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## City will pay for water pipe despite debate

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

After hearing some strong words from South Hill Construction Company's attorney, Novi City Council Tuesday unanimously agreed to pay the firm three back payments for their work on the construction of a Novi Road water main.

In July the city withheld \$23,000 from the contractor, until the city attorney concluded a probe of what has been dubbed "Watermaingate." That sum has mounted up to \$32,000.

"South Hill has a contract with the city. You have a responsibility . . . South Hill has never been given a reason why they haven't been paid," Parvin Lee, the company's lawyer, said.

"Your concerns on policy are your business and no business of South Hill's, who must not be held a hostage to your deliberations and other political aspirations by some members of council."

Council Member Tim Pope moved that Novi make good on the bills, saying that the issue was between the city's consulting engineers JCK & Associates and the city council. The city is still withholding payments to JCK.

The special meeting — to be continued on Oct. 12 — was to discuss the diversion of the water main from a straight shot along Novi Road into Mystic Forest subdivision. South Hill's president Robert Harris is a partner in Mystic Forest.

Harris was present at the meeting but declined comment. Earlier, he said he plans to sue Novi and Cassis. Cassis triggered the investigation this spring when she noticed

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the water main veered off a route approved by the council.

The main was initially proposed by the city to loop its water system and improve pressure.

However, Pope and Council Member Joseph Toth questioned if the contract with South Hill for the 16-inch main is valid, based on what City Attorney David Fried agreed was the council's lack of knowledge of the route change.

"The misrepresentation of the city engineers to the city council, was that action of not informing the council, making the council's action invalid, does that not make the contract invalid?" Pope asked.

Fried was instructed to give the council an opinion on this issue.

"I don't know if there will or will not be any litigation arising out of the statements made by you, Mr. Pope and Mr. Toth tonight. If I render an opinion, only you can decide if you want to make it public or not," Fried said.

Pope also questioned if JCK engineers overstepped their authority

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### Bumper bowling

Pee-wees got a chance to show their skills on the lanes during Bumper Bowling at the Novi Bowl. Above, 4-year-old Eric Ramsey gets some help from instructor Frank Pepp. Re-

gistrations are still being accepted for the program and made by contacting the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

## Memo lists city's most troubled properties

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Nearly 20 percent of Novi's commercial and industrial tax base is "in trouble," according to a confidential memo sent by City Manager Edward Kriewall to the Novi City Council in July.

"It seems that our entire commercial area is in trouble save Twelve Oaks Mall and possibly West Oaks," he wrote.

Thirteen major properties with an estimated market value totaling over \$120 million have either reverted to a lending institution, have filed for bankruptcy or have "been vacant for a substantial period of time," according to the memo, which includes a report from City Assessor James Klausmeyer.

Another \$32 million worth of office and other buildings are listed as "suspect properties."

The memo indicates that the city may lose as much as 25 percent of the assessed value of these properties in the "near future. Added Kriewall, "And we thought this year's budget was tight!"

Kriewall said Monday that the memo, which was mailed anonymously to the Novi News, was kept confidential because most of the firms are challenging their tax assessments at the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

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## Anti-drug group folds its tent

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

After four years of operations, the Novi Council on Substance Abuse is disbanding.

The community support needed to keep the group going is just not there, President Pat Gilberg said Tuesday.

The council began after a first informational meeting at Holy Family Church brought out an interested crowd of 150. Shortly after that, the next meeting at the Novi Civic Center drew about 60 members.

Now, the active membership has dwindled down to Gilberg, Barbara Vanderhoff and Judy

Maxwell. Three is not enough to put it all together, Gilberg said.

"All the support in the world and all the endorsements and all the people saying 'go to it, go to it,' doesn't mean we can do it unless we have help to do it," she explained.

"We do not have the volunteers. We do not have the commitment we need from the people in the community. Three people can't run a community group."

Gilberg said attrition is a reality for community organizations: "Everybody has too much on their plates."

The group's remaining funds will be sent to the Novi Police Department's decoy program,

which aims to uncover local liquor stores which are selling to minors.

One of the Novi Council on Substance Abuse's biggest projects was an annual, community-wide Red Ribbon campaign. About 20,000 red ribbons — which signify support for drug and alcohol-free youth — were distributed each October.

This event is being taken over by students in the Novi Middle School Quest classes, Gilberg said. The schools will hold their own Red Ribbon day Friday, but the campaign won't be extended to local churches and businesses as it was in the

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## Novi court plans eyed by county

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

A county board of commissioners subcommittee will evaluate two Novi locations for a new 52-1 District Court — both on Grand River Avenue — and report back in 30 days.

This is a coup of sorts for Novi, which has been trying to block maneuvers by Wixom and Walled Lake officials to bring the new courthouse to their cities.

It's also another slowdown of the site and builder selection process, which has been pending for about a year.

"They've delayed it another 30 days," Novi City Manager Edward Kriewall summed up.

The subcommittee was set up by the board's planning and building committee, after county staff recommended the two sites. One developer who will be interviewed by the subcommittee is R.G. Dryden Associates of Utica, which would like to place the courthouse on land at Grand

River Avenue and Beck Road, just north of Providence Hospital.

The second in the running is the St. Clair Shores-based John M. Olson Company, which propose a site at the southwest corner of Taft Road and Grand River Avenue.

The county would lease the building. Current state law requires the most populous community within a district to get the courthouse — in this case, Novi.

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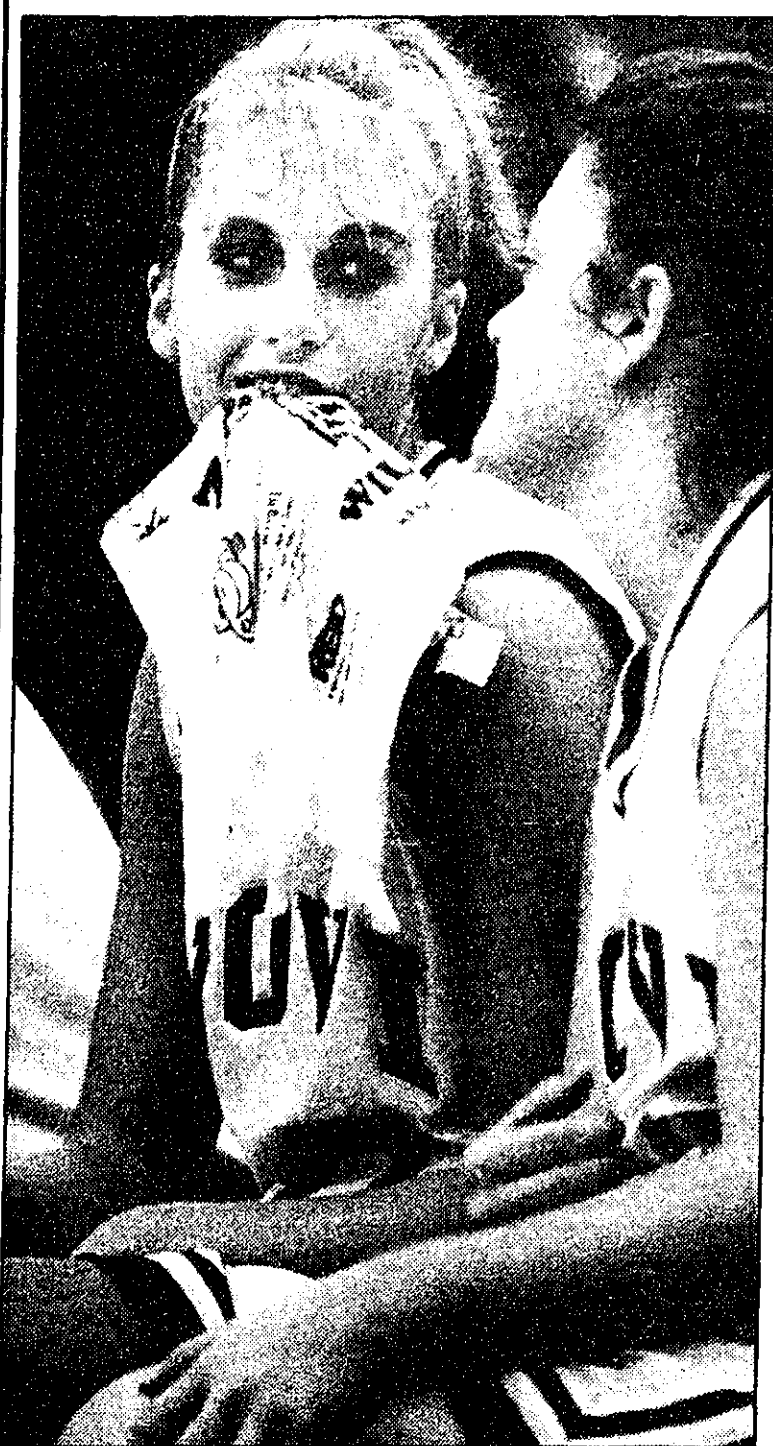


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### Hunger

Basketball sure can work up an appetite, according to Novi High School player Kelley Barton. Is it that the team is hungry for a win? In any case, Barton was caught on film with a towel clenched in her teeth during a recent game. The team is 4-4 for the season. More details appear in the sports section.

## Paper's work cited by national organization

The Novi News won two awards in the Suburban Newspaper Association's 1992 Editorial Contest — a second place for special sections and a third place in the breaking news category.

The Suburban Newspaper Association, based in Chicago, is an organization comprised of daily and weekly newspapers across the United States and throughout Canada. Awards given in the SNA editorial contest were announced last Friday in Bloomington, Minn., during the association's annual conference.

The Novi News placed second in the special sections category for its 1991 "Michigan '50s Festival" tabloid section. The contest judged entries published from July 1991 through June 1992. The tab was, in

essence, a program guide to the annual '50s Festival in Novi. The entire Novi News staff participated in the production of the section, which featured a four-color cover photo and other photos by Bryan Mitchell. Articles were written by Jan Jeffres, Mike Tyree, Cristina Ferrer, Suzanne Hollyer, Rick Byrne, Bob Needham and Mike Malott. Graphics and photos were contributed by Chris Boyd.

The Novi News earned a third place in the breaking news category with its coverage of the tanker crash on the expressway at the Meadowbrook overpass last November, entitled "1-96 Inferno." Stories included in that entry were written by Jeffres and Scott Daniel. Photos were by Bryan Mitchell. Graphics were by Angela Predhomme.

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## Community Calendar

Today, October 1

**Novi schools:** The Novi schools Board of Education will meet in regular session in the Educational Services Building.

**Taste of Novi:** Delight in samples from your favorite restaurants at the seventh annual Taste of Novi which will be held at the Hotel Baronet from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$13.50 and \$11 for seniors and are available at the Novi Chamber of Commerce.

Friday, October 2

**Novi High School:** There will be a half day of school with dismissal at 10:25 a.m. The Homecoming Parade will be held at 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 3

**Homecoming Dance:** The Novi High School Homecoming Dance will be held in the Commons from 6-9 p.m.

Sunday, October 4

**Picnic Fund-Raiser:** The University Club of Northville and the U-M Health Center at Northville are cosponsoring the First Annual Picnic Fund-Raiser at 12 noon at Maybury State Park. Running 5K of Novi is organizing a 10K run and a 2 mile walk. Early registration is \$10. Registration after September 25 is \$12. This entire event is open to all. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own picnic lunch and beverages. Charcoal and grills will be provided. There will be free entertainment and games. Proceeds go to the U-M Alumni Scholarship Fund.

Monday, October 5

**Village Oaks PTO (VOICE):** The Village Oaks PTO will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Oaks School Library on Willowbrook Road.

**Blood Pressure Screening:** Family Home Care, Inc. in conjunction with Novi Drugs is offering free blood pressure screening at Novi Drugs, 24025 Meadowbrook Road, from 3-7 p.m.

**City Council:** The Novi City Council will meet at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

**Voter Registration:** Today is the last day to register to vote in the general election.

Tuesday, October 6

**Novi Chorales:** The Novi Chorales practice at 7:30 p.m. in the vocal music room of the Novi Middle School. For more information about the group, call Diane Miller at 348-3398.

