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Primary turnout is 'hard to call'

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

City Clerk Gerry Stipp's only seen one political sign around town as the March 17 presidential preference primary approaches.

Posted on a light pole at Grand River and Novi Road — possibly in violation of the city's stringent political sign ordinance — is a placard urging voter support for Lyndon LaRouche.

With the eyes of America getting set to focus on Michigan, here's a sneak preview of who's already turned out in Novi — 125 Republican absentee ballots and 74 Democratic ballots had been picked up from the clerk's office by March 10.

Which candidates they've voted for within their respective parties is anyone's guess.

The first presidential primary in 10 years has left even Stipp — who typically has her finger on the pulse of the Novi polls — guessing about what the voter turnout will be.

"It's kind of hard to call. In the past, we had some fairly good turnouts for presidential primaries, but they weren't closed," she said.

Novi has 23,081 registered voters, most of whom prefer to not to declare a party preference. Of voters who fly their colors openly, Republicans outnumber Democrats by 5,647 to 2,439.

"Republican candidates usually fare better here than Democratic candidates," Stipp said.

The Democratic ballot as printed gives many more choices this year — Bob Kerrey, Lyndon LaRouche, Jr.; Paul Tsongas; Tom Harkin; Edmund "Jerry" Brown Jr.; and Bill Clinton. However, Kerrey and Harkin have dropped out.

On the GOP a la carte menu are David Duke, Patrick Buchanan and George Bush. Each party also has an "uncommitted" and a "fill-in-the-blank with the candidate of your choice" category.

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Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Off to a great start

City officials were pleased with the turnout at the first convention to be held in the Novi Expo Center. The Metropolitan Detroit Landscape Association's Annual Trade Show and Convention was held Wednesday and Thursday, and drew sizeable crowds to view the 150 exhibition and demonstrations. Said City Manager Ed Kriewald of the show: "Today, Cobo Hall is in Novi."

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Oily film covers well water near Amoco station

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Larry Lakatos totes in drinking water from home for the animals he sells at L & L Pets in Roman Plaza because he says the well water there occasionally appears to be contaminated with an oily substance.

The shopping center is not far from an Amoco gas station at the northeast corner of Grand River Avenue and Novi Road which has been placed on an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) priority list by the state Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Livonia office.

The station has been targeted for close DNR attention, based on findings of "free product" — undissolved petroleum leaked from underground storage tanks — in monitoring well water.

Water in the monitoring wells sunk at the gas station is brown and cloudy, DNR records show, and in at least one well a petroleum film was found. Soil at the site has also been found to be contaminated.

Amoco has run the station since the mid-1950s, but gas was sold there even earlier. In 1979, there was a major product spill at the business.

The City of Novi currently holds an option to purchase the site — after the operations are demolished and the environmental cleanup is complete. The option and road rights-of-way were gained by the city in return for zoning concessions for two new Amoco stations on Twelve Mile Road.

Lakatos contacted Novi Fire Marshall Bill Conn about his water in May 1991. Conn immediately forwarded the complaint to the DNR. Sandra Tait, a DNR environmen-

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Larry Lakatos
owner of L & L Pets

tal quality analyst, said that on March 11 she asked the Oakland County Health Department to check the Roman Plaza well.

In November 1991 — following Lakatos' complaint — the DNR called for a corrective action plan at the Amoco, to prevent further off-site migration of the contaminants.

Lakatos says his water is undrinkable.

"At times you can see it. It looks like when it rains on a parking lot, that same kind of oily film. You can see it in my toilet. The water's so bad from my well. I experience a lot of (fish) losses here because the water's contaminated. The fish are very sensitive," he said.

"But there's not oil and gas in there all the time," Lakatos' neighbor in Roman

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Barbara Bush slated today at Novi Hilton

First Lady Barbara Bush, stumping for her husband George for the Michigan primary election, is scheduled to speak at the Novi Hilton at 2 p.m. today.

While the event is open to the public, Jim LaVallee, Executive Director of the Oakland County Republican Party, anticipated Friday that the 350 available reservations would be booked by the weekend.

"We have 280 seats taken up already. It'll be filled," he said. Bush will address the crowd and then field a few questions.

Drivers beware. The Hilton's location at Haggerty Road and Eight Mile is notorious for heavy traffic. With Bush in town, road blocks are possible.

"With the First Lady, I don't know yet if there will be any road closings like there are with the president and vice-president," LaVallee said.

Gung ho GOP member Kay Schmid — Novi's county commissioner — was all agog about the visit Friday.

One of Schmid's favorite possessions — her "pride and joy" — is a photograph of herself with George and Barbara Bush, when the then vice-presidential pair swung through Michigan on a campaign tour in 1988.

"I think it's great," she said. "I'm excited because I think she's a neat lady. She's a salt of the earth type person. I'd support her for president."

M-5 decision hits another delay

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

An answer on the construction permit for the Haggerty Connector was scheduled for Friday, but a request for an extension from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has put the decision off until April 3.

The state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Environmental Protection Agency will use the extra time to take a closer look at MDOT's responses to questions raised during a December public hearing. Dave Bastian, DNR water quality specialist, said Friday.

Still being pursued is a local alternative to the

wetlands mitigation. MDOT had originally proposed compensating for wetlands lost here on state land in St. Clair County.

Novi officials asked the transportation department to take another look in the city.

"That's still being investigated. That's what this extension is all about, to allow time to see if it's prudent or feasible to find wetlands mitigation sites in the area," MDOT project manager Mike Flajole said.

If a permit is granted, construction could begin as soon as this summer, he said.

State law requires the DNR to make a decision on wetlands permits within 90 days of a public hearing — or the permit is automatically

granted.

"They (MDOT) waived that right so we could continue to evaluate the project," Bastian explained.

MDOT needs both a construction permit and a wetlands mitigation permit. The first word will come on the construction permit, without that the wetlands question is moot.

A DNR ruling on the wetlands mitigation is expected to take longer than the construction permit process.

"Whether it's a month or six months or a year, I couldn't hazard," Flajole said.

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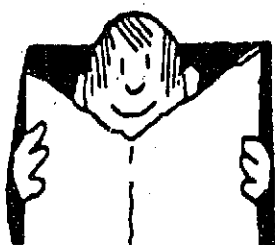
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Lacrosse team bids for district funding

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

Local lacrosse supporters eased the sport into the school district last April through the Community Education department.

Less than a year later, lacrosse advocates are hoping to bring their sport into the mainstream of Novi athletics.

Parent Don Sill will make a presentation to the school board on March 26 supporting a district lacrosse team. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at Novi Woods Elementary School, 25195 Taft Road.

Parents who hope to bring lacrosse to Novi schools as an after-school sport told the school board on Feb. 27 they would like to make a presentation at a future school board meeting.

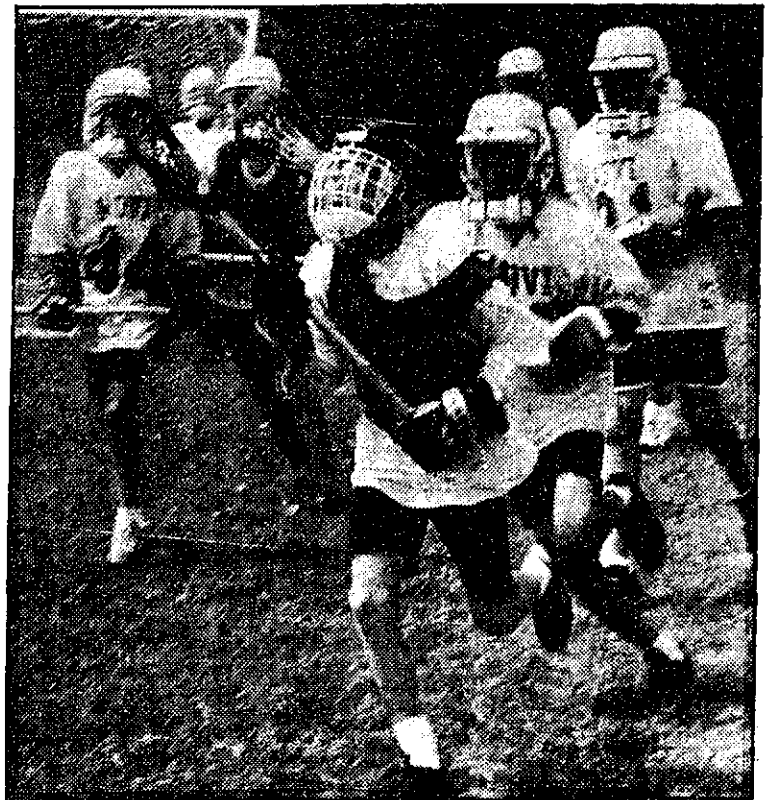
The group presented packets to the school board detailing their plans and including a 52-parent petition supporting Novi school lacrosse.

