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## Legislation would delay fourth judge

By MICHAEL MALOTT  
Managing Editor

The addition of a fourth judge at 52-1 District Court in Walled Lake will likely be delayed two years, if a compromise bill hammered out last week in the state Senate Judiciary Committee is eventually approved by the legislature and governor.

The bill is a compromise between the 16 judges, to be seated in 1993, called for by the State Court Administrator's office and the governor's threats to veto any addition of new judgeships. With a multi-million-dollar state budget deficit already looming, the state cannot afford to add new judges, Gov. John Engler has argued.

If the judgeship is delayed, the construction of a new building for the Walled Lake court will also likely be delayed. The Oakland County Board of Commissioners' Planning and Building Committee

"This has been an absolute nightmare . . . Everything that we did on the courthouse over the past two years has, in the last two weeks, fallen off the edge of the table."

Commissioner Kay Schmid  
R-Nov

had been scheduled to open bids for the new courthouse this Tuesday, April 7. But since the amendment of the bill in the senate, that item has been taken back off the agenda of that meeting.

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### Photo Finish

The judges leaned in close to catch the finish of last Saturday's Pinewood Derby at the Novi Civic Center. Judges for the event were some local heavy-hitters, including Police Chief Doug Shaeffer (far left), Fire Chief Ari Loughan (second from right) and City Councilman Bob Schmid (far right). The Cub Scouts

urging their derbies along are Scott Lloyd (second from left) and Tim Stefanson (center). Tim Stefanson was the winner of this race. The Pinewood Derby is an annual cub scout event, during which scouts build their own cars, then rely on gravity to pull them to the finish line.

## DNR issues permit for M-5 Connector

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Officially, the Haggerty Connector is only one step away from the drawing board to the bulldozers.

The state Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Monday delivered a signed construction permit for the \$90.6 million boulevard from Interstate-96/275 to Pontiac Trail — with strings attached. The catch is that no work may begin until a wetlands mitigation plan has been accepted by the DNR and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

"It's an anticlimax. It's not like a black and white thing," Michigan Department of Transportation spokesman Andy Ziegler said. MDOT will continue to look for a

wetlands replacement site in Novi and Commerce Township, either within or outside of the Rouge River watershed, Ziegler added. He doesn't rule out making up for 29 of the 46 wetlands lost here at the state-owned St. Johns Marshes near Algonac — although pressure from Novi and the DNR to find a local site will likely weigh heavy.

Larry Alber, supervisor of MDOT's evaluation and mitigation unit, said that a list of potential mitigation sites may be ready next week.

"We've been working feverishly full speed ahead on trying to come up with this," he said, comparing matching the DNR's mitigation re-

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## Providence site of teen center?

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
Staff Writer

Rumor has it that Providence Hospital's Ten Mile and Haggerty roads location would be the perfect place for a teen center.

But the hospital is not confirming or denying hearsay that the facility could be used as a teen center when it closes in July.

"The hospital is not ruling out the possibility of developing a teen center at the Ten Mile and Haggerty Road site," said Senior Vice President of

Operations Michael Cervenak.

But hospital officials are considering the use of the facility as a teen center, Cervenak said.

The issue was brought to public light at a joint meeting between the Novi City Council and Board of Education in March. School board Trustee Raymond Byers said he heard Providence was considering giving the building to the city for use as a teen center.

Mayor Matthew Quinn, who sits on the Providence Advisory Board, said he had not heard the facility was under consideration as a teen center.

In a Tuesday interview, Cervenak said a Novi Youth Assistance representative on the Providence staff was the first to suggest that use for the site.

But the hospital still is considering all possible uses for the facility, Cervenak said.

Cervenak said financial arrangements have not been discussed if the facility becomes the domain of Youth Assistance.

"It could be rental. We're not quite sure," Cervenak said.

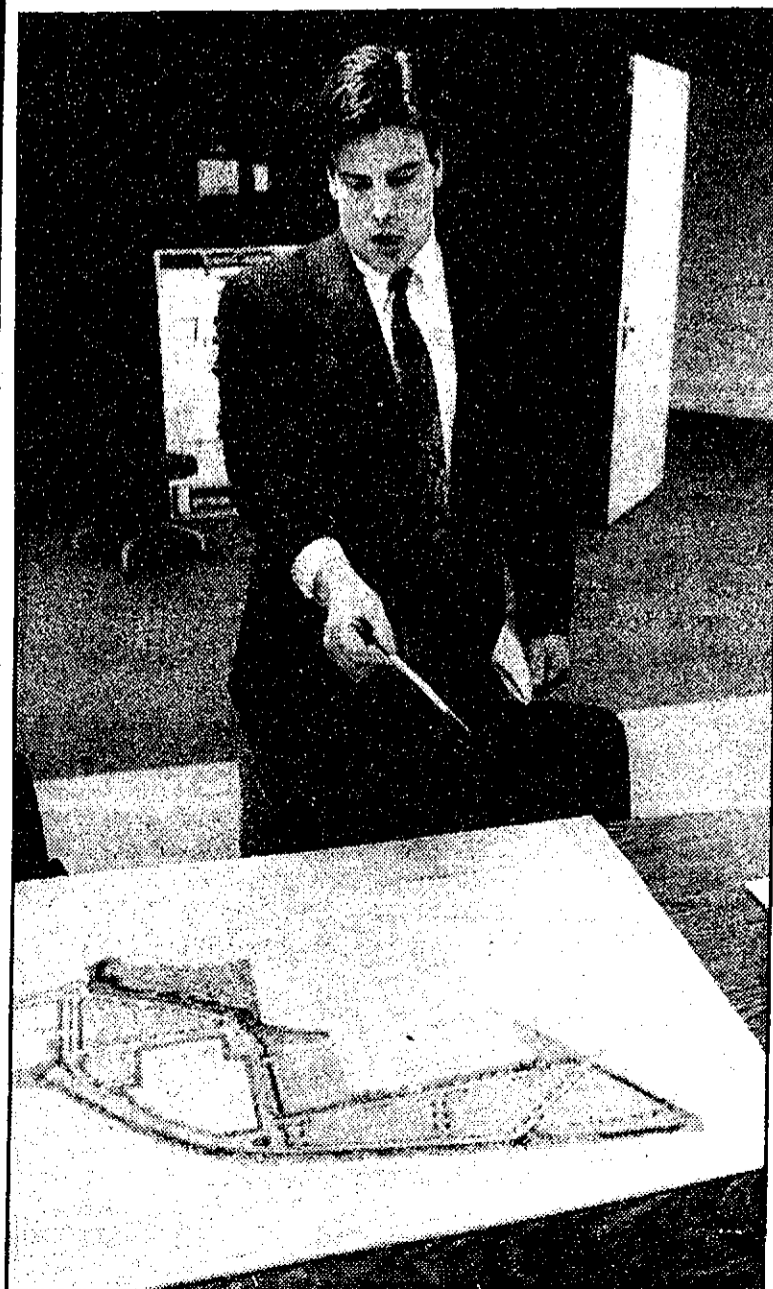


Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

The Novi Expo Center president Blair Bowman explains the site's landscaping plan.

## Expo Center spurs business

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

On April 8, about 4,000 restaurateurs and food service professionals from Toledo, Lansing and metropolitan Detroit will swarm into Novi.

The draw will be a Miesel Sysco trade show's display of wholesale kitchen products at the new Novi Expo Center.

But the economic spinoff will likely be shared by local hotels, stores and restaurants. About 50 rooms at the Sheraton Oaks Hotel will be reserved by the show. The conventioners

will be shuttle-bused in from the Novi Town Center parking lot, where many will be lured by the shopping opportunities.

Menus for popular Novi restaurants like Diamond Jim Brady's and the Country Epicure will be distributed to hungry attendees by the show organizers.

This in a nutshell is why some Novi city officials and the business community are so gung-ho about the Novi Expo Center. "I think basically they're very excited about the economic stimulus that is likely to occur," Connie Mallett, executive director of the Novi Chamber of Com-

merce said.

The chamber moved its offices into the Expo Center in August, also starting up the Novi Convention and Visitors Bureau there.

Theoretically, the facility in the former Mo-hawk building doesn't formally open until September. In reality, the Expo Center's already got bookings. Miesel Sysco, a Canton-based wholesale grocer — will be the fifth show this year.

First and foremost, Novi has its plum location to offer showplanners, Mallett said.

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## River Stroll eyed for Middle Rouge

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
and JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writers

James Wahl tells a story about a trip to Rosemont, Ill.

A group of city officials including Wahl, the city's director of planning and community development, visited the Illinois city to see its Expo Center. On a bus ride into town, city officials saw a ditch full of water so small that the average citizen might not even notice.

The Novi group commented that the "bedraggled" stream was like the Rouge River in Novi, and with a little work both rivers could be scenic sites of river walks, according to Wahl's story.

The bus driver said the river walk idea was nothing new in Rosemont. As the bus rounded a corner, the group saw a landscaped path began

### The Novi EXPO CENTER

to follow the river.

Wahl hopes Novi will soon follow suit.

"You could see, sort of, the before and after," Wahl said. "What Novi is, and what it can be."

Wahl pictures the Novi River Stroll as a landscaped pathway, running along the Middle Rouge River in the city's town center dis-

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# Community Calendar

**Friday, April 3**  
**Youth theater:** The full-length production of "Picnic at Hanging Rock" will be presented by Performance Plus, the new youth theater program at 8 p.m. on the Novi Civic Center stage. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and children under 12. Proceeds used for production costs and towards the enhancement of the youth theater program. Tickets are available through the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.  
**Monday, April 6**  
**Village Oaks PTO (VOICE):** The will meet 7:30 p.m. in the Village Oaks School Library on Willowbrook Road.  
**Tuesday, April 7**  
**Band rehearsal:** The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.  
**Zoning Board of Appeals:** The Novi Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday, April 8**  
**Youth baseball:** The board of directors of Novi Youth Baseball

meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting is open to the public.  
**Thursday, April 9**  
**Parks Commission:** The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.  
**Historical Commission:** The Novi Historical Commission will meet in the Old Town Hall, in the Novi city complex to the west of the library building, at 7:30 p.m.  
**Monday, April 13**  
**City Council:** Novi City Council will meet in the council chambers of the Civic Center at 8 p.m.  
**Tuesday, April 14**  
**Band rehearsal:** The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.  
**Camera Club:** The Novi Camera Club meets at 7 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

**Wednesday, April 15**  
**Planning Commission:** The Novi city Planning Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.  
**Friday, April 17**  
**Good Friday:** Novi city offices will be closed today.  
**Tuesday, April 21**  
**Band rehearsal:** The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.  
**Monday, April 27**  
**City Council:** The Novi City Council will meet in the Novi Civic Center at 8 p.m.  
 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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**Spring Fling**  
 Students spent the evening at school during Orchard Hills Elementary annual spring fling. The fair was held last Friday, March 27, at Orchard Hills. Pictured, student Jason May takes his turn at the ring toss. The event was sponsored by the Orchard Hills Parent Teacher Organization.

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# Novi minorities increase

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer  
 Novi population was unavailable. A grouping for "other" ethnic groups accounts for 2 percent of the population in Novi.  
 In all, minority groups account for 4 percent of the city's population, up from 2.2 percent in 1980. But data was unavailable for some racial classifications in 1980.  
 Novi is made up of 96 percent white residents down from 97.8 percent white residents in 1980, according to a study completed early this year by city planning consultants Brandon Rogers & Associates. The study compares census data from 1980 and 1990.  
 Novi's third largest group is black, accounting for 8 percent of the population. The black population rose from 45 to 259 in Novi in the past decade.  
 American Indians, Eskimo and Aleutian Islanders make up .3 percent of the population with 108 residents. Data for that group's 1980 population was unavailable.  
 But the city will only be able to absorb 74,787 residents based on average household size, present zoning, the city's Residential Area Density Plan and approved planned unit development area plans, Rogers said in his report.  
 "Population growth has largely occurred owing to available developable residential land, utilities, the city's strategic location to jobs and shopping, good schools and a strong civic image," Rogers reported.  
 Residential land is 37 percent developed, Rogers said in his report. People over the age of 65 increased 92 percent, up 1,257 residents, in the past decade.  
 The population of people under 18 increased by 27 percent or 1,810 residents from 1980 to 1990.  
 The total population is 32,998, and a Southeast Michigan Council of Government study projects the population will increase to 46,500 by the year 2010.

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 15 Wed 12-1 Spring luncheon ideas with Arleigh Heagerty - Whether you're having a few friends over for tea or planning a bridal shower for 25, you will love the techniques, serving ideas, - and recipes Arleigh has planned for you.  
 18 Sat 11-4 Double your pleasure with two great demos, beginning with "Are You Equipped for the Holidays?" Kitchen Port staff show you some of the tools of the trade including butter molds, vertical toasters, gravy separators, and other holiday equipment. Following this demo, Katharine's Catering will be in from 2-4 p.m. with some finishing touches for your holiday meals using herbs and edible flowers.  
 22 Wed 12-1 Cake decorating with Carol Pryor. Carol will share her techniques for buttercream borders and marzipan flowers.  
 25 Sat 11-2 Sharon Hudkins will be here to share ideas from Ann Arbor's thrift shop book MeadTakes.  
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# Man reported in alleged beating

No. police were summoned in connection with a "sick person" report March 25 after responding Nov. firefighters suspected that a woman's injuries were due to assault and battery.

According to police reports, firefighters believed the woman's injuries—described as various bruises and marks in addition to the fact that she could barely walk—suggested that she had been assaulted.

The report further stated that, once the woman was inside the ambulance, she told personnel that her boyfriend had beaten her but she did not want to make a police report because she was afraid of him.

Later that evening, police reported, the woman came into the police station with her sister and said she had decided to file an assault report. While she was in the station, police observed that she had a black eye and teeth marks on her face and severe bruises on her neck. They reported she was also "thumped over" and unable to walk.

Both the boyfriend and the girlfriend had reportedly been drinking

## Police News

**VANDALISM:** A 1989 Mercury Topaz was reportedly vandalized March 24 while it was parked outside a residence on Novi Road.

**LARCENY FROM VEHICLE:** A bowling ball, bowling shoes, duffle bag and empty bottles were reported stolen from a 1981 Chevrolet parked on Wedgewood in the Waterview Farms apartment complex March 18.

**LARCENY FROM AUTO:** A 1980 Honda Civic parked at the Novi Road Big Boy was reported broken into March 25 between 5:30 and 10:45 p.m.

Reported stolen was a stereo system with a 10 band equalizer and stereo amplifiers.

There are currently no suspects or witnesses.

Police said there were no signs of forced entry to the vehicle, which was parked in the south lot of the complex.

The suspects were apprehended by a security agent after they left the building without paying. The total value of the garments was \$97.

The suspects were released on a bond of \$40 each.

**VANDALISM:** A 1986 Chevrolet van parked on Cherry Hill was reportedly vandalized March 23.

According to police reports, the owner's daughter reported at 7 a.m. that the driver's side window of the vehicle was shattered.

The owner then went out to inspect the damage and discovered a set of footprints leading to the van from the side of his house, then west toward a house several hundred yards down the street.

**POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA:** A 33-year-old Milford man was arrested March 16 for possession of marijuana.

The man was stopped by police while driving on westbound Pontiac Trail for a traffic violation.

The marijuana was reportedly discovered after drug paraphernalia was seen in full view in the car.

Citizens with information about the above incidents are urged to call the Novi Police Tip Line at 349-8887.

## Novi Briefs

**Certified board member:** School board Trustee Michael Meyer will be recognized April 7 for his service on the school board. Meyer completed enough seminars and other activities this year to become a Michigan Association of School Boards certified board member.

As part of earning his certification, Meyer brought Rep. Willis Bulard, R-Highland, to a school board meeting as a guest. School board Trustee Raymond Byers also has been recognized by the association. He received an award of merit from the group. Byers downplayed the award at a March 27 board meeting.

"It's no great accomplishment. I just have good attendance," Byers said.

**Tree City USA:** Preceding the regular Novi City Council meeting on Monday, April 27, council members will plant at tree in front of the Civic Center at 7 p.m. The event will include the presentation of a 1992 Arbor Day flag and plaque.

Novi has been named a "Tree City USA" by the National Arbor Day Foundation. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the USDA Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

To become a Tree City USA, a community must meet four standards: a tree board or department, a city tree ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program and an Arbor Day observance.

**Sign up for camp:** Novi Youth Assistance is sponsoring its second annual Camp Sign Up Day at the Novi Civic Center from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, April 4.

Parents who feel their children could benefit from a summer camp experience are invited to meet with area camp representatives. The representatives will answer questions and assist parents in choosing a camp for their children.

Participating camps include: SCAMP, Ted Schwarz Day Camp, Camp Lakeshore, Living Science, Y camps and Camp Fire's Camp Wathana.

"Camperships" are available from Novi Youth Assistance. Applicants will be notified of the decision of the scholarship committee by mail.

**Confused about school finance?** If the terms in-formula, out-of-formula, recapture, categorical and tax base sharing have you confused, then we have just the thing you need. The Novi News in conjunction with the Novi Community School District will be answering questions about school finance in a clip-and-save article to be published in a future edition of the paper.

Send any questions you have about school finance to Suzanne Holber at the Novi News, 104 W. Main St., Northville, Mich. 48167. Questions will be answered by Novi schools' financial guru William Barr in a future edition.

# Novi plans to strip its budget to bone

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Novi may still be growing its way through the national recession, but the community's attracting the wrong kind of development, according to City Manager Edward Kriewall.

From an economic standpoint, Kriewall predicts that the city may need to focus on luring and keeping viable commercial, office and industrial development to shift the tax burden away from homeowners.

But this may be tricky, he noted in an introduction to the proposed budget for fiscal year July 1, 1992 to June 30, 1993, because the hotel and office market in metropolitan Detroit is "dramatically overbuilt."

Over the past few years, predominantly single-family residential has been sprouting up in Novi.

Based on the proposed budget, residents could find themselves paying somewhat higher taxes this year. That's because in November 1990 they voluntarily shouldered the burden of a road bond millage.

Without the road millage, taxes could go down by 112.56 mills this year. With .3992 tagged on for the city's road tax, the total millage predicted is 10.9650.

This may be subject to change as the city council wrangles its way through the budget.

In the near future, the city will consider asking voters for the third time to approve a millage for the purchase of park land—unless the council opts to levy a millage increase for that purpose, Kriewall said. Two other attempts were vetoed at the polls.

"It's obvious to us we can't simply pay for land for parks parks and their development and sidewalks with the existing budget. It can't be done," he said.

The budget sessions began last week and will continue through April.

The city administration is proposing "drastic" cutbacks in capital expenditures.

"We stripped all kinds of stuff out — trucks, printers, copiers," Kriewall said.

While a state-imposed freeze on property assessments kicked in this year—keeping assessments at 1991 levels—new construction led to a 4.41 increase in Novi's income. This added \$49 million to create a \$1.16 billion tax base.

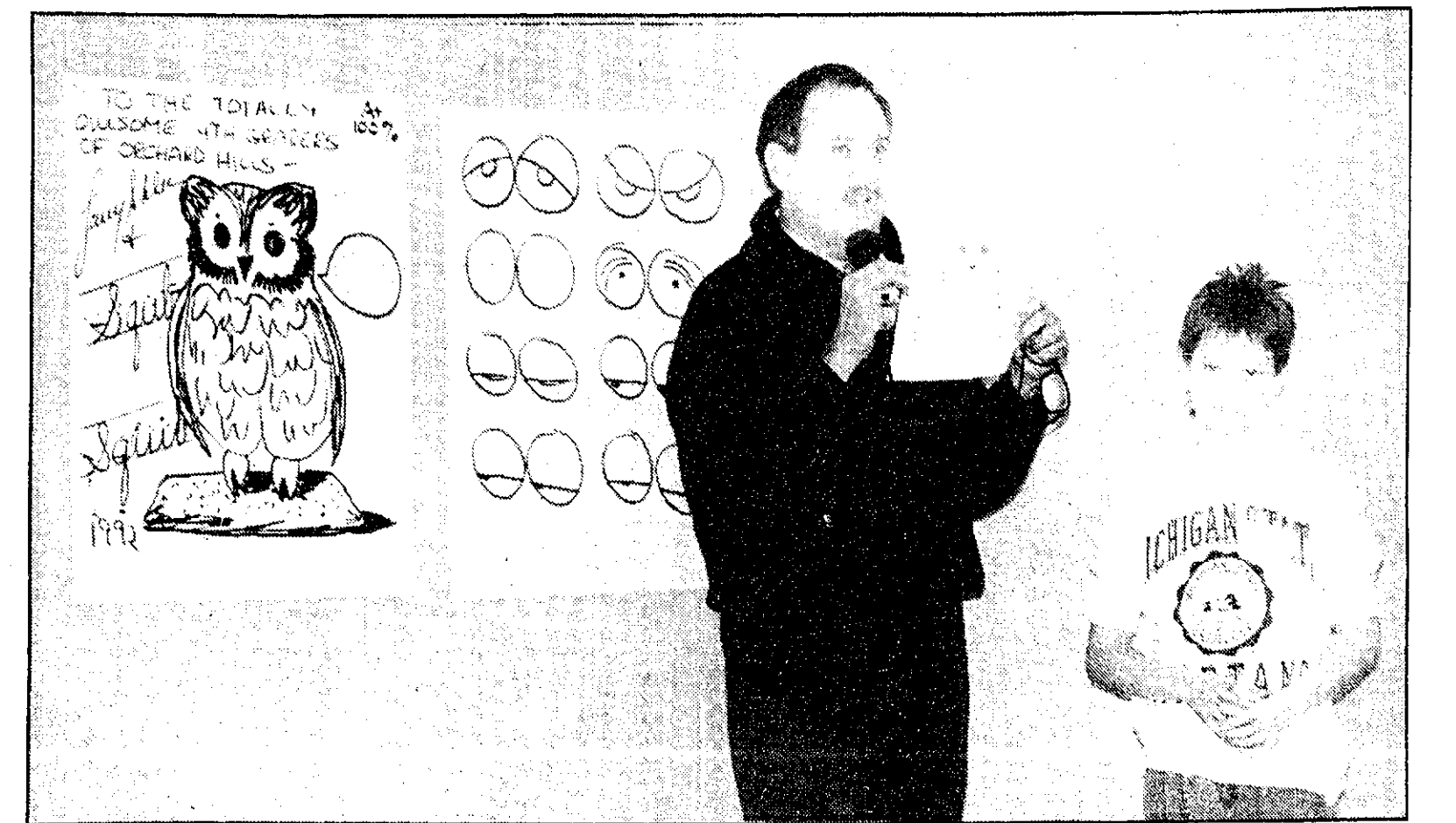
Property taxes may bring in as much as \$5.048 million to the city—if the administrator's budget requests are passed. The city's general is expected to have \$12.044 million in total revenues for the upcoming fiscal year—including permit fees, state and federal funds, traffic tickets, etc. The fiscal year's general fund budget is expected to reach \$11.67 million.