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

**Board of Appeals:** The Novi Board of Appeals will meet at 7:30 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.

**Living Trust Seminar:** The Novi Senior Citizens Center is sponsoring a seminar which will be led by financial expert, Paul Leduc. The discussion will be held from 1-3 p.m. at the Novi Senior Center. For more information, call 347-0414. The event is free and open to the entire community.

**Novi Jaycees:** The Novi Jaycees will hold a membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Jaycee House on Sixthgate.

Wednesday, October 7

**Athletic Boosters:** The Novi High School Athletic Boosters Club will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in room 107 of the high school.

**Planning Commission:** The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

**Good Morning Novi:** The Novi Chamber of Commerce breakfast series presents Sheldon Levine, Exercise Physiologist, TRACC, who will speak on Risk Factor Reduction at 7:30 a.m. at the Country Epicure Restaurant. Admission is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members.

Thursday, October 8

**Parks meeting:** The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Monday, October 12

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

**Library Board:** The Novi Library Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi library building.

Tuesday, October 13

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**Camera Club:** The Novi Camera Club meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. For more information, call Hugh Crawford at 349-5079.

Wednesday, October 14

**Seniors potluck:** The Novi Senior Citizens will gather at noon in the Novi Civic Center for their monthly potluck luncheon.

**Youth baseball:** The board of directors of Novi Youth Baseball meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting is open to the public.

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

Thursday, October 15

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

Monday, October 19

**Arts Council:** The Novi Arts Council Executive Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

**City Council:** The Novi City Council is scheduled to meet in regular session at 8 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Tuesday, October 20

**Novi Chorales:** The Novi Chorales practice at 7:30 p.m. in the vocal music room of the Novi Middle School. For more information about the group, call Diane Miller at 348-3398.

**Garden Club:** The Novi Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

**Players rehearsal:** The Novi Players, a community theater group, rehearse from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Tuesday, October 27

**Novi Chorales:** The Novi Chorales practice at 7:30 p.m. in the vocal music room of the Novi Middle School. For more information about the group, call Diane Miller at 348-3398.

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

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Wednesday, October 28

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

**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.

Wednesday, October 21

**Planning Commission:** The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

### Senior Homecoming Court

The senior class of 1992 selected 10 homecoming courtiers. Pictured here are Bob Gdowski, Norman Norgren, Paul Roma, Jason Everett, Jeff Thrush, Ryan Goldsmith, Kelly Hewitt, Colleen Fitzpatrick, Colleen Duffy, Leah Roma and Shelle Clark. Congratulations!

### Homecoming times are changed

The times, they are a'changing. Norman Norgren said, note of the time. The dance, which will cap off a week of homecoming activities going on right now at the high school, will be held Saturday, Oct. 3, from 6-9 p.m. at NHS, will begin and end at new times, Student Activities Director Novy High School will have a half school day on Friday, Oct. 2, to allow time for a slew of homecoming fun, including a school assembly and annual homecoming parade.

## Electrical transmission line falls on house for third time

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Sunday was electric with excitement for Park Ridge Court homeowners — and not just because they could see President Bush from their backyard as his campaign train rolled by.

In the wee hours of the morning — for the third time in 18 months — a high-voltage Detroit Edison power line extending over three homes there snapped.

A similar incident in March 1991 caused \$30,000 in destruction when one of the Park Ridge Court homes was energized by the line. When the line fell again during the record-breaking July 1991 thunderstorm, an air conditioning unit in the same home was damaged.

In that time, Paul's son Michael, holding pieces of grass and soil that had been fused into glass by the fallen power line, had his photo in the Novi News. Some neighbors said they were using the stuff for paper weights.

The family was briefly trapped in the home, afraid to touch the aluminum screen door for fear of electrocution. The line went down again during the record-breaking thunderstorm of July, 1991.

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"Since last July, a number of times when we had storms, we have actually gotten prepared to leave the house," Paul said.

Novi firefighters remained on the scene Sunday guarding the damaged line until a Detroit Edison worker arrived. The fire department marked off the area with yellow caution tape.

Paul said that after a two-year battle in the late 1980s she had succeeded in convincing Edison to move the power line several feet farther from the homes. But she feels it's still too close for comfort.

"The funny thing is one of the firemen that was here (Sunday), he recalled how he'd been here the first time. It's upsetting to have this happen three times," she said.

"I don't believe lightning strikes three times in the same spot. It didn't hit either pole but the line snapped in the middle."

Rita Paull  
Resident

The firm has already installed shields to protect the lines from lightning, he added.

In March 1991, \$30,000 worth of damage was done to the Bealor family home next door to the Pauls when it was electrified by the downed line. Nails popped, live fires broke out under the aluminum siding, water mains were punctured.

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# Filer regrets false insurance report

Novi Police are seeking a warrant against a man who allegedly admitted to filing a phony police report and insurance claim for a stolen stereo and radar detector.

According to police reports, the suspect filed the claim in August, stating that someone broke into his 1981 Pontiac Trans Am and stole the stereo while parked at Twelve Oaks Mall.

Police reported at the time that there was no sign of forced entry to the vehicle. The insurance claim amounted to \$241.35.

On Sept. 19, a security officer at Twelve Oaks Mall contacted police because the same vehicle was parked in the lot, and the missing items had been replaced with what looked to be the exact same ones that were reported stolen.

The suspect reportedly gave conflicting stories to police, who later confronted him about the items. Officers continued to investigate the incident for several days, until Sept. 23 when the suspect contacted police on his own.

On that day, police report, the suspect came into the station and confessed to making the false report and insurance claim. According to reports, the suspect told police he wanted to confess because "it was a very stupid thing to do," that he is "very sorry" and "wants to reimburse the insurance company and make amends."

Police said the suspect has no previous criminal record.

**ASSAULT AND BATTERY:** A woman contacted Novi Police Sept. 27 after a male acquaintance invited her to his hotel room then wouldn't let her leave.

According to police reports, both of them were at a wedding reception in the hotel that evening and, after it

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was over, the man invited her to his hotel room for drinks.

The woman told police that she went to the room and later decided to leave. At that point, she said, the man threw her down on one of the beds and she had to fight her way out of the room.

There were no witnesses to the incident.

**INDECENT EXPOSURE:** A shopper in the Lori's Hallmark store in the West Oaks shopping plaza reported Sept. 27 that, as she was walking through the aisles, she came face-to-face with a man who was masturbating.

The woman then walked over to a sales clerk and told her to call the police. At that point the man ran out of the store and left in a white van that had no license plates. The vehicle was last seen heading south on Novi Road.

The suspect was described as a 25-year-old white male with dirty brown, collar-length hair. He is about six feet tall and weighs about 175. He was last seen wearing skin-tight black jeans and a white T-shirt that was knotted on one side.

**INJURY ACCIDENT:** A Novi police officer witnessed an accident on Ten Mile Sept. 26 that involved an alleged drunk driver.

According to police reports, a 31-year-old Romulus man in a 1989 Ford Taurus was traveling west on Ten Mile near Courtland Boulevard at a high rate of speed, and never slowed down to avoid hitting the second vehicle, a 1992 Ford Taurus, as it

turned onto eastbound Ten Mile from Courtland Lane.

Police said that, under normal speeds, the driver of the second vehicle would have been able to safely complete the turn. There were reportedly no skid marks or other evidence to show the Romulus man ever tried to avoid hitting the second vehicle.

The Romulus man, when questioned by police, reportedly had slurred speech and a very strong minty odor on his breath. He subsequently failed a blood-alcohol test and was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor (OUIL).

The man insisted that his high blood-alcohol reading was due to some breath spray he had used just before the accident. He was later transported to Providence Hospital for further blood-alcohol tests, but results of those tests were unavailable at press time.

The driver and passenger in the second vehicle were also transported to Providence, where they were treated and released. Police reported heavy damage to both vehicles.

**CONCEALED WEAPON:** Novi police contacted a boot thief that was reportedly hidden within reach of a passenger in a 1992 Jeep Cherokee stopped on Ten Mile Sept. 23.

The vehicle, which contained four passengers, reportedly crossed the center line on Ten Mile four times before police stopped them.

An officer approached the vehicle on the passenger side and saw the knife "in back of the front passenger seat, easily accessible to the rear passenger who also had his cigarettes

there."

Police confiscated the knife and issued a verbal warning to the driver.

**STOLEN TRUCK:** A moving van was reportedly stolen from the parking lot of Suburban Rent-It on Sept. 27. According to police reports, the customer who rented the truck dropped it off at 7:30 a.m., with the keys in the ash tray.

The truck was later discovered missing.

**ATTEMPTED AUTO THEFT:** The owner of a 1990 Cadillac Fleetwood reported Sept. 24 that someone stole two hubcaps and a hood ornament, and attempted to use a key to start the car.

The remains of the key were found broken off in the ignition.

**STOLEN VEHICLE:** Novi police arrested a Dearborn man Sept. 25 for possession of a stolen vehicle and stolen license plates.

According to reports, an officer stopped him for speeding on Novi Road and, through a computer check, discovered the vehicle and plates were stolen.

**STOLEN TRUCK:** A 1978 GMC stake truck was reported stolen from the Greenwood Oaks construction site Sept. 21. It later was found parked on Nantuxet Drive.

According to police reports, the vehicle was stolen from the site some time between 2 and 8 a.m. An officer on routine patrol on Nantuxet discovered the truck and ran it through the computer system because one of the windows on it was broken.

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

## Novi Briefs

**Plant a tree:** The following trees are again being offered for sale at wholesale prices through the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. The trees will be available for pick up behind the Novi Civic Center or will be delivered to your home. The tree will be placed next to a hole dug by you. Among the trees offered for sale are Norway Maple, 10 foot, \$125; Sugar Maple, 10 foot, \$155; Little Leaf Linden, 10 foot, \$145; Honey Locust, 10 foot, \$150; Austrian Pine, 5-6 foot, \$120; and Colorado Spruce, 4-5 foot, \$110. Select from one of the following delivery dates: Wednesday, Oct. 21 or Saturday, Oct. 24 from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400. The deadline for placing orders is Thursday, Oct. 16.

**A tree grows in Novi:** Two barren local boulevards will be sprouting significant new growth all over, thanks to a three-way collaboration between Village Oaks subdivision, the City of Novi and Global ReLeaf.

On Oct. 10 at 1 p.m., about 18 trees will be planted on Cranbrook and Village Wood boulevards, Village Oaks resident Bill Thiele said.

The city is providing the holes and the professional consulting services of its forester, Chris Pargoff. Global ReLeaf came up with a grant and Village Oaks drew from its own treasury to match the sum.

Thiele said one spin-off effect of the project is the good example it will set to other Novi subdivisions, who may want to make a pitch for tree-planting grants of their own. Village Oaks will be cultivating a grand total of 42 new trees.

**4-H round-up:** If you're a school-age kid and you're interested in joining the Novi Adventurers, the first meeting this year is on Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Tollgate 4-H Education Center, 28115 Meadowbrook Road.

For more information, call Gretchen Opperman at 348-4949.

**Optimists officers named:** The Novi Optimist Club is holding installation of Officers for 1992-93 on Thursday evening, Nov. 17 at Mal-sano's Restaurant, 26139 N. Rd. Accepting the president's gavel will be longtime Optimist member Donald Ponto and sharing the vice president's chairs for the new year are Craig Klavan and Bev Gilbert.

Secretary/treasurer for 1992-93 is Jerry Shuman and on the board of directors are John O'Brien, Jim Klausmeyer, Ladd Carleton, Larry Splaine, Karen Bartholomew and Donna Hadden.

The evening's speaker is the Optimist Lieutenant Governor for Michigan Zone 27, Region 4, Novi member Dave Vincent. Scott Adams is master of ceremonies for the installation dinner with a special tribute to Past President Kathy Crawford.

At the Sept. 10 meeting of the Novi club it was voted to donate money to the Optimist Clubs of South Florida and Louisiana to help in their programs assisting victims of Hurricane Andrew. The Hurricane Assistance Fund was organized by Optimists International.