They said 23 middle school students signed up to participate in lacrosse through Community Education last spring. The team was asked to participate in a May tournament as an exhibition team.

In June, Community Education sponsored a lacrosse camp for 60 students in grades five to 12. A summer instructional league had 56 participants, 41 from Novi, who practiced playing simulated lacrosse games in August.

Most of the Novi participants are interested in playing on a team, according to the lacrosse packet provided by parents.

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File Photo

Novi's Lacrosse team in practice.

Community Calendar

Today, March 16

Band Boosters: A general membership meeting of the Band Boosters will take place in the lecture area of the Fuerst Auditorium in the Novi High School building at 7:30 p.m. The board will meet in the band room of the high school at 6:30 for a short meeting.

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

Chamber luncheon: The Novi Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly luncheon at noon in the Red Timbers Restaurant, 40380 Grand River Avenue.

School concert: Novi High School and the Novi Middle School will hold 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

Children's self-esteem: Chick Moorman of the Institute for Personal Power will make a special presentation about parenting, entitled "Becoming an Encouraging Parent," in the Novi Meadows cafeteria from 7-9 p.m. The presentation will include information on improving your

child's self-esteem and helping them make good health choices. The event is sponsored by the Novi Meadows Parent-Teacher Organization, but is open to all interested adults.

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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.

Mother-Son Hop: Novi's Annual Mother-Son Spring Hop, sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department, is scheduled for 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday night will be a dance only. Refreshments, photos, flowers, prizes and music by DJ Willie will be included in the ticket price. For tickets, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 347-0400.

Saturday, March 21

Mother-Son Hop: Novi's Annual Mother-Son Spring Hop, sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department, is scheduled for 5:30-8:30 p.m. On Saturday night the event will include dinner and dancing. A buffet dinner will be provided by Chef Benson of B&B Catering. Refreshments, photos, flowers, prizes and music by DJ Willie will be included in the ticket price. For tickets, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 347-0400.

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.

Saturday, March 28

Band Festival: The Novi High School Band will be performing in the state Band Solo and Ensemble Festival at Eastern Michigan University.

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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If you check the "uncommitted" box on the ballot, you are essentially giving your state delegates carte blanche in their vote at the convention.

"You can write one on but it wouldn't mean much," Supp said. "Whoever wins the primary wins the delegates."

The primary determines who Michigan delegates will support at the national conventions this summer.

For the electorate, voting isn't plain and simple.

You must come out as either a Democrat or a Republican and your choice will be on the public record.

To go Democrat, you must submit a written preference. Literacy is not necessarily a requirement for Republicans. A simple verbal request will do.

If you are already on the city clerk's file as a Republican, you may not now request to vote in the Democratic primary.

Republicans aren't so choosy. Current Democrats of record are welcome to request a turn-coat Republican ballot.

Only residents registered to vote on or before Feb. 18, 1992, are eligible to vote in this election.

If you moved from one home to another within the city's boundaries and did not yet change your address on your voter's registration, you may vote in your former precinct. But you'll have to fill in an address change form.

If you moved to Novi from a new community after Jan. 17, 1992, and did not change your address, you may return to your former precinct.

where you will be asked to complete a voter registration cancellation form.

If you moved on or before Jan. 17 and did not register to vote in your new hometown, you can't vote March 17.

Today until 4 p.m., you may still vote on an absentee ballot.

Absentee primary ballots are available for those over age 60; or who expect to be away from Novi the entire time the polls are open; or who are physically unable to go to the polls without the assistance of another person. In addition, if your religious principles bar attendance at the polls; or you serve as a precinct delegate elsewhere than in your home precinct; or if you're in jail awaiting arraignment or trial, you become eligible for an absentee ballot.

Tomorrow, the polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The precincts are:

- Precinct 1, Church of the Holy Cross, 46200 Ten Mile Road.
- Precinct 2, Novi Middle School, 25999 Taft Road.
- Precinct 3, Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road.
- Precinct 4, Lakeshore Park Community Building, 601 South Lake Drive.
- Precinct 5, Orchard Hills Elementary School, 41900 Quince.
- Precinct 6, Fire Station No. 1, 42975 Grand River Ave.
- Precinct 7, Village Oaks Elementary, 23353 Willowbrook.
- Precinct 8, Chateau Estates Clubhouse, 42000 Carousell.
- Precinct 9, Novi High School Auditorium, 24602 Taft Road.
- Precinct 10, Fire Station No. 3, 42785 Nine Mile Road.

Romance writer reminisces with local book club

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer



RUTH LANGAN

Ruth Langan claims she is always an odd character.

She was the kid in your grade school English class that actually liked diagramming sentences. She knew the parts of speech and how they worked together to communicate an idea. Maybe that's why she's a writer.

Langan, of Farmington Hills, who has written 30 romance novels said even though she liked grammar then and spent most of her free time composing poetry, writing short stories, and dreaming about being a writer, her dream of becoming a writer was shelved for nearly 20 years.

"I was the kid who when we came back from summer vacation and the teacher said write a page, I wrote five," she told the collective group of representatives from local libraries that sponsored her at the sixth annual Book and Author Luncheon Tuesday at the Novi Civic Center.

But after high school, Langan's dream of becoming a writer was shelved when she opted to marry her childhood sweetheart and raise five children.

"I put the dream on the shelf and married my childhood sweetheart whom I met in first grade," she said. "Our lives wouldn't have made a good romance novel; we met and got married—but that's not how I write them."

In the interim between dreaming about writing and actually getting her first book published, Langan said she led a typical suburban life.

"I did my usual six loads of laundry a day. Raised five kids and canned a lot of tomatoes."

The monotony of the housewife life, coupled with a touch of the Emily Post Syndrome, prompted Langan on her birthday to go back to the closet where she stored her dream and open the door to what would prove to be a lucrative future.

"I took the dream out of the closet, dusted it off, tried it on, and it still fit."

Langan, the dream was a secret one. One she hid from the eyes of her family until she was eventually caught peeking away on an old typewriter. Once she was discovered, her husband, Tom, "a big huggy Irishman" bought her an electric typewriter and became her biggest fan.

For two years she plugged away at the typewriter in her bedroom. Soon after, she emerged with her first manuscript.

She wrote it, and wrote it, and re-wrote it. Then I sent it off to the publisher and immediately started on my second book," she said.

The publisher she contacted took eight months to respond.

"I'll never forget that day. The envelope came in the mail. It was a cold rejection letter that was addressed 'dear author.' They didn't even know my name," she remembered.

"I flung myself on the bed in a fit . . . I cried for two hours . . . I walked in self-shame . . . I put every actress to shame."

After that startling introduction with the risky nature of the business, Langan said she put those feelings aside and kept plugging away.

"I finished book two and mailed it. I started book three and then I started

to get discouraged. I don't know why I had only invested three to four years in it," she said sarcastically.

She was committed to her dream. She began writing all the time. She vowed to follow her dream and write for at least an hour each day. Soon an hour grew to two to three to four.

The second rejection letter came and it too was just a cold form letter. They still didn't know my name. And midway through book three my heart was breaking," she said.

With the arrival of the second rejection letter, Langan's husband Tom suggested she contact an agent.

"The business is vicious. Most agents won't read material unless it's published," she said.

So together, she and Tom, traveled to California to meet with an agent. Earlier, she had been scanning through a copy of a writer's magazine when she crossed an advertisement which sought writers with "unagented" manuscripts. Prior to leaving for her trip out west, she sent the bookholder a sample of her latest work.

Though the meeting with the agent in California didn't pan out, a letter from the publisher who placed the ad asking for the rest of her third book offered hope.

"I found the letter in the box asking me would I send the rest. 'Would? Come on, I was at the post office with the manuscript, typed, double-spaced, before 5 p.m. that day,' she said.

A few weeks later she got a call from an editor in New York who loved the book and began discussing royalties.