In past years, Novi has relied on new growth to balance the books and has also sold away a fund balance of \$1.331 million.

Kriewall suggests that the city's future strength may lie in its ability to redirect development into the industrial research category—possibly through modifications to the zoning ordinance. An example of this type of development is the Nissan complex in Farmington Hills.

"Apparently our ordinances are not set up for some of these particular uses," he said. "We need to start attracting the industries of the future."

In a memo to the city council, Kriewall noted that the new Novi Expo Center could serve as the catalyst; the business community needs to "reignite the completion of the town center dream. The sagging fortunes of Trammell Crow, the inability to develop the southeast quadrant of the town center and the falling hotel industry are representative of the conditions found within the heart of our center.



## Authors day

Authors and artists Carolyn Lesser and Larry Shles shared their talents with Orchard Hills Elementary students on March 17. Students attended writing sessions with Lesser and drawing sessions with Shles. Pictured are Shles and student Cyle Merrill.

Shles is complementing a drawing made by Merrill during the session. Hanging on the wall is Shles' version of the same drawing.

# Television arraignments pondered

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

"Where would the media be?" asked Rep. David Gubow, D-Oak Park. Replied Neuhard: "There is no public access to the jail."

But Ingham District Judge Pamela McCabe, who demonstrated the California-made equipment, said, "Video arraignments will save a tremendous amount of time."

She said it is being tested in several Michigan counties including Oakland, Genesee and Kalamazoo. Bills before the Judiciary Committee would allow it statewide in criminal, motor vehicle, marine safety and conservation cases.

Gov. Jones, an attorney who ran the Genesee experiment, said security is greater where prisoners don't have to be moved.

One problem, Jones said, was that the prisoner could see only the judge at his end. "We moved the prosecutor next to the judge so the defendant can see both," he said.

Frank Reynolds, a Lansing attorney who does defense work, said TV monitoring gives the defendant a better appearance than bringing a dozen prosecutors, "shackled and chained," into court.

Reynolds said one of his own clients was brought into court shackled to the man who was the chief witness against him.

Republicans on the panel—Bill Martin of Battle Creek and Michael Nye of Blissfield—seemed enthusiastic about the experiment. Democrats tended to be noncommittal.

James Stewart, Detroit News attorney, had "severe reservations and opposition" to video arraignments.

"Arraignments is the first step" in criminal proceedings. The U.S. Supreme Court has held it must be open. Not being able to see the defendant live is not a public setting of the court," Stewart said.

He said reporters covering the Cassandra Rutherford assault trial on a video monitor had a much different impression of the proceedings than those who were in the courtroom. [The judge prohibited reporters from taking notes in the courtroom, so part of the trial was covered by video monitors.]

"We feel there is some risk if the prisoner is only viewed via a television camera which cannot possibly show the entire room," said Dirk Millman, editor and publisher of newspapers in Three Rivers, Marshall, Albion and East Lansing. "For example, the camera could not see if someone in the room, but of camera, were threatening the prisoner, so as to

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# AIDS allegations lead to lawsuit

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

A Novia woman is suing her former boyfriend because she says he spread false rumors that she has AIDS, and interfered with her personal and professional life by writing a series of damaging letters purporting to be from her.

Lee Ann Youngquist and her ex-boyfriend, David Allen Dye of Farmington Hills, are scheduled to meet in Oakland County Circuit Court April 7 for the first formal conference concerning the lawsuit against him, which charges an extensive history of alleged harassment.

The suit seeks in excess of \$10,000 for each of three counts against her ex-boyfriend, and also seeks in excess of \$10,000 for one count against his parents.

According to court records, Youngquist is suing Dye because she alleges that he tampered with her personal and professional life by sending a number of fraudulent, threatening letters to her current and former employers as well as a letter to Michigan State University public safety officers that states she has AIDS. The letters were all either signed with her name or offered enough information to lead the reader to identify her.

that Dye either "wrote or caused to be written" each of the letters.

Youngquist does not have AIDS, her attorneys state.

Dye, through his attorneys, denies every one of Youngquist's allegations. Youngquist states she and Dye had planned to marry, but she broke off the engagement because of "misrepresentations" and "inconsistencies." Dye denies that they were engaged.

Circuit Judge Gene Schnelz issued a restraining order last month, which forbids Dye from making allegations that she has AIDS.

However, Novi Police have since logged at least two reports from Youngquist regarding alleged harassment from Dye.

The letter, which is scrawled over 16 pages in big print, claims that she has AIDS and that "all men are pigs and I will pay all men back at MSU like I did at Delta College and every where my [company] will transfer me."

Delta College, located near Saginaw, made news last summer when a letter was circulated around campus by someone who claimed to have AIDS and planned to visit the school, which forbids him from making allegations that she has AIDS.

The letter goes on to state that her company "will promote me or those men pigs will pay in Chicago and Detroit area. If I don't find a promotion here I will pay forever."

Letters to her former employers, written in the same scrawling hand, make statements such as "You will die" and "you will pay as well as racial slurs and the statement "My racial will die."

Youngquist and her attorneys also charge that Dye wrote and mailed another letter, professing to be her first name, to her father's first name, to her father's first name.

name, the first initial and type of company she works for, the names of two companies she formerly worked for, the name of her former boss, and that she lives in an apartment in Novi.

Other incidents of harassment the lawsuit claims include alleged death threats from Dye, repeated calls to Youngquist's parents during which he made false, negative statements about her, and letters from Dye to her supervisors at work that claim she made slanderous remarks about him and demand a retraction. The suit also includes a letter to Youngquist from a nonexistent law firm, threatening her with a lawsuit on Dye's behalf.

In addition, the suit contends that Dye called one of Youngquist's business customers and said he saw her shoplifting in the store, resulting in representatives from her company being banned from the store. Finally, it charges that Dye called a local health club, where they are both members, and alleged that Youngquist had AIDS in an attempt to have her barred from the facility.

Youngquist's attorneys said she has suffered "extreme emotional distress and anguish" due to Dye's actions. They contend his actions ultimately forced her to take an unpaid leave of absence from her current employer, and that his actions caused irreparable damage to her professional career and business relationships.

# Library Notes

**Choosing children's books:** "Parenting Through Books" — How can interested but busy parents find the right books for their children? What are the benefits of reading to your children? These are two of the questions which will be addressed at a program at Novi Public Library this evening at 7 p.m.

Dr. Sheila Ingersoll of Eastern Michigan University, will present "Parenting Through Books: Selecting and Sharing books with your Child." She will also discuss how to evaluate and choose books for children.

**Book Group Meets:** "Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance" by Robert Pirsig will be the topic of discussion at the Novi Library Adult Book Discussion Group on Monday, April 6 at 7 p.m. Please have this book read before the session and be prepared to discuss it with the group.

Registration is requested for this program. Please call the library at 349-0720.

**Puppet show:** Celebrate National Library Week at Novi Public Library with an enchanting Fairy Tale Puppet Show on Saturday, April 11 at 11 a.m. or 1 p.m.

The popular San-Jan Puppeteers will also help honor the birthday of Hans Christian Andersen, the "grandfather of fairy tales. A special drawing will be held following each performance; winners will receive a book of fairy tales.

The puppet show is free to the public and each program will last approximately 35 minutes. For more information, please call the Novi Library at 349-0720.

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# Schmid condemns SEMCOG rules change

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
Staff Writer

Oakland County's SEMCOG delegate, Kay Schmid, has a list of reasons why transportation providers should not be added as voting members of the council's executive committee.

Adding transportation officials to SEMCOG's voting roster would be allowed under a recent act of congress (see related story below).

Topping the list is the inefficiency she feels would be caused by the proposed change in Southeast Michigan Council of Government's rules.

Under the proposed SEMCOG rules change, the transportation industry would be given 12 votes on the executive committee to the Southeast Michigan Council of Government.

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argument exists about whether SEMCOG must make the rules change in order to allocate the money. Schmid insists the council is "grandfathered" in under the new law and does not require the change.

But if the change were made, transportation representatives would not be elected to serve on the council's committee. The law spells out which transportation groups would be represented.

Schmid argues that the groups are already represented. For example, the Detroit Department of Transportation already is represented on the committee by Wayne County members, Schmid said.

"We felt that it was counterproductive."

The "we" Schmid refers to are the other Oakland County SEMCOG delegates who led a fight to have a decision on the rules change postponed until the committee's June meeting, Schmid said a federal water quality act put the same pressure on groups like SEMCOG years ago. But rather than put representatives of the water industry on SEMCOG's executive committee as voting members, the industry was represented on an advisory committee.

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SEMCOG postpones rules change

an Oakland County commissioner resisting the change. He's being joined by Commissioners Richard Skarnitt, R-Milford, and Schmid.

"There is significant decision-making responsibility, if we choose to accept it," said Milton Mack, a Wayne County probate judge and former suburban county commissioner.

Mack heads SEMCOG's bylaws committee, a seemingly dull, dry task. Not any more, Mack's panel last week offered the SEMCOG General Assembly a rules change that would enable the seven-county agency to allocate federal road, bridge and public transit funds under ISTEA.

Oakland County's delegation, led by Olsen, lobbied for and won a three-month delay in the rules change. The decision came on a voice vote and by a 10-1 margin.

The rules change would expand SEMCOG's executive committee to 57 members from 45 by adding 12 transportation providers.

ISTEA spells out their qualifications: one each from six county road boards outside Wayne County; one representative of Wayne County's public services department (which replaced the road commission); one from SMART, the suburban bus

agency; one from Detroit's D-DOT; one from Detroit's public works department; one from the Ann Arbor Transit Authority; and one from the Michigan Department of Transportation.

There's argument about whether SEMCOG must make the rules change in order to be designated to allocate the money.

Mack argued that "SEMCOG is grandfathered. It's not required to have transportation providers."

But MDOT's view, he said, is that "if we do not amend our bylaws, we will not be certified to decide" funding.

The argument will spill over from last week's meeting in the Rackham Building in Detroit to a series of county meetings around the region. Among the sessions:

Wayne County — 9 a.m. Saturday, April 4, Holiday Inn/Fairlane.

Oakland County — 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, Bloomfield Township Hall.

Livingson County — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, Hamburg Township Senior Center.

Olsen, Skarnitt and Schmid oppose giving appointed transportation people voting power.

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"It opens a Pandora's box," Olsen told a caucus of county officials last week. "If one special interest — transportation — is given 20 percent of the seat on the executive committee, others will want in. It would turn SEMCOG into a series of special interest activities. (SEMCOG currently) is a voluntary organization of elected officials."

"The rule of one person, one vote is not observed (in the new rules)."

"Transportation officials don't pay dues," he added. SEMCOG is funded by dues from member governments, but county road commissions can't join. "Transportation representatives can serve on our technical advisory committees. There's no prohibition on their saying what they wish."

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# Faxon seeks probe of retirement funds

Novi's State Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, has called for a thorough investigation of the Department of Management and Budget's accounting practices.

According to a Senate Fiscal Agency memo dated March 25, the appropriation for the Public School Employees' Retirement Systems for the 1991-92 fiscal year had not been allotted.

The Public School Employees' Retirement Act of 1979 provides that the contribution amounts shall be appropriated annually and paid from the state school aid fund.

The failure of the department to issue account authorizations to use the appropriations enacted in Public Act 119 is a very serious violation of the Act, Faxon said.

The City of Novi is seeking Request for Proposals (RFP) to select a firm to provide professional services for Risk Assessment and Technical Assistance associated with the upgrading of the City's existing Underground Fuel Storage Tanks.

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# Novi Expo may set pace for downtown

## Plans for busy future fill empty factory

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Walk into the Novi Expo Center on an off day and you'll see a corridor of quiet offices and what looks like a tremendously large, deserted, well-lit and very clean parking garage.

If you happen to be a trade show or convention planner, you'll see 200,000 square feet of potential with plenty of room to truck in equipment and hundreds of tables.

This is a very different emptiness than in the past. The building was left vacant in 1989, when the Mohawk Liquor Co. cleared out.

Novi Expo Center Inc. moved in late last summer, led by president Blair Bowman, 30, who is also manager of Thompson Brown Realtors' Novi office. The financial interests between the two operations are intertwined, Bowman said.

The Expo Center leases the late 1960s era, 300,000-square-foot building and 17 acres, which remain under the ownership of the Adell Brothers Children's Trust.

The state equalized valuation on the property is \$3.6 million — one-half the estimated market value.

However, the owners have appealed the building's tax assessment every year since 1989 and the case is currently before the state Tax Tribunal. Novi Assessor James Klausmeyer said.

"I would suspect there's going to be a substantial reduction in that building. They just paid a million dollars to have the roof repaired. They had the heater go out on the water tank, that cost a hundred grand," Klausmeyer said.

"They had a terrible time leasing the property. They had a couple of offers, but they were substantially less than the assessed value."

But a turnaround appears in sight. The Expo Center is already 40 percent booked for 1993, Bowman said.

The time is right. The building is available. The prospects are there. You don't get this opportunity too often," he said.

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ing jazzed-up entryways and awnings. Indoors, the lighting has been improved and the bathroom facilities have already been reworked and made handicapper-accessible.

"The building itself is very functional and doesn't need a tremendous amount," Bowman said.

The biggest drawback to the site, according to convention planners, is the current lack of parking. At present, neighbors like Novi Town Center are lending space and visitors are shuttled to the site.

Plans call for two new parking lots to create a total of 2,100 spaces on site, Bowman said. Progressive Tool is providing 10.5 acres for parking to the west of the Expo Center.

Traffic has also been a concern. A study now under way by city consultants may ease those worries, showing that planned road improvements will make the added burden manageable, Kriewall said.

A state grant to build a boulevard at Fonda Drive has been awarded to the city. The tourism potential of the Motorsports Hall of Fame and Museum — now located in the Expo Center — was the trigger to release the state funds.

A secondary access to Grand River Avenue could happen, Bowman said.

The nature of the trade means that people will come and go at different times, which shouldn't create major traffic burdens on Novi Road and other area streets, he added: "We won't have any major impacts on the road system."

Another minus is that the building is not air-conditioned, but a 1994 installation is scheduled, Bowman said.

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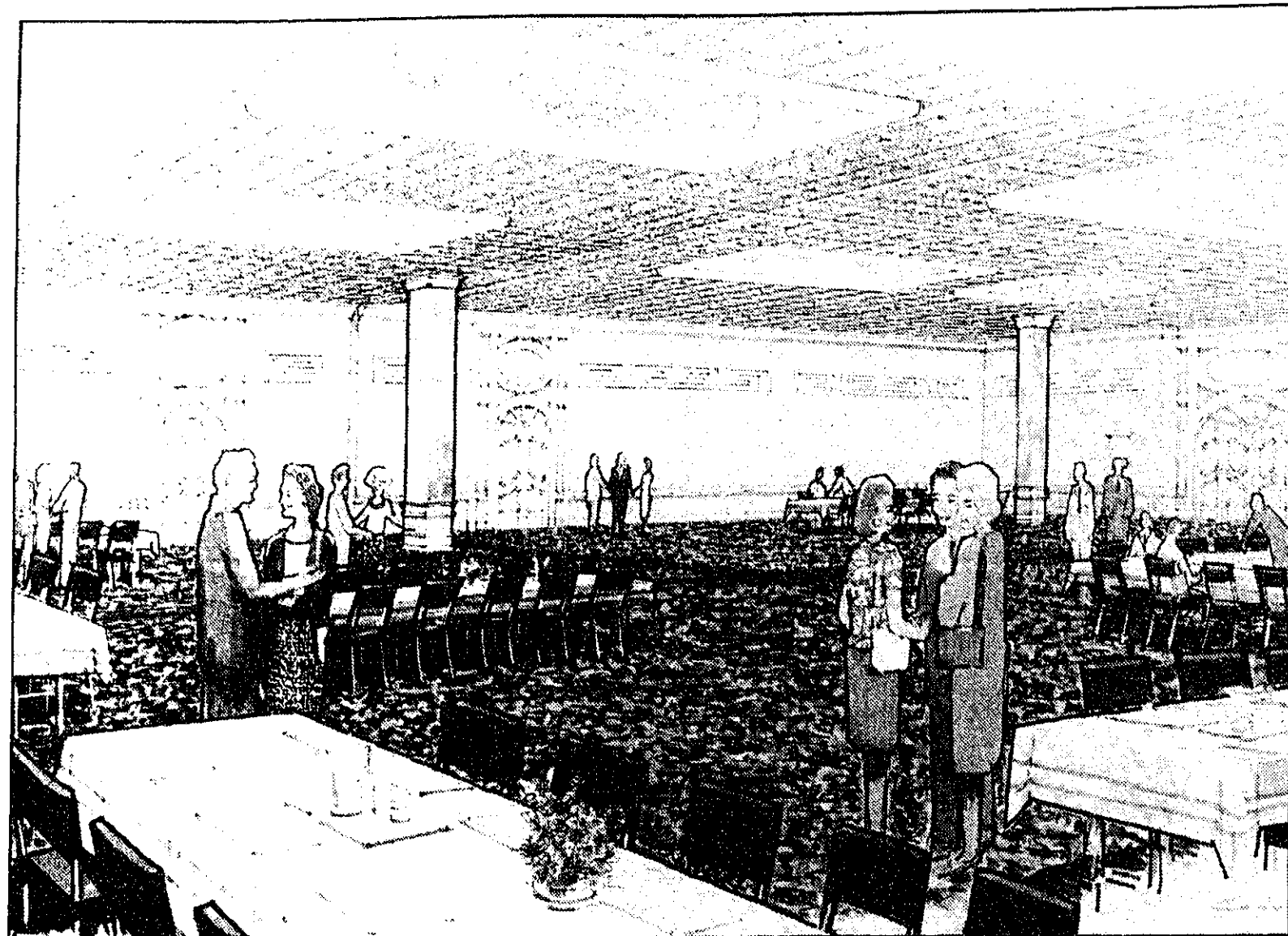
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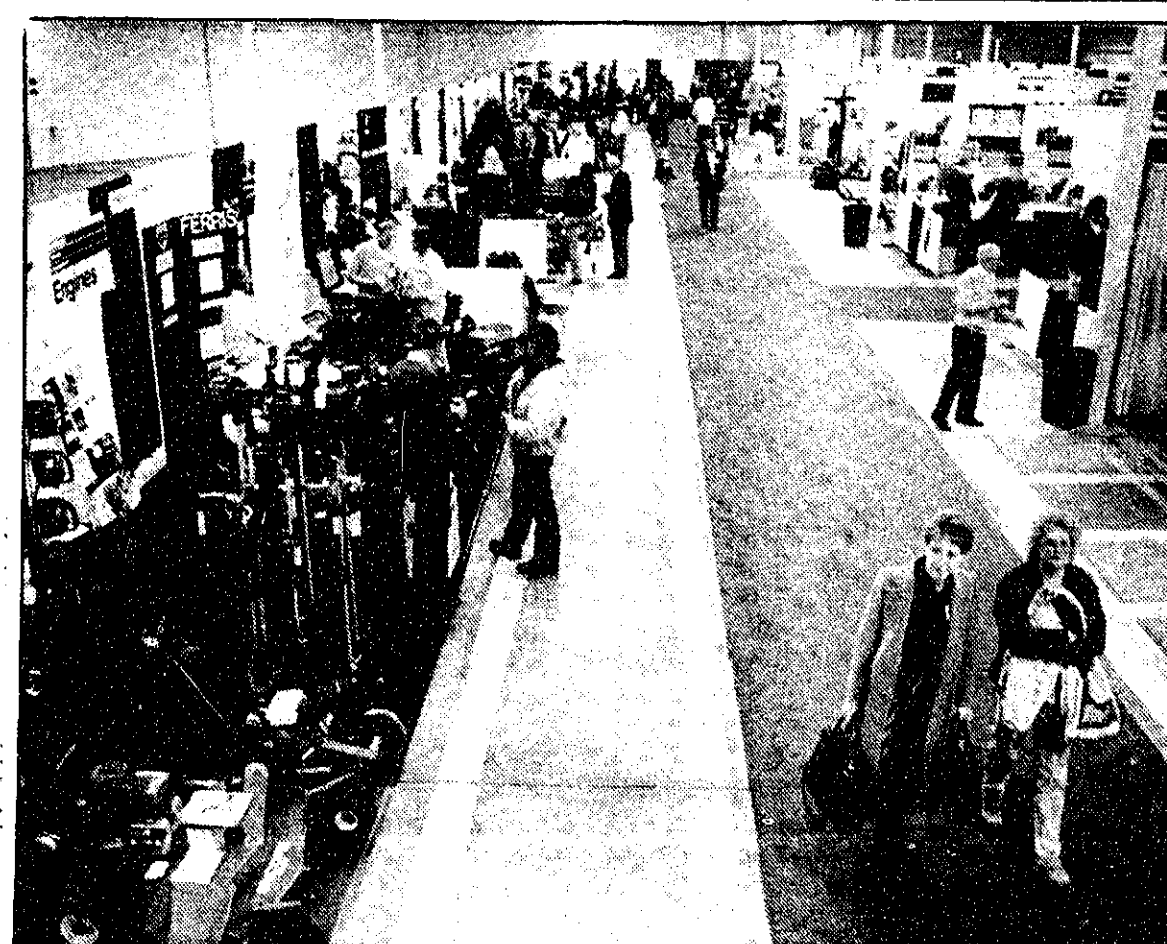
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The Rosemont/O'Hare Exposition Center in Illinois, as seen by an artist, is a role model for the Novi Expo Center.



Photos by BRYAN MITCHELL

March brought in a herd of professionals to the Metropolitan Detroit Landscape Association trade show.



Corporation president Blair Bowman shows a visitor the main hall of the Novi Expo Center.

