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14 hope to fill four seats on commission

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

One thing the Novi City Council doesn't have is slim pickings when it comes to filling four vacancies on the Planning Commission.

Thirteen hopefuls were interviewed by the council Monday, a 14th is officially still in the running and a 15th was a no-show.

Those who make the final cut could carry enough weight to keep the nine-member commission on its current track — or alter the course.

A recommendation by Mayor Matthew Guinn, subject to city council approval, is expected to be made June 22. Incumbents eyeing re-appointment to the three-year terms are chairperson and six-year veteran Edward Kramer, nine-year commissioner Ernest Aruffo and newcomer Lodia Richards. The fourth position is the vacancy created by the recent resignation of Steven Gorgas.

"You have an unbelievable group of people here. This is real quality," said planner applicant and former city council candidate Kevin Crain, adding that his personal pick would be Aruffo, Kramer, Gerald Shulman and former commissioner Richard Clark.

Other applicants speaking were Laura Lorenzo, Michael Wick, Randi Holzman, Robert Taub, Ed-

ward Phelps, Glen Bonaventura and Rob Mitzel. Czekaj, who has interviewed for the job in the past, was unable to attend Monday but sent word he'd still like to be considered. Applicant John Adoulos was not present.

While most council members remained mum about who they'd like to see take the volunteer jobs, Council Members Tim Pope and Nancy Cassis threw their support behind Lorenzo, Bonaventura, Mitzel and Clark, who held the post in the mid-1980s. Council Member

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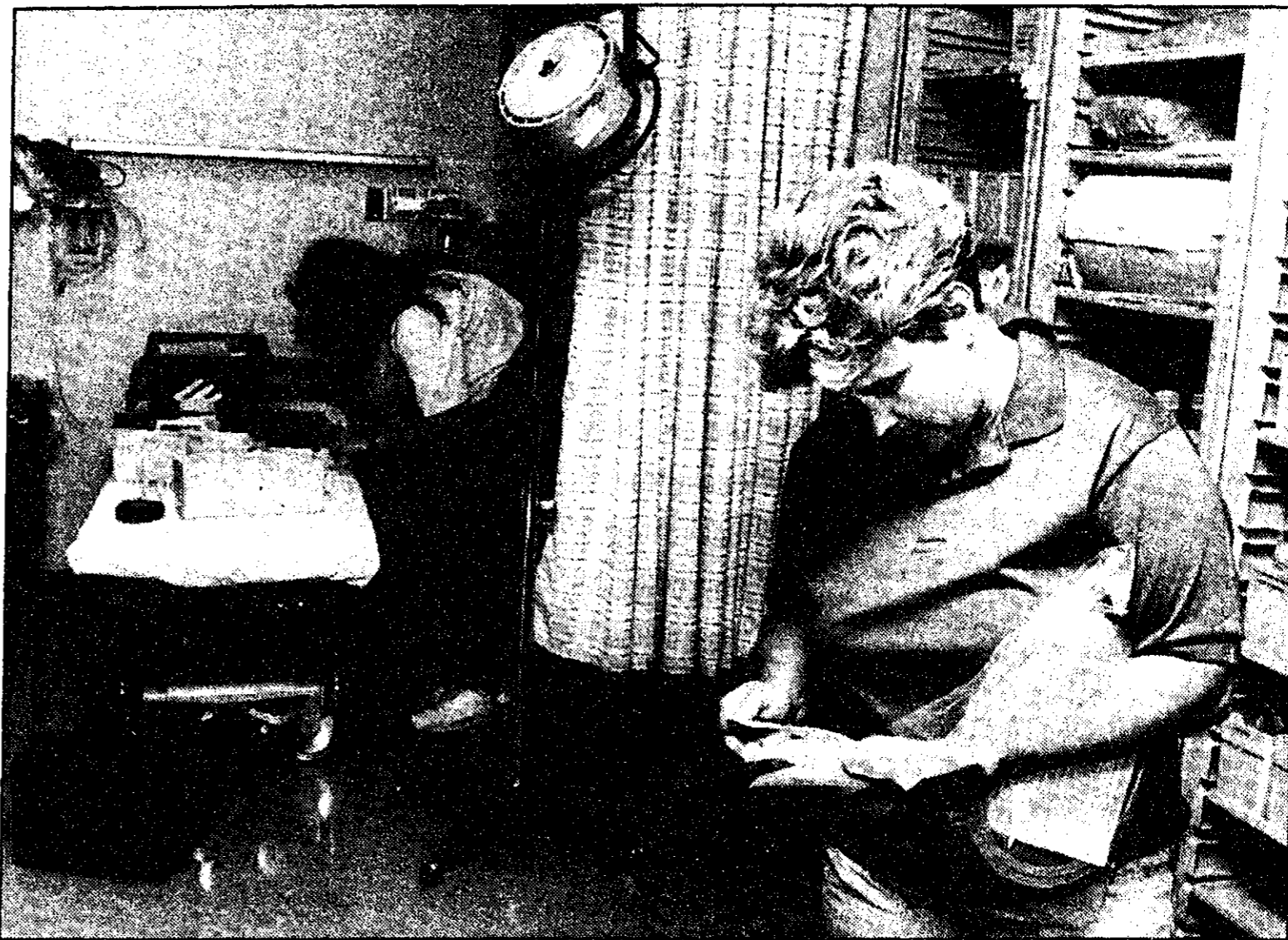


Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Moving day

It was a busy day in the emergency room of the new Providence Medical Center-Providence Park, at Beck Road and Grand River, but not because they had that many patients. Monday was moving day for the facility. During the morning, Providence staffers — with the assistance of professional movers — loaded equipment, supplies and medical records into boxes

for moving from the old Haggerty and Ten Mile site. The big task at the new facility, as nurse Janice Richmond shows above, was to get it all sorted out and put away in the right place at the new building. The story and more photos are on pages 10 and 11.

Koester DAREs to take on classroom

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

Karen Koester knows she has some big shoes to fill — and a lot of young lives to affect.

But she's ready. The new Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) officer, who will begin teaching the middle school anti-drug education courses in Novi next fall, is already taking on new tasks. She's busy guiding high school students through tours of the police department, speaking at school career days, assisting with DARE graduations, and other similar events. She will be replacing Bob Gatt, who has been instructing DARE for the past three years. Gatt was promoted to sergeant in March and, with the end of the school year, is transferring to a supervisory position on the road patrol.

It was only a few months before his promotion that Gatt told the Novi News he never wanted to do anything else but teach DARE.



Novi's new DARE officer, Karen Koester.

"My feelings still haven't changed," he said. "I don't want to leave the DARE program. My first desire is that the DARE program will expand and I might someday be able to be in charge of that program."

Gatt said getting promoted "made me feel great" but also forced him to make a difficult decision — accepting the promotion and leaving the position he loves.

"I'm the luckiest person in this police department because I know I have personally helped over 1,000 people," he said. "I'm the only cop who can say I've had nothing but positive feedback for the last three years."

Positive feedback is something Koester is looking forward to after 11 years of road patrol. She is already experiencing it in the schools.

"On the road, you usually re-

spond to negative situations and there is usually a negative confrontation," she said. "When I'm in the schools the teachers are happy to see you, and you're not disciplining anyone per se . . . just teaching."

Gatt said he knows that going back on the road will mean dealing again with negative confrontations.

"I know when I'm out on road

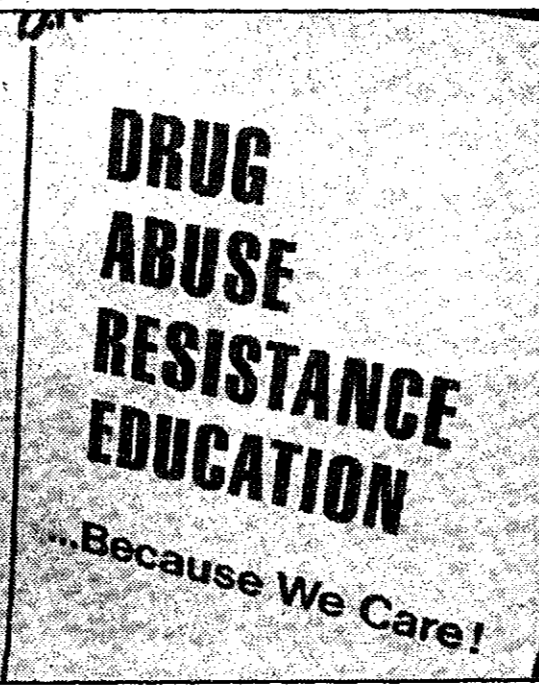


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Woman suspected in armed robbery

By RYAN TUTAK
and CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writers

A 30-year-old Detroit woman was charged Monday with holding up two local gas stations after a Sunday police chase that passed through Novi.

Delia Ann Tarver was being held Tuesday in Oakland County Jail in lieu of a \$100,000 cash bond in connection with a May 30 armed robbery of a Mobil gas station in Novi and a similar June 14 robbery in South Lyon.

Tarver is also a suspect in armed robberies at gas stations in East Detroit and Roseville.

She is charged with holding a cashier at gunpoint in the Mobil station on Haggerty Road near Grand River around 8:30 p.m. May 30. Novi Police said she asked the cashier for change, then pointed what looked like a gun from under her smock and said "This is a stick up. Give me all your money or I'll shoot you." She then reportedly made off with most of the contents

of the cash drawer.

Sunday in South Lyon, Tarver reportedly paid the attendant at an Amoco station near the intersection of Ten Mile and Pontiac Trail \$4 for gas she pumped into her car. When the cash register opened, Tarver implied she had a gun under her shirt and said, "I have a gun. Give me your money," according to Sgt. Steven Sharpe of the South Lyon Police Department.

After emptying the register of roughly \$500 in bills, Tarver fled west in a light blue 1972 Toyota sedan in poor condition.

The attendant called South Lyon police, who alerted area law enforcement agencies of the crime, describing the suspect and car.

Patrol Officer Dave Schwanky of Wixom police eyed Tarver and pulled her over on eastbound Grand River Avenue. But she sped away after Schwanky exited his car and began walking toward her vehicle.

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Board reviews commercialism

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

School booster organizations will meet with the school board once a year to discuss funding, image, liability and medications under a new policy before the school board.

The board tentatively is expected to take action on four new policies at its July 16 meeting. But the meeting date could be changed at the board's July 2 organizational meeting.

The new policies are the result of months of work by a committee of school officials, parents, community members and representatives of parent support groups like the band boosters and parent teacher organizations.

Each policy was written with flexibility for parent groups in mind. "We came up against a lot of brick walls, and we tried to maintain flexibility," said committee member and school board Vice President Robert Schram.

The committee was formed after parent groups requested permission to participate in a

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Robert Schram
Committee Member

promotional activity with local grocery stores. The group was to earn computer equipment by saving cash register receipts.

District officials rejected the plan saying it violated a long-standing policy of not supporting commercialism. Weeks later a choir boosters newsletter asked parents and community members to save receipts for the same grocery store promotion.

Board members decided to form a committee to establish a clear, written policy to avoid future confusion. The role of booster organizations also

was to be addressed by the committee.

The committee came up with four policies which the school board began to fine-tune at its Tuesday meeting.

The first policy directs booster organizations to seek approval and recognition by the Novi Board of Education.

The groups must keep on file a list of officers, bylaws, a stated purpose, a financial statement and a list of activities planned for the school year.

Booster groups also must be insured. The school district will pay the \$50 required to insure such a group, committee members said, although the proposed policy does not expressly exempt booster groups from paying the cost.

Equipment purchased by such groups becomes the property of the school district if it is presented to a school.

The second proposed policy sets up requirements for parent groups to receive school district approval.

The groups will be required to provide a list of

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Community Calendar

Friday, June 19

Novi Players: What's the worst possible (and funniest) thing that could happen at a family reunion? Come see, as the Novi Players present "The Crenshaw Family Reunion," at 8 p.m. in the Novi Circle Theater in the Novi Expo Center.

Saturday, June 20

Rummage and bake sale: The Church of the Holy Cross—Episcopal, 46200 Ten Mile Road, will hold a rummage and bake sale from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The church is located between Tall and Berg roads. The event is a fund-raiser to provide special items for the church not covered in the church budget. For more information, call Barbara Willis at 478-3558.

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Sunday, June 21

Novi Players: What's the worst possible (and funniest) thing that could happen at a family reunion? Come see, as the Novi Players present "The Crenshaw Family Reunion," at 2 p.m. in the Novi Circle Theater in the Novi Expo Center.

Monday, June 22

City Council: The Novi City Council will meet in regular session at 8 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Teen Center opens: The Novi Teen Center opens for the summer and will run daily through August 13 in the Commons area of Novi High School.

Arts Council: The executive board of the Novi Arts Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Tuesday, June 23

LARA meeting: The Lakes Area Residents Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Community EMS facility at 22755 Heslip in Novi. Walked Lake area residents are invited to attend.

Youth Assistance: Novi Youth Assistance board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

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. For more information, call Hugh Crawford at 349-5079.

Wednesday, June 24

Tycoon Tee-off: The Novi Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring its fifth annual Tycoon Tee-off at the Tanglewood Country Club in South Lyon. The complete golf package will cost \$110 per person, or \$400 per foursome. Reservations are required by June 11.

Seniors business: The Novi Senior Citizens Club will at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center for its regular monthly business meeting.

Thursday, June 25

Historic District Study: The Historic District Study Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the planning conference room of the Novi Civic Center.

Road paving plan becomes reality

The first concrete hit the ground Monday in Novi's voter-approved \$18.8 million road bond program.

The formerly dusty Eleven Mile Road running from Meadowbrook Road west into Novi Town Center is now being paved. But don't expect to take a short cut to the shopping center just yet.

The road won't be open to drivers for another 30 days, John Aitken, chief construction inspector for the city's consulting engineers, JCK & Associates, said Tuesday.

The paving should be done in 10 days, weather permitting. No monsoons," he added.

About 15,000 square yards of concrete will be used in the just under a mile-long, \$1.235 million job. The work will then need to be sealed and graded.

This is one of eight miles to be improved during the course of the program.

The stretch of Eleven Mile Road was the most controversial aspect of the 22-year bonding program, which will raise property taxes an average of 1 mill.

Voters okayed the package in November 1990. But Council Members Tim Pope and Nancy Cassis campaigned against the Eleven Mile paving, arguing its purpose was to benefit a developer, Trammell Crow Company. At the time, Trammell Crow managed the shopping center and owned office buildings along Eleven Mile.

The company has since lost these properties.

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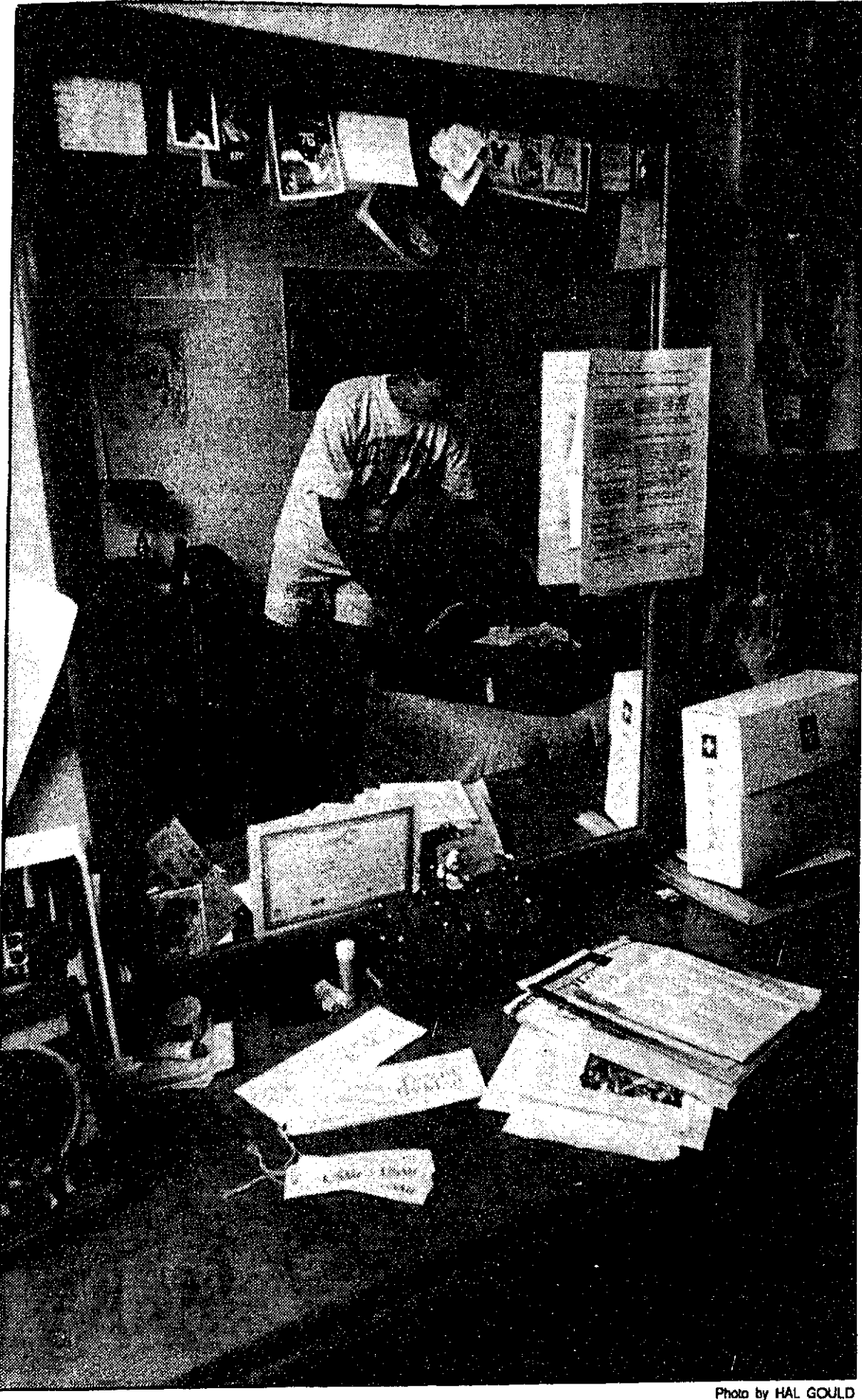
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Alexander Lowery's bags are packed and his plane ticket is on the dresser in preparation for a trip to a leadership conference in Washington, D.C.

Future leader

Local student visits nation's capital

By SUZANNE HOLLYER

A Novi High School student will hobnob with key figures in the federal government this summer.

Alexander Lowery was selected by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council to participate in a six-day conference, including meetings with leaders and lawmakers from the three branches of government as well as the media and the diplomatic corps.

In the past, students have met the president, state representatives and even a CBS news reporter who covers Washington, D.C.

"The whole point of the trip is to get to see how our government works," Lowery said.

The conference this year will include a welcome on the floor of the House of Representatives by a member of Congress. Lowery also will witness a panel discussion led by jour-

nalists at the National Press Club. Students will visit foreign embassies and receive a policy briefing from senior government officials.

Lowery will have a chance to meet his senator and representative or members of their staffs.

The program will end with a four-hour mock Congress where students will assume the roles of U.S. Representatives and debate gun control.

Students will lobby and eventually vote on proposed handgun legislation.

Lowery will be one of 350 students selected to participate. He received a letter from the Congressional Youth Leadership Council asking him to participate based on his academic record and community involvement.

Lowery will stay in the dorms of the University of Maryland during his visit to the nation's capital.

In his spare time, he hopes to see all the monuments and the Smithsonian Institute during his second visit to Washington, D.C. Lowery first toured the city as a Cub Scout, but says he remembers little of the trip.

"The program definitely is something Lowery can use on his college applications."

"It's a pretty prestigious thing," he said.

Lowery may spend the summer learning about the nation's leaders, but he plans to spend his life in the medical profession.

Lowery, an honor student, will return to Novi High School as a senior next year. He hopes to be a doctor and possibly a neurosurgeon.

Lowery expects to apply to the University of Michigan, Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Rice University in Houston and Penn State in Pennsylvania.

"I have no real interest in a political career, but I think the things I learn there will help me take on the challenges in the future," Lowery said.

Lacrosse funding approved

By SUZANNE HOLLYER

Lacrosse will be implemented in Novi schools as a pilot club sport, but club sponsors will be paid the going rate for athletic coaches under a plan approved by the school board Tuesday.

Salaries are lower for club sponsors than for athletic coaches. District administrators proposed to pay lacrosse coaches the \$684 to \$1,430 club sponsor salary.

School board Trustee Raymond Byers was supported in a move to pay lacrosse coaches between the \$2,000 to \$3,000 fee athletic coaches typically receive.

"All I'm asking for is equity," Byers said.

"We're opening a door that we never should open," Schram said.

Board President Stephen Hitchcock supported Schram, but a motion to approve the nearly \$8,000 in coaches salaries passed.

The district also will fund fees for officials for the high school and middle school sport to the tune of more than \$700. Another \$100 will be set aside for awards.

Transportation and club equipment will be the responsibility of students. Lacrosse supporter Don Sill said equipment can be purchased for under \$200. A student could use his lacrosse equipment through middle and high school and sell it upon graduation.

School board Vice President Robert Schram asked the board to overturn Byers' proposal.

Schram said pilot programs should be funded differently than regular athletic programs. He said the board already is pecking away at a revenue surplus it set aside for next year.

Schram said he had no reason to monitor board meetings as they have in recent months. "I just want to point out that by doing this we're losing our audience for the next six months," Foreback joked.

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Employee threatens co-workers

Novi police investigated an employee at Baldwin Medical Imaging on Grand River June 5 after the employee allegedly made several threats to shoot his supervisor and co-workers.

The supervisor told police that the employee owned a .16-shot, 9mm Beretta and kept a fully-loaded magazine in his desk drawer. The supervisor said he asked the employee about the magazine and he said he kept the pistol under the front seat of his car, but brought the clip into the building to keep it warm.

The supervisor told police that the employee was scheduled to be laid off the following day, and that the employee had a violent temper and was profane with weapons.

However, no further incidents were reported.

SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES: A resident on Fair reported June 6 that a 10-year-old friend of her daughter was riding her bicycle in a field near Twelve Mile and Novi Road when a blue Ford Escort stopped next to her and the driver called her over to the car.

The girl said she ran away, refusing to go near the car.

The vehicle was described as older and rusty. The driver was described as a white male, age 18-20.

CONCEALED WEAPON: Novi police arrested a security guard at the Maples of Novi construction site after he admitted to carrying an unregistered gun in his vehicle.

According to police, the suspect reportedly argued with another security guard at the site and threatened to go to his car, get his gun, and shoot him.

The victim, also a guard, then went to police and reported the argument and the threat. Officer Mike Corbett went to the construction site and asked the suspect if he could search his car. The suspect then reportedly admitted to carrying the gun, adding

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that it was unregistered and he carried it for his own protection.

INDECENT EXPOSURE: Novi police ticketed a male and a female for "streaking" through the parking lot of the Southpointe condominium complex June 7.

According to reports, the couple was running through the parking lot. The male was totally naked and the female was wearing only a shirt and a bra.

After the officer determined they were both there on their own will, they were each ticketed for indecent exposure in a public place.

NARCOTICS VIOLATION: Novi police confiscated live marijuana plants discovered growing in a field near Twelve Mile and Novi Road.

According to police reports, Novi firefighter Jeff Harris discovered the plants while helping a search party look for Deanna Seifert, a Warren girl who has been missing for over a month.

Harris reported that he discovered the plants in a thick, bushy area approximately 50 yards from a home on Novi Road. A search of the area uncovered a total of five plants, each protected by a small white fence.

Police reported that a 10-foot diameter circle had been cut away in the center of the thicket.

Police confiscated and destroyed the plants and the fences. A resident in the house nearby said she had no idea the plants were there and had not seen anyone coming and going around the area.

FELONIOUS ASSAULT: A resident in the Novi Ridge apartment complex reported June 9 that she believes

someone shot her son with a BB gun. She told police that her son was riding his bike on Chipmunk Trail in front of building number 15 with a friend at approximately 7:40 p.m. when he was shot in the shoulder with a BB.

After the shooting the boy's friend reportedly went to her apartment and told her that her son had an accident on his bike. She said she went to the scene and found him in the street, then took him home to treat a bump on his head.

At that time, she said, she discovered a circular wound on his right shoulder and two holes in the back of his T-shirt.

The boy denied being shot with a BB, and said he fell because his foot slipped off the pedal of his bike.

Police took pictures of the boy's shoulder and confiscated his shirt for evidence. Neighbors in the area said they did not see anyone that evening with a BB gun.

BREAKING AND ENTERING: A resident on Renford reported June 6 that a collection of trading cards, fireworks and some cash was stolen from his home.

