcats and their Baseline rivals from Northville High School. The performance got the crowd

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## New moms on leave keep city insurance

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

The Novi City Council delivered its approval Monday for extended insurance benefits for disabled, off-duty employees, including mothers-to-be.

Lawsuits filed by two police officers who lost their medical coverage while pregnant brought the issue to the forefront recently.

Five city staffers are now expecting.

"You've got five employees pregnant. That's twice as many as you had in the last 10 years. I don't know what you did with the water supply in the building," Council Member Joseph Toth said.

Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver explained that continuing insurance coverage for up to six months when a disabled employee is out of vacation and sick time would likely cost the city an average of \$1,400 per person.

Federal law requires pregnancy to be treated as a disability, Klaver said. Over the past 10 years, only three or four city employees have lost their medical insurance when they ran out of their fund of sick and vacation time.

The majority of those expected to take advantage of the plan would be pregnant women, Klaver said. Typically, a woman working for the city takes two to three weeks off prior to

childbirth and 10 weeks after. In most cases, the city is not likely to hire a temporary or permanent replacement.

"You're only talking about continuing a benefit that's already budgeted for," Klaver explained. "All the other fringe benefits and the salary of this individual would not be paid for. There really is no cost above and beyond what we budgeted for this individual."

The council tabled the question Feb. 24, requesting more information. But Klaver said it would cost the city \$1,000 to commission an actuarial study, which would likely be "very complex and unreliable" due to the number of variables.

The council approved the policy "in concept," with Toth dissenting. "I can't sit here and give you an open checkbook when I don't know how much it's going to cost. . . . This could be a very, very costly item," he said.

Council Member Tim Pope suggested that employees should use up all available sick and vacation time before taking advantage of the extended health insurance coverage. Klaver said that frequently, a staff member might "bank" a few days to use when returning from a disability leave.

This review is part of an on-going look at the city's personnel and payroll policies.

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# Park land pondered for future

By TERESA BERTUZZI  
Staff Writer

Parks and recreation officials from Novi, South Lyon and Livonia are pondering whether to combine forces for a joint purchase of land for future parks.

Officials from the three communities met Feb. 26 to discuss possibly forming a park consortium to jointly buy land for future park use.

At that meeting, officials discussed ideas and current and projected needs of each community. No decisions were made at the meeting. The group will meet again March 25 to decide whether to form a park consortium.

A consortium would consist of parks and recreation officials from each community. The group would maintain a park to be used by residents of all three communities.

Livonia Township may be the best location for a future park because it has the least expensive land, said South Lyon Mayor Jeffrey Potter.

Land in the city of Novi costs about \$25,000 per acre, raw land in South Lyon would cost about \$10,000 per acre while land in Livonia Township is only \$4,000 per acre, according to officials from each community.

Novi is short almost 200 acres of park land, said Dan Davis, director of Parks and Recreation for Novi.

Novi now has about 33,000 residents. Davis said in the next 30 years, population is expected to grow to 65,000. At that time, the city will need an additional 6,700 acres of park land.

"We're trying to get land secured now. So we can develop it as the population grows. We're looking at other areas where we could have a park."

Dan Davis  
Director of Parks and Recreation

The city is looking at possible recreation alternatives, such as ball fields, golf courses, a pool, or an ice arena, he said.

"We're trying to get land secured now," said Davis. "So we can develop it as the population grows. We're looking at other areas where we could have a park."

Suzanne Massuch, Parks and Recreation Commission director for South Lyon, said, "Our commission went in with an open mind. It was basically an informational meeting. I think we'll benefit from coming together at the meeting. I learned a lot about the needs of each community."

Livonia Township Supervisor James Aichison said, "We wouldn't want to be out of any parks for the next meeting. But, said Massuch, it will be decided in the next week. The meeting is open to the public. For more information, contact the Novi Civic Center at 347-0460.

The township recently bought 25 acres for a

park and just developed a 130-acre park, Aichison said.

However, South Lyon and Novi need more parks and don't have enough purchasable land in their communities to meet those needs, officials said.

A recent recreation plan for South Lyon stated the city will need about an additional 79 acres of park land over the next 30 years. That is based on an expected population of 30,100, projected for 30 years from now.

"In the past, we have supported shared services. This is in line with our plans and past policy actions," said Potter.

"Our major concerns right now are growth management and park land."

South Lyon is taking measures to make sure the city doesn't have serious park land shortages in the future, he said.

In the 1991-92 fiscal year, the city council approved setting aside \$25,000 to acquire vacant park land.

In the 1991-92 fiscal year, it approved an additional .5 mills, or \$50,000 per year, for park land purchases.

Officials agreed to take the ideas discussed at the meeting back to their individual communities. Massuch said representatives will meet again March 25 to decide whether they want to form a park consortium.

The group hasn't decided on a location or time for the next meeting. But, said Massuch, it will be decided in the next week. The meeting is open to the public. For more information, contact the Novi Civic Center at 347-0460.

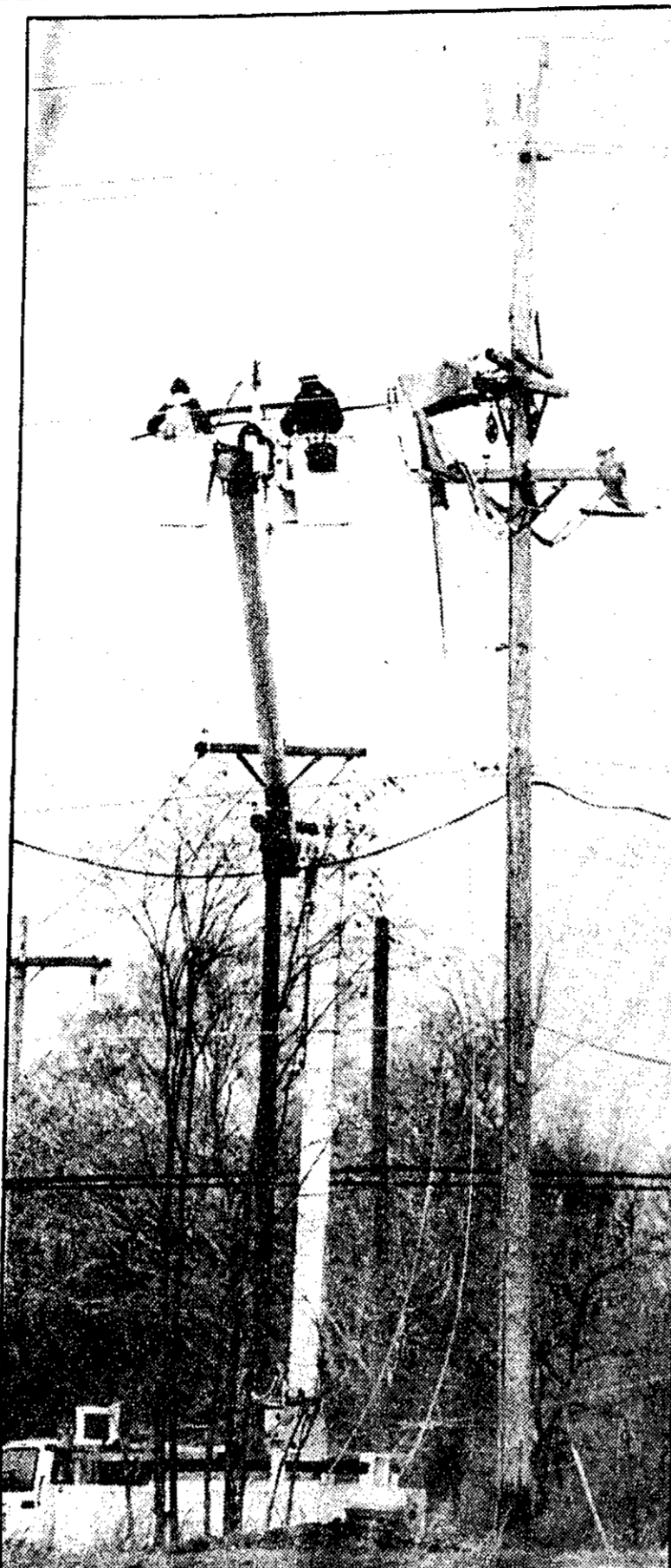


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## Overhead services

Novi would like to see more electrical lines buried, but Detroit Edison spokesperson Scott Simons says the city would have to pick up the higher costs. Meanwhile, extensive upgrading of the system is going on around town.

# Park land purchase considered

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When Novi Parks and Recreation director Dan Davis began pursuing the site seriously — with city council approval — in March 1991.

The Michigan Open Meetings Act allows governments to hold closed meetings when considering the purchase of real estate.

Fried said he asked to bring the matter up in the council meeting because the members who raised questions should have a right to discuss in public their concerns over the proposed option.

"A copy of the property's listing submitted by Thompson-Brown broker Todd Smith had the date 'withdrew out,' Council Member Tim Pope said. The listing agreement was signed by the owner.

"It made me wonder if it was a leased property at the time," Mason said. "Are we paying X amount of dollars and paying a broker's fee when we could save some money to negotiate more? ... I myself as a council member have a perfect right to see an executed contract."

Mason said the commission to the broker could run as high as \$70,000.

For vacant land, a typical Realtor's commission is 10 percent, but this figure can be negotiated.

"Carol is saying she's concerned that the city doesn't go out and find property where they could deal directly with an owner. And then a broker gets involved and then the city has to pay brokerage fees," Fried said.

"Generally, the seller pays the commission — but without a commission

to consider, a seller may have more leeway to reduce the price."

Mason explained that an option to purchase faxed to the city in May 1991 as well as minutes of past executive sessions made her wonder if the property was represented by a broker, he explained.

Smith explained that he had a valid listing agreement since July 1990, but hesitated to reveal the date the agreement was signed out of fear that the city could wait until the listing expired and then deal directly with the landowner, thus depriving the Realtor of his commission.

"We were dealing with total confidentiality," Council Member Nancy Cassis said, explaining that she found the process "irregular."

Davis said he found the property in March 1991 when he saw the real

estate sign. In January 1991, the city authorized a search for potential park sites — after voters twice voted down two millage proposals for park land acquisition.

"The first contact was with the broker. The sign led me to the broker," he explained.

The city applied for a state Department of Natural Resources grant to buy the land, but this was denied in July 1991. Davis was then told to keep negotiating on the site.

This is the last season Novi Youth Baseball will be allowed to play at the privately-owned Bosco Field, which is slated for development.

"We support it wholeheartedly, the opportunity to go forward and provide parks in this city. Somehow there are little clouds that come along and this is one of them," Cassis said.

# Legislation to make stalking illegal

Stalking another person would be a criminal offense punishable by two years in prison under a bill sponsored by state Sen. R. Robert Geake.

R-Northville. Senate Bill 719 is aimed at people who follow, harass, threaten another person. And for those al-

ready under court orders not to harass, it would provide for four years in prison.

court-ordered injunctions and restraining orders so that persons can be arrested for violating such orders," said Geake.

"This bill will put some teeth into

# Players debut at Novi Expo theater

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In addition to Salsbury, cast members include Steve Nelson as Reg; Carl Orsini as Mr. Oulette; Marge Ryan as Marce; Jerry Rathgeb as Jerry; Bill Salsbury as Ed; Laura Johnson as Fran; and Helen Weiss as Mrs. Oulette.

Assistant directors are May Arvo and Bonnie Oswald.

Upcoming play dates include March 6, 7, 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. and March 8 and 15 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are available at the door for \$6 or in advance for \$5. For advance tickets call 347-0400.

The Novi Expo Center is located just off Novi Road near I-96 behind Bob Evans.



## Practicing rocking?

The third annual Rock-a-thon will take place this Friday, March 6, at the Faith Community United Presbyterian Church in Novi. The seventh and eighth graders of the Mid-High Youth Group will be riding their rocking chairs all night long as a fund-raiser for the Novi Emergency Food Program. And (left to right) Paul Davis, Jamie VanderMass and Nick Ange-

locci are shown here rehearsing for the event. The goal for this year is \$2,000. Anyone can donate by calling the church at 349-5866 or mailing a check, made out to the Novi Emergency Food Program, to the Faith Community United Presbyterian Church, 44400 West Ten Mile, Novi, 48375.

# Water, sewer prices may flow upwards

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Cassio wondered if the city could use its sewer and water funds — classified as a capital fund — to make up for the higher expenses, rather than passing this on to the consumers.

City Attorney David Fried said that as a utility the capital and user funds must be kept separate.

But the city has not officially declared that the system is a "public utility," Council Member Carol Mason contended.

"If we're not running it as a public utility, these tap-in fees do not have to be used this way. We could use them for these fees," Mason said.

Water equipment fees would remain unchanged.

"That's almost a 50 percent increase. Do you know what these people are going to say when they start watering their lawns? They're going to shoot this council."

Joseph Tott  
Council member

# Schools study sex ed program

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Mathias was in the process of writing a second letter to Hitchcock to ask why the board had not considered the issue when her name appeared on the school board's Feb. 27 agenda.

The school board voted last week to form a Reproductive Health Advisory Committee, which is required under state law before the district can teach sex education.

The advisory committee must be made up of parents, students, educators, local clergy and community health professionals.

Committee recommendations will be considered by the school board, but the board maintains authority over the content of reproductive health courses.

"It's really a community-based program, and you would not have to follow it (the recommendations)," Barr said. "It's advisory in nature."

But establishing the committee allows the school district to teach sex education.

Until now, the school district has offered one class at the high school level that deals with reproductive health as part of a health class. The class is offered to freshmen, but some never take it.

Students who advance into biology in the ninth grade miss out on the health class, which only deals with reproduction and possible sexually transmitted diseases as health issues.

The district also shows a video to sixth grade girls about their menstrual cycle.

Reproductive health will become a part of the Novi school district's curriculum by September, 1993.

The role sex education will play in the district is in the hands of the committee and school board members.

But Mathias has a few ideas she hopes they heed.

She hopes the district will begin teaching reproductive health in the fifth grade. She thinks an age-appropriate lesson should be given each year until high school when she thinks a sex education course should be available to all students.

Mathias also believes that AIDS education should be part of every student at Novi High School agrees with her. al-

though support has been close to unanimous in her favor.

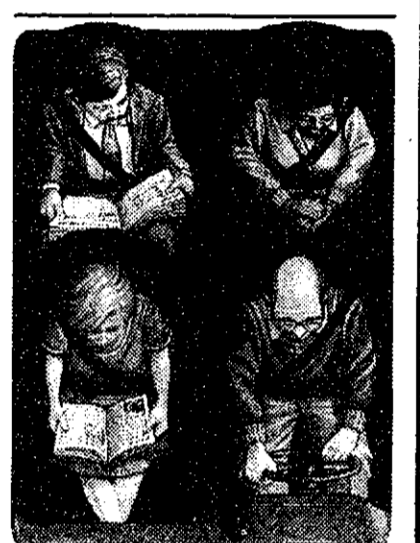
She said her essay prompted discussion among students about the need for sex education at the high school.

"I feel good about myself," she said.

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# More sidewalks could be just steps away

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paths in escrow. City Manager Edward Krewall said. At times, the planning commission has agreed to let the paths be built during a second or third phase of a subdivision, which is then put into limbo.

"This is a lesson to the planning commission. You have to be careful what you include in the phasing," City Attorney David Fried said.

It's incumbent upon the planning commission when they phase to make sure the outside roads and sidewalks are done in the first phase. That's a problem because people are kind-hearted and want to help somebody and they get hurt."

The topic came under review in a Feb. 26 joint city council/planning commission meeting.

"I think we have a jogger problem in this town. They do not want to use the sidewalks or safety paths. I think it's really dangerous. There certainly have been some close

calls up and down Meadowbrook Road," Planning Commissioner Tim Gilbert said.

Historically, sidewalks have been a sensitive issue in Novi. Residents who opt for large-lot subdivisions such as Echo Valley Estates may not choose to swap green space for sidewalks, Krewall said.

Sidewalks may add as much as \$2,000 to \$3,000 to the cost of a large lot, he added.

Council Member Carol Mason agreed: "There are people, and I am one of them, who do not care for large lots to have sidewalks. . . . It is the country lot atmosphere."

Others feel sidewalks should be mandated in the large-lot developments.

"I think in any residential subdivision, you should have a sidewalk in front of it. It's folly to mix pedestrians and cars," Planning Commissioner Judy Johnson said.

Council Member Nancy Cassis argued that sidewalks, as well as providing a safe passage, create a sense of community. Council Member Tim Pope agreed with the safety

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"If you really feel your home is over-assessed, bring proof," Altyeh said. "That's the bottom line on that."

But over-assessment of property values is less likely this year than most. A tax freeze passed by the state Legislature holds 1992 assessments at the 1991 level. To fight their assessment, property owners must prove their 1991 rating was unfair, or that their property's value has changed more or less than the city assessor thought it did in the past year.

Assessors also can change a property's value in 1992 if a parcel was split or combined with another parcel or as a result of a decision by the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

Assessors also can change an assessment if a property had any additions or losses on it like new construction, new furnishings or loss of a building or furnishings, Jenk-

# City expects few tax protestors

By JAN JEFFREWS Staff Writer

The spring thaw may be approaching, but real estate property tax assessments in Novi — as elsewhere in the state — are frozen solid this year. So rather than the two weeks of protests the city's board of review heard last year, only a three-day session next week is anticipated, City Assessor James Klausmeyer said.