# Expo Center officials field calls from 14 convention planners

By SUZANNE HOLLYER  
Staff Writer

The Novi Expo Center does not officially open until October, but after a landscaping show earlier this month 14 groups called to book conventions at the center, said City Manager Edward Kriewall.

"They're doing extremely well without advertising," Kriewall told the City Council and Board of Education at a March 21 joint meeting.

Kriewall said parking problems are under control at the center for the time being, although initial Expo Center events will be limited by parking constraints.

In the short-term, the center can use more than 500 parking spaces at the Sheraton Oaks for overflow parking. A shuttle bus will ferry visitors from the hotel to the center and back.

But a Michigan Department of School board Trustee Raymond Byers said at a school board meeting early in the school year that he would oppose a special taxing district called a Tax Incremental Finance Authority that would "capture" tax money generated from the Expo Center that would have otherwise gone to the school district. Byers was responding to rumors that the city planned to fund a parking structure for the Expo Center and Town Center district in Novi.

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Transportation grant will help increase parking and improve traffic for the center in the near future, Kriewall said.

The center qualifies for the \$400,000 tourism grant, Wahl said, contingent on the Motorsports Hall of Fame locating in the Expo Center.

The city hopes to construct a Grand River Avenue access to the center as well as an extension of Fonda Street, which is the Novi Road access to the Expo Center, Kriewall said.

But Kriewall said at the Saturday meeting a TIFA was not likely to be established to fund a parking structure for that facility.

And school board Trustee Michael Meyer said he thinks the Expo Center could actually help increase tax revenue in Novi by increasing the use of local hotels and restaurants.

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Norma Bach, marketing manager for Miesal Sysco agrees that the setting is key. In past years, the April show was held in the massive Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center in Detroit. The company already have a contract with Cobo to hold its September show there, but Novi won the spring event.

"It's a wonderful location for our customer base," Bach said.

"We'll see how it goes in Novi this year. . . . We're going to have 4,000 customers in one day. It's going to be quite a traffic problem there."

Novi already possesses the "hospitality corridor" needed for the convention trade. Mallett points out. Four hotels are just minutes away from the Expo Center. The Detroit-area hotel market is notoriously overbuilt and the Expo Center could bring a much needed infusion of overnight guests.

"The northwest hotels seem to do very good business with state associations," said Tom King, vice president of sales for the Metropolitan Detroit Convention and Visitors Bureau.

"The Novi hotels can collectively put together a room package. If they can get together about 700 rooms and put together a shuttle, that would open up a whole new trade for the hotels. It represents a tremendous opportunity. We're excited about this as a product to sell."

The Novi Expo Center is the first — and only — Detroit area suburban convention center he's aware of, King added.

Ray Williams, marketing director for the Sheraton said the center has brought at least 100 bookings to the inn to date.

"It's a new breath of fresh air in the community. There's not too many facilities of that nature around. It's going to create some more jobs here," Williams said.

Twelve Oaks Mall, West Oaks and Novi Town Center offer fun breaks for trade show guests, including movie theaters. New national restaurants chains like The Olive Garden are bringing in a high concentration of caterers to a relatively small area.

Jane Schmitt, property manager for The Under Company — which runs Novi Town Center — said they will lend 300 parking spaces to the Novi Expo, primarily as a "community service," until the facility builds two new lots.

"It never hurts to help a neighbor. I'll be great for our restaurants. You know those people are going to want to come out and eat," she said.

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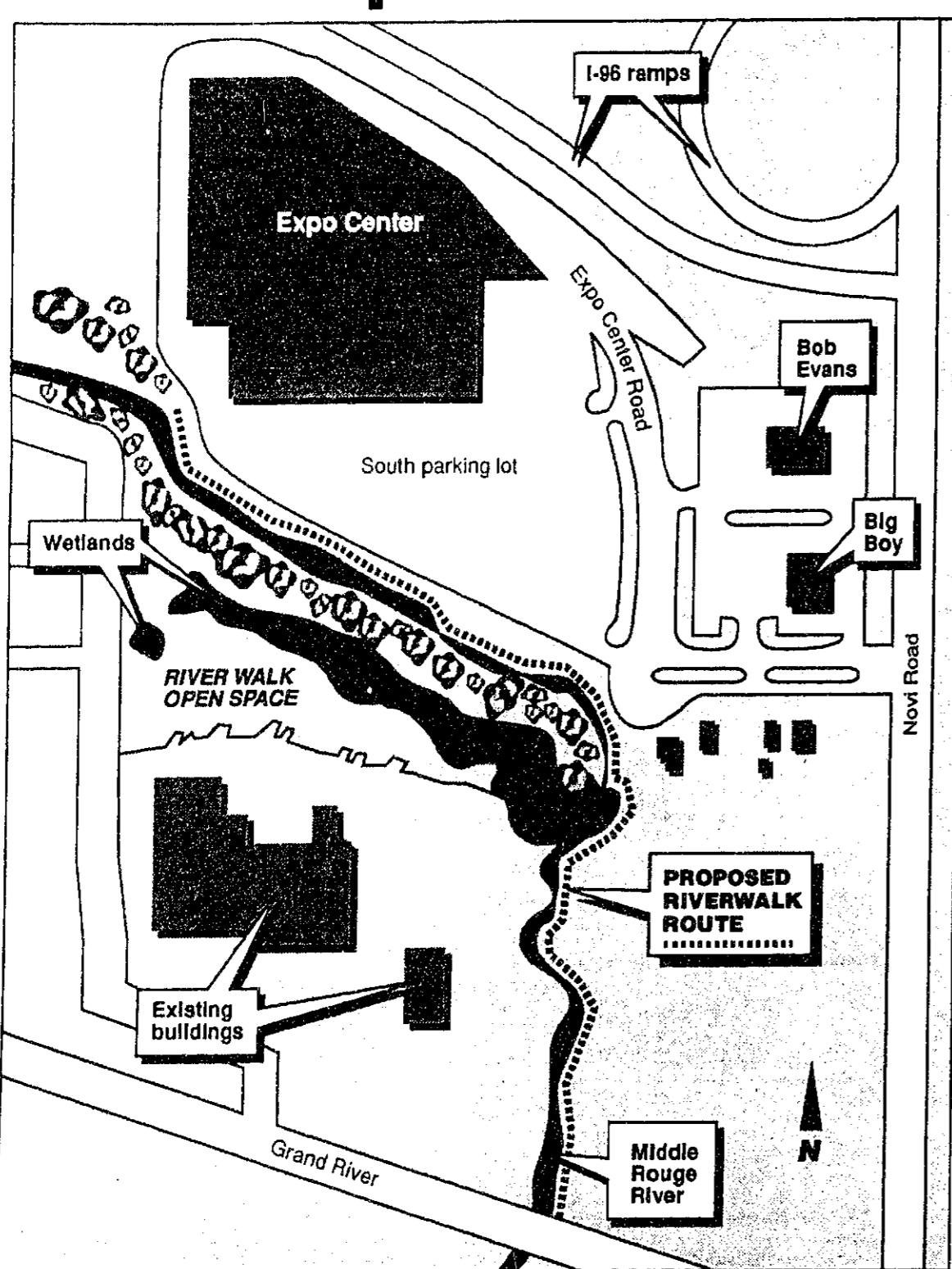
As another plus for tourism, the Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame has located in the Expo Center. The museum plans to have exhibits in place by fall.

Most are reluctant to discuss it, but Novi does offer another advantage — a low crime rate.

Mallett attributes a public perception that Detroit is unsafe to negative media coverage.

"Novi, I think, has the reputation."

## Novi's Proposed Riverwalk



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It's a safe community to shop in and visit. They express that they have had a slipping in the attendance they get in downtown Detroit," she said.

"People plan shows and watch the attendance drop-off, so they don't make as much money. They're investing. Will people feel better about attending if here rather than downtown Detroit?"

The Expo's first trade show was in March, when the Metropolitan Detroit Landscape Association brought 2,000 people to town for two days.

Show chairman Seymour Davis said Novi was chosen over the Michigan State Fairgrounds — the site of the organization's past events.

"The State Fairgrounds, with the negative publicity they have, people felt a bit more comfortable coming out (to the Novi) area. That was proven in the response we got to the show," he said.

"It's an excellent facility. We had the biggest vendor turnout we ever had. I'm very happy with it. Once they

## Novi's river ideas improve on others

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trict. The River Stroll will be linked with the city's Linear Greenway System, a pathway and trail system designed to connect various parts of the city.

"I don't think there is anyone at the table that doesn't think what's out there can't be drastically different," Wahl told the Planning Commission during a March meeting.

City Manager Edward Kriewall said food vendors could be strategically placed on the walk, which will run south of the Novi Expo Center. Wahl's department put together a study of river walks found elsewhere. They conducted phone interviews and reviewed published material about 14 Michigan river walks and walks in Ohio and New York.

The Novi River Stroll will be unique, but planners have learned from the mistakes of those planners who have gone before them in river walk design.

Contaminated soil slowed down project and the Middle Grounds walk in Bay City, according to the Novi study.

In New York, a Syracuse walk has to be closed because of flooding, the Novi study found.

The project can be funded by one of several state and federal grants. Private donations and sales of "shares" of the project also could fund the project, according to the study.

The study cites special taxation districts, millages, bond sales and revenues from city owned facilities as possible funding sources.

Novi Expo Center Inc. President Blair Bowman said he has discussed construction of a natural path of woodchips along the river with city woodlands consultant Linda Lemke.

"We're not looking to do anything terribly elaborate," Bowman said. "We're in the first stages of things. We're anxious and willing to cooperate with the city in any regard."

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## State action will delay additional 52-1 judge

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Oakland County Corporation Counsel Jack Hays said Tuesday that if the addition of the judge's seat is delayed, he would likely return the 13 proposals for the construction of the new courthouse to the businesses which submitted them.

The turn of events has Novi officials upset.

"This has been an absolute nightmare. . . . Everything that we did on the courthouse over the past two years has, in the last two weeks, fallen off the edge of the table," Oakland County Commissioner Kay Schmidt, R-Nowi, said.

"The people who will be short-changed are those who are seeking access to the judicial system, because the court won't be functioning as it should," said Michael Batchik, president of the 52-1 District Court. Batchik says the fourth judge's seat is needed because of the court's heavy docket.

"As they say 'justice delayed is justice denied.' Unfortunately that is what is going to happen — justice is going to be delayed," said Batchik, noting that his court is so overloaded with criminal cases and drunk driving matters that he has been unable to hold a trial for a civil lawsuit in more than a year.

"It shows a lack of sensitivity on the part of the legislature," Novi Mayor Matt Quinn said, "to what the courts are going through right now. They are so overloaded they can't handle it."

Senate Judiciary Committee chair William Van Regenmorter pointed out that a new judge in the 52-1 District Court had not been in the bill when originally submitted. And although delayed until 1995, that judge and two others in Oakland County had been added by his committee. A new Oakland County Circuit Court seat and district court judge's seat in Clarkston were added to the bill.

Statewide, six new judgeships would be added in 1995 and three would be "sunsetted." Under the provisions of the bill, the elimination of those seats would occur the next time there is a vacancy on the bench. One of the seats targeted for elimination is in Pontiac.

"For the new judgeships, elections

would be held in the fall of 1994 and would take their seats Jan. 1, 1995.

The addition of the seat in 52-1 District Court came after the committee studied time use by district judges across the state. That study found that even when the simple cases, such as traffic tickets, were removed from consideration, the time of the judges in 52-1 was most in demand. The judges in Clarkston were running a close second.

But the initiation of those judgeships was delayed because of budget considerations. New judgeships originally asked for by the State Court Administrator's office would have cost \$900,000 — too much in the eyes of the governor's office when there is already a state budget deficit.

Still, in approving the positions now, Van Regenmorter said, the bill would formally approve the new seats and local communities could begin to plan for them.

Batchik argued that it did not make economic sense to delay the judgeships. He pointed out that district courts actually make money for the government, from tickets, fees and fines. At the same time, the state's only cost for expanding the 52-1 bench would have been the new judge's \$89,000. Oakland County had already agreed to pay the cost of the new courthouse and to hire the necessary support staff.

Batchik further pointed out that the Walled Lake district court had revenues of \$7 million last year, compared to expenses of only \$4 million. The \$3 million profit was divided between the county and the state, and the state received \$1.2 million.

"I hate to talk about the court in terms of how much money we make," Batchik said. "I think it's crass; I think it's inappropriate, but that is the economic reality."

Van Regenmorter, however, countered that there likely would be no loss of revenues for the court due to the lack of a new judge, saying that was a function more of the number of tickets and cases handled by the court. He said he believed the same number of tickets and cases would be processed through the court, although some might take longer.

Batchik, Quinn and Schmidt all complained that on the one hand the state is putting more requirements on the district courts, while failing to help support them. They noted a new

rule adopted last year requiring that drunk driving cases be resolved in 77 days. Criminal cases, both misdemeanors and preliminary exams of felonies which will be handed out to the circuit court, then get the next highest priority.

"What ends up getting delayed," Batchik said, "are the civil cases."

If the judgeship is delayed, the courthouse construction likely will be also.

Quinn argued the county should go ahead, since the fourth judge's seat will be coming and construction of a building will likely take one year to 18 months.

Hayes however said he'd return the proposals, asking those who submitted them to resubmit them later. Hays said he would have a court ready for the 52-1 bench to occupy in as little as nine months.

"The reason we are getting a new courthouse is the addition of the fourth judge. We own the new building. I know it isn't the best, but it makes no sense for us to move until we have the new judge. The one thing I want to avoid is paying more rent than we have to," Hays said. "We don't want to have to have that building, and end up paying rent, until the day the judge is ready to take the seat."

Hays said any county decision to proceed with the construction of the courthouse would have to be a decision of the board of commissioners.

The legislation was sent from the Judiciary Committee to the Senate floor and a vote was expected this week. The bill would have to be returned to the House for concurrence. Then, the governor would get to view the legislation.

In the meantime, Schmidt said she will seek to have the county board take positions on this bill and another pending in Lansing which would allow the county discretion of where a new courthouse would be located.

Quinn has already announced he is interested in running for that fourth judgeship and said this week he would still be interested. He said he is not likely to run for re-election as Novi Mayor in 1993 even if the fourth judgeship is delayed.

"That's the way I'm leaning, but I haven't made up my mind yet," he said.

## Only one permit left to go for M-5

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quest to "describe your perfect mate."

"In the real world, it's very hard to match the perfect standards."

Soil tests on several Novi locations are now underway.

"It's a little way off yet. We have to find out the costs associated with

these sites," Ziegler said.

"The EPA has said in a letter to us that they are opposed to mitigation in St. Johns Marsh, but we are not going to close our options at this time."

MDOT anticipates awarding the M-5 road construction bid to a contractor in September, with work then depending on weather conditions, Alber said.

News of the permit approval was welcome to Novi City Manager Edward Kriewall — who predicted that without M-5 and the city's road bond program, Novi would be in for a "stormy 10 to 20 years" of traffic problems. The city will be "closely monitoring" the wetlands mitigation plan, he said.

"It's a project that's long overdue."

## Obituaries

### Ralph Auten Jr.

Ralph James Auten Jr. of Hale, (near Standish), formerly of Farmington, Redford and Novi, died March 21 at Standish Community Hospital. The cause of death was metastatic carcinoma. He was 66. Auten was born July 15, 1925, in Farmington.

He retired from GM's Detroit Diesel on Jan. 1, 1990, after working there for 39 years. He attended Farmington Hills until 1943, and MSU for two years after World War II.

He is a former member of the American Legion and a U.S. Air Force Veteran.

Survivors include his wife of 4 1/2 years, Lorraine; his daughters, Deborah Yeakley of Milford, Barbara Auten of Alaska, Ruth (Brian) Kenaga

### Joan P. Martin

Joan P. Martin, 63, of Novi died March 28 in her residence. She was born Aug. 8, 1928, in Flint to the late James Andrews and Edith Johnson of Raymond.

Her husband since 1948, Raymond, survives with their children, Timothy, Kathleen and Susan, nine grandchildren and four sisters.

She worked as a realtor. Visitation was Monday and Tuesday, April 1 from 9 to 11 a.m. at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, 15400 Southfield Road, Suite 110, Southfield 48076.

Arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home of Farmington. The funeral was March 24 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home. Visitation was March 23, Rev. William R. Donahue of Hale United Methodist Church officiated. They had a private burial.

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## As We See It

### State's priority is on saving judge's jobs

A lot of logical arguments are being made up in Lansing and in Pontiac as to why the 52-1 District Court in Walled Lake can't have an additional fourth judge until 1995 and why it also can't have a new courthouse till then.

For instance, the state budget is already running a deficit and a new judge there would cost as additional funding. If there is to be no judge until 1995, then the construction of a courthouse to accommodate that judge also isn't needed now.



Michael Malott

Sounds perfectly logical. Just one little problem. The same legislation which delays the institution of the new judge in Walled Lake also allows three district courts to keep judges on the bench until they decide to resign or retire. That's right. The bill would "sunset" three judgeships — in Pontiac, Ypsilanti and Lansing — but the seats would only be eliminated once the judges have decided to vacate the seats they are now occupying.

An interesting set of priorities, wouldn't you say? No one seems to be disputing the idea that the Walled Lake bench needs a new judge, because of the heavy docket it now handles. And no one seems to be arguing with the idea that the 52-1 District Court's facilities are crowded, cramped and all-around inadequate. Nor does anyone seem to dispute the idea that the caseloads in three other courts don't warrant the staffing levels they have now.

But apparently it is more important to keep sitting judges employed indefinitely than to make sure other judges, the busy ones, have the resources they need to make their courts function correctly and hand out quality decisions, quality justice.

Last week, the state Senate Judiciary Committee reported out a bill that would add six new judges to the bench state-wide. Among those courts to get new judges would be 52-1 District in Walled Lake, 52-2 in Clarkston and the Oakland County Circuit Court. But they would not be installed until January 1995. The bill must receive approval from the Senate, the House of Representatives and Gov. John Engler to be put into effect.

The bill is a compromise between the State Court Administrator's office, which originally asked for 16 judges, and the governor, who has threatened to veto any legislation which has new judges in it. The reason for the change is said to be the state's multi-million-dollar budget deficit for the 1992-93 year.

Mind you, a new judge in district court would not be all that expensive.

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We're talking about a total expense for the state of \$89,000 — the salary of the judge. The Oakland County Board of Commissioners already agreed to pay the rest for the expansion of the bench, including renting a larger facility, hiring the new judge's staff, and expanding the court administrator's staff to keep up with the additional paperwork load.

And keep in mind that 52-1 is a court which produces a good deal of money for the state. With annual revenues of \$7 million, the court costs only \$4 million to operate. The state gets a \$1.2 million out of those profits.

Of course, if the judgeships are unfilled '95, so is the courthouse. Unless the county Board of Commissioners specifically instructs officials there to move ahead with courthouse construction, the project will be put off until 1995 to avoid extra rent payments.

The 52-1 District Court judges appear to be the most overworked in the state right now. Even the chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which reported out this bill, recognizes that. Along with a very heavy caseload-to-judge ratio in the Walled Lake court, the judiciary committee did a study which showed judge's time was more in demand there than anywhere else in the state.

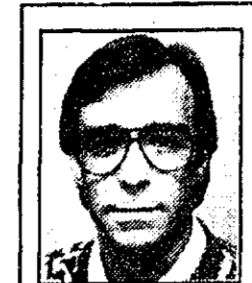
The building too is overloaded. Take a trip to the court in the morning and you'll see attorneys, plaintiffs and defendants standing shoulder to shoulder in the lobby. Seven staff members have been added to the court, for which office space really was not available. And parking is wholly inadequate.

Yet judges in three other district courts can keep their jobs until they are ready to quit.

The solution is very clear. The problem of overload in some courts, Walled Lake's among them, could be addressed without a single addition of a new district court judge on a state-wide basis. Simply eliminate those judgeships which are no longer needed, and re-assign the money now spent on them to those courts which do need them.

No wonder the state has a budget deficit.

## Exciting prospects for Expo



Michael Malott

Is there anyone in Novi who isn't excited about the prospects for the new Novi Expo Center?

I personally haven't found anyone. But if you do, I suggest you take their temperature and check their pulse.

Little more than a year ago, the idea of opening an exposition hall here in the city was but a dream. Today, it's a reality.

I think it's pretty clear why it is happening so fast — there is an obvious demand for just such a facility. It fills a gap that has existed, not only in Novi, but apparently in the region as well. As the marketing specialists put it, it fills a niche.

For myself, I'd say it fills an entertainment gap in the City of Novi. Novi is a great place with a lot of attractions. It's got great hotels and great malls. But it has also, until now, been missing that one central location for large-scale events.

Novi has filled that gap admirably in the past, at certain times of the year, hosting events like the Michigan '50s Festival. There's an example of an event that draws from across the state, even from out of state.

But such events always must come to an end. With the Expo Center, shows can be scheduled year-round to create that kind of attraction. And from the way folks are signing up for the Expo Center, it soon will be year-round.

There are skeptics — those who question whether a medium-sized exposition center can make it on its own. I've heard it pointed out that Cobo Hall is almost three times as large, obviously capable of hosting larger shows, and gets taxpayer support. Can the Novi Expo Center, a private enterprise, survive on medium-sized shows?

I think it can. While no new business venture is guaranteed of success, the Novi Expo Center would seem to have

better prospects than most. And the demand being generated for the building would provide the evidence. The center is already 35 to 40 percent booked for 1993.

Those who are skeptical aren't taking into account that demand. I don't think taxpayer support should be needed, and that demand is the true test. I think the smaller size is a plus for the center, attracting shows that don't want to need larger facilities. So, those who think you have to have a large facility and taxpayer money to be a success in this field aren't taking into account the factors that are fueling the demand at the Expo Center.

City Manager Ed Kriewall attributes the opening of the center in large part to the vision of Frank Adell, representative of the Adell Children's Trust which owns the building.

Kriewall has said that when Mohawk Liquor left the building, as result of a corporate buyout, Adell and the trust had a number of options as to what to do with the building. Interest had been expressed from industrial firms, which would likely have operated it as a warehouse, and commercial firms, which were talking about tearing it down and putting up new stores.

Adell and Blair Bowman saw a "higher purpose" for the building, in Kriewall's words. They remembered the discussion from as long ago as 17 years earlier when the city was considering purchasing that very building for the same purpose.