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CONCEALED WEAPON: Novi police stopped a driver on Borchart for a traffic violation and arrested the driver for violating a restricted operating license and carrying a concealed weapon.

Novi officer Victor Lauria reported he discovered the weapon after noting that the driver had a large bulge in his rear pocket. A pat-down search revealed it to be a large butterfly knife, which he described as being approximately nine inches long when unfolded.

Two passengers in the vehicle were released and left on foot.

DRUNK DRIVING: Novi police arrested a 46-year-old Westland man June 13 for operating under the influence of liquor (OUIL). Police stopped him on the southbound I-75 ramp off Hagerty Road. He was driving a 1981 Buick.

NARCOTICS: Novi police arrested a 29-year-old Highland man June 13 for possession of marijuana and driving under the influence of narcotics. Police reported he drove left of center twice and veered off onto the shoulder three times. Officers reportedly smelled marijuana on his breath and noted that he was unable to balance himself as he got out of his 1991 Dodge pickup truck.

Community EMS takes honors: The Michigan Association of Ambulance Services honored Community EMS of Novi for an outstanding showing by its team in the EMS Team Competition at the 1992 EMS Expo May 14-17.

The competition draws teams from across the state and allows emergency medical personnel to test their knowledge and apply new techniques and equipment in a controlled situation. In the Specialist level written examination, Novi's Chrisin Buck was top scorer. A total of 27 teams from across Michigan participated in the competition.

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Commission hopefuls speak out Monday

By JAN JEFFREES Staff Writer

A baker's dozen of Planning Commission contestants competed Monday night for only four spots on the nine-member volunteer board.

Here's a sampling of what they had to say.

Incumbent Ernest Aruffo, retired, a 15-year Novi resident, has spent nine years on the commission, years which he describes as "a joy."

A well-known local activist, Aruffo was called "Mr. Novi" by City Council Member Nancy Cassis.

The key to being a good planning commissioner is being able to be objective, to be responsible to the community and particularly the citizens," he said.

Glen Bonaventura, a 15-year resident, is a CAD programmer and serves on Novi's Natural Resources Design Plan Committee.

A developer proposing commercial projects for west Novi inspired Bonaventura to get involved in city politics, he said, adding that he would like to see retail remain on commercial corridors and away from residential areas.

"I don't want to reinvent the wheel but we need to lighten up the spokes on the adjusted lot-size ordinance. I think the scales are tipped a little too heavily towards the developer," he said.

Richard Clark, a 13-year resident, served as a planning commissioner in the mid-1980s. He's a lawyer with the Auto Club Insurance Association.

He says the commission needs input from every segment of the community. "If people have the feeling they're being told what goes on in their community, the community works."

"You have to be aware of the fact that people have a right to develop their property. You have to encourage the utilization of that property to its best end, so that the entire community in the long run is going to benefit from that project," Clark said.

Kevin Crain has lived here 11 years and has a chiropractor's practice in Novi. Crain, a member of the

Novi City Council to fill four commission seats

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Joseph Toth also tapped Mittel and Council Member Carol Mason backed Lorenzo.

Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford said he'd like to see Aruffo and Kramer remain at their posts.

But Kramer also had to take his medicine during the course of the interviews.

James Wain and his department. He said he discussed the issue individually with the planners before a June 1 commission meeting, where each of 24 points raised by

the letter were voted upon. Cassis questioned if the procedure should have been "behind closed doors," saying, "The more open we can be at the outset, maybe we can work things through in a communicative fashion."

Kramer, calling the letter "a series of allegations that aren't particularly true," said, "It was a loose situation. My initial response was to find out individually how commission people felt. My impression was it was not a consensus."

Toth said he wasn't aware the matter was going to be on the commission's agenda.

"I think this whole fiasco is just a series of errors that keep on going," he said.

boards of directors of the Novi Chamber of Commerce, told the council that if appointed he would abstain from voting if a conflict of interest with that organization and the commission arose.

Crain said he'd like to see the heavy industrial businesses moved out of Novi's downtown but would prefer to see business kept separate from residential.

"I don't think we necessarily want to be Redford, but I don't think we want to be West Bloomfield either. We could be like west Livonia, a good blend of residential with business and industrial," he said.

Randi Holtzman has lived here three years. A former corrections officer in a state maximum security prison, Holtzman has a master's in public administration and is a research specialist on local and environmental issues.

She first became active in local government this year when the city nullified the possibility of banning pit bull terriers. Holtzman, a fan of the

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DARE controversy misses Novi

By CRISTINA FERRIER Staff Writer

In some towns across the United States, parents are organizing against a program designed to keep their children away from drugs.

The controversy centers over the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program, which is currently the most popular and widely implemented drug education program in America.

How could any parent oppose a program like DARE, which teaches adolescents how to say no to drugs? The answer lies in a few cases across the nation where children have actually turned in their own parents for using illegal drugs at home.

"They say it's polluting of the parents," said Novi Police Detective Karen Koester, who is scheduled to begin teaching DARE in Novi next fall.

rents who won't allow their children to attend.

Novi Police Sergeant Bob Gatt, who has instructed DARE in Novi middle schools for three years, is appalled by these anti-DARE groups and denies any intention within the program to turn children into informants.

"The DARE program does not, has not and will not ever teach students to turn their parents into the police," he said.

"It does teach the hazards of drug use and if there are parents in this world today who are audacious enough to smoke marijuana in front of their sixth grade child... all I have to say is don't blame DARE, blame yourself for making a very poor decision."

Gatt said that, to his knowledge, there have been no cases in Novi of DARE students turning in their parents for drug use.

"To my knowledge there has never been a DARE student of mine turning in a parent for using drugs," he said.

"But there have been several cases where a DARE student has informed the police about some other shenanigans going on in their household (referring to cases of child abuse) and as a result of the DARE program were able to talk to police about it."

Officers who teach DARE often become role models for middle school-aged children, and students often confide in these officers. That aspect of the program is what critics claim is dangerous. The idea that students may confide in these officers, and that the officers might turn around and use that information against the parents, raises criticism over possible invasion of privacy.

Gatt disagrees. "These are people who want to use drugs and don't want their children to know it's bad, illegal — and they choose to blame the DARE program."

"The DARE program is the best thing I have ever seen in police work. They've tried everything else and it didn't work. Now we are seeing a dramatic reduction in drug use in the

country and you can attribute it to four letters — DARE."

Koester said she recognizes the dilemma she would be placed in if a student confided in her that his parents were using drugs at home. "As a DARE officer I am still a police officer, so I might encounter a situation where it is necessary to refer a child to proper authorities," she said. "But I don't want to get involved in legal actions against parents."

Gatt said that during his three year career as a DARE instructor he never had a student approach him about parents using drugs. But (one had, he said, he would not have ignored the problem.

Instead, he said, he would have tried to "discuss it with them (the parents) and refer them to the correct agency" for treatment. He said he would not have pursued criminal charges.

"I don't think people who do drugs are bad people," he said. "They are people who have a problem."

Novi DARE program faces changing staff

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patrol I won't always be getting positive feedback from everyone," he said. "But my goal now is to take the same energy and strength that I've put into the DARE program and use it toward some of the young police officers we've hired in recent years."

Koester — who is in the process of trying to kick Bob out of his office — said she is "a little nervous" about taking over Gatt's position.

"He was very well liked and I've got some big shoes to fill, but I know I can adjust to that," she said.

"My favorite lesson is one on self-esteem," she said. "It teaches that everyone has good days and bad days, and every day of life has its ups and downs."

"It teaches them to give someone a compliment, to feel better."

Meanwhile, Gatt said he plans to keep track of his previous DARE students to see how they're doing and remind him of the lessons he has taught them.

"If I see some of my DARE students driving, I will make it my business to stop them and say hello — and remind them of what they learned in DARE."

Koester hopes she will be able to eventually expand Novi's DARE program to those older students — the ones in high school who are driving on the roads.



Photo by HAL GOULD

Volunteer honored

Charter House of Novi celebrated National Nursing Home Week in May and residents participated in a wheelchair decorating contest and a balloon launch. The administrative staff entertained local clergy at breakfast and the community council sponsored a bake sale. But the highlight was a luncheon honoring volunteers. Selected as the 1992 Volunteer of the Year was Jeanne Clarke, shown above accepting her award from Charter House owner Alexander Spiro. Clarke works at the home three days a week. Her mother, Marie Travis, is a resident of Charter House.

Hush-hush council meeting delayed a week by protocol

By JAN JEFFRIES Staff Writer

A special City Council meeting — called to add a letter alleging possible misconduct by Novi's city attorney to a closed session agenda — was derailed due to a technicality Monday.

"The letter says an attorney in the city of Novi — and other residents brought it to the attention of the attorney — that something may have happened that may not be a proper action. It was an accusation accusing the city attorney of doing something that's improper."

Robert Schmid City council member

city employees? Can we do an executive session to discuss consultants?" Pope wondered.

Quinn said a consultant could be regarded as an agent of the city. He cautioned that holding over the discussion to no earlier than June 22 could delay "pending litigation that is perhaps of utmost importance."

Quinn and Council Member Joseph Toth said it would be up to the discretion of the individual accused to request the closed discussion.

Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford's motion to add the issue to the executive session agenda was not seconded.

"You're making a big deal out of nothing again," he said.

"If you had this problem you should have brought it up Thursday when you had your packet. You shouldn't have waited until the last minute to bring up something and sabotage the city."

Pope said he wasn't sure the issue was appropriate for the closed-door treatment.

"I do not see a definition of misconduct. I don't see a council member alleging misconduct. I don't have anything but communications between two attorneys. There has to be a consensus that the issue that is being raised has to be discussed in executive session as misconduct," he said.

"We're defining the letter as a complaint."

"You could stretch it and say that, yes," Quinn answered.

"I don't define this as a complaint. I don't define this as a problem. I'm looking for direction," Pope responded.

Chase nets holdup suspect

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Tarver engaged Schwanky in a 12-minute, high-speed chase through Wixom, Novi and Farmington Hills, with police cars from each community joining the pursuit.

Novi Police Officer Kevin Hebert reported that he was at Grand River and Taft Roads when he saw Schwanky on Grand River, pursuing Tarver with his emergency lights and sirens activated. Hebert reported that he fell in behind Schwanky and joined the chase as Tarver turned south onto Taft.

Hebert reported that he continued to follow as a secondary unit as Tarver's Toyota headed south on Taft, turned left and headed east on Ten Mile. He reported that he shut off his lights and siren when he reached

the area of Ten Mile and I-275, but continued along Ten Mile at the speed limit.

The chase ended on Grand River Avenue at Halsed Road, when Tarver smashed into a van with 10 passengers stopped for a traffic light.

She dashed from her Toyota with a red-and-white shopping bag containing the \$497 cash, but was soon apprehended by Schwanky, Hebert, and Farmington Hills officers.

The Toyota had caused the van to collide with a third vehicle, causing no injuries. Two van passengers suffered minor injuries but refused medical treatment.

Officers recovered the money, confiscated the totaled Toyota and arrested Tarver, who was booked in Novi then transported to Oakland County Jail.

She was arraigned on two armed robbery charges by Magistrate Robert McKenney of 52-1 District Court in Walled Lake.

Her preliminary exam is set for 8:30 a.m. June 24 before Judges Harold Bulgarelli and Brian MacKenzie.

The car was towed to South Lyon's police station, where officers found personal items linking her to Sunday's robbery, Sharpe said.

Tarver reportedly confessed to the armed robbery of both the Novi and South Lyon gas stations as well as to similar incidents at stations in East Detroit and Roseville.

East Detroit and Roseville police were expected to question Tarver by the end of this week.

The maximum sentence for an armed robbery conviction is life in prison.



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State plays 'Robin,' but hood's no fuller

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Robin Hood's loot wasn't any less this year, but it wasn't greater—and suburban school districts can breathe a short sigh of relief.

The state House of Representatives Tuesday passed a \$3 billion school aid bill that still "recaptures" \$72 million in categorical aid from wealthier districts, the same as the current year. As proposed last winter, the recapture could have gone as high as \$100 million.

"There were no new Robin Hoods — no additional Robin Hoods for the first time in six years," said Rick Simonson, lobbyist for Oakland County schools. He summed up the attitude of out-of-formula districts (those which get no general state aid but have seen their categorical aid chipped away).

"We couldn't be happier with retention of FICA (Social Security payments)," said Simonson, interviewed in the lobby outside the House chamber.

Representatives voted 94-11 with four absent to approve a different version of the Senate-passed bill.

As usual, the differences will have to be ironed out in a conference committee of three senators and three representatives. It's the panel that really writes Michigan's public school aid bill. Willis Bullard, R-Milford, whose district includes Novi, voted yes.

The 11 nay votes also tell who gets hit hardest by the existing Robin

Hood provisions: Livonia, the lakes area of Oakland County, Farmington, Birmingham, Troy, Warren (2), St. Clair Shores, Grand Blanc, Traverse City and West Branch.

"Oakland County still loses \$31 million," said Barbara Dobb, R-Union Lake, the first-term lawmaker from Oakland's lakes area. "That's almost half the total in the state. There's still too much Robin Hood."

Gov. John Engler has sought to take away all state Social Security and retirement payments, preferring to put the money in the general aid pot "so school districts can spend it as they see fit."

Thus, the House version, like the Senate's, was another defeat for Engler and a bipartisan group who want to narrow drastically the spending gap between the poorest (\$2,500) and richest (nearly \$9,000) districts.

Rep. Susan Munsell, R-Howell, lost 24-78 on her amendment to pay Social Security on only the first \$40,000 of a teacher's income instead of the first \$50,000. Bullard of Milford and Goss of Northville voted no. Byrum of Leslie did not vote. The House spent most of the afternoon on the relatively minor issue of funding adult education. Simonson was pleased with the result.

Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City, won 60-42 approval of his amendment to continue emphasizing adult ed funding on enrollment and attendance at the first two classes.



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Volunteers recognized

Volunteers for Village Oaks Elementary were recognized June 3 in a breakfast at the Leather Bottle Restaurant in Farmington. Pictured is long-time school volunteer Bernice Frederick getting a hug from school staffer Charlotte Schotte. The breakfast was Frederick's last event as a volunteer. She is retiring this year.

Policy's in sight for booster groups

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a list of planned activities to the building administrator by Sept. 30 each year. Changes after the September date must be provided to school administrators within 30 days of the trip, event or fund-raiser.

The policy also requires booster groups to send at least one representative to a September school board meeting. At the meeting, groups will discuss fundraising, liability, medication, image and other issues.

Uniforms purchased by support groups for students must be approved by a building administrator. The decision can be appealed to higher-level administrators.

The third policy discusses student fund raising.

Fund-raising projects must be approved by building principals or the district superintendent.

The emphasis in fund-raising should be on service whenever possible. Participation in fund-raising must be voluntary and should take little, if any, class time.

Grades kindergarten through

eight should have no more than three fundraisers a year and excessive fund-raising by any group is discouraged.

Committee member Carol Ellring said the fourth policy, which discusses commercialism versus fund-raising, was difficult.

"There is a fine line between commercialism and fund-raising," she said, adding that the committee decided commercialism supports a specific business with students receiving no product in the end.

While the committee did not ban commercial activity, it limited it. Student uniforms may not promote a particular product or business and promotion of an activity may not involve contact between the commercial representative and the student.

Any advertising will carry the name of the sponsor. The name of the school district or school board may not be used without specific approval by the Novi Board of Education.

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Family wants judge to rule how much muck is too much

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

The issue of a noxious horse manure pile on an Eight Mile Road site in Novi — the bane of Northville residents downwind — has hit the legal fan.

Margaret and James Zayit June 9 filed a lawsuit against the City of Novi, seeking a court decision on whether it is legal or not to use the fecal material for composting to create topsoil on their farm just west of the family's Zayit Trucking Co. site at Beck Road.

Also sought, along with court costs and attorney fees, is a temporary restraining order to prevent Novi from issuing any further tickets until Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Fred Mester interprets several city ordinances and state laws.

Novi will fight the suit, City Attorney David Fried said. "Composting with this horse manure is not a use permitted under the zoning ordinance. We intend to uphold our interpretation of the ordinance."

Neighbors in Northville Estates began complaining when the Zayits started hauling the goods in from Northville Downs in December 1991 and depositing it on the trucking company property. Margaret Zayit, executive director of the racetrack, has said competition from Chinese mushroom growers squashed the local industry, which previously purchased and horse bedding with 25 cubic yards per load, had been deposited.

Some Northville residents found the aroma downright unbearable this past winter and spring. Calls to Novi led to the tickets for depositing litter on private grounds, odor emissions and for a non-permitted use of property.

The Zayits pled guilty in the Walled Lake 52-1 District Court May 14 and agreed to remove the horse hoody as a condition for having the three tickets dismissed. At least 15 loads of manure and horse bedding, with 25 cubic yards per load, had been deposited.

Novi Assistant City Attorney Lou Bugbee said.

Because city tickets were issued to Zayit Trucking, they do not cover the adjacent farm site, Novi Ordinance Officer Steve Babinchak said.

"I can understand the people of Northville Estates. But we're not doing anything we shouldn't be doing," Zayit said.

"We removed the stuff. The judge didn't want to get involved in the whole thing. I've never had any problems here before in my whole life."

"Most people would say that horse manure from your own horses would not be a problem. Do they have the right to contract with race tracks and bring in one or two loads every day?"

Steve Babinchak
Ordinance officer

There's still a lot of manure there (on the farm). The only thing the judge would allow us to do is remove the manure from Novi Trucking. If we wanted to do something, we could issue another violation," he explained.

"Before we did that, we felt it would be prudent for them to find out if this was a legal use. . . . Most people would say that horse manure from your own horses would not be a problem. Do they have the right to contract with race tracks and bring in one or two loads every day? Is this an agricultural use?"

The farm was once one of the Twin Pines dairy, a former Detroit-area landmark. The family has owned the property since 1949, James Zayit said.

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The goods have been hauled to Salem Township, James Zayit said June 12. Novi is now investigating this assertion.

The evacuation was good news to Northville Estates resident Cheryl Cassidy.

"If he does it again and we smell it, we will take issue with it again. We will regroup," Cassidy said.

"They were talking about some kind of system where they put something on it so it doesn't smell."

The horse farm is zoned for residential-agricultural—RA—and the Zayits attorney Barry Stetway argues in the complaint that Set. 301 of Novi's zoning ordinances permits farms and greenhouses in this category.

The suit also contends that Novi's composting ordinance allows the by-products of the equine digestion to be used as compost material. The complaint further alleges that the 4-foot-high and 6-foot-diameter size restriction placed on composting by the city only applies in platted subdivisions. As it is not in a subdivision, Stetway argues, the Zayit farm is not subject to composting size restrictions.

The lawsuit states that under the Michigan Right to Farm Act, a farm shall not be found to be a public or a private nuisance or a violation of a zoning ordinance as long as it conforms to "generally accepted agricultural and management practices" and that the Michigan Department of Agriculture guidelines for manure management recognize the legitimacy of composting.

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Providence still aims for hospital

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

Providence Hospital officials are still waiting to have their say in a hearing before the Michigan Department of Public Health on a proposal to build a hospital on the site of the newly opened Providence Park facility at Grand River Avenue and Beck Road.

Providence officials hope to move 166 of their 462 inpatient beds from Southfield to the new Novi site. They also hope to add 12 psychiatric beds. The new beds require state approval in the form of a certificate of need (CON), which was first rejected in 1990.

Hospital officials are waiting for a hearing before the state public health department. Hearings currently are scheduled for July.

Construction of the first phase of the Providence Medical Center has been completed and the facility held opening ceremonies last week. The medical center is one of several facilities to be built at Providence Park.

Construction of the inpatient hospital is a few years off, said hospital spokesperson Amy Punke.

One thing standing in the way is

state approval. Hearings have been cancelled and rescheduled in the past. The most recent change was in moving hearings scheduled for late May and early June to mid-July.

Punke said the changes were made because of staffing shortages at the state level. Providence will have six days to complete its testimony.

The Department of Public Health will make a final decision within 60 days of receiving the hearing officer's recommendation. A negative recommendation can be appealed to the Oakland County Circuit Court.

When all of the facilities at Providence Park are complete, 140,000 square feet of medical office space and outpatient services will be in use at the site.

Some of the services that will be offered on an outpatient basis include 24-hour emergency care, a pharmacy, laboratory and radiology services, same-day surgery, behavioral medicine support services and outpatient treatment services. The hospital will have a restaurant and will provide community health education and conference facilities.



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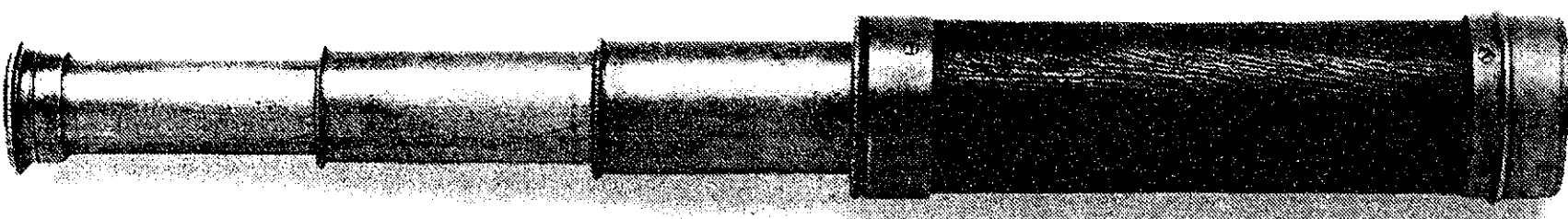
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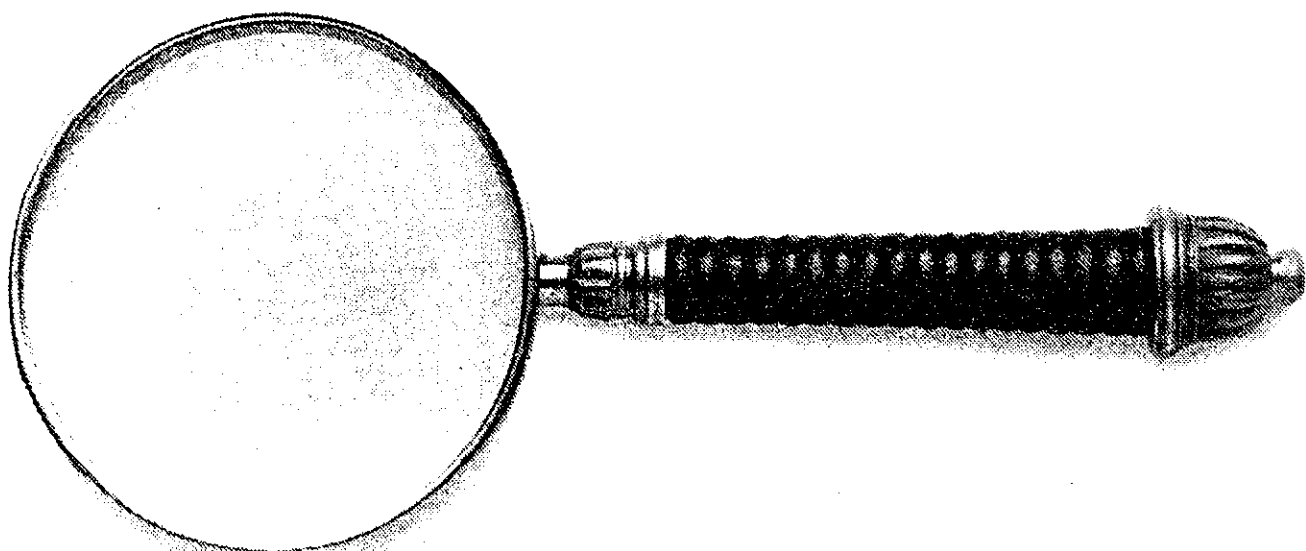
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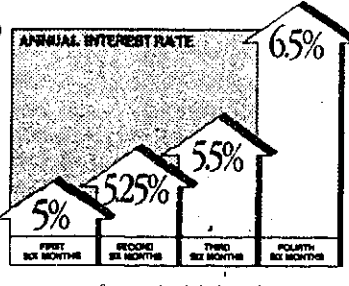
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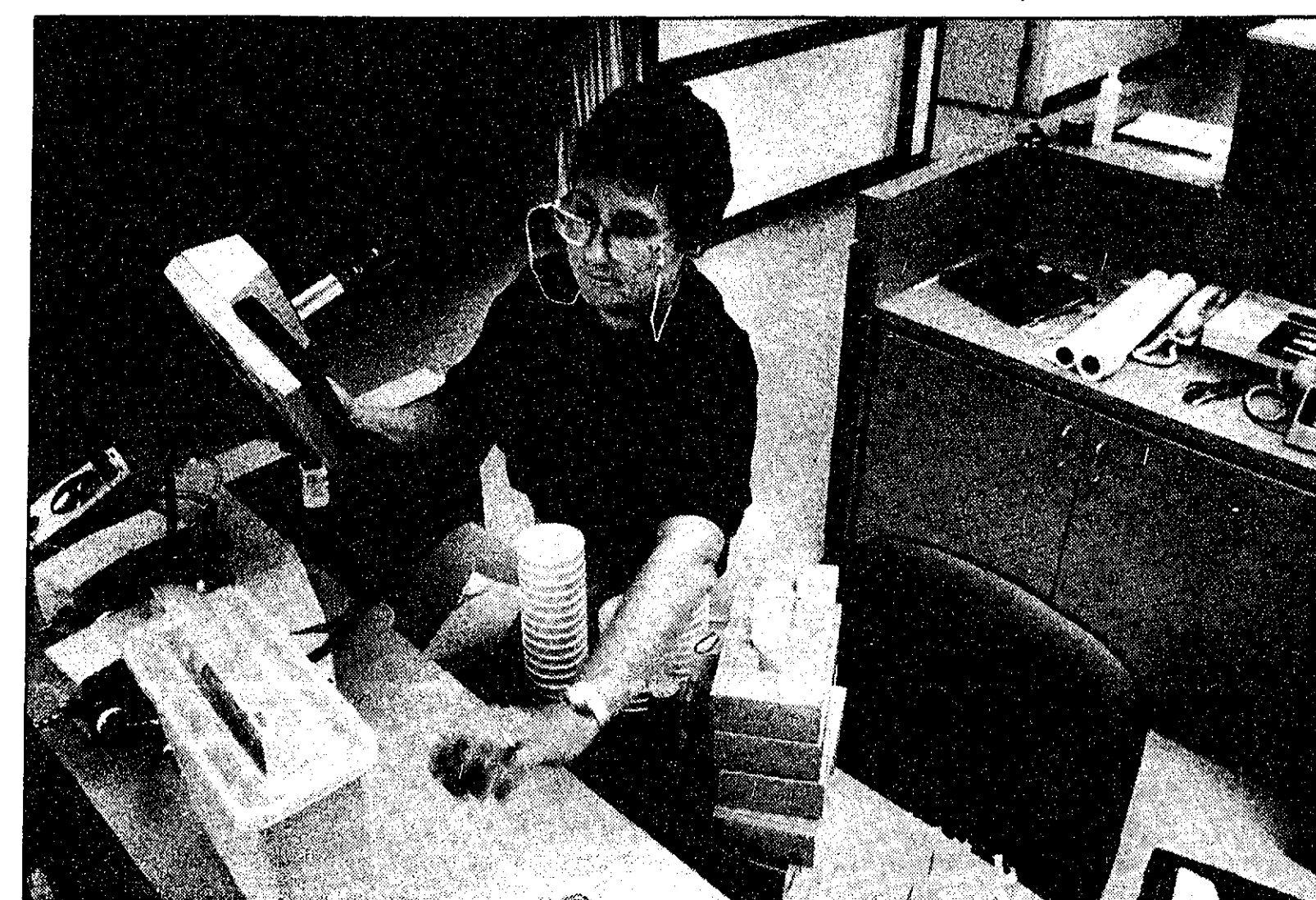
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Emergency room manager Sandy Wormser packs up at the old Haggerty and Ten Mile site. It was busy night at the old emergency room Sunday, the night before the move, and three patients were waiting at the new facility when it first opened its doors at 8 o'clock Monday morning.