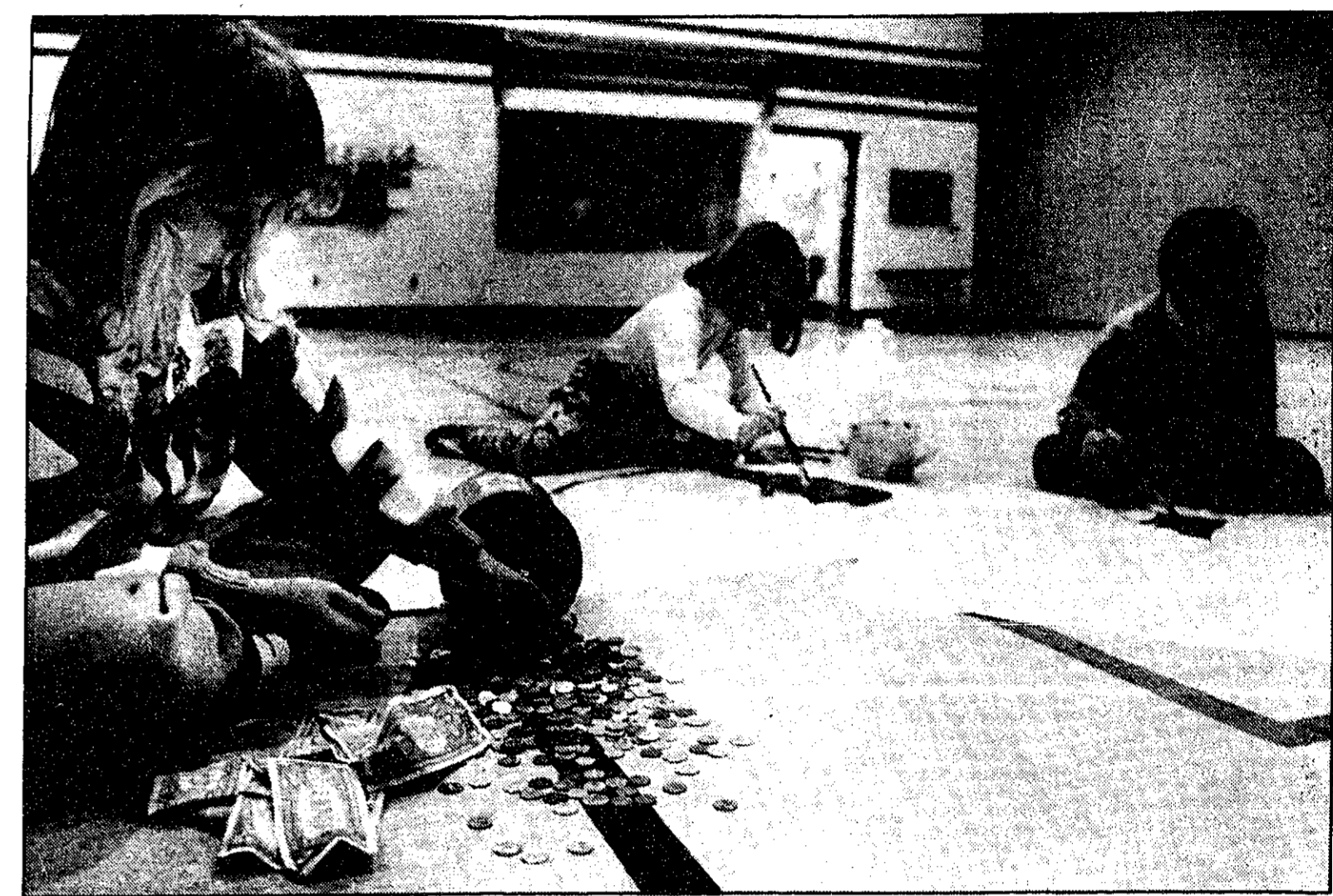
Book three was published adding a new chapter to her life. Nowadays, Langan spends time traveling and taking interviews for nationally syndicated talk shows and local news shows.

Twenty-nine other books have followed along with two screenplays and an offer from a producer for a third script she and some colleagues are currently composing.

For Langan, local libraries are to be credited for her success.

"I owe my library everything. I do almost all my research there, contrary to what people may think. I spend a lot of days at the library. Thank God for libraries."

Travel, research, and writing encompass her days now. Her family, all staunch supporters, are still a major part of her life—only now they share the dream.



Holly Graziard counts the money raised to adopt a whale while Bailey Schroever and John Fallone paint sketches of whales.

Students save dimes to adopt whale

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

Identifying and tracking a specific whale from year to year. And some whales are only seen every three or four years, making them unadoptable, Millard said.

"No one wants to adopt a whale that no one has seen in a few years," she said.

Each whale can be adopted by more than one donor.

The whales are named by the coalition based on the distinct markings found on each whale's tail. For example, a whale with an all white tail is named Ivory.

Each can be adopted for \$15 for one year. Parkview students and teachers raised enough money, more than \$95, to adopt a whale for each grade in the kindergarten through fourth grade school. A sixth whale will be adopted as a school mascot.

The project was first begun as part of a school goal to emphasize science, Galopin said. Marine life became the focus after the school Parent Teacher Organization sponsored a seminar at the school with Sea World.

"It was supposed to be science in general, and we got going with

identifying and tracking a specific whale from year to year. And some whales are only seen every three or four years, making them unadoptable, Millard said.

Teachers have been emphasizing the study of sea life, and Galopin's class watched a public television documentary detailing the plight of the whale.

Now the school media center is decorated with handmade paper whales and fish to give the circular-shaped room the feel of a fishbowl.

The whale cut-outs now hanging in the school media center were designed by school paraprofessional Joan Weinberg, painted by students and hung by parents.

"There are enough whales to make it look like an aquarium," said second-grade student Holly Graziard.

Second-grader John Fallone found his calling through the year's science lessons. He now says he wants to be a dolphin trainer when he grows up.

Student Bailey Schroeder also has found a new interest in marine life. She visited Sea World recently and saw in person some of the animals she has been studying.

"Dolphins have two pin holes for ears," she explained after she saw a

dolphin on her trip.

The school began organizing to adopt the humpback whales after Galopin read about the program in a magazine.

Students in Galopin's second-grade class took the project into a math lesson. Groups of second graders each counted one handful of money. The change proceeds filled two-thirds of a coffee can. Then they carried the can around the school to show each class how heavy \$95 can be.

For their money they will receive a picture of each whale, the International Wildlife Coalition quarterly newsletter, a certificate, and a map showing the migratory patterns of their whales, Millard said.

They join the ranks of about one-quarter of a million contributors to the coalition's whale adoption project, which was begun seven years ago, Millard said.

Anyone interested in adopting a whale can send \$15 to the Whale Adoption Project, International Wildlife Coalition, Dept 92NM, North Falmouth, Massachusetts, 02556-0388.

Test results rule out contamination

By JAN JEFFREES
Staff Writer

Good news came last week for those who draw their drinking water from the aquifer shared by the former BP Oil gas station at Novi and Thirteen Mile roads.

Oakland County Health Department tests have shown no contamination of water by petroleum by-products at 10 off-site wells, said Sandra Tait, a Michigan Department

of Natural Resources (DNR) environmental quality analyst. Tait requested the samplings after she was contacted by Austin Street resident James Korte.

"The paperwork hasn't been done yet but all 10 tests are fine," said Korte, who was notified of the results.

"We are not sucking swill. If we are, it's not petroleum."

The water was drawn from eight residential wells at Austin, Iva and

Charlotte streets, as well as at two businesses along Novi Road. The analysis was done for BTEX—benzene, toluene, ethylene and xylenes, all chemicals found in gas and oil.

Tests are still being conducted on the water at the former gas station, as well as at a bar across the street, Tait said.

The 1970s-era gas station, which closed about 12 years ago, is on the DNR's list of contaminated sites, as

legislated by Public Act 307. Leaking underground storage tanks and lines left gasoline in the soil and in adjacent groundwater. An assessment of the site is on-going and some of the contaminated soil has already been hauled away.

The land is owned by Victor Mucacat—who uses the site to store equipment—but after a legal settlement, BPO has agreed to pay for the environmental assessment.

Lacrosse team seeks full school funding

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Decision on Haggerty is delayed by state

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Speakers at the December public hearing were predominantly against the project. But a groundswell of popular support for M-9 continues to grow in Novi and Farmington Hills.

The DNR will continue to see if MDOT has adequately answered concerns raised at the public hearing, Bastian said. The include the

feasibility of widening Haggerty Road rather than building M-9, the potential noise level of the Connector, the impact on plant and animal life and the engineering of the crossroads at the boulevard Jogs up from I-96 to Pontiac Trail.

MDOT is determining if local wetlands replacement is economically feasible.