"It appears to be running quite light. We haven't even filled up one day yet," he said.

Public Act 135 of 1991 is keeping the levels locked at Dec. 31, 1990 — the base for the 1991 rates.

Last year, the city sent out 10,000 assessment notices to taxpayers. This year, 1,744 were mailed.

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## As We See It

### Novi has right to insist on good electric service

It's a little hard to work up much in the way of sympathy for the Detroit Edison company these days.

Last year's July 7 thunderstorm, which knocked down power lines all across the region and hit Novi particularly hard, brought to a head lingering sentiments among local residents that there have been far too many power outages in this area. And city officials, quite understandably, are looking for ways to reduce the number of blackouts we experience here. Last week, in a joint session, city council members and planning commissioners toyed with the idea of asking, or requiring, Edison to bury its power lines underground in the future.

Edison officials gave a less than thrilling response to the idea last week. While admitting buried transmission lines are 70 percent less susceptible to disruption, they argued it costs 10 times as much to put them underground as it does to string them overhead on utility poles. As salient as the point may be, Edison officials then came back this week and essentially said, "fine, if the city wants the power lines buried, it will just have to charge the city for the cost difference."

Not a smooth move, guys. Throw down the gauntlet to an already agrieved community and you are likely to find yourself learning to be more diplomatic in front of a judge. If the City of Novi decided it wanted to be inflexible on this point, it could just adopt as a new law and force Edison to file suit if it didn't like it. It would be difficult to blame the city for such an approach, given Edison's apparent attitude.

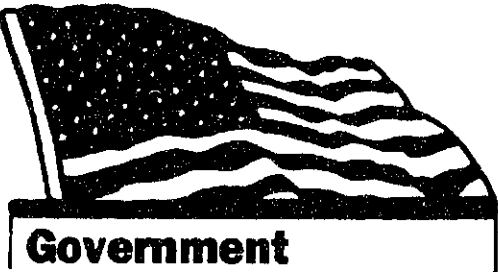
Detroit Edison may have a monopoly on electric service here, but it should remember that the City of Novi and its residents are still customers. Nor should Edison think that it is immune to potential competition. The city may have to remind the power company of the terms of its franchise agreement.

Edison is able to provide service to customers in the City of Novi through a franchise agreement with the city, and the matter is addressed in Novi's City Charter. The provisions of the charter clearly reserve to the city the right to require "maintenance . . . at the highest practicable standard of efficiency." It can also require "continuous and uninterrupted service to the public." And it may impose regulations "conducive to the safety, welfare and accommodation of the public."

And if Edison doesn't abide by those rules, the city can repeal the franchise and go shopping for a new utility company. That would be a very unusual move for a city, but it ought not forget that option is there.

Go back to last July. A severe wind storm late on a Sunday evening did tremendous damage here. More than twenty power lines fell in Novi alone. One line came down across a home, sending current throughout the house. No one was hurt there, but \$30,000 worth of damage was done. The number of downed lines in Novi pales in comparison to the hundreds that went down all across the southeast Michigan region. Worse, of course, was the accident that happened in Lakeshore Park, in which Brett Schneider, then age 6, somehow came in contact with a downed wire and was badly shocked and burned by it, spending months in the hospital as a result. Again, that was only part of the story. Across the region, a total of ten people got shocked by power lines, four badly enough to die.

When the Michigan Public Service Commission looked into what had happened, area residents turned out in droves to complain about the frequency and duration of electrical power outages. State Attorney General Frank Kelley put it strongest. He actually accused the state's major electric utilities, both Edison and Consumers Power, of downright negligence for poor manner in which



Mike Malott

they maintained their lines.

Edison admitted to nothing. But it did agree expand and accelerate an improvement and maintenance program for its distribution system. To be entirely fair, Edison has already accomplished much. The company has run new main transmission lines up I-696 from Southfield to add a great deal of capacity to the electrical distribution system in Novi. Edison has also been conducting a program of repair and tree trimming for the trunk lines, which bring the power in to individual subdivisions. And it has launched a yet another new program using high tech infrared sensors to detect line failures before they occur.

Then came the joint city council/planning commission session last week. And the idea that council members and commissioners were kicking around sounds, at least initially, pretty reasonable. Perhaps power lines should be buried underground. After all, the city — and most other communities — already require that power lines in new subdivisions be placed underground.

Getting the lines underground does several important things. It eliminates two of the most frequent causes of power line breaks — lightning strikes and falling tree branches. Perhaps more importantly, it also means that when a line failure does occur, it happens in a place where the general public can't get to it. Hung from utility poles, line failures often leave a still-energized wire dangling in the air that presents a danger to anyone that happens by.

But there is the question of expense. Even if Novi doesn't pay for it, and Edison does, the cost would eventually get passed along to Novi consumers. So council has to consider it, and Edison may be right that it is too costly.

What we would like to see from Edison, if it doesn't like the idea of buried lines, is an alternative or two. Edison officials should appear before council to explain the program of improvement it is undertaking now, assess the likely effectiveness of those efforts, explain how safe the system will be when they are finished with the program, and discuss with council whether there may be other ideas or approaches to improve the system further.

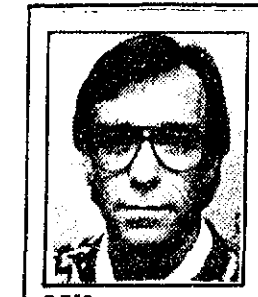
Even if council decides to back off the idea of buried power lines, it has several other options at its disposal. One would be an ordinance which requires maintenance and upkeep of the system. Novi could simply tuck Edison if lines are allowed to deteriorate or if branches are allowed to grow too close to them. Such an ordinance might also require that overhead lines be strung in such a fashion that, if they do fall, they don't land on homes or buildings.

That might not sound like a great idea, but we think sending a citation with a fine off to Edison each time a line problem is detected might just serve to get its attention.

If such approaches don't work, council should keep in mind that can repeal the franchise and get service elsewhere. A number of other communities in western Oakland County are equally unhappy with Edison these days. So the city might be able to form a consortium large enough to attract attention, and bids, from alternative power companies.

This might serve to remind the utility companies that we are in fact their customers, and we expect something more for the rates we pay than an attitude.

## Family looks for answers



Mike Malott

enough money . . . and now I buy her that yogurt?"

Every time I read that quote, I start to get choked up, teary-eyed. It comes from a story by Novi News reporter Cristina Ferrier which appears on the front of our Living section in this week's paper.

The story pulls at my heartstrings because, being a parent myself, I can imagine what Jean Dedes and her husband, Mike, must be going through.

For Tina Ferrier, the story counts as the culmination of about a year-and-a-half of work. She began covering the story when the case headed to court in late 1990, and she's worked on it off and on ever since.

It was an emotionally charged case back then of course, and the Dedes family quickly reacted when the charges against the young driver were dismissed. They pointed out what they believed were long series of problems with the case, discrepancies in the facts, and conflicts in the statements of witnesses.

Since then, Ferrier has gone back over the case countless times. She's spent hours talking to Mike and Jean Dedes. She's spent more hours reading and rereading the documentation, and still more hours interviewing witnesses and officials involved in the case.

The story has been intensely frustrating. It seems absolutely unconscionable that a driver could walk away from

an accident in which he struck and killed a 10-year-old with no penalty at all. Charges that the driver left the scene were dismissed. Negligent homicide charges were dismissed. The driver didn't even get a ticket.

A reasonable person might conclude that justice was not served. Even the judge in the case, Brian MacKenzie of 52-1 District Court, says he believes the Dedes family was let down by the system.

But of course the system is made up of people. The frustration is that it is not clear exactly where the system broke down.

Mike Dedes points directly at the investigating officer, Oakland County Sheriff's Department Deputy John Kress. But when interviewed, Kress — himself showing signs of frustration with this case — confidently and convincingly answers most of the criticisms the Dedeses have to offer. Concluding that the driver did nothing wrong, Kress apparently made the tough call despite the fact a distraught family clearly wanted punishment for the driver.

As journalists, we prefer to give our readers stories that reach clear conclusions.

There are no clear conclusions here. Is this the story of a family overwrought with grief that cannot let go? Or is this story of a police officer who failed to do all that could have been done to prosecute and punish a wrongdoer?

Even now, two and a half years after the accident, we can't answer that question. As Ferrier put together the story to run in this week's issue, I detected a certain frustration from her over the lack of any clear conclusion about how the case was handled. I think it is that lack of clear conclusion that caused her to work on the story so long. She kept looking for the answer, an answer that wasn't there.

Also think that when people lose a loved one, they often try to understand why it happened as a part of the grieving process. They try to make sense of it. And those cases to which there really is no conclusion must be the worst kind. Emotionally, they seek to find answers, answers that may well not be there.

My heart goes out to the Dedes family.

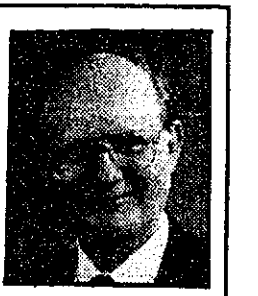
## Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



Novi had five seconds to top Northville, but came up short

## 'Crunch time' Increase was a minor miracle



Tim Richard

The State Senate Appropriations Committee room was packed, mostly with grey and blue suits plus a half-dozen dresses. There were no cameras or recorders.

Last week Room 301 of the Capitol held a joint meeting of the House and Senate subcommittees on community colleges. They discussed Gov. John Engler's budget recommendation — a 1.4 percent increase.

The consensus: That increase will be more than eaten up by pension needs alone, and community colleges are seen as our front-line troops doing job training during a recession.

I say "consensus" because most lawmakers on this panel agreed with good old Dick McDowell, president of Schoolcraft College, and new kid Patsy Fulton, chancellor of Oakland Community College.

Rep. Tom Mathieu, D-Grand Rapids, said their story needs to be told to the public. He had a suspicion no news media were covering it. He asked if any press were in the room.

Shyly — because we in the press dislike being part of the story — I raised my hand. Mathieu and I were both surprised that only one reporter was there.

Mathieu was correct in his notion that the press ignores community colleges.

Newspeople, in my experience, come from four-year universities. The 29 two-year colleges aren't in their stream of consciousness.

Many newspeople are snobs about it. You frequently encounter rigid resistance from reporters when you suggest community college story ideas. One sarcastically

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

## Is our government listening to us?

To the Editor:  
The elected officials of the City of Novi have one last chance to prevent one of the most costly and destructive projects imaginable: The M-5/Haggerty Road Connector.

They should not be swayed by a vocal pro-development lobby that continues to seek enrichment at the expense of taxpayers. Overdevelopment continues to be one of the greatest threats to our economic and environmental health, and the City of Novi is not exempt from these economic and social realities. Just as bad development caused the monumental taxpayer bailout of the Savings and Loan industry, the development which will be spurred by the M-5 project will cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars.

Let me elaborate on some of the many reasons why the Haggerty Road Connector should not be built:

1. It will commit the expenditure of hundreds of millions of tax dollars. This first phase will cost \$90.6

million, not including any cost overruns. Further extension would likely cost \$300 to \$500 million. Connector road improvements will easily exceed another \$500 million (one project, the widening of 12 Mile in Novi, to hook up with M-5, will cost over \$70 million). When you add in the hundreds of millions required for sewers, water lines, public school buildings, etc. Pretty soon you're talking serious money.

2. Construction of M-5 will increase overall traffic congestion. Building new roads to relieve congestion has just the opposite effect. New roads attract more traffic. "If you build it, they will come."

3. Construction of M-5 will increase local residential property taxes. Contrary to myths promoted by development interests, increasing development increases

the need to raise property taxes. With the exception of some types of industrial development, residential taxpayers always subsidize new development. The recent \$18.8 million road bond millage passed by Novi is merely a harbinger of things to come.

4. Construction of M-5 will reduce our quality of life. The impacts from the actual construction of the road are only a minor portion of the environmental impacts which will occur. Far too much will be lost in terms of wetlands, farmland, forests, meadows and open space. We need to redevelop the areas which we have already impacted, and not merely continue to expand our urban areas as if the earth itself was a disposable resource.

These are just a few of the many

reasons why the M-5/Haggerty Road Connector should not be built. But if another one is needed, I'll add more.

5. Construction of the M-5 Road project will threaten jobs in Southeast Michigan. Under the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments, South-east Michigan is listed as a non-attainment area for ground ozone pollution. Under the law we are required to achieve a 15 percent reduction in order to come into compliance. Since ground ozone pollution is principally from vehicular and industrial sources, by increasing the number of vehicle miles traveled we are placing a greater burden upon industrial facilities to reduce the pollutants which they emit.

Are there any political leaders out there who are listening? Let's cancel the most costly (ly) M-5/Haggerty Road Connector project.

Jack R. Smiley  
Executive Director  
Detroit Audubon Society

## Newspaper was unfair to Loveday

To the Editor:

As a close friend of Kenneth Loveday, I am writing in regard to his case. I think it has been very unfair what the paper has done to Kenneth Loveday. I think there are other matters in this case that were not looked at. Mainly most of them having to do with Eight Mile Road being such a busy road and that the speed limit is 50 mph. Also, where the accident took place (Eight Mile Road just east of Beck Road) the road is very narrow allowing three feet from the guardrail to the white line on the road. Why hasn't it been brought up about how dangerous it would be to jog or walk along that road? There are many issues about that particular area that have not been brought up.

A couple of weeks ago a friend and neighbor of the Hanania family wrote to the editor because she was outraged over the outcome of the trial. Kenneth Loveday had received the lesser charge of negligent homicide in the deaths of Yusuf Hanania and Albert Abdelnour. She also had written that she felt overwhelming sadness for the family members who had to endure such tragedy, and was outraged because she felt Kenneth Loveday is really "getting away with murder."

I would like to comment on that statement and tell a side of the story that has not been heard.

Drugs seemed to play a key role in this accident, but originally nothing was found. Everyone has said that Kenneth Loveday is known for his drug use and I am going to show a different side of that. On the day of his accident it seems odd that a number of officers can conduct an extensive search on a vehicle in case there might be drugs or alcohol, and never bother with an ashtray. And then 20 days later, after his Jeep has been sitting in a DPW yard which has public access to it, all of a sudden the remains of a marijuana cigarette has been found. The officer that conducted this search decided that he did not want to follow procedures that day and went ahead with an illegal search on the vehicle. Anyone who works in the DPW yard could have entered the vehicle since the yard does have public access. I can't believe that with the deaths of two people they would let a vehicle sit in a yard with public access to it. And let's get back to the fact again, on the day of the accident the Jeep had been searched many times by "three or four officers and nothing was found."

The only thing I would like to get across is where is the evidence at? If they have it? Because they sure did not have the actual evidence in court. The only proof they had was hearsay from a police officer who had said he found the roach in the ashtray.

Michael Gibson, the passenger of Kenneth Loveday's vehicle was never charged with possession of marijuana, even after he had told the officer about the marijuana cigarette being in the ashtray. Now it seems to me if you are a police officer you would take these events into consideration. It also seems like the officer on this case did not know how to do his job the right way. A lot of things were not handled correctly.

I would also like to comment on the fact that we send our children to school in "drug-free school zones." In our community I think people ignore the fact that there are drugs in our community and it is more of a problem than what people really see it as. And everyone cares about the future of their children but it does not mean that their future will turn out to be what you wish for it to be.

Kenneth Loveday has sent no message to youth. This was a very tragic accident and we are all suffering, not just the families. Because the families are so hurt they see no reason in believing that Ken-

neth Loveday is suffering too. Jail time has nothing to do with the pain it is in the heart. He has to live with the memory of that tragic day and also that he killed two people for the rest of his life. He is very remorseful and I don't really believe that it matters to anyone else how he feels. I think it is sad. Kenneth Loveday is a human being too and should be treated like one, not how he has been treated. I believe the families think they are wrong. I spent a lot of time with him before and after his accident and I have not seen a more sorry and remorseful person in my life. If he ever could have the opportunity to be heard by the family to express how he feels I think it could help the situation. It will not bring Yusuf Hanania or Albert Abdelnour back, but at least it will express how sorrowful Kenneth Loveday really is. I hope if this letter is printed that all of the family members understand.

I give both of the families my deepest sympathy and hope that anyone who reads this understands that I am not on anyone's side and I am just trying to let people see things from a different point of view because there is a different view of things on Kenneth Loveday's side.

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# City may clear path for adult day care

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Is adult day care the same as child day care?

That's the zoning question the Planning Commission's implementation committee will be exploring, following a Feb. 26 joint meeting with the commission and the city council.

Council members and commissioners agree there's a need here for the service.

"I think it's a great idea... Look at it from the standpoint of convenience to the citizens," Planning Commissioner Tim Gilberg said.

"Anybody who's ever taken care of an elderly person, it's quite a chore. It's even more difficult than with a child. Sometimes, they're not coherent."

Currently, a city ordinance allows child care in an assortment of zoning categories, including residential, business and office districts.

Novi does not have an ordinance for adult day care — but the service is permitted in existing nursing homes and congregate care facilities.

The city has been fielding a number of calls from those interested in opening adult day care centers — and some have suggested that treating child care and adult care differently is discriminatory, staff planner Mike Csapo said.

Adult day care allows grown-up children or spouses to drop off a se-

nior during working hours — or on weeknights or weekends. But the senior is not generally kept overnight and does not live at the center.

"For some one who has constant care of an adult, these few hours can be precious," Planning Commissioner Ernest Aruffo said.