Providence ER moves to new site

By MICHAEL MALOTT
Managing Editor

Monday was moving day for the Providence Medical Center.

Beginning at about 8 a.m., the staff of the Providence Medical Center-Noviat Haggerty and Ten Mile roads began packing boxes with equipment, supplies and medical records. By noon, the job of moving into the new emergency room facility, known as Providence Medical Center-Providence Park at Grand River and Beck, was for the most part accomplished. A few boxes were still being unpacked and staff was still trying to make sure supplies were placed in the right locations.

The new emergency room opened for business at 8 a.m. Monday, and the old site officially closed.

The move went smoothly, according to Amy Punke, spokesperson for the hospital. "As far as I know, nothing got broken."

The time of the move had been selected as one during which the emergency room normally has low patient loads. But activity was unusually heavy at the old emergency room site Sunday night, according to manager Sandy Wormser. And three patients were waiting at the new site when it opened. Still, only one patient had to be transferred from the old emergency room to the new.

Not all services at the new site are operating quite yet. In operation now are the emergency room, X-ray and diagnostic imaging services, clinical laboratory services, the new phar-

macy and the facility's cafeteria. Physical medicine and rehabilitation services, as well as out-patient surgery services will likely become operational within the next few weeks, Punke said.

Only a couple of physicians have moved to their new offices there. More will make the move within the next few weeks, but Punke suggested patients call the old facility at 471-0300 to determine the moving date of their doctors.

The Providence Park facility is a substantial increase in size for the medical center. Already, 75 doctors representing 40 specialties have signed up to take office space in the new location, Punke said. And there is room for more.

The new building is more than six times the size of the old site, 150,000 square feet compared to 25,000 in the old building.

Punke said work on the doctor's office complex, the wing extending east from the main building, should be completed by the end of August and ready for all physicians to move in. An expansion to the office facilities, the southern wing of the building, should be completed in late fall. The second wing of the office facility had been added when the first portion leased out more quickly than Providence officials had anticipated.

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Library Notes

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Novi's new superintendent shares views

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

Novi's new superintendent of schools, Emmett Lippe, arrives in Novi July 1. We recently discussed plans for the district with Lippe who currently is preparing to leave the Williamston School District.

News: In your interview with the school board you said you were raised in a conservative town in a religious family. How has that affected the person you are today?

Lippe: I was raised in the state of Kansas. My father was a minister. We would stay in a community approximately the years, and my father always felt like it was time to move to a different congregation. I think that particular background has given me a sense of values and a sense of morals that is probably consistent with that part of the country and also consistent with the lifestyle of a minister's family, which I think has really established and set things in the proper perspective for me. I've always appreciated and respected that as I've gone through life.

News: So your lessons as a child have been incorporated into your adult life?

Lippe: Sure. I think it has had an impact. As you're growing up you come to appreciate and respect how you've been raised and you adopt a lot of those same types of things.

News: Do you think it has affected you professionally at all?

Lippe: I think professionally it has had an impact. It would bring a sense of integrity and honesty that's valued, I think, in the superintendency. Probably in that respect, it has been healthy for a school superintendent to have those kind of characteristics.

News: Some people in this country would argue that schools need to get back to teaching students religious values. How do you feel about that?

Lippe: We do have what we call the Williamston Schools Foundation, which has been very active since 1982. It has been instrumental in raising funds for a variety of purposes to enhance the program we offer for our young people in the school district.

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Lippe: I think schools and religion are separate entities. I think you have to be very careful about values or bringing religion into the schools. I think there is a place for both, but I'm not sure that in the public schools you should bring religion into the educational program.

Then the question always becomes whose religion. I think it's better that there is a separation between religion and schools. That's not saying a person and teachers and people shouldn't have values and morals in their own personal life, which probably serves as a model for kids. To use it as a form for different kinds of religious practice is probably not appropriate.

News: On a completely different topic, I want to ask you about the Novi Education Foundation. The foundation originally was established to provide a non-profit organization that could be used to fund school district organizations and projects. It has fallen out of use in the past year. Do you have anything like that in Williamston, and would you like to see the Novi group in action?

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to fund the construction of a performing arts center for the high school.

I think the real secret to that kind of a foundation is there has to be a compelling need for the funds to be used for some reason that's normally not covered by the school district budget.

I think the community has to see that compelling need, and they have to be motivated to work toward that end.

The third thing of course, is you've got to have a committed public who is willing to go out and raise funds for the purpose for which the foundation exists.

That almost has to be spontaneous. I'm not sure you can just plan it. People have to say there is a compelling need, and there is a vehicle by which we can do it.

We happened to have that in Williamston in the early 1980s because of the very slow economic times and the economic situation of the school district.

I think what you have to measure in Novi is whether you have those characteristics present. If they are it will get started. If they aren't, then the foundation will not be a very viable organization to raise funds. There needs to be an assessment made on that.

News: Is that what you will do when you arrive in Novi?

Lippe: I would have to take a look and see whether there is something that is really crucial, that people want to see happen that there are not currently funds available. And are people willing to raise funds toward that end? If there is, then maybe there is a compelling need to resurrect the foundation.

News: Right now the school board is getting ready to look at a policy that would regulate booster organizations and fund-raisers. How have you handled activities of booster organizations and fund-raisers in Williamston?

Lippe: There is always a fine line between the need for funds on the part of student organizations on one hand and some sense of reasonableness as to how many times a parent or community member will be asked by a solicitor for funds.

What we've tried to do is restrict the number of fund-raisers we have in a given building.

I'll give you an example. In our middle school we have one major fund-raiser per year. That is a two-week period of time when they sell magazines.

This little middle school has the highest per capita for fund-raising for that specific purpose. But once that two-week period of time is over, the fund-raising is over for the middle school.

What we've tried to do is have each organization — once approved by the principal — have one fund-raiser. You try to limit the number of fund-raisers you have in a given year.

Otherwise you have people soliciting an excessive amount of times from the citizens.

News: Do you find it difficult to limit groups like that?

Lippe: I think we tried to have the students understand the need for that. By and large what we found is they are more careful in selecting the type of activity they want to use as a fund-raiser. A lot more thought is given to it because it becomes the major source of funding for the organization.

Once the students understood the purpose behind it, I think they became more careful and probably would appreciate the fact that some of their parents would say, 'gosh, it's nice not to have quite so many student solicitors coming to our door for funds.' . . .

I think there is something to say for restricting. There is also something to say for students having some access to a fund-raising mechanism for their own activities. . . .

Some large organization perhaps ought to have more than one fund-raiser. I think that all needs to be studied given a certain community, and then once you decide what is fair then try to incorporate that — into some type of policy.

I would support those efforts.

News: Novi has had a curriculum in place to teach reproductive health in the past. A committee of community members is meeting to decide what type of program should be implemented in Novi schools. What are your feelings about sex education?

Lippe: Williamston has had a reproductive health committee, evidently similar to what Novi has ongoing. They came back and made a recommendation and, as part of that, they supported sex education as part of a student's educational program.

News: Why do you think issues become more controversial when they are raised at the board level?

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Lippe enters with eye to finances

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Lippe: I think it's a simple matter of ownership on the part of the community. The community senses that I have more ownership of what is being recommended as opposed to a closed committee that just meets amongst itself and makes recommendations to the board.

News: Do you have anything in mind for your first year when you arrive in Novi schools?

Lippe: The first thing I want to do is become acquainted with as many staff and community members and I can, to listen carefully to a couple questions I would pose to them.

One is what kind of things do you like about Novi schools. The second question is what would you like to see Novi schools become.

Asking those kinds of questions, I think you get some feeling how people perceive Novi schools. It maybe would give some idea what they see Novi schools becoming.

I don't have any agenda that I would come in and say this is what I want to do other than involve the staff and the community and have Novi schools become the best they can be. They certainly have an excellent reputation. My whole interest would be to build upon that within the resources they have available and to try and build upon the excellence that Novi schools currently have.

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News: Do you have any specific plans in mind to do that?

Lippe: As I understand it, this next school year is the last year they have in their strategic plan. Part of their planning calls for a new three- to five-year plan to be created.

This I would see as an opportunity to involve different people and to create a new vision for Novi schools. Part of the plan that currently is in place would entail some type of a process that would build on that and in the next three to five years say here's the stretch that we want to make.

I don't have any preconceived notion about that, but I would see a process of some nature that would involve a number of people.

News: Do you have a strategic plan in Williamson?

Lippe: We have done planning with programs and curriculum. For

example, here's something that I think may be in existence or ought to be thought about (in Novi).

As the student body — which I understand is about 4,000 — becomes 4,500, as it becomes 5,000 or if it becomes 5,500, what kind of impact will that have on the program and curriculum for Novi schools?

At what point does it trigger additional staffing? At what point does it trigger additional facilities and the location of those facilities?

Some type of a longer range strategic plan, what it means is this plan would be modified and changed as you go. But at least you have some blueprint for the operation of the school district for the foreseeable future.

We've done a strategic plan for Williamson schools that involves a study by the University of Michigan. I think it's important — particularly in an area that's growing — that as you get more and more students, what triggers and when.

Maybe that is currently in existence. I'll be very happy and anxious to review that.

If it's not in existence then, I think, maybe that's one of the components that needs to be worked upon.

News: Do you have any fears about the upcoming year in Novi?

Lippe: No, I'm just looking with anticipation to working with a different community — one that values education. I know the finances are in question across the whole state.

News: That was my final question. How do you plan to handle the changing financial picture on the state level as it affects Novi?

Lippe: It's no different in Novi than it is in any other school district. What it really amounts to is at some point the school district and the community have to say what the priorities are in terms of programs. If the funding becomes tighter and tighter, what things do we feel more strongly about than others.

Maybe it means doing business another way. Maybe this whole society historically as we know and do business will trigger into other forms of doing business in a slightly different way.

News: Do you mean a whole new state school funding system could be on the way?

Lippe: Not so much that. Histori-

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New Novi Superintendent

ally we have had 25 youngsters or thereabout in a classroom. Is there a different way of handling the school year? Is there a different way of handling instruction in terms of organization of teachers and students? Is there a different way of handling instructional methods with all the new technology?

I just think the paradigms that we've grown up with or the ways that we've done business just constantly need rethinking.

Maybe the whole financial thing across the state is going to trigger some ways of doing business a little different. I don't know exactly what that's going to be. I think more and more you're looking at school people across this country taking a look at are there better, different ways.

If there isn't, we continue to go the way we have in the past. If there is a way, I think that has to be explored at some point.

I certainly don't have any apprehensions about coming to Novi and dealing with the programs within the finances available. At some point, the money becomes tighter and tighter, the community has to work with the school district and say these types of things are important to our youngsters.

Then they have some important choices to make. How much of an educational program is the community willing to support or not support? Those are the kinds of decisions that have to be made across the state and have been made across the state.

News: Are there any other issues you think will be important in Novi schools in the upcoming year?

Lippe: We have three new people in the school district. One of them is, of course, the superintendent of schools. The other is the assistant superintendent for business, and the other is the high school principal.

These are going to be three crucial positions. It's going to be a challenge to make this a smooth transition for these three key individuals.

It's also an opportunity, if it's properly done, to enhance the Novi schools to the degree that it's possible.

But it's very crucial to me that the transition is smooth and hopefully it will be an opportunity as well as a challenge.

Senators gut truck safety bill

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

An angry Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City, denounced the way the state Senate gutted his bill to restrict people from riding in the open bed of a truck.

"This [Senate version] would not have prevented the tragic accident which occurred in Grand Rapids last year," Keith said Thursday. He referred to the triple-fatality in which three high school students were killed in July when they were thrown from the bed of a truck which hit a tree.

The Senate June 9 amended his House Bill 5044 to apply only in cities, villages or townships with 30,000 or more population. The

triple-fatality occurred on a rural Clinton County road.

Keith also objected to the Senate's narrowing of the bill to "pickup" trucks, without defining them. His original bill applied to all open bed trucks. At Keith's insistence, the House voted 93-8 to reject the Senate amendment. All area representatives voted to reject.

That sent the bill to a conference committee of three senators and three representatives to work out a possible compromise.

The Senate passed its version 23-11. Senator David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, voted yes.

Senator Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, whose district includes Novi, voted no.

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Bill seeks to clear air over HIV test

How secret are HIV tests on newborn infants? So secret parents — and many health care professionals — aren't even aware they're conducted.

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The bill received its first public hearing last Thursday before the House Public Health committee.

Some area health officials cheer the bill as a welcome, long overdue step.

"My feeling is this is a good thing," said Alan Breakie, president of Garden City Osteopathic Hospital. "It would help to clear up the confusion. The parents should know. When they know they can do something."

But the bill appears to have left health professionals more confused than congratulatory.

"We don't test without the parents' approval," said Norma Thompson, director of maternal/child health at Crittenton Hospital, Rochester. "If we're doing anything else, I'm not aware of it."

St. Mary Hospital, Livonia, tests to protect its workers.

Officials at Botsford Hospital, Farmington, also said infants aren't tested without parental approval.

"I made all the exemptions they wanted," said Keith. As passed by the House, the bill would have exempted riders in parades, the military, emergency vehicles, workers on farm equipment, hunters and hunting dog trainers.

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"I don't know how the bill would be applied to all of these things," said Keith. "The bill would have exempted riders in parades, the military, emergency vehicles, workers on farm equipment, hunters and hunting dog trainers."

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couldn't confirm whether Michigan hospitals were included.

Jamban, however, said it was his information all Michigan hospitals participated except those in the Saginaw Valley.

"I think it was an error—a statistical blip," he said.

Complicating matters, HIV tests on newborns aren't universally accepted as reliable.

"With the tests currently available, there's a spill-over effect," Blackburn said. "They could indicate the child is HIV-positive when, in fact, it's just the mother."

The HIV virus is considered the cause of AIDS, a fatal shutdown of

the body's immune system. While it's believed all HIV-infected individuals will eventually develop AIDS, the link isn't necessarily immediate.

Jamban kept wording of the bill purposefully loose — potentially to add amendments. But an early proviso encourages the federal government to continue to finance CDC studies.

"We don't want the studies to stop. We just want parents to be made aware," he said.

Regardless of whether the bill passes, or even makes it out of committee, debate of the matter should clear up confusion over when, whether and where HIV tests are conducted.

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As We See It

Make sure county is responsive to Novi

Novi police will soon adopt a new policy for handling sick animals, one which will attempt to make use of Oakland County Animal Control.

The policy will come as a response to the hubbub over one officer's decision not long ago to euthanize a sick cat with a control stick. The Director of the Humane Society Central Shelter, Sherry Silk, complained the action was "cruel."

We're glad to see Novi police and Chief Doug Shaeffer responding quickly to this concern. While we can appreciate the difficult nature of decision the officer had to make in this case, we think decisions about dispensing with and disposing of lost and stray animals should be with those trained to handle such situations. Police are trained in law enforcement. Animal control is a different field altogether.

But was is coming clear now is that the police department lacks faith in Oakland County Animal Control to respond to Novi in a timely fashion. Oakland County actually has jurisdiction here, but until recently, according to Shaeffer, those in the Novi Police Department were convinced they wouldn't respond to Novi calls.

One recent call was made to Animal Control. The complaint came in after regular hours and Novi police called Animal Control only to get a telephone recording. Eventually, Novi police were able to track Animal Control officers down



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through the county sheriff's department which uses a paging system to reach them. And Animal Control did respond.

Nonetheless, the concern that the county won't respond appears to us to be legitimate. Even if Animal Control does act on a call quickly, it is a long way from the central facility north of Pontiac to Novi. There will surely be a time delay.

Perhaps even more thought is needed on this issue. Should Novi have its own Animal Control officer? Would the county be receptive to the idea of basing an officer of its own in Novi, or in the western Oakland County area to serve our communities and others surrounding areas. Or might Oakland County Animal Control have some ideas for improving its service out in this area?

What's important is that we have someone trained and equipped to handle animal complaints — from removing dead animals to collaring stray or sick animals to capturing and dispensing with troublesome wild creatures — in a knowledgeable and timely fashion.

City should be open about complaint

The big mystery of the week was what in the heck that special session of City Council at 6 p.m. Monday was really all about.

Mayor Matt Quinn called a special session Monday to add items to the agenda of a closed, executive session scheduled to precede its meeting for planning commissioner interviews. The meeting was scuttled when member Nancy Cassis objected to the procedure with which the meeting had been called. Member Hugh Crawford criticized her for not raising her objections earlier, so that her concerns could be dealt with and still allow the meeting to go ahead... a criticism we feel is not unfair.

Of more concern was the topic to be added to the executive session. Two items were mentioned, a "personnel matter" and "pending litigation that is perhaps of utmost importance." It is not clear that the two are related.

The "personnel matter" was talked about only in a circumpect manner. Apparently, an attorney has written a letter to the city complaining about the conduct of "the city attorney." Descriptions of what the letter said varied from a "complaint" to "inappropriate" to "misconduct."

Perhaps the most enlightening statement was made by Member Robert Schmidt. "The letter says an attorney in the City of Novi — and other residents brought it to the attention of the attorney — that something may have happened

that may not be a proper action. It was an accusation accusing the city attorney of doing something that's improper," he said.

So it is not clear what any of that means. "Misconduct" or "improper conduct" could be anything. It is not even clear who the complaint is against. The city has several people who provide legal counsel. The term "the city attorney" is sometimes used to mean the city's law firm.

And there was a good deal of discussion about whether this is a topic which legally could be discussed in closed session, either under the Open Meetings Act or the City Charter. Quinn said he believes it is.

But we would urge the matter be dealt with in an open fashion as possible. We would urge that the accused not object to open discussion and we hope the city council does not "play its hand close to its vest," as it were.

The matter needs to be cleared up. It may be nothing. This would not be the first time one attorney has fired a shot at another to help win a case. On the other hand, the city should make sure the conduct of its legal counsel meets the highest standards.

In any case, the residents of this city need to have confidence in their legal counsel. As the matter stands, they can only speculate as to what is going on. And they are likely to imagine the worst.

The search for a miracle cure



Phil Power

The issue on last week's ballot was enough to make political sloganeers drool: schools of choice.

The phrase conjures up the currently popular notion that all it takes to fix the workings of government is one easy-to-enact "fundamental" policy change: the silver bullet. The search for this miracle cure — simple, popular, low in cost, quick to work — preoccupies much of the political process these days.

So it's no surprise that schools of choice — Gov. John Engler's recipe for K-12 education reform — is heavily influenced by silver bullets. The idea behind choice is being gloriously simple: Public schools are incompetent because they are monopolies, curbed by the rigors of competition when parents are allowed to choose which school their kids attend.

The Legislature duly enacted schools of choice as state policy. It also required, however, that school districts provide free transportation to kids who want to switch schools.

Figuring that the Legislature never would pay for the busing it required, a number of school districts got an item on the ballot requesting voter approval to ignore the state rule.

Results were unanimous and overwhelming. District after district — Livonia, Rochester, Howell, Brighton, Plymouth-Canton — voted against being forced to pay to bus kids to schools of choice.

In most districts, the results were overwhelming — 4-1 against in Plymouth-Canton, 5-1 in Rochester.

Cost, for one thing, Howell figured it would cost \$80,000 per year to pay for extra busing. Plymouth-Canton estimated a new bus fleet would be required at a \$700,000 cost. In that budget-squeezed district where 58

teaching jobs have been eliminated, "if you have excess funds, it might be fun to try as an experiment," said spokesman Richard Egli.

Redundancy, for another, Plymouth-Canton, for example, already allows kids to change schools, but only for educational reasons. Parents must provide the transit, though, and that may put off some use. The district estimates fewer than 20 of its 15,000 students actually go to schools of choice.

Uncertain results. In Brighton, which has had schools of choice for nearly 20 years, "The kids that changed schools were not changing because they didn't like their schools," according to district spokeswoman Marilyn Goodman. "They were changing because the baby sitter lived nearby. For the most part, people are very loyal to their home schools."

That last part about home schools is interesting and important. Originally, American schools grew up serving kids in the neighborhood. Kids could walk to school and back. The school served as a kind of community center for the neighborhood, triggering all kinds of services and activities which went well beyond education.

The neighborhood schools is much more than a historic myth. It is a functioning, practical reality to countless kids, a building block to communities, a part of local reality. As last week's vote indicated, sacrificing the neighborhood school on the altar of school reform choice ideology is something most people don't want to do.