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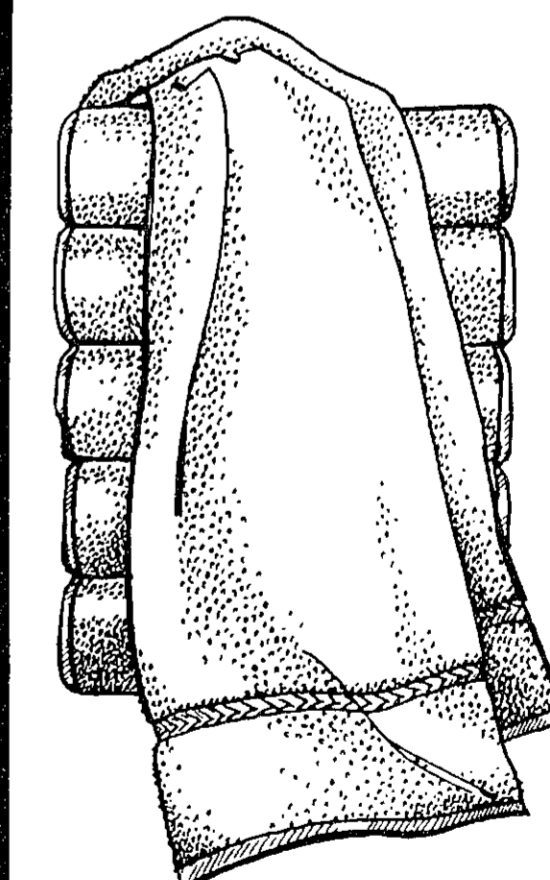
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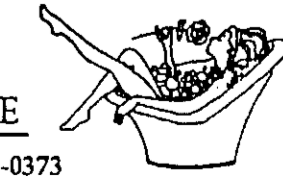
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Police investigate fraudulent 'hiring'

Novi police are investigating a fraudulent hiring of the owner of KMH Equipment Company in Novi.

According to police reports, a former employee of the company is allegedly misrepresenting himself as the owner's son, handing out job applications and "hiring" people to work there.

Police News

Police said the suspect in the case was employed by KMH Equipment in 1987-88, but was laid off in 1988. In March, 1989 the suspect was reportedly billed \$1,075 for illegal use of a company telephone credit card which he allegedly continued to use after he was laid off.

The actual owner of KMH Equipment told police he became aware of the situation when people started calling him, asking him when they were expected to start work.

Police said the subjects who have called about work told the owner that the suspect has business cards, numerous company materials and applications in his red sports car.

NEEDLES, SYRINGES FOUND: A resident on Nottingham reported March 10 that someone left a syringe and five needle holders next to his house on the ground.

The homeowner told police he had no idea how the items got there, or who might have left them there.

MDOP TO VEHICLE: A Novi man re-

ported March 10 that someone punctured all four tires of his 1986 Ford pickup truck while it was parked outside Novi United Methodist Church on Ten Mile.

The owner of the vehicle said he parked there at 9 a.m. and returned at 5 p.m. to discover the damage.

MDOP: Two windows in Orchard Hills elementary school were damaged by HBs March 9.

The windows, one on the north side of the building and the other on the south side, were both valued at over \$100. The incident is believed to have occurred between midnight March 6 and 8 a.m. March 9.

HARASSMENT: A Novi woman reported March 9 that some men were banging on her front door and saying "we know you're in there, come on out."

The woman told police that, when she did not open the door, they went to her side door and again banged on the door, as if they were trying to break it down.

She said the suspects then left in an unknown direction. She said she has received such harassment in the

past, and believes it may be connected to a legal case.

SHOPLIFTING: Novi police arrested a shoplifting suspect March 9 after she was allegedly seen stealing a purse from TJ Maxx.

According to police, the woman entered the store, selected a purse, put her personal belongings in it, and continued to shop and purchase other property.

The woman told police that she did not mean to steal the purse that she "just made a bad decision."

QUIN: Novi police transported a man believed to be operating under the influence of narcotics to Providence Hospital March 9 after he was reportedly seen driving 25 mph on Grand River and weaving across the lanes.

Police said the man's speech was slurred, his body movements were erratic, and that an officer had to hold him to keep him from falling over.

The man told police he believed he may have taken too much of a prescription medicine for severe back pain.

LARCENY FROM AUTO: A resident on Queens Pointe reported March 9 that someone stole a car phone from his 1987 Mercury Sable.

There are no suspects or witnesses.

SHOPLIFTING: Novi police arrested a shoplifting suspect March 9 at Hudson's. The suspect reportedly attempted to steal \$1,670 in merchandise by concealing it in a paper bag.

QUIN: Novi police arrested a 31-year-old Union Lake man March 9 for OUIL. The man was stopped on westbound Grand River driving a 1987 GMC pickup truck.

OUIL: A 45-year-old Livonia man was arrested March 7 for OUIL. He was driving northbound on Novi Rd. in a 1985 Saab.

OUIL: A 27-year-old Walled Lake man was arrested March 7 for OUIL. He was driving northbound on Novi Rd. in a 1985 Saab.

OUIL: A 22-year-old Livonia man was arrested March 7 for OUIL. He was driving northbound on Novi Rd. in a 1985 Ford Mustang.

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

Oily film showing up in well water

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Plaza, Joey Rondeau, owner of Joey's Salon, says a heavy iron content ruins the water's taste. But she says she's never seen any evidence of any oil or gasoline in it, Rondeau has a private company bring in drinking water.

If there were petroleum in the water, Rondeau said, she would see it when she shampoos her customers' hair — and she doesn't.

"It would show up that way," she added.

The proximity of at least 36 domestic wells to the gas station underscores the worries that may prick at neighbors of a known polluted site. The Amoco gas station is not on the state's Environmental Response Act (P.A. 307 of 1982) priority list of contaminated sites. It could be considered for a place on the 1993 list when scoring is done this fall. That said, that is not likely to happen, she predicts, because the purging of the station site appears to be progressing.

Tait said the levels of the petro-

leum by-products of benzene, toluene, ethylene and xylene found in groundwater there were "pretty high." Benzene is a carcinogen.

"They definitely need to get some remediation at that site," she said.

DNR files show that the groundwater table at the gas station is between two to five feet below ground and flows 1 to 2 feet per day in south/southwest direction.

Amoco has hired the Howell-based Halliburton NUS Environmental Corporation to assess the situation. A study plan submitted by the firm has DNR approval.

Daniel Hamel, a NUS Halliburton project manager, referred questions on the work to Amoco officials. They were not available by press time.

Delays came this fall when the Oakland County Road Commission balked at giving permits for monitor wells and soil samplings in county road rights-of-way. The firm met the county's insurance requirements and soil and water samplings were drawn from along Grand River Avenue the first week in March. Tait said.

Test results have not yet been submitted to the DNR.

In November, 136 gallons of petroleum and 10 gallons of purified groundwater were removed from site monitor wells and disposed of in Belleville, along with 90 gallons of groundwater.

Halliburton NUS is proposing a cleanup which would include removing the petroleum from the groundwater and releasing the purged water into city stormdrains. They will need a permit from the city's department of public works to do so, Conn said.

The future of the gas station does not seem clear at present. The city earlier placed its option to purchase up for bids but had no takers. Nov anticipated that Trammell Crow

Company, past owners of Novi Town Center, would swap the land for the site of the Michigan '50s Festival.

In January, Novi Town Center went back to its mortgage-holder, Aetna Insurance Company, which then hired The Linder Company to manage the mall.

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Novi Briefs

Breaking family patterns: A program for parents who find themselves repeating old patterns learned in their childhood will be offered March 30 at Novi Meadows.

Novi Youth Assistance and Novi Community Education are sponsoring a parenting workshop for adults who find themselves repeating their parents' behavior. The program will be led by instructor SueAnne Magyar-Hill, a clinical psychologist in private practice.

The program will be held to recognize Parenting Awareness Week, which is the week of March 22-28. The class costs \$5 and runs from 7-9 p.m. in the Novi Meadows cafeteria. Call 349-8398 or 344-8330, Ext. 13, for more information.

Answers for veterans: Local veterans will be mustered up on March 25.

The Veterans Alliance of Novi is bringing in state service officers from the American Legion, AMVETS and the Marine Corps League as consultants on veterans' benefits.

Ex-servicemen and women are invited to ask the experts questions about benefits including mortgages, education and medical assistance. The open house will be held between 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. at 25850 Novi Road, south of Grand River Avenue in the Old Novi Fire Hall.

Prom fashions: The junior class at Novi High School will sponsor a prom fashion show in the high school auditorium. The show will feature trendy prom gowns and tuxedos modeled by students. Four local bridal stores donated clothing for the event which begins at 7 p.m. on March 16. The cost is \$4 at the door. Proceeds will help cover costs of the prom for the class of 1993.

Boosters make donations: The Novi High School Athletic Boosters Club recently purchased a basketball shoot-a-way machine and a baseball pitching machine, both to be used in practice sessions, for the Novi High School's athletic program. Also purchased and donated was a motivational board for the wrestling team. New "spirit" water bottles, hats, pens, seat cushions and pompon will be available soon through the Boosters Club.

For more information about the club and its activities, contact Susan Luebkert at 347-0784.

Sports Briefs

Hoopsters fall: Despite the fourth quarter heroics of senior Jason Walker, the Wildcat basketball team dropped a 61-55 decision to Salem Tuesday in the opening round of district play.

Walker scored 21 of his 30 points in the final period, including four three-pointers, but couldn't help Novi pull off an upset of the taller Rocks. The Wildcats trailed by 11 going into the fourth.