Once the idea got out, he explains, strong interest was shown by potential users. The initial publicity about the center, Kriewall said, generated as many as 30 to 45 calls from people who wanted to rent the center.

From there, he said, it has all been demand driven. Clearly, the Adell trust could have made money on the building in any variety of ways. But the path they chose could well turn out to be a catalyst for further development in the area.

The launching of a center, may even spark the completion of Novi's Town Center area, now only about 40 percent completed.

And all that is pretty easy to get excited about.

## Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



'Waiting for the cue'

Christopher Chaudron, 8, waits to go on in a play written and produced by his first grade class.

## A most unusual politician



Tim Richard

Plymouth resident wasn't about to turn carpetbagger and move to a favorable district. He won't run again.

What made Pursell unusual wasn't that he flew home each weekend and avoided booze, babes and bad checks. It goes deeper.

Most politicians practice the art as they learned it in high school: federal government in one paper box, state government in the next box, local the next, private enterprise in that box. The ordinary lawmaker develops expertise on a committee that becomes his world.

Pursell adopted a problem-solving approach: What can the feds do? Where does the state fit in? How can city hall, the chamber of commerce and the press help? The walls came down when a Pursell committee focused on the Rouge River, Jackson's industrial development or elementary counseling.

Nothing like it. Saying "city" and the ordinary politician answers Detroit or New York. Pursell looked at cities, plural. One of the key regrets he and I shared about Coleman Young's tenure was that the mayor thought only about Detroit, not about the Royal Oaks, Northville and Adrians that have similar problems.

Submit letters for consideration by 4 P.M. Monday for that Thursday's paper. Submit letters to: Editor, The Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167.

## Business, schools working together



Phil Power

EDITOR'S NOTE: Phil Power spoke last week to a group of school and business people in Brighton. He was so impressed with how they are working together that he asked Brighton Area editor Buddy Moorehouse to write this guest column.

It's amazing how many school districts and business communities in the state have failed to realize their destinies are intertwined.

The supply side of the equation (schools) keeps turning out a product that isn't prepared for the work world. This happens because the supply side gets no input from the demand side (business). All it gets are complaints.

So it's refreshing to see that in at least one area community, the supply side and the demand side are coming together in an unprecedented fashion.

Located in Livingston County, Brighton is one of the fastest growing communities in the state.

When Dennis McMahon became superintendent of Brighton Area Schools in 1984, he

came with the firm belief that the school district must work closely with the local business community. He wanted business people to become involved in the school district at all levels, to tell the schools what they need to do better to turn out employable kids.

Eight years later, Brighton has a school-business partnership which should be — and is — a model for other communities around the state. Through a number of innovative and sensible programs, the school district is working hand-in-hand with the business community.

Result: Brighton's kids are getting every chance to hit the real world with a running start. Look at some of the programs already in place:

■ One of McMahon's first projects was to start a Partners in Education program, which he did with the full support of the Brighton Area Chamber of Commerce. The program involves pairing individual school buildings in the district with businesses in the community. The goal: to share ideas and information.

The partnership's advisory board, a half-and-half mix of school people and business people, meets about five times a year. The board tackles a couple projects each year — all with the aim of improving the curriculum.

■ Brighton High School has a mentorship program in which students are paired up with a professional or other business person in the community. A kid who might be interested in a

career in law enforcement, for instance, will be paired with a police officer. A student spends one day a month on the job with the person, getting a first-hand look at the career.

■ Another job-shadowing program is called CDI (for Career Decisions and Internship). Through this program, high school students spend time during each semester getting an intensive look at a single business, going from department to department to learn the ropes. Many students actually get to perform much of the work themselves.

■ The Livingston Educational Service Agency (the county's intermediate school board) administers a vocational education consortium. Through it, each school district concentrates on a couple of vocational areas.

Brighton does auto repair, for instance. Students from throughout the county then come to Brighton to take auto-repair classes. The consortium is supervised by a board of professionals from the business community representing the various vocations taught. These people are charged with looking over the equipment and curriculum to make sure that what the kids are learning will help them in the real world.

School people in Brighton put out the challenge to the business community: Come and look at what we're doing, and tell us how we can do it better. The business community has responded. The result is a school-business partnership which should be emulated.

## Channel 56: tv worth paying for

To the Editor:

After reading Tim Richard's editorial of March 19, we at WTVS Channel 56 are deeply concerned about the many inaccuracies contained in the article, as well as dismayed with his failure to at least call first and ask about our station and public television fundraising.

First, it is simply untrue that WTVS has "quadrupled" the amount of its on-air funding. For over 20 years, we have relied on three pledge drives per year and an annual auction to provide the majority of our operating budget. Occasionally, we add a few pledge days to meet budget shortfalls. In all, we fundraise less than 60 days per year, fewer than 300 days of programs without fundraising.

During our pledge drives, we do give examples of production costs of PBS programs. These are meant to illustrate the fact that television is an expensive business, and as one of over 330 public-television stations, WTVS must pay its share to buy and broadcast these programs. While the cost of a very few programs are fully paid for by corporate underwriters, most are not. That's where WTVS, other stations, and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting pool their resources to bring these programs to the viewers.

Regarding corporate logos on public television, these short underwriting announcements are

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designed to identify the funder of a particular program. No call to action, pricing information or similar commercial language is allowed.

Mr. Richard is again wrong on the issue of government funding. We state very clearly on air that we do receive federal government funding. It is small but important "seed" money. In fact, for this fiscal year, federal funding accounts for a little over 9 percent of our annual budget. Our Michigan funding has recently been totally eliminated, making on-air appeals that much more important to us.

For Mr. Richard's enlightenment, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) is a private organization responsible to Congress for the success of public broadcasting in America. Its primary job is to use the federal government contribution of less than \$1 per person per year to fund national programs and foster the growth of public broadcasting.

Viewer contributions allow Channel 56 to serve Southeast Michigan in a number of ways. Besides providing PBS programming and independent acquisitions, WTVS produces the weekly programs "Detroit Black Journal" and

"Club Connect" an award-winning series for teenagers that is distributed nationally to over 200 PBS stations. As part of its continuing commitment to young people, WTVS has developed ongoing community partnerships that report on education (Class of '95), the crisis among young people (City for Youth), and substance abuse prevention (Project Graduation). Channel 56 also continues to demonstrate the educational power of television through such activities as the College Cable Channel and delivering advanced high school courses, live and interactive, via satellite to over 20 area schools. We are also working to link community groups to address the needs of homeless persons.

Therefore, our on-air appeals are not "commercials." We are not in business to bring audience advertisers. We bring services to our community. Voluntary donations are the lifeblood of this TV station as 64 percent of the \$11 million WTVS annual budget comes from individual donors. On-air pledge drives are simply the most effective (and efficient) way to reach new devotees. The fact is, less than 2 percent of our airtime is used for fundraising compared to 16 percent on commercial networks.

Robert Larson  
WTVS President and General Manager

## Rezoning would be serious mistake

To the Editor:

I believe that it would be a serious mistake and irresponsible, for the Novi City Council to arbitrarily rezone the Haverhill Farms property from R-2 to even an R-1 designation, without having the data and documentation showing sufficient cause to do so, as well as an opinion from the City Attorney that such action would not jeopardize the future validity of the Master Plan and other zoning throughout Novi. If approved, such a rezoning could be a catalyst for legal challenges from developers whose recent projects for similar rezonings in other areas have been denied.

Higher-density zoning does not provide any guarantees for more modest, affordable housing. In fact, there are high percentages of subdivisions in Novi built under the R-3 and R-4 zoning, yet it seems that many of these establishments and newly-constructed subdivisions (including The Selective Group's Timber Ridge Subdivision), offer only larger homes priced at well-above \$200,000. Furthermore, I am not aware of any provision in the Novi Zoning Ordinance requiring that only enormous, very expensive homes be built on one-acre lots in the R-A zoning district. If one-acre lot zoning is feasible and marketable in Milford Township and elsewhere, then there doesn't seem to be any compelling reason why it should be considered an unreasonable or unrealistic housing option in Novi.

It is not good planning policy to arbitrarily rezone property based on a particular developer's lobbying efforts. Unless zoning changes are found to be warranted and legally justified, such decisions must be consistent in order to maintain overall fairness and control of our own destiny.

Laura J. Lorenzo

Rotary clarifies park commitment

To the Editor:  
(A recent issue included a nice article on the Rotary Park project.

Robert Fritsch  
President  
Novi Rotary

## Board makes new driver rules

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

A driver's license will no longer be an automatic rite of passage for 16-year-old Novi High School students.

The Novi school board on March 26 passed a resolution setting requirements for students wishing to take driver education.

Novi students must have passed at least four classes in the previous semester, and they must be passing at least four classes in the current semester to be eligible for driver education.

The school board voted to establish driver education requirements at least four classes in the previous semester, and they must be passing at least four classes in the current semester to be eligible for driver education.

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governing athletic participation are set up by the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

The board's action is permitted under legislation signed into law on Dec. 30, 1991. The law permits school boards to set up requirements for driver education if the requirements match board-adopted, inter-scholastic athletics requirements.

School board Trustee Raymond Byers said the driver education requirements are a "fix" made out of feathers.

A student who is failing two classes and getting D grades in four classes would still be eligible.

"If I had my druthers, I'd make (the driver education requirement) a 2.0," Byers said.

Superintendent William Barr said the requirements could be toughened for driver education, but under state law the requirements for athletic participation automatically would change with the driver education rules.

Barr said the driver education and athletic participation rules help some students try harder, adding that he knows of at least one Novi High School student who will be affected by the rule change.

"It does some good for some students," Barr said.

The requirements passed 5-1 with Byers voting against the proposal. Board Vice President Robert Schram was absent.

Commercial driving schools must honor the standards established by

local boards of education.

Novi students wishing to enroll in Novi Community Schools-sponsored driver education classes must meet the standards of their home district.

If the student's home district does not have a standard, then the Novi regulation is in effect for the out-of-district student.

Legislation prompting the school board decision was initiated by the Michigan Association of Secondary Schools.

The association said in a memo to its members that the driver training requirements helped "at-risk" students improve their grades at the freshman and sophomore level when the plan was implemented in Battle Creek and Redford.

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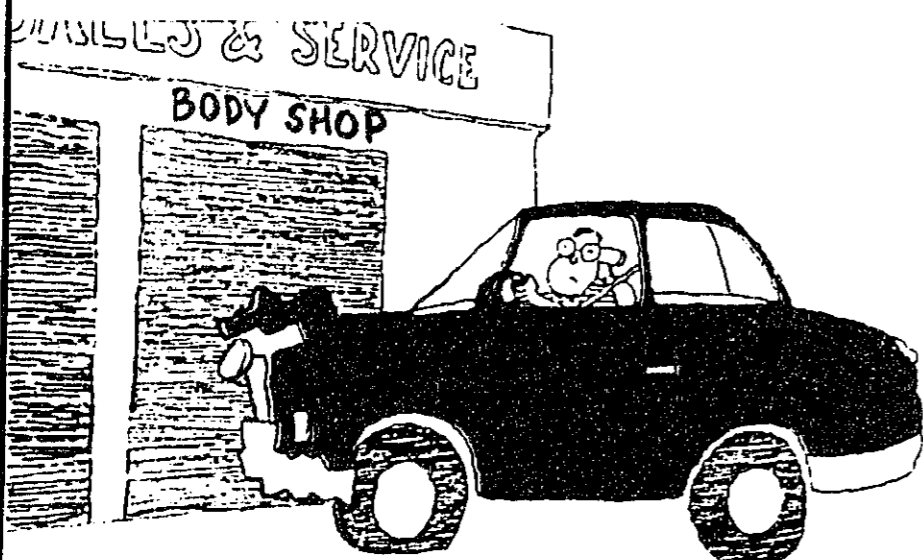
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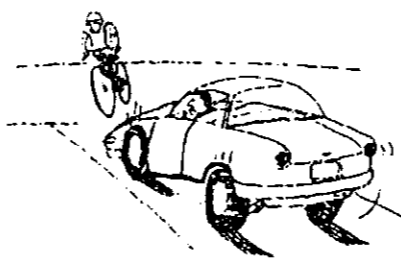
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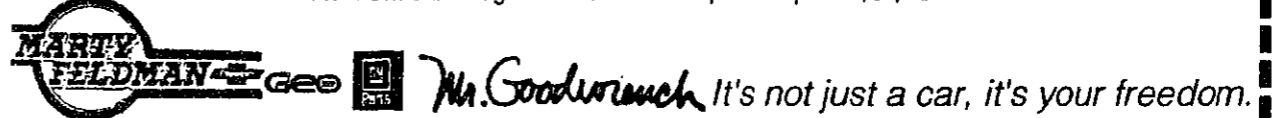
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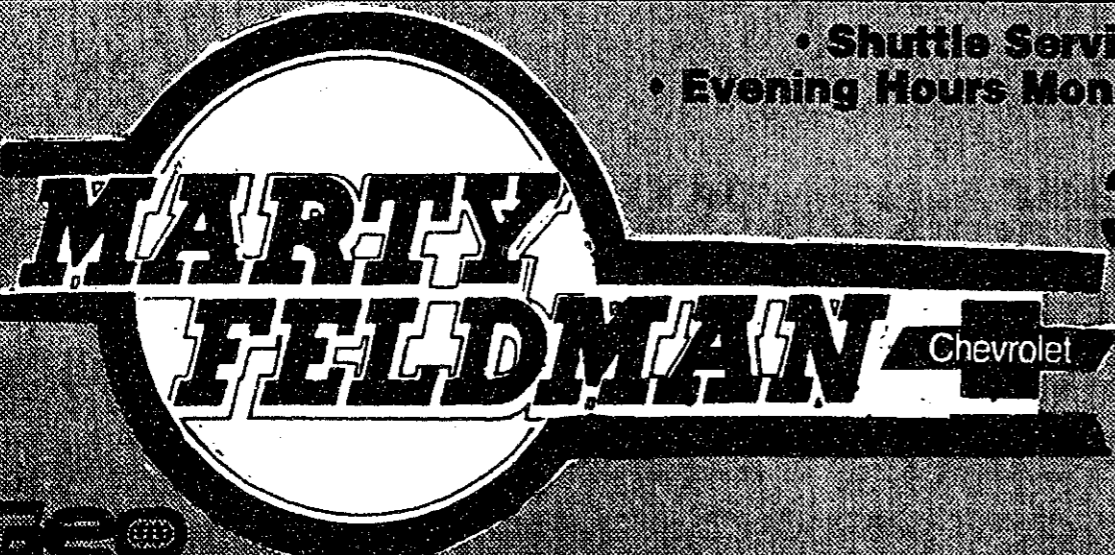


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# Living

## Spring fling

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

Unlike their fall predecessors, this year's spring fashions accommodate the masses.

Brightly colored solids, plaids, and florals vie against classic navy and white coordinates for crisp spring looks. Metallic accessories and the return of cat-eye styled sunglasses complete the total look and project a definite '90s style.

"More of the season's trends are equal in dominance," said M.J. Burns, the fashion office manager for the entire Hudson's chain. "Not one trend is more dominant than any other, unlike what we saw in the fall lines. Each pattern and selection has something for everyone."

"Colors and styles in the spring line are more pleasing to everyone and are more accommodating to fit everyone, unlike the fall, where red was dominant, and if you couldn't wear it — tough luck," she said.

Despite what old man winter may be saying, area department stores are following the lead of the calendar and jumping right into spring.

Hosts of local women's clubs and organizations, in Northville and Novi, are sending out annual invitations to spring fashion shows, paving the way for sneak previews

for cruisers and tropical vacationers.

### WOMEN'S, MEN'S FASHIONS — COLORS

Color trends for the spring are brilliant. Natural fibers — like cottons and linens — are bursting in bright spring colors.

Sousan Rahimi, assistant manager at First Issue at Twelve Oaks Mall, said she's seeing a palette of green, yellow, and reds.

"We are seeing anything in bright colors. Green is in, yellow is very big, and we have a lot of what we call strawberry red," said Rahimi, who introduced the store's spring line-up at the Northville Mothers' Club fashion show last Saturday.

"Mixing and matching anything in bright colors is what's new for spring," she said.

Classic navy and white has made a big comeback this year, both Rahimi and Burns agreed.

"But this year, it's much more than nautical," Burns said. "We are seeing it blocked, banded, dotted, and striped in everything from dresses to jackets and blazers."

In addition to the classic look, Rahimi said spring styles are dictating a splash of color — preferably in yellow — putting a new twist on an old look.

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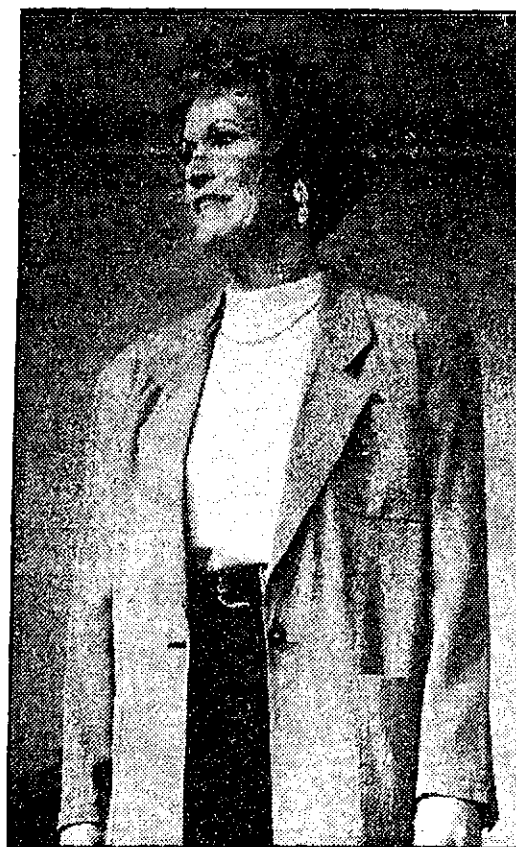
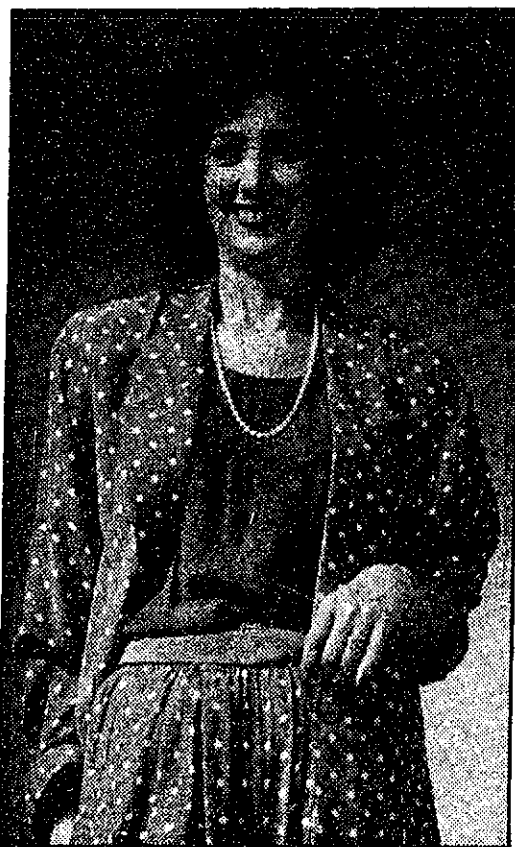
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Anthony Pizzuti is more concerned with playing with his toy car than making a fashion statement. Pizzuti and mother Maureen were two models featured in Saturday's Mother's Club show.



Northville Mother's Club members and their children model the latest spring fashions.

Photos by HAL GOULD

## Volunteer



BECKY STAAB

## Mom of three sees Novi Jaycees as skill builder

DOROTHY NASH  
Special Writer

Words tumble out in rapid succession when Becky Staab talks about her volunteering for Novi Jaycees.

Who are the Jaycees? "It's a national leadership training organization," she answered, "with classes given monthly in skills to use personally." Members are men and women — singles and couples — ages 21 through 39.

Staab is married to a former Jaycee president, and she is also the mother of children ages 12, 11 and 9. So she does have things to occupy her time at home.

But when she's called on to volunteer for Jaycees, she said, "I don't know that I have the time, but I make the time."

Examples of her volunteering in her five years of membership are:

1. For the Jaycees Christmas Concert with singing by the Chorales, Staab makes the arrangements between the two organizations because she is a member of both.

2. For the Arts and Craft Fair, which is sponsored jointly by the Jaycees and the Novi Arts Council, she said, "I have chaired it," for the Jaycee involvement.

3. For the silver anniversary celebration this year of Novi Jaycees, Staab said, "I am chairing the dinner dance."

4. "Speak Up" training program is one which Staab has taken, and so she occasionally gives speeches to Novi Jaycees as well as to other groups throughout the state.

5. Novi Distinguished Services Award Breakfast. "I have chaired for the Jaycees' portion."

But what about money which Jaycees raised? The answer is that it goes in various ways, such as to a scholarship fund and a needy family fund.

In summing up her Jaycee volunteering, Becky Staab said, "I've given a lot, and I've gained a lot."

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## Engagement

**Karen Mary McNamara/  
Thomas Anthony Meier**



Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Meier of Novi announce the engagement of their son, Thomas Anthony, to Karen Mary McNamara of Grosse Pointe.

Meier, 27, is a 1982 graduate of Novi High School. He attended Michigan State University immediately following graduation and completed his studies at Lawrence Technological University, Southfield, magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in computer information systems. He is currently employed at Ford Motor Co. as a computer programmer through Computer Dynamics.

McNamara, 27, is the daughter of Virginia Ficara McNamara of Grosse Pointe Woods and Paul F. McNamara of St. Clair. McNamara is a 1983 graduate of Our Lady Star of the Sea High School, Grosse Pointe Woods, and in 1987 received a bachelor of arts degree in communication arts and sciences. She is currently employed as a business development manager at Ghafari Associates, Inc., an architectural/engineering firm in Livonia.

An August, 1992 wedding is planned.

## Bright colors say springtime

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"We are seeing a lot of navy and white accented with gold — whether that be a gold silk shell or a knit T-shirt worn underneath a solid or patterned navy jacket with matching shorts. It's all in the mixing and matching," she told the crowd at the annual fundraiser.