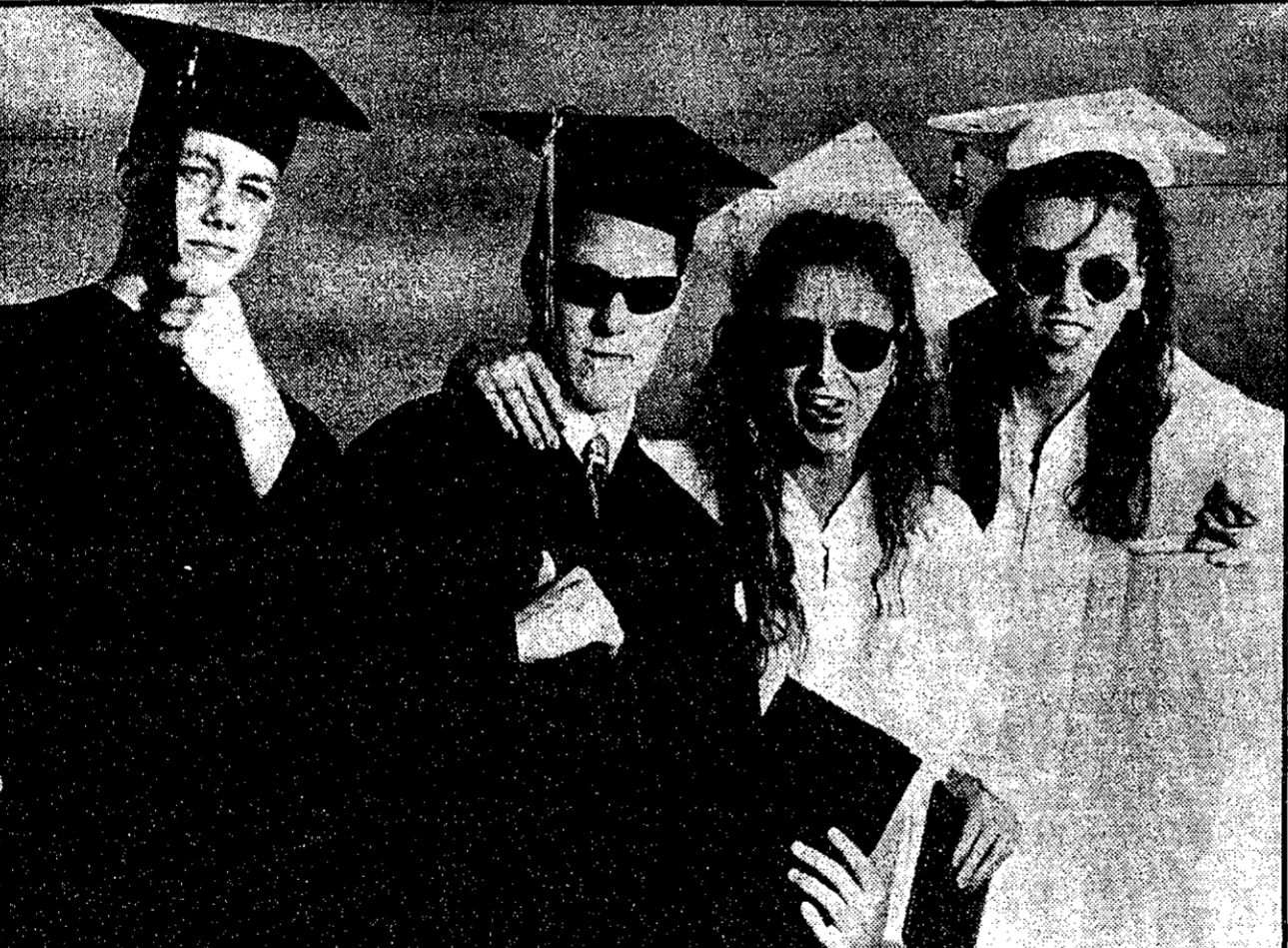
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By breaking monopolies, the schools of choice theory may be a good one. But the way it was actually presented to folks in Michigan — a weak, unfunded premise at reform — was little more than another attempt by politicians to find the silver bullet.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper.

Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



Members of the recently graduated 1992 class

What the justices really said



Tim Richard

Maybe you, too, are frustrated at how broadcasters and the metropolitan papers handle major court decisions like last week's case upholding the end of state-paid abortions. They get reactions from *Right to Life*, the *American Civil Liberties Union*, *Planned Parenthood*, dissenters, outspoken legislators — but we never find out what the Michigan Supreme Court actually said. Well, here, without comment, are excerpts from Justice Robert Griffin's 30-page majority opinion that is the law of this state.

This case does not concern a woman's right under the federal constitution to choose to terminate her pregnancy (Roe v. Wade). Rather, this case concerns whether Sec. 109a (approved by voters in 1988) exceeds the limits of equal protection established by our state constitution. We conclude that it does not.

After federal funding for Medicaid abortions was withdrawn (1976, Hyde amendment), Michigan provided 100 percent of the funds required until Sec. 109a became effective.

Jane Doe, then 15, had become pregnant when she was raped in January 1989. Nancy Doe requested medical assistance for a first trimester abortion to protect her daughter's physiological and psychological health. Plaintiffs complain that Sec. 109a accords unequal treatment between two classes of Medicaid-qualified, pregnant women — those who choose childbirth and those who choose abortion. It is well established that even if a law treats groups of people differently, it will not necessarily violate the guarantee of equal protection. (Here the court classifies citizens based on race as *inappropriate*.)

The U.S. Supreme Court has held that the Hyde amendment and state statutes which restrict Medicaid funding of abortions do not violate the equal protection guarantee of the federal constitution. Just because a pregnant woman may have the right to choose an abortion does not mean that she has a right to have the government pay for it. To support its conclusion that Sec. 109a is invalid, the (state) Court of Appeals panel claims that the equal protection guarantee in our state constitution provides greater protection than the corresponding guarantee in the federal constitution. (The appeals panel emphasized the "equal benefit" phrase in the Michigan Constitution.) However, a review of the jurisprudence and constitutional history of this state suggests the opposite — that our Equal Protection Clause was intended to duplicate the federal clause. A careful examination of the record of the debates of the (1963 state) Constitutional Convention confirms this view.

The basis of the (appeals court) conclusion is an assumption that Medicaid-qualified women have an entitlement to funds for an abortion. Even where the state has previously funded the exercise of a right, it is not required to continue such funding. For public policy reasons, the state may choose to eliminate benefits that it previously offered.

Just a few odds, ends and updates



Mike Malott

I don't know how anyone else feels, but I think this community owes big thanks to Paul Bosco. Not only has he provided the fields on Beck Road which Novi Youth Baseball has used for years, and apparently done it free of charge, he is apparently willing to let the young ballplayers have it one more time while the city finds another place for them to play.

According to parks and rec Director Dan Davis, Bosco is receptive to the idea of letting Novi Youth Baseball have the field another season. In 1993, Davis said he pointed out to Bosco that there would be plenty of time left next summer for construction on that land after baseball season is over.

But I don't really think that takes the pressure off the city to find new ballfields. Much must be done to have them ready for 1994. Not only must the facilities be constructed, but the grass needs time to grow. Davis said that even if

he had the land in hand now, '94 would be the earliest it could be ready. The pressure isn't off. It has just made the project of providing fields for youngsters a doable task.

Community survey?: No, we have not forgotten that we owe you some results from our recent community survey.

Many in the community have stopped me to ask how the results came out, so I thought I'd better let readers know that the findings will be coming soon. I didn't realize how big the survey form was until after we published it, nor did I realize how much work we made for ourselves to tabulate the results.

Nonetheless, staff was doing the tabulations fast and furious even as this issue went to press. So we should be able to publish the results very soon. (I can give you one hint — It appears Phil Jerome's really tacky column backfired on him.)

Communications watch: I've been harping on city communications of late and last week I took

another shot, this time at the city's handling of a drain project for the Munro Creek, downstream of the Cedar Springs Estates retention basin.

Novi resident Judy Quinn has had a growing flooding problem in her backyard for three years, and when city engineers at JCK & Associates submitted the plans for dredging the creek and lining the banks with gravel to the state Department of Natural Resources for approval, they didn't show the plans to Quinn. Novi Department of Public Services Director Tony Novicki was on the phone the next day, and although I know he didn't agree with my commentary, he wasn't complaining ... he was proposing solutions.

In a meeting Monday, Novicki proposed the idea of submitting notices to the Novi News regarding upcoming work projects in the city. DNR applications and the work schedule of survey crews, when they can be determined ahead of time.

It sounded to me like a heck of a good idea, and I agreed to it immediately. We worked out most of the details, but it will still be a week or two before we can get it rolling.

Nonetheless, I offer high compliments to Tony Novicki.

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Good news, bad news from reader

Letters

To the Editor: First, let me congratulate you all on "winning" the battle for freedom of information with the Novi Police Department. What were they trying to hide, really?

That was the good news; now for the bad. I cannot help but wonder at all of the drunk drivers being pulled over here in Novi. I am certainly glad that they are being ticketed, and hopefully gotten off the streets. One would think that all those boozers would have gotten the message. But really now, would the driver of the 1990 CEO Tracker arrested May 30 for driving westbound on Novi Road be arrested if she were driving in the normal north or south direction that road really takes? Or was she really going westbound? This little bit of misinformation (or can one go westbound on Novi Road?) probably would not bother me, except that this has happened quite frequently in the Novi News lately. My wife and I get a real chuckle out of it, and I suppose that we would miss the guilting if you were more careful in your reporting. (Or is that our finest men and women in blue have their directions all wrong?)

I guess what I am getting at is that you claim to strive for excellence in your work, and sometimes you fall short. Nobody's perfect. A simple editorial comment (maybe by that frequent speaker "he knows who he is, and so do the people) would at least satisfy my curiosity, and let me spend more time reading the real important stuff, like Phil Jerome's latest on DINKS. Being a member of that acronym, I could relate, at least until the next lay-off notice. Thanks for listening.

John L. Eshleman

Editor's Note: Do we strive for excellence...

Margaret Schmidt

Teen center primed for summer

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

Novi kids have a summer of fun ahead at the Novi Teen Center.

The center, operated out of the Novi High School commons area, opens June 22. Graduated fifth-grade students are welcome. Teens through age 17 officially are welcome, said Novi Teen Center committee chair Judy Williams. But most participants tend to be under 14, she said.

"What you'll see on opening day is crowds of people. We will have 300 parents and kids in line the first day," said Williams.

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One event Williams expects to be "wildly fun" will be a kosh ball day on July 8. The maker of the brightly colored kosh balls, made of elastic strings, donated 288 balls to be used by Novi kids. From noon until 3 p.m., teens will make kosh balls of their own and play games with the donated balls.

On July 14, the teen center will take a field trip to Children's Hospital in Detroit. Over 200 of the kosh balls will be given to terminally ill children staying at the hospital, Williams said.

"We want to help get kids to be community oriented," she said. "We want to give them opportunities to do good."

Besides a facility, teen center organizers need funding. Once a home is found for a year-round teen center, organizers will need money to purchase large items like a refrigerator, a microwave and some sports equipment, Williams said.

"We need a facility, and we need some serious funding," she said. "We need to get our word out that we need help. From then on we should be able to get going quite quickly."

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Judy Williams
Teen Center Committee Chair

Providence Hospital's Haggerty and Ten Mile road facility was discussed as a possibility. Providence is moving its emergency room and medical center operations to the new Providence Park building at the corner of Grand River and Beck Road. But the option with the old Providence facility as a center became "extremely doubtful," Williams said.

"Providence has — like any organization — their own priority list," Williams said. "They're probably going to rent, and we don't have the funds to rent."

School facilities also are out as the site for a permanent teen center. School resources already are utilized as much as possible, Williams said.

Other possible locations included a barn on school district property at Ten Mile and Tall roads.

"The schools are not in a position to give us \$1 million property," Williams said. "Much of what we've looked into hasn't panned out, which is not to say it couldn't at some time in the future."

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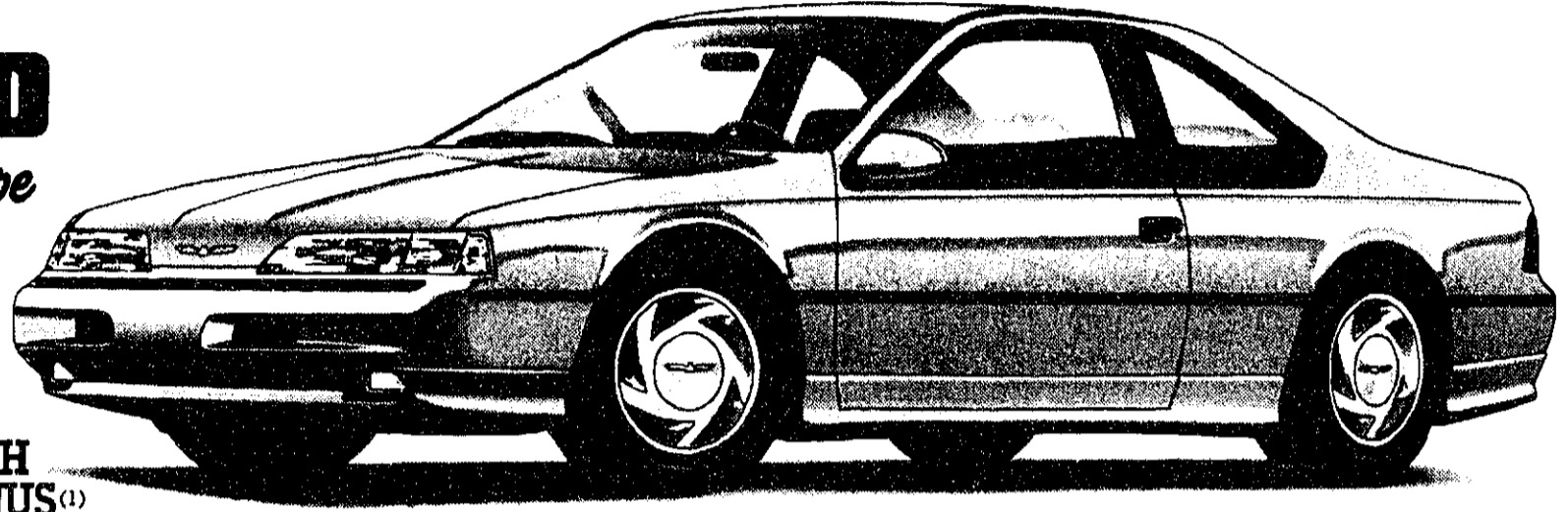
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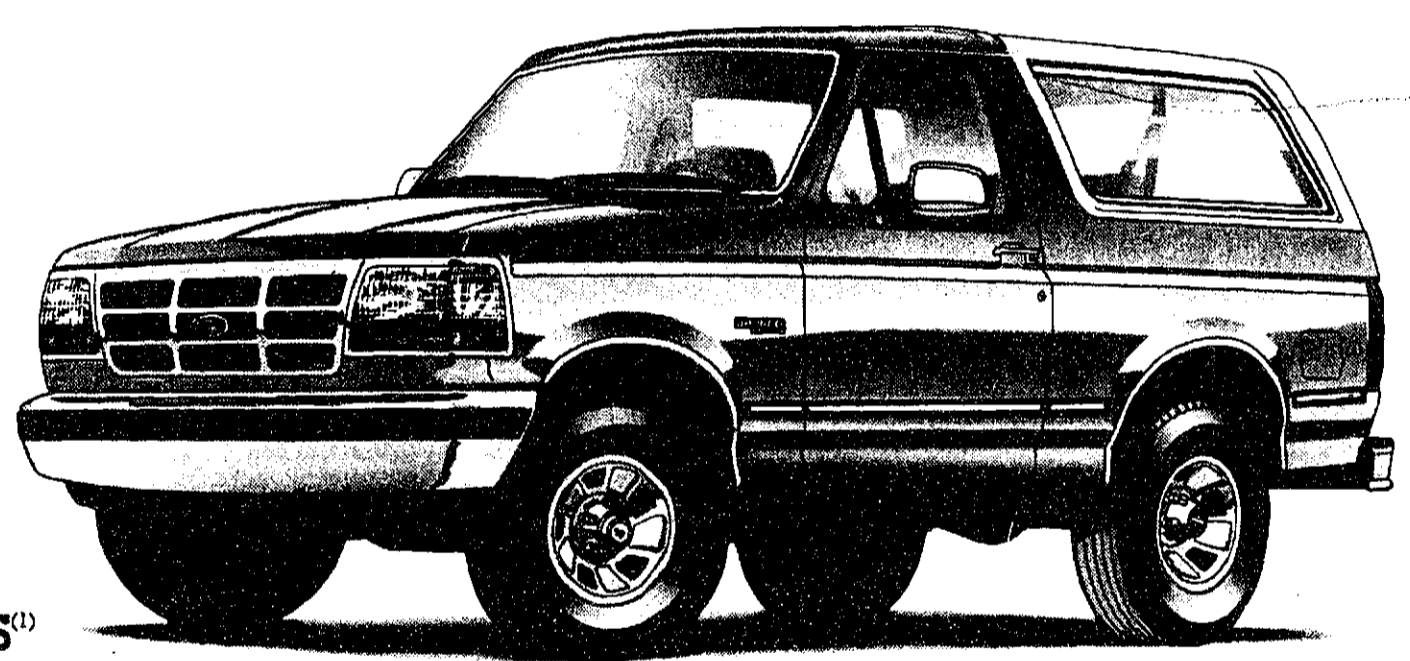
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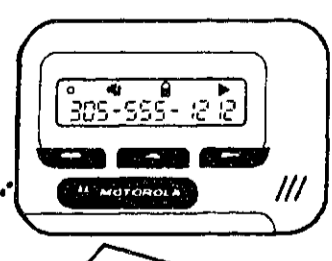
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SUMMER SOUNDS

Summer has arrived, and once again music lovers around the area will flock to outdoor concerts in parks and gazebos.

This year a wide variety of music can be found in the area, including a new Friday night outdoor series at the Novi Hilton.

The following is a list of upcoming outdoor concerts:

SOUNDS OF SUMMER: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department presents the 1992 Sounds of Summer Thursdays (except July 23) outside the Novi Civic Center. Concerts are held rain or shine and are sponsored by the Ford Motor Company Foundation, Providence Hospital — Novi and the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. For more information call 347-0400.

June 18 — Brookside Jazz Ensemble with Ursula Walker
June 25 — New Center Station
July 2 — Chisel Brothers featuring Thornetta Davis

July 9 — The Rhinelanders

July 16 — Metropolitan Jazz Orchestra

July 23 — '50s Festival (no concert)

July 30 — Women's Percussion Ensemble of Detroit

Aug. 6 — Ray Kamalay and his Red Hot Peppers

Aug. 13 — Novi Concert Band (This concert will be held at the new Providence Park, corner Grand River and Beck — this concert only.)

SERIOUS MOONLIGHT: The Novi Hilton presents The Serious Moonlight Dance Party every Friday evening from 5:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. on the Outdoor Cafe, through Friday, Sept. 11.

With increasing demand for outdoor entertainment, The Serious Moonlight Dance Party on The Outdoor Cafe in the Novi Hilton is an ongoing event offering an alternative source of nighttime entertainment in Metro Detroit.

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Mary LaPerna and Randy Sitzler enjoy a picnic at last year's Bluegrass Festival.



Ken Michaels gives musicians his approval.

Bluegrass highlights festival

By BOB NEEDHAM
Editor

The centerpiece of the local outdoor music season returns to Northville's Ford Field next month, and this year becomes even more of an attraction for all ages.

The 16th annual Northville Folk and Bluegrass Festival will run from 1-8 p.m. Sunday, July 26, and will continue to feature top-notch acoustic music from well-known and lesser-known acts. But there's a new twist this year: the addition of a separate, simultaneous children's stage which will showcase performers in the burgeoning field of music for kids.

As always, the festival is a benefit for the fight against Huntington's disease. All profits go straight to the foundation leading the battle. The festival is dedicated to the memories of Donna Jarski, a Huntington's victim and the late sister of

festival organizer Tom Rice; folk music legend Woody Guthrie, who died of Huntington's; and Marjorie Guthrie, his second wife, who crusaded against the disease and once attended the Northville festival.

Among the top attractions at this year's festival are reunions with three of the regulars at the old Raven, a famous folk-music coffee house in Detroit and, later, in Salem. Josh White Jr., Michael Smith and Ron Coden are all scheduled to play this year's festival.

The full lineup on the MAIN STAGE is:
From 1 to 2 p.m., CHRIS YOUNG performs. Rice described Young, a teacher at his Gittfiddler music store, as "a really good finger-picking blues player."

From 2 to 3, festival mainstay NEIL WOODWARD returns. Woodward is well-known throughout the area as a player of many different instruments; a singer/songwriter; a recording ar-

ist; a teacher at the Gittfiddler; and a respected member of area theatrical productions such as the Attic Theatre's *Woody Guthrie's American Song and Conversations with an Irish Rascal*.

From 3 to 4 p.m., the FRITTS FAMILY continues its string of festival appearances. The popular bluegrass band from Tennessee is back again this year simply because "everybody loves them," Rice said.

From 4 to 5 p.m. JOSH WHITE JR. takes the stage. Following the path begun by his father, White attracts audiences all over the region to his strong singing and guitar playing. He headlined the very first Northville Folk and Bluegrass Festival. His set may include some participation from Michael Smith and Ron Coden, Rice said.

From 5 to 6 p.m. the all-female acoustic quartet JUST FRIENDS comes to Northville. The group

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DAVE MORTON

Scouting keeps busy dad in touch with local youths

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

Children can influence the use of their parents' time, as many parents know, and one of those parents is David W. Morton, who for four years has been Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 903 because "my son got out of Cubs and wanted to get into Boy Scouts."

But there wasn't a troop in the southern end of Northville Township. So, Morton said, "Myself and three others founded one."

First, though, Morton had to go through a six-week training session for leaders in the Detroit Area Boy Scouts of America.

Then he found himself in a schedule that runs like this:

He attends a monthly round-table for all of the "about 70" Scoutmasters in the District.

He conducts, with four assistants, a weekly meeting of 40 boys aged 11 to 17.

He is present at local committee meetings to plan camping events,

which are scheduled for every six weeks, and plan money-raisers to buy camping equipment, such as tents, shelters and cooking gear.

But how do you keep 40 boys of various ages interested? Answer: there are four assistants, he said, and also older boys sometimes help the younger ones.

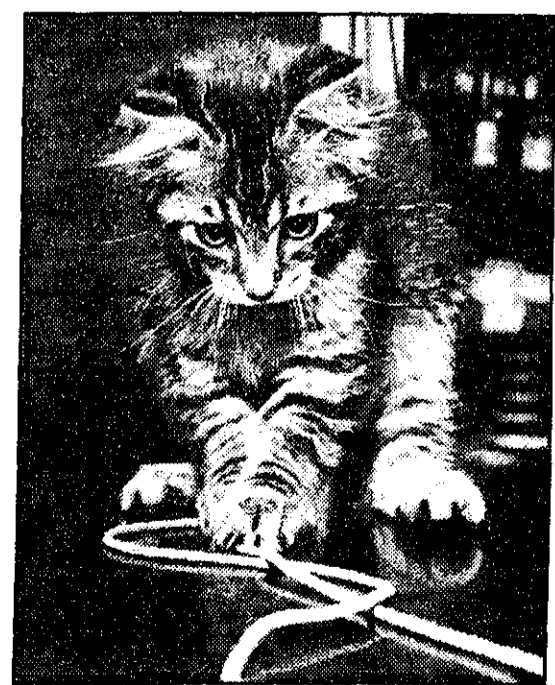
Too, there is one thing in which they're all interested, Morton said: camping and the out-of-doors. And so they camp in the area in state parks or on Scout property in tents which they bring or rent in cabins.

And "camping is good for them," he said. "They learn basic things like how to sweep the floor and how to wash dishes. And it makes them feel good about themselves."

And how do they finance all of this? In various ways, Morton answered, and last year's venture was especially successful. They sold luminary candles for Christmas.

As for Morton's assessment of his Boy Scout activity, he answered, "I enjoy the program, and I think it's important for the community."

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Annual recital showcases talent

By JEANINE CLARKE
Special Writer

The Performing Arts Academy will have its 15th annual recital this weekend. Friday, June 19 at 7:30, and Saturday, June 20 at 7:30, in the Northville Community Center. Tickets are \$6.50 and available at the Academy's new location, 24371 Catherine Industrial Road off Ten Mile, near Grand River.

This 2½ hour program will include over 100 participants, some 3 years old and other adults. The Theatre Street Dance Company, which recently placed high in state competition, will also participate.

The program, "Inside in Motion" will include ballet, tap and jazz. Students are from Novi and the surrounding area. Additional information can be obtained at the door or by calling 349-2728.

Elaine Backus is the artistic director at the Performing Arts Academy, formerly known as Elmore's School of Dance. Michelle Cole, teacher on staff, has been an instructor since she was 9 years old. She has a bachelor's in fine arts and has danced with the Detroit Ballet and the DanceLing Group in New York.

NOVI LIONS

The installation of new officers was held last week at King's Gardens, headed by incoming district governor Bill (Doc) Bar. New officers include Mike Fiero, president; Jerry Concoe, first vice president; Tim Napier, second vice president; Eddie Ibesa, third vice president. John Finkdikian and Jerry Letlano, two year directors; Dick Faulkner and Dick Stopinski, first year directors; George Green, lion tamer; Bob Tautz, tail twister; Jim Cooper, treasurer; Les Steizer, secretary; Terry Jolly, chairman of the membership committee; Bill Maymes, immediate past president.