# Novi residents see Bush on back of train

Don't blink, but the president just passed through Novi.

A crowd of about 100 turned out Sunday at the Ten Mile Road CSX railroad crossing to wave President George Bush and his second wife, Barbara, as they rode past on their whistle-stopping way from

Plymouth to Wixom.

Everybody was looking into the train windows, anticipating the campaigning couple would be inside, observed George Bush, who was seen waving to the crowd from the back of the train. The Bushes gave Novi a big wave, and for Barbara it was a return visit. She

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# Bloody brawl sends two to the hospital

Witnesses told police that Moreland then approached Crawford and again told him to leave, then the two men started walking toward the back of the shop, still arguing and exchanging threats.

Crawford then allegedly pulled out the knife and Moreland grabbed a steel pipe. Crawford lunged at Moreland and slashed him across the neck, causing a severe gash, witnesses said.

Crawford then allegedly ran away and Moreland staggered in surprise, then began to chase him while still losing blood. Moreland reportedly managed to catch up with Crawford and struck him in the head with the pipe.

At that point, other employees pulled the two men apart, administered first aid and detained Crawford until officers arrived on the scene shortly after.

Moreland was transported to Boisford Hospital where he was taken into emergency surgery for the cut on his neck. Crawford was arrested at the scene and transported to Providence Hospital where he was treated and released, then booked and jailed in Novi.

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# PTOs declare firm support for bond issue

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

Teachers, principals and representatives of the Novi Community School District's parent/teacher organizations expressed firm support for the proposed \$31.9 million bond issue when the board of education decided to put the issue to voters.

Although the date is not yet set in stone, most observers feel that Dec. 15 will be judgment day for the bond proposal. The board voted 6-0 (Secretary John Stretz was absent) at its Sept. 3 meeting to ask district voters to decide the matter. Many audience members spoke in favor of the bond issue, and said that current conditions in the district required its passage.

"I wanted to express my approval and support of the bond issue," said Parkview Elementary Principal Joseph Imrick. Parkview is slated for 10 additional classrooms at a total cost of over \$2.2 million if the bond proposal is passed.

"Our school is built to house about 400 students," Imrick continued, "and we're at about 460 right now. We've added two portables (classrooms) this year. We're using every bit of available space. It's going to be really really overcrowded in the near future."

Carol Pasquerelli, PTO president for Parkview, agreed. "I support the

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Carol Pasquerelli  
Parkview PTO president

board proposal in its entirety. There's no space to hold classes or to store supplies.

"The primary reason we moved to Novi," she said, "was because of its educational facilities. As a parent, I'd like to see Novi stay on the cutting edge."

District teacher Ann Cherry said the bond issue was vitally important. "We have to let people know that it is not just going to affect our kids," she said, referring to Parkview, where she teaches. "It's going to affect all of the elementaries. We'll be packing them to the pits, ultimately."

A food service employee at Novi High School spoke on behalf of the bond issue as well. "Even though my kids are out of school," Diana Gould said, "I support this, especially at the high school level." The children at attending district elementary schools included, she said, "are also going to have to use the high school in the fu-

ture. I think it's worth it. I think we should spend the money."

Journe Carmichael, a teacher at NIS with two children in the facility this year as well, said that "I'd be very happy to write that check based on the crowding we have at the high school right now."

Over \$17,500,000 of the \$31.9 million total would be spent on Novi High School if the bond passes. Improvements to the facility include physical education, science and performing arts additions, student service and food service additions, as well as renovations of existing classrooms and the auditorium. Six new tennis courts would be built and a paving program would be instituted.

Donna Tinberg, director of special education in the district, said that she was "pleased to see that these areas being addressed (by the bond) included the student services area. We're constantly scrambling for

space," Tinberg said that the effect was not a good one. "It's important that our students have a safe, predictable place to go for these services," she said. "It makes those in a difficult situation feel more comfortable."

One resident said that the board should emphasize the potential benefit to the community in general, as well as the students. If the bond issue passes, Robert Pfeiffer, a member of the city's Parks and Recreation Commission, said that, for example, "the gym additions at the high school could be made available to the public too — youths, seniors, everybody. It may help win some support" for the proposal, he said.

Village Oaks Elementary will have some \$824,000 worth of renovation if voters approve the sale of the bonds. A new roof, carpeting, air conditioning and a repaired courtyard are scheduled, Carol Elfring, president of the Village Oaks PTO, said she "strongly supported" the proposal. The improvements, she said, "will help the educational environment for the students."

"By the time my children reach the high school level," she continued, "I would hate to see overcrowded and inadequate facilities."

Board President Raymond Byers stressed the overcrowding issue at the meeting. "We've got no space at the other elementaries," he said, rail-

ing out transferring students from crowded schools elsewhere. "Either we do the 10 classrooms at Parkview or we set up to teach in the basements of people's homes."

"We're about three years away from the high school not having any space either," Byers continued. "Look at the bulge (of students) going through Novi Meadows now."

Mary Bohne, PTO president for Orchard Hills, also supported the bond proposal. Over \$1,430,000 will be spent on the elementary if the bond passes. The funds will bring new ceilings, lights, corridors, carpeting, air conditioning and other improvements, including a long-awaited link to the city's water system.

"I'm very pleased with the proposed renovations to our very antiquated school," Bohne said. She added that she was looking forward to Oct. 8, when Dr. Emmett Lippe, superintendent of schools, would speak to the Orchard Hills PTO about the bond issue. "The more they (the voters) know, the better served they'll be," Bohne added.

Novi Middle School PTO President Patricia Kortlandt said that the board should remember to discuss the possibility of another request for money with district taxpayers to build a new school in the future. "It's a big issue in selling it (the current bond issue request) to the community," Kort-

landt said, "that this isn't the last one. There will be more to come." No bond money is budgeted for Novi Middle School.

Byers said that the best estimate the board could give is "four to five years, given the rate of growth in the district" on when a new school would be needed.

Over \$1.9 million of the \$31.9 million total in the bond issue is budgeted for "site acquisition" and legal/financial fees. Other budgeted expenses include over \$7.8 million for wiring district buildings and installing computers and software and for upgrading the kitchen at Novi Meadows (\$106,000).

Byers said that the bond issue was the only logical alternative for the district. "No one who rationally thinks their way through this, who looks at the number of kids we have in the system, can say no to this," he said. "A rational person has to look at this and say 'this is the best thing for the district.'"

Byers said that "this is the largest bond ever asked for in Novi. It's a big number, and it's a little frightening, but in the larger scope of things, it's very affordable."

"This is another movement up a hill," he continued, "pushing our district, our kids and ourselves towards excellence."

Novi voters will decide if they want to mountain climb on Dec. 15.

# Mother angered by light sentence

By JAN JEFFREES  
Staff Writer

A 36-year-old man convicted of assault and battery against a 4-year-old boy was sentenced to 50 hours of community service, leaving the child's mother outraged at how the legal system works.

Novi prosecuting attorney Phil Seymour said Monday that complaints raised by the parent, Jennie Cain — who was not informed when the misdemeanor case was coming up for trial — could lead to a change in a policy requiring that assault and battery victims be notified of court dates.

Cain, a resident of Chateau Estates Mobile Home Community, says that she was never given a chance to testify that her son, Douglas, has been plagued with nightmares involving the March incident involving her next-door neighbor, David Fournier.

"Six days (of community service), big deal," Cain said last week. "Obviously, the prosecutor didn't think it was important enough for us to be there. I kept calling the court-house. They kept telling me I would be notified in the mail. They never notified me. The prosecutor never notified me."

"If this is how we treat our children, something's wrong with our system."

The assault happened in March, when Douglas was playing with Fournier's son, also 4 years old. The children were shooting bugs with air guns, Cain said, when Douglas accidentally swung around and hit the other boy in the head with the gun.

Douglas was taken home by his babysitter, Cain said, who later phoned her at work to report the outbreak.

"Dave came on into the house and yanked my son out from under a table. He came into the house and grabbed him by his feet and held him upside down and shook him, then

threw him on the couch and Doug hit his head on a piece of wood," Cain said.

Cain opted to press charges for assault and battery.

Fournier pled guilty and was sentenced Aug. 13 by Walled Lake 52-1 District Court Judge Brian McKenzie to perform the 50 hours of community service and pay \$100 in fines and court costs.

The assault and battery charge is a misdemeanor with a maximum penalty of 90 days in jail and/or a \$500 fine.

The case was taken under advisement, deputy court administrator Joyce Renfrow said. That means that after one year has expired, the judge has the option of dismissing the case.

Seymour said that to keep the volume of cases flowing, the victim is typically not apprised of the court date when the defendant has entered a guilty plea. Notification is not required by law, he added.

"She (Cain) said to me that if that had been your child you would have had him (Fournier) sent to jail. I don't have an answer to that. If she had been in court, probably the judge would have done something, that's true," Seymour said.

"It doesn't do Ms. Cain any good but we're looking at revising the procedure. . . . It hasn't been a problem in the past. We looked into it and the law didn't require it."

The Cains do not qualify for compensation under the Crime Victims Rights Act, Seymour said, because the guilty person must be charged with a crime bearing a minimum sentence of one year.

Assault with a weapon is usually referred to the Oakland County Prosecutor's office, he explained.

Cain said she is dismayed to learn that Novi has no ordinances dealing specifically with child abuse, because she doesn't think it's a case of simple assault and battery when the victim is a minor.

"He (Doug) was waking up at night crying and screaming. It Dave's around he hides," she said.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Hurricane relief

Orchard Hills Elementary students have been engaged in "Operation Andrew," gathering badly-needed supplies for Floridian hurricane victims. Left to right, Amanda Gee, 8, Matt Du-

prey, 9, Yuka Fujihira, 7, Amy Auletto, 7, Elizabeth Szlaga, 5, and Susanne Szlaga display some of the goods collected.

## Obituary

Clarence (Skip) Stupp

Clarence (Skip) Stupp Jr., 64, of Novi died Sept. 24 in his home due to cancer.

He was the husband of Novi City Clerk Geraldine Stupp.

He was born April 13, 1928, in Portland, Ind., to Clarence L. Stupp and Lillie Freyburger.

He is survived by his parents; his wife Geraldine; their children Denise Domstad of Thailand, Robin Pearce of Farmington Hills and Michelle Cain of Walled Lake; five grandchildren and two brothers.

Visitation was Saturday, Sept. 26, and Sunday, Sept. 27 at O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi.

Funeral services were held Sept. 28 at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Novi. The Rev. Gary Elfinger officiated. Interment was at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Southeastern Michigan, 16250 Northland Drive, Suite 212, Southfield, Mich. 48075.

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## Two stores busted in decoy test

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

Despite letters of warning that were mailed to liquor license holders in the City of Novi, police busted two stores Friday night for selling to an underage "decoy."

The undercover sting operation, designed to discourage stores, restaurants and bars from selling alcohol to minors, went to 12 Novi locations Sept. 25. Most didn't sell to the 18-year-old, 1992 Walled Lake Western High School graduate who was working with police.

The two that did were the Depot VI party store and Lakewood Market. Both stores are on Novi Road.

Novi Police Chief Doug Shaefler said he was glad that only two stores failed the test, "but on the other hand, I wish we could say we didn't get the two."

At least one location refused to sell to the decoy because of the warning letter.

"One made reference to the letter as to why they wouldn't sell," Shaefler said.

"In another case they recognized the officers outside, although they might have refused anyway. We don't know."

In each case, police in plain clothes waited and watched in unmarked cars in the parking lot as the decoy went into the store, picked up six-pack of beer, paid for it and left without ever being asked for identification.

"I just walked in, went back to the coolers, got the beer, put it on the counter and paid for it," said the decoy, whose identity remains confidential. "They never asked me for ID."

In both cases, the clerk who sold the beer was ticketed for selling to a

minor, and the storeowner was cited for a liquor license violation.

He said the sting operation hit bars as well as stores, and each time he entered the bar alone. He was unsuccessful at purchasing alcohol in any of them.

"I'd go up to the bar and say, 'I'm just waiting for my girlfriend, but give me a beer while I wait.' They said 'Do you have ID?' and I said 'No.'"