White is also very big this spring. Present in anything from denim to jersey knits to crisp piques, fabrics in radiating whites are ideal for casual weekends, on-the-job, and nights out on the town.

Floral patterns in full blooming colors and again in softer hues and smaller prints are also beautiful this spring too.

Florals are very big too. We are seeing both florals in huge cabbage oversized prints and in soft vintage small floral prints," Burns said.

For men, colors are equally popular. Bright, festive colors — turquoise, orange, and red — and primaries in casual vertical stripes and plaids offer men an outfit to complement their female counterparts.

Bountiful in natural fibers like linen and 100-percent cotton, this year's color schemes and patterns are prominent in ties, shirt pocket squares and shirts.

Unlike Hudson's, which sells a variety of designer lines, fashions from First Issue are exclusive designs from Liz Claiborne.

"We manufacture all of our clothes to match so pieces work together to create a whole wardrobe, not just a single look," Rahimi said.

While First Issue sports its full-line of coordinating, other retailers are showing off plentiful plaids and checks in gingham or big buffalo plaids.

Styles are clean and crisp. Jackets and blazers in both solids and florals are basic necessities in any woman's wardrobe. They can dress up a walking or city short, skirt, or trouser, or provide a nice accent for any denim.

Either way, fashion consultants across the board agree this year's fashions aren't complete without a jacket.

"Jackets are basic necessities. Teamed up with denim or shorts, every woman should have at least one," Rahimi said.

Burns echoed that excitement.

"City shorts teamed up with blazers are a great suit alternative."

Available this year in long or short waisted options, jackets work well with this year's popular shorts, skirts, and trousers.

"There are lots of options here in fitted or boxy styles jackets," Rahimi added.

Also on the market is what Hudson's fashion consultants have dubbed the Bare Necessities trend. A look that combines basic lingerie with casual dresses and brings lingerie out of the drawer and into the daylight. Bra tops and bustiers coupled with slip dresses, halter dresses, and long dresses bring all the allure of lingerie to daytime and achieve a positively feminine look.

ACCESSORIES

"Metallic is this spring's buzz word in accessories. Gold, silver, and bronze shoes and purses are perfect accents for today's styles. White clothes accented with metallic accessories provide a "very crisp" look for spring," Burns said.

Sheer hose ranging in color from ivory to pale bluish tones provides the perfect accent for almost any outfit. Matching hose to the shoe provides continuity of color and makes the outfit the focal point.

## Wendt takes the stage

Heidi Wendt, a 1989 Novi High School graduate, will sing in a performance of Bizet's "Carmen" at the Crosswell Opera House in Adrian April 3-11.

Wendt, a junior at Adrian College who is majoring in environmental science and minoring in music education, will be singing in the oldest continuing opera house east of the Mississippi. The 650-seat auditorium was built in 1866 and is recognized as an official National Registered Historical Site.

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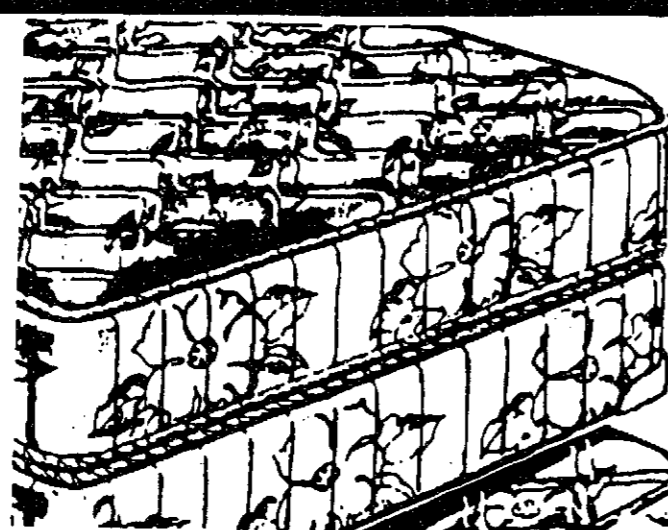
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By WILLIAM T. TOMICKI  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

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Q: We want to study the poet Carl Sandburg. Where's the best place to go?

A: Carl Sandburg (1878-1967), one of the major figures of 20th-century American literature, was born and is buried in Galesburg, Ill.

The son of poor Swedish immigrants, Sandburg wrote of ordinary Americans in his volumes of verse and historical works.

Now the Carl Sandburg State Historical Site, in Galesburg, includes a restored cottage with antique furnishings, some purchased by Sandburg's father in 1873.

Adjoining the cottage is a museum with Sandburg memorabilia such as a family Bible, various Sandburg letters and poetry manuscripts.

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Q: Where is the world's largest indoor Ferris wheel?

A: At Cleveland's mammoth International Exposition Center, the giant Ferris wheel soars 35 feet in the glass-roofed atrium. The Ferris wheel, a \$2 million project, was built by Chance Rides of Wichita, Kan.

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Q: We're thinking about renting a villa in Italy this summer. Any tips?

A: Suzanne T. Pidduck is an agent you might want to contact. She is with a Swiss-Italian company called Cuednet that rents villas, farmhouses, apartments and old castles, mainly in Tuscany and Umbria. Rentals can also be arranged in Sicily, Calabria, Apulia, Lazio and Veneto. She has written a chatty and informative booklet called "Italy, Italian Style: Notes for the Traveler to Italy," which costs \$7.50 or is free to any client.

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Readers are invited to submit questions to William Tomicki, P.O. Box 5148, Santa Barbara, Calif. 93150.

By EVERETT POTTER  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

Summer is the busiest time of the year in the travel business. So it's no surprise to find a new crop of travel guides waiting for eager readers.

Here's a selection of the best:

A series called the Access Travel Guides has long been distinguished for succinct writing and a savvy insider's grasp of locale.

The new "Florence/Venice/Milan Access" by Dwight V. Gast (HarperPerennial, 1991, \$17) is an admirable entry in the series. Gast is a New York writer who is former resident of Italy. He knows his history, art and traditions.

This book reports on gelato parlors, Renaissance churches and Milan's chic boutiques.

Two other entries of note: "Miami & South Florida Access" by M.M. Chautier, et al (HarperPerennial, 1992, \$17) and "Northern California Wine Country Access" by S. Irene Virbila (HarperPerennial, 1992, \$17).

Fodor's Affordables is a brand-new series. Aimed at cost-conscious travelers who aren't quite ready to return to youth hostels and backpacks, the first three titles cover France, Germany and Great Britain.

"Fodor's 1992 Affordable Great Britain" (Fodor's Travel Publications, 1992, \$14) is typical of the group. It's written by a team of authors and incorporates pertinent information from Fodor's standard travel guide to the country.

What is different is the expanded range of moderate- and low-priced hotels and restaurants.

For London, for example, where it's difficult to find a room for less than \$200 a night, the guide lists hotels and guest houses ranging from about \$52 to \$163 per night.

By GENE AND ADELE MALOTT  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

DEAR TMT: I love ballroom dancing and belong to a dance club in Palm Beach, Fla. We have a very nice group of elderly ladies who like to go places for dinner and ballroom dancing. We also have a very fine group of gentlemen who accompany us.

Besides local dinner-dancing, we take several day or long weekend cruises out of town to such places as New York, New Orleans, San Juan, Chicago, Dallas. But it seems good ballroom dancing is scarce. When we choose a trip, such as our upcoming one to San Juan, it is hard to find nice, elegant places to go.

I see beautiful ads in various high-quality magazines extolling the amenities of luxury hotels — golf, spas, tennis and so forth — but rarely, if ever, dancing. What are guests supposed to do during and after dinner? Go to bed and watch television? Can we do that at home!

Do you have any suggestions as to how to locate hotels with good dinner-dancing or even good dancing in cocktail lounges or after dinner?

Norma W. Allen, Palm Beach, Fla.

Dear NWA: Old-fashioned ballrooms such as Chicago's Edgewater Beach, New Jersey's Meadowbrook and New York's Roseland are a dying breed.

That's what John Matter says. He operates the National Ballroom and Entertainment Association from his own Matter's Ballroom in Decorah, Iowa.

There are probably fewer than 200 operating ballrooms in the whole country — not counting those in hotels — although a few new ones such as Kansas City's Top Hat Ballroom do occasionally open.

But some are in places such as Omaha, Neb., and Clear Lake, Iowa — not spots lots of travelers often choose for vacations.

And since "Dancing USA" magazine stopped publishing its "National Dance Directory" some years ago, there's no current nationwide list of ballrooms.

There's never been a good directory of ballrooms overseas, Matter says.

But that doesn't mean there's no interest in ballroom dancing. There are many big-band dances and specialty travel agents who package excellent dance trips.

So, ballroom dancers, keep the faith.

Big-band cruises: There are do-

## A guided tour of travel guides

New crop of travel guides lets readers harvest vacation info



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A Venice gondolier is among the sights described in a host of new travel guides

There is also detailed information on public transportation for travel within cities and for day trips, on the assumption that rental cars will not be used.

Anglophiles should also note "Cotages, B&Bs and Country Inns of England and Wales" by Elizabeth Gundry (Fodor's Travel Publications, 1992, \$15).

Published in England as "Staying Off the Beaten Path," this popular guide to more than 500 properties is in its 11th edition in England and has

now been published for the first time in the United States.

If the new series of Berlitz Travelers Guide books seems familiar, it's because the entire group was originally published as the Penguin Travel Guides.

Last year Berlitz bought the series from Penguin and brought along general editor Alan Tucker. While the covers have changed, the books continue to be written by a committee of writers who really know their destinations.

The first nine titles include New York City, Mexico, Hawaii, and the Caribbean. They range from \$10.95 to \$14.95 per book.

Just in time for the summer Olympics is "Slow Walks in Barcelona: A Visitor's Companion" by Michael Leitch (HarperPerennial 1992, \$13), a series of 16 detailed walks throughout the city.

They include strolls to Antonio Gaudí's Sagrada Família church, to the Miro and Picasso museums and to the bird, flower and food markets

of the Rambles.

Those who love the outdoors will enjoy "Exploring Colorado's Wild Areas" by Scott S. Warren (The Mountaineers, 1992, \$14.95). This guide introduces readers to 65 backcountry areas. Each area is assessed for hiking, cross-country skiing, canoeing and kayaking.

"Best Hikes with Children: San Francisco's North Bay" by Bill McMillon, with Kevin McMillon (The Mountaineers, 1992, \$12.95) is the latest entry in that popular series. It lists 90 day hikes that encompass such places as Mount Tamalpais and Point Reyes National Seashore.

The Lonely Planet Travel series has a mission to cover the planet. These books appeal to youthful, adventurous and budget-minded travelers. One of the latest entries is "Zimbabwe, Botswana and Namibia" by Deanna Sweeney and Myra Shackley (Lonely Planet, 1992, \$16.95).

For the traveler who has always dreamed of going to Victoria Falls, meeting the "bush people" of Kalahari and seeing African wildlife without an organized safari, this is the guide.

A 32-page section of color photographs and illustrations of wildlife is especially helpful.

Visitors to New England should examine "Massachusetts Off the Beaten Path: A Guide to Unique Places" by Patricia Mandel (Globe Pequot Press, 1992, \$9.95).

The author highlights such travelers' finds as a 150-year-old general store in South Egremont, the maritime treasures of the Peabody Museum in Salem and the brass-band concerts held every Friday night in summer in the Cape Cod town of Chatham.

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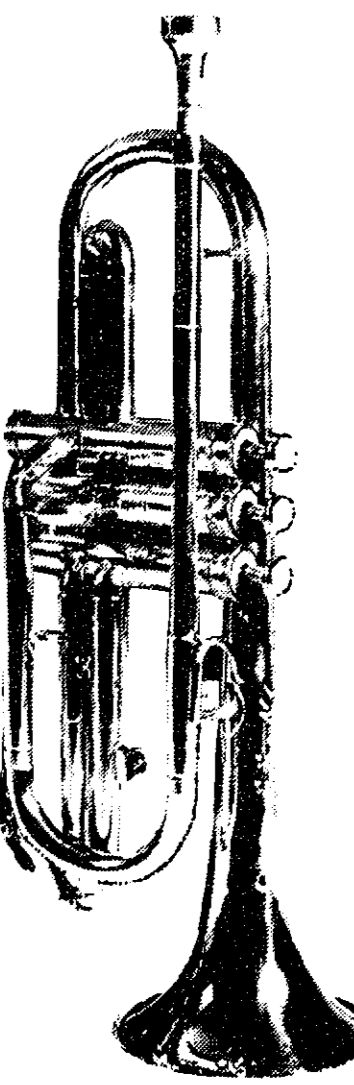


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## Orchestra to play benefit at golf course

On Friday, April 10, and Saturday, April 11, The Plymouth Symphony will benefit a pops concert at Fox Hills Country Club's Golden Fox, 8768 North Territorial in Salem.

The evening will begin at 6 p.m. with champagne bars and dinner at 6:30. The menu will include breast of chicken drossant, potatoes boulangere, garden salad, julienne vegetables, dessert selections of cheese cake, tortes, cakes and special blend coffee served during intermission.

At 8 p.m. the concert will begin, featuring excerpts from the "William Tell Overture" by Rossini; Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess"; "My Fair Lady," written by Lerner and Loewe; "An American in Paris," also Gershwin; Beethoven's "Symphony No. 5"; and "On the Mall" by Goldmen.

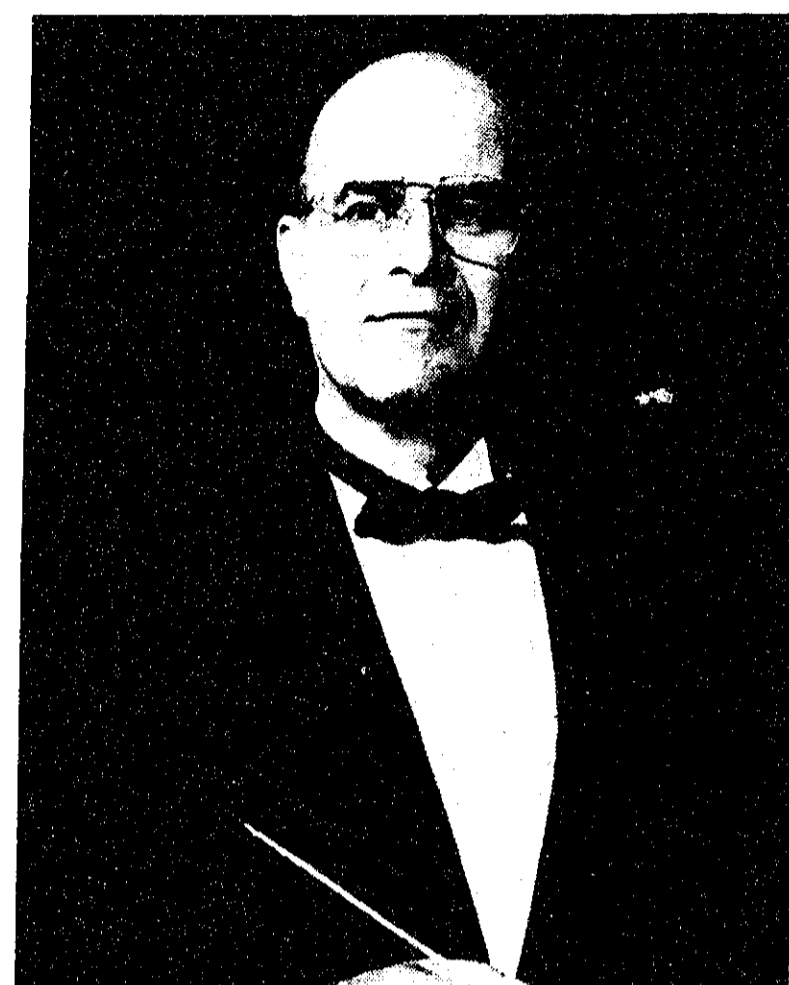
Guest artists will include the

men's chorus Measure for Measure. Dr. Leonard Riccino, director.

For the adult dinner and concert the price is \$40. For students K-12, the dinner and the concert is \$25. For an adult concert-only ticket the price is \$25. Student concert-only admission is \$10.

To charge Visa or MasterCard, phone orders to Better Jewelry at 452-2715, 304 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Other outlets include the Bookstall-on-the-Main, 116 E. Main in downtown Northville; the Gift-Edler, 302 E. Main in Northville; Evola Music, 215 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth; and Dearborn Music Company, 42679 Ford Road, Canton.

This concert is funded, in part, by the Ford-Sheldon Road Plant and the Michigan Council for Fine Arts.



Measure for Measure Director Leonard Riccino

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### Music

**GITFIDDLER CONCERT/WORKSHOP SERIES:** The Gitfiddler Music Store, 302 E. Main, offers a concert/workshop the last Friday of each month. For information or reservations call 349-9420. Each concert runs from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Schedule includes: April 24, Irish folk musician Marianne Skreini, \$6.50; May 29, classical guitarist Ken Peterbaugh, \$6.50.

**STARTING GATE:** The Starting Gate Salon of fers 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 St. in downtown Northville.

**COMMUNITY CHORUS:** Join the Plymouth Community Chorus as it searches for Bill Bailey during the spring concerts titled "Destination: Down Home."

In a change for the chorus, the performances will be at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, on North Territorial Road, in a "cabaret"-style setting. The concert will include "The Boy from New York City," "Oklahoma!," "Please Mr. Postman," "Grandma's Feather Bed," and "Route 66."

Concerts will be Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25, at 8 p.m.; and 4 p.m., Sunday, April 26. Tickets are limited, and are on sale now at Side-walks in Plymouth; or call 455-4080.

**CHURCH CONCERT SERIES:** The First Presbyterian Church of Northville presents its 1991-92 concert series. The remaining schedule is as follows:

- 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 are \$8 each. For more information call 349-0911.

**MR. B'S FARM:** Mr. B's Farm, on Novi Road near 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.

**WHISPERS LOUNGE:** Whispers Lounge, in the Novi Hilton, is open Sunday through Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. and Wednesday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. Live entertainment from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Through April 11, intrigue. April 14 through April 18, Rumpelstiltskin. April 21 through May 2, Heartbeat.

Monday evening is Jazz Monday from 8:30 to 11 p.m. at Whispers. Schedule includes, April 6, Schunk, Star, Dryden; April 13, Brian Kruek Band; April 20, Steve Wood Quartet; April 27, Schunk, Star, Dryden.

**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.

Master of the Hammond, Mallett charms her audiences at Victor's with such favorites as "Misty," "New York, New York" and "Moonlight Serenade."

**PIANO MAN:** Pianist Tom Altenburg is now performing nightly at the Country Epicure Restaurant, 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 Busson Band with featured vocalist, Eric Brandon. Often local jazz stars like Ursula Walker and Marcus Delgrave sit in as well.

There is no additional charge for the performance. For more information, call the restaurant at 347-0095.

### Theater

**BROADWAY MELODIES:** The Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main in downtown Northville, presents singers from the Michigan Opera Theatre and the Marquis Theatre Children in Broadway Melodies, a revue of songs from Broadway musicals including *My Fair Lady*, *Cats*, *Oliver*, *Brigade*, *New Moon*, *Secret Garden*, and many more.

Performances are scheduled at 8 p.m., April 3 and 4, 2:30 p.m., April 8\*, 8 p.m., April 10, 11, and 15\*. Tickets are \$10, except shows marked with \* are \$7.50. Seniors discount \$1.

Tickets are available at the door, from the Marquis Store, or charge by phone at 349-8110.

**THE WIZARD OF OZ:** The Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main in downtown Northville, presents a musical version of *The Wizard of Oz*.

Performances are scheduled at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., April 4, 2:30 p.m., April 5, 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., April 11, and 2:30 p.m., April 12.

Tickets are \$6, available at the door, from the Marquis Store, or charge by phone at 349-8110. Please no children under 4.

**DINNER THEATER:** The Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main St., presents a family dinner theater production with *The Actor's Company*.

"Earlthins," 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 the community center at 349-0203.

**THE PAJAMA GAME:** The Plymouth Park Players of Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton high schools present *The Pajama Game* at 8 p.m., April 3, 4, 10 and 11, at the Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 46181 Joy Road in Canton.

Tickets are \$5.50 and \$4.50. For ticket information call 459-3516.

"The players' theme for the year is 'A Tribute to the American Worker.' A production of *Working in the Fall* earned a high school theater championship.

**MURDER MYSTERIES, OPERA AT GENITTI'S:** Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall Restaurant continues to present its Murder Mystery and Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre performances.

Genitti's now has three different production companies performing three different Murder Mystery Dinner Theatres. 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. Small gifts are awarded to those who correctly guess the identity of the murderer.

"The Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre" is now scheduled the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. All areas are performed by the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan. Special performances are available for large groups. Reservations are required for all shows.

Genitti's "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 349-4641 for reservations. Group rates are available. Large parties can be accommodated for any performance. The Genitti's Gift Shop will be open for dinner guests. Valet parking is available during the evening.

**PERFORMANCE PLUS:** The full-length performance of *Panic at Hanging Rock* will be presented by Performance Plus, the new youth theater program in the area, on Friday, April 3, Saturday, April 4, and Sunday, April 5 at the Novi Civic Center Stage. All performances are at 8 p.m.

Admission is \$7 adults, \$5 senior citizens and children under 12. Proceeds used for production costs and toward the enhancement of the youth theater program. Tickets available at Novi Parks and Recreation; call 347-4040.

### Art

**FRIENDS OF THE ARTS:** Caroline Dunphy, a Northville artist and owner of the Painter's Place gallery, will be the featured speaker for the Northville Friends of the Arts meeting April 14. She will give a slide/lecture and show example of paintings she did while visiting Claude Monet's garden in Giverny, France. The lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Senior Citizens Center, 215 W. Center, Eagan. Free will be welcome. For questions call J. Allingham at 344-9397.