At their meeting they planned to enter several community events, including the '50s Festival and the International Festival. They will have information booths and a raffie.

On Sept. 12 they are planning to have their annual pig roast at

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Lakeshore Park, to help raise money.

Last year they earned \$10,400 to contribute toward several Lion projects, such as the Perrinton Center for Blind Children, Taylor; Welcome Home Apartments for the Blind, Grand Rapids; Leader Dog School for the Blind, Rochester; and several local groups, such as Youth Assistance, Parks and Recreation and for those in need of eye exams and glasses.

This year they will be working with Sight Prevention Education, the causes of blindness, etc. Several members of the Lions Club, including former member Bill Weber, Bill Barr and Leo Buffa, and current member Dick Faulkner received the highest honor given to a member, the Melon Jones Fellow Award.

WHITEHALL NURSING HOME

Kathy Israel, activities director of the nursing home, is always looking for volunteers to keep in the many programs she has set up for residents. At this time of year she especially needs volunteers to help in the summer, when some of those who she works with during the other months are on vacation. She especially needs people to donate to the fund for special programs at the home. She plans to have a bake sale, also in need of donations. Items can be brought to the facility on Ten Mile, near Novi Road.

She has acquired some antiques, clothing, baby items and more. Other areas of volunteer work are with bingo, a horse racing game, crafts, reading, sharing musical talents and putting on special programs.

During Nursing Week she honored a number of volunteers with certificates of appreciation and a key chain with "Cheers for Volunteers" written on it.

Rose Cavanaugh stands out among her volunteers. She recently had a stroke, but still visits on a one to one basis with residents twice a week. She is an inspiration to those who watch her work with the residents.

Mrs. Israel recently completed a 36 hour course entitled "Activity Director Training" in Lansing. She will be bringing some new ideas from the

FRIENDS OF THE NOVI LIBRARY

The Friends of the Novi Library had their last meeting until fall, except for special programs. They are assisting with at the library. They made plans for officers for the coming year with Dorothy Flattery and Ruth Bozian co-chairing meetings; Clara Ronk, treasurer and Myrtle Locke, secretary.

Pauline Drueschell, Outreach Librarian of the Novi Community Library, was their special guest. She reported on the conference she recently attended sponsored by the Friends. She presented "One on One" which involved volunteers visiting nursing homes and reading to one on one basis with residents. Anyone interested can call her at the Novi Library, 349-1070.

The Friends also made plans to distribute funds they had received from their fundraisers throughout the year. One is the on-going book sale at the library located in the Furness Room. Anyone wishing to donate books to this project can drop them off at the library.

Another regular fund-raiser was

programs for the residents.

Some of the other volunteers include Mrs. Van Sooten, who plays piano for Sing Along; Fritz Hansen, who entertains at the monthly birthday party and Bernice Fredrick with her Rymstones Program. If you are interested call 349-2200.

Faith Community Church

On June 20 the church as will have its annual Church in the Park. This year it will be combined with a Summer Family Festival held at Lakeshore Park on South Lake Drive from 10:30-11:30 a.m. A picnic lunch will follow.

The booths will open at noon with face painting, ring toss, marshmallow golf, boat races and more. For those unable to attend, there will be a regular service at 9 a.m. at the church.

On June 14 they had a teacher recognition service and new member reception. The Leading Ladies had their lunch at the home of Jean Forhan with a salad buffet.

The Faith Community Book Group met at the Harwick Home last Saturday to discuss this month's book selection, Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift. The church also hosted the Novi Community Churches Blood Drive last Monday.

Vacation Bible School is coming up, this time with the theme "Your Passport to Mission Expedition." It will be held July 20-24 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Advanced registration is required, no charge or donations accepted.

They also plan to make this an intergenerational event and are asking for both teens and adults to volunteer. On July 26 there will be a golf outing at Brooklane Golf Course which is being advertised as a Texas Scramble, a family activity.

Camp will July 12-18 at Camp Sarah Grundley and the Howell Conference and Nature Center. It will include other sessions through Aug. 15.

Novi Highlights is written by Jeanine Clarke. Should you wish to contact her with information for this column, please call 624-0173.

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Thornetta Davis
Aug. 28 — Bobby Lewis and the Cracker Jack Band
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Sept. 11 — Regular Boys

CLOCK CONCERTS: The Northville Arts Commission again offers free concerts every Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the downtown Northville bandshell, off Main Street at the clock.

The schedule includes the following groups, and their sponsors:

June 19 — Novi Concert Band; Gennitt's and New Attitude Aerobics.
June 26 — Salvation Army Band; Northville Pharmacy, Cabbagetown, Concerned Residents of Northville.
July 3 — Oldfiddler; Edwards Caterer.
July 10 — Schoolcraft Wind Ensemble; MacKinnon's, Crawford's Bakery Connection.
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Anniversary



Jack and Aldean Carter — 50 years

Jack and Aldean Carter celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary May 23 at the Red Timbers. The party, hosted by their five children Jack Jr.

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New conductor gets ready for noteworthy performance

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

There's a new guy in town, and he's getting ready to strike up the band.

It's Jack Kopnick, recently retired Allen Park High School band instructor and new director of the Novi Concert Band.

Kopnick and the band can be seen tomorrow night in the Northville downtown gazebo for a concert beginning at 7:30 p.m.

When he decided to retire after 37 years of teaching, Kopnick put out the word that he was interested in working with a community band.

"I played in a couple of musical organizations including one at Schoolcraft College, and I also conducted that group periodically," he said. "When I knew I would retire I put the word out that I was interested in this type of position.

"I got a call from Novi, and they were auditioning a few people," he said. One thing led to another and now he is Novi's new concert band director.

Kopnick said he is impressed with the Novi Concert Band.

"All age groups are represented, with people from their 20s to people in their 70s, and they are all amateurs," he said. "For an amateur group, the level of musicianship is very good."

He said members of the band have made him feel welcome, too. A num-

ber of people, he said, have made a point to meet him personally and tell him that they enjoy working with him.

Directing the Novi Concert Band is a part-time job, but Kopnick expects to devote a lot of time to it.

"It's going to take up quite a bit of time," he said. "Naturally, the conductor must learn the music before he directs the band."

Selecting music can be time-consuming, too.

"You want a good variety so all listeners can be satisfied," he explained. "Looking for new music is another thing that takes time."

But it's time spent doing what he loves. And, he said, he is looking forward to improved quality in the band as they learn to work together.

"As we go, the quality's going to improve, and the programs will keep getting better," he said.

Currently Kopnick is working with the Novi Concert Band on six to eight different Broadway selections "with a few Sousa marches here and there."

Among the Broadway selections listeners can expect to hear at the group's concert this summer include songs from "The Sound of Music," "Phantom of the Opera," "Cats," and numerous other songs by Rodgers and Hammerstein.

Other upcoming performances include a community band festival in February, formal winter and spring concerts, and some shopping mall performances.

Besides a long career of teaching high school band, Kopnick also has music writing to his credit. He has



Jack Kopnick is the new director of the Novi Concert Band.

written and published several pieces for high school bands. He has also done some judging for band festivals and solo and ensemble competitions, which he intends to keep doing.

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In Uniform

Airman JOHN M. BULL has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. During the six weeks of training the airman studied Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.



JOHN BULL

In addition, airman who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate's degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Charlene M. Juranowski of Novi. The airman is a 1991 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School.

Marine Pfc. THOMAS T. MEISTER, son of Thomas L. Meister of Novi, recently graduated from Aircraft Fire-fighting and Rescue School.

During the course at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Naval Air Station Memphis, Millington, Tenn., students are taught causes and types of fires, rescue techniques and emergency procedures. They also learn the operation and maintenance of firefighting equipment, including fire trucks and special rescue tools.

The 1991 graduate of Fernside High School, Fernside, Meister joined the Marine Corps in October 1991.

Marine Pfc. EDWARD D. FISHER, son of Edward D. Fisher of Novi, recently completed the Motor Vehicle Operator Course.

During the course with schools Battalion, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif., students receive classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction on the operating capabilities of Marine Corps vehicles. Defensive driving techniques, "rules of the road" and user-level preventive maintenance are also included in the course.

The 1991 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School, Walled Lake, joined the Marine Corps in Aug. 1991.

Navy Petty Officer First Class CHRISTOPHER T. WHEELER, son of Sharon L. Craig of Novi, recently returned aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Chandler, homeported in San Diego following a six-month deployment to the Persian Gulf.

Wheeler participated in various operations and training exercises in the ongoing support of Operation Desert Storm. While enroute to the Persian Gulf, USS Chandler stopped in the Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines, to aid in recovery operations following the eruption of Mt. Pinatubo. Crew members conducted repairs on a local elementary school.

Once on patrol in the gulf, USS Chandler began peace-making efforts in support of the U.N. sanctions against Iraq. It also assisted in the search and rescue of the Dhow Ismail, a merchant cargo ship. The ship had been adrift for five days with engineering problems.

Wheeler had the opportunity to visit many foreign ports, including Bahrain, Muscat, Oman, Jebel Ali, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, and Dammam, Saudi Arabia. On the way back to the U.S., he made port visits in Malaysia and Hong Kong.

The 1986 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, Plymouth, joined the Navy in December, 1986.

Airman **STEFAN A. RAIHIGH** has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

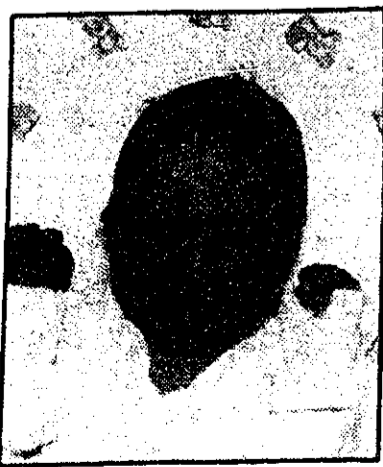
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Rairigh is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Rairigh of Novi.

He is a 1987 graduate of Novi High School.

Birth



Jason Matthew Gassel

Nancy S. and Jay B. Gassel of Novi announce the birth of their son, Jason Matthew on May 11. Jason was 7 pounds, 10 ounces at the time of his birth at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Grandparents are Frances and Betty Gassel of St. Louis, Mo., and Hiram and Velma Lund of Forstman, Mo.

Summer brings in the bluegrass

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consists of Lori Cleland (guitar, barjo, autoharp), Rosemary Kormacki (guitar, bass, mandolin), Judi Moringlar (dulcimer, bass, banjo), and Cecelia Webster (dulcimer, Celtic harp). All four members sing as well, and Rice predicted they'll be the sleeper hit of the festival.

From 6 to 7 p.m. MICHAEL SMITH offers up his famous folk songs. Another past festival headliner, Smith has released nationally distributed albums of his own and seen his songs recorded by such names as Spanky and Our Gang, the Four Freshmen, Tom Rush, Steve Goodman, and many others. The evening before the festival, Smith will conduct a songwriting workshop at the Gilfiller for anyone interested in writing music or simply in how it gets written. (See details below.)

At 7 p.m. comes a raffle of a handmade acoustic guitar and a half-dozen other prizes, followed by a grand finale which, each year, includes a stirring rendition of Woody Guthrie's "This Land Is Your Land."

The CHILDREN'S STAGE schedule is: From 1 to 2 p.m., Ann Shaheen Herndon performs. The Northville resident has performed many times throughout the area, including turns at the Thursday morning kids' concerts in the downtown Northville bandshell.

From 2 to 3, JOSH WHITE JR. and RON CODEN will do a set for the youngsters.

From 3 to 4, MARC THOMAS will perform. He combines his own and traditional songs for a show geared specifically to kids.

From 4 to 5, the children's stage wraps up with a set from DAN HALL.

This year Papa Romano's will provide concessions at the festival. Sponsors are the Gilfiller and the University of Michigan Health Center, but Rice is still seeking additional financial support to underwrite the base costs. Anyone interested should call 349-9420.

Tickets for the festival are on sale now at the Gilfiller, 302 E. Main in downtown Northville; or charge by phone at the Gilfiller, 349-9420, or Ticketmaster, 645-6666. Tickets are \$8 in advance or \$10 at the gate; senior citizens \$4 and children under 12 free. Ford Field is located off Hutton just north of Main in Northville.

The Michael Smith Songwriting Workshop will run from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday, July 25. There is a maximum of 40 slots, which may fill up fast. For reservations or more information call 349-9420.

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Crenshaw kin unite on stage

By CRISTINA FERRIER Staff Writer

The newest performance to come out of the Novi Players' lag of tricks is advertised as "a new comedy for everyone who wishes they were an orphan."

"The Crenshaw Family Reunion" is about a young man who takes his new wife home to meet his family and winds up kidnapped — along with everyone else — and forced into a family reunion. That's because nobody showed up at last year's.

It's by two area writing talents — Marc Holland and Michael Davis. Holland and Davis are Livonia residents.

Holland likens himself as a playwright to a literary Victor Frankenstein, crafting a body of words instead of a monster. Bits and pieces of the people around us are stitched together, mirroring the good and bad qualities we all share as humans. "And seeing his and Davis' work come alive in the form of the Novi Players' stage debut prompted this response from Holland: "It's alive! Alive!'"

Holland is also the director of the show.

The show stars Fuad Kandah as Teddy Crenshaw; Elizabeth Racer as Susan Crenshaw; Lloyd E. Young III

as Henry Crenshaw Sr.; Peter Eric Condit as Chuck Crenshaw; Ann Duffy as Jeannie Crenshaw; Libby Thomas as Vanessa Crenshaw; Ram Farhat as Leon Geldmacher; Helen Weiss as Helen Crenshaw; Mike Kelly as Henry Crenshaw Jr.; Kathy Holland as Verna Crenshaw; Pat Spencer as Aunt Sophie and York Griffith as Carl Futzer.

Newcomers to the Novi Players stage include Condit, Farhat, Holland, Kandah, Kelly, Racer, Spencer and Young. Many of these performers have acted in other productions written or directed by Holland and Davis.

Veteran Novi Players in "The Crenshaw Family Reunion" include Ann Duffy ("Ten Little Indians," "Crimes of the Heart," and "The Golden Goose"); York Griffith ("Alone Together"); Libby Thomas ("Honesty, Now!"); and Helen Weiss ("Daughters," "Social Security," and "Shay").

Upcoming performance dates for "The Crenshaw Family Reunion" include June 19 and 20 at 8 p.m. and June 21 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door and are available at the Novi Civic Center (347-0400) or at the Novi Chamber of Commerce (349-3743).

The Novi Circle Theatre is located in the Novi Expo Center on Expo Center Drive next to I-96.



Photo by HAL GOULD

Libby Thomas and Rami Farhat play the newly married Crenshaws in a scene from Marc Holland and Michael Davis' "The Crenshaw Family Reunion." The show, which tells the tale of

one of the weirdest family reunions in history, is currently showing at the Novi Players' Circle Theatre in the Novi Expo Center.

Reunions

NOVI 1982: Novi High School Class of 1982 is holding its 10-year class reunion at Laurel Manor in Livonia Friday, Sept. 18. For more information call Mary at 347-7744 or 425-3765; or write: Class of '82, P.O. Box 621, Novi, MI 48376.

SOUTHEASTERN 1932: Southeastern High School of Detroit will be celebrating a 60-year class reunion for the class of 1932. The luncheon will be June 4 at Jefferson Calonnade in St. Clair Shores. Call Evelyn at 477-4206 for information.

REDFORD 1972: Redford High School's Class of 1972 will be celebrating its 20-year class reunion Oct. 24. Call Mary (Knowles) Gall: 425-1808 or Colleen (Thomas) Cornell: 626-3941.

CLASS REUNIONS PLUS: Class Reunions Plus, P.O. Box 1171, Mt. Clemens, is planning the following reunions. Call 824-8550 for more information: June 20 — Immaculate High School, Detroit, Class of 1971 — Hotel Barquette, Novi. June 27 — Kimball High School, Royal Oak, Class of 1962 — Kingsley Inn, Bloomfield.

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Wedding



Ronda Lyn Oetting/David Lee Majors

Ronda Lyn Oetting, daughter of Arthur and Ruth Oetting of Fort Wayne, Ind., and David Lee Majors, son of Lee and Charlotte Majors of Novi, were joined in marriage by The Rev. David Schlie at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, Ind., on May 9.
Doris Scheumann of Hgoland, Ind., was the matron of honor with bridesmaids Joann Rice of New Haven, Ind., Linda Gospodarek of Fort Wayne, Amy Doenges of Fort Wayne; Heather Rice of New Haven; Amanda Cocks of Winona Lake, Ind.; and junior bridesmaid Jayme Clark of Novi.
The best man was Tom Padgett of Farmington Hills with groomsmen Jeff Steing of Streamwood, Ill.; Lowell Schjeumann of Hgoland, Ind.; David Palombo of Lakewood, Fla.; Dennis Novak of Novi; Brian Prodn of Ypsilanti; and Jerry Backus of Marietta, Ga.

The reception was at the Holiday Inn Downtown in Fort Wayne, Ind. Ronda attended Harding High School in Fort Wayne and received her master's in business administration and her bachelor's in psychology from Purdue University. She is currently employed by Ford Motor Co. in their World Headquarters, Dearborn, as an employee relations associate.
David is a Novi High School graduate and received his bachelor's in mechanical engineering from Michigan State University. He is a product engineer for Ford Motor Co.'s Rawsonville Plant in Ypsilanti.
They spent their honeymoon at Grand Cayman Island in the British West Indies.
They reside in Plymouth.



LYNN WHITEHURST



NANCY RHOADS

Fashion Guild lists newest Novi members

Three area women have been chosen as members of the Twelve Oaks Fashion Guild, a volunteer organization that aids fund-raising events throughout the region.
They are Nancy Rhoads and Lynn Whitehurst of Novi, and Barbara Goodwin of Wixom.
During the year, the three women will appear with other Fashion Guild members in full scale fashion shows at major fundraising events for charities, country clubs and women's groups.
The Guild, whose activities are supported by Twelve Oaks, will also take part in in-store fashion events at the shopping center and special workshops on fashion and beauty care. Guild members serve for one year.

Among the important area charities that Fashion Guild shows have benefited are the Salvation Army, Project Hope, the Sarah Fisher Home, the Women of Bloomfield regional hospice programs and Community Living centers.
"Guild members also model fashions at large fund-raising programs for community centers, parents groups, newcomers groups and other organizations," said Elaine Kah, marketing director at Twelve Oaks. The shows are staged several dozen times a year, with fashions provided by retailers of women's fashions at Twelve Oaks, Kah said.

"The Fashion Guild reflects the contemporary fashion image of Twelve Oaks," she said. "But at the same time, the Guild serves the community directly through its participation in a wide range of fund-raising events. Now in its seventh year, the Guild is more popular than ever, and we welcome its new members."

For the three area women, the Fashion Guild offers a welcome opportunity not only to take part in community events but also to make new friends and further develop their fashion sense.
Rhoads, a staff manager at Michigan Bell Telephone Co., believes her Guild activities will help her "build additional self-confidence." She keeps fit with aerobics and racquetball.
Whitehurst, who likes to browse through art galleries, finds the Fashion Guild "is an adventurous way to try different looks." She's hoping for more modeling opportunities.
Goodwin, who also wants to do more modeling, believes fashion can make people "feel good about themselves." A member of the American Boarding Kennel Society, Goodwin owns a dog kennel in Novi.

A varied group of 42 women from the region were chosen to serve on the Fashion Guild. Many are married, have children and are busy with careers. Their ages range from 21 to 69 and their dress sizes from petite to large," said Twelve Oaks fashion coordinator Barbara Carey. "We look for a representation of the community we serve."

Carey, in partnership with Barbara Mazer, prepares Fashion Guild members for the fashion shows. For each performance, said Carey, the women take part in a fitting and as many as three rehearsals. Every show is carefully choreographed.

At monthly workshops, the women learn from skilled professionals about fashion coordinating, makeup and hair, as well as the fine techniques of modeling.
"The women are well prepared when they go out and do a show," Carey said. "It's a lot of volunteer time, but it's worthwhile—and they love it."

Wedding



Debra Ann Wohlfeil/John David Lucchesi

Debra Ann Wohlfeil, daughter of John and Joanne Wohlfeil of Novi, and John David Lucchesi, son of Dr. and Mrs. Benedict R. Lucchesi of Ann Arbor were married Feb. 15 at the Church of the Holy Family, Meadowbrook Road, Novi. The Rev. Jerome Slowinski officiated the ceremony.

Maid of honor was Maria Paolocco with bridesmaids Lynn Wohlfeil, Barbara Kurka, Mary Smith, Tracy Lucchesi and Mary Lucchesi.

David Foulke was the best man with groomsmen Bryan Wohlfeil, Richard Lucchesi, Mike Smith, Steven Lucchesi and Thomas Lucchesi.

The reception for approximately 210 people was at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Dearborn.
They honeymooned in Laguna Niguel, Calif.

Debra and John met in culinary school at Schoolcraft College. She is now the manager of Maria's Italian Bakery in Brighton and he is an assistant garde-manger chef at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn. He received his bachelor's in food systems management from Michigan State University and his associates degree in culinary arts from Schoolcraft.
The couple will reside in Northville.

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Travel

By WILLIAM T. TOMICKI
New York Times Travel Syndicate

Q: Where can we go to see the best of Norman Rockwell's work?

A: The enormously popular illustrator (1894-1978), who was born in New York, lived in Arlington, Va., from 1939 to 1953. Today the little town (population 2,300) is home to the Arlington Gallery's ongoing Norman Rockwell exhibition.
The display includes hundreds of magazine covers, illustrations, sketches, advertisements, calendars and other Rockwell pieces. Most portray his typical warm, humorous scenes of everyday small-town life.
The gallery is in a former Catholic church on Main Street, a quaint white-frame building built in 1875.
Many of the tour guides are people who modeled for Rockwell's pictures. They are full of anecdotes about what it was like to pose for the artist.
For further information call the Arlington Gallery at (802) 375-6423. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

Q: Where is the Pony Express Museum?

A: It's in St. Joseph, Mo., in the Old Pike's Peak Stables, which, in 1860, became the starting point of the westward ride of the legendary Pony Express.
Riders carried the mail nearly 2,000 miles in about eight days, often braving dangerous Indian territory. They switched horses at relay stations about 10 miles to 16 miles apart en route to Sacramento, Calif.
The museum, located at 914 Penn St., has documentation of the creation, operation, management and end of the historic mail service. For further information call (816) 279-5059. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

Q: Where can we go in America to get a good picture of Amish life?

A: Many traditional Amish farms dot the landscape of Napanone, Ind., which is about a 45-minute drive southeast of South Bend.
Amish Acres is a restored Amish homestead and farm there that is open to the public. The village features guided tours, 20-minute horse-drawn buggy rides, a music theater and a bakery with home-baked Amish goodies such as puddings, fruit pies and cream pies.
There's a candy shop and a meat and cheese store with products grown on the local farms. For further information call Amish Acres at (219) 773-4150. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

Q: Do you know of a chocolate factory in the Pacific Northwest that lets people watch candy being made?