The game marked the end of Walker's career in Novi, along with seniors Matt Rolles, Tony Wise and Mike Kramer. Kramer scored 15, Rolles seven and Wise one in their final performance.

Novi ends the season at 15-6. The Wildcats' year was marked by their second consecutive perfect year in the Kensington Valley Conference at 12-0.

Livonia Stevenson and Canton were to face off in the district finals Saturday at Novi.

Opinions

As We See It

When rights conflict, balance is the goal

Balance... that has always been the key to a resolution when rights come into conflict.

And we've seen this countless times since the U.S. Constitution was first adopted. First Amendment concerns come into conflict with the right to privacy, implied in the Constitution if not specifically mentioned. The right of society at large to live in peace and safety comes into conflict with a criminal defendant's right to a fair trial. The government's right to take over land for public uses, through "eminent domain," comes into conflict with rights of individuals to own private property.

So often is there a conflict between those principles we regard as fundamental rights that the Constitution has frequently been referred to as "that delicate balance."

Coming to the forefront these days is the conflict between private property rights and the right of the community to protect the environment. The Constitution specifically prohibits the government from "taking" private property without just compensation to the owner, and of course that means that the owner has a right to use and build on the land.

But few would argue against the idea that the owner does not have the right to use the land in such a way that it destroys the environment for the rest of us — polluting the air or contaminating the water. The environmental protections did not make it into the Constitution, but reams of legislation have been supplied at the federal, state and local levels to create those protections. And the courts have upheld many of them.

These days, the issue is woodlands protection. Novi has such an ordinance and it calls for the city to protect significant woodlands. As developers build on a parcel, they must shift home sites and adjust lot sizes to minimize the disruption and destruction of the forested areas.

A West Bloomfield woodlands protection ordinance recently was overturned when tested in court. Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Gene Schnez ruled that environmental protections 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," Schnez stated. "It is a fundamental right and basic tenet of our society which should be compromised only with the greatest reservations and only to further public interests."

Schnez apparently didn't think the woodlands protection ordinance met those standards. We however think protecting the environment is indeed a "public interest" which is occasionally worth overcoming the "greatest of reservations." West Bloomfield Township is appealing the decision.

What the ruling means to Novi isn't clear yet. Martin Rubin of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan showed up at a recent Planning Commission meeting to say he did not believe Novi's ordinance would likely attract the same kind of lawsuit. He concluded that Novi's ordinance was not overly restrictive or confusing. And Novi Director of Community Development Jim Wahl explained that often technical details have to be worked out when builders propose construction on wooded land, but he indicated he believed the ordinance was flexible enough to avoid problems.

But a different developer showed up before the City Council recently and took a whole different view. Mike Horowitz, of the Selective Group, criticized the ordinance for failing to provide adequate guidelines for development.

He argued that Novi's woodlands ordinance was a delicate balance. And it is a delicate balance. And it is a delicate balance.

'But I won't reveal her age'



Phil Jerome

When the phone rang last week, it was Kathi, my brother David's wife, on the other end of the line.

"You know Diane's birthday is this Wednesday," she said, a note of urgency in her voice as she reminded me that my little bride was about to mark the passing of another year.

"Ohmigod, Kathi," I yelled in mock horror. "Not again. Didn't we just celebrate her birthday a couple of months ago? Geez, it's a good thing you called. It had completely slipped my mind."

"O'mon, you knew it was her birthday," said Kathi, catching on quickly to the fact that I was only joking about having forgotten my dear beloved's natal day.

"So what are you going to do?" she asked. "It's kind of an important one, you know. You've got to do something special."

"Well, frankly," I replied. "I was thinking about taking her out to dinner."

"Yeah, I agreed. To Bill Knapp's. They've got this birthday deal. It's only going to cost me half price."

"Oh, that's tacky," she roared. "You're going to take her to Bill Knapp's because you get 50 percent off the cost of her meal? You can't do that. That wouldn't be nice."

"You've got to do something special. It's not just any birthday, you know? It's kind of a milestone. A very important birthday. And this is your lucky day because I've got some ideas for you."

"What's wrong with Bill Knapp's?" I asked.

"But she ignored my question and proceeded immedi-

ately to her big ideas for celebrating Diane's birthday. "What you could do," she said, "is get 50 black balloons and load them into her car. Then when she goes to get into her car, she'd find it loaded with 50 black balloons."

I groaned disapprovingly at suggestion number one. "She'd kill me if I did that," I said. "She wouldn't think that was funny at all. And she'd make me clean out her car, and then she'd kick my butt."

"Okay, you don't like that one. I've got another one," said Kathi, undaunted. "I happen to know that Diane has an appointment with Jan to cut her hair Wednesday at five-thirty. What you could do is call Jan and arrange it so that there are 50 black balloons when Diane shows up for her appointment. That would be fun, and Jan's a good sport. She'd help you carry it off."

"Strike two, Kathi," I replied. "It just doesn't turn me on. Besides, Diane hates things like that. She doesn't like to be the center of attention out in public. You know how shy she is."

"So what are you going to do?" she asked, a bit frustrated that I was shooting down all her wonderful suggestions. "You've got to do something."

"Well, maybe I'll just get her 50 roses and take her out to dinner at El Nibble Nook. She likes roses and she likes The Nook. She'd probably like that a lot."

"And then, of course, I'd send her a special little birthday greeting in my column next week."

Now it was Kathi's turn to groan disapprovingly. Except it was more of a howl than a groan.

"Oh, no," she moaned. "Don't put it in your column. That would be awful. If you write about it in the paper when I hit my 50th birthday, I'd be really upset with you. I wouldn't speak to you ever again."

"Sorry, Kathi," I replied. "But I kind of think that might be a sweet little surprise. Something she'd really appreciate. Of course, I wouldn't mention her age."

Stephen Larson, kitchen master of the Starling Gate in Northville

In passing

By Hal Gould

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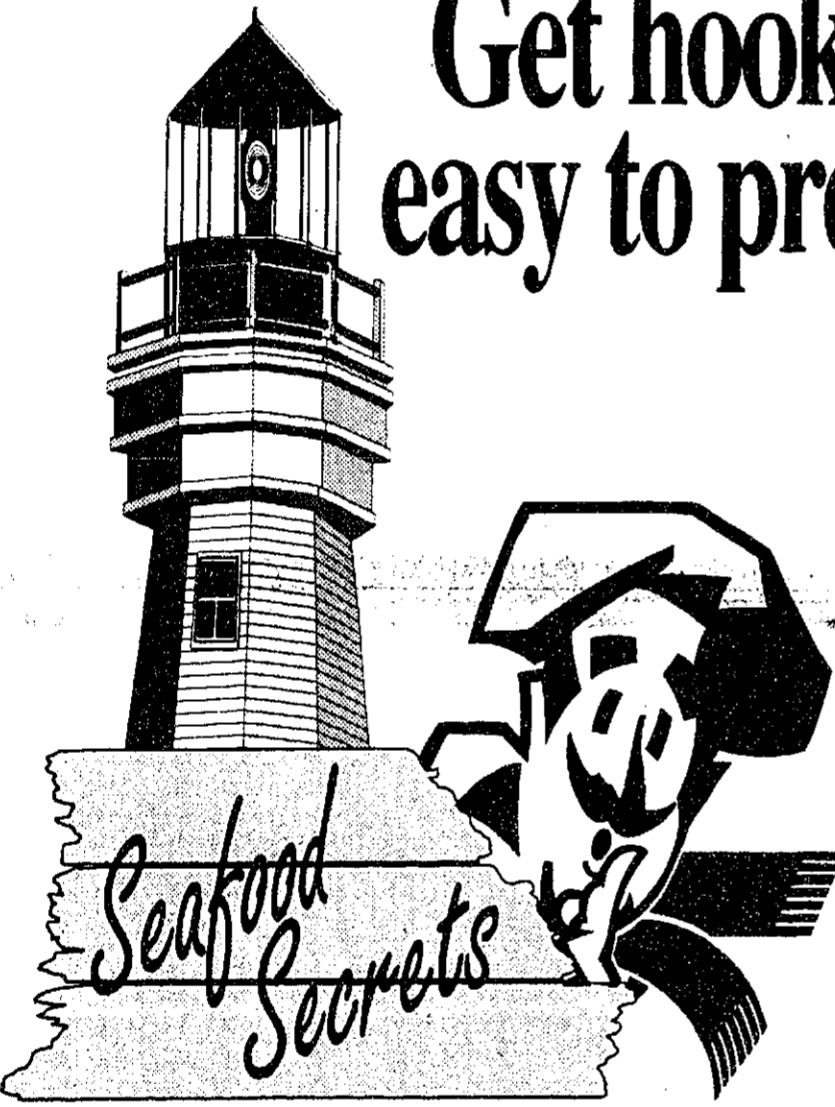
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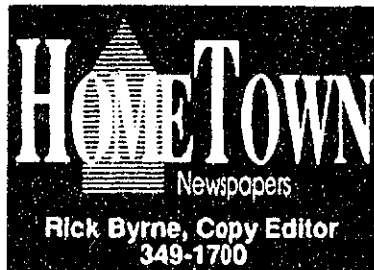
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Chalk Hill vineyard makes a big comeback

In June 1989, we read a clip from the Santa Rosa Business Journal, a publication serving the greater Sonoma County California business community. It was an interview with Fred Furth, nationally known attorney, energetic businessman and owner of Chalk Hill Winery.