The decoy, who worked strictly on a volunteer basis, agreed with previous police statements that there was no attempt to "trick" liquor license holders into selling to him.

There was no sneakiness, no lying," he said. "I just dressed like a kid, in jeans and a T-shirt. If they asked me my age, I told them."

In fact, police reports indicate that the decoy was stripped of all identification and money before the operation began. Police provided him with

a \$20 bill to use for the beer purchases.

"Pictures were taken of the decoy before and after the operation and are on file," the report states. "The decoy never engaged in conversation with (salesclerks) and never produced false ID. Further, he never told the clerk he was 21 and was never asked."

The sting operation lasted until 2 a.m., but the decoy said he would do it again if asked.

"I'm going into law enforcement, so I guess it was good practice," he said. Shaefler said the sting operation will, indeed, continue.

"We will be visiting the other (locations) some time in the future, and we will be visiting those that sold and those that did not sell again."

In addition, he said, they plan to use a wide variety of decoys—males, females, and various groups.

## Library Notes

**Register for fall activities:** Registration begins today for a number of activities at the Novi library this fall. Register in person or by phone for the following:

■ Plate Day, Saturday, Oct. 10 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, Oct. 13 and Wednesday, Oct. 14, 4-5 p.m. Children of all ages are invited to decorate a colorful plate of their own design. Sessions last 30 minutes each; limit one plate per child. Cost is \$3 per plate, payable at the time of the session. Plates will be ready in time for Christmas.

■ The Tortoise and the Hare Preschool Program, Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Space is limited for this hands-on learning experience featuring exotic animals from the Special Survival Center of Saline. The free program is geared to preschoolers who must attend with a parent or caregiver.

Call the library at 349-0720 to register for these exciting programs. Activity flyers listing additional upcoming fall events are available at the library.

## Drug abuse foes to close shop

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"It means more coming from the kids instead of a group of adults telling them here's a ribbon, wear it. I'm so pleased this is happening," Gilberg said.

"You have no idea how many mornings I've stayed up until two o'clock and three o'clock cutting ribbons."

The Novi Council on Substance Abuse started out of the fundraising with an annual D.A.R.E. to CARE dinner, which raised in the past four years over \$10,000 for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program led by the police department. After the first year, the Novi Optimists sponsored the event.

As Gilberg sees it, the biggest threat to local teens is drink rather than drugs. The group first got together because parents were hearing tales of teens overindulging in liquor at unsupervised parties.

"The people I was working with were part of a larger core group of parents concerned about stores and rumors that kids were getting drunk that parties were going on in a



PATRICIA GILBERG

lot of private homes and public places. The stores were downright scary," she said.

As a safe alternative, the council provided financial support for the

Novi High School's senior all-night parties.

Another way the group helped take the sting of danger out of this exciting time in the high school year was through Project Safe Graduation. Members wrote local liquor stores and hotels, telling them the date of the senior prom and graduation and urging the business owners to be vigilant about not serving minors or renting them rooms for hotel parties.

But one of the most gratifying roles the organization played, Gilberg said, was offering a support and information service for parents of substance-abusing children.

"They could call and know they're not alone. I can't begin to count the number of times my phone has rung with a mom or a dad in tears, saying, 'We're in a crisis, what do I do with my kid? ... He's passed out on the couch. Help me please.' We let them know we had a crisis of our own," Gilberg said.

"Mostly, I let them vent."

Now, she says she doesn't know who will take these often late night telephone calls.

The Novi Council on Substance Abuse was patterned after similar organizations in nearby communities. Including the Northville Action Council and West Bloomfield Families in Action.

Gilberg won city council support for a concept which called for parents to pledge not to serve minors alcohol. These names would then be placed for parental reference in a register of "safe homes." This project has fallen by the wayside.

"That's going to die before we ever get it together. We never had the manpower to do it. That's the one thing I wanted to do most," she said.

Gilberg says she hopes the Novi Council on Substance Abuse can be revived in the future, if the interest is out there.

It's a big job build a community organization, she said, and it takes plenty of volunteer hours.

"A new group forming like that needs to put out some roots. It takes time to build up a network of support in the community. I guess a lot of people did want everything to happen immediately — let's jump on the bandwagon and go 20 miles per hour," Gilberg added.

## Two Novi court sites in running at county

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The state Senate Judiciary Committee was scheduled to review today a bill which could change all that. Introduced by State Rep. Barbara Dobb, R-Commerce Township, who represents both Walled Lake and Wixom, it would give counties full power to select a courthouse site. The bill has already been approved by the state house of representatives.

Novi has hired a lobbyist to help the city block this bill. The newly-appointed District Court Citizens Support Committee also met with the state senate judiciary committee last week. Co-Chair Ernest Aruffo said. Kriewall is the other co-chair of the council-appointed citizens group.

"We had a very favorable meeting," Aruffo said, adding that the committee asked Novi about the traffic levels, a concern which has been raised by police chiefs from outlying communities in the court district.

Aruffo said the Novi representatives told the committee the Haggerty Connector should alleviate any traffic problems.

"We've had very little action from our community up to this point. Now, I'm getting the word back that some of the senators are saying if there's a problem here, I don't want

to have anything to do with it," he said.

"I feel it could be bottled in the judiciary committee until after the election."

While representatives from Wixom and Walled Lake lobbied the county Tuesday for the specific sites in their community — Novi's representatives didn't stump for any individual location, Aruffo said.

"The other bids have been disqualified because according to the law, they should have been in Novi," Aruffo said.

He says he isn't sure how to call the outcome.

"I've had some very good vibes; I've had some very bad vibes. It's like determining who's going to be the next president," he added.

Novi has more voters, more police cases and more litigation than the other district communities, he added.

This is the second time the county sought competitive proposals for the project. Originally, designs for a four-courtroom building with capacity for a fifth courtroom were requested. This has since been cut back by one courtroom.

The first set of bids, which was revealed in April, included 10 proposals for a courthouse in Novi and one each in Walled Lake and Wixom.

## South Hill regains back pay from city

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by agreeing to move the main into Mystic Forest as an alternative to a threatened land condemnation lawsuit. To save a stand of trees, the Mystic Forest developers said they would not grant the Novi Road easement without a court fight. The city engineers say they agreed to bypass the trees to save the Novi money in legal fees.

While Fried contends the decision to reroute the main should have been left to the city council, he stuck by his conclusion that JCK had not violated the city charter, any local ordinances or state laws.

"They made the decision so they could avoid litigation for the city. Is that a proper role for a city engineer?" Pope asked. "Explain to me when the consulting engineers usurped the legislative power of council, why that is not a violation of charter?"

"I don't see that the legislative power was usurped by JCK when they rerouted it," Fried said.

He said the engineers thought it was an engineering decision. Fried added that he has not yet determined if there was a breach of fiduciary relationship between the city and the consultants.

While Cassis continued to call for an investigation of the project by an outside engineer, the council didn't take action on this.

Council Member Robert Schmid suggested they should wait for the completion of a financial report from Department of Public Services Director Anthony Nowicki.

Fried is also looking into several of Toth's queries. The engineers' design for the rerouted water main shows the blueprints for the not-yet-approved Mystic Forest subdivision.

Toth wondered if this implied the city had legally accepted the plan.

Toth also questioned the impact of the loss of one fire hydrant along Novi Road due to the veering main.

"I believe firefighting service in this area may be compromised," he said. Cassis reiterated a position taken by John Donohue, a municipal attorney she retained to investigate the water main issue. Donohue contends that the city would have acquired the Novi Road easement from Mystic Forest during the plan approval process — rather than resorting to condemnation.

Fried disagreed with this assessment.

"I don't know what would have happened if Mystic Forest would have come forward and said if you approve my plan I'll give you this right of way. Most likely, the council would have thrown him out on his ear and said we don't approve plans as a condition for gaining easements," he said.

Cassis remained doubtful: "I'm not at all convinced that these easements had to be procured."

"You're trying to establish that the main was not for looping, it was for subterfuge. You're saying the real purpose was to get water to adjacent properties. I'll never know if it's true or not true," Fried told her.

Speaking for South Hill, Lee said the developers already had the water taps they needed from the state health department — which has imposed a moratorium on most new mains — and could have accessed an existing water line.

Donohue suggested that the city could have had the developers help finance the 16-inch main construction.

"They didn't need the 16 inch line. They could not be compelled to pay for it. That kind of extortion upon a developer ought to be addressed quite conscientiously by the board if they have an interest in maintaining their responsibility as a chartered city," Lee said.



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## Businesses in trouble, memo says

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"This was all known or predicted during the budget process," he said.

The troubled properties on Kriewall's list and their market values are:

■ The River Oaks Apartments on Novi Road, with an estimated market value of \$17 million.

■ The former Dobbs Furniture Store, a vacant building at the corner of Novi Road and Twelve Mile Road, with an estimated market value of \$4 million.

■ The Novi Hilton, which has been taken over by the lending institution, \$12 million.

■ Pavilion Court Apartments, at Nine Mile and Haggerty roads, \$16 million.

■ Mohawk Building, which was vacant for four years, \$8 million. The Novi Expo Center is now leasing the building.

■ Day Development Property, vacant land, \$4 million.

■ Land on Novi Road north of Twelve Mile Road, owned by developer Henry Sassoon, and listed as being in default on a land contract, \$1 million.

■ The American House senior apartments on West Road, \$6 million.

■ Vacant land owned by Samuelson, planned for Orchard Hill Place offices at Eight Mile and Haggerty roads, \$8 million.

■ Novi Town Center shopping center, formerly owned by the Trammell Crow Corporation, reverted to the lender, \$28 million.

■ Lake Pointe Office Center, a former Trammell Crow property also reverted to the lender, \$8 million.

■ Industrial Research buildings owned by Trammell Crow which reverted to the lender, \$5 million.

■ Garden Office Park, also Trammell Crow holdings which reverted to the lending institution, \$5 million.

On the memo's list as "suspect properties" are the Hotel Baromette, with an estimated market value of \$12 million; Brookside Office Park, \$3 million; and Crystal Glen office park at Eight Mile and Haggerty roads, \$18 million.

In addition, also off the tax rolls is Providence Hospital's \$10.4 million medical complex in Novi. Providence

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# Officials query direction of city development

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

While economic doldrums are slowing commercial and industrial development in Novi, residential housing is booming, say two city officials. The key to Novi's future, both add, is balancing the two properly.

"The current economy has killed the office and industrial type developments," said City of Novi Manager Edward Kriewall. "The only thing that hasn't affected is the single family houses. They're very strong now. Novi's experiencing very rapid development in that area, even with the economic downturn."

Kriewall said that the dropoff in industrial/commercial is healthier in one sense because it requires less services. "There was too little business development, as opposed to residential growth, in the city now, he added. "You need to have a good balance of your tax base gets out of whack," he said.

A slowdown in subdivision building may occur in three or four years, Kriewall speculated, due to the city's ability to provide needed services, especially water. "Perhaps when we run out of water and sewer services," he said, "things will slow down." He added that the city would not take steps to slow down residential development, such as rezoning, calling it "unwarranted."

City Council member Timothy Pope disagreed somewhat with Kriewall on the state of development. "I think that at this time, it's going about the right pace," he said. "Two years ago, it was moving faster than it should have. Now, with the water

for people to live and work. The Novi Town Center," he added, "isn't a vision of what a downtown is."

The Novi Expo Center, he said, could be a source of major economic benefit to the community. Pope said he could see a "spin-off effect" from the center — commercial development that would be positive. Restaurants and hotels could be built to accommodate those who will use the center, he said.

Recreation options were something the city must look closely at, both agreed. The city's Parks and Recreation Commission has been working in conjunction with citizens to study the possibility of an ice arena or community pool facility in Novi. Both said that the citizen will be best studied. Kriewall said that "it remains to be seen if our citizens will support it financially. That's the big question mark."

Pope said the financial issue was equally true of the city's efforts to acquire more parkland. "Four times in the last 10 years," he said, "city voters have turned down a tax increase to buy and maintain parkland. So, the council decided we should save the money, like any homeowner, until we had enough to do it." Pope added that the city had been considering parkland purchases very seriously for the last six to eight months.