**GATE VI GALLERY:** The Gate VI Gallery is located in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile.

### Literature

**BORDERS:** The following events are scheduled at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center:

- In honor of Earth Day (April 22), Northville's Kathleen Ripley Leo and Brighton's Dan Minocck will read poetry in honor of nature at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 22.
- First Thursday: April 2 at 7 p.m. is a survey of newly published hardcovers, with assistant manager Dave Kleielya. Sign up at the information desk.
- Meet the Author: Wednesday, April 8, at 7 p.m. Oak Park author Kathe Koja will autograph *Bad Brains*, her new horror novel from Abyss.
- Think Green: Sunday, April 12, gardening guru Jerry Baker will help you get ready for spring. Sing up at information.
- Wednesday, April 29: "The New Immigrants" — a lecture by Sidney M. Bolkosky from his book *Harmony and Dissonance: Voices of Jewish Identity in Detroit, 1914-1967*. (Wayne State) Sign up at information.
- Eleven: fun: As space is limited, please sign up in advance for all children's programs. The fun begins at 11 a.m. on Saturdays, as follows:
  - April 4, Being Green — Borders' own Kristin Kendall will show kids how to recycle.
  - April 18, Cheering Up a Princess — The Michigan Opera Theatre presents this delightful opera about a bored princess who finds excitement in the library.
  - April 25, Sign Language Saturday — Tales from the Orient, with Kim and Mary.
  - April 28, Sunday Funday — Meet Clifford the Big Red Dog and get his paw-tograph.

**KARAOKE:** Karaoke Nights on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays starting at 9 p.m.

The pub is on Main Street at Hutten.

**NOVI BOWL:** Novi Bowl on Novi Road above Eight Mile offers karaoke every Friday and Saturday between 8:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

**GETZIE'S PUB:** Getzie's holds "Karaoke Nights" on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays starting at 9 p.m.

The pub is on Main Street at Hutten.

**INFORMAL MODELING:** Rose Cottage Tea Room has joined with Unique Accessories Boutique to present lunch and tea with shopping sessions. The Rose Cottage will feature informal modeling from noon to 1:30 p.m. April 7.

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## Novi's Bassett makes All-Area first squad

There are few surprises in this year's Hometown Newspapers East All-Area Volleyball Team. South Lyon picked up a healthy share of the awards, garnering two first-team selections and one second-team pick.

Nikki Bailey was named the East All-Area Player of the Year for the 1991-92 campaign and was widely recognized in the area for her athletic accomplishments.

Nikki Bailey, SOUTH LYON, HITTER: It was a season of honors for Bailey. In addition to being selected All-KVC and Hometown East All-Area Player of the Year, the 6-foot senior was named second team All State and was the captain of the Ann Arbor News All-Area Team.

Bailey, a co-captain of the Lion squad, found herself thrust into a leadership position this season. South Lyon coach Ed Baldwin said she filled the duties of captain perfectly.

"It took her a little while to realize it was up to her to make the season great and exciting," Baldwin said. "She gave back to the young kids everything that was given to her when she was an underclassman."

RACHAEL PERRY, SOUTH LYON, HITTER: Perry, a senior, filled many roles this year for the Lions.

"Nikki (Bailey) was responsible for everything else," said Baldwin. Perry has been described as a great blend of communication abilities and playing skills. She displayed physical quickness on the floor and combined that with mental speed to make fast decisions that resulted in South Lyon points.

Baldwin said Perry was referred to as "our future lawyer."

"Anytime there was a questionable call, she was asking the ref about it," Baldwin said. "Her talking to the refs gave everybody a chance to re-group."

Perry's upbeat attitude was essential to the team's game disposition. Even when the Lions were playing poorly or losing, Perry's smile was present. In fact, Baldwin said she was very important to team success.

"If we smile and are mentally up, we play mentally up," Baldwin said. "Rachael was the epitome of everything a leader should be on the floor."

JULIE CAMERON, MILFORD, HITTER: Milford's star senior had her season cut short by a knee injury. Before the stretched ligament took her out of the lineup halfway through the season, Cameron had 124 kills to her credit.

"She was one of our co-captains," said Milford coach Terry Mareski. "We looked to her for leadership."

Cameron provided that leadership before and after the injury, sitting at court-side to support her teammates when she couldn't join them on the floor.

"She gave team support from the bench," Mareski said. "The girls knew she was there supporting them even though she couldn't play."

Cameron was a solid all-around player with an impressive 21-inch vertical leap. She was a four-year starter.

BECKY BEngle, LAKELAND, HITTER: Benge racked up some impressive stats for the Eagles as she proved to be both a top-notch scorer and an intimidating defender. Benge tallied 73 spike-kills during the year while adding another 27 kills from blocks.

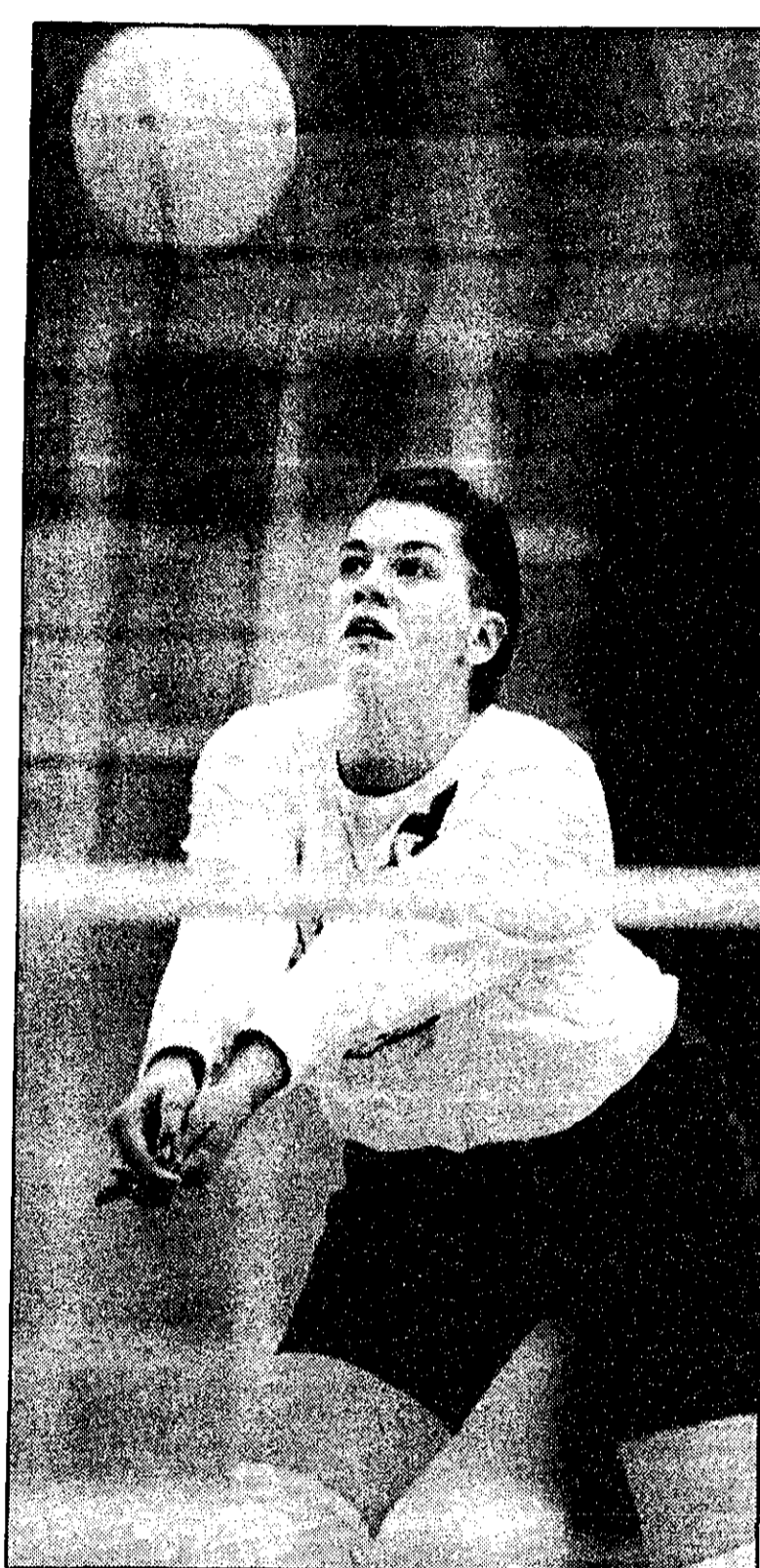
1991-92 HomeTown ALL-AREAS VOLLEYBALL

FIRST TEAM			
Name	Grade	Height	Position
STACEY NYLAND	SR	5-11	HITTER
DIANNE BASSETT	SR	6-1	HITTER
NIKKI BAILEY	SR	6-0	HITTER
RACHAEL PERRY	SR	5-8	HITTER
JULIE CAMERON	SR	5-7	HITTER
BECKY BEngle	SR	5-9	HITTER

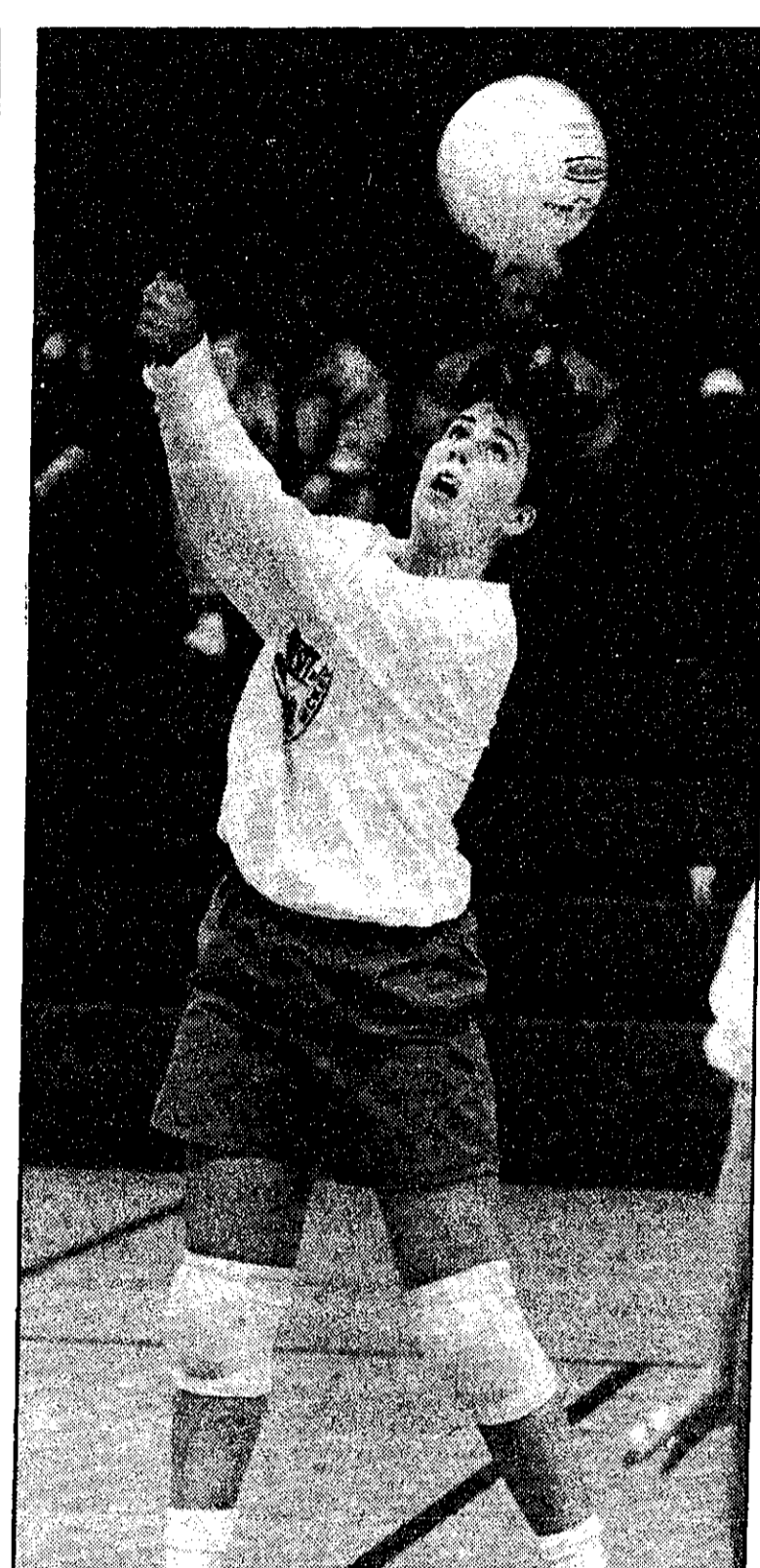
SECOND TEAM			
Name	Grade	Height	Position
LAURA JONES	SR	5-4	HITTER
JENNY LOWER	JR	5-7	HITTER
KAREN JENNISON	SR	5-7	HITTER
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Dianne Bassett (left) was a top choice for our All-Area squad while Elisa Munro made honorable mention.



Elisa Munro made honorable mention.

## Jones represents 'Cats on second team

Choosing the HomeTown Newspapers East All-Area second team was difficult. Not only could some of our selections have been first teamers, but as is the case with any all-star team, some deserving athletes like Novi's Elisa Munro and Northville's Auralyn Method were left off.

At any rate, our number two team is as follows:

LAURA JONES, NOVI, HITTER: Coach Amy Wagner described Jones as the Wildcats' strongest defensive player.

"She never let anything drop," she said. Wagner said Jones was also a consummate team player. As a result, the senior received the Wildcats' teamwork award.

Jones posted strong statistics in several areas. She connected on 90 percent of her serves and scored 16 aces as well. Jones led the 'Cats with 88 points. She made good on 86 percent of her setting attempts.

"Laura was a real pleasure to work with," Wagner said.

JENNY LOWER, NORTHVILLE, HITTER: The Mustang junior will be one of the cornerstones of next year's squad, according to coach Paul Osborn.

The coach commented that Lower was the team's second best hitter, behind All-Area first team selection Stacey Nyland.

"She's not as vocal as Stacey," Osborn said. "But she's just as good."

Lower made quick improvements in her first varsity year. Osborn said her serving and vertical

jump were just a couple of areas in which Lower improved.

"Jenny made tremendous strides," Osborn said.

Lower went 251 for 278 on serves for a 91 percent mark. Osborn said Lower's work ethic was one of her biggest assets to the Mustangs.

"She's a very hard working young lady," he said. "She's a real joy to have around."

KAREN JENNISON, SOUTH LYON, HITTER: Jennison's achievements are magnified by the fact that she didn't play volleyball as a sophomore.

"She came from a Class C school," said South Lyon coach Ed Baldwin. "She didn't think she could play on a Class A team."

Jennison spent most of last year learning the intricacies of varsity volleyball, and started for the first time this season.

"She improved throughout the season," Baldwin said. "She is one of the hardest working players we've ever had."

Baldwin added that Jennison's attitude helped keep the team loose in pressure situations. Her aggressiveness and desire to get to the ball made her teammates communicate better.

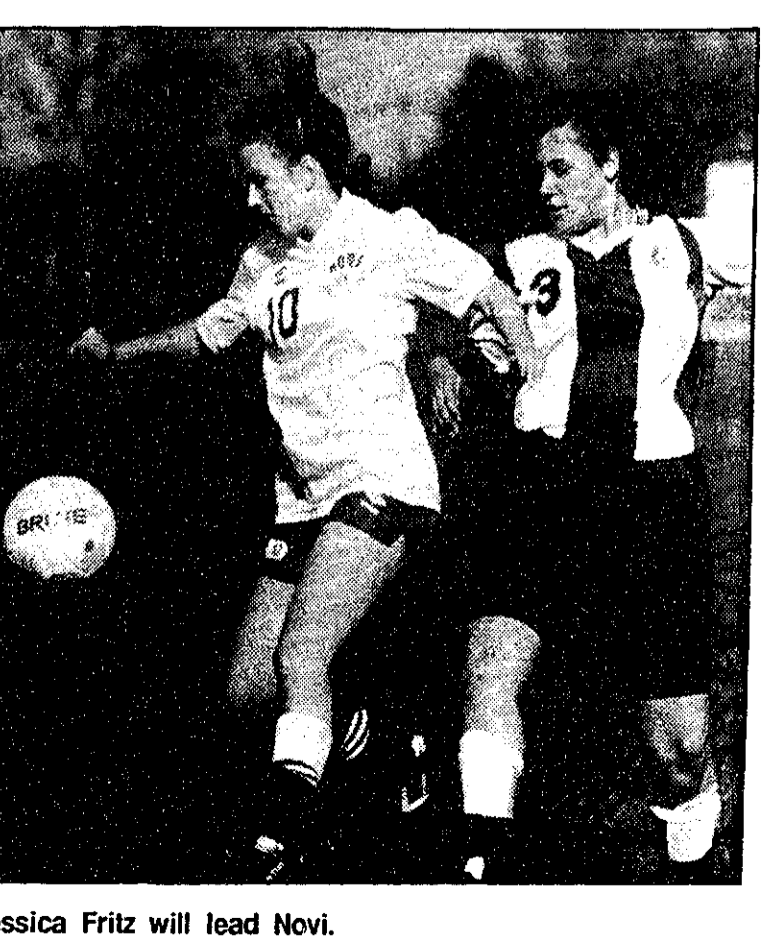
"If the ball wasn't called, Karen would be there," Baldwin said. "Everybody figured out that if they wanted to pass, they had better call the ball."

MEGAN READLER, MILFORD, HITTER: Readler, a sophomore, is the only underclassperson on either All-Area team. While she didn't have a league-shattering season, her aggressiveness and raw athletic talent put her on the second team.

"I was impressed by how she came on in the second part of the season," said Milford coach Terry Mareski, citing how Readler stepped up to help fill the gap that was left after Julie Cameron fell to an injury.

Readler, an honorable mention All-KVC selection, was third on the team in hitting and blocking and second in total points scored.

"She developed into a good all-around player," Mareski said. "I was really pleased with the progress she made this season."



Jessica Fritz will lead Novi.

## Baseline rivalry heats up on Mustang soccer field

Weather permitting, the Wildcats will continue their battle with Baseline rival Northville Saturday on the soccer field.

Novi is scheduled to play the Mustangs on the road beginning at about 12:30 p.m. According to Wildcat coach Larry Christoff, the game should be just as spirited as the previous border fights this year.

"I think we've developed a great rivalry," he said, noting the schools' boys soccer teams tied 2-2 earlier in the school year. "That's when I realized it was more than a game. The kids play with more intensity. It should be a hell of a game."

Christoff coaches both the boys and girls soccer teams for Novi. For the 'Cats it will be their season opener. For Northville, on the other hand, it will be its fourth contest. The Mustangs lost to Troy Athens 4-0 and tied Livonia Chur-

chill in their first two games. Christoff said Northville will provide a stern test for his squad.

"I would consider them a strong opponent," he said. "I think they will do very well in their league. It will be a good barometer for us to figure out where we are."

The Baseline war has been just about even this year. Besides the soccer tie, the schools split a pair of basketball games this winter. Northville did win the Baseline Jug in football with a 24-14 triumph over the 'Cats.

Christoff declined to make a prediction about the game. But, he said, it will be one of Novi's more interesting matches all year.

"It will be one of the better ones," Christoff said.

The Wildcats open their Kensington Valley Conference schedule Monday at home against Lakeland. Game time is 4 p.m.

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# Wagner named top coach

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Sports Writer

Turning around a losing program is no easy task.

But that's what Amy Wagner has done for Nov High's volleyball program. The Wildcats, after posting losing records year after year, returned to an 10-8 overall mark in 1992 and a 7-5 showing in the Kensington Valley Conference.

That's why Amy Wagner is Home-town Newspapers' East Coach of the Year.

The season past was her fourth as Nov's leader.

"Each year has been really enjoyable," Wagner said. "I learn something more every season."

The Cats turnaround began last year.

After 2-10 and 0-12 KVC campaigns in her first two seasons, Nov made marked improvement in 1990-91 with a 4-9 record. Last season was also the first under Wagner that the Wildcats outscored opponents - 345 to 325. Nov improved to 13-3 total points scored this year while going up only 296.

"It just says that the program is improving," Wagner said. "It's what I've always wanted to happen."

Volleyball and the coach go back a long ways.

"Each year has been really enjoyable. I learn something more every season."

Amy Wagner  
Volleyball Coach

Wagner competed as a spiker at Warren Cousino High School. From there she attended Central Michigan University and played intramural volleyball.

After obtaining her bachelor's degree, Wagner began coaching at Shepherd High School, near Mt. Pleasant, in 1986. She stayed there for two seasons as junior varsity coach.

Wagner moved to Nov in 1988 to continue her career in engineering. Nov was also the first under Wagner that the Wildcats outscored opponents - 345 to 325. Nov improved to 13-3 total points scored this year while going up only 296.

"I thought I could make a difference in a program," Wagner explained. "I really like the sport and thought I could improve my skills (through coaching)."

"The contributions of players like

Dianne Bassett, Laura Jones and Mary Yankowski made the winning season for Nov possible, she said. Team harmony largely explains the 'Cats' success this season, she said.

"The chemistry was just there this year," Wagner said, adding that there was no bickering on her team. "That was the biggest plus, their ability to get along and help each other."

The coach commented that she has high expectations each new season. She said her team reached those expectations, for the most part.

"I guess you can always do better," Wagner said. "But I think they played the best they could."

The highlight of the year was wins over Lakeland and South Lyon near mid-season. Wagner said the 'Cats showed those and other KVC rivals they would be in for a battle this year.

"I think we have taken a hard look at ourselves and said we can be competitive," Wagner said. "I think the other teams know you just don't take Nov for granted anymore."

Nov will lose five players, including Bassett, Jones, Yankowski, Becky Lanyon and Elisa Muro, to graduation. But Wagner pointed to the return of players like Kate Mackenzie, Kristen Kenny and Beth Vanderhoff as reasons for optimism.

"We have a good group coming up from freshman and junior varsity too," she said.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Scenes like these were more common for the 'Cats this year under coach Amy Wagner.

# Bassett claims spot on All-Area first team

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"She's very dependable and works well with the team," said Lakeland coach Dave Montgomery. Bengle was a 91-percent blocker, had a 90-percent serve rate and 15 percent of her serves went for aces.

As a senior captain Bengle provided leadership to the injury prone Eagles, and was the only captain to finish the season without injury.

"She was a good leader out on the

court," Montgomery said. DIANNE BASSETT, NOVI, HITTER. A third-year varsity player, Bassett put together an excellent senior year. According to coach Amy Wagner, she was the team's leader from day one this year.

"She saw that the team needed a leader and a role model," the coach said. "And that's what she was."