Csapo suggested adult day care may be "less intrusive" than child care, as no playgrounds are necessary.

Planning Commissioner Judy Johnson cautioned that the care required for adults with mental, rather than just physical, disabilities is more specialized. And Council Member Nancy Cassis mentioned that the staff would have to be qualified to take care of the elderly.

The implementation committee is expected to investigate state regulations and building codes requirements for adult day care.

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Story by Cristina Ferrier

Photography by Bryan Mitchell

**T**he last morning of Adrian Dedes' life — June 2, 1989 — started as one of those hope-filled days when kids go to school in shorts, then run out into the sunshine to feel the freedom of the coming summer vacation.

Ten-year-old Adrian was wearing shorts and carrying a heavy bookbag that morning when she and her sister headed out the door of their home on Ten Mile Road to wait for the schoolbus.

But Adrian never made it to school, and she never made it to summer because she was struck and killed by a car on Ten Mile Road. Her sister Lauren, also hit by the same car, survived the accident with a broken collarbone.

That morning was the beginning of a painful journey for the six remaining members of the Dedes family — one that has not and probably will not come to an end.

The immediate shock of Adrian's death is over now, but it has been replaced by deep, angry scars. Adrian's parents — Northville residents Mike and Jean Dedes — believe that the driver of the car that hit their daughter was at fault in her death. The police and courts have ruled otherwise, concluding Adrian stepped into the road.

Their deep belief that Adrian was an innocent party in that accident has led the Dedes family on an endless, fruitless quest for the justice they believe their daughter never received. It's a quest that has involved driving hundreds of miles, sifting through mountains of documents, hiring private investigators, and hounding police officers and attorneys.

Sometimes Mike Dedes fantasizes about vigilante justice.

"I'll be honest with you," he said. "I kill that guy (the driver) every day of my life. He's totally destroyed our lives. Every day of my life, I wring his neck."

## 'A smirk on his face'

A large portion of Dedes' anger may be the result of the alleged behavior of the driver — a former Wixom man who was 19 at the time — whose car struck and killed Adrian.

At a hearing nearly a year later, in 52-1 District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie's courtroom, a passenger in the car testified that the driver sped up after hitting Adrian, then stopped approximately 300 feet down the road. The passenger testified that the driver got out of the car, looked at the damage, and said "Look what the little bitch did to my car."

"Frankly, what he said at the scene was disgusting," MacKenzie said. "I was disgusted when I heard it then, and I still remember it to this day. The defendant's behavior was disgusting and definitely compounded the tragedy."

The driver is also alleged to have gotten into a verbal confrontation with Mike and Jean Dedes that morning, and allegedly made obscene hand gestures.

Joyce Richardson, a neighbor whose son witnessed the accident, said she saw the driver in the back of the police car and "he had a smirk on his face. He didn't look remorseful at all."



Continued on 3 Jean Dedes stands near a memorial at the site of her daughter's death on Ten Mile Road.

## Volunteer



MARGO KRAMAR

Volunteer paints faces  
of would-be clownsBy DOROTHY NASH  
Special Writer

Face painting — clown face painting — for children and grownups is a fun thing to have done on Earth Day at Maybury State Park and during the Northville Victorian Festival.

And it's "a real fun experience" to do it, said Margo Kramar of Margo's of Northville. She and the nine other beauticians in her shop volunteer their time at it. They dress like clowns and paint faces for people who line up to have it done.

"We paint little kids free," she said, but others are charged 50 cents to \$1. And the money goes to the SADD program — Students Against Driving Drunk.

Sometimes SADD has a special occasion coming up, but it happens to be a work day, and she can't take time off from the shop. So when the students call her to come and paint faces she suggested she show them how to do it.

Kramar and her staff are also available to paint faces at other places, she said. They've dressed up like clowns and painted faces for the handicapped children at Bryant Center, for the children of Our Lady of Providence and for the Northville Recreation Department during the Christmas holidays.

"Wherever we're needed, we go," she said, "but if I didn't have the support from my staff, we'd never be able to do this. I appreciate them. We can work together."

As for getting satisfaction out of face painting, Margo Kramar cited one case. She and other beauticians were lined up one time to do their thing, taking in sequence the faces waiting for them.

"It was a crummy weather. My back was sore from bending over to paint faces of the children sitting on little chairs. I was doing this little boy about 3 years old, and then when I was through he said, 'I love you.'"

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# Novi Trackers look forward to warmer running

By JEANNE CLARKE  
Special Writer

The Novi Trackers Running Club, headed by President Jeanne Willford, have been continuing their twice-weekly runs throughout the year but are looking forward to spring and are extending an invitation to everyone high school age and up to join them. They welcome not only the novice for whom they will give advice, but also the experienced runner, the casual jogger and the serious competitor. Anyone interested can call Jeanne at 227-3127 or call the Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400.

Other group officers include Vice President Lyle Hamilton, Editor Larry Molloy, Treasurer Lee Karvala, Spirit Leader Hub Copp and Statistician Dan Sweller. They are looking forward to assisting on the 12th Annual Providence Novit Run Sunday, April 26, when they will be acting as course marshals, helping with registration, timing and, of course, running. They will also be looking at participating in the "Spring Into Spring," a 5-kilometer run and a mile walk Saturday, April 4, at Walled Lake Central High School. Proceeds will go toward the school's choir trip to Florida for competition. Information is available at 363-2407.

The trackers have participated in many runs in different communities, including the Free Press Marathon, the Turkey Trot and currently participate in the Crystal Lake Marathon at Beulah. Trackers' families will be camping there for the weekend. One of their two weekly runs is at the high school parking lot Wednesdays at 6:30. They run through

## Novi Highlights

the subs into Northville and back with a social time later at Pizza Hut. The second is on Sunday mornings where the meet in Northville near O'Sheehans in the Highland Lake Plaza beginning at 8 a.m. They run through the parks in Northville, including Hines, with breakfast afterward at Cindy's. Dues are approximately \$6 a year and equipment, such as hats, shirts, etc. available to purchase.

**HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
The Holy Cross Episcopal Church, located at 46200 West Ten Mile, near Taft Road, is sponsoring "A Lenten Spiritual Journey" with Joshua, a Bible play for today by Joseph F. Girzone Wednesday evenings during Lent, March 11, 18 and 25 and April 1 and 8 from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Books will be for sale at the church on the subject, and discussions will be under the direction of the vicar, Fr. Les Harding.

Youth confirmation classes will continue through March on the 7, 21 and 28. Adult and inquirer's classes will continue through March 8, 15 and 22 at the church at 7 p.m. During February the church participated in a pulpit exchange with the Rev. Neil Hunt, of Meadowbrook Congregational Church, speaking. The school classes, taught by Alice Polunbo, received a special four week unit on the Bible during February. As part of the class they made quilted wall hangings composed of

hand drawn pictures relating to instruction they had received. Katie Waymouth assisted them with hanging.

On Sunday, Feb. 23, the church school also made quilts for AIDS babies as a service project. Katie Waymouth will be assisting in this project also, with donations toward the quilt material. Her support is very much appreciated.

Members are encouraged to take advantage of the special program being held at Christ Church Cranbrook March 21 at 8 p.m. The Men and Boy's Choir of the Washington Cathedral Choir will be presented. The church is looking forward to Bishop Wood's annual visitation April 5 when there will be a joint service for the Holy Cross and St. Anne's other activities at the church.

April 5 is also the date for the meeting of AA and Alanon at 8 p.m. every Friday evening. Fr. Harding will be participating in the Lenten Luncheon Series sponsored by Walled Lake Clergy Friday, March 6 at 12:10-1 p.m. There will be a series of these luncheons continuing through April 17, Good Friday.

Good Friday will also include worship, prayers and lunch. Nursery is provided and business people are encouraged to come on lunch hour.

**NOVI AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**  
The Novi Amateur Radio Club continues to grow with over 20 members at every meeting. Meetings are held

the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. They also have weekly informal coffee-break meetings at Leon's Restaurant Saturdays at 9 a.m.

The club is presently cooperating with Novi Community Education with a novice class that has 15 registered members on Thursday evenings at Novi High School. They will also be using the club station, located on the JCK property.

Member Rick Redouty is heading up this project. He has been invited to attend the Dayton Amateur Radio Association's annual conference in April. There will be license exams, forums and manufacturers' exhibits.

Dick Cole will be the special guest speaker at the March meeting. He will speak about Emergency Amateur Communications with ARFSC (Amateur Radio Public Service Corps), which operates out of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. Their permanent base is in the Oakland County Emergency Operations Center (E.O.C.).

March has been the month that local, county, state and federal authorities have designated Tornado Awareness Month. The club will again be assisting not only Oakland

County while monitoring the sirens in the Novi area, but also the Novi Police Department. These tests will be the first Saturday of each month beginning in March.

**THE QUEST CLUB**  
The latest project of the Quest Club, a community service-minded group, is to adopt a grandparent at the Novi Charter House. About 12 young people started the program by playing Bingo with them one afternoon. They were paired with some of them on their own time.

They visit with them and sometimes bring them small gifts, such as blooming flowers. They will be planning a joint activity some time in March.

President of the club is Melissa Dunwell and Secretary is Nikki Falt. There are about 20 youngsters who meet once a week after school to make plans for other service projects. In the past they have donated CARE packages containing small cultures, paper, pencils, etc. to the Red Cross for use with Michigan families suffering from disasters such as fires or floods.

They also raised money through their concession stands at school activities and have purchased VCRs for residents at the Charter House. Another project was to maintain a paper recycling project at the Novi Middle School. They made contact with the city and distributed information on the recycling and how to sort and remove staples prior to delivery at the recycling center. They are still working on this project weekly.

Other projects include participation with the "Friendship Club," a

group of handicapped students, when they attended a Valentine party with them, went to Boblo Island with them, etc.

They plan on helping with school grounds beautification and continue fund-raising at dances. Their sponsor, Claudia Wiseman, can be reached at the Novi Middle School for additional information.

**NOVI SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB**  
The Novi Senior Citizen Club met last Wednesday under the direction of new president, Gordon Wilcox. They made several plans for the future, including several day trips, one to Frankentmuth Bavarian Inn June 17 for \$23. The cost includes transportation, and reservations are being taken. For further information call 349-9034. They will be having dinner and some time for shopping.

Plan now to join this group at their next activity scheduled for March 11 at room in the Novi Civic Center's theatre area. Those who have never been to a meeting before can stop at the Parks and Recreation office for directions. If you plan to attend you are asked to bring a passing dish or your own table service, or see Treasurer Mary Kay Gravel with a \$2 donation.

Current members are asked to get their \$2 dues in no later than March 25 at the regularly scheduled business meeting, also held at the Civic Center at 1 p.m. At each meeting hostesses are available for information. At the polluck they will be Mary Kelly, Frances Daleo and Peg Wilcox. At the business meeting they will be Hildred



# 'No Justice for Adrian'

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"I've had two cocker spaniels hit on that road, and I saw more rooster. One woman just cried and cried," Richardson said. Mike Dedes said he thinks things might have been different if the driver had seemed sorry that morning.

"If I had heard brakes squeal, and if I had gone out there and there had been a guy going 'Oh, my God! I didn't see her!' it would have been different," he said.

**'No way to prove it'**  
Whether the driver said and did those things or not, such behavior in itself is not enough for a criminal conviction. And, according to Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy John Kress, who investigated the accident, there wasn't evidence to show that the driver was guilty of a crime.

Mike Dedes believes otherwise. He has taken this case apart and examined each piece in his mind hundreds of times. He is certain his daughter never stepped into the road. So is Jean Dedes. Their daughter had been killed on that road. She knew not to run into that road, they say. She knew better.

And the boy who was standing across the street when she was hit swears Adrian never ran out into the road. He was watching her.

Adrian didn't step in the road. They were just standing there waiting for the schoolbus," she said. "Those kids were instructed real well on how to cross the street."

The driver faced a charge of leaving the scene of a personal injury accident and, later, negligent homicide. Judge MacKenzie dismissed the leaving the scene charge because it was "inappropriate." The driver drove up the road, turned around and came back. He later dismissed the negligent homicide charge, citing a lack of evidence.

In the end, after all was said and done, the driver walked away without so much as a traffic ticket.

The main question in the case involving Adrian's death was whether she stepped into the road in front of the car, or if the car swerved off the road and struck the child. Different witnesses provided conflicting statements about exactly what happened that morning.

Testimony by the driver and his passenger went like this: Adrian and Lauren were walking along the side of the road, holding hands and carrying a red bookbag. The driver swerved as far over to the left as he could, without crossing over the center line and hitting oncoming traffic, but Adrian and Lauren were hit when they suddenly "jumped" in front of the car.



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Kress denies ever referring to broken headlights. "I never said headlights," Kress said. "I was talking about windshield glass."

"He (Mike Dedes) wanted me to prove all this alleged evidence he said was there, and there was no way to prove it. So now he feels there's a bunch of corruption and everything else."

**'A lifetime of heartache'**  
Mike Dedes said he found other discrepancies that led him to start searching out witnesses and evidence on his own. He discovered there was a witness who saw a cloud of dust from the side of the road that might have indicated the driver veered off the road. But that witness, as well as some others he feels should have been called up, were never asked to testify in court.

One thing that has nagged at the Dedes family is the fact that a Wixom police officer appeared in court with the driver and his family during the hearings.

That officer was Alan Blashfield, a friend of the driver's family. "I was not there in any official capacity," Blashfield said, although he said he might have been wearing his uniform. "I was not involved in the investigation and I was not a witness at all for him. Not even a little bit." He said he went to court to help explain things to the driver's father.

Mike Dedes said he feels betrayed by the justice system because he has seen numerous other cases that did not involve the death of a child lead to stiff sentences.

"If this had been a crime against money, things would have turned out differently," he said. "What I mean is, if this young man would have robbed a gas station and not hurt anyone, just stole some money, he would have went to jail for 3-5 years."

"What the (justice) system said to us is that they have no respect for human life or the victims that are touched by the tragedy. Let's face it, they'll put you in jail for hurting an animal, but human life is no big deal."

Judge MacKenzie said he feels tremendous sympathy for the Dedes family, but that he had to accept Kress' testimony that the driver was not at fault in the accident.

"There's no question that that incident was a true tragedy," he said. "But from a judicial perspective, when the prosecution's main police witness testifies that it was an accident and that the defendant did nothing wrong, it's difficult for a judge to do anything but accept that testimony."



Members of the Dedes family (top photo, left to right) Michael Jr., Jean, Victoria, Mike and Lauren at Adrian's grave in Rural Hill Cemetery. Older sister Jessica is missing from the photo. A bench the family installed is engraved with Adrian's name. The grave is covered with silk flowers and pine branches, which are decorated with glass trinkets. The trinkets also hang from a tree and line the headstone (upper right photo). In the photo second from the top, Michael Jr., 5, kisses Adrian's stone while Lauren, 10, looks on. Lauren was also struck by the car that killed Adrian. Above, Jean Dedes holds baby Victoria, 18 months, as she points at pictures of Adrian on the wall. Mike Dedes says Victoria is "a carbon copy" of Adrian.

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<b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 1 Mile S. of Meadowbrook Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class	<b>FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> Farmington Hills, Michigan Service every Sunday 10:00 a.m. Also, Holy and Eucharist at 7:00 p.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Bible Class - 1:30 p.m. Song Services - Last Sunday of month, 7:00 p.m.
<b>FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST</b> 1100 W. Ann Arbor Rd. Services: Michigan Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Meeting, 7:30 p.m.	<b>ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD</b> High & Elm Streets, Northville (opposite Hardware) 7 Lakeside, Pastor Church School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Church School & Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Visitation: 1:00 p.m.
<b>NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY</b> 4155 E. 11 Mile Road Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Pastor: C. L. Buchan, Sr., Pastor Northville Christian Center Phone: 353-7170	<b>HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 12 Mile East of Highway Farmington Hills Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. Nursery Services Available Timothy MacKenzie, Pastor Phone: 553-7170
<b>NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 41671 W. Ten Mile - Meadowbrook 349-2322 (24 hrs.) Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m. Nursery Care Available Christie Jacobs, Pastor Church School 9:15 a.m.	<b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 34911 W. 11 Mile & 11th Road Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Church School & Bible Class 9:30 a.m. 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
<b>ST. JAMES AMERICAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NORTHVILLE</b> 40200 W. 11 Mile Rd. Northville, Michigan Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass 8:30 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Fr. Paul Beer Phone: 349-1700	<b>MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH</b> 21346 Meadowbrook Rd. North of 11 Mile Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 448-7575 Pastor: Rev. Fr. Paul Beer Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Fr. Paul Beer
<b>ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 23485 Northville (between 10 & 10 1/2 Mile) 8 Mile Road for 1/2 mile, then turn Worship Services at 11 a.m. & 8 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Kenneth Stevens, Pastor Newly Available. All welcome.	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, NOVI</b> 45001 11 Mile of Taft Rd. Home of New Covenant (near 12) Sun. School, 9:30 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. & 8:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m. Dr. Gary Brewer, Pastor
<b>CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL</b> 10 Mile between Taft Road, Novi Phone: 349-1113 7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist The Rev. Leslie E. Harding 11000 Oak, Northville	<b>SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH</b> 6745 Division Road, Plymouth 481-0190 The Rev. Robert S. Stone, Jr., Pastor Sun. 7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Pastor: Rev. Robert S. Stone, Jr. Barbara Jane Gendy, Parish Administrator
<b>WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH</b> 11000 Oak, Northville Phone: 349-1113 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 & 7:00 p.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.	<b>FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH</b> 44600 W. 11 Mile, Northville 349-1113 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd. Worship & Church School Pastor: Richard J. Henderson, Pastor J. Crystal Smith, Associate Pastor
<b>ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> Weekend Liturgy 10:30 a.m. (Parish) Banerjee School (1 Mile S. of West of Taft Rd.) Schoology 8:00 p.m. Worship 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Reverend James F. Conn, Pastor 249-1774	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 217 N. W. Hwy. 34 Rev. Stephen Sparks, Pastor Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m. & 8:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Boys Brigade 7 p.m.; Phone 684 7 p.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
<b>CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b> 24000 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, MI 48375 Masses: Sat. 8 p.m. 7:30 a.m. Wed. 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. Holy Days 8 a.m., 8:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m. Pastor: James Stovall, Assoc. Pastor Patricia Collins 349-4847	<b>TO HAVE YOUR CHURCH APPEAR</b> HERE CALL 349-1700

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## Engagement



Mary Duwel/  
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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Duwel of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Frances, to Charles Kenneth Albrecht, son of Mrs. Elaine Bachman and Mr. Dennis Albrecht.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Mercy High School and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. She is employed as a mechanical engineer with Motorola in Chicago.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Pioneer High School and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He is employed as an electrical engineer with Commonwealth Edison in Chicago.