Kriewall said that buying land now is the only fiscally responsible way to go. "If we don't acquire some serious parkland soon," he said, "it'll be out of reach in a few years."

drain on services." The problem, he said, was that residential areas provide a lesser tax base than business areas, which puts a big dent in funds available for city services.

Neither Kriewall nor Pope support tax abatements as the carrot to attract business to Novi. "I don't support it philosophically," Kriewall said. "There are some isolated projects that may be worthy of it, but those you have to look at on a one-to-one basis."

Pope said he was "absolutely opposed" to abatements. "In the south-eastern Michigan area, it's a game of shuffle," he said. "Businesses are shuffling from one suburb to another for the abatements." The business leave when the abatement does, Pope said, and go on to the next community. "The purpose of the abatement is to attract business from outside the area and get it to stay," Pope said, and added that the current process isn't doing that.

"The town center" concept for Novi, both agreed, posed some questions about how to achieve the dream of a downtown in the city. "The south-east quadrant of the area is the best opportunity for a downtown," said Kriewall. "You might come closer there, but with the parking requirements, you'll never get a Northville or a Plymouth there when you're done."

Novi is at least five years away from major developments in the town center area, Pope said. "There are some possibilities for a downtown, but it depends on the economy." He added that he wanted to see part of the town center area develop as residential. "A town center is not just an area of economic activity," he said. "It's a place

## Growth and Development

The Novi News recently asked readers for their views on growth and development in the Novi area and 130 responded to this portion of the survey. The results of those queries are as follows:

Would you agree or disagree with the following statements: Development is occurring too rapidly in Novi and the city should seek to slow down the rate of development here.

Agree 95 Disagree 35

Novi should seek to develop as a residential community only.

Agree 43 Disagree 57

Novi should seek to develop enough commercial/industrial/office business to meet the consumer needs of Novi residents.

Agree 103 Disagree 27

Novi should seek to develop enough commercial/industrial/office business to create a tax base sufficient to support schools and local government services.

Agree 102 Disagree 28

Novi should seek to develop enough commercial/industrial/office business to provide employment for all Novi residents.

Agree 29 Disagree 95

Novi should seek to develop as a regional business center.

Agree 33 Disagree 87

A stated goal of City Council has been the creation of a downtown-like town center area for the city. Do you support the creation of a town center area as an appropriate goal for the city?

Yes 77 No 53

Do you believe Novi's town center adequately fulfills that purpose?

Yes 56 No 70

The town center area is an estimated 40 percent complete, according to city officials. Do you favor its completion?

Yes 77 No 47

Do you support the creation/opening of the Novi Expo Center in the town center area?

Yes 82 No 34

# Residents want growth of community slowed

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

And the survey says . . . Novi is developing too fast, say readers who responded to a recent Novi News survey. Most of them believe Novi shouldn't be a solely residential community and want a downtown, but think that the current town center doesn't fulfill the purpose.

Ninety-five respondents agreed with the following statement: "Development is occurring too rapidly in Novi and the city should seek to slow down the rate of development here." Only 35 respondents disagreed.

Eighty-five people felt Novi should not try to develop as a solely residential community, while 43 felt it

should. Novi should seek enough commercial/industrial/office development to meet the consumer needs of residents, 103 respondents agreed to only 27 who disagreed.

A large majority of those who answered the survey felt that Novi should acquire enough businesses to create a tax base sufficient to support the school system and provide local governmental services. In all, 102 respondents agreed with that idea, to only 29 who did not. Ninety-five respondents, however, disagreed with the following statement: "Novi should seek to develop enough C/I/O business to provide employment for all Novi residents." Twenty-nine respondents agreed with that statement.

A minority of those who answered the survey felt Novi should try to develop itself as a regional business center, by a vote of 33 agreeing and 87 disagreeing.

"A stated goal of the City Council,"

who responded to the survey were like James Utley, who said that Novi needed "parks, greenbelt areas, and a central point to identify with." The construction of a teen center to provide activities for the city's younger set was a frequent response as well. Volunteer committees set up by the City Parks and Recreation Commission have in recent months been closely studying two ideas for a recreation center. One committee presented its report on a two-rink ice arena to the City Council on Sept. 21. The arena would cost between \$4 million and \$6 million. The other committee is investigating the possibility of a municipal pool facility in Novi, and will present its findings to the Council soon.

Sidewalks and bicycle paths were other improvements many respondents called for. Several called for a river walk near the Novi Town Center shopping development. Some cited the need for a bandshell like the City of Northville's. Increasing the amount of senior housing in the city was mentioned, particularly among older respondents. Two people called for a downtown fountain, another for an outdoor cafe. A convention center or arena, even an amphitheater, that would be a separate facility from the Expo Center was mentioned.

The Novi Expo Center received a fair amount of support, with 82 respondents saying they supported the idea, while 34 said they did not.

## Legislators consider 4 stalking law proposals

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

Four anti-stalking bills are likely to reach Gov. John Engler's desk in time to benefit both sides of the political aisle on election day.

Stalking is defined as "malicious harassment which causes substantial mental suffering or distress." It most often occurs in a husband-wife breakup.

The state House of Representatives last week adopted two bills by Rep. Dianne Byrum, a Democrat from Ingham County. She's in a tough re-election battle against the father of Engler's press secretary.

On the House floor, the bills were pushed by House Judiciary chair Perry Bullard, D-Ann Arbor, who is in a tough campaign for district judge.

House Bill 4532 creates the crime of stalking and provides for a one-year jail term and fine of \$1,000. HB 6025 would allow a warrantless arrest of someone violating an anti-stalking court order. They sailed through the House Thursday on 103-0 votes.

But the House held up action on Senate Bill 619 by Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville, creating the crime of "aggravated stalking," a five-year felony.

The bill sat in Bullard's committee since the Senate passed it in May and was reported out only last week.

Geake is in a tough campaign battle for U.S. Congress.

Geake was unperturbed that the House failed to vote on his bill. "They want the bills to come out together," he said.

Meanwhile, the Senate Judiciary Committee reported out the fourth bill in the package — Geake's SB 1095 would allow civil lawsuits for damages caused by stalking and allow victims to obtain court orders against the stalker.

"This creates the new tort of stalking. It allows exemplary damages, court costs and reasonable attorney fees," Geake told the panel.

"Victims of domestic violence are a big percentage of the victims of stalking," said Kathy Hagenian of Safe House in Ann Arbor. "They have no remedy until the stalker takes action."

"There are 27,000 domestic crimes a year," said Kate Young of the state Department of Social Services. "They often occur when a victim has fled for safety. We think in the long run this bill will save lives."

The Senate Judiciary Committee reported out the bill to the Senate floor on a 3-0 vote. They are likely to be voted on this week.

Voting yes were Republicans William Van Regenmorter of Jenison, Dan DeGrow of Port Huron and Jon Cisky of Saginaw. Missing the vote were Democrats Virgil Smith of Detroit and John Kelly of Grosse Pointe.

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# Survey: keep small town flavor

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

## The Readers SPEAK

Many readers who responded to a recent Novi News survey said they were not satisfied with the pace and direction of development in the city. Most favored slowing it down, especially commercial and industrial development. Others favored further business growth, provided that it was carefully managed.

Respondents were asked for their thoughts on the following two questions: "To make the town center an attractive place, Novi should add a... and 'What would you name as the number one problem most in need of attention from city officials in the City of Novi?' Many used these two questions to express their specific views about development in the city.

Several residents said they were attracted to Novi as a place to live because of its "country atmosphere" and the "rural life it offers." Many identified "overdevelopment" as the number one problem facing the city.

Paving and improving roads was another major developmental goal most respondents wanted. Most favored the construction of the proposed M-5/Hungery Road connector as well, citing the need to alleviate traffic pressure.

Efficient development of existing

land and selectively in development otherwise was a goal several respondents endorsed. One resident, for example, said that such places as the Novi Town Center, attractiveness would be improved by "filling empty store fronts." He cited controlling "unnecessary growth" as a top priority for the city.

Others wanted an end to industrial and commercial development in the city. One respondent said that city officials should "stop commercial and listen to homeowners." One man said that the top concern for city officials should be to "stop unnecessary commercial/retail growth."

"Rapid development occurring too quickly," said a 26-year Novi resident, "is slowing development and more attention to residents—not big business," said another person.

"Slowing of development and more attention to residents—not big business," said another person. "The city pushed development of all types too hard, both residential and commercial. They expressed apprehension that Novi was growing more and more crowded. One response was representative of that view, criticizing what it called "overzealous land development into suburbs and industrial." The eight-year resident said he moved to Novi because of its "openness."

"We're away from the big city," said one respondent, citing what he called the best part of Novi was. The writer added that the biggest problem to face was "those who are trying to make a big city out of Novi."

"Commercial development encroaching on residential" was the top concern of one woman, who called as well for "more trees."

Another woman said that the city should proceed with development, as long as it followed a clear, well-thought-out plan.

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# Court rules against funding 'recapture'

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

Suburban school districts won half a loaf of state aid in the Michigan Supreme Court.

The high court ruled 4-3 Tuesday that the state was wrong to take away ("recapture") funds for categorical — special education, transportation for special education students, bilingual instruction, and the lunch and supplemental milk programs. The 1990 recapture cost more than 50 districts some \$72 million.

The state doesn't have to pay school districts' Social Security taxes despite a 1956 agreement. "Social Security coverage is not a state-required activity or service within the meaning of the Headlee amendment," said the high court majority.

The case was filed by Gerald Schmidt, a Warren Woods School District taxpayer and trustee. It was joined by more than 50 other plaintiffs, mostly from the metropolitan suburbs and the Lake Michigan shoreline.

Among the co-plaintiffs were the Northville and Novi school districts, as well as the Avondale, Birmingham, Farmington, Rochester, Southfield, Troy and West Bloomfield school districts in Oakland County, and the Livonia, Plymouth-Canton and South Redford school districts in Wayne County.

Reversing a bitterly contested Court of Appeals decision were Justices Patricia Boyle, James Brickley, Robert Griffin and Conrad Mallett Jr.

Dissenting — though for differing reasons — were Chief Justice Michael Cavanagh and Justices Charles Levin and Dorothy Constock Riley.

Boyle's majority reversed a 1990 decision by the Court of Appeals' then-chief judge, Robert Danhof, who dismissed the suburban districts' case. Danhof, whom the suburbs viewed as their arch-foe, retired from the bench a year ago.

The case goes back to the Court of Appeals for further proceedings. The complex decision revolves around two sections of the 1978 Headlee amendment to the Michigan Constitution.

Sec. 29 prohibits the state "from reducing the state financed proportion of the necessary costs of any existing activity or service required of units of local government. . . . A new activity or service . . . shall not be required by the legislature. . . . unless a state appropriation is made and disbursed to pay the unit of local government."

Sec. 30 requires the state to pay 41.6 percent of its budget to local units, the same proportion in effect in 1978.

Wrote Boyle: "The state is obligated to afford each unit providing the activity or service the same proportion of funding that the state provided on a statewide basis in the year that the Headlee amendment was ratified (1978)."

Voters will get the chance to see Elizabeth "Betty" Howe and L. Brooks Patterson go head-to-head after all.

Within days of saying no, debates were scheduled between the two candidates vying to be Oakland County's next executive. Republicans have announced there will be two joint discussions.

The first was scheduled for Sept. 28 at the Royal Oak American Legion Hall, while the second is slated for today (Oct. 1) sponsored by the Southfield Town Optimist Club.

"I was never ducking her," Patterson said Friday. "I've debated some of the best, including (noted attorney) F. Lee Bailey and done well. I'm certainly anxious to debate Ms. Howe."

Tom Scott, Howe's press secretary, suggested public pressure forced Patterson — and the Republicans — to debate. "Betty has received numerous invitations to debate, and accepted every one. It was Patterson who declined."

Among those organizations attempting to arrange a debate is the League of Women Voters who invited Patterson and Howe to debate at the offices of Continental Cablevision.