"Chalk Hill is in the midst of an expansion that will raise wine production levels from 40,000 cases to 60,000 cases," Furth said. "Whoa," we remarked. If you remember the Chalk Hill wines from the mid-1980s, you know they were undistinguished at best.

Sometime in early 1990, Furth must have come to this conclusion also. A new era of Chalk Hill wines was ushered in when Furth hired David Ramey as winemaker.

Ramey brought 10 years' international winemaking experience with him. As the former winemaker at Matanzas Creek, he put that winery on the map with exceptional sauvignon blanc, chardonnay and merlot releases.

Ramey, who turns a good French phrase, has always been interested in what the French winemakers were saying and what they were actually doing. Between his tenure at Matanzas and accepting the Chalk Hill position, he worked for the Moueix family at several of their Bordeaux estates, including Chateau Petrus.

The first French influence we noticed at the winery was the considerable investment in French oak barrels Furth was encouraged to make.

It's less than two years since Furth hired Ramey at Chalk Hill. "Dr. Dave," as we affectionately call him, has worked miracles on the Chalk Hill wines. The 1990 releases have the Ramey touch from vine to bottle.

The 1989 Chalk Hill Cabernet Sauvignon and 1986 Late Harvest Semillon that were still un-bottled at the winery when Ramey arrived, have been "doctored" (very legitimately) and the Ramey prescription blend was crafted.

Fred Furth will see his dream of case production expansion come true, but not as quickly as he predicted in his 1989 statement to the press. Ramey bulked out much of the wine he inherited, talked Furth into scaling down, holding the line on prices and launching a major vineyard replanting.

The Chalk Hill estate has 1,100 acres of which 275 are planted. "Because Chalk Hill Winery has such large vineyard plantings, there's a multiplicity of soils, clonal selection and vine ages," Ramey said. In new and replantings, soil profiles will be better matched to varietals.

"When I came to Chalk Hill in 1990, the vineyards were about 85 percent white grapes. Over the next five years, red plantings, particularly merlot, will increase and some vitignier (a Rhone white varietal) will be planted."

Ramey tasted us through a sampling of previously released Chalk Hill Sauvignon Blancs. They were grapefruity and grassy, totally lacking fruit elegance — nobody's favorite style.

The complete 360 is evident in the newly released 1990 Chalk Hill Sauvignon Blanc (\$10.75). To open the vine to light and eliminate the grassy elements, leaf pulling in the vineyards was practiced during the growing season.

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WINE SELECTIONS OF THE WEEK

If you read the column, you know we're excited about the latest releases from Chalk Hill Winery. To make fitting comparison for all this, we blind tasted the newly released 1990 Chalk Hill Chardonnay (\$17) against the 1989 Chassagne-Montrachet Les Vergers by Michel Colin-Deleger from Burgundy. Yes! The Chalk Hill stood its ground with buttery notes, integrated oakiness and solid fruit. It's a lush, creamy mouthful for a lot less money than the Chassagne-Montrachet.

Showin' cheesecake

Have something creamy and dreamy

By CHARLES BRITTON
Copley News Service

For those gloomy days, when everything seems to be turning into dross, I have this note of encouragement to offer: We are living in the great age of cheesecake.

It's a minor consolation, to be sure, but it's the best I can come up with at the moment.

The decade of the '80s, notable for so many epochal events, also managed to bring cheesecake to new heights. The fashion for culinary Americana that set in during the mid-'60s brought cheesecake, always a popular standard, to high-profile dining.

It's always been the dessert of choice at places like delis, diners, steakhouses and seafood dives. But now it shows up in any setting, regardless of price range, and there's probably more cheesecake around these days than ever before.

If you're so minded, you could argue that tiramisu, a dessert that nowadays is hard to avoid at Italian restaurants, counts as a kind of cheesecake, seeing that a primary ingredient is mascarpone, the Italian version of cream cheese.

Among standard baked types, variations have blossomed forth in endless profusion. A popular Southern California restaurant chain called the Cheesecake Factory regularly stocks some 35 flavors.

Two recent books on the subject — *Cheesecake Extraordinaire* by Mary Crowner (Taylor) and *Mother Wonderful's Cheesecakes and Other Goodies* by Myra Chanin (Holt) — up the ante to more than 200 possibilities.

Despite this profusion of choices, I tend to feel about cheesecake much the same as with other dishes: The simplest and most direct version is the best. The real test, it seems to me, comes with the most fundamental incarnation that disdains elaborate flavoring, save for vanilla and the accent of citrus that goes so well with the slight tang of the cream cheese.

The origins of what we know as cheesecake are pretty clearly Eastern or Central European. The Austrians like their Topfentorten, and the Hungarians go for Turos Rascos, both made with pot cheese; similar fillings show up in strudels.

The Germans are fond of using Quark, a fresh cheese somewhat similar to ricotta but only distantly related to the subatomic particles of the same name. The lavish Russian cheesecake, Pashka, is traditional at Easter.

Still, there's nothing quite like our cheesecake, which seems to have been developed by Jewish delicatessens, particularly those in New York. This is an uncompromising rich and luscious creation, actually more of a cheese custard than a true cake.

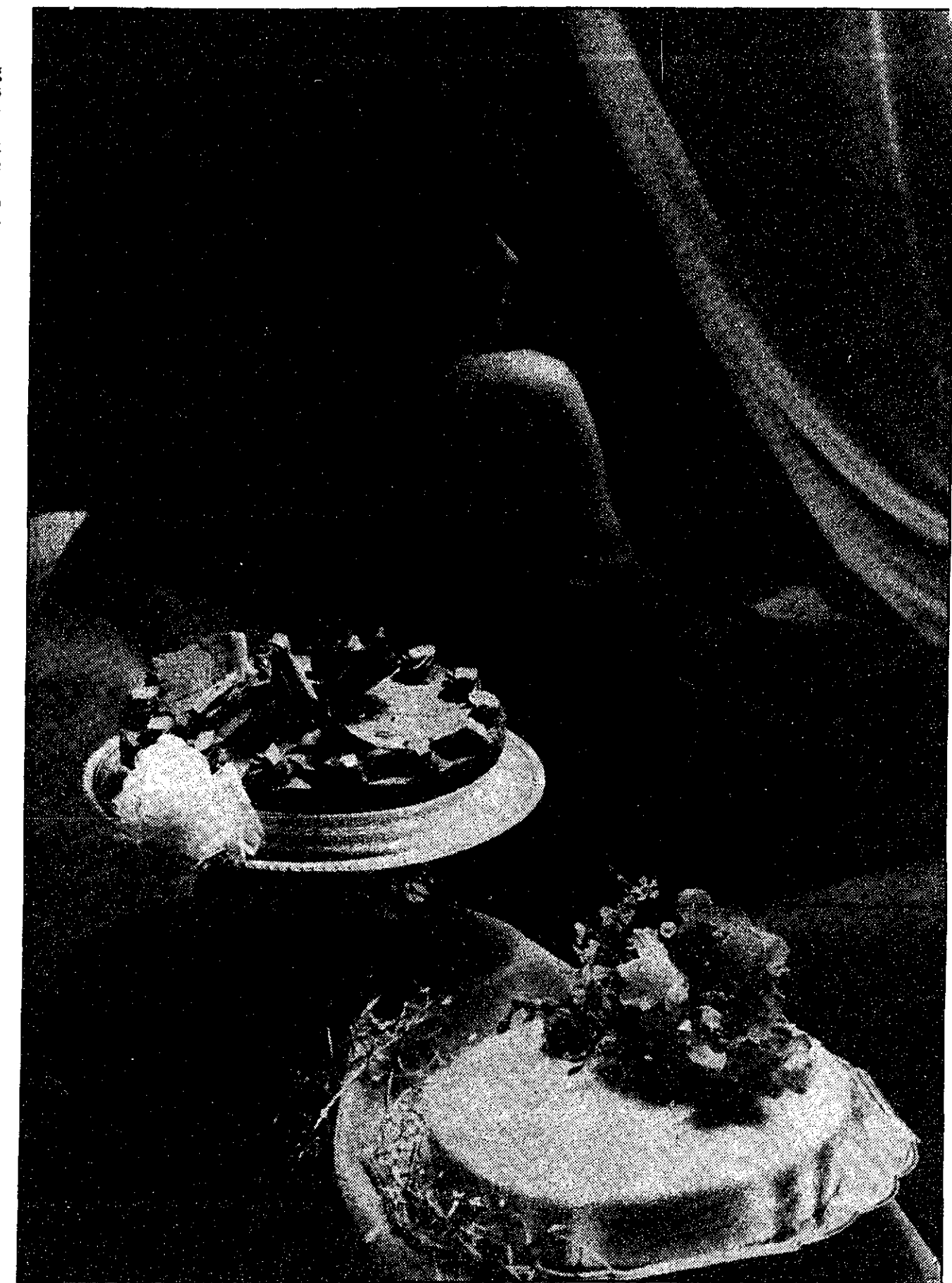
Another ancestor of the American cheesecake, particularly in the lighter variations, would be the Italian ricotta puddings and pastries.