Bassett led Nov with 18 aces and connected on 93 percent of her serves overall. The senior also tallied 62

kills. Wagner said the biggest development in Bassett's game was her mental preparation. She said her captain could dominate matches at times.

"As a middle hitter she really took command," Wagner commented.

Bassett will try to earn a spot on the Central Michigan University volleyball team this fall as a walk-on.

STACEY NYLAND, NORTHVILLE, HITTER. A three-sport star, this se-

nior was an easy choice for our first squad.

Besides being the Mustangs' top player, coach Paul Osborn said Nyland was the one player teammates respected the most.

"Her attitude is always positive," he said. "She's always up, always cheering the other girls on."

Nyland was named the team's most valuable player at a recent weekend banquet. She was also

named to the Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division first team by coaches.

The senior connected on nearly 85 percent of her hits while handling service at a 73-percent clip. Osborn said Nyland was one of the most coachable players he has ever had.

"In the two years I coached her," he said, "I never heard her say she couldn't do (something)."

# Christoff prepares kickers for KVC season

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The all-important position of goalkeeper will likely be handled by senior Dianne Bassett. Jenny Zortman and Amy Campbell may also play some at goalie. Christoff

commented.

"I think with a little bit of work," he said, "we will be great in goal."

The coach said more than 70 players tried out for the varsity and junior varsity teams. Christoff said the varsity squad would carry about 20

kickers and the JV about 24.

Wildcats main strength will be in team spirit.

"We have kids that are willing to work hard and compete," Christoff said. "They are learning every day. The 'Cats should play solid de-

fense, he added. Christoff said the team may have trouble scoring goals, however.

"They lack a lot of basic skills," he explained, "that will only come in time."

The 'Cats will be competitive in the

KVC, Christoff said, which he added isn't the strongest of soccer leagues in the state.

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**Twelve Oaks Walk:** People are invited to join the Twelve Oaks Mall Walkers program. Entrance doors open early for walkers at 8 a.m. Monday through Saturday, and at 10 a.m. Sunday. New program participants need to register in the Twelve Oaks Security Office located on the upper level, J.C. Penney corridor.

The University of Michigan Health Centers and Twelve Oaks Mall provide health education programs as part of the mall walking program. The education programs are presented at the Center Court on the second Tuesday of the month, 9-10 a.m. On March 10, Colon Cancer Prevention will be presented by Raymond Hobbs, M.D., medical director of the U-M Health Center at Northville. Dr. Hobbs is a certified gerontologist and will discuss how early detection enables 75 percent of people diagnosed with colon cancer to be cured.

For more information please call 348-9438.

**Grand Slam:** Jazzercise and Jazzstep are now being offered at Grand Slam USA on Ten Mile in Novi. Jazzercise classes are Monday and Friday at 9:30 a.m. and Monday and Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. Jazzstep classes are Tuesday and Thursday at 5:45 p.m. and Wednesday 9:30 a.m. For more info call Jull at 426-9096.

**Rent a pool:** For those who like to keep fit by swimming, the Novi High School Pool is available for rent. Groups may rent the pool on Fridays from 7:30-9 p.m. If interested, call the Novi Community Education office at 348-1200 at least one month prior to date requested.

**Health screening:** The Nov Parks and Recreation Department offers a variety of health screening events each week.

One is blood pressure screening for senior citizens. This free service is offered each Wednesday in the Novi Civic Center from 11 a.m.-noon.

**Weight loss:** Ellie's Weight Loss classes are being held each Saturday morning at 10 a.m. and again at 12:30 p.m. at Grand Slam USA in Novi on Ten Mile Road. For more information, call 682-1717.

**Jazzercise classes offered:** Jull Huddleston has started Jazzercise classes in Novi this month. A unique combination of effective exercise, jazz-movements and popular music, Jazzercise is the number-one fitness program in the world.

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Huddleston offers classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and Mondays through Thursday at 5:45 p.m. at Grand Slam USA in Novi. There is a babysitter at all of the classes for a small fee.

For more information, call 426-9096.

**\$1 Foot Examinations:** Local podiatrist Norman H. Brant is offering an initial foot examination for \$1 during the months of November and December.

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**New Attitude Aerobics:** Registrations are now being accepted for Nov Community Recreation's fitness program New Attitude Aerobics. A wide variety of classes are available, ranging from beginners' high or low impact aerobics to free weight circuit training. Unique features include: a.m. and p.m. child care, flexible scheduling, easy-to-follow workouts and certified instructors. The one-hour classes are held six days a week, year-round at the Northville Community Recreation building.

For class description, schedules and more information, call 349-0203 or 348-3120.

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# MHSAA decides to hold line on outside sports

By SCOTT DANIEL and SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writers

The Michigan High School Athletic Association Friday rejected a proposal that could have limited non-school participation by Novi athletes.

The MHSAA's governing body, the representative council, voted not to adopt rules prohibiting students from representing non-school teams during the school year. A vote was originally scheduled for May, but was moved up to end controversy over the possible rule change.

"The idea was to relieve the anxiety and stress over the proposal," said Jerry Cvengros, an associate director for the MHSAA.

Current rules allow students to play in a sport for their school and an outside organization, such as the Amateur Athletic Union, as long as seasons don't coincide. That rule would have been changed to read as follows:

"Any student who participates on an interscholastic team for their school may not represent any other organization or compete in any outside competition in that sport during the school year, except that an individual may participate in a maximum of four individual sports meets or contests in that sport out of season during the school year. A student who violates this rule shall be ineligible for a minimum of the first three contests/days of competition and maximum of the entire next season in that sport."

The proposal was initiated by state school administrators. Its intent was to stop students from specializing in

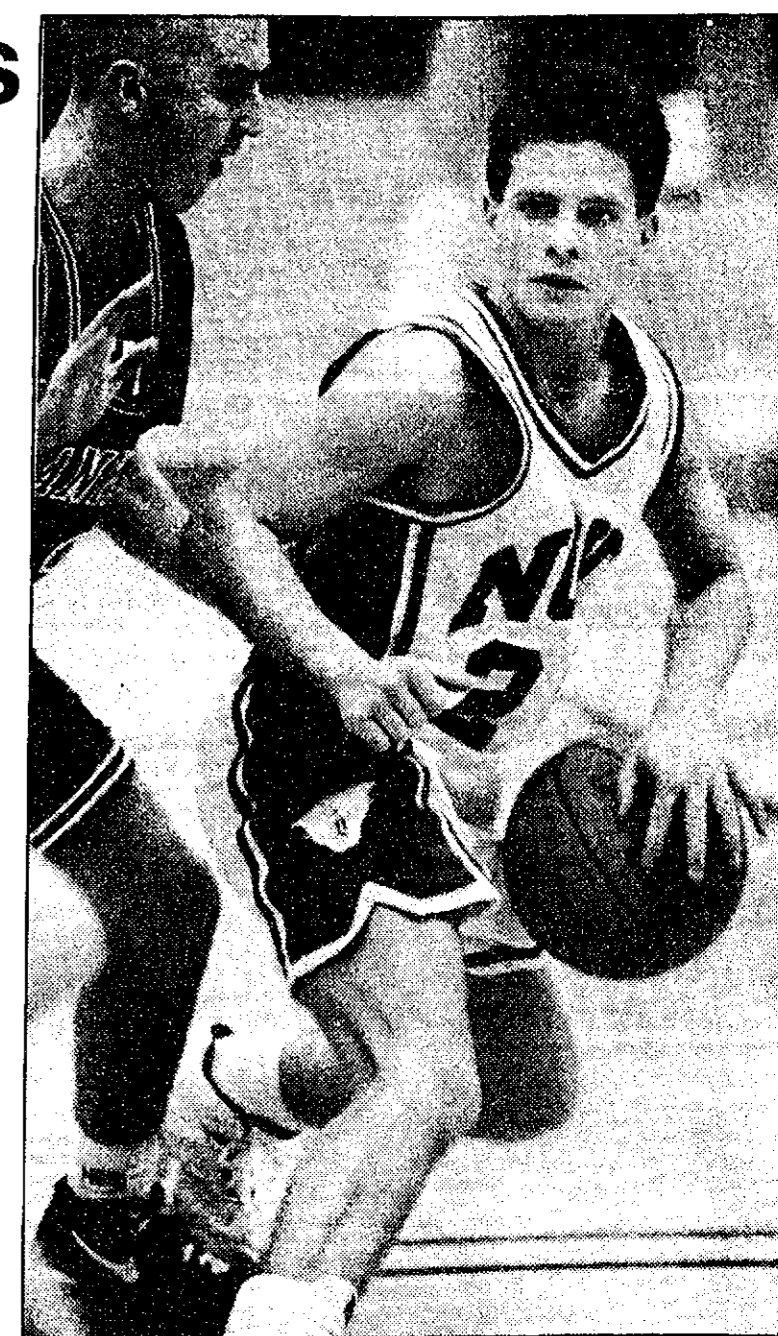


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Members from the champion Digital team: (Back) Joe Brown, Bernard Williams, Dion McDonald and Mark MacArthur. (Front) John Griffin and Mike Dunning.

## Summer basketball leagues to start

By CINDY STEWART

Thanks to our champion Detroit Pistons and the world famous Gus Macker 3-on-3 basketball tournaments, basketball in Novi is gaining in popularity. Novi offers residents and non-residents from age 18 to whatever the opportunity to play in your-face basketball year-round.

Novi Parks and Recreation offers three men's 3-on-3 leagues which run from November through March — Resident League, Open League and 30-and-over league.

The winter leagues ended on March 24 with Digital Equipment taking the championship for the third straight year. The end of the season gives everyone just enough time to catch their breath, get the team back together and sign-up for the summer 3-on-3 leagues, which will begin in June.

An informational meeting for the summer leagues will be held on Monday, April 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

"Our 3-on-3 leagues are basically

organized pick-up basketball," said Dave Patterson of Novi Parks and Recreation. "It's a very inexpensive league that is easy to run and very popular. Teams only need three to six players and we don't use refs, it's call-your-own fouls, like Gus Macker. Besides organizing the leagues, I also play on a team."

The winter leagues are played indoors at Novi Middle School and Parkview Elementary and the summer 3-on-3 league will be at Lakeshore Park. The games are played half court, like Gus Macker, one point to 13, win by two points, and win a two out of three series. Games will be played either Tuesdays or Thursdays. If there is interest, they may have teens (grades 9-12) and women's leagues.

The three winter leagues have approximately eight to nine teams each and play regular season games once a week. The season ends with a 25-team, double-elimination playoff tournament which combines all teams from the three leagues to crown a 3-on-3 champ.

"The open league is our most com-

petitive, but the resident and over 30 leagues are not far behind," said Peterson. "The object is to promote amateur contests for the mutual benefit and enjoyment of the players, teams, sponsors and spectators. Everyone has a lot of fun!"

Many of the teams have been playing on Novi's 3-on-3 leagues for years. There are a lot of good ball players, some former high school and college players. Many of the teams are made up of friends and family members, but one team met because of the 3-on-3 league.

"Digital Equipment Corp. in Novi decided to sponsor a team," said employee Joe Brown. "We sent a notice around to our three worksites in Novi and came up with our team of six employees. We've been playing for three years and this is the third year in the Open League and the League Championship."

The Digital Equipment Corp. team consists of manager Joe Brown, Bernard Williams, Dion McDonald, Mark MacArthur, John Griffin and Mike Dunning. They also have played

on Novi's 5-on-5 league. Walled Lake's 5-on-5 league and may try this summer's 3-on-3 league.

The first-place team in the 30-and-over league has been the MoonLakers for the past three years. Their goal is to beat Digital for the league championship.

"Our team met while playing basketball, but we were all on different teams," said Kirk Young, manager of the MoonLakers. "Our team ranges from 30 to 44 years old. We're good, but we just can't seem to beat those younger guys, so we're trying to find a secret weapon. Maybe Bill Laimbeer will be available since he's close to retirement."

Many of the 3-on-3 players like Kirk Young play basketball all year round. "I play four to five times a week on different teams and our team also plays in some of the Gus Macker tournaments in the summer," said Young.

"You can never get enough basketball," said Brown. "I would encourage more people to sign-up for the 3-on-3 leagues. It's a great way to relieve stress."

## Rec Briefs

### Softball tourney on deck next week

**Softball Tourney:** A men's early bird softball tournament is coming April 11 and 12. It will be for class C and below competition and the limit is 16 teams. Registration deadline is April 3. Call 347-0400 for more information.

**Girls Softball:** A 14-18-year-old travel softball league is forming. The travel league is part of the Plymouth-Canton Junior Softball

League. Game days will be Tuesdays and Thursdays. Season starts May 30 and ends in late July. Call the rec department for more info.

**Weight Training:** A beginner's class started March 16 and will run through April 23 Mondays and Wednesdays from 9-10 a.m. Also on Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Fat Burner:** A six-week course will run from mid-March to late April. Times are Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursdays 9-10 a.m.

**Youth Wrestling:** This course will run from April 28 through June 4 at the Novi High wrestling room. Cost is \$21 for residents and \$25.20 for non-residents. Limit of 30 students.

## Explaining problem correctly is vital



Raymond Hobbs, M.D.

When examining a patient, a physician relies heavily on what the patient says to reach a correct diagnosis. The patient's description of the health problem is known as the patient history and may be the most important information available to the physician. In

fact, some people state that 85 percent of the diagnosis rests on the patient's history and the actual yields only another 15 percent.

In 1992, with all of our high technology and fancy laboratory tests, it's easy to overlook the significance of the history. But it must be remembered that the history determines, to a large part, what tests need to be ordered. If the information is incomplete or wrong, it will take that much longer to arrive at the correct solution to the problem. Since the history is of such vital importance, I have listed the types of useful information that the patient would be wise to have at hand.

■ When explaining a problem to the physician, try to be specific. When was the problem first

### Health tips

noticed, how has it changed and what is it doing now? As an example, saying, "I have a lump in my breast that has been there since 1978 and has not changed" will tell the physician much more than a simple, "I have a lump."

■ Many diseases can be inherited from our parents. It is always useful to know whether something runs in the family. Heart disease, breast cancer or colon cancer and sickle cell anemia are a few examples where heredity is important.

■ As the American public becomes mobile and visits foreign countries, physicians are treating problems that ordinarily are not seen in the United States. For instance, malaria is seen in Michigan, but would not be thought of unless it was known that the patient had been in Africa or another foreign country. If you develop a problem after visiting another country, let your physician know.

■ If you are allergic to a medication, tell your physician. It is also important to describe what happened when you took the drug. For instance, getting sleepy after taking an antihistamine is a side effect and not an allergy. Develop-

ing hives after taking an antibiotic would be an allergic reaction.

■ List all medications you are taking, including aspirin, Tylenol, birth control pills, laxatives and all over-the-counter medications.

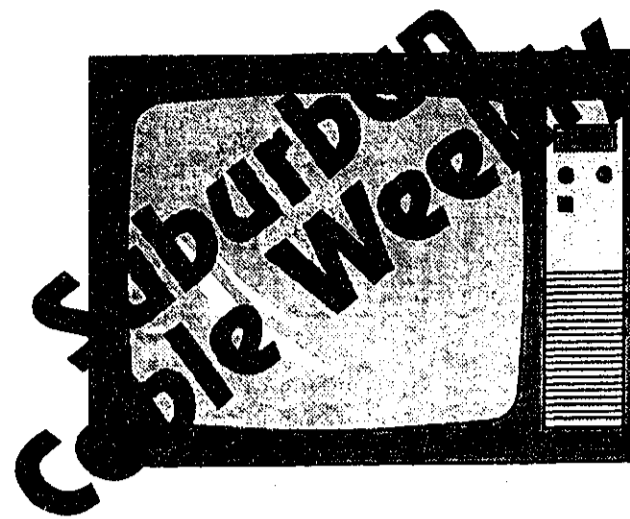
■ If you are seeing more than one physician, let your doctor know. Almost all physicians have seen at least one patient who was taking two brands of the same drug at the same time because neither physician knew about the other.

■ If you have or had a job that could influence your health, tell your physician.

■ A history of vaccinations is important. If everyone who cut themselves knew when their last tetanus shot was, there would be fewer injections.

■ A history of operations and childhood diseases is important. As an example, certain heart valve problems commonly follow rheumatic fever by many years.

■ Although embarrassing, sexual problems should be mentioned. Frequently they may be due to another health problem. For instance, impotence may be caused by diabetes. ■ Smoking, drinking alcohol or taking drugs, even if no longer being done, is important information for the physician to know. There are many conditions such as lung cancer or cirrhosis of the liver where past behavior is very important.



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**Home warranty coverage can be a good investment**

By James M. Woodard  
Copley News Service

"Without home warranty coverage after the sale of a previously owned residence, the seller and his agent are just standing there in their shorts—a vulnerable target for after-sale problems."

Haven Burke, a regional president of First National Realty, candidly expressed that view when asked about the value of home protection (warranty) coverage in today's market. He also stressed the importance of studying and comparing several plans.

"All home protection plan service contracts don't offer the same coverage. It's important to read them carefully to be sure you're getting the coverage you need and

expect," he said.

George King, another brokerage firm executive agrees that warranty coverage is particularly important today.

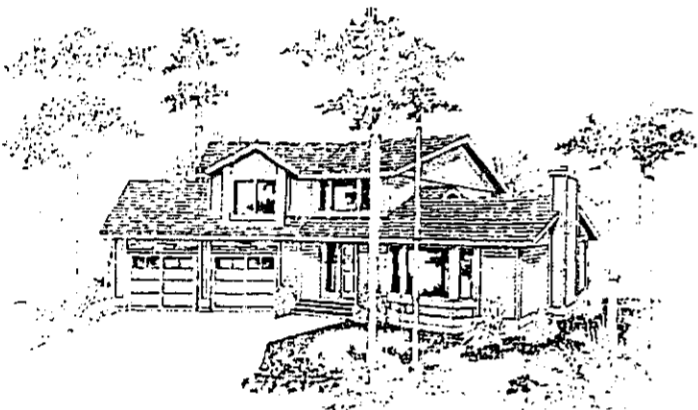
"It provides much-needed protection against liability risks as well as other unexpected financial losses. We strongly recommend it to all owners of our listed residential properties," King said.

King noted that the one-time fee for the coverage is usually paid by the home seller, but the cost is sometimes paid or shared by the buyer or broker.

A typical home protection plan covers costs of repairing or replacing "working parts" of a home—the mechanical, non-structural systems and components. The

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**HOME DESIGNS**



**Two-story Luxus designed for city lot**

By James McAlexander  
Copley News Service

The Luxus is a two-story home designed to take full advantage of a compact city lot. By working with angles, the designer has created an attractive side yard that allows full utilization of an area that usually lies idle. Creatively landscaped or outfitted with pots of herbs and flowers, this alcove becomes a park-like outdoor getaway.

While the two-car garage sits squarely on the lot, far enough back from the street to meet setback requirements, the living room is placed at an angle and is much closer to the street. The room has a fireplace and is brightened by wide bay windows.

When sunny skies and warm air beckon, access to the outdoors is easy. A wide deck wraps around the side and back of the home. It is

accessible through sliding-glass doors in the living room, dining room and kitchen. This feature is doubly attractive to families who enjoy eating outside.

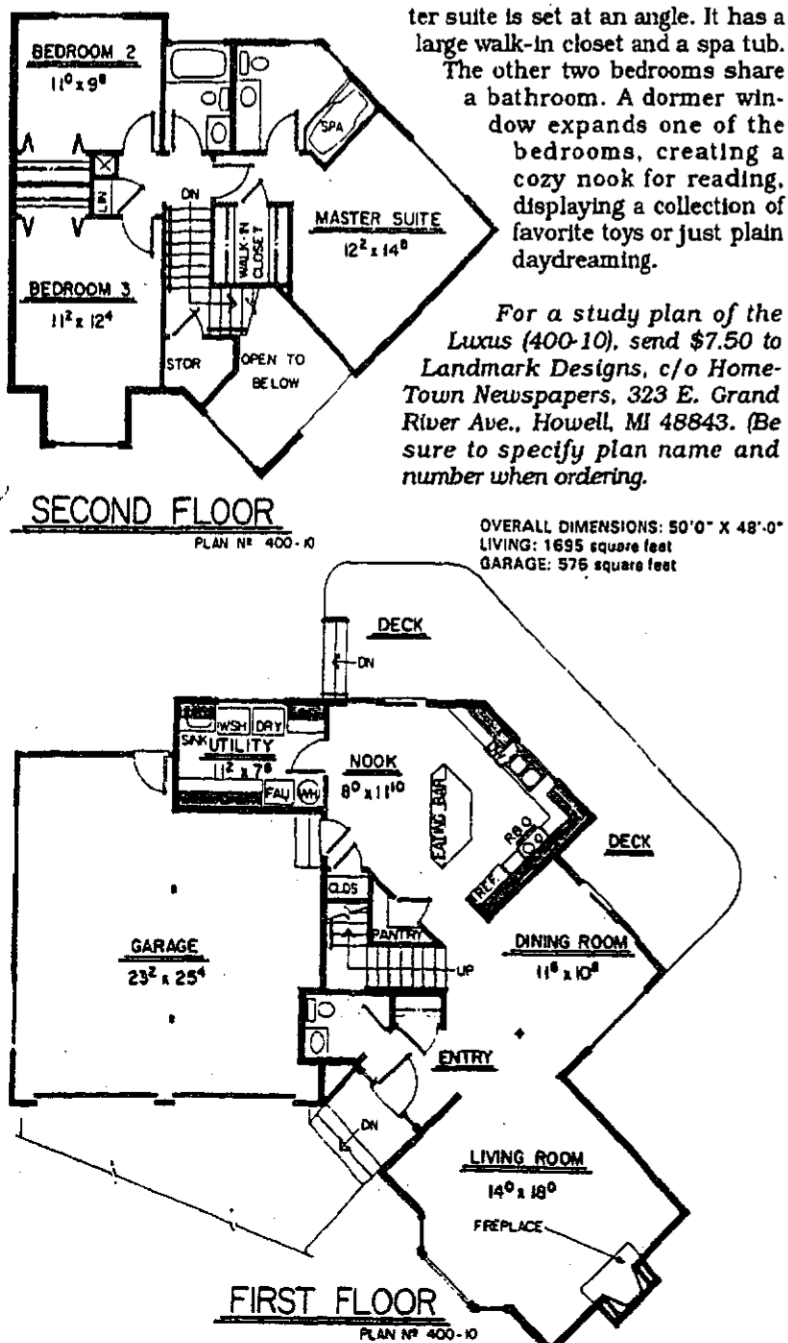
In the center of the spacious country kitchen is a work island/eating bar combination that adds to the already generous counter space. The kitchen has both a broom closet and a pantry, adding to the already ample cupboard space. A large utility room is adjacent to the eating nook, allowing the owners to deal with laundry while they're working at other tasks in the kitchen.