A: Boehm's Chocolate Factory sends out its aromatic goodwill in Issaquah, Wash., just east of Seattle. It's a small plant with 12 full-time workers who make candy the way it has been made there since 1956.
Visitors can see the step-by-step process, which includes molding and hand-dipping delicate chocolates. Children often like to see the big vats of melted chocolate being stirred—and sample the finished products.
Tours can be arranged by appointment during June, July, August and September on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and some weekends. For further information call the factory at (206) 392-6652. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

Q: You should avoid holiday weekends because there's rarely anything last-minute available. Last Minute Travel is currently offering seven-night packages to Aruba and Cancun, both of which include airfare and hotel accommodations, for \$399 per person.
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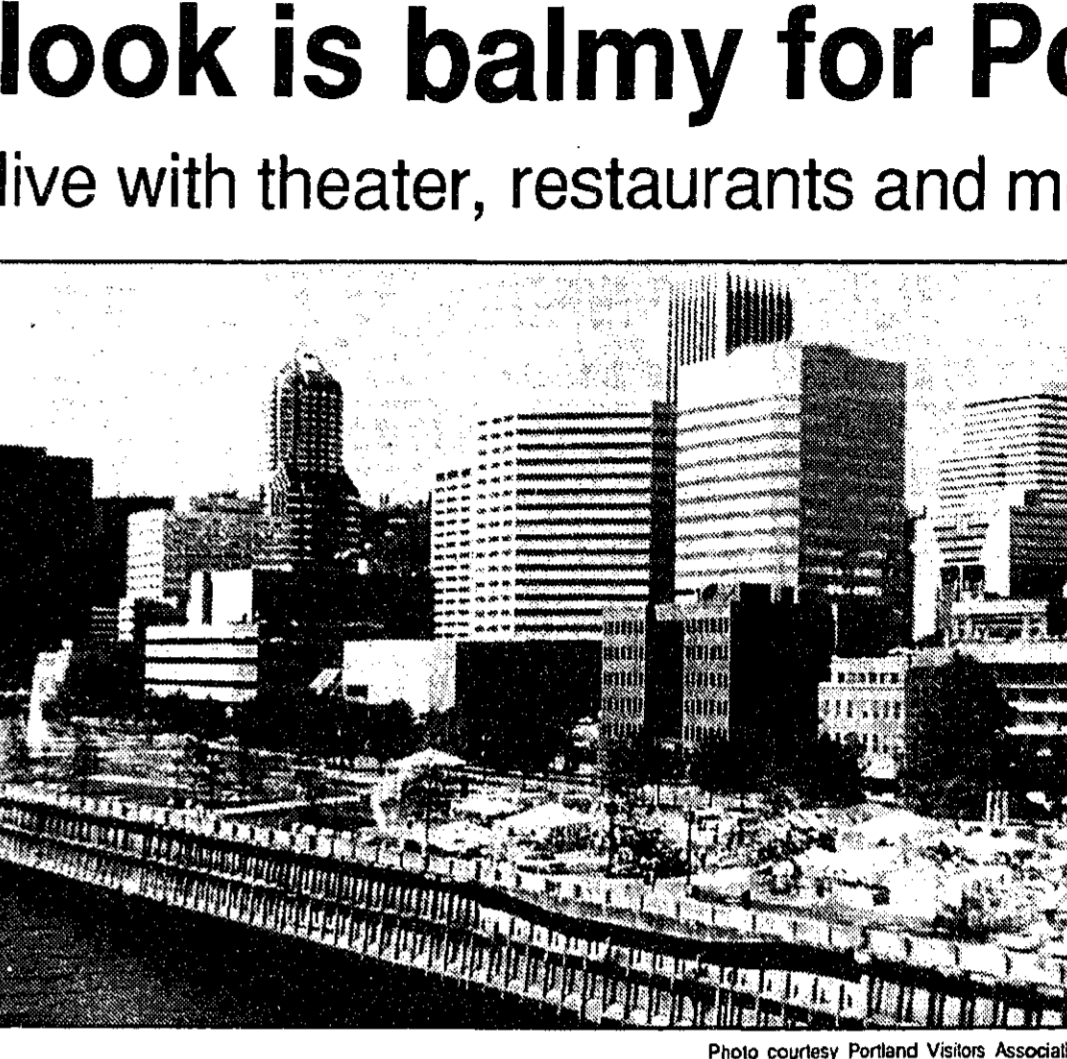
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Closer to the central hub is the Bijou Cafe, located at 132 Southwest Third Ave., a health-conscious (organic produce and chemical-free beef) place serving breakfast and lunch. Two can eat a hearty breakfast for \$12. Lunch for a little more. For more information call (503) 222-3187.

Fine espresso drinks can be found at any of the 12 area outlets of the Seattle-based Starbucks Coffee Co. They include: one in Pioneer Court-house Square, the brick-laden central plaza downtown at 740 Southwest Broadway; Collee People, located at 817 Northwest 23rd Ave., a haven for the artistic crowd; and Motor Moka, located at 525 Northeast Grand Ave., a drive-through espresso bar under the same ownership. For more information on these establishments call (503) 223-2488, (503) 226-3084 or (503) 232-8002, respectively.

After hours, Portlanders congregate at brew pubs. The largest and most popular is the Brdgport Brew Pub, located at 1313 Northwest Marshall St., a cavernous no-smoking beer hall with live music on Saturday and the best pizza in town. For more information call (503) 241-7179.

A few blocks away is the Portland Brewing Co., located at 439 Northwest Flanders St. For more information call (503) 222-7150.

WHERE TO STAY
Down town, the 13-story Westin Benson, located at 309 Southwest Broadway, has just been underwent a major renovation last year. It features an elegant lobby of imported walnut, ornate chandeliers and handsome columns. Standard double rooms are from \$99 to \$109. For more information call (800) 228-3000.

Also moderately priced are the five Red Lion hotels and inns. The largest, with 476 rooms, is the Red Lion Hotel/Lloyd Center, located at 1000 East Main Street, on the east side of downtown. It is newly renovated and close to the convention center. Double rooms are \$115 to \$155; \$79 on weekends. For more information call (800) 547-8010.

Lucury: In the heart of downtown the 150-room Heathman Hotel, located at Southwest Broadway and Salmon Street, is next door to the Performing Arts Center and two blocks from the Portland Art Museum.

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Butler's The Mallory Hotel, located at 729 Southwest 15th Ave., on the western edge of downtown, is a few blocks from Civic Stadium, home of the Portland Beavers minor-league baseball team. The 143-room hotel offers easy accommodations and the feel of living in an earlier decade. Double rooms are \$48 to \$80. For more information call (800) 228-8657.

Another source for bargain last-minute cruises is Cruises of Distinction, a cruise-only travel agency. "We charge \$39 a year for our Instant Notice Service," says company president Mike Grossman.
"It's applied to any cruise you purchase from us and entitles you to early mailing we do, at least 12 years."

For further information contact: Cruises of Distinction, 460 Bloomfield Ave., Montclair, N.J. 07042 or call (800) 634-3445.

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Pat Jania of the Atrium Gallery discusses some of the gallery's works with members of the Friends of the Arts.

Gallery settles in to larger space

In the beginning, there was an idea. An idea about art.
Pat Jania and Heidi Elzelman, the owners of Atrium Gallery, have displayed and sold original, one-of-a-kind art since the gallery began nearly three years ago.

Originally located at the rear of the "Veranda Shops" in the old Schneider store in downtown Northville, Atrium Gallery has now moved up front, right on Center Street.

Residing in Northville for many years and understanding its style and ambiance, the owners acknowledge that contemporary art is a contrast to the Victorian setting—but a beautiful contrast.

Last week, Northville's local arts support group,

the Friends of the Arts, met at the gallery. The gathering gave the owners an opportunity to explain the mechanics used in making the various media that are on display.

For more information on Atrium Gallery, call 349-4131. For more information on the Friends of the Arts, call J. Allingham at 344-9397.

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Mathias named to HomeTown All Area team

This year's HomeTown Newspapers' All-Area squad is a coach's dream. Combining observations, hindsight and opinion, the sportswriters have taken the cream of the crop and put together a convincing compilation of softball talent.

Taking the liberty of our positions as paper-managers, we shifted a few positions around to field a team that would make Sparty tremble with dread. With power slugging, consistent batting and four smoke-lirping pitchers finding their way into the lineup, this squad is a glittering example of area talent.

SARRAH KIRSTEN
Pitcher — Milford
"Slinging" Sarah took the KVC by storm this year as she spearheaded the best Milford season in the school's history. The junior went from an 8-9 season in 1991 to a dominating 18-4 mark in 1992. She broke the single-season school record for most wins as well as engineering a 1.63 ERA and chalking up a frightening 160 strikeouts.

"She's one of the best pitchers in the district," said Milford coach Mark Pingston. "She's an exciting player offensively and defensively."

Offensively Kirsten posted a .423 batting average with 28 RBIs, 27 runs, two triples and eight doubles. Kirsten was All-District this season.

LAURA APLIGIAN
Catcher — Northville
For the third consecutive year, the senior has made our first team. In fact, Apligian, who will likely play for Eastern Michigan University next year, is our pick for player

of the year in 1992.

"She's an all-around great player," said coach Frank Friemund. "Laura is probably the best catcher I'll ever have."

Apligian's numbers were down somewhat from last year, but not enough to stop her talent from shining through. She hit .342 and led the team in RBIs and stolen bases.

As a backstop, Friemund said Apligian was the best. Her strong throwing arm picked off numerous runners from third base and killed many opposition rallies.

HOLLY FARMER
First base — South Lyon
Farmer anchored the Lion infield at shortstop this year, where her sure hands were a valued commodity. She holds down the fort for the HomeTown Newspapers' team at first base.

Farmer's value to any lineup is obvious with her .606 on base percentage. A first team All-KVC pick, Farmer hit .375 and scored 17 runs this season.

KARA MCNEIL
Second base — Northville
McNeil was the leading hitter on an improved Mustang club. The senior second baseman hit .400 and led in hits (96), total bases (58) and runs (33).

Friemund said McNeil displayed outstanding athleticism.

"She has so much ability," he said. "She made a lot of plays that nobody else could have."

McNeil was an all-Western Division pick in the tough Western Lakes Activities Association. She will attend Adrian College in

the fall and likely play basketball.

DANA MARGIOTTA
Shortstop — Lakeland
"The Queen of K" put the cap on an exceptional high school career by being named All-State. Margiotta was last year's HomeTown Newspaper's Player of the Year and her dual performance as pitcher and shortstop made her a very close choice for the honor this season.

"She had great four years," said Lakeland coach Kent Griffiths. "It's fitting she ended as well as she did."

Margiotta hit .464 en route to breaking three single-season school records for RBI (46), hits (59) and doubles (14).

Margiotta doubled as the Eagles' top pitcher, racking up a 7-5 record with a 2.09 ERA. She finished her two-year pitching career with a 46 wins and 230 strikeouts.

Margiotta has signed with Central Michigan University where she will play as a shortstop. Margiotta was first team All-KVC and first team All-Region.

ANNA EIDEN
Third base — Milford
Eiden is a showcase of the skills needed to be a complete softball player, an excellent fielder, consistent hitter and a motivational team captain, the senior was a key factor in the success of a young Milford team.

"She's got a head for the game," Pingston said. "She did an excellent job at third base this year and provided the team with senior leadership." Eiden added hard statistics to her leadership skills, racking up a .396 bat-

ting average and a stellar .536 on base average. She has 34 RBI, 34 runs, seven doubles and cranked four dingers.

JENNY SORGE
Right field — Lakeland
"Power" Sorge took a little while to get rolling in her first varsity season, but once the junior took off there was no stopping her.

"She has a lot of raw talent," said Griffiths. "On most teams the power hitters aren't fast runners, but she has that rare combination of abilities." Sorge tacked 28 stolen bases on top of her .360 batting average.

Sorge also came through for the Eagles with six doubles, six triples and 37 runs. Sorge was named All-District, honorable mention All-State and second team All-KVC.

KRISTEN MATHIAS
Center field — Novi
A center fielder, Mathias was the spark plug for the Wildcat offense. This senior led Novi with a batting average of .381. Mathias also led in runs and hits for the Cats in her leadoff position.

"She was a good ballplayer for us," said coach John Peace. "Mathias made things happen."

Indeed, the senior stole 20 bases in 23 attempts. And, like all good leadoff batters, she made contact. Mathias struck out just seven times in 118 at bats.

ALLISON WATKINS
Left field — Milford
Watkins came into the KVC varsity



KRISTEN MATHIAS
ranks as a sophomore this year and came away with the honor title. The Homer Herone blasted five round trippers, six triples and five doubles this season.

"She's one of the most explosive offensive players in the KVC," Pingston said. "She still has a lot of room to grow, we're looking forward to her coming back strongest next year." A stronger Watkins could prove to be a nightmare thought to opposing coaches. In addition to her slugging skills, Watkins boasted an on-base percentage of .543, had 36 RBIs, 34 runs and topped it off with 12 stolen bases.

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- ### Music
- 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.
- THURSDAY EVENING JAZZ MONDAY** from 8:30-11 p.m. at Whispers, June 22, Paul Vornhagen; June 29, Classic Five featuring Stefan Kukuryga, Ken Kelleit, Tim Tale, Tom Starr, Michelle Goulet.
- SERIOUS MOONLIGHT DANCE PARTY** at the Novi Hilton's outdoor terrace and cafe runs every Friday. Bring clothing and food as a cover charge to benefit the Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS), June 19, Sun Messengers; June 26, Samaritans; July 3, Steve King and the Dittles.
- For more information call 349-4000.**

- SOCIETY: Doherty's, Mr. Glow Car Wash.**
Aug. 21 — Novi Concert Band: Providence Hospital.
- SOUNDS OF SUMMER:** The City of Novi offers free concerts at 7 p.m. every Thursday, outside of the Novi Civic Center, Ten Mile east of Tall.
- Lawn chairs or blankets and a picnic supper or snacks are welcome. This year's line up will feature:
June 18: Brookside Jazz Ensemble with Ursula Walker. Big band jazz featuring Ursula Walker, one of the area's finest vocalists.
June 25: New Center Station. It is an eight-member jazz group with five singers and back-up trio. The group toured Europe last summer.
July 2: Chisel Bros. featuring Thometta Davis. They are a top rhythm and blues group.
July 9: The Rhinelanders. German folk and popular German-American music.
July 16: Metro Jazz Orchestra. Big band jazz performed by local players.
July 23: No concert — Novi '50s Festival.
- July 30: Women's Percussion Ensemble of Detroit.** African drummers performing music from West Africa.
August 6: Ray Kamalay and His Red Hot Peppers. A small combo jazz trio playing the best of the 1930s and 1940s.
- August 13: Novi Concert Band.** Novi's own community band performs classical, semi-classical, marches, show tunes and more at the new Providence Hospital site.
- The concerts are sponsored by Ford Motor Company Foundation, Providence Hospital — Novi Center, and Novi Parks and Recreation. The Aug. 13 concert will be held at the new Providence Park, on the corner of Garden and Oak Road.
- For more information, call 347-0400.

- CLOCK PARTY:** The Novi Hilton hosts an outdoor block party from 4:30-9:30 p.m. tonight.
- Doug Jacobs and the Red Garter Band will entertain; grilled hot dogs, turkey and bratwurst will be available. No cover charge. For information call 349-4000.
- CLOCK CONCERTS:** The Northville Arts Commission again offers free concerts every Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the downtown Northville bandshell, off Main Street at the clock.
- The schedule includes the following groups, and their sponsors:
June 19 — Novi Concert Band: Genetti's and New Attitude Aerobics.
June 26 — Salvation Army Band: Northville Pharmacy, Cabbagewald, Concerned Residents of Northville.
July 3 — Giftfiddler: Edwards Catering.
July 10 — Schoolcraft Wind Ensemble: MacKinnon's, Crawford's Bakery Connection.
July 17 — Plymouth Community Band: Orin Jewellers, Blackwell Ford.
July 24 — Novi Concert Band: Tuffy Muller, National Bank of Detroit.
July 31 — Squander: U of M Club of Northville.
Aug. 7 — Schoolcraft Wind Ensemble: Bookstall-on-the-Main, The Northville Record.
Aug. 14 — Silver Strings Dulcimer

- There is no additional charge for the performances.** For more information, call the restaurant at 347-0095.
- ### Theater
- FIDDLER ON THE ROOF.** Genetti's Hole-in-the-Wall and Off Broadway Productions present Summer Stock Dinner Theater with *Fiddler on the Roof*.
- The evening starts with Genetti's seven-course dinner in the restaurant, then moves upstairs to the Northville Masonic Temple for a full production of the classic musical.
- Cost is \$34.95, including tax and tip. Reservations available at 349-0522.
- Shows are scheduled July 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, and Aug. 1. Thursdays and Fridays, dinner is at 7 and show at 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, dinner at 8:00 and show at 8 p.m. Saturday matinee, dinner at noon and show at 2 p.m.
- MURDER MYSTERIES, OPERA AT GENETTI'S:** Genetti's Hole-in-the-Wall Restaurant continues to present its Murder Mystery and Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre performances.
- Genetti'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 available any day of the week.
- 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.
- 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.
- Genetti'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).
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HOLLY FARMER	JR	IF	SOUTH LYON
KARA MCNEIL	SR	IF	NORTHVILLE
ANNA EIDEN	SR	IF	MILFORD
DANA MARGIOTTA	SR	IF	LAKELAND
ALLISON WATKINS	SOPH.	OF	MILFORD
JENNY SORGE	JR	OF	LAKELAND
KRISTEN MATHIAS	SR	OF	NOVI
STACEY NYLAND	SR	DH	NORTHVILLE

SECOND TEAM

TRACEY NEPJUK	JR	C	LAKELAND
MISTY MABE	FR	P	LAKELAND
MEGAN READLER	SOPH	IF	MILFORD
JACKIE LEGRIS	JR	IF	MILFORD
MONIQUE LEGRIS	JR	IF	MILFORD
RACHAEL PERRY	SR	IF	SOUTH LYON
KELLY BARTON	JR	IF	NOVI
MARY GRACE YANKOWSKI	SR	OF	NOVI
JENNY HINKLE	SR	OF	LAKELAND
SHERRY RIECK	JR	OF	SOUTH LYON
SARAH CHRISTENSON	JR	DH	NORTHVILLE

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MILFORD: CINDY SUTTON, AMY STOY, KRISTEN HINKA;
SOUTH LYON: COURTNEY LAROU, JEN KLEIN

Northville's Apligian named Player of Year

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Selecting one player as the best in any sport is a difficult proposition.

In softball, statistics are often the yardstick for determining the greatness of an athlete. Based on numbers alone, Lakeland's Dana Margiotta would seem to be an easy choice for the area's best player.

But, as any manager will tell you, stats don't tell the whole story. They don't fully explain how a player can dominate action on the field.

The value of Laura Apligian to her Northville softball team this season can't be measured solely by the numbers. The senior catcher led the Mustangs out of a slow start and right into a winning season of 15-11 and a trip to the district finals.

For her contributions this season and throughout her Northville softball career, Laura Apligian is HomeTown Newspapers East Player

Barton selected for second team

Juniors dominate the HomeTown Newspapers' All-Area second team, promising some exciting softball action next year. Juniors Sarah Christenson (Northville) and slugger Kelly Barton (Novi) should provide a power-hitting frenzy in 1993.

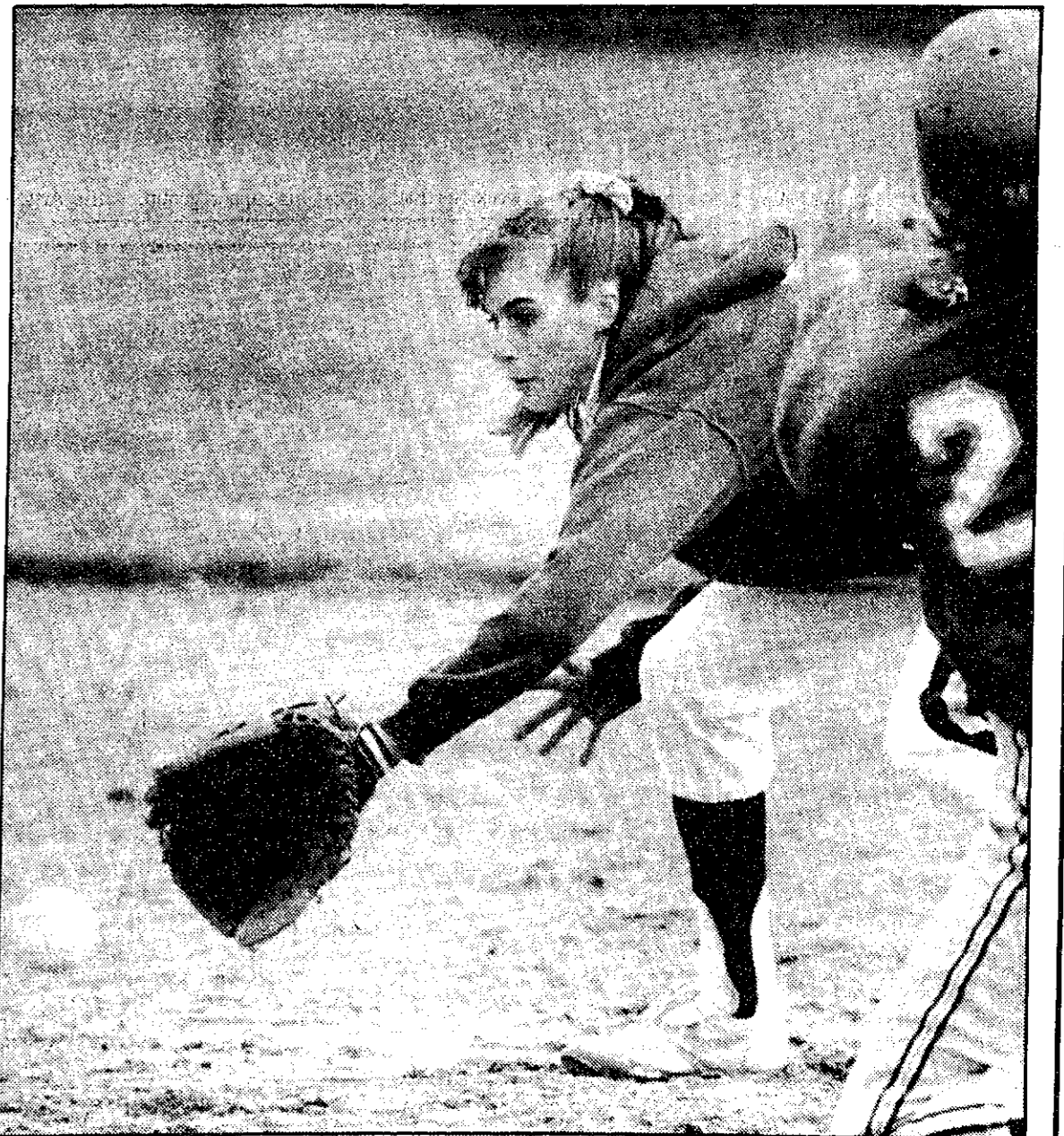
Freshman Misty Mabe (LHS) and sophomore Megan Reader (MHS) hit the second team, guaranteeing some fantastic pitching duels between the cross-town rivals in years to come.

Topping off the squad is the talented Tracey Nepjuk — easily the best catcher in the Kensington Valley Conference, if not the region, next year.

MISTY MABE
Pitcher — Lakeland
"Machine Gun" Mabe came on like a firing squad in her freshman year, gunning down 89 batters while chalking up a 12-4 record. At first Lakeland coach Kent Griffiths was unsure of using a freshman so heavily, but Mabe proved her worth as the season progressed.

"At first we debated keeping Misty because we didn't want a ninth grader to sit on the bench and watch Dana (Margiotta) pitch. As we grew more confident we let her pitch more, and by the end of the season she was throwing the first game (of a doubleheader) for us."

Mabe, an All-District selection and an honorable mention All-KVC pick, finished up the season with a 2.10 ERA. She should be a key factor in Lakeland's success next season.



Junior Kelly Barton was Novi's most productive hitter.

TRACEY NEPJUK
Catcher — Lakeland
Nepjuk, an Eagle co-captain, proved to be dangerous for any theft-minded base runners this year. With a cannon for an arm, Nepjuk made many a runner reconsider larcenous thoughts.

"I haven't seen a stronger-armed catcher in the state of Michigan," said Griffiths. "There are some who can get it off faster, but when it comes to pure arm strength she's hard to beat."

Nepjuk, a junior, hit .355 this season and tallied 50 assists from behind the plate. Her arm strength provided Lakeland with a decided defensive edge.

"She's one of the reasons we won 29 games," Griffiths said. "People can't steal on her. They get on first and they stay there."

Nepjuk was a first team All-KVC selection as well as a first team All-Region pick. She was an All-District pick and was elected by her teammates as co-captain for the 1993 season.

MEGAN READLER
First base — Milford
Only a sophomore, Reader added up some serious batting statistics this season with a .425 average, 29 RBIs and 26 runs. She also cracked four triples, four doubles and one homer.

"As a sophomore, her season was exceptional," said Milford coach Mark Pingston. "She'll come back next year and make her presence known." Reader was also the Redskin's #2 pitcher this year, hurling

77 Ks through an 8-7 record with a 2.79 ERA. Next year Reader and junior hurler Sarrah Kirsten will comprise the best pre-season pitching staff in the KVC.

JACKIE AND MONIQUE LEGRIS
Second base — Milford
A tough call for the HomeTown staff to make, both twins were put on the roster at second. Jackie, who played shortstop for the Redskins, was the slugger of the two, hitting .376 with 38 RBIs, 31 runs, two triples and eight doubles.

"She put in a steady year at shortstop," Pingston said. Jackie added 19 stolen bases to her seasons' stats.

Monique added 26 stolen bases to an impressive .559 on base average. She had 22 RBIs, 30 runs, two doubles and one homer.

"She's a good softball player," Pingston said. "She knows the game and she comes to play."

KELLY BARTON
Shortstop — Novi
The junior was Novi's most productive hitter. Barton posted a batting average of only .296, but had an outstanding slugging percentage of .541. She led the Wildcats in doubles, triples and RBIs.