Then there's the kind of "cheesecake" that reached its apogee with the pinups of World War II.

According to the most commonly accepted story, James Kane, a photographer for Hearsy's New York Journal, first applied the term to leg art in 1912. He posed a model on the railing of a steamship, and when the shot revealed more of her than intended he remarked, "That's what I call real cheesecake." It must have been the right word, for it stuck.

The kitchen version of cheesecake is among the easiest of desserts to prepare, essentially a matter of beating the ingredients together and baking. No-cook versions have long since made their appearance, and so have those with less than the usual load of calories.

Preliminary note: Authorities agree that the quality of finished cake depends a lot



Tempting your tastebuds with a creamy slice of cheesecake requires a little seductive reasoning

on the quality of the cream cheese. Choose a good brand, such as Philadelphia; the fewer additives, the better.

In addition, cheesecakes baked in a pie pan are flatter than those baked in a springform pan, and therefore take less baking time. When a 7-inch springform pan is used, baking times are longer, but the cake is taller and servings look bigger.

The classic among cheesecakes must be the one served at the legendary New York restaurant Lindy's. The original restaurant has long since departed, but recipes for the cheesecake abound, including one at a successor house of the same name.

Of four published versions, three agree that this is the original. In any case, it is very much a cheesecake in the classic New York Style — impossibly rich, heavy as lead, and quite irresistible. We have adapted the crust to the food processor.

LINDY'S CHEESECAKE (Consensus Version)

Pastry:
1 cup flour
1/4 cup sugar
1 teaspoon lemon zest (see note)
1 stick (8 tablespoons) butter, softened
Dash vanilla
1 egg yolk

Filling:
2 1/2 pounds (40 ounces) cream cheese, room temperature
1 1/2 cups sugar
3 tablespoons flour
1 1/2 teaspoons grated lemon zest (see note)
1 1/2 teaspoons grated orange zest (see note)
1/4 teaspoon vanilla
5 eggs
2 egg yolks

1/4 cup heavy cream
In a food processor, place flour, sugar and lemon zest. Pulse together. Add butter and pulse until mixture resembles a course meal. Add vanilla and egg yolk. Process until dough just clings together. (Add a very little cold water if necessary.) Working quickly, form into ball, wrap in plastic and refrigerate.

By hand, mix together flour, sugar and lemon zest. Cut in butter. Add vanilla and egg yolk, mixing until dough just clings together, adding a very little cold water as necessary. Form into ball, wrap in plastic and refrigerate.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Butter base and sides of a 9-inch springform pan. Remove sides. Roll out 1/2 of dough about 1/4 inch thick; place on base and trim to fit. Bake 15 minutes or until golden. Let cool.

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Chef Mary Brady



lamb stew or corned beef and cabbage. Ireland is a country of limited resources and a peasant background. Economic factors dictated the use of inexpensive and simple food products.

Tomorrow is St. Patrick's Day.

In years past, it was a time to honor Ireland's patron saint. It is said that St. Patrick drove all of the snakes, which were of tremendous population, from the Emerald Isle. Today, the day is an excuse to drink a few stouts and eat

An Irish proverb says "the newest of food and the oldest of drink." Only the freshest of food has been used throughout the years. Potatoes and oatmeal are staple items in an Irish household. Rich butter and flower-sweet honey are traditional accompaniments. Suddenly, the simple food becomes simply splendid.

Soda bread, made with flour, buttermilk, soda and salt is still an Irish favorite. In the old days, it was cooked in a portable oven over a turf fire with turf pods placed on top to give it an all-around brown crust. The Irish have perfected bread. There is little comparable that I have experienced.

Onions, leeks, garlic, cabbage and carrots are some of the very few crops that are produced with grace in Ireland. Watercress and sorrel are used with the same frequency as iceberg lettuce in the United

States. What a delightful difference: greens with taste.

As always, there is seafood, some of the best in the world. Ireland is noted for its salmon. It commands a high price throughout the world.

Irish cooking differs in another respect, in that it is the same all over the country. In the United States, we have "regional" specialties. Southern, East Coast, Cajun, to name a few.

The only dish that changes from area to area is lamb stew. The base is lamb, onions and potatoes. From there, the stew changes from town to town, or even house to house, with the variations being limitless.

Potatoes were brought to Ireland around the 1600s. The Irish were the only people in Europe that ate the vegetable.

Other countries grew them as a curiosity. The mild climate of Ireland proved to be a perfect match for the tubers.

Irish cooking today is much different than yesterday. As little as 10 years ago, peas, carrots, cabbage and potatoes were about as much a culinary experience as you could get. Now anything we get here is accessible in Ireland too.

Irish foodstuffs, particularly dairy products, meat and fish, are top quality. The bacon is meaty — not all fat. The oatmeal is incomparable, and the lamb has a special sweetish flavor.

Although the Irish are still big meat and potato eaters, the trend is gradually shifting. Breakfast is heavy. Eggs, sausage, bacon, bread, potatoes, juice, cereal. Who would want lunch after all that? But they eat it; not a big lunch, but a sandwich and

chips.

Dinner is a major meal. There is a growing trend to eat fish. The Irish, like us, are gravitating to one-pot cooking. Vegetarianism is on the rise, with the salad bar craze just now catching on.

What should you serve on this St. Patrick's Day? There are some great Irish cookbooks around to help you decide. *Cooking Irish Style* by Kinney, *Traditional Irish Recipes* by John Murphy, and *The Ballymoe Cookbook* by Myrtle Allen are a few worth seeking out. Now I must go check the pot of stew and throw a few more turfs of sod on the soda bread. "Erin Go Bragh."

Northville resident Mary Brady is a certified executive chef and co-owner of Diamond Jim Brady's.

The Refrigerator Door

RECIPES WANTED: A new feature is appearing in the Creative Dining section of this paper. Known as HomeTown Cooking, it will feature recipes contributed by readers. With that in mind, we'd like to take this time to ask that anyone with a recipe that they'd like to share with all their neighbors in the Northville/Novi area please send it, along with your name, address, and phone number, to HomeTown Cooking, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

Any recipe will do. Perhaps you have a dinner-time favorite, or a recipe for bread that's been passed down through your family for generations, or maybe just a good, fast work-night cost-cutter. Send it in, and we'll feature it on these pages.

CLASSES AT SCHOOLCRAFT: Schoolcraft College's award-winning Culinary Arts Department is offering several classes this winter and spring.

Wines of the West Coast and Great Lakes is scheduled at 7-10:10 p.m. for five weeks beginning today, March 16; fee is \$89. Pastries for Everyone, 6-8:30 p.m., meets for five weeks beginning Wednesday, March 18; fee is \$90.

The Nutrition Cuisine for Health and Fitness seminar will explore innovative cuisine for the '90s. Instructed by Certified Chefs Gabriel and N. Mercer, meal preparation will be supported by lectures on nutrition and its relation to heart disease, cholesterol levels and daily metabolism. Ten hours of independent study are required. The five-week course will begin Saturday, April 11, meeting from 8 a.m. to noon. Fee is \$200.

To register or obtain further information, contact Continuing Education Services at 462-4448. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile Roads in Livonia.

WINE TASTING: Wednesday's Wine Bar at the Rattlesnake Club in Detroit continues 5:30-7:30 p.m. at \$15 per person for six wines and whimsical appetizers; no reservations required. March 18: Southern Rhône wines from Kermlin Lynch Imports; March 25: French wines from Gascony, the Loire, Alsace and Bordeaux.

MICHIGAN CULINARY TEAM PRACTICE: Before the Michigan Culinary Team enters the World Culinary Art Salon in Frankfurt, Germany, next October, it will have to hold some practice sessions. As such, chefs on the team will host practices, and display and discuss them with guests. The practices are open to the public at a cost of \$30 per person, or \$25 per person when purchasing four or more tickets. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served. The proceeds will be used to raise funds to send the team to Frankfurt.