Bright and open to the second floor, the entryway seems larger than it really is. Plants will flourish on top of the entry closet, bathed in light from a window at the top of the stairs. Storage space is abundant. In addition to the usual closets, this plan also includes a closet at the mid-flight landing.

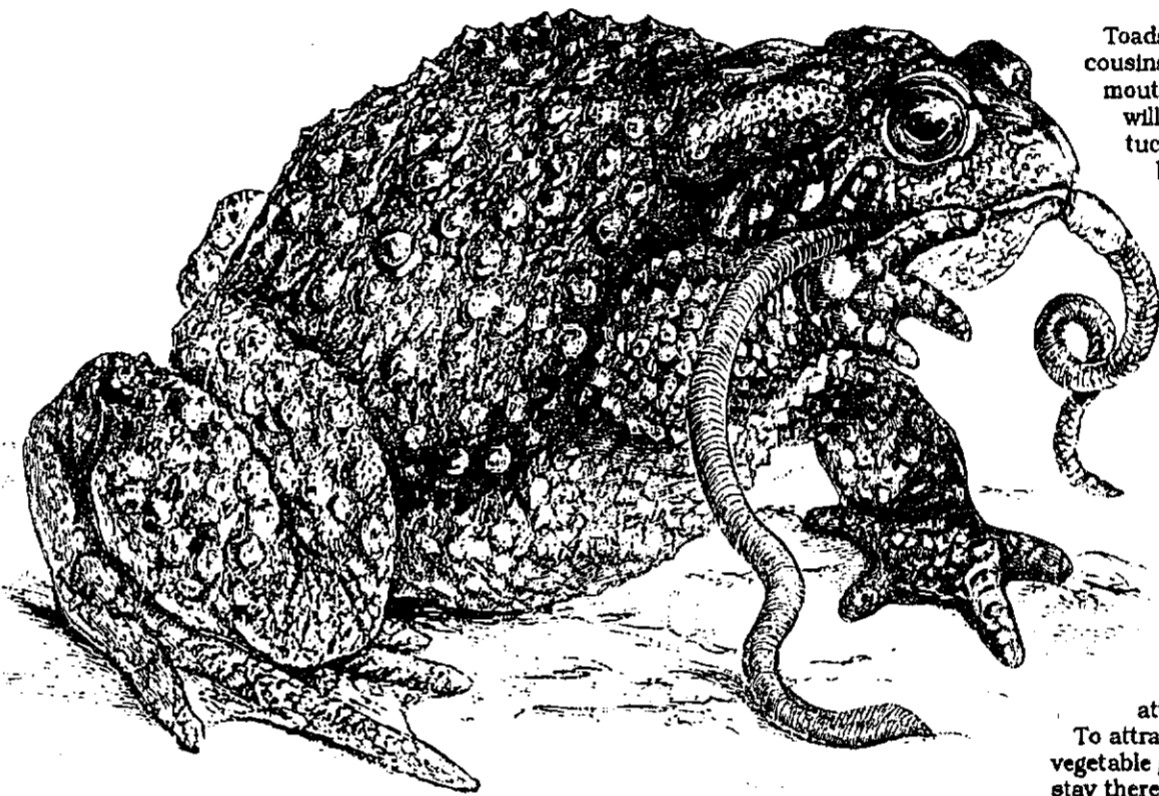
Like the rooms below, the master suite is set at an angle. It has a large walk-in closet and a spa tub.

The other two bedrooms share a bathroom. A dormer window expands one of the bedrooms, creating a cozy nook for reading, displaying a collection of favorite toys or just plain daydreaming.

For a study plan of the Luxus (400-10), 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.)



**The misunderstood TOAD**



Toads, those lumpy, bumpy frog cousins with the buggy eyes, big mouths and hearty appetites, will slurp slugs off your lettuce and beetles off your beans until they can hardly waddle. Then they'll come back the next night and do it again.

Where do you get a toad? Chances are you already have some.

Glenn Dudderar, Extension wildlife specialist at Michigan State University, says almost any yard with some greenery is likely to be home to a toad. Leave your porch light on some warm summer evening just before or after a rain and you're likely to see a toad in action, eating insects attracted to the light.

To attract a toad to your flower or vegetable garden and encourage it to stay there and dine on pesky slugs and damaging insects, Dudderar suggests creating a "toad abode."

A toad abode is simply a shelter for a toad to use during the heat of the day. To make one, start by scooping out a depression in the soil about 6 inches in diameter and 3 inches deep. Put 1/2 to 1 inch of good loamy topsoil or compost in the depression. Then over that put some sort of shelter.

"The ideal thing is a short, squat clay flower pot," Dudderar says. "The clay breathes and it doesn't heat up like plastic or some other materials."

To make a door for the toad, punch a hole in the rim on one side of the pot. Then turn it upside-down

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**What's bugging your garden?**

- Slugs?
- Caterpillars?
- Beetles?
- Crickets?
- What you need is a toad.

**Degrees of plants**

By C.Z. Guest  
Copley News Service

**GARDENING**

A green thumb isn't difficult; it's fun and it's easy! Here's how to choose the plants that are right for you and how to meet their needs.

Whether you live in an apartment or house, there's a wide selection of plants to choose from. Some love the idea of living in a window loaded with sunshine, others will practically grow in the dark.

Many colorful flowers thrive and bloom all year-round under the proper conditions, while others will be happy in bottles, water, window containers, teacups, baskets or anything else. You can grow plants for fun, food, presents or just because you love them.

If you are just beginning to cultivate your green thumb, start with easy ones and gradually work up to those plants that need more care and attention.

Your very first step is recognizing the conditions of your indoors and choosing the proper plant for it. For example, tropical plants won't do very well on a cool sun porch. On the other hand, cool-temperature plants will not thrive and be happy in rooms kept warmer than 70 degrees.

Here's the way professional growers call their shots, temperaturewise:

- Cool is 55 to 60 degrees during the day, 40 to 50 degrees at night
- Moderate is 65 to 68 degrees during the day, 55 degrees night (minimum).
- Warm is 62 to 68 degrees during the day, 70 to 77 degrees at night.

Most plants need light, while a few plants, such as Chinese evergreen, aspidistra, snake plant and dieffenbachia, "practically" can grow in the closet. Light is the No. 1 need of every plant in order for it to produce its own food to survive.

Most flowering plants need sun to bloom. It may be just a touch, like begonias, or all they can get, like geraniums. Most plants that have distinctly colored leaves also are sun lovers.

The following guidelines can help you decide what plant is right for your dwelling, based on temperature:

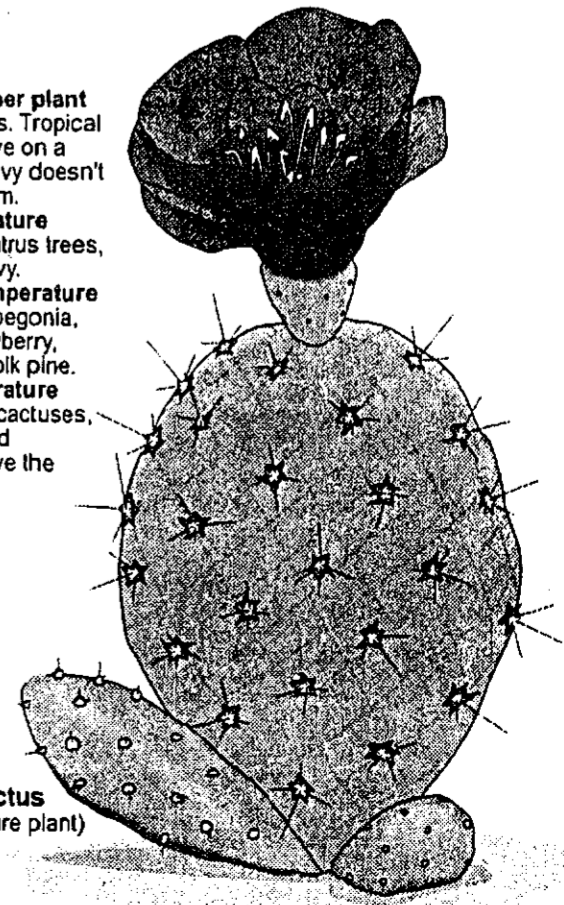
- Warm: cactuses, dieffenbachia, dracaena, croton, schefflera, philodendron, glox-

**Planting by degrees**

- Categories
- Cool-temperature plants
- Moderate-temperature plants
- Warm-temperature plants

- Daytime temperature
- 55-60°
- 65-68°
- 70° +

- Pick the proper plant for the conditions. Tropical plants won't thrive on a cool porch, and ivy doesn't love a warm room.
- Cool-temperature plants include citrus trees, geraniums and ivy.
- Moderate temperature plants are wax begonia, piggyback, strawberry, azalea and Norfolk pine.
- Warm-temperature plants, such as cactuses, dieffenbachia and philodendron, love the heat.



Beaver-tail cactus (warm-temperature plant)

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**HOWELL**, downtown. Large home to share. \$250 per mo., plus utilities. (517)648-1625.

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**BRIGHTON** Female to share new house. \$200 mo. paid utilities. Near US 23. (313)231-3255.

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**BRIGHTON** Christian woman to share home, rent & utilities. (313)229-6910.

**FOWLERVILLE** Share my home, weekly or monthly. Leave message. (517)223-8057.

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# CLASSIFIED GREEN SHEET

## In 42 years, funeral director has seen changes



John O'Brien stands by a photo of Ted Sullivan, who started the local funeral home

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By RICK BYRNE  
Copy Editor

John O'Brien's first week's pay was \$20. That was a competitive wage for a mortician's apprentice in 1950.

Now after 42 years in the business, the owner of the O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Homes, O'Brien can reflect on the ways funerals have changed.

"The biggest changes I've seen are that we're more aware of aftercare to families," said O'Brien. "Some of the hospitals are intent on working with the families. For example, for widows there's a lot more care available."

"It's been a great step in the right direction. Even our clergy are more trained for service to the families."

With that in mind, the O'Brien Chapel in Novi recently added a bereavement counselor to its staff.

"Sometimes all people need is a push or a nod, or to tell them it's all right to cry. Then they can heal," O'Brien said.

O'Brien noted that there is more compassion for the families of infants who have died as well.

"When I first started, the father would come in for a stillborn child, and the child would be buried before the mother was out of the hospital."

It's all part of a greater understanding for the humanities that modern funeral directors are still learning. There's, after all, a customer-service business.

"The most important part of our job is thinking of all the details that the client needs, and acting on them," O'Brien said. "We have to make sure the funeral goes smoothly for them because God knows they've

got enough problems. We get a lot of letters from families who've said they liked our service."

At the funeral home on Grand River Avenue, little has changed since it was opened in May of 1976. There are two rooms for visitations, one decorated in a cool Mediterranean blue, and the other in green — which O'Brien will neither confirm nor deny is in honor of his proud Irish heritage.

A third room showcases the line of caskets which come in a variety of styles.

"We do traditional funerals, and alternatives too," O'Brien said. "If we don't have a two-day visitation, we can do immediate cremation or other things."

"At one time, every burial was at the gravesite. But now we're seeing more chapel services at the cemetery."

Back when O'Brien was an apprentice attending mortuary school, visitations weren't always held at the funeral home either.

"I've seen it go from house funerals to what we have now," O'Brien said. "The person would be laid out in the front room, which was sometimes on an upper floor in those Detroit two-family flats."

In 1970, Ted Sullivan made O'Brien manager of his second funeral home on Fenkell Road in Detroit. When Sullivan died a couple of years later, O'Brien was elected president of the company, though he retained the name of its founder.

It remains a family business, too. John's son, John Patrick O'Brien, is a licensed mortician, and his daughters help out as well. Mike Watt is the other associate.

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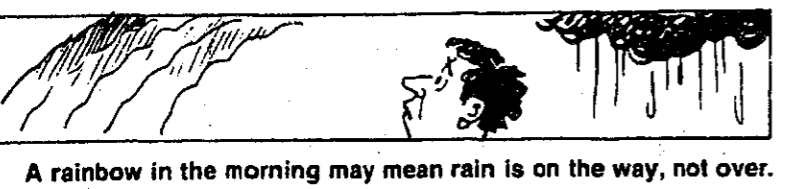
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**HAROLD N. HYLAND** of Novi has earned membership in Lutheran Brotherhood's 1991 President's Club. The President's Club is one of the fraternal benefit society's most prestigious sales honors. Representatives become eligible for membership based on sales of insurance and investment products to Lutherans.

Hyland is associated with Lutheran Brotherhood's Karl Mueller Agency based in Rochester Hills.

Lutheran Brotherhood and its subsidiaries offer life and health insurance, annuities and mutual funds to Lutherans nationwide. The Society currently has \$31 billion in life insurance in force and \$9.6 billion in assets under management. In 1991, it allocated \$43 million to its fraternal programs in support of its members, their communities and Lutheran institutions.

**CHARLES M. YOUNG** of Northville has earned membership in Lutheran Brotherhood's 1991 Executive's Club.

The Executive's Club is one of the fraternal benefit society's most prestigious sales honors. Representatives become eligible for membership based on sales of insurance and investment products to Lutherans.

Young is associated with Lutheran Brotherhood's Karl Mueller Agency based in Rochester Hills.

**DOUGLAS TEUBERT** of Northville ranked first nationally in life insurance sales among all Lutheran Brotherhood district representatives during 1991.

This achievement was based on the total amount of life insurance protection Teubert provided to Lutherans in the area. As a result of his high level of production, Teubert also earned membership in the Top Club, Lutheran Brotherhood's most prestigious sales honor. Less than 5 percent of the Society's 1,700-member field force qualified for this award in 1991.

As a Lutheran Brotherhood district representative, Teubert provides life and health insurance, annuities and investment products to Lutherans. He is associated with the Karl Mueller Agency based in Rochester Hills. He joined the fraternal benefit society in 1981.

**MARCIA STONE** of Northville has joined Campbell-Milburn-Esty Advertising (CME) as vice president, associate creative director. The announcement was made by Gary Topolewski, executive vice president, acting creative director.

In her new position, Stone works closely with Topolewski, overseeing the creative direction of Chrysler Corp.'s Jeep and Eagle advertising business and CME's multi-products division. As an art director by trade, she collaborates with copywriter Topolewski on creative assignments for all clients.

Stone's advertising career began in 1977 when she was hired as a graphic designer in Milwaukee. Two years later, she joined the Minneapolis office of D'Arcy MacManus & Mastus as an art director. In 1983, she moved to Carmichael Lynch-Minneapolis where she moved through the creative ranks to her most recent position as vice president, group creative director.

Among the clients that have been served by Stone's creative talents are McDonald's Restaurants, the Minnesota State Lottery and 3M. She also has extensive experience with health care accounts and new business development.

During her 15-year career, Stone has received some of the industry's most prestigious awards, including several Clio finalist certificates, an Effie and a One Show award. Stone graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1977 with a bachelor's degree in art.

**CANTON ANALYTICAL LABORATORY**, Michigan's largest independent environmental analytical laboratory, has hired Robert J. Miller of Novi to the position of sales manager. Miller was previously with Dun & Bradstreet as Senior Customer Representative.

Lindsay R. Luttnin has been recruited to the newly created position of Financial Manager. Luttnin was previously employed with Waste Management Inc. as regional controller.

CAL also announced the promotions of John M. Chuey to Laboratory Manager from QA/QC manager and Eric L. Flora to QA/QC manager. Previously, Flora was QA/QC coordinator.

CAL's new Plymouth facility at the Metro West Technology Park houses expanded offices and environmental facilities featuring the very latest analytical technology. Environmental testing services have



MARCIA STONE JANICE KRUPIC

become increasingly important because of the recent surge in environmental regulation.

**JANICE KRUPIC** of Novi has joined the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) as manager of human resources. The announcement was made by Philip Trimble, executive director of SME.

Krupic will manage SME's human resources department and is responsible for various organizational development interventions and all human resources functions for the Society.

Prior to joining SME, Krupic was human resources manager of Isuzu Motors America Inc. in Plymouth where she was responsible for human resources related programs and activities for the Detroit, Washington D.C. and Toronto, Canada, offices.

Krupic founded and served as president of the Japanese and American Human Resources Association (JAHR) and is a member of the Metro Detroit Area Human Resources Japanese/American Company Group, an organization devoted to human resources professionals of bi-cultural firms.

Her other professional affiliations include: membership in the American Human Resource Management Association and the Michigan Employee Service and Recreation Association. In addition, Krupic currently serves as professor of human resources administration at Concordia College's Lifelong Learning Program, Ann Arbor.

She has a master's degree in organizational development from Eastern Michigan University and a bachelor's degree in personnel management from Michigan State University.

SME, founded in 1932, is celebrating 60 years of service to the manufacturing community. As an international professional society, SME remains dedicated to its original mission of advancing scientific knowledge in the field of manufacturing engineering and management. Headquartered in Dearborn, SME has more than 75,000 members in 70 countries and sponsors over 350 senior chapters and 200 student chapters worldwide.

**A.J. "JOHN" DAVIS**, Detroit Edison's assistant manager of the Michigan Electric Power Coordination Center (MEPCC) since 1988, has been named manager of the Ann Arbor facility.

The MEPCC is the nerve center for all electricity generated by Detroit Edison and Consumers Power Co. The coordination center controls generators of both companies, forecasts daily energy load requirements, regulates energy transactions between Detroit Edison, Consumers Power and other nearby utilities and serves as accountant for interconnection energy transactions.

Davis, 47, joined Detroit Edison in 1967 as an engineer in the Relay Division of the Electrical System Department. He became principal engineer in the department's Communication Systems Division in 1971 and was named project engineer of the Monroe Fuels and Emissions Project Management Organization in 1978.

Davis began his association with the MEPCC in 1983 when he was named project manager of the center's Energy Management Computer System project.

Davis received a bachelor of science degree from the University of Michigan in electrical engineering. He and his wife, Glenna, have three children and live in Northville.

**Bell offers new semi-private lines**

For \$1.25 a month, Michigan Bell customers now can choose to allow information operators to give out their telephone numbers to callers but remain unlisted in the telephone directory.

Bell's "semi-private listing" service started in mid-March. "We're happy to offer customers this option, which offers the privacy of not listing their numbers in the directory, but gives access to their numbers through information," said Pat Black, product manager for listing services.

Black said neither "semi-private" nor "private listing" service (non-published) would prevent customers' numbers from being displayed when they call businesses — such as mail-

order firms or credit card companies — with automatic number identification (ANI).

Similarly, semi-private and private listings will be displayed if the customer calls someone who has "called ID" service and a number display device.

Black said customers can display their numbers to "called ID" subscribers by pressing a code before they make each call. The code is star symbol 67 on a touch-tone phone, or 1-1-67 on a rotary phone.

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Taking advantage of the opportunity to speak professionally represents a key business strategy that many independent business owners and managers typically ignore. The reasons why business professionals avoid "public speaking" are the same as would be for anyone asked to present information in front of a group. "Stage fright" is the most common deterrent, as is fear of rejection and unwillingness to be the center of attention.

"Business people need to speak in order to become true professionals, be recognized in their fields and further their careers," said Kay Britten of Kay Britten Communications. Britten said that practice and experience are the two primary ways to help individuals overcome fears associated with speaking in front of others. "It isn't going to be easy, but no one needs to start speaking in front of 100 people."

Britten offers a series of tips to help both the novice and seasoned professional give great presentations. The first step relates to preparation. "If a person has never spoken in front of an audience, the first step is to identify what topic(s) he or she is comfortable discussing," Britten maintained. "As an example, an accountant who is a master sailor may want to start out by speaking to the local Rotary

Club about sailing. On the other hand, a professional speaker would already have a prepared list of topics that he or she would submit to local business groups and organizations for consideration."

Next, Britten suggested that the speaker understand his or her main audience. What is the average age? Predominately male or female? Education and lifestyle? Active in what field(s) of business?

"A group of advertising executives won't respond to a speaker who presents introductory information relating to the field of advertising," she said.

When it comes to preparing the speech, Britten suggested writing down the main theme in one sentence. "This helps to avoid the problems of presenting too much information in too short a time period. A person speaking for 15 minutes should cover only one main point with several examples. Someone speaking for 30 minutes has time for two main points and the appropriate backup information."

It is also recommended that 15 percent of a speaker's time be used to introduce the subject matter, 75 percent to discuss it, and 10 percent to wrap up.

As final suggestions relating to preparation, Britten suggested becoming familiar with the site where the speech will be given and having the right kind of visual guide or notes to use during the presentation. "And by all means, rehearse your speech over and over again," she said. "You want to be thoroughly prepared — as though your life depended on it."

**Plan your firm's tax strategies**

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Insurance premiums on policies that protect your business are also deductible. These include policies covering fire, theft, liability, mal-

practice and worker's compensation. CPAs point out that the cost of premiums on a policy providing coverage for more than one year may be deducted over the life of the policy.

**OFFSET EQUIPMENT COSTS**  
Tax law generally requires that you depreciate over a number of years the cost of equipment you buy for your business. As an alternative to depreciation, you may choose a special expensing provision that allows you to take an immediate tax deduction of up to \$10,000 per year for equipment purchases.

**CHECK ESTIMATED PAYMENTS AND SELF-EMPLOYMENT TAX**  
If you are self-employed, you are still responsible for paying income tax and Social Security tax on your earnings. To comply with the rules, you need to make quarterly estimated tax payments. You do not have

to make estimated tax payments if your withholding for the year equals 90 percent of the total tax shown on this year's return, or 100 percent of the tax you paid last year.

If you make a profit of \$400 or more, you may also be required to pay a self-employment tax to provide funds for Social Security and Medicare benefits. Self-employment tax is treated as part of your income tax and must be taken into account when you figure your estimated tax. In an attempt to set the FICA tax rate for self-employment persons at the same rate as that paid by employees, a recent change in the tax law allows self-employed people to deduct one-half of the Social Security tax they pay.

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