A fall 1992 wedding is planned.

## Book aids search for housing

Metro Detroit-area residents who find themselves searching for senior citizen housing now have a source for information.

The source? *Senior Living Alternatives*, published in Novi out of the home of Anita Kremer.

Kremer's free-distribution booklet includes such things as information on community services, Medicaid and Medicare, as well as listings of senior apartment complexes, assisted living facilities and nursing homes that advertise in the book.

Kremer renovates nursing homes for a living and, in doing so, "started learning about how people go about finding nursing homes," she said. "They have no way to prepare for it. Often the family has 24 to 48 hours to take a parent out of the hospital and into a nursing home."

Kremer said *Senior Living Alternatives* includes listings of three basic types of senior housing—retirement residences, assisted living, and nursing homes.

Retirement residences, she explained, are like apartment complexes where the residents function independently.

"It's basically like a rental apartment, where they can cook their own meals or eat in a community dining room," Kremer said. "There are social activities, laundry services, and other events for the residents."

Kremer said retirement residences are popular because "people are happier and they live longer because they are surrounded by their own peer group."

Assisted living residences are similar to retirement residences, Kremer said, but more personal services are available to the residents. "They might offer help with medicine, or maybe bathing for people who need it," she said.

And nursing homes, she said, offer 24-hour a day nursing care for the residents.

Kremer said her publication is un-



Anita Kremer holds copies of the debut edition of "Senior Living Alternatives."

usual because most senior residences do not advertise.

"But I expect to see more advertising as the population ages," she said.

*Senior Living Alternatives* includes different sections with information for people seeking senior housing. An index lists the facilities, and each facility listing includes information on services and rates. Kremer suggests

people use the booklet to narrow down their choices and decide which of the residences they wish to visit.

"The next issue will have more facilities listed and represented."

"To receive a copy of *Senior Living Alternatives* by mail, send a check or money order for \$3 to: Senior Living Alternatives, 43327 Cliffside Court, Suite 112, Novi, 48375. "It took nine months," she said.

## Reunions

**NOVI HIGH SCHOOL 1982:** The Novi High School Class of 1982 will have a reunion Oct. 2 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. For information call Mary, 347-7744 or write P.O. Box 621, Novi, MI 48376.

**NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 1942:** Northville High School Class of 1942 is looking for the following members for class reunion: Eugene Cole, Frank Dunham, Ruth Gagnon, John Geraghty, Ines Jordan, Blance Miller, Jim Ozias, Madeline Perkins, Alvin Shepard, Margery Rounselle and Richard Ward. Please call George White at 349-8959.

**SOUTHEASTERN 1932:** Why don't we "do lunch" and celebrate the 60 years? If interested, call Evelyn, 477-4206.

**ROCHESTER ADAMS 1981:** Graduates of Rochester Adams High School, Class of 1981 will be celebrating their 10 plus one year class reunion on April 11, 1992 at Club Monte Carlo in Utica, MI. The committee is searching for all graduates from this class. For information call or write Reunion Planners, Box 291, Mt. Clemens, MI 48046, (313)465-2277 or (313) 263-6803.

**WALLED LAKE WESTERN 1982:** A 10-year class reunion is planned for Aug. 11, 1992. If you know the whereabouts of former classmates, call Reunions Made Easy at 380-6100.

**NORTH FARMINGTON 1981:** The North Farmington Class of 1981 will hold a 10-plus-one year reunion. If you know the whereabouts of former classmates, call Reunions Made Easy at 380-6100.

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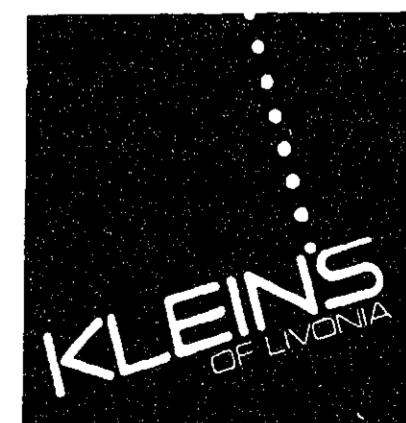
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## On Campus

**BRIAN DENNIS CLYNICK**, **TIMOTHY BRUCE MCBRIDE**, **MARLO FRANCINE PONOS** and **BRIAN RICHARD WASKO**, all of Novi, were among 536 students who completed the requirements for certificates, associate's, bachelor's and doctoral degrees at Ferris State University during the fall quarter.

**JOSEPH H. MORILL II** of Novi received his Masters of Science in Engineering from Purdue University last December.

**STEFFANY A. DROZDO** of Novi was named to the president's list at Miami University, Ohio. To be named to the president's list a student must achieve a perfect grade point of 4.0.

**JASON J. EVERHART**, a senior in electrical training and **MICHAEL B. SUMERTON**, a freshman in chemical engineering achieved placement on the fall quarter dean's list at Michigan Technological University. Students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. Everhart received a perfect 4.0 grade point.

Named to the dean's list in recognition for superior academic achievement during the past term at Madonna University were the following Novi residents:

**LINDA F. BRYANT-SAMS**, psychology; **IMAD T. JONNA**, history;

## Smith nabs top bowling scores

Continued from 2

Hunt, Kay Magas and Jean Zarem. A social time usually follows which include bridge, pinocle or bingo. Another trip in the planning is to Cornwell's Turkey House near Marshall, Mich. It will include dinner, shopping and theatre. Transportation will be provided.

### NOVI PIN POINTERS

High bowlers this week included Rosemary Smith of the Never a Doubt with 211 in a 536 series. Mary Scott of the Bowling Bags with 169. Colleen Smith of the Bowling Bags with 197. Marilyn Vallancourt of the Never a Doubt with 182. Barb Walling of the Bowling Bags with 191 and Debbie Lukesak of the Never a Doubt with 174. Standings are as follows:

Never a Doubt	94-74
Bowling Bags	93-75
Eager Beavers	90-78
B and L	84-84
Hi Lo	82-86
Century 21 W.	81%-86%
M and M	81-87
Adventurers	81-87
Looks! Good!	81-87
By a Hair	72%-95%

## Program helps return to work force

Schoolcraft College's Women's Resource Center is offering a Displaced Homemaker Program funded through grants from the departments of Education and Labor.

Project HERS (Homemaker's Employment Reentry System) offers career interest assessment, assertiveness training, resume writing and interview techniques.

Displaced homemakers are people who have worked in the home most of their lives and who have lost their source of income due to death, disability, desertion, divorce or separation from the person on whom they have been dependent.

Financial aid is available to cover the cost of tuition for those who are on public assistance, displaced homemakers, homemakers or single parents who lack adequate job skills as well as recent, skilled, full-time work experience.

Project HERS meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. For more information on registration and financial assistance, call 462-4443 to arrange an appointment.

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## Felician Sisters sought hospital



Barbara Louie

At that time an appeal was made to the religious order known as the Felician Sisters, who

When much of western Wayne County was still rural farmland and small towns, one needed to travel to Detroit for any serious medical care. Then, in 1953 when a devastating fire swept through the Livonia General Motors plant a need for more localized services was recognized.

After gaining further approval from the City of Livonia to install, maintain and finance water lines along Five Mile Road to the future structure, construction was finally begun in April, 1958.

At the end of 1959 the hospital opened with 160 beds. Two years later St. Mary Hospital received full accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

Providence Hospital, which has a medical center in Novi today, began as early as 1869 in Detroit. The Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul established the House of Providence as a home for abandoned children and arrived in Detroit's western suburbs possible.

When it was relocated to West Grand Boulevard in 1909, it became a general hospital. It remained as such for nearly 50 years. Then, in 1954, Providence Hospital merged with Detroit's oldest hospital, St. Mary's — no relation to Livonia's St. Mary — which served as a general hospital since 1850.

In 1965 Providence Hospital moved to its present headquarters in suburban Southfield, on a 22-acre tract near Northland Shopping Center.

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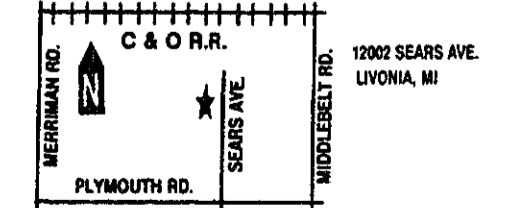
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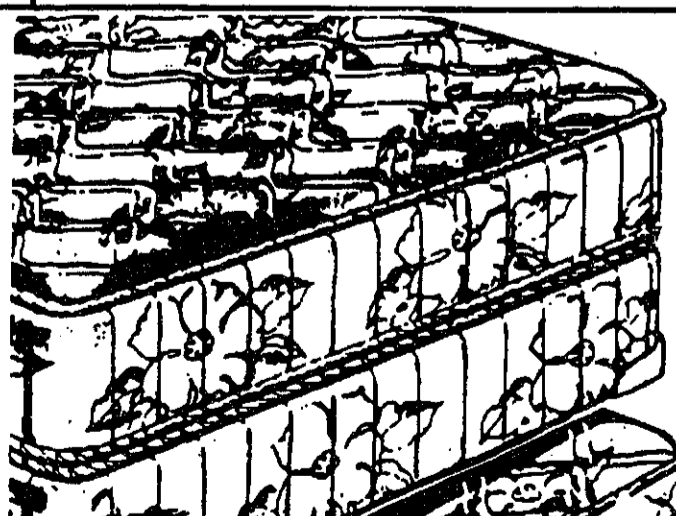


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# Travel

By WILLIAM T. TOMICKI  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

**Q: Where in Europe is the Tobacco Museum?**

**A:** In the northern German town of Bunde, at Furihhausen Strasse 12, travelers will find the German Tobacco and Cigar Museum, whose most popular exhibit is billed as the world's largest cigar.

This stogie is more than 5 feet long, weighs 20 pounds and can be smoked for 600 hours — although it is there to be looked at rather than smoked. Also on exhibit are more than 200 historic pipes ranging from Native American peace pipes to Chinese opium pipes. With about 40 cigarette factories, the town of Bunde is the heart of Germany's cigarette industry.

For further information contact the German National Tourist Office at (212) 508-3300 or Kreisverwaltung, 4900 Herford, Federal Republic of Germany. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

**Q: Are there any replicas of Christopher Columbus' ships for our children to see?**

**A:** To mark the 500th anniversary of the exploration of the New World, the Spanish government authorized construction of exact historic replicas of Columbus' Nina, Pinta and Santa Maria.

These ships began a 20-city tour of the United States on Feb. 15, when they arrived and docked in the Port of Miami for a three-day celebration. They will go on to ports in states including Texas, Louisiana, Florida, Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and California.

For further information contact the Discovery of America Quintennial Committee at the Hispanic Heritage Council's Miami 52 office at (305) 541-5023. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

**Q: We'd like to do some whale watching, but with more deluxe arrangements than the typical "in the rough" tours. Any ideas?**

**A:** The Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Marina del Rey, Calif., offers a two-night package that will take guests on a four-hour whale-watching excursion aboard the 84-passenger vessel Del Rey.

Participants go in search of gray, humpback and sperm whales off the waters of the Palos Verdes peninsula. The package also includes accommodations at the Ritz-Carlton, complimentary valet parking and use of the hotel's fitness center and sauna.

The price is \$480 per person (based on double occupancy) and the offer is available through March 31. For further information contact the Ritz-Carlton at (310) 823-1700. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

**Q: Is there a strawberry festival this spring?**

**A:** Yes, the ninth annual California Strawberry Festival will be held in Oxnard, Calif., north of Los Angeles, the weekend of May 16-17.

The festival offers a wide variety of attractions including live music, arts and crafts, contests and recipes and delicious foods made from strawberries.

For further information contact the City of Oxnard Office of Special Events at (805) 984-4715. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

Readers are invited to submit questions to William Tomicki, P.O. Box 5148, Santa Barbara, Calif. 93150. Although he cannot answer each query individually, selected questions will be included in this column.



Bicycle tours through Vermont are a fine way to exercise, see the countryside and spend the night in charming inns

## Discovering the joy of bike tours

Cycling companies offer tours across the U.S.A. and Europe

By EVERETT POTTER  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

Many Americans have discovered the joy of a bicycle tour.

They love the idea of riding through some of the world's most scenic locales — while a support van takes care of their luggage.

At night they stay in country inns, bed and breakfasts or even castles and chateaus.

The itinerary could take them through Vermont, Ireland or the vineyards of California.

"We get people of all ages, from their late 20s to their 70s, but the average age is about 42," says Bud Reed, managing director of Vermont Bicycle Touring (VBT), the company which pioneered the concept of bicycle tours in 1972.

Founded by John Freidlin, a Middlebury College professor, the company began by offering a bare-bones cycling program in pastoral Vermont.

"Freidlin realized that Vermont's ski lodges were underused in the summertime," Reed says. "He made some shrewd deals with the owners and set up a network of lodgings for

his groups. Later on, the company expanded to include country inns."

By the time Freidlin sold VBT in 1986 to its present owner, Bill Perry, he had made Vermont synonymous with bicycle tours and watched a host of competitors spring up around the country.

Perry expanded VBT's offerings to include western Europe — France, England and Holland — as well as Hawaii and New Zealand.

"Back in 1972 there were maybe 40 or 50 cyclists who used VBT," Reed says. "Now we average 5,000 riders a season."

"Lots of people are looking for active getaways but they're not athletes. They're casual weekend cyclists," Reed says. "They're often apprehensive when they start a tour. They think everyone else is athletic and that they'll be left in the dust. We try to dispel those fears."

Both VBT's weekend and five-day tours are geared to cyclists of varying ability.

The five-day Wanderer trips are designed for beginning-through-intermediate cyclists who can pedal 20 miles to 30 miles a day.

More difficult are the Vagabond tours, for intermediate-through-advanced cyclists, who can average 35 miles to 45 miles daily.

About half of VBT's cyclists rent a customized 12-speed touring bicycle, at \$48 for two days and \$89 for five days. Helmets are distributed free. Tours average 20 riders and are accompanied by two bike-riding leaders as well as a support van.

The weekend trips average \$279 per person, while five-day Inn to Inn trips average \$799 per person. (All prices quoted are for land costs only.)

Among the most popular five-day trips is the Otter Valley Wanderer, which takes cyclists through the Champlain Valley — to Vermont towns such as Danby, Dorset and Middlebury. Participants also visit the Waybury Inn, which was featured on television's "Newhart."

VBT's European offerings include a seven-day trip through the Bordeaux region of France for \$1,299 per person. For further information contact VBT, Box 711, Bristol, Vt. 05433 or call (802) 453-4811.

VCC Four Seasons Cycling also offers a wide range of weekend and

week-long cycling tours in Vermont and 10 other states, including Florida, Mississippi and Virginia.

This company gears its tours to riders of all abilities and rents bicycles to those who need them.

The Country Weekends average \$299 per person while the five-day vacations average \$775 per person.

The company's international division, Traven International, offers extensive programs throughout Europe, including five nights in Provence for \$1,675 per person and seven nights in the Veneto region of Italy for \$2,850 per person.

For further information contact VCC Four Seasons Cycling, P.O. Box 145, Waterbury Center, Vt. 05677 or call (802) 244-8751.

Backroads Bicycle Touring now claims to be the largest such tour operator in the country, taking more than 8,000 cyclists a year to more than 60 destinations, including California, Colorado and the People's Republic of China.

The company has even designed its own touring bicycles, which can be rented or purchased. A classic Backroads tour goes for five days

through the California wine country of Napa, Sonoma and Alexander valleys for \$1,195 per person.

A 14-day tour through China's Guangxi and Guangxi provinces is \$2,950 per person.

For further information contact Backroads Bicycle Touring, 1516 Fifth St., Suite RP, Berkeley, Calif. 94710 or call (800) 245-3874.

Several smaller companies specialize in certain regions. For example, Euro-Bike Tours (P.O. Box 40, DeKalb, Ill. 60115; telephone 815-758-8851) offers trips through 14 western European countries, including a 15-day trip in the Danish Isles and Sweden for \$2,565 per person.