Sessions will be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on the following schedule:

- Monday, March 16, Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights. Chef Ramon Hollingsworth.
- Monday, May 4, Diamond Jim Brady's, Novi. Chef Mary Brady.
- Monday, July 20, Miesse/Sycos, Canton. Chef Kelli L. Lewton.
- Tuesday, Nov. 10, Victory Celebration, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac. Chef Mario Etamad.

To purchase tickets, contact the manager or hostess at the above locations.

AMERICAN HARVEST OPEN: Schoolcraft College's American Harvest Restaurant, featuring gourmet specialties prepared by Schoolcraft's Master Chefs and Culinary Arts students, is now open for lunch, Tuesday through Friday Noon to 1:30 p.m. A variety of entrees are offered, with prices ranging from \$6 to \$10. On Fridays, a gourmet buffet is offered for \$8.25. Reservations can be made by calling 462-4448.

American Harvest is displaying artwork of painter Sandra Weed and 13 of her watercolors and those of painting students. Weed is an art instructor in the College's Continuing Education Services division. Her students have created landscapes, still lifes and fantasy art. The artwork can be purchased by calling the Office of Institutional Advancement at 462-4417. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile Roads in Livonia.

Make the cake of your dreams

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Heat oven to 350 degrees F. Make filling by beating cream cheese with an electric mixer until smooth. Add sugar, flour, lemon and orange zest and vanilla. Beat well. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each, until just incorporated. Add yolks in same way. Lightly beat in cream.

Fit sides of pan over base. Roll out remaining dough, cut in strips and line sides of pan almost to top. Pour in filling. Bake for 10 minutes. Reduce heat to 200 degrees F; continue baking for one hour. Cool on rack. To serve, carefully loosen and remove sides. If you are careful, you can slide cake from base of pan. Otherwise, leave it on base and serve from there. Yields 12 to 16 servings.

Note: Instead of grating rind you can use this method, provided that the blade of your food processor is sharp. Shave zest from fruit and combine with sugar called for. Process together until zest is finely ground into sugar. Then proceed with recipe.

Most no-bake cheesecakes are mousses made with gelatin and beaten egg whites. Myra Chanin has another approach. She depends on the fact that acidic substances — she calls for Fruit Fresh, a commercial form of ascorbic acid or Vitamin C — thicken milk protein. This is the way it works, in a fanciful flavor:

MOTHER WONDERFUL'S NO-BAKE CARIBBEAN BANANA CHEESECAKE

2½ teaspoons unsalted butter
8 ounces white chocolate
1 teaspoon banana flavoring
¾ cup finely ground vanilla wafer

Melt 3 ounces of white chocolate over simmering water or microwave oven. Reserve. In mixer, whip cream cheese on high speed for five minutes. Add condensed milk and beat on medium speed for two minutes, until creamy and well blended.

Dissolve Fruit Fresh in juices. Add to cream cheese along with remaining banana flavoring, rum, melted white chocolate and mashed banana.

Melt butter and 5 ounces of white chocolate over simmering water or microwave oven. Double boiler, or in microwave oven. When melted, remove from heat and whisk into smooth mass. Beat in ½ tablespoon of banana flavoring.

Measure cookie crumbs into a food processor. Add ¼ cup banana chips and nuts. Process in bursts, until fine and dry, not mushy. Add crumb mixture all at once to butter mixture. Mash together with fork until well blended. Use to line bottom and sides of 10-inch springform pan, going no more than 1 ½ inches up sides. Press and smooth down with back of a food spoon. Reserve 2 tablespoons of crust to sprinkle on cake.

Put one slice of pineapple in center of cake; arrange other slices around rim, overlapping if necessary. Put a cherry in center of each pineapple slice. Bake another 10 minutes. Cool on rack in pan. Chill. Yields eight servings, 140 calories each.

The following is a favorite of the Northville Record/Novi News staff. It's a low-fat cheesecake made with drained yogurt instead of cream cheese. It's adapted from "Not Just

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¾ cup banana chips, chopped
¾ cup pecans, chopped medium fine

1 pound cream cheese
1 can (about 1½ cups) sweetened condensed milk

4 teaspoons Fruit Fresh
¾ cup frozen pineapple-orange-banana (or pineapple-orange) juice concentrate, thawed but undiluted

2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
2 teaspoons dark rum

1 ½ very ripe bananas, peeled and mashed (about 6 ounces)

¾ banana, sliced thin
¾ cup sliced pecans

Orange slices, lime zest stripes for garnish

Vegetable Spray
1½ cups low-fat cottage cheese

3 eggs
¾ cup honey
1½ teaspoons vanilla extract

1 teaspoon cinnamon
6 unsweetened canned pineapple rings, drained

8 unsweetened frozen cherries, thawed

Preheat oven to 325 F. Spray a non-stick 9-inch layer cake pan with vegetable spray.

In food processor, blend cottage cheese, eggs, honey, vanilla and cinnamon until smooth. Pour into prepared pan. Bake on middle shelf of oven for 45 minutes.

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Beat briefly until blended. (The same things may be done in a food processor, but don't overbeat mixture. Process only until blended.)

Fold in sliced banana and pecans. Pour into crust and spread batter evenly, until it is well pressed against crust. Garnish with orange slices of lime zest. Refrigerate until set, about four hours or overnight. Yields 12 servings.

Among reduced calorie cheesecakes (in this version, made with low-fat cottage cheese. It comes from "A Year of Diet Desserts" by Joan Bingham (Roadside).

The day before you plan to make the cake, drain yogurt by placing it in a draining device.

Curry powder is a blend of coriander, turmeric, cloves, black pepper, red pepper, garlic, cumin, fenugreek, ginger and can contain many or more varieties of spices. Curry is considered exotic, an inspiration to Indian cooking.

For a mild flavor, use one teaspoon curry for each four servings. The chief use, of course, is making meat, fish and chicken curries. It is also good with rice, veal, shrimp, eggs, vegetables, seasoned sauces, soups and stews. Try a dash in mayonnaise, French dressing or in a can of mushroom or tomato soup.

Cardamom is one of the most aromatic and pungent on the spice shelf. It is the dried fruit of a plant in the ginger family and native to India. Cardamom pods are packed in jars or plastic bags or sold in bulk.

To use the whole cardamom pods, gently crush and remove seeds. The whole seed can be added to grinds or in a pepper mill or clean coffee grinder. Custards, rice puddings, cookies, breads and fruits get a "nippy" new flavor from cardamom. Try a dash in green pea soup, sweet potatoes or sprinkled on pork or beef roast. A real taste treat is dropping a carda-

mom seed into a cup of strong black coffee. Mace is a cousin of nutmeg; in fact, mace is the lacy covering around the nutmeg seed. The two do have similar aromas, but mace is more pungent and less sweet. Mace adds this pungent flavor to sweet breads, pound cake, cherry pie and puddings. Mace is probably at its best with chocolate, in cakes, puddings and other desserts.

Great cooks also add mace to oyster stew, creamed eggs or Welsh rarebit, fish sauces and meat stuffings. Adding a sprinkle of mace on whipping cream gives it more flavor.

Cumin is the secret ingredient in exotic oriental flavorings. However, it is probably most familiar in chili con carne and hot tamales. Cumin has a distinctive aroma and flavor, spicy and sharp with a slightly bitter taste so start with a dash. It can also be used in seasoning soups and stews, flavoring bread or rice and a peppery addition to meat loaf.

All these spices maintain flavor and intensity if kept in a cool, dry, dark place. Keep spices away from heat so do not store over the stove. Spices will stay fresh in tightly resealed packages for several months, but they don't improve with long aging.

If you're not sure if the spice is fresh, rub a bit of the spice between your palms and breathe the aroma. No aroma, then it's time to replace your spice.

Spice up your foods, but remember a pinch goes a long way!

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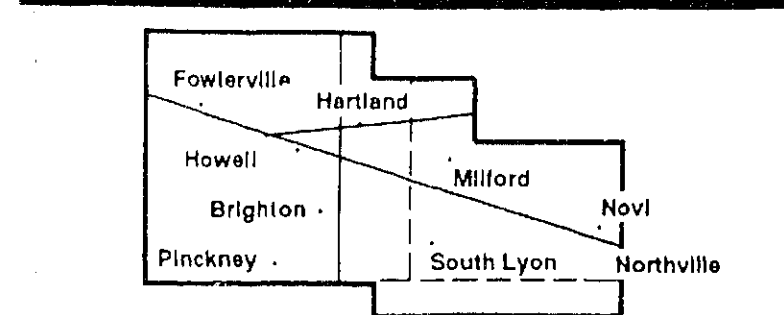
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NOVI 1800, 1988. Redman 1465, 2 bdr., new appliances, central air, clean. (313) 231-3528

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