Debate between Patterson, the former Oakland County prosecutor, and Howe, director of the Michigan Department of Labor under Gov. James Blanchard, promises to be spirited . . . even possibly informative.

"But nobody ever wins — or loses — those things," said Patterson. "They're media events."

Oddly enough, the man Patterson hopes to succeed agrees. "Debates very seldom shed any light on the issues," according to Daniel T. Murphy, who faced numerous challengers since being elected Oakland's first county executive in 1975.



Tivoli Fair

The major annual fundraiser for the Northville Historical Society, Tivoli Fair, returned to the Northville Downs clubhouse last weekend with its traditional large crowds and variety of arti-

sans and craftspeople. Above, Ginnie Edwardson does some wheat weaving. All money the Historical Society raises at the show goes toward upkeep of Mill Race Historical Village.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

# Howe, Patterson argue over ethics

Oakland County executive candidate Elizabeth Howe, a Democrat, said recently that the Republican-dominated county board of commissioners needs an ethics lesson and she proposes to be the professor.

Howe has signed off on a package of ethics guidelines developed by the Josephson Institute and designed to ensure the spread of probity throughout government. She hopes that, if elected, she'll be able to turn these guidelines into rules governing the behavior of county officials.

But Howe's Republican opponent, former county prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson, noted that the county board adopted a similar set of ethics guidelines in October 1990. "What (Howe) is calling for in a large measure was already adopted by the county two years ago," Patterson said.

However, the existing code of ethics is widely considered to be weak and ineffective. Even during discussion proceedings its adoption, commissioners said the code wouldn't stop anyone bent on malfeasance.

So, by pushing a new ethics code, Howe continues her campaign theme that says county government as it stands now is arrogant, gridlocked and mostly under the control of "good old boys."

To illustrate her argument, Howe alleged that several campaign donations to Patterson from lieutenants of current Executive Dan Murphy were given in exchange for continued employment in a Patterson administration.

Patterson admitted getting the contributions, but added that "donations to my campaign when I was prosecutor never got anybody a job and it won't get them a job now."

A quick look through Patterson's 161-page campaign contribution document shows that at least 12 county employees gave more than \$200 each to Patterson's campaign. Public Services Director Bob Chisholm topped the list with a contribution of \$1,620. Road Commissioner Rudy Lozano gave \$1,050 to Patterson, while employee training manager John Almsstadt contributed \$710.

Howe, however, admits that she contributed to the campaign of former Gov. Jim Blanchard when she worked for him as director of the labor department beginning in 1985.

The Democratic candidate also used her Tuesday press conference to push for a county charter that would reduce the number of commissioners and bring more power to the executive. "I think (a charter commission) is absolutely essential," she said. "We have a government that's in gridlock and does not function."

Patterson also wants a strong executive form of county government, but said Howe's desire for the same thing is a "Trojan Horse" for her real plan to pack the commission with Democrats. "They can't win with the present system, so they want to change the system," he said. (There are currently eight Democrats on the 27-member board.)

In another development, former county commissioner Bernie Lennon is forming a group called "Democrats for Patterson."

"This group of long-time Democrats feels it's best to put partisan politics aside because Patterson's management style is head and shoulders above that of (Howe)," he said.

Lennon used to work for Howe in the '80s when he was the chief assistant director of the state labor department and she was director. He also alleged that, as labor department director, Howe fouled up the installation of a computer system designed to process unemployment checks.

Howe said that the computer system was already malfunctioning when she got there and it was her job to fix it.

Asked why Lennon — whom Howe refers to as "my friend" — might turn against her, she said that "Bernie always wanted to grow up to be a good old boy."

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# Bullard beats all as a fundraiser

By RYAN TUTAK  
Staff Writer

State Rep. Willis Bullard beat all other candidates on the low end of campaign fund raising among his colleagues in 1990, but he amassed donations totaling more than 10 times the other 1990 state House Republicans' haul, he says in the Aug. 4 primary.

Bullard, a 10-year member of the state House, raised \$63,897.41 between Jan. 1 and Aug. 24 toward a \$75,000 goal for the Republican primary for the 38th District, according to campaign finance statements filed at the Oakland County Clerk's office in Pontiac.

John Riley of Milford, who finished second in the race, raised \$5,920 between May 22 and Aug. 24.

Rep. Ash of Wixom, who finished last, raised \$5,422.84 between April 11 and Aug. 24.

Bullard's campaign committee contributed \$32,015 to the Re-Elect Willis Bullard, Jr. State Representative Committee through Aug. 24. This year, including:

- \$1,000 from MR. HEBELTAC of Detroit;
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- \$1,000 from Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit PAC of Detroit;
- \$20 from Coca Cola Enterprises of Highland Township;
- \$1,200 from the Republican Party of Good Government of Atlanta, Ga.;
- Contributions from local businesses and residents, Bullard received:
- \$2,390 in 35 donations from Highland Township;
- \$2,400 in 21 donations from Novi and Novi Township;
- \$1,920 in 19 donations from Milford Township and Milford Village;
- \$145 in four donations from Walled Lake;
- \$200 in five donations from South Lyon;
- \$200 in two donations from Wixom; and
- \$110 in three donations from Holly and Holly Township.

After Jan. 1, the 38th District will include Novi, the northern part of Northville, Walled Lake, Wixom, Milford Village, South Lyon, and the townships of Novi, Milford, and Lyon.

Bullard now serves the 50th District, which includes Novi, the northern part of Northville, Holly, Milford Village, South Lyon and the townships of Novi, Grosse Pointe, Highland, Holly, Lyon, Milford and Rose.

Bullard used \$5,650 of his own money for his campaign.

The sole outside contributions

were \$200 from Local Union 58 PAC of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of Detroit and \$100 from a Southfield resident.

Ash gave \$4,772.84 to his own election bid.

His other financial support included:

- \$350 from a fund raiser at Key Largo Restaurant in Walled Lake;
- \$200 from three Wixom residents; and
- \$100 from a Mount Clemens resident.

As of Aug. 24, Bullard had spent \$58,004.75 on his campaign, including:

- \$6,470.01 on Feb. 11 and June 19 fund raisers (which attracted a total of \$10,525);
- \$6,465.09 on posters, signs and banners;
- \$6,342.03 on unspecified services from Marketing Resource Group in Lansing;
- \$6,003.74 on a July 23 golf outing at Hartland Glen Golf Course in Livingston County;
- \$4,800.99 on postage and mailing expenses;
- \$963.20 on advertisements in the Novi News and The Milford Times;
- \$600 contribution to House Republicans of Lansing; and
- \$266.24 on campaign T-shirts.

As of Aug. 24, Riley spent \$5,901.98, including:

- \$2,784.23 on printing expenses;
- \$942.63 on three advertisements with HomeTown Newspapers of Howell;
- \$750 on three advertisements in

The Spinal Column;

- \$682.20 on mailing campaign literature; and
- \$116 on stamps.

Ash spent \$5,422.84, including:

- \$2,377.75 on advertisements in HomeTown Newspapers;
- \$585.52 on signs and decals;
- \$290 on stamps;
- \$200 on the Key Largo fund raiser; and
- \$171.60 on a car rental for a July 4 event.

In 1990, Bullard raised \$50,765.80, \$184 highest among the 110 state House representatives, according to a 1991 report from Common Cause in Michigan of Lansing.

Democrat Tracey Yokich of St. Clair Shores raised the most in 1990 with \$158,868.95, Republican William Bryant Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms raised the least with \$7,043.39, the report found.

In the Nov. 3 general election, Bullard faces Democrat Robert Havey and Libertarian K. Mark Elshoff, both of Wixom.

Havey was unopposed in the general election and filed no report. The state only requires candidates who spend more than \$1,000 in the primary to submit campaign statements.

Elshoff filed no report because the Libertarian Party only competes in general elections.

In the Aug. 4 Republican primary, Bullard received 3,849 votes, Riley 1,948 and Ash 866.

In the Democratic primary, Havey received 1,675 votes.

# Health Notes

**Prostate cancer screening:** About one in 11 American men will develop prostate cancer, and in some cases the statistics are even higher. Unfortunately, many men are unaware of the disease and the importance of an annual exam which can detect prostate cancer at an early and potentially curable age.

Huron Valley Hospital will sponsor free prostate cancer screening exams along with educational sessions as part of National Prostate Cancer Week. Participants will learn warning signs, diagnostic tests and other pertinent information related to prostate cancer.

Screenings will be offered at the hospital Saturday, Sept. 26, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Emergency Room at Occupational Health Services area of the hospital's first floor. All men over 40 years of age who do not have a previous history of prostate cancer and have not had a Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) blood test and/or a digital rectal exam in the past year are eligible and encouraged to participate.

Pre-registration is required. For more information, call 1-800-666-3466. The benefits of screening are exemplified by Robert Koyton, 48, of Detroit. Koyton did not have a family history of prostate cancer; however, his father had been diagnosed with colon cancer. After hearing about the prevalence of prostate cancer and the importance of screening, Koyton had a digital rectal exam performed and a PSA blood test, which can help diagnose the disease at an early stage. From the screening and further testing, Koyton found out he had prostate cancer.

"I would strongly encourage men over 40 to be screened," Koyton said. "The most people I did not have any symptoms and never thought I had cancer. Fortunately, the screening helped the physician find the cancer at an early stage, and now I lead a very active lifestyle," he said.

Koyton is so supportive of the screening that he has volunteered his time to The Detroit Medical Center, to be part of the educational sessions that are also part of free screening.

Screenings will also be held at the University Health Center in Detroit Oct. 2.

# Victims speak at Loveday parole hearing

By STEVE KELLMAN  
Staff Writer

Angela Hanania stopped for lunch on her way to Lansing Friday afternoon for her appearance before the state parole board.

But after stopping, she found she could not eat.

"I was shaking. I was literally shaking," Hanania said.

Hanania, from Novi, was in Lansing to argue against the release of 20-year-old Kenneth Loveday from prison. Loveday had driven his Jeep into her husband, Yusuf Hanania, and brother-in-law Albert Abdelnour in Northville June 5, 1991, killing them instantly.

Loveday was subsequently charged with manslaughter but consent order filed by the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office.

The board is now considering whether to grant Loveday's next scheduled parole date, Nov. 1, or keep him locked up until April 1, 1993. Acting chairman Tom Patton and board members Sandra Johnson and Marvin May listened to testimony against granting the release from Hanania, Abdelnour and Richard Thompson, chief of the prosecutor's office circuit court division Friday.

"We're hoping that they can rectify all the screw-ups they've made," Abdelnour said at a restaurant after the 30-minute hearing, when Hanania had finally calmed down enough to eat lunch.

The board will render a decision within the next 30-45 days, Patton said. That decision will be based on several factors.

That includes information that was developed from the court, all the information that was developed re-

garding his stay in the Institution and the information provided by the victims," he said.

The decision may be among the last made by the current seven-member tenured parole board, which will be replaced Nov. 15 by a new 10-member panel serving 2- to 4-year terms. Loveday's case was one of several, including the release of confessed serial killer Leslie Allan Williams, that spurred the changes.

Hanania and Abdelnour have not stopped pursuing other legal remedies. Hanania has filed a civil suit

against Loveday, Jeep passenger Michael Gibson and others involved in the case, and is planning to file a grievance against Judge Francis X. O'Brien for his conduct while overseeing Loveday's trial.

The family members object in particular to a remark O'Brien made about having one drink too many, while returning to the bench after lunch.

"I don't want a judge... admitting that he shouldn't have had that last drink making life-and-death decisions," Abdelnour said. "Those decisions affected us."

# Northville firefighters start safety program

By MIKE TYREE  
Staff Writer

Flames and heat are not the only perils facing firefighters and other emergency services personnel.

Danger often lies in the form of the unknown or unseen. Chemicals, gases, and other potentially hazardous materials stored in a building can quickly turn a modest, seemingly controllable fire into a raging, sometimes lethal, inferno.

Local firefighters are hoping to avoid such scenes. Spurred by bulked-up state fire marshal's guidelines, firefighters in Northville Township are planning for tragic events they hope never occur.