Other companies such as Peter Costello Ltd. (P.O. Box 23490, Baltimore, Md. 21203; telephone 301-783-1229), specialize in a single country.

Scottish-born Costello personally leads six-day tours through the Borders region of Scotland, including four trips that coincide with the Edinburgh International Festival, for \$1,075 per person.

## Bike tours available for 'chronologically gifted'

By GENE AND ADELE MALOTT  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

Two bicycle-tour companies are featuring bike hikes especially for seniors this year.

Among the 60 international cycling trips offered by Backroads Bicycle Touring are two new Prime Time trips for bicyclers age 60 and older.

Both are weekend jaunts through Southern California's Santa Inez Valley, starting and ending in the Danish community of Solvang.

The route is mostly level and rolling with some hills," says the company brochure. Along the way will be wine-tasting, a picnic, a visit to a restored religious mission and swimming.

The tours, set for April 10-12 and Oct. 16-18, cost \$395 per person. Bike rentals are available, for an extra \$55 fee.

For further information contact Backroads Bicycle Touring, 1516 Fifth St., Suite RP, Berkeley, Calif. 94710 or call (800) 245-3874.

International Bicycle Tours is offering two week-long bike hikes just for cyclists age 49 and older. The trips go through Holland's farmlands and quaint villages.

"Even if you haven't been on a bicycle in 20 years, the flat terrain of Holland will ease you back into gear," says director Frank Bahrendt.

The tours are scheduled for June 25 through July 3 and Aug. 6-14. For further information contact International Bicycle Tours Inc., P.O. Box 754, Essex, Conn. 06426 or call (203) 767-7005. The land-only portion of the trip costs \$1,260 per person.

ITALY'S AMALFI COAST IS BECKONING

New Haven, Conn.-based tour packager Diana Presents is offering a series of new trips to Italy's Amalfi coast — exclusively for travelers age 60 and older.

The trip is for those "who want to explore another culture, but don't want to have to worry about how their daily needs will be met," says Presents.

The cost, starting at \$2,399 per person, includes airfare to Rome, three meals daily and accommodations at three-star hotels.

Participants stay in Amalfi, with extra-fee excursions to Ravello, Amalfi, Positano, Naples, Pompeii and Vesuvio. The trip includes wine-tastings, lectures, cooking classes, hairdresser visits or barber services and theater tickets in Naples.

For further information, have a local travel agent contact Presents at (800) 441-3465.

If Italy isn't appealing just now, a local travel agent can find other seniors-only trips. Hundreds are being offered by a growing number of tour packagers who specialize in trips for mature travelers.

And be sure to get on the mailing lists for Grand Circle Travel (800-221-2610) and Saga Holidays (800-343-0273), which specialize in seniors-only trips.

HONOLULU'S BAD-NEWS BUS

Since the early 1970s, the Hawaii transit system offered free rides to seniors anywhere on Oahu.

cents per ride, \$27 for a four-year pass or \$6 for a one-month half-fare pass.

Neither pass is a good deal for short-time tourists.

The local city councilmen eliminated free rides for seniors because most of the beneficiaries were tourists, rather than Hawaii residents.

READERS WRITE: FEW SENIORS AWARE OF GOLDEN AGE PASS

DEAR TMT: We are hosts at a federal campground in the Sierra mountains and are surprised so many travelers don't know about the "Golden Age" passport and the Golden Access card for handicapped mature travelers.

These passes are free and entitle holders to a 50 percent discount on camping fees in most national parks. Janet and Clarence Montgomery, Desert Hot Springs, Calif.

DEAR J.&C.M.: Yes, and the passes are also good for free admission to national parks such as Black Hills National Forest in South Dakota, Valley Forge National Historical Park in Pennsylvania and Acadia National Park in Maine.

Travelers age 62 and older can get the passes by contacting a variety of national government-agency offices — for example, the local Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Park Service, Army Engineers or Fish and Wildlife departments.

These offices are located in major cities and small towns across the country.

For mature travelers it's the best time of life to get up and go! The aim of this column is to help make it happen.

special trips that will be reported on are for 49ers-plus, the information can help younger travelers spot values too.

Mature travelers should remember that wherever they go, whatever they do, they should always ask for the senior-citizen discount, even if one isn't posted. That's one of the main privileges of being among the "chronologically gifted" who are 50 or over.

Readers are invited to submit questions and comments to Gene and Adele Malott, c/o New York Times Syndicate, 130 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10011. Send the Malotts a postcard from your trip with ideas, questions and information on the bargains you find for seniors.

The Malotts are the publishers of THE MATURE TRAVELER: Travel Bonanzas for 49ers-Plus, a newsletter for mature travelers.

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Members of the Northville Players rehearse for this weekend's production of *Plaza Suite*. From left are John Foster as the Bellboy, Nancy Levy as Miss McCormack, Jerry Salas as Sam Nash, and Jacquie Rundell as Karen Nash.

## Theater group opens new season

The Northville Players open their fifth season this weekend with Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite." This is the ninth performance since the inception of the Northville Players in 1988. John Hall and Cindy Bullington will direct. Starring in the play are the local talents of Jacquie Rundell, Jerry Salas, Charles Jarratt, Jont

Eastworth, Steve Hillard and Jay Gilshire-Hillard. The supporting cast consists of John Foster, Nancy Levy, Stephanie Kerr and Gale Morcude. The play represents the Northville Players' first foray into dinner theater. Advance registration was required for the dinner, but general admission tickets may still be available. The play

runs 8 p.m. this Friday and Saturday at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main. Tickets are available at Bookstall on the Main or by calling 344-1969. For more information about the play or the Northville Players, call 349-1205 or 344-1969.

## Intown

### Music

**BAND CONCERT:** The Northville High School Band presents a "Pre-Festival Intertide" concert featuring the symphonic band and jazz ensemble at 7:30 p.m. tonight, March 5. Admission is \$2 at the door. Concert at the Northville High School Auditorium.

**MR. B'S FARM:** Mr. B's Farm, on Novi Road above Ten Mile, presents a "Strings 'N' Things Jam" from 8 p.m. to midnight every Sunday night. Local artists get together for impromptu jams. For more information call Mr. B's Farm at 349-7038.

**STARTING GATE:** The Starting Gate Saloon offers live music every Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. The Starting Gate is located at 135 N. Center in downtown Northville.

**WHISPERS LOUNGE:** Whispers Lounge, in the Novi Hilton, is open Monday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday, noon to 1 a.m. Live entertainment from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

**VICTOR'S:** Where can you find an active Hammond organ, great music and good food? Answer: Victor's of Novi. Call 349-1438 ahead to find out if nostalgic Connie Mallett will be on keyboard.

A graduate of the mid-life crisis, master of the Hammond and the venerable Nov Chamber executive director, Mallett charms her audiences at Victor's with such favorites as "Misty," "New York, New York" and "Moonlight Serenade." Her playing is smooth and familiar without being too sweet; easy listening with the elevator.

**PIANO MAN:** Pianist Tom Altenburg is now performing nightly at the Country Epicure restaurant. Altenburg, who has delighted audiences for years in metropolitan Detroit, performs new and classic selections Tuesday through Saturday. Crowds are welcome to sing along beginning at 7 p.m. each night. Country Epicure is located at 42050 Grand River between Meadowbrook and Novi roads. For more information call, 349-7770.

**WEEKNIGHT JAZZ:** Home Sweet Home restaurant, on Nine Mile just east of Novi Road, offers live jazz every Wednesday from 8-11 p.m. Performances are by the Buddy Buskin Band with featured vocalist Eric Brandon. Often local jazz stars

like Ursula Walker and Marcus Belgrave sit in as well. There is no additional charge for the performances. For more information, call the restaurant at 347-0095.

**CHURCH CONCERT SERIES:** The First Presbyterian Church of Northville presents its 1991-92 concert series. The remaining schedule is as follows: David Lee Heinzman, organist and composer, in a concert of original music for organ, Sunday, March 8, at 4 p.m. Men and Boys Choir of Christ Church, Grosse Pointe, D. Frederick DeHaven, conductor, in a concert of English Cathedral Music, Sunday, May 17, at 4 p.m. Tickets to all concerts are \$8 each. For more information call 349-0911.

### Theater

**NORTHVILLE PLAYERS:** The Northville Players present a dinner theater production of Neil Simon's *Plaza Suite* March 6 and 7 at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main. Dinner theater tickets are \$19.50, with dinner starting at 6:45 p.m. There are also a limited number of general-admission seats for the play, starting at 8 p.m., at \$7 each. Tickets are available at Bookstall on the Main or by calling 344-1969. For more information about the play or the play, call 349-1205 or 344-1969.

**"ON GOLDEN POND":** The Plymouth Theatre Guild presents *On Golden Pond* at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, March 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28; and at 6 p.m. Sundays, March 15 and 22. The March 20 performance will include a sign-language interpreter for hearing-impaired audience members.

The production will be at the Water Tower Theater, on the campus of Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road. Tickets are \$7 for adults or \$6 for seniors and students. \$1 off if purchased in advance, on Pennant Deli or Sir Speedy Printing in Plymouth. Group rates available. For ticket information call 349-7110.

**NOVI PLAYERS:** The Novi Players present *Shay*, written by Waterford's Anne Commie, March 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, and 15. Friday and Saturday performances are at 8 p.m.; Sunday performances are at 2 p.m. Performances are by the Novi Expo Center, on Novi Road below I-96 (behind Elias Brothers). Please phone 349-0522 or fax

349-4641 for reservations. Group rates are available. Large parties can be accommodated for any additional charge. The Genittis Gift Shop will be open for dinner guests. Valet parking is available during the evening.

**DINNER THEATER:** The Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main, presents a family dinner theater production with The Actor's Company. "Earthlings," on Friday, April 3, is a musical designed for education about ecology in an entertaining way. Dinner at 6:15 p.m. and show at 7. Tickets \$9 per person. For more information, call at 349-0203.

**MURDER MYSTERIES, OPERA AT GENITTIS:** Genittis' Hole-in-the-Wall Restaurant continues to present its Murder Mystery and Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre performances. Genittis now has three different production companies performing three different Murder Mystery Dinner Theaters. Every Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. separate performances are planned in separate dining rooms. Reservations are required for all shows.

Special performances of the Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre are now available for large groups of people any day of the week, day or evening, lunch or dinner time. Dinner is served. As the crime unfolds during the performance, the guests try to discover who "committed the murder" through clues given out during heated exchanges between cast members. Additional clues and motives are given out as the cast mingles with the guests. Small gifts are awarded to those who correctly guess the identity of the murderer.

The standard seven-course dinner is served family style, like an old Italian wedding: lots of food, served hot, homemade soup, antipasto salad, vegetables, Italian sausage, baked chicken, Italian steak (pork), garlic toast, beverage and a luscious dessert.

The "Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre" is now scheduled the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. All arias are performed by the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan. Special performances are available for large groups. Reservations are required for all shows. Genittis' "Hole-in-the-Wall" restaurant is located in downtown Northville at 108 East Main St. Just east of Center Street (Sheldon Road). The Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre and the Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre including the seven-course dinner costs \$25 per person (including tax and tip). Please phone 349-0522 or fax

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### Art

**GATE VI GALLERY:** The Gate VI Gallery is located in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile. Now showing is the annual Photo Show, featuring the winners of the 1991 Novi Photo Contest and other selected contest entries.

From March 10-21 will be the traveling photo exhibit of Oakland County parks sponsored by the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission. The display features color photographs highlighting facilities, activities, and events at the nine Oakland County parks.

### Literature

**BOOK AND AUTHOR LUNCHEON:** A local writer with 30 published works will speak at a benefit book and author luncheon Tuesday, March 10, at the Novi Civic Center. Ruth Ryan Langan of Farmington Hills will appear with the Friends of Northville, Novi, Plymouth and Canton libraries as hosts. She will speak following the luncheon, which will be catered by Home Sweet Home Restaurant of Novi. The novelist and romance writer has appeared on *The Phil Donahue Show*, *Good Morning America*, *Kelly and Company*, and the *Brian O'Connell Show* in Montreal. After publishing many paperback works, the mother of five adult children is at work on a hardbound novel for a British publisher, and with two other writers has crafted a screenplay and is working on another feature-length screenplay. *Highland Heart* will be in book stores this month. Tickets are available at any of the four libraries at \$10 each. No tickets will be sold after Wednesday, March 4, and none will be sold at the door. Groups of six to eight guests may reserve a table if all tickets are purchased at the same time. Checks are payable to the Friends of Northville Public Library. The Novi Civic Center is located at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road between Novi and Tall Roads. Seating is available at 11:30; luncheon will be served at noon.

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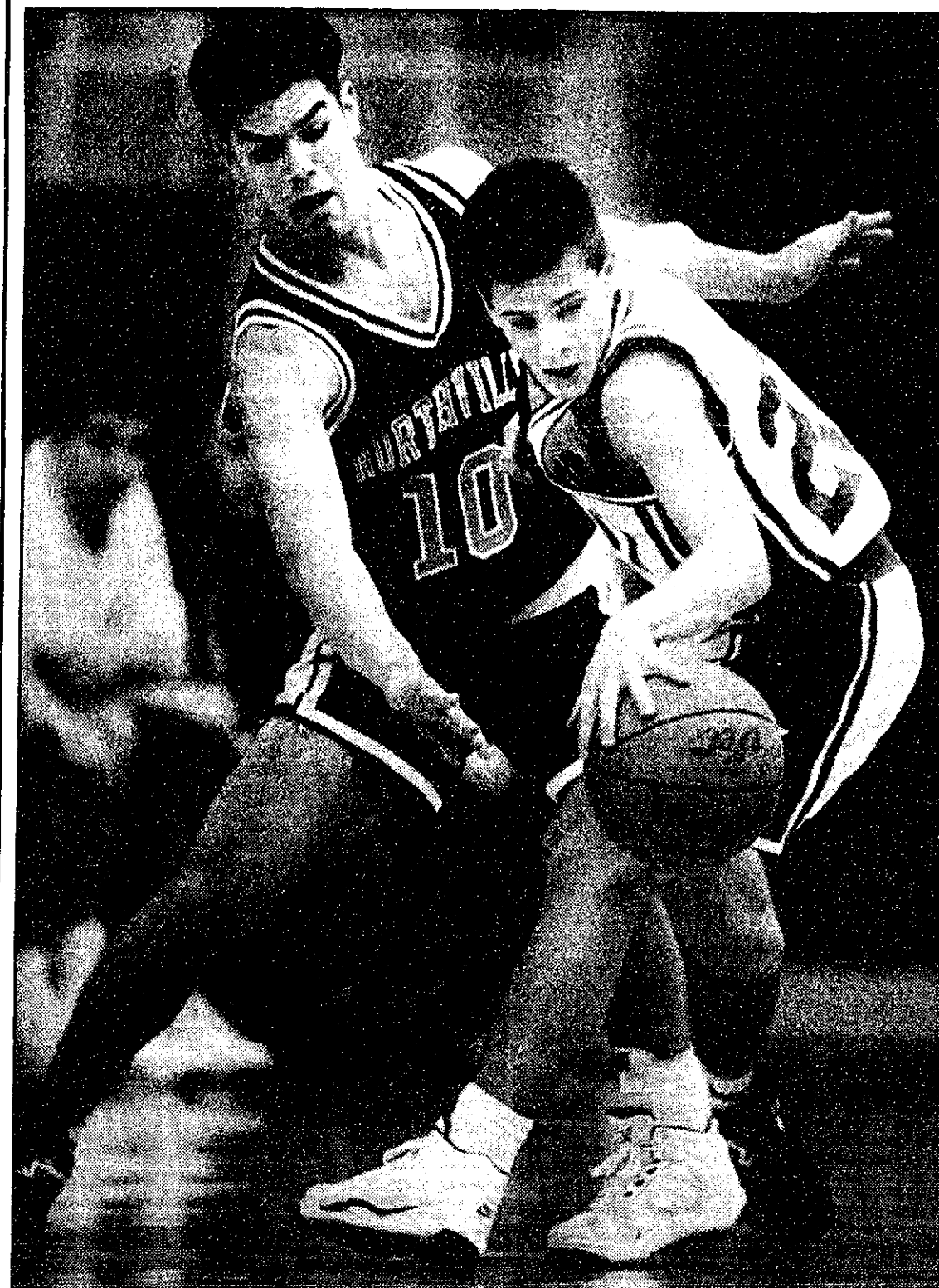
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Tony Wise (Right) battles with Northville's Ryan Huzjak.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Cagers whip Milford, fall to Baseline rival Northville

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Sports Writer

A strong third quarter propelled the Wildcat basketball team to a 53-45 Kensington Valley Conference win over Milford Friday night. The win moved Novi to 14-5 overall. It was the Cats' 24th consecutive league victory, including 11-0 this season. Beating the Redskins also gave the Wildcats the undisputed KVC crown. Had the Cats lost their final two league games, they still would have been champions, but would have had the same 10-2 mark as Howell.

"That would have been an empty feeling," said coach Bob Shoemaker. "That win allows us to look ahead (past South Lyon) to the state tournament." Novi started fast against Milford. Jumping out to a 12-3 lead, the Redskins fought back though as 6-foot-6 center Brandon Phillips scored seven in the first quarter. Milford, in fact, held Novi scoreless the rest of the period and trailed only 12-11 after one. Shoemaker said the Redskins played their typically methodical game in the opening eight minutes.