"She came on very strong in the

last four weeks," said coach John Peace. "She really started to hit the ball hard."

Barton was a second team shortstop selection in the Kensington Valley Conference. Peace said she may move to the outfield next year.

The junior also contributed on the mound. Barton went 9-6 with 57 strikeouts in 66 innings pitched.

RACHAEL PERRY
Third base — South Lyon
An All-KVC honorable mention, Perry brought senior leadership to the Lions' squad. A talented volleyball player as well as a reliable glove at third, Perry provided experience on a young South Lyon squad.

Perry hit .375 with an on base average of .450 and scored 14 runs on the year.

MARY GRACE YANKOWSKI
Right field — Novi
Yankowski, who spent much of the year at catcher, was among the "Cats leaders in many offensive categories."

The senior tri-captain batted .336 but posted an even better mark of .420 with runners in scoring position. Yankowski totaled 23 RBIs.

"Mary Grace is a very aggressive

player offensively and defensively," said Peace.

SHERRY RIECK
Center field — South Lyon
Rieck split time at catcher and first base for the Lions this season. Rieck, a senior, was named second team All-KVC along with teammate Kristine Kovak.

"My goal at the beginning of the season was to make honorable mention (in the KVC)," Rieck said. "I was surprised to make second team."

Rieck hit .355 and had an on base mark of .441. Rieck added six doubles, scored seven runs and had seven RBI on the year.

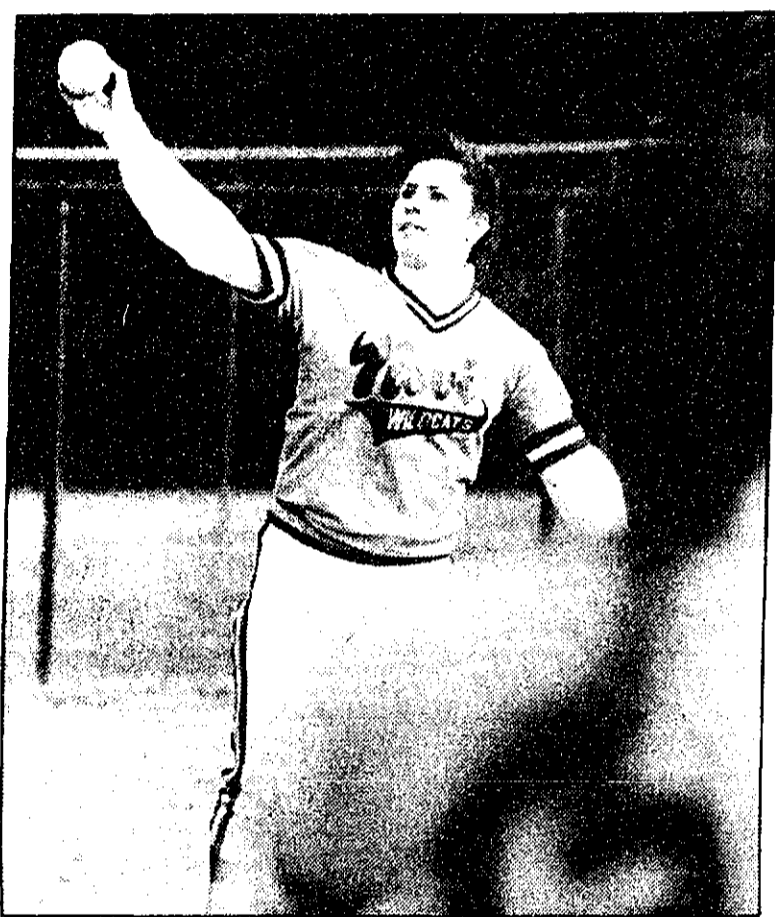
JENNY HINKLE
Left field — Lakeland
Hinkle, a senior outfielder for the Eagles, used intelligence and good softball instincts to be a batter that made opposing coaches groan with dread.

"She has a lot of speed and is a good athlete," said Pingston, who watched Hinkle face his pitchers several times throughout the season. "She has a good eye for the strike zone, she can really work a pitcher. You have to throw her strikes."

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LAURA JONES, second base, honorable mention.



CHRISTINE EDWARDS, first base, honorable mention.

Apligian selected Player of the Year

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Blessed with soft hands and a rifle for an arm, the senior intimidated other teams from trying to steal bases, Frymunt said. The coach added that Apligian picked three runners off third base in a game against Canton this year.

Pingston takes top coach honors

After guiding the Millford Redskins to their best record in the school's history, softball coach Mark Pingston is ready to ride the momentum straight into next season.

The Redskins' best-ever record of 28-11 is miles above the previous best of 15-12. Relying on a solid talent pool that he is largely responsible for developing, Pingston rode hot bats and deadly pitching to a third-place finish in the KVC and Home-Town Newspapers' 1992 Coach of the Year honors.

"I guess we're getting a little respect now," Pingston said. "We've been down for the last couple of years, but now we're back into respectability."

In fact, the Redskins have gone beyond respectability and into the realms of envy. Returning two of the league's top pitchers, power hitting sophomore Allison Watkins and a slew of experienced players, the Redskins have rapidly gone from the hunter to the hunted.

"Everybody is going to be looking for Millford next year," Pingston said. "They know what kind of pitching and hitting we've got, and they'll gear up for us."

Next season Pingston will encounter a new challenge. He has demonstrated the ability to build a program, but now comes the challenge of maintaining the success.

"The pressure is on the whole team," Pingston said. "If we keep our composure and play our game, we'll be all right."

Pingston is in his fourth year as head coach after spending one year as varsity assistant and another as J.V. assistant. He is heavily involved

cess to Nyland.

"Without Laura, Stacey couldn't have pitched," he said, noting that Apligian was the only one on the team that could handle Nyland's throwing velocity.

'Cats compile best record ever

In the Hi-White Youth Athletic League's softball program, where he has had the opportunity to cultivate young players, Pingston's talent appears to lie in developing young pitchers, like Sarah Kirsten (18-4) and Megan Reader (6-7), both of whom return next season.

"Our defensive lapses showed we're a young team," Pingston said. "You expect a young team to make mistakes on the field, but you can't let the mistakes get to them."

Despite any records, it is obvious that Pingston is a great coach in the most important factor of all in high school sports, making sure the kids have fun.

"If we play our best, and never let down, we'll never be losers no matter what the score is," Pingston said.



JULIE SWINEHART, pitcher, honorable mention.



Eric Messner nearly picks off a base runner.

'Cats compile best record ever

By SCOTT DANIEL Sports Editor

"Cohesive" — according to Novi baseball coach Brian Howard, that is one word best describes his Kensington Valley Conference champion Wildcats.

Although the team was filled with divergent characters, Howard said they all meshed together to give Novi its second crown in five years.

"I knew we would be pretty good," Howard said. "I didn't realize how well the kids would play together."

Novi finished the year with more wins overall, 21, than any Wildcat diamond team in history. The 'Cats' 16-6 record won the KVC by a game over Millford.

Unlike many of its conference opponents, Howard said Novi was virtually free of bickering and fighting among players.

"The chemistry was right on this team," he commented. "The kids liked each other."

Any coach knows, however, no matter how well a team gets along, it must have talent to win. And, brother, did the 'Cats have talent this

season.

Look at any baseball champion from years past and you can usually find at least one dominant pitcher. For the 'Cats, Eric Messner more than filled that role.

The senior left-hander posted an 8-1 record with an ERA of 2.33. He allowed just 47 hits in 80 innings pitched while striking out 53.

"He was a real competitor on the mound," Howard said. "We could always count on him. Frankly, we expected him to be the star that he was."

Messner wasn't alone on the mound.

Paul Roma went 2-2 on the season and had a 3.80 ERA. Dave Brown contributed four wins while Randy Naumann and Kevin Serra each had perfect 3-0 marks. That duo also combined for four saves.

Overall, Novi had a team ERA of 3.53. They also had a good strikeouts/walk ratio of 136 to 94.

Defensively, the 'Cats were solid up the middle. Shortstop Tom Ongg committed only two errors. Naumann, at second base, also demonstrated a good range and was an

"anchor," Howard said.

"When you have two kids playing that well," he added, "it's hard for other teams to get anything up the middle."

On the offensive side, Novi terrorized the KVC with its running game.

The Wildcats stole an amazing 201 bases led by Gregg's 52. Howard said an average high school team steals 80-110 in a season.

"We'll run, pure and simple," he said. "I believe in making things happen by bunting, running and just keeping the ball in play. We will try anything."

The squad finished with a .301 batting average. Howard said it isn't a spectacular number, but is impressive because the 'Cats raised the mark 20 points in the last half of the season.

Gregg led the way with a .426 average. Brown hit .368 and Sweller had a torrid finish to hit .367.

"He turned into a very good hitter," Howard said. "He was ripping the ball at the end of the year."

Players like Todd Pfeiffer also contributed.

Swim performances rated outstanding

Swimmers from the Novi-Livonia Spartan Aquatic Club competed in the Spring Splash hosted by the Golden Serpent Swim Club of Lansing over the weekend of May 30-31.

Outstanding performances were turned in by Stephanie Cummings, Emily Nicol, Kristina Utley and Katy Nicol.

Cummings, competing in the girls' 8-and-under division placed in five events. In "B" level events, Cummings notched a first place in the 25-meter backstroke with a time of 20.88. She also placed third in both the 100 IM and 25-meter freestyle as well as fifth in the 50-meter breaststroke.

Compelling in the "C" level 25-meter freestyle, Cummings finished third with a time of 18:59.

Nicol and Utley each placed in three events in the girls' 10-and-under division. Nicol won the "C" 100-meter IM with a time of 3:19.88 while Utley notched second place in the "B" level of the same event. Her time was 3:14.63.

In the "B" 100 freestyle, Nicol and Utley duled to a close finish. Utley placed third narrowly edging Nicol and two other competitors with a time of 1:19.26. Nicol also finished fourth in the "B" 50-meter freestyle in 33.48. Utley finished the weekend with a sixth place in the "C" 50-meter breaststroke with a time of 52.07.

Katy Nicol placed in all the events she entered over the weekend with three third places and a fifth place. All the showings came in the 11-12-year-old "B" level.

The Spartans only other first place was captured by Dan Kennedy in the 11-12-year-old boys "B" division 100-meter IM. His time was 3:08.20. Notably, Andrea Yocum and Jordan Mobio, both competing in their first meet, also brought home ribbons. Yocum, in 8-and-under division, placed fifth in the 50 backstroke in 1:02.89. Mobio was sixth in the 25 freestyle.

Kirsten. So instead of leaving her off the squad we felt that her contributions both on the mound and at the plate were significant enough to place her on the first team.

As a pitcher, Nyland posted a 14-7 record with a 2.29 ERA. She also threw four no-hitters and struck out 195 batters.

Novi's Mathias earns All-Area team honors

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STACEY NYLAND At large selection — Northville

This senior's true position was pitcher for the Mustangs. Nyland had an outstanding year on the mound, but, perhaps, a notch below Sarah

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Not all the olympic action will be in Barcelona this summer. The Junior Olympics and "Tots-Olympix" are scheduled for Novi this month.

Olympic events come to Novi

By Cindy Stewart
Special Writer

In July, America's premier amateur athletes will be heading to Barcelona, Spain, to compete in the 1992 Olympics. Many Novi residents would love to attend, but maybe don't have the time or the money. Well, Novi Parks and Recreation has the answer.

The 12th Annual Junior Olympics will be happening in Novi on Friday, June 26, 6:30 p.m. at the Novi High School Track. Youth from 8 to 14 years of age can participate in physical fitness events that encourage "fitness for life." Events include chinning, softball throw, standing long jump, running long jump, agility run; 50-, 60- and 75-yard dashes; 100- and 200-meter dashes; 400-, 800- and 1600-meter runs.

"Novi Junior Olympics gives kids a chance to compete against their friends on a local level and then go on to State competitions," said Recreation Coordinator Marilyn Troshak. "If they qualify, the participants can go to the Metro Youth Fitness Meet and/or the Hershey Track and Field State Finals. Hershey is a great opportunity."

Michigan has the largest State Meet in the country. Sixty-nine communities participated in 1991 and there are 82 communities currently signed up for this year's program. After qualifying in the Hershey State Finals, participants have a

chance to be chosen for the all-area team and advance to the nationals. This meet is in Hershey, Pa., on Aug. 15 this year. Anyone chosen to compete receives an all-expense-paid trip.

Fourteen year old Kevin Garcia will be competing in the Junior Olympics this month for his fifth and final year. "I have always liked running and when I read about Junior Olympics in the Parks and Rec brochure, I decided to try it," he said. "It gives me more practice in track and field events. I participate in the running and standing long jumps, the mile and the 400-meter run."

Kevin has placed first in one of the prior Junior Olympics and also competed in the Metro Youth Fitness Meet and the Hershey State Finals. His sister Kaelyn participated last year in the softball throw and the obstacle course and has signed up again this year.

Last year Marilyn added "Tots-Olympix" the "farm system" of the Junior Olympics program for kids 2 to 7 years old. "I had so many parents trying to sneak their 6- and 7-year-olds in as 8-year-olds. There was a demand for this type of activity for the younger kids too."

Tots can be signed up for three of the following events: 25-meter dash, 25- and 50-foot dash, softball throw, obstacle course, 440-meter walk and standing long jump. Tots-Olympix is also held on June 26 and starts off at 5 p.m. with a warm-up 440-meter walk for all ages, including the parents.

Parents can also volunteer to help at this special event.

Ty Clark and his sister, Chloe, have been competing for the last four years and Ty placed in both the Metro and Hershey meets. "I enjoy competing against the other kids and also competing against myself," said Ty. "It's fun trying to beat my own records each year in the 100 and 400 meter runs and the running and standing long jumps."

"It's a great program," said Claudia Clark, "but I'm surprised more kids aren't involved. It gives them something to do and the training sessions offered by parks and rec the week before helps them learn what the events are all about."

Marilyn strongly agrees with Ty and Chloe's mom that they want more Novi kids involved.

Anyone ages 2-14 who is interested in Tots-Olympix or Junior Olympics must register by Thursday, June 25, 5 p.m. Registration forms are at the Novi Parks and Recreation Office or call 347-0400 for more information. The special Junior Olympics Training Sessions are Monday-Thursday, June 15-18, 5:30-7 p.m. or June 22-25, 8:30-10 a.m. at the Novi High School Track. The fee is \$9 and training camp is only for 8-14 year olds. There is no charge to compete in Junior or Tots-Olympix.

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

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Summer concert series starts today

Summer Concerts: The 1992 Sounds of Summer Concerts begin June 18 at 7 p.m. outside of the Novi Civic Center and admission is free. Concerts feature classical, jazz, rhythm and blues and various ethnic groups. Residents are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets and a picnic supper or snacks.

Tonight, Brookside Jazz Ensemble with Ursula Walker will be featured. On June 25, the New Center Station comes to town with the sounds of jazz.

Recreation Station: Registration is under way and the program runs from July 6 through Aug. 14. Days, times and sites are: Monday and Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Village Oaks Clubhouse and Orchard

Rec Briefs

Hills School play area; Monday and Wednesday, 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Orchard Hills play area and another site to be named; Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Spirit of '76 Park; Tuesday and Thursday, 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Novi Power Park. The cost is \$42 for six weeks, three hours twice a week or \$8 per week. There will be a 25- to 30-child limit at each site.

1992 Tennis Tournament Series: Adult singles, men's and women's will be June 20. Adult doubles, men's and women's, mixed

July 18. Youth singles, boys and girls ages 10 and older. August 15. The tourney will be held on a single elimination basis at Novi High on Ten Mile at Taft Road. The fee is \$10 per player plus one can of new tennis balls. Times will be announced prior to tournaments. Register at the parks and recreation office.

Soccer: The Novi Jaguars Select and Premier soccer team tryouts will start June 16. For more information call:

Under 14½ — George Gatt at 348-2661; under 13½ call Tom Walker at 477-6937; under 12½ call Dick Ornekian at 477-0436; under 11½ call Tom Irimescu at 347-1168 and under 10½ contact Eric Sandberg at 348-4628. All coaches are state licensed.

Let children find their own solution



Jacquie Downs

Natural and logical consequences may be the best form of discipline since it allows children to be responsible for their behavior.

It helps children realize and learn from the natural and social order of the world without having the parent directly involved in a punishment type of activity. Children who feel valued even when they make mistakes are children who grow up with self-respect and self-esteem.

When Susie chooses not to eat all her dinner, the natural consequence is hunger. Agree with Susie's decision and put the food away. Perhaps allow no snacks that evening. That is all she needs to learn that eating dinner brings rewards — a full stomach and perhaps dessert. Have you ever had your child consistently forget to bring his homework to school? A natural consequence would be for him to make up the work or get no credit for doing it. Using these kinds of consequences helps children make responsible decisions on their own without the parent forcing them into submission.

Health tips

If we do too many things for our children, we rob them of self-respect and a sense of responsibility. When Junior forgets to take his lunch to school and calls home for help, you could say, "I'll bring it this time, but you must remember it next time." The natural consequence next time is to go hungry at lunch time.

A friend of mine used an unusual but effective consequence when her teenage son neglected to call and tell her he wasn't going to be home for dinner. The consequence was that he would be in charge of making the dinner the next night. He found out that cooking dinner took time and effort. Surprisingly, he also found that he enjoyed cooking.

Several years ago, I talked with a client about an incident involving his 5-year-old daughter. Before Mom and Dad got up one morning, the daughter came down to the kitchen to make her own breakfast. She used great ingenuity to pour the milk. Placing the glass on the floor in front of the refrigerator, she tipped the gallon container expecting the milk to pour into the glass. Quite unexpectedly, the milk splashed

out of the jug in a waterfall. As she tried to mop it all up with a hot pad, her father appeared in the doorway. Instead of scolding her, he decided to follow the progression of logical consequences.

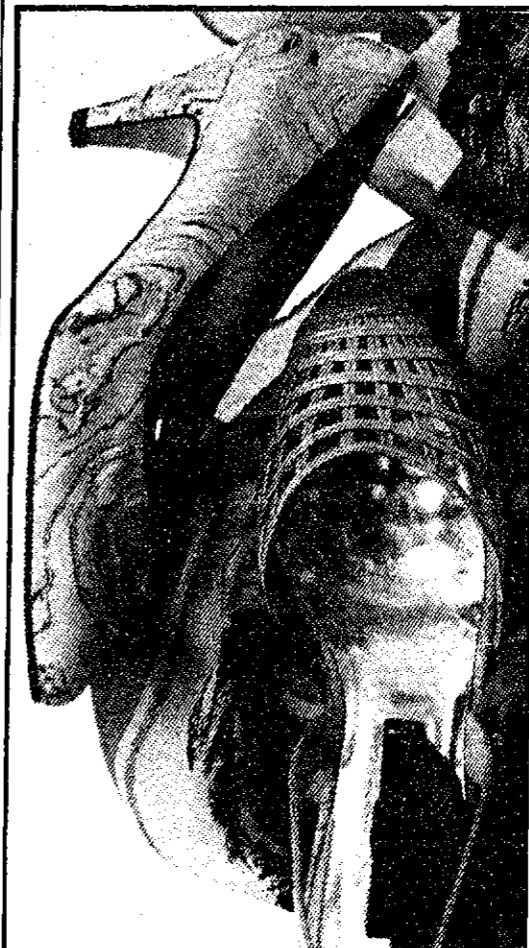
In a calm voice he said, "Sweetheart, you've got a problem here and we need a solution." She was surprised that he wasn't yelling at her, and she quickly went over to the paper towel rack and pulled off several towels. Her father helped her mop up the spilled milk and said, "I can tell that you would like to be able to get milk for your cereal by yourself. What do you think we could put some milk into something that we could store in the refrigerator?" She thought for a moment, ran to her toy box and returned with a tiny pitcher from her tea set.

Both were winners. Dad was proud of her cleverness in finding her own solution. The 5-year-old daughter took pride in finding a solution for her dilemma.

Put your creativity to work as you set consequences for your children. Get their input, too. Some self-imposed punishments can be more ingenious and appropriate than your own.

Jacquie Martin-Downs is a counselor with the Northville Counseling Center. This series is coordinated by Peg Campbell of the University of Michigan Health Centers staff.

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REAL ESTATE

Cost of home varies greatly throughout USA

By James M. Woodard
Copley News Service

The biggest problem facing families who now plan to relocate is the variance of home prices.

For example, the average price of a 2,200-square-foot single-family four-bedroom home in Winnipeg, Canada, is \$73,612. The average price for the same home in Beverly Hills, Calif., is \$1,184,167.

Even in the same region of the country, home prices vary greatly. That same 2,200-square-foot home in Menomonee, Wis., will cost \$79,725 (average price). A short distance southeast in Winnetka, Ill., that house will cost \$496,725.

These figures were revealed in a survey conducted by Caldwell Banker Residential Group.

The survey noted that there are nine major markets where the average price of the above-described home is more than \$500,000. There also are nine markets where the price is less than \$100,000.

Among those most expensive nine markets, seven are in California. However, some cities in the Golden State offer modest home prices. Examples: Fresno (\$169,000), Temecula (\$187,975), Riverside (\$199,500).

Surprisingly, some small but high-priced markets are reporting particularly brisk sales. Aspen, Colo., for example, had 34 homes for sale a year ago for more than \$2 million. That inventory is now down to 10 homes in that price range, according to Bob Ritchie, broker-partner of Coates Reid & Waldron Real Estate in Aspen.

Looking at overall median home prices, Honolulu takes the high-priced cake with a median price of \$342,000, according to a report from the National Association of Realtors. The lowest median price of \$41,700 was in Waterloo and Cedar Falls, Iowa.

A couple of positive trends keyed to the high-priced markets:

First, corporations are becoming more generous in providing "housing allowances" for their employees being transferred to a higher home-price area. Without such an allowance, many of these employees would refuse the requested transfer, even if it meant leaving the company.

Second, mortgage lenders are offering more favorable terms for "jumbo loans." These are home-financing loans for more than \$202,300. Loans for less than that figure are "conforming loans" and

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GARDENING

Seashore gardening

By C.Z. Guest
Copley News Service

The key to successful gardening along the seashore is observing what grows naturally in the coastal environment. In choosing plants, know your climatic zone.

Even though it might be tempting to try plants that thrive along the Pacific coast, they'd never survive the winter in an Eastern garden.

Every year thousands of dollars' worth of fertilizers and pesticides, as well as gallons and gallons of water, are wasted on the upkeep of unsuitable plantings and lawns by the sea because most people garden as they would inland.

If you must have a lawn, and you live along the coast, choose grass seed mixtures high in fescue, like American beach grass.

It's crucial for seaside gardeners to know the pH of their sand, especially if they want to establish sand-loving plants not indigenous to their area. You can always send your sand out to be analyzed, or use a store-bought kit to do it yourself.

Sand's advantages also are its drawbacks. For example, it's easy to work and allows for perfect drainage, but keep in mind that

sand lacks organic matter and essential nutrients.

Of course, many native plants won't mind the lack of fertilizer or water, but for those that need more of both, the best solution is to use natural resources close at hand.

Kelp and other seaweeds can be applied fresh or washed as mulches or, better still, be worked into the soil for water retention. Other good mulches (for acid-loving plants, such as strawberries) are oak leaves, pine needles, wood chips and salt hay. They should be applied 2 to 3 inches deep.

Sand-loving plants, to name a few, are:

- Hardy perennials: beach pea, Christmas rose, day lily, artemisia, columbine, chrysanthemum, daisy, hollyhock, iris, yarrow and many more.
- Annuals: sunflower, lupine, marigold, zinnia, morning glory, nasturtium to name a few.
- Herbs: tansy, thyme, sage, chamomile.
- Shrubs: hydrangea, lilac, forsythia, azalea, bitter-sweet, broom and beach plum.

C.Z. Guest is a gardening authority whose work appears in *House and Garden*.