Firefighters currently are mailing pre-incident surveys to all township businesses and apartment complexes. The surveys ask business owners and operators to list all on-site hazardous chemicals and other materials that may pose danger when exposed to heat, fire, and other trying circumstances, said township firefighter Guy Balok.

State Firefighter-Right-to-Know laws dictate that firms handling hazardous chemicals provide the local fire department with a list of such agents. In the township, firefighters will send out a survey form that includes several typical chemicals that fall under possible hazardous materials guidelines.

Follow-ups — in the form of business pre-incident survey inspections — are meant as a sort of safety blueprint for firefighters, Balok said.

Balok said trained fire staffers will record information about each business. That data will be posted in fire vehicles for easy review on the way to an emergency scene. Much of the survey is based upon common-sense approaches to fire safety, he said, adding that firefighters would rather be prepared for an incident before it happens.

"The idea is to know about the building and chemicals and hazardous materials," Balok said. "We'll check on how large the building is, where and what the utilities are, and how easy it is to get in and out of the building."

Some items themselves are not considered dangerous, but fall into that category when exposed to hazardous elements, Balok said. He pointed to bromine tablets used in apartment complex pools as an example. He also said the syrup used in some soft-drink concoctions at restaurants can become dangerous under certain emergency situations.

With about 200 registered businesses in the township, fire officials will have plenty of research to do. Large retail shops could take a day to inspect and inventory, while firefighters can zip through smaller mom-and-pop outfits in about an hour, Balok said.

Those business owners wondering if their operations need to be surveyed should contact the township fire department for more information. Most businesses do fall under the guidelines, and the state is threatening non-compliers with a referral to the Department of Labor, Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA).

But the plain facts are this: Every-one gains by increased knowledge of buildings and on-site hazardous materials, Balok said.

"We're not looking for fire hazards, but we are looking for things that could cause problems during a fire," he said. "When we go to Meijer, we'll know where things are; if we're at Highland Lakes Shopping Plaza, we'll know where the fire walls are."

Balok estimated that the survey and inspection process could take 18 months to complete.

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# Good, bad poll news for Patterson

The good news for Republican L. Brooks Patterson is that an August survey of 150 registered voters in Novi, Farmington and Farmington Hills gave him a 56-to-44 percent advantage over Democrat Elizabeth Howe in the Oakland County executive race.

The bad news for Patterson is that just 57 percent of respondents said they knew there was a county executive election this year. Of that 57 percent, just 68 percent for 54 people said they knew enough to render an

opinion.

Of the 54 people who had an opinion, 43 percent of the independents, 40 percent of the Republicans and none of the Democrats said they'll vote for Patterson.

In Howe's case, 14 percent of the independents, 20 percent of the Republicans and 67 percent of the Democrats said they'll vote for her.

Patterson might have the edge over Howe in name recognition, but Howe's supporters seem to be more

aware of county-related issues.

In the survey conducted by the Apartment Agency of Livonia, 95 percent of respondents who intend to vote were dissatisfied with county government, but almost half of them identified problems the county doesn't handle or control.

About 46 percent of Patterson supporters identified county-controlled problems, while 75 percent of Howe supporters complained about problems the county has control over.

In identifying problem areas, 29 percent of respondents said there should be more road repair, 7 percent said they don't get enough services for their money, 7 percent said police departments should cooperate with each other more, 7 percent said land-use planning is a problem, 4 percent said the county doesn't do enough on environmental issues and 46 percent either couldn't name any problems or named a problem the county doesn't control.

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# Survey views level of drug use by students

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

A student poll taken last spring in Northville and surrounding areas said they drink more alcohol and smoked more marijuana than their counterparts across the country.

The results of the Alcohol and Other Drugs School Survey, released at the school board meeting Monday night, show Northville's drug drinking and smoking habits are slightly higher than the national averages in 1991-92.

In the 1991-92 school year, 84 percent of the 238 seniors who participated in the poll admitted drinking alcohol in the last year. That's 3 percent higher than the national average for the same time period. Moreover, 64 percent of the seniors surveyed said they had used alcohol within the last month. That's 12 percent higher than seniors in the national average.

Results were similar with marijuana use and drugs other than marijuana. The poll said that 17 percent of seniors used marijuana in the last year, and 10 percent used it in the last month.

"Almost half of our seniors said they had drunk five or more drinks in a row in the past two weeks. . . . What that means is that they are basically drinking on the weekends and drinking to excess."

Bill Hamilton

Hamilton, who coordinated the survey, said he believes the frequency of teen drinking and smoking of cigarettes and marijuana is on the rise because students have access to them.

"If you look at what students are using, it correlates to how easy they think it is to get it," he said.

A majority of the seniors surveyed said it was very easy for them to get alcohol and cigarettes. More than half said it was just as easy for them to buy pot in the community, too.

While alcohol, cigarettes and marijuana use is on the rise here in Northville and across the country, more students here seem to be staying away from the hard narcotics like crack, cocaine and heroin. But even so, Northville's stats for the last year in some cases beat out national averages in LSD, heroin, inhalants, sedatives and other narcotics use.

"What we are beginning to show in the past year is a higher frequency rate," Hamilton said. "Almost half of our seniors said they had drunk five or more drinks in a row in the past two weeks, compared to 33 percent of the national average."

"What that means is that they are basically drinking on the weekends and drinking to excess," he said. "You can see how pervasive the alcohol is and how it keeps coming up."

Students were also asked where they used drugs and alcohol. The majority of seniors — 60 percent — said they use alcohol at parties and at friends' homes. Thirty-six percent drank at home and 40 percent in cars. Concurrently the majority of students who answered a similar question about drugs said they used at parties or friends' homes before they did it in their own homes or at

near school grounds. That was good news for Hamilton, who's been trying to sell the community on the idea that teen substance abuse is a community problem and not the sole responsibility of the school district.

"What this is saying is that it is apparent that students have not escaped the problem. It is also apparent that while the school must do its share, it is a community-wide problem," he said.

Sharon Ferrara, president of Northville's PTA Coordinating Council, backed Hamilton.

"I think the results of this survey are going to wake up a lot of people in our community," she said. "This is not an isolated issue to the schools."

"I think our schools have had a number of programs in effect for years that have helped out students."

And what Ferrara said is supported by the survey. An overwhelming majority of students at all three grade levels surveyed said they have had drug education courses, seen films or heard lectures that have

swayed their decision to not use drugs.

What Hamilton and others like him from Northville Action Council and Northville Youth Assistance are hoping for is a community-wide response to the problem that is now clearly before them. In years past, Hamilton and NAC President Roxanne Casterline both have said the community wasn't willing to admit students in Northville had a substance abuse problem. But the survey tells a different tale.

Hamilton and members of NAC are taking the initiative to correct the problem by trying to create a safe environment for students through the Safe Homes program. Under the provisions of the program, parents sign a pledge form and agree to chaperone parties and prohibit the consumption of alcohol and drugs at their homes.

With the implementation of Safe Homes, school officials and civic leaders hope to reduce the students' use inside and outside of the home.

# Bill to make school changes

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

School districts would be required to make gender equity and multiculturalism part of their 3- to 5-year improvement programs under a bill passed by state representatives.

But majority Democrats shot down a Republican attempt to make public schools pay for the retraining of graduates whose first employers had them deficient in any basic skill.

The gender equity bill was passed 76 to 22 on Sept. 23. Favoring it were Reps. Susan Munsell, R-Howell, Willis Bullard, R-Milford; Georgia Goss, R-Northville; and Kirk Troft, D-Psihant.

Munsell and Goss were co-sponsors of the measure, sponsored by Mary Brown, D-Kalamazoo.

Some Republicans complained it didn't go far enough.

"It's fatally flawed," said Rep. Tom Middleton, R-Ontonio, "because it doesn't deal with equity for handicapped."

Rep. William Bryant, R-Grosse Pointe, added that House Bill 5901 also should require schools to do something about gender and handicapped equity, not just "give reason or excuse for nonaction."

Republicans bashed Democrats for refusing to report the an educational warranty bill out of the House Education Committee for a floor vote.

The GOP pushed an amendment that would require local districts to retain high school graduates who were found by their first employers to lack basic skills. It lost, 47-51, with 11 not voting.

Bullard and Goss voted yes. Munsell and Troft did not vote.

"If you want this bill to go down in flames, then adopt this amendment," warned Democrat William Keith of Garden City, chair of the Education Committee.

"We had a hearing on it. The Michigan Association of School Boards, the Michigan Education Association, the Michigan Federation of Teachers — all are against it."

Keith said the warranty measure should be amended, as educators wish, to let the employer see the graduate's attendance record and grades.

"You (Republicans) call them interests, but they're on the cutting edge of what takes place in education," Keith said.

But GOP minority leader Paul Hill, Garden City, who hopes to become House speaker if his party takes control after Nov. 3, said a majority of the House is continually frustrated at the Democratic leadership's refusal to take up bills.

"This issue isn't allowed to happen. There's a majority for no-fault (auto insurance) reform, for medical liability reform. . . ."

"But the folks who control the procedure don't allow it to happen. I hope the public understands that."

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# Rapist terrorizes Novi woman

By CRISTINA FERRIER Staff Writer

A resident in the Woodland Glen apartment complex awoke to a nightmare Sept. 23 when she discovered a man had broken into her apartment and tried to rape her.

The woman, who was completely unclad, escaped and ran out of her apartment then banged on several doors, screaming and pleading for help, before someone finally let her in, gave her a towel and called police.

She told police she was sleeping when she sensed someone was touching her. She woke up and discovered that a man was actually sitting on her and holding a sharp, pointed object to her neck. The room was dark, and she was unable to see his face.

She said she asked him who he was and he told her to shut up, then said something about seeing her at or on her way to work.

The man then grabbed her and rubbed against her in a sexual manner, then bound her hands and

mouth with duct tape and threw her to the floor, then hit and kicked her face, head and body until the woman managed to escape. Some of the duct tape was still on the woman's wrists when police arrived at the scene, and her face was beginning to swell. Doctors later confirmed that her nose was broken.

A resident who helped the victim, who lives in the apartment above hers, told police he heard "rearing, yelling and banging noises downstairs at around 11:30 p.m. and assumed it was a family fight. It was midnight when she knocked on his door for help.

Police examining the woman's apartment discovered her wallet and checkbook lying on the ground outside, and found a carving knife on the edge of the dresser. Nothing appeared to be missing from the apartment except for two telephones. The record to a third telephone in the apartment had been disconnected.

The woman was treated and released at Providence Hospital. The incident remains under investigation.

# Lawyer expects charges dropped

By MIKE TYREE Staff Writer

A Sept. 17 raid on Jack Charles Malaney's 48465 Seven Mile home reportedly netted local police agencies 30 pounds of marijuana, a dozen guns, cash, and other tools of the drug trade.

But Malaney's attorney last week said he expects charges against his client to be dismissed, based on an improper search of the Northville man's rented home.

"It was one of the worst search warrants I've seen in my life," said David Steingold, attorney for Malaney. "I'm surprised prosecutors ever authorized it."

Steingold spoke moments after Malaney waived a preliminary examination on charges of delivery and manufacture of a controlled substance. Thirty-fifth District Court

Judge James Garber ordered Malaney, 34, bound over for trial at Detroit Recorder's Court.

Malaney is free on \$10,000 bond. Steingold said Friday he doubts the case will go to trial. He said he will file a motion to dismiss charges within two weeks.

Steingold's claims that police persuaded Thursday Brian Braun, 19, of Allen Park, to become a confidential police informant after Braun and Todd Patrick Bonner, 20, of Taylor, were arrested on suspicion of possessing more than a pound of marijuana.

Township police reports indicate that Braun discussed an earlier marijuana purchase from Malaney, and said another buy — this time for a half-pound of marijuana — was about to occur when police stopped Braun's vehicle for a minor traffic violation.

Braun's story to police apparently led officers to Malaney's doorstep and a 6:25 a.m. raid Sept. 17.

Steingold said state law requires a confidential police informant to have some credibility or standing in the eyes of the law. Braun had none of that, Steingold said.

"There's absolutely nothing attesting to his credibility," Steingold said.