"They were very patient," he said. "They play such disciplined offense. What they do, they do well." The Redskins continued their slow pace in the second. Milford's zone defense, which surprised Shoemaker, held the Cats to just nine points in the second. The Redskins managed one more and tied the game going into halftime at 21.

Dave York and Mike Kramer each had three points as the second quarter. Phillips scored eight for Milford. Novi took charge in the third. The tight Wildcat man-to-man defense returned Milford's favor

and held the Redskins to nine. A balanced attack led by five from Kramer, all free throws, moved Novi ahead by six. York continued his improved play of late with another three-point shot and three free throws for six points. The junior had 14 in the game, missing only one shot from the floor.

"He really upgraded his game," Shoemaker said. "He's coming on." Novi maintained its lead in the fourth by sinking 11 of 12 free throws. Milford never got closer than five in the period. For the game, Kramer led the Wildcats with 21 points. York had 14 and Walker nine.

**NORTHVILLE 64, NOVI 63:** The Wildcats tried to go to the well once too often and were burned in the Feb. 25 non-conference rematch against the Mustangs. In the schools' earlier season meeting, on Dec. 17, the Wildcats used a last-second shot to win the ball game 47-46. Novi's Mike Kramer tried to repeat that scenario last week but couldn't and Northville walked away with its one-point win.

Northville coach Omar Harrison said he was concerned about the game because his squad had been off from classes. "I didn't know how the kids would react," he said. Both teams played a sluggish first quarter.

Novi did manage to build a 13-3 lead with nearly half the quarter gone. The Wildcats' offense was a two-man show with Kramer and Walker starring. Kramer pumped in eight and Walker the other five in the 10-point lead.

Novi's Northville clamped down on the Cats from that point, holding them off the scoreboard the rest of the way. Ryan Huzjak led a Mustang comeback by nailing a three-

## Tankers take second place

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Sports Writer

Novi's second place showing in the Brighton Relays Saturday came with mixed blessings. The Wildcats finished behind only Birmingham Brother Rice at the annual meet. A total of 10 teams competed in the two-day event. Despite the good team showing, Novi failed to qualify any new swimmers for state competition next week. Derek Speerscheider and the team's two divers, Adam Cox

and Jim Luther, are the only Wildcats to qualify. "We were happy to get the second-place finish," said coach Mark Mason. "But we would have liked some individuals to do better."

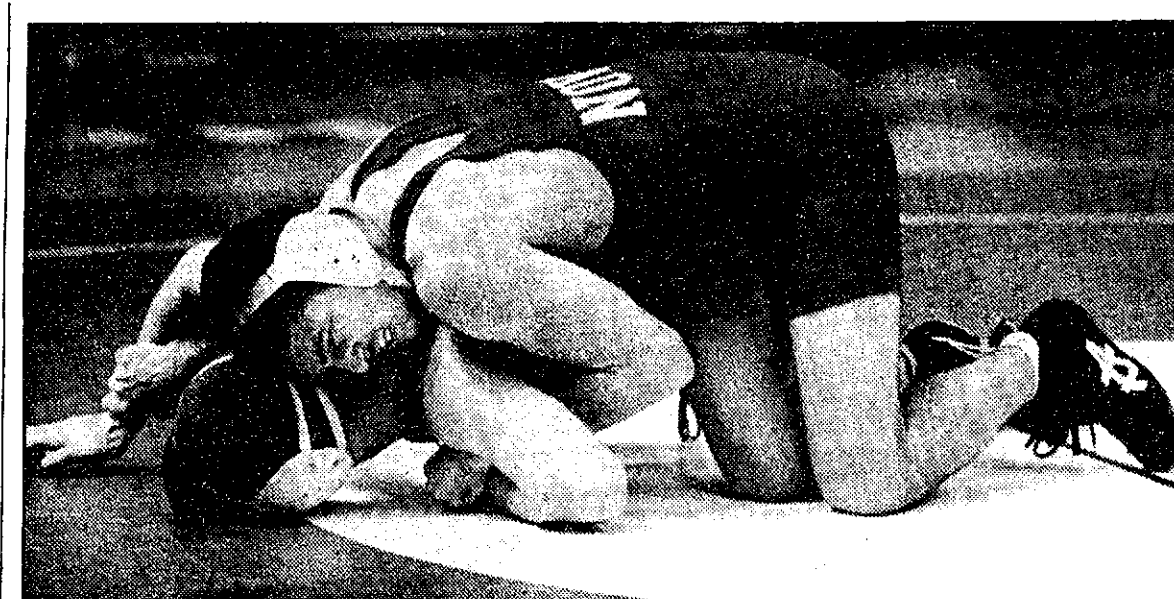
The Brighton event was the last chance for swimmers to qualify this season.

The Cats started the Saturday meet slowly. The team of Ryan Bush, Curt Speerscheider, Dan Clark and Dennis Suchyta came in 11th in the 200-yard freestyle relay

with a time of 1:55.19. Novi's Mike Lafferty got things heated up in the 200-yard freestyle by winning the event in 1:50.01. Just a fraction slower than the state qualifying time. Mike Speerscheider was second in 1:51.01 and Jim Rowlands finished eighth.

Derek Speerscheider took first in the 200 IM in 2:02.55. Rob Murch was 15th with a 2:25.94.

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Josh Riggs wrestled well, but failed to advance from regionals.

Photo by HAL GOULD

## Scappaticci goes to state finals

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Sports Writer

Novi wrestler Tony Scappaticci advanced to the state finals with three wins in regional competition Saturday.

The 152-pounder will be part of a field of 16 when the state meet gets under way in Battle Creek March 13. According to coach Tom Fritz, Scappaticci has a good chance of placing high in his weight class. "I kind of look for Tony to be in the top four in the state," Fritz commented.

The path to the finals wasn't an easy one for Scappaticci. He was in the toughest weight division in the state, "his coach said. "He did a nice job."

Riggs went up against Monroe's Ryan Schimming in his first match. Schimming, who was fourth in the state last year, pinned the Wildcat at 1:32 mark. The assignment didn't get easier as Riggs went up against Livonia Frankler's Fred Vargas. The Novi wrestler won a hard-fought match, however, 4-2.

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"He has improved," Fritz said. "He's one of the smartest wrestlers — mat-sense — I've had."

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## Spikers split pair in league matches

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Sports Writer

The Wildcat volleyball team closed their regular season last week with a split against Kensington Valley Conference rivals Milford and South Lyon.

The Feb. 24 win over the Redskins insured Novi of its first winning season in years. The Cats stand at 9-7 heading into district competition Saturday.

Novi will play Canton in the first round of districts. A win would match them against either Northville, Salem or Livonia Stevenson.

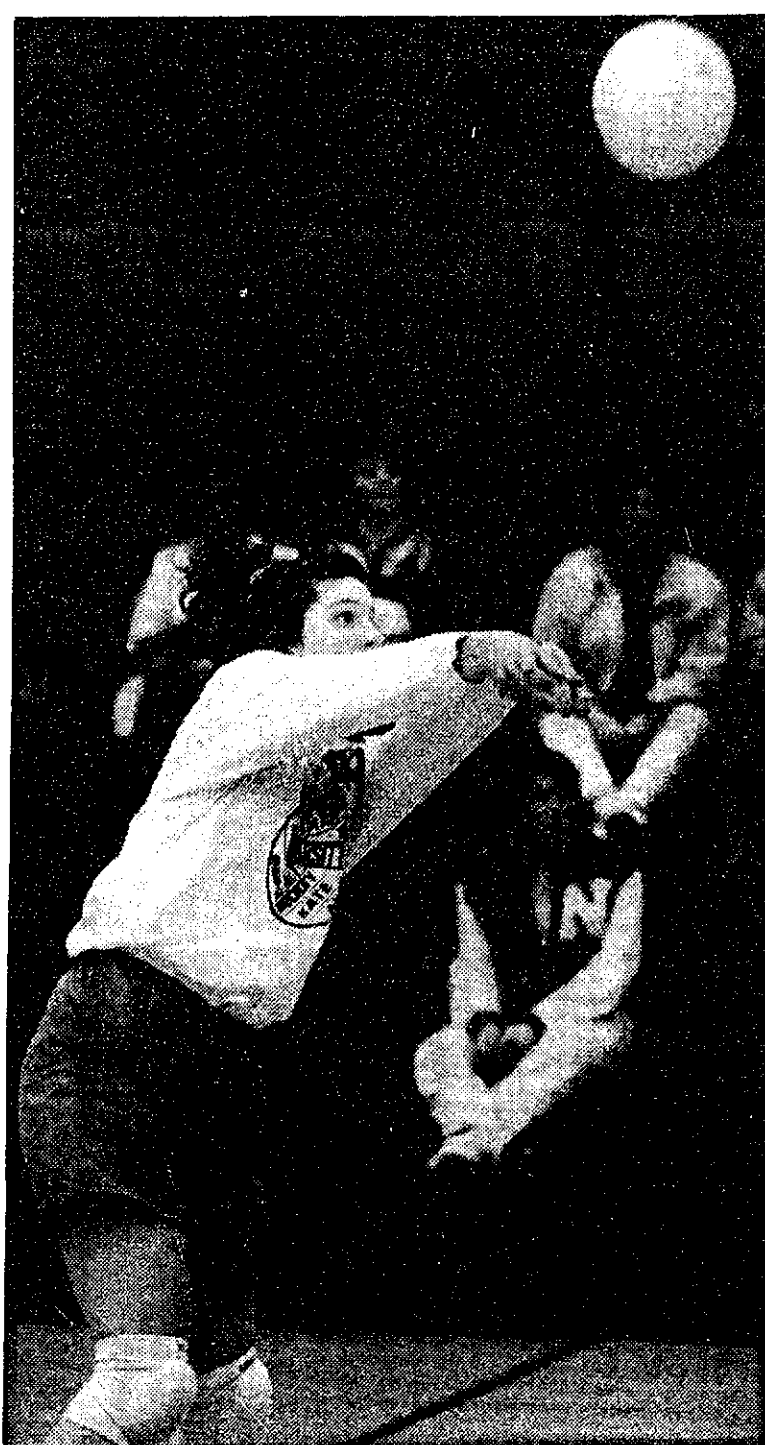
Mary Yankowski, Laura Jones, Elisa Munro, Becky Lanyon and Diane Bassett played their last regular season match at home against Milford.

"The seniors were really hyped," said coach Amy Wagner. "They were ready to play."

Indeed, Novi jumped out to a 7-0 lead before Milford got on the scoreboard. It didn't get much better from there as the Wildcats breezed to a 15-3 win in game one. Jones collected five points for Novi. Several other each notched three.

The Wildcats found themselves in a dogfight in the early going of game two.

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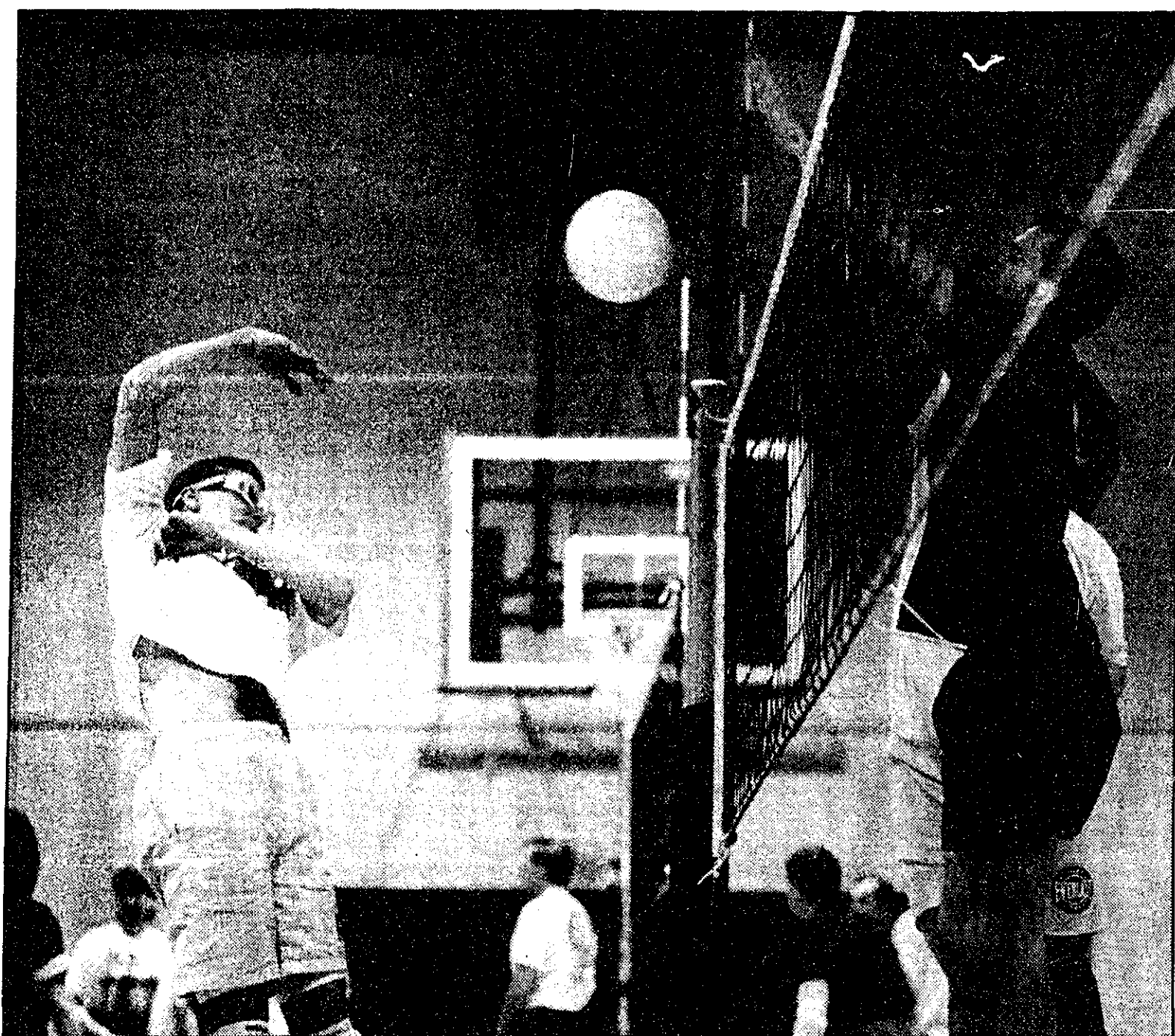
Kate MacKenzie returns volley.

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Volleyball has grown in popularity in Novi.

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## Park and rec offers volleyball bonanza

By CINDY STEWART

Since 1976, Novi residents have bumped, set and spiked their way through the fall and winter seasons for Novi Parks and Recreation adult volleyball leagues.

Volleyball has grown in popularity over the past 16 years, from 25 co-ed and women's teams in 1976 to 36 co-ed and men's teams in 1992. The past two seasons organizers have had to turn away 12 teams due to lack of gym space. One team has been playing together for 17 years.

The volleyball league is the most inexpensive rec team sport available through parks and recreation. Many of the teams get sponsors to help pay the fee and provide team shirts. A number of Novi businesses have become involved, including Mr. B's Farm (sponsors four teams), Mike Gabriel's State Farm Insurance (sponsors two teams), Shield's Restaurant, McNish's Sporting Goods, Phyl's Barber-Styling, JCK & Associates, O'Brien's Funeral Home, Gatsby's and Hewlett-Packard.

Sponsor Mike Gabriel has sponsored for the last four years, team shirts and all. "It's a nice way to help my community, and I have a lot of friends and clients on the team," said Gabriel. "I'm also on the roster as a sub, but the team does better without me."

This season is very special for the Novi volleyball league. It is the first time Novi has a team qualify for the Michigan Recreation & Park Association (MRPA) State Volleyball Tournament. "Polmar," a Division I Co-ed Team will play in the State Tournament March 28 and 29.

Paul and Kathy Shillito, managers of Polmar, are very excited about going to the state tournament. This team has been together for a year and a half, but members have played together for seven years in the Novi Volleyball League. It's a family sport since Kathy's sister, Caroline Lowry, also plays on the team.

Kathy and Caroline played volleyball for Novi High School during the late 1970s and early 1980s. 1980 was the only year the sisters played

together on the Varsity team.

"We love volleyball and have never quit playing since high school," said Kathy. "After you learn the rules, you like to play on a good team and Novi has a great league. I especially like the co-ed teams because they are more competitive and more fun. Paul, Caroline and I play on a Monday and Thursday team with the same people on our rosters and I also play on Wednesdays in a women's league in South Lyon."

Novi Parks and Recreation and Novi Middle School, where all the games are played, bought the volleyball nets. "We have 36 teams playing on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday leagues during our fall and winter seasons which run from September through March," said Deanne Adaschik, Novi Parks and Recreation Coordinator.

"Currently, we utilize all of the Novi school gyms with the exception of the high school, seven days a week for parks and rec practices and leagues. If we could get more time, we could definitely fill it since we had 12

teams on a waiting list for the fall season and seven for the winter season," said Deanne, coordinator of the volleyball league.

Gary and Linda Wyatt started playing as a fun way to exercise during the winter months. They have played together for the last four years on a Division II team and enjoy the game. "A lot of the teams in our division have been playing together for a long time and are evenly matched," said Gary. "We have good referees who also make the game fun and everyone has a great time."