Oxeye daisy

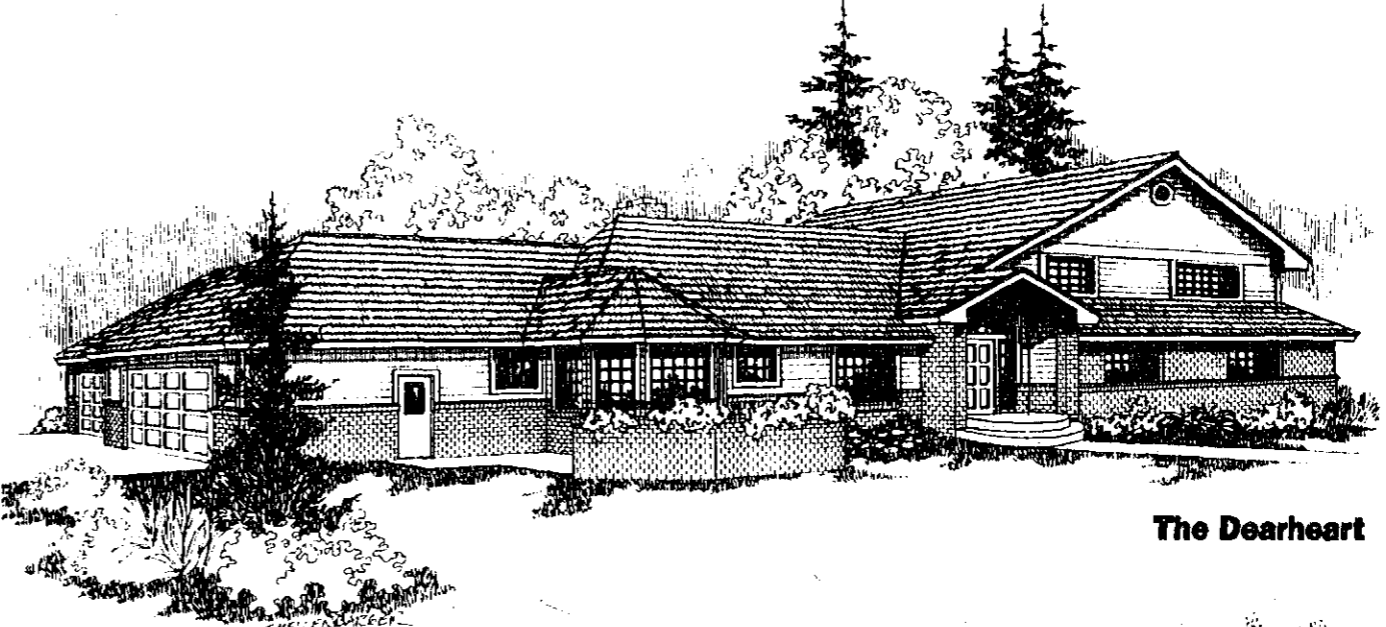
Seaside gardening

- For seaside lawns, opt for high-fescue seed mixtures, such as American beach grass.
- Use native plants that will grow in the sand's pH level.
- Kelp and other seaweeds make an ideal mulch to help sandy soil retain water. Other good seaside gardening mulches include oak leaves, pine needles, wood chips and salt hay. Use a 2- to 3-inch layer of mulch.
- Sand-loving plants include hydrangea, lilacs, azalea, sunflowers, marigolds, zinnia and daisies.

Copley News Service/Dan Clifford

HOME DESIGNS

DREAMY HOMES



The Dearheart

When readers of the six HomeTown Newspapers think about the features they'd like included in a dream home, chances are that a party will be near the top of the list.

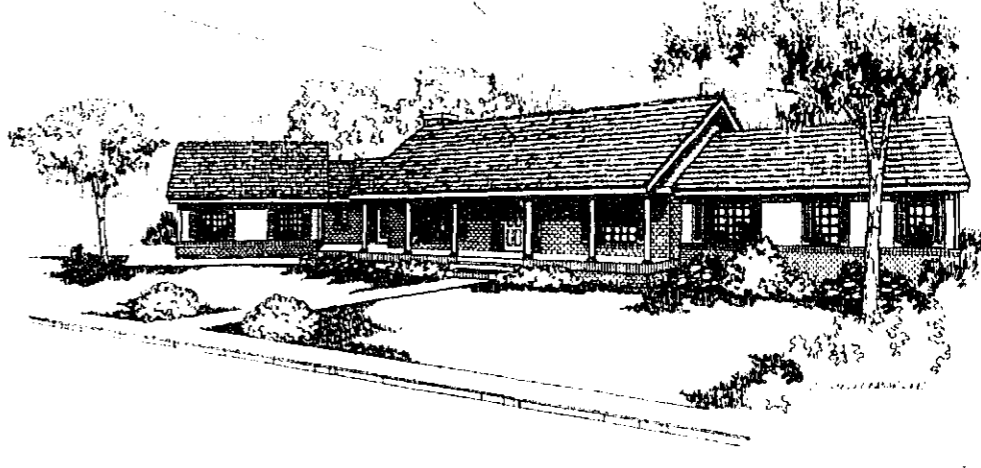
That's what the staff at Landmark Designs discovered in tallying the 1992 Dream Home surveys from HomeTown readers.

Nearly a hundred local residents participated in the survey, and 89 percent of them checked off the box marked "pantry" as one of the features they would most like in their dream home.

No other feature scored as high, although "extra insulation" was a close second with an 88 percent response.

Because preferences for home design features vary from one readership area to another, Landmark Designs custom-

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The Chatsworth



The Templeton

For the next three weeks we will feature on the front of Creative Living section the custom homes shown here designed by Landmark Designs. The homes, The Dearheart, Chatsworth and Templeton were designed based on reader response.

HomeTown readers let us into their dream home

1992 DREAM HOME SURVEY RESULTS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Type of Home			
23% One Story	58% Two Story	19% Split Level	77% Basement
Size of home			
0% 1000 & less	0% 1001 to 1500	0% 1501 to 2000	
0% 2001 to 2500	69% 2501 to 3500	31% 3500 & up	
Budget for home (land excluded): \$222,778			
Lot location			
0% Standard Lot	81% Acreage	19% Other	
Exterior style			
27% Contemporary	12% Country	4% Spanish	8% Ranch
12% English Tudor	15% Colonial	12% Victorian	15% Other
Exterior material			
58% Brick	42% Stone	46% Wood	8% Other
Garage			
Number of cars: 3	42% Shop	69% Storage	15% RV Parking

LIVING AREAS

In addition to kitchen and living area I would like the following rooms in my home:

77% Formal Entry	73% Formal Dining	23% Recreation	73% Family Room
23% Media Room	46% Exercise Room	50% Office	31% Den
65% Guest Suite	38% Library	69% Utility	12% Nursery

Number of Bedrooms: 3.8 Number of Baths: 3.1 Other rooms: 31%

KITCHEN FEATURES

Style and Shape			
58% Country	27% U-shaped	12% Walk-thru	4% Other Amenities
81% Breakfast nook	92% Pantry	54% Eating Bar	50% Recycling Center
46% Appliance center	58% Island	54% Double Oven	42% Trash Compactor
65% Garden Window	50% Freezer	42% Grill	8% Other

MASTER SUITE FEATURES

73% Isolated from	19% Adjacent to other bedrms	46% Patio	50% Sitting room
73% Private bath with the following features:			
35% Tub/Shower comb.	38% Bathtub	62% Shower	58% Oversized Tub
85% Two wash basins	54% Skylight	19% Bidet	42% Spat 19% Other

MAIN BATH FEATURES

58% Tub/Shower comb.	23% Bathtub	23% Shower	19% Oversized Tub
58% Two wash basins	23% Skylight	4% Bidet	

SPECIAL REQUESTS

88% Fireplace	12% Woodstove	50% Spa	27% Indoor Swim Pool
54% Computer Center	81% Deck Patio	42% Atrium	69% Security System
58% Vaulted Ceiling	65% Skylights	27% Other	

I would conserve energy by taking advantage of:


19% Minimized windows	54% Passive solar	27% Active solar	85% Extra insulation
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DEMOGRAPHICS

Number in Household: 3.2 Age: 39.9 Status: 85% Married
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Are you going to build a home? 54% Yes

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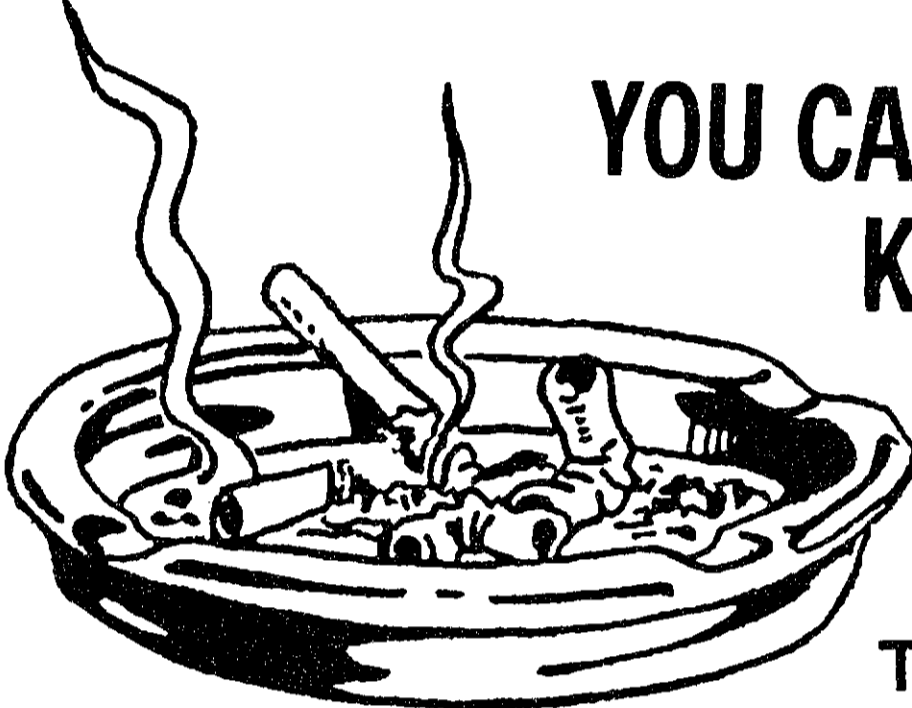
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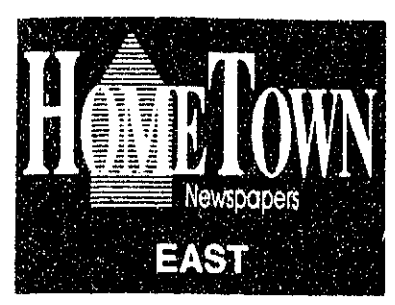


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THURSDAY
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Riffle family brings taste of home to S. Lyon

By LAURIE O'DELL
Staff Writer

It's only been open a week, but the amount of cars in Riffle's American Cafe parking lot is evidence the restaurant is a welcome addition to the South Lyon area.

Owners Joan Gurke and Bill Riffle said that prior to opening they received many phone calls from residents who were curious when exactly they planned to open for business.

"It's been busy," said Riffle in between the lunch hour and dinner rush last Thursday. "We've had a lot more volume the last two days than I expected."

The restaurant is located at 22870 Pontiac Trail in the old Silverman's location. The brother/sister team are excited their new venture in Lyon Township has made such a splash, but they haven't had a moment's rest since opening last Wednesday.

"Everything is made from scratch," explained chef Riffle. "The amount of work is incredible."

Riffle's menu seems to have something for everyone, including appetizers, soups, salads, sandwiches, pasta, steak, and homestyle meals.

"The homestyle foods are going over extremely well," said Riffle. Appetizers include standard fare such as chicken wings (\$3.95) and potato skins (\$2.95-\$3.95), but also ham and potato pancakes with sour cream (\$3.95) and vegetable nachos (\$4.95).

These entrees are geared to taste like meals mom used to make and are priced between \$5.95 and \$8.95. Right at the top of the list is Mom's Meatloaf, complete with tomato brown gravy and mashed potatoes. Other homestyle items include a turkey dinner, country chicken pot pie, sweet baked honey ham and pan-fried calf liver. Patrons can purchase the latter in a four-ounce portion for \$6.95 or eight-ounce portion for \$8.95.

The homestyle dinners aren't the

only meals going over well with customers. Riffle said the sandwich entrees seem to be extremely popular. Patrons hankering for one of these lunch-time favorites will find three roasted beef dips, club sandwiches, croissant sandwiches and an old standby — a Great American Burger (\$3.75/\$4.95) — among the sandwich entrees.

The menu also features "farm fresh salads" ranging from mandarin chicken salad, Riffle's chicken salad with peapods, carrots and celery blended with homemade dijon mayonnaise (\$4.95).

Pastas range in price from \$5.95-\$8.95 and include seafood, chicken and meatless varieties such as spinach and bacon alfredo.

The tremendous welcome Gurke and Riffle have received may be in part due to their reputation for providing good service and quality food. The pair helped operate Riffle's in Northville along with their brother Bob Riffle. They've left that enterprise in his capable hands to try the new venture in South Lyon.

Patrons who have frequented the Northville restaurant will find the decor in the local eatery quite familiar.

"The style of decor is very similar to the Northville restaurant," explained Gurke. "People will see a resemblance."

The color scheme — mauve and dusty blue — is a carryover from Northville. Honey curtains between the booths and matching cloths on the tables will also remind patrons of the Northville location.

Gurke said the general response to the restaurant has been good and patrons seem to like the atmosphere. To keep the restaurant running smoothly, Gurke and Riffle will employ 25 to 30 people. Although Riffle does the majority of the cooking, he has hired a night chef. Gurke serves as the floor and office manager.

Riffle will serve up breakfast for the first time this weekend from 8



Bill Riffle (left) and Joan Gurke own the new Riffles American Cafe in Lyon Township

Photo by CHARLIE CORTEZ

a.m. to noon. In addition to regular breakfast entrees, Riffle's boasts a "bountiful breakfast." In an interview last month Riffle said it's adapted from those served in Tennessee. Pat-

rons in groups of two or more will enjoy family style portions of stewed apples, fried redskin potatoes and sausage gravy accompanied by a fresh fruit plate, blueberry muffins

and buttermilk biscuits. The meal includes juice and coffee with choice of meat and two eggs. Available meats are bacon, ham, jumbo sausage, Canadian bacon, corned beef hash, sir-

loin steak or filet mignon. The restaurant is open for business 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday.

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The seminar is from 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 101 E. 27th & Seven Mile in Livonia. Subjects will include Future of Interest Rates, Short Term Interest Rate Alternatives, New Risks/Returns in Financial Planning and Living Trusts.

Seating is limited to 50. Reservations are required. Call Patti Thompson at 336-4500.

DR. THERESA P. RESCH, optometrist, has joined Dr. Fred Weiser at Oakland Vision, 608 N. Lafayette in Huntington Square, South Lyon.

Resch specializes in children's vision and contact lenses. The clinic's number is 437-3351; the doctor also operates a clinic in Walled Lake at 624-1707.

EKA LAYSON REALTORS INC. of South Lyon is pleased to announce the addition of Karen Phillips from Realty World Cash and Lynda Marie from ERA-Century to the Horse Farm Division. The two women will join EKA Sales Award winner, Gail Cree and Kathie Crowley in this fast growing segment of the real estate market.

Matthew Downey, formerly of Century 21 Suburban, Northville, joins the residential division specializing in the sales of condominiums. Downey has worked for the County Planning Commission since its original construction and has remained the most successful realtor market.

ing these and Applegate Condominiums of Novi as well.

PALM BEACH FITNESS CENTER at 1000 E. Huron, Milford, is under the new ownership of Phil Becker and Raymond DuHaine. The business is open from 8 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday.

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MILFORD GARDENS is now open at 1666 Milford Road. Owner Steve Balbes and manager Marie Strem said the hours of the business are 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday.

The garden center offers nursery stock, garden supplies, landscape design, installation, as well as free advice from a knowledgeable staff. Call 685-0009 for more information.

WENDY GARY, a former South Lyon resident, has been named Co-Employee of the Year by Glacier Hills Retirement Center and Nursing Center in Ann Arbor. Gary, a certified nurse's aide, has worked at Glacier Hills for over five years. Along with Co-Employee of the Year Peggy

Kruse of Manchester, Gary was cited for her caring and devotion to residents. A letter from the son of one of her long-term patients described her compassion and hard work. Gary is the daughter of Sam and Peggy Brown.

MICHAEL A. HALL of Cobb Insurance Agencies in Milford/Howell has been appointed by Citizens Insurance Company of America to serve a three-year term on the Agents Advisory Council.

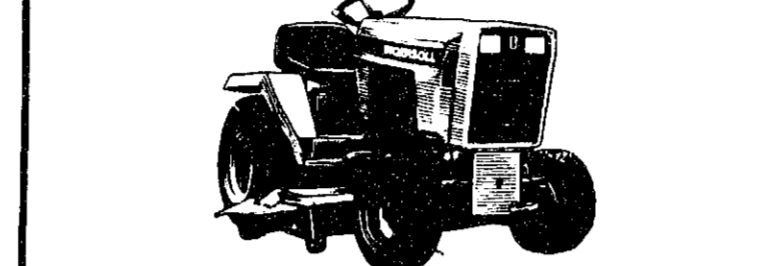
The Council consists of 18 members representing more than 600 agents in Michigan and Indiana. Citizens recognizes the need for successful agents to live a vehicle to communicate with the company and values the Council's input. Said Hall, "It's an honor for myself and my agency to have this opportunity. We value Citizens and recognize the responsibility we have to our clients in communicating with Citizens. The Council is just one example of the leadership that has propelled Citizens into the number one writer of insurance through independent agents."

MILFORD RESIDENT JODI SMITH has been hired by Chicago-based Golin/Harris Communications Inc. to work on the Chrysler Corporation account at the company's headquarters in Highland Park, Mich. Smith received a bachelor of arts degree in journalism in 1988 from Michigan State University.

Prior to joining Golin/Harris, Smith gained experience at Campbell-Milham-Esty Advertising in Southfield and Novi Community Schools.

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While the actual procedures for appealing your assessment can vary from locality to locality, the Michigan Association of CPAs offers the following general guidelines to familiarize you with the process.

CHECK WITH YOUR PROPERTY RECORD

The first step is to find out whether your house has been accurately evaluated by the tax assessor. To verify the accuracy of the information the tax assessor has on your property, you need to review your property record card which you can obtain from the tax assessor's office. Your property record card is the official worksheet used by the assessor to determine your home's value and includes information about your home, such as its age, number of rooms, type of construction, and your home's location.

the information on your property card. Also make sure the card mentions any features that might detract from your property's value, such as its proximity to a highway or industrial building or a history of termite damage.

If you discover that your property record card is incomplete or contains inaccurate information, schedule a meeting with your tax assessor to review the missing or erroneous information. Be sure to bring to the meeting useful documentation to back up your claim. If you believe there are specific physical conditions which should reduce your assessment, bring along pictures to substantiate your claim.

While at the tax assessor's office, be sure you haven't overlooked a special tax exemption for which you may be eligible. Exemptions vary from locality to locality, but tax breaks are often available to the elderly, disabled, blind and veterans.

Many tax disputes resulting in significant savings to taxpayers are resolved in meetings with tax assessors.

But what if you still feel your assessment is too high? The next step can be a bit more tricky.

DETERMINE THE COMPARABLE WORTH OF YOUR HOME

You must demonstrate that your house is being assessed at a higher value than comparable properties. Comparable properties — called "comparables" — are those that are similar in location, age, size, design, and construction to your own property.

There's a number of ways you can compare your assessment to those of comparables. You might begin by talking to neighbors with similar homes and finding out their assessments. You can also review the prop-

erty tax records in your assessor's office.

Assessment records are public information, so you should have no problem browsing through the tax list for the neighborhood. The document shows, by block and lot number, the assessed values of the properties around you and the property taxes for each home. You can also compare your home's value to the prices of similar properties that were recently sold in your neighborhood.

APPEALING YOUR ASSESSMENT

If you determine that your house is unfairly assessed, you can appeal your case to the local appeals board.

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Insurance reform bill loses

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

House Speaker Lewis Dodak's battle lines held on June 9 as the Democratic chief renewed again to take up a reform bill to cut auto insurance rates and benefits.

His Republican rival, minority leader Paul Hillemonds of Holland, denounced the Democratic-led House as "a lame duck" after losing a 54-50 bid to take up a compromise reform bill, two votes short of a majority. Hillemonds said Democrats are leaving the job to "interest groups," adding, "Paralysis has become ingrained in the legislative process."

Supporting Dodak were Democrats Dianne Byrum of Leslie and Kirk Profit of Ypsilanti. Backing Hillemonds were Republicans Georgina Goss of Northville and Susan Mansell of Howell.

Meanwhile, AAA of Michigan, the state's largest auto insurer, filed literally a truckload of petitions asking a referendum on its plan to cut costs far more than the compromise plan.

AAA vice president Bill Cillullo, a one-time aide to Detroit Mayor Coleman Young, had announced he would file the petitions at 10 a.m. but held off until late afternoon to give the House one more chance to act.

AAA needs 205,000 signatures for a ballot slot but filed an estimated 630,000. The collection effort was done through its members who receive Michigan Living magazine.

If lawmakers fail to adopt AAA's plan within 40 days — which appears likely — it will go on the ballot.

Rep. James Kosteva, D-Canton, a co-sponsor of last week's compromise bill that had the backing of Republicans and 10 disaffected Democrats, backed down Tuesday and supported Dodak's decision against debating it.

President Doug Cruce, a former state senator, said the Kosteva-backed compromise was "a bad bill. We'd fight it tooth and nail. I'm surprised Dodak didn't accept it."

Chief sticking point, said Cruce, is that insurers want a \$250,000 cap on "catastrophic claims" such as closed-head injuries — the same as most other states. AAA's bill calls for a \$250,000 cap.

Present law sets a \$5 million cap, and Dodak won't go any lower than \$3 million. Kosteva's group wanted to settle for a \$1 million cap.

Kosteva thought his compromise was proper. "With [Tom] Hickner [D-Bay City], we laid H-4 [House Democratic plan] and S-10 [Senate-passed bill] side by side and split the difference."

"The trial lawyers are disappointed" with restricting the number of lawsuits. The doctors and hospitals aren't happy with the fee schedule.

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Be prepared to present your case simply, clearly and succinctly. It's important that you back up your appeal with documentation: property maps, photographs, assessment figures on comparable houses, sale prices of similar homes that recently sold and other relevant materials. Conclude your appeal by suggesting an alternative assessment amount to

the board. In most cases, you'll receive the board's decision in the mail. If you lose the case and want to take further recourse you can appeal to the state review board, which follows a procedure similar to the local board.

Your last resort is to take your case to Tax Court, a more costly option that you should consider only if the potential savings are likely to exceed the cost of hiring an attorney, getting

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Consumer Cash Back	-533
GM Employee/Family Discount	-400
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Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction	-1000

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Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction	-1000

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Factory Price	\$16,776
Preferred Equipment	-700
Group Savings	-1851
Discount Savings	-750
Consumer Cash Back	-778
GM Employee/Family Discount	-400
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Stock #79005F

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Discount Savings	-451
Consumer Cash Back	-789
GM Employee/Family Discount	-450
1st Time Buyer's Discount	-454
Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction	-1000

\$218 **\$6464**
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Stock #79347F

Factory Price	\$10,742
Preferred Equipment	-450
Group Savings	-750
Discount Savings	-232
Consumer Cash Back	-400
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1st Time Buyer's Discount	-400
Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction	-1000

\$212 **\$7620**
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Stock No. T360J

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Preferred Equipment	-1278
Group Savings	-1300
Discount Savings	-402
Consumer Cash Back	-808
GM Employee/Family Discount	-400
1st Time Buyer's Discount	-400
Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction	-1000

\$309 **\$14,999**
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Stock #2221F

Suggested Retail Price	\$19,207
Preferred Equipment	-450
Group Savings	-500
Discount Savings	-1743
Consumer Cash Back	-850
GM Employee/Family Discount	-400
1st Time Buyer's Discount	-400
Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction	-1000

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Stock #331F

Factory Price	\$7434
Discount Savings	-380
Consumer Cash Back	-500
GM Employee/Family Discount	-357
1st Time Buyer's Discount	-400
Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction	-1000

\$150 **\$4797**
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Stock #157

Factory Price	\$12,240
Discount Savings	-1500
Consumer Cash Back	-1000
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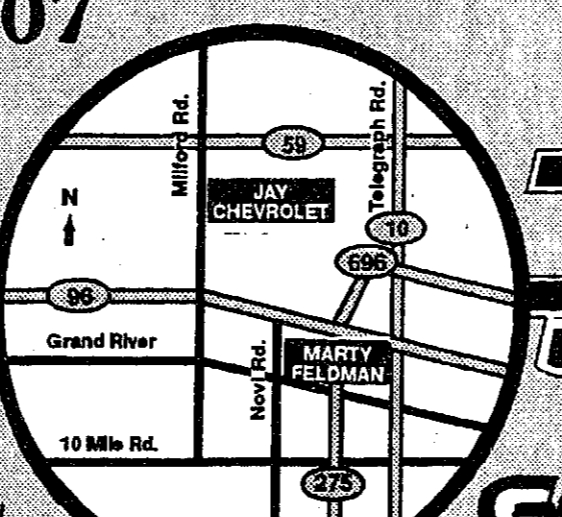
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