Both the fall and winter volleyball seasons are 10 weeks long and the winter season includes a playoff. Teams carry 12 players on their rosters and are allowed a maximum of three non-resident players. The leagues offered now are Co-ed Division III, and Co-ed Division I-II. Each league is limited to 12 teams.

For more information about Novi Parks and Recreation Volleyball Leagues, call 347-0400. Cindy Stewart is the Director of Public Information for the City of Novi.

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## Colon cancer a leading cause of death



Raymond Hobbs, M.D.

Until former President Reagan developed colon cancer, it was a disease the American public knew little about.

People were hesitant to discuss the subject and to have necessary preventive measures done despite the ongoing efforts of the American Cancer Society

and other agencies. This was frustrating to physicians because if detected early, colon cancer is easy to cure. This week I will discuss what colon cancer is, who is at risk for it and how it develops.

Cancer of the colon is cancer of the large intestine. It involves the last portion of the bowel — the area where digested food is converted into feces and stored until it can be expelled from the body. It should be easier to detect and treat than many other cancer types since bleed-

### Health tips

ing from the tumor may be noticed in the stool at an early stage. Since the colon is not necessary for absorption of food (that process takes place in the small intestine) nor necessary for life, colon cancer can often be removed with 100 percent cure rate.

Cancer of the colon and rectum accounts for 15 percent of all cancers and is the third leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States. It is infrequent before age 40 and becomes more prevalent with increasing age. By age 75 it becomes the most common fatal cancer in men and the second most common fatal cancer in women. In all there is about 60 percent of an individual developing it at sometime during his or her life.

The cause of colon cancer is not precisely known, although physicians have identified de-

finite risk factors which make its development more likely. Many studies have found colon cancer to be more common in industrialized societies which consume a low-fiber, high-fat diet, such as many Americans eat. There is also evidence that large amounts of alcohol and in particular, beer, may make the development of this cancer more likely.

Heredity also plays a definite roll in predicting who will develop the disease. If an individual has more than one close relative such as a parent or sibling with colon cancer or if the relative developed it before 40, he or she has a higher risk and should be carefully watched and evaluated by a physician. Other more unusual causes of colon cancer include ulcerative colitis, previous radiation exposure to the bowel and rare inherited disorders such as familial polyposis.

Colon cancer usually begins as a small tumor in the bowel which may appear as a polyp, a small growth that may project upward like a finger or be more flat and spreading like a small cauliflower. Most polyps tend to occur on the left side of the colon, near the rectum.

### Rec Briefs

## Summer jobs available through city

**Summer jobs:** The recreation department is now hiring for 1992 summer seasonal jobs. Pick up an application and job descriptions at the Civic Center personnel department or at the rec department. Jobs available include day camp junior leaders, mobile recreation leaders and youth league supervisors.

**Lifeguards:** The Novi Parks and Recreation department is also hiring lifeguards. Current WSI or Lifesaving Certification required. Mature individuals should have some guard experience and be at least 17 years old. Applications can be picked up at the rec department.

**Youth Softball:** Registration has begun for Novi Parks and Recreation youth softball leagues. Divisions include Coach-pitch for 7- to 8-year-olds, youth leagues for 9- to 10-year-olds, and more leagues up through 18-year-olds. Deadline for registration is April 10.

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**REAL ESTATE**
**First-time buyers increase as interest rates decrease**

 By James M. Woodard  
 Copley News Service

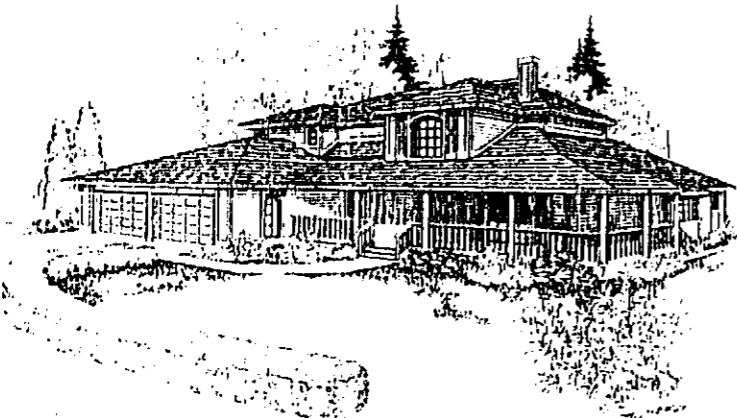
Today's prospective first-time home buyers are a determined bunch. They are even more motivated to own a home of their own than were their parents and grandparents.

In many cases, those first-time buyers (usually between the ages of 18 and 34) become two-income families to afford and qualify for a home. They will sacrifice other pleasures and focus their financial resources on a home. And to generate a needed down payment to

make a purchase, they may borrow from relatives or close friends. Most young families are willing to make those sacrifices and do whatever is necessary to acquire a home of their own. The most actively growing segment of the real estate market is now first-time home buyers in most areas.

In recent months, declining mortgage interest rates helped to qualify many first-time buyers who would have been priced out of the market a year ago. The median family income for first-time buyers rose 3.2 percent in 1991— from

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**HOME DESIGNS**

**The Constantine mixes classic and contemporary**

 By James McAlexander  
 Copley News Service

The country-style exterior of the Constantine, with its wide, wrap-around veranda, belies the mix of classic formality and contemporary amenities found inside.

Curved arches, flanked by formal columns, mark the passage between rooms in the family living area, and the home even boasts a formal parlor. Well, nearly formal.

Lacking doors, it can't be considered totally formal. Nor did any traditional parlor ever have a see-through fireplace linking it with a family room. But despite these innovations, families who wish to reserve the parlor for quiet pursuits can still do so.

Even more secluded is the sumptuous master suite, the only sleeping area located on the main floor. Columns flank the oversize bathtub, adding a touch of understated elegance.

Other features include generous his-and-hers walk-in closets, a double vanity and the welcome privacy of a compartmentalized toilet.

Designed to suit the needs of an active family, this plan puts the family room right smack dab in the center of the home. Sliding-glass

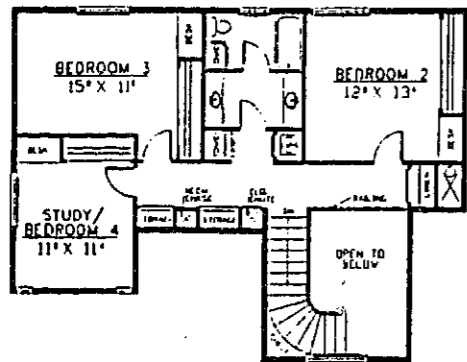
doors open onto a wide deck also accessible from the bright, window-lined eating nook. The spacious country kitchen is convenient to both the nook and the dining room.

The graceful open staircase that curves up one side of a wide, two-story-high foyer has an overlook at the upper landing. Two of the three rooms upstairs definitely are bedrooms. A third also could be a bedroom, or could just as easily be outfitted as a home office sewing room or whatever.

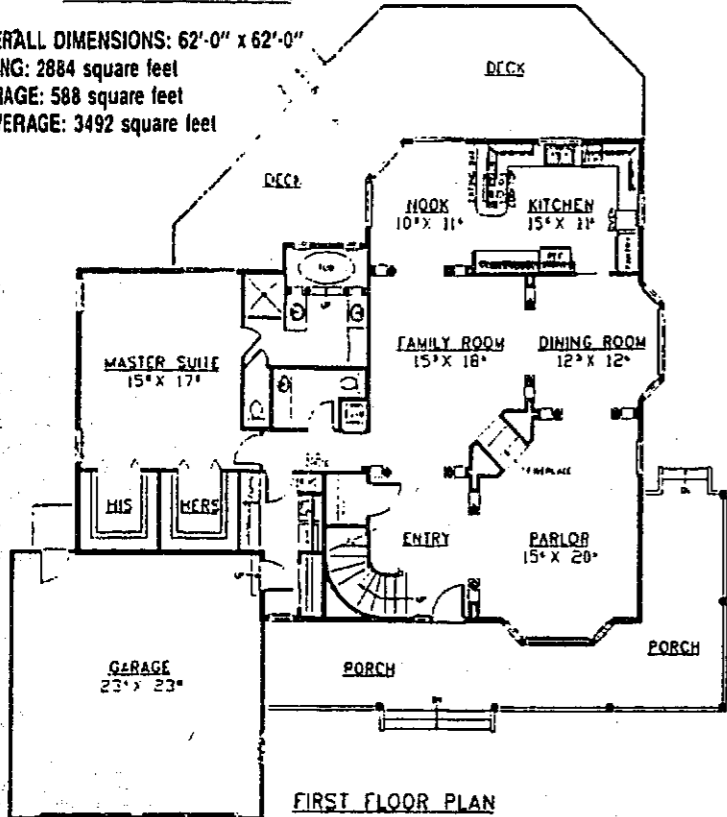
The occupants of this floor share a bathroom designed to handle heavy traffic with ease. Tub and toilet are enclosed separately, offering complete privacy. And the double vanity allows two people to primp at once without getting in each other's way.

A laundry chute near the top of the stairs feeds into the utility room below.

For a study plan of the Constantine (209-49), 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.)



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The Schilstra farm, located in Lyon Township, is about ninety years-old.

**Living in the PAST**

 By Pamela Dear  
 Special Writer

Lois and David Schilstra can be called gentlemen farmers. Eleven years ago while they were searching for their first home, this New Jersey couple chose to purchase a circa 1903 Michigan farmhouse.

Their delightful two-story yellow aluminum-sided home with its cranberry shutters sits gracefully on a five-acre parcel on a quiet country road in Lyon Township.

"It was love at first sight for me," Lois explained. "We were searching for four months working with five or six realtors. There were only two houses left to see, and when I walked into the living room of this house, I said, 'This is it,'" she added.

Because husband David grew up on a Black Angus farm, the couple didn't want a typical home located in a subdivision, but rather they sought something specifically with acreage.

This comfortable 2,500-square-foot home has four bedrooms, two and one-half baths, large country kitchen, family room with a wood-burner, formal dining room and living room, main floor laundry room, full basement, plus a detached two and one-half car garage and an 18-by-33 foot pole barn.

On the historic farm, the Schilstras raise cattle, and last year they boarded three special cows that were carrying prize-winning embryos.

In the past four years, they raised sheep and last year tried meat chickens. Lois likes animals and enjoys caring for the livestock. Family pets include an Airedale named Goliath and a cat. The Schilstras also maintain a vegetable and flower garden.

Lois is a full-time mother and homemaker, and cares for their 9-year-old daughter, Stefanie. David



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The home is meticulously decorated to reflect the past, as shown above in the kitchen.

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**A solar powered planet**

 By C.Z. Guest  
 Copley News Service

**GARDENING**

**Q. I am deeply concerned about acid rain, global warming and other environmental problems associated with burning fossil fuels. Don't you think it would be a good idea if we got more serious about all the free solar energy that we have?**

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A well-designed solar house can reduce energy bills by 30 percent or more. Since it doesn't rely on power generated by oil or coal, a solar house produces minimal air pollution. The average water heater uses as much energy as a car

Currently, there are about 300,000 solar dwellings in the United States. At the present time, at least 1 million buildings in this country use some aspect of solar design and another 1.2 million have solar water heating.

For solar energy information contact: Solar Energy Industries Association, 1730 N. Lynn St., Suite 610, Arlington, VA 22209-2009.

**TREE TIPS**

Trees, a vital part of nature's balance, are endangered. According to The National Arbor Day Foundation, "tender loving care" of the Earth's remaining trees and forests is essential, but no longer sufficient because man must go beyond conservation.

Why should you plant a tree?

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- One tree absorbs 26 pounds of carbon dioxide every year.
- Planting trees fights global warming.
- Cities are losing four trees for every one planted.
- Plant trees to shade buildings or act as a windbreak; they can reduce energy consumption by 50 percent.



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# First-time buyers interest increases as interest rates decrease

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\$53,100 to \$54,800. But home prices for buyers in that group were up more dramatically... from \$106,000 to \$118,700. Clearly, lower interest rates was the primary factor for these trends.

These figures were compiled by Chicago Title Co. and reported in their recent "16th annual survey of home buyers." The report noted that Americans between the ages of 18 and 34 have been shrinking during the past decade... from 31 percent of the population in 1980 to 28 percent in 1991.

# Trees aid quest for solar planet

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clearly at the rate of one football field every second. In fact, one-third of the Earth's forest is now gone. Planting trees is essential to halt global warming. Many of America's urban forests... are being decreasing steadily for the past decade.

In fact, the percentage of first-time buyers in the marketplace is now as high as it has been in more than a decade, the report noted.

The report also pointed out another interesting trend in the home sales market. While first-time buyers tend to actively respond to lower interest rates even during a period of recession, repeat home buyers do not.

Even in areas where housing costs are far above the national average, first-time buyers are the bright segment of the real estate market. In one affluent coastal community where the median price of all homes is \$233,000, the most active seg-

ment of the sales market is first-time home buyers, according to the report.

Nationally, the average first-time home buyer is 30.7 years old, spent an average of 5.6 months shopping for a home and looked at 13.4 houses before making a buying decision. It took an average of 2.9 years for these buyers to save for a down payment, and 77.6 percent of that down payment came from their personal savings account, the report said.

Are hotel units still being converted to vacation condominiums? A. The offering of condominium hotel units was a strong vacation industry trend in the early to mid 1980s. But they generally went out of fashion with the passage of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, according to

Alan N. Schlaifer, an attorney who specializes in matters related to the vacation industry.

However, a new hotel condominium concept is emerging that effectively deals with today's economic and tax realities.

"This new version may create sales opportunities for many resorts and hotels caught in the whirlpool of the recession and light financing," he said.

This may soon open new doors of opportunity for hotel owners, developers and consumers (vacationers).

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Are home prices generally increasing or decreasing? A. Latest reports show home prices slowly but steadily rising. Current indicators now point to an annual rate of increase at about 9 percent.

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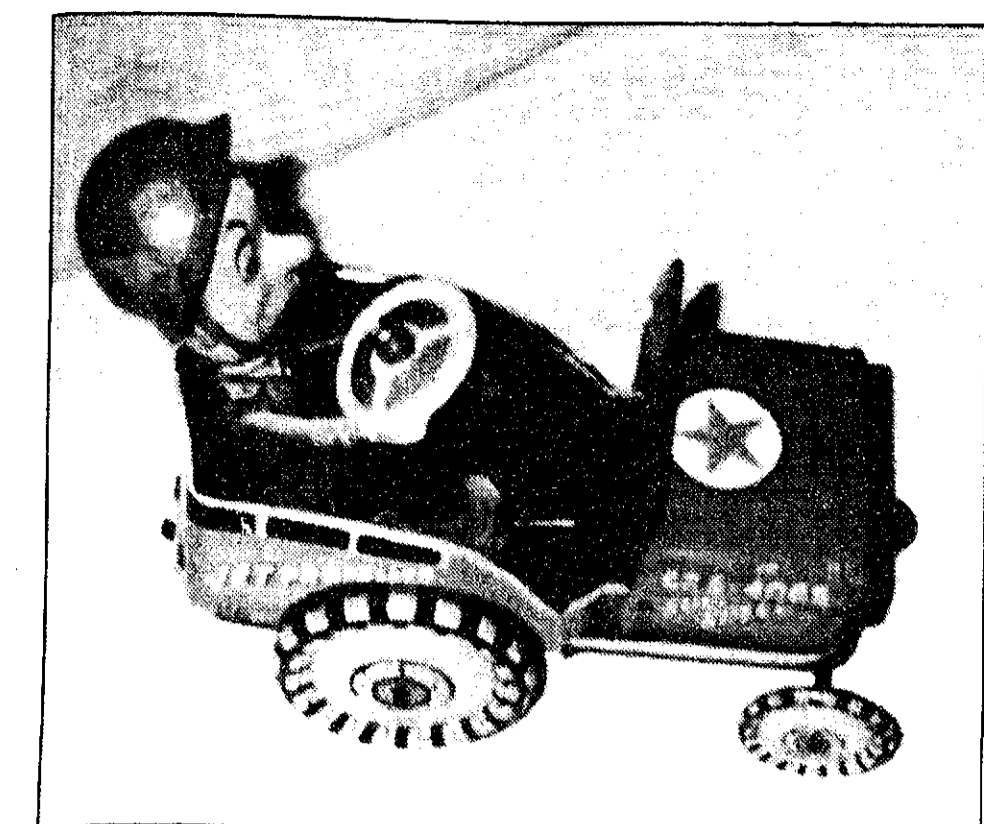
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This World War II toy in good condition would sell for \$145 to \$165.

# World War II G.I. Joe toy is valuable

By James G. McCollam  
Copley News Service

Enclosed is a picture of a windup toy, "G.I. Joe and His Jouncing Jeep." It is marked "unique Art Mfg. Co., Newark, N.J." It was purchased around 1945. Can you give me some idea about its value? A. This World War II toy is selling in the \$145 to \$165 range (in good condition).

This mark is on the bottom of a cup and saucer decorated with flowers and butterflies. The cup has two handles and three feet. Can you tell me anything about this Belleek cup and saucer? A. These were made by Ott & Brewer in Trenton, N.J., during the 1880s. They produced some very fine imitations of Irish Belleek. Your bouillon cup and saucer would probably sell for about \$200.



# ANTIQUES

Please estimate the value and age of my cast-iron bookends. They are painted gold and depict a beach scene with trees in the background. They are marked "B & H" on the bottom. A. Your bookends were made in Meriden, Conn., by Bradley & Hubbard around the turn of the century. They would probably sell for \$65 to \$75.

Please evaluate a plate commemorating the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, D.C. On the back is a picture of a buffalo and "Semi-Vitrous-Buffalo Pottery-1907." A. You have all the information there, except for the market price, which is about \$35 to \$45 in good condition.

# G. I have an old cast-iron bank. There is a monkey that tosses a coin into a lion's mouth.

Can you tell me if this is valuable? A. Let's hope this isn't a reproduction. An original Lion and Monkey bank had sold for more than \$2,000. Take this to a museum where they can examine it for possible authentication. These were popular in the late 1800s.

Post-War Tin Toys. A Collector's Guide by Jack Tempest (Wallace-Homestead, an imprint of the Chilton Book Co.) has more than 200 full-color illustrations and prices of mechanical, walking, musical and acrobatic tin toys produced since World War II. This lavish book is a joy to look at. Letters with picture(s) are welcome and may be answered in the column. We cannot reply personally or return pictures. Address your letters to James G. McCollam, P.O. Box 1087, Notre Dame, IN 46556.

# Lyon Township family's home is a real blast, from the past

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is an airline pilot for Northwest. The couple has been married for 14 years.

"What's important to me is that in my travels I could live anywhere in the world," David said. "This is the place I choose to live. Lois knows when I come home I want a place that is clean and comfortable and well decorated, and that it's a place you can feel comfortable in, something that is an extension of your personality," he said. The Schultzas farm is meticulously decorated to reflect the warmth of the past. "This house and its structure has stood for 10 generations," Lois said. "This is an old house and we wanted everything inside in keeping with that."

doing something in the home," he said. David related how he spent three days working to restore a single section of molding for the living room. "People will rip things apart and don't want to stay with a certain theme, or keep the house to its authenticity," David said. "A lot of people will say, 'Rip it down, put up new wood,' but the old pieces, you can't find pieces like that," he said. "The old pieces have character," Lois emphasized. Lois' art background contributes greatly to her talent in interior design and skill in selecting colors and fabrics. She attended Mayer's School of Fashion Design in New York and worked as a buyer for a large store in New Jersey, where part of her duties included designing the show windows. She is quite adept at traditional crafts, such as stenciling, quilting, and folk painting, and has incorporated her artistic skill into the decor. To decorate the home with love and accuracy, Lois consulted antique books and studied

charts of historic colors. "We don't do anything hit or miss," Lois said. "We are both very methodical people. Even before we had the money to do the living room and dining room, I drew floor plans of colors and everything else. If you are going to spend that much money, you really need to do it." The home is wonderfully decorated and furnished to maintain the integrity of its architecture and age. In the kitchen, for instance, overhead rustic pine beams, brushed with a special walnut stain, provide a friendly farmhouse feeling. A graceful handmade electrified candlestick chandelier hangs above the dark pine trestle table and chairs. The couple purchased the lighting fixture at a craft show. It was made by a local craftsman who, according to Lois, dipped it into an acid to give it a special pitted appearance. A high-back settle, dry sink, and a pine reproduction of a Welsh

hutch fit nicely into the large green and cream checkered wallpapered room. Brick red paint was used to warmly accent the doors and window frames. A sample of Lois' quilting is framed as art. Its interesting design and colors are admirable and further reinforces the warmth and comfort of this kitchen. The family room, David's favorite room, adds to the old-time ambiance of the welcoming home. Lois adorned the walls with her decorative stenciling. It took her two weeks to complete the imaginative task. Lois also designed the rounded brick hearth for the woodburner. Her pleasing design was implemented by Mike Wagner, a Plymouth historian. A variety of old baskets hanging from a rough-hewn beam, an Amish rake, and antique organ offer a quiet appreciation for a time not forgotten. The dining room is elegantly furnished with a handmade tiger maple harvest table. The eight Windsor side chairs, overlaid with green and black, lend themselves to a unique alliterating museum effect. The living room reproduces cotton seating for a period mood. It contains a combination of low and high 18th-century furnishings. A cherry wood highbay with polished brass handles stands next to a simple reproduction of a child's wooden wagon that holds an Amish doll without facial features. A flaxmill, displayed like sculpture, antique shorebirds, and a handsome corner cabinet also highlight the room. Lois and David have beautifully renovated and furnished their circa 1903 farmhouse. "We keep candles in our windows at night," Lois said. "We did it for Christmas and we decided we liked it so much that we'd do it through the winter. It just seems like it warms the night." This gesture does well to indicate the pride and respect the Schultzas have for home and family, in the past and present.

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**BRIGHTON** Enjoy privacy in very tiny house. Combination living room/br. plus bath & kitchen w/stove & refrigerator. Ideal for single. No pets or smokers. Nice neighborhood. Ample parking. \$300 plus low utilities. References. (313)663-1779.

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**HOWELL** 1 br. close to downtown, \$385 per mo., no pets. (313)229-8932 after 4pm. (517)548-4197 after 5pm.

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**085 Rooms For Rent**

**BRIGHTON** township, Lexington Motel, color TV, air, refrigerator, daily and weekly rates. 1040 Old US 23.

**BRIGHTON** furnished sleeping room & efficiency apt. 2 miles E. of Brighton. (313)229-6723.

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**HOWELL** city. With house privileges. \$78/week. (517)546-6679.

**HOWELL** city. \$60/wk 1/3 utilities, nice. (517)546-0264 or (517)546-0479.

**HOWELL**, downtown. Large home to share. \$250 per mo. plus utilities. (517)546-4031.

**HOWELL** Sleeping room with kitchen & laundry use. \$50 weekly. Cable TV hookup included. Mature adults. (517)548-4000 nights.

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**WALLED LAKE** area. Clean, furnished, kitchen, lake privileges, cable, utilities included. \$75/wk. (313)360-9356.

**086 Foster Care**

**ADULT** Foster care home, in Livingston County. On lake with color tv's and private bathrooms in every room. (313)735-7049.

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**087 Condominiums, Townhouses For Rent**

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**BRIGHTON** Beautiful 2 very large br., 1 1/2 bath, family room, bsmt., air, carport. Very desirable in quiet secluded treed setting. Adults, no pets. Occupancy 1 mo. \$875/mo, security dep. References. (313)227-6921.

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**088 Mobile Homes For Rent**

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**089 Mobile Home Sites For Rent**

**BRIGHTON** Village Mobile Home Park, 12x52 site. For more information call (313)229-5112 between 10-6pm.

**OLD Dutch Farms** Manufactured Housing Community. South Lyon schools. Club house, oil street parking, RV storage, single wide sites available. Rent specials. (313)349-3949.

**090 Living Quarters To Share**

**BRIGHTON** Female to share house, pet possible, large yard, garage, non-smoker. \$335 plus utilities. (313)227-8341.

**BRIGHTON**, large 2 br. apt. Great location, air. \$243 mo., half utilities. (313)227-9319.

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**HOWELL** city. Single person, \$330 a month. (517)546-6679.

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**HOWELL** House to share \$225 per month plus 1/3 utilities. Security deposit. Call after 5pm. (517)546-8127.

**HOWELL**, home to share. Appliances, \$250 mo., Non-smoker. (517)548-1067.

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**091 Industrial, Commercial For Rent**

**BRIGHTON**, downtown Looking for a unique retailer to lease 740sq ft. retail space on Main Street. (517)548-9550.

**BRIGHTON** Downtown Main St, retail space, 1,650sq.ft., (313)227-9653.

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**092 Buildings & Halls For Rent**

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**BRIGHTON** Near new shopping mall, major intersection, 2 carpeted rooms total 365sq.ft., \$500 mo. for both, includes utilities, exc. parking. (313)227-3455.

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**096 Storage Space For Rent**

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"We build walls of denial around the problem," states Nancy Reagan, who joins with Kiwanis International and other organizations in active concern over school-age drug usage. "It's time for us to stop denying the extent of drug and alcohol abuse and bring it out into the open."

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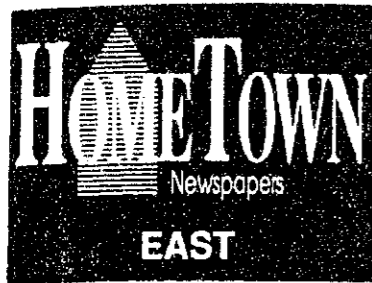
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# CLASSIFIED GREEN SHEET



## This singer's music strengthens family ties



Ann Shaheen of Northville performs a children's concert at Child Time day care center in Canton

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Performer turns pro

By RICK BYRNE  
Copy Editor

Everywhere Ann Shaheen turns she hears laughter. But they're not laughing at her.

People laugh when this performing musician is around because her business deals in happiness. She's performed children's shows, anniversaries and wedding receptions for years, but now with two partners, the Northville resident has taken the big plunge into professional performance.

"I've sung in a lot of different things, but I always did the weddings," Shaheen said. "Doing trios has always been the best thing for me."

A singer and guitarist, Shaheen teamed up with flutist Lauren Erickson and pianist Lisa Daley. The trio will perform for all sorts of special occasions, though children's performances, where Shaheen has her roots, won't be given by referral anymore.

Instead, she's more likely to show up at concerts like the one being given this Saturday at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus. She will perform with Marc Thomas and his puppet friend Max the Moose, both veterans of East Lansing's Michigan Festival and Detroit's Tastefest. The concert is for kids ages 2-7, or just kids at heart, and tickets are available at the Giftfinder in Northville and Creative Learning Centers in Farmington Hills and Walled Lake.

Shaheen comes from a musical family, where nine siblings and both parents all indulge in music. While in college, she began performing at weddings for friends who were getting married.

"Most soloists don't sit down and work with the couple to plan out the music for the wedding," said Shaheen. "I've always done that, at no extra charge, and that's the part I enjoy the best."

Though private time will find Shaheen playing her folk favorites from her college years, she plays a dual role in professional performances.

"When I play adult music, I get to sing pretty," she said. "When I do kids music, I get to go crazy. It's funny when I have parents come up to me at a children's show and say, 'You have such a pretty voice.' It's kind of tough to hear when they're all singing 'Five Little Ducks.'"

After college, Shaheen spent 12 years in the criminal justice field as both a Detroit police officer and a criminal investigator. It was her children that kept her involved in music, though.

"It was my volunteer work as a parent," she said. "Instead of working at the library, or whatever most parents do for the schools, I would volunteer to play for the kids."

Families have remained a common thread throughout Shaheen's adult life. After a divorce some years back, Shaheen continued to perform adult and children's music by referring

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The right computer is an investment in your company's growth and overall success. Not only can it help you run your business more efficiently, but it can also expand your financial management capabilities.

But installing the right computer isn't just a matter of going out and buying the latest model. The process of converting your existing records and processes to a computer system can be lengthy and difficult. Here are some hints about making the right selection by the Farmington Hills-based Michigan Association of CPAs.

Before you visit your local computer store, ask yourself these questions: Do I really need a computer? What do I hope it will accomplish?

Will it be cost-effective to install a new system?

What hardware and software will I need? Does the software already exist or will it have to be developed? How much will it cost to do the entire conversion and how long will that process take? How will I train my employees to operate the new system?

Whether you are converting from a manual system or upgrading your existing system, you should begin by evaluating your current operations and identifying problems. For example, late and inaccurate monthly financial statements or slow turnover of accounts receivable may indicate that it's time for a new or better system.

Next, evaluate your current business procedures to determine what type of system will best satisfy your needs. For example, you may require a system to help reduce labor costs associated with high clerical involvement. Or you may need a system to help eliminate repetitious or numerous time-consuming tasks. Another reason to buy or upgrade a system is if your business requires mathematically complex calculations, highly accurate record keeping and timely preparation of reports.

A properly designed system can help you perform many of the critical business functions of your company, such as speeding the preparation of financial statements and reducing

potential for clerical and computational errors in accounting and other administrative functions.

Software is the term given to the application programs that enable you to run specific tasks, such as word processing or spreadsheets, on the computer. Software comes in several varieties: general purpose, custom-written or industry-specific. Asking key questions can help you make the right choice. For instance, how easy is the software to use? Are qualified installers nearby? What is the quality of the documentation? What is the reputation of the vendor for providing good support?

Hardware includes the computer, storage devices, terminals and print-

ers. The hardware you select must be fully capable of accepting data, processing it and generating output within a reasonable time.

When you are ready to select computer hardware, consider the following factors: present and projected volume of data to be processed; amount of technical and service support you will receive from the manufacturer; the ease with which you can operate the equipment; the ability to expand or upgrade the equipment; and the reliability of the hardware, the vendor and the manufacturer. You should also take into account environmental considerations such as heat, noise and electrical requirements.

After you review your current procedures and determine your software and hardware needs, develop a plan for implementing the system. Pay special attention to selecting computer operators and to setting up a training program. Other facts include preparing your current operation for conversion to the system and monitoring the system once it is up and running.

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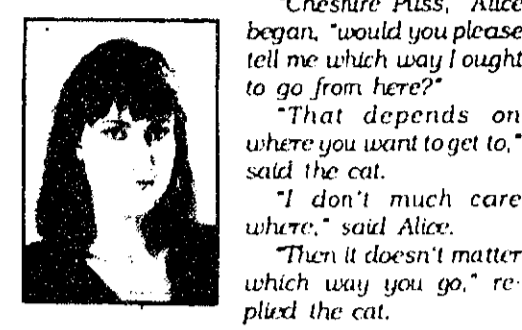
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Orlick has also lived in Bloomfield Hills; Barrington Hills, Ill.; Miami Beach, Fla. and Beverly Hills, Calif.

Orlick was previously retired at age 41 for 10 years in Miami Beach, Fla., and lived in one of two houses.

Orlick served in the U.S. military service during World War II at the age of 14 and began his business career as a public relations trainee at Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn.

Music has family ties

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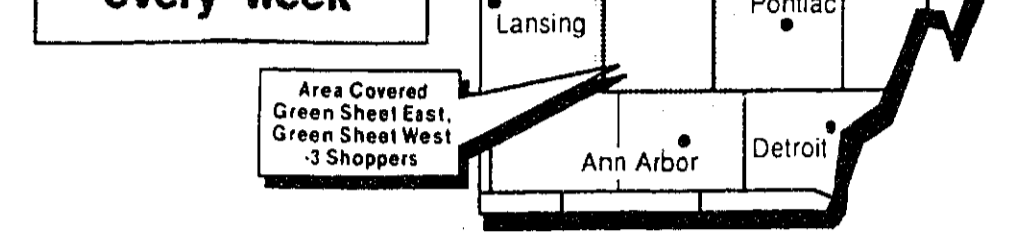
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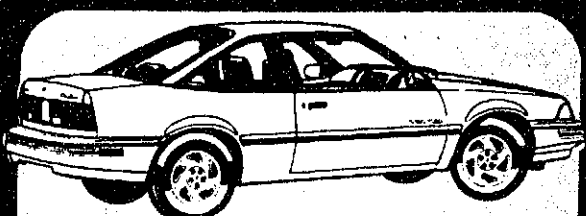
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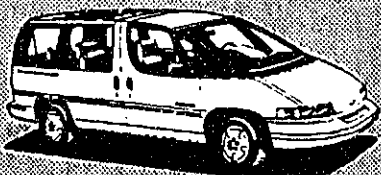
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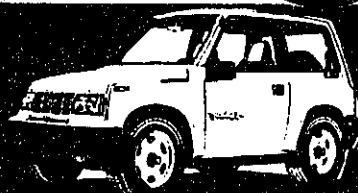
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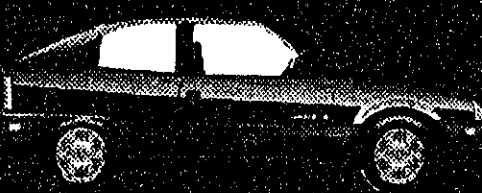
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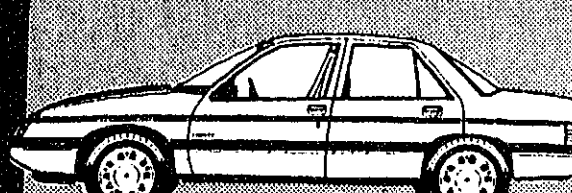
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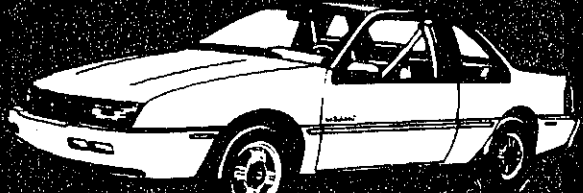
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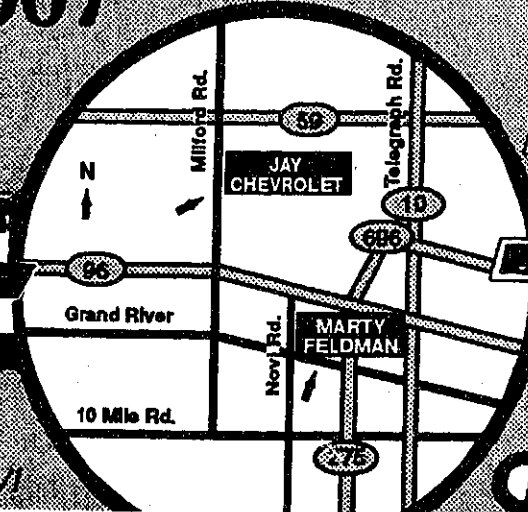
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