Township police Capt. Philip Presnell rebuked Steingold's search warrant charges.

The point is, the prosecutor did approve it," Presnell said. "Any information on the search warrant will be defined by a higher authority than Mr. Steingold."

Defense and prosecution may bicker over procedural matters, but records indicate that Malaney is no stranger to drug-related offenses. Township police said Malaney, the owner of a Garden City tanning sa-

loon, has been convicted three times on drug charges. His record reportedly includes a January 1986 felony conviction in Livonia on concealed weapons and cocaine possession charges.

Malaney also reportedly was convicted in July 1986 on felony possession and distribution of cocaine charges, and in September 1991 on a dangerous drug violation.

Braun and Bonner last week were arraigned on drug possession charges. The two were released on personal bond and face a preliminary hearing next week at 35th District Court.

# Education Notes

**OU hosts computer seminars:** Computer competency, important for success in school and on the job, will be offered in brief seminars beginning Oct. 1 at Oakland University near Rochester.

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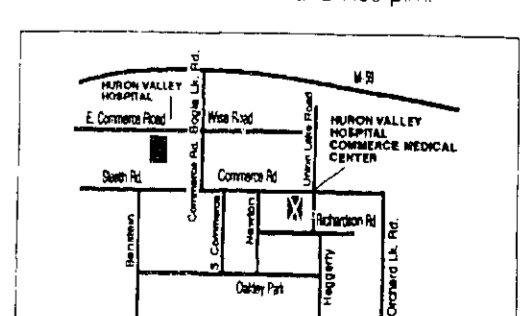


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# State, not locals, to say what's porn

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

The state Senate backed down and agreed to "state standard" instead of "community standards" in obscenity prosecutions.

"A number of small businesses saw this (community standards) as a problem," said Senate majority leader Dick Byskum, R-Alto, who asked all lawmakers to support the state standard.

After months of argument, both chambers agreed in one day on a compromise version of House Bill 5148. It makes manufacture and sale of obscene materials a misdemeanor punishable by up to a year in prison and a fine of \$100,000.

The bill covers books, magazines, newspapers, pamphlets, pictures, movies, photos, videotapes, audio tapes and computer tapes.

It does not apply to television and cable TV, which are federally regulated, or to colleges, libraries and public art museums. Clerks in stores selling obscene material would also be excluded.

The House passed the bill 94 to 1. All area lawmakers voted yes.

A louder and longer battle occurred in the Senate, which passed the measure 34 to 3 with all area senators voting yes.

Sen Robert Grake, R-Northville, voted yes but, in an earlier committee vote, had supported the "community standards" wording. "Standards vary from community to community. I'm a strict conservative on the issue of obscenity and pornography. I want the most rigid laws possible," he said.

"After two years of working on this, I felt the amendment (state standards) effectively gutted the bill," protested Sen. Jack Welborn, R-Kalamazoo, who held out for community standards.

State standards are too easy for defense attorneys to rip holes in, said Welborn.

But Sen. Debbie Stabenow, R-Lansing, said community standards can give inconsistent results, citing the Florida prosecutions of 2 Live Crew.

"The band was found not guilty in one area of singing an obscene song, but the record store owner was found guilty of selling an obscene record," Stabenow said.

Bookstore owners and entertainment businesses did heavy lobbying against the community standards phrase.

"What results is a patchwork quilt of inconsistent standards that makes it virtually impossible to distribute any movie, book, record, magazine or newspaper on a statewide basis."



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## A tense moment

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## Congress hopefuls to keep race clean

Both candidates for the 11th U.S. House Congressional race are going up their campaigns — but it will be a clean race, the candidates said. Democrat Walter Briggs IV and Republican Joe Knollenberg are facing each other in the race to occupy the chair that has been held by Republican Rep. William Broomfield for the past 36 years.

Both Briggs and Knollenberg said they would avoid the negative campaigning that sank candidates state Sen. Dave Honigman and former Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Alice Gilbert in the Republican primary.

"My perspective is that we have run a clean campaign," said Knollenberg, who served as Broomfield's campaign manager in the past and has been active in the Oakland County Republican Party.

"They (voters) are going to look at us for our respective merits," said Knollenberg. "I happen to think I'm the better candidate."

Knollenberg generally sat on the sidelines during the primary while Honigman and Honigman slugged it out. Brooding accusations about alleged past job improprieties.

Keeping a basically low profile, Knollenberg's campaign style and Broomfield's support, worked.

"We are trying to get our programs out in front of the people," Knollenberg said, rather than attack his opponent.

Briggs, who ran against Broomfield two years ago, has been campaigning all along, but campaign manager Marsha McVicker said his efforts have largely been ignored by the media. With Labor Day generally considered the start of the intense campaigning, she said Briggs probably would receive more attention in the future.

"We've been trying to get our message out," said McVicker. That message is that Briggs, 35, represents a change while Knollenberg, 59, stands for the past, she said.

"Washington politicians have to learn what every business and every family already knows, that you can't spend more than you take in."

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They have forgotten the basic math lessons of even their elementary school education," said Briggs. "We have platforms. We're going to run on the issues. We're for change," McVicker said.

Will the voters buy it?

In the primary Briggs pulled in 14,965 votes against one other Democratic candidate who drew about 9,000 votes.

Knollenberg more than doubled Briggs' tally with 30,018 votes, beating two other Republicans who together garnered more than 39,000 votes.

The implication is there are more Republican voters than Democrats in the district.

Oakland County Republican officials said the district is solidly Republican. Democratic party officials said that with the restructuring of the district to include more Democratic areas such as Southfield and Redford, the Democrats stand a chance of winning.

"We see it like Rocky Balboa (of the Rocky movie series). He went the distance but lost (as Briggs did in 1990). But he came back to win," McVicker said.

Knollenberg campaign manager Carol Moran said Knollenberg will continue going door-to-door and his staff of volunteers will continue making phone calls to potential voters in the district.

Moran said Knollenberg will be aiming his campaign efforts at the perceived Democratic areas, but will cover the whole district.

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Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

### All hail the Court...

The 1992 homecoming court of Novi High School will be honored during halftime ceremonies when the Wildcats play the Lakeland High School Eagles Friday night. Pictured here are all four classes' courtiers. Underclass representatives include juniors Jason Fischer and September Schubert, sophomores Jim Harrington and Becky Pylar, and freshmen Julie Harris and Chris Goss.

## Tiptoe through the tulip travelogue

Photographer and lecturer Al Wool will present "Tulip Time in Holland," with emphasis on flower growing, displays, and marketing.

The discussion also features travel via motor ship along the IJssel River (once the Zuider Zee), old cities and well-known places as Edam and Gouda, windmills, and the great deer and horticultural exposition, the "Florida," are featured in this slide presentation.

The program, "Tulip Time in Holland," is sponsored by the Northville Arts Commission. It will take place Thursday, Oct. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens' Building on Cady Street. There is a \$3 admission charge at the door. No tickets will be sold in advance.

Since his retirement from Rockwell International in 1982, Wool has traveled extensively and photographed much of Germany, Austria, New Zealand, China, the United States and Canada. He uses his photographic expertise to assist the Nature Conservancy and does volunteer work for the University of Michigan.

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## Region plans to clean up its air

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

Your air is still dirty, the federal government is telling southeastern Michigan, and you must clean it by 15 percent by 1996.

The catch: Regional officials, after consulting with industry, will design their own cleanup plan and present it to the Michigan Legislature for enactment.

Most likely solutions: vapor recovery devices on gasoline pumps and stiffer emissions tests for more cars and trucks, extending to Livingston County.

"The whole country is doing the same thing. Many regions have worse situations than ours," said Milton Mack, a Wayne County probate judge chairing a government-industry task force set up by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

"This committee is advisory to SEMCOG. We want to have something before them (the general assembly, representing 140 member governments) by December 1992," Mack said. Deadline for the Legislature to enact SEMCOG's plan is November of 1993.

The cleanup order comes from the 1990 federal Clean Air Act. The federal southeastern Michigan's air pollution as moderate.

Under the 1977 act, three counties in southeastern Michigan — Wayne, Oakland and Macomb — had to comply with annual vehicle emissions tests. Under the new act, it's likely that Livingston, St. Clair, Washtenaw and Monroe counties will be added to the program, along with the western Michigan regions of Grand Rapids, Holland and Muskegon, said SEMCOG officials.

Vapor recovery devices on fuel pumps are "a given," said SEMCOG staffer Chuck Hersey. They would reduce volatile organic compounds (VOCs) by 4 percent.

Less likely in this region, but probable in southern California, are "reformulated" fuels like ethanol. "We're not one of the nine worst areas in the country," said Kersey. Consumers will pay the cost of reformulated fuels in affected areas.

Other possible methods of reducing VOCs, at least on paper, are controls on lawn mowers, outdoor grills, off-road recreational vehicles, off-road lawn and garden machines, recreational boating, use of solvents, coke ovens, open burning, motorcycling, municipal incinerators, construction equipment and even farm machinery.

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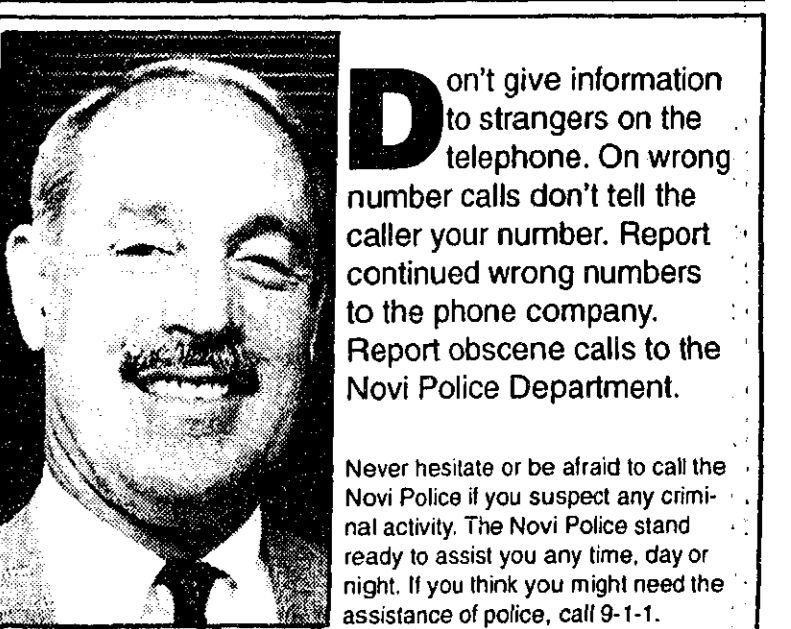
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## CRIMESTOPPERS by Chief Doug Shaeffer



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## As We See It

### Fighting for the 52-1 district court site

It isn't always the big kid who is the bully on the playground. Sometimes smaller kids find out that as long as they stick together they can be pretty intimidating. And then those smaller kids find they can be bullies just as well and push around even larger kids.

As long as the "gentle giants" remain docile, they'll get bullied. But it doesn't take much to break the pattern. All the big kids usually has to do is stand up for himself and decide he's not going to put up with it anymore.

The City of Novi recently decided it was going to stand up for itself. It's been pushed around lately by the smaller cities of Wixom, Walled Lake, the villages of Wolverine Lake and Milford, and the townships of Commerce, Milford, Highland, White Lake and Rose.

What they're fighting over is the placement of the new 52-1 District Court building.

The spitting, name calling and clod throwing began earlier this year when it appeared the state government was about to add a fourth judge to the 52-1 District Court bench. With another judge, the old courthouse in downtown Walled Lake would be obsolete. It is already overcrowded. The court would clearly have to be moved.

Now, there is an old state law that says a courthouse has to be located in the largest community within its jurisdiction. That of course would be Novi. The reason for such a law is pretty obvious. The community that has the largest population is also likely to have the largest police department and the most crime and the highest number of legal disputes. Locating it there would make it closer to the largest number of people likely to use it.

But the western Oakland County communities to the north see it differently. They want the courthouse located closer to them. And on their behalf, state Rep. Barbara Dobb, R-Commerce, has introduced a bill to the state legislature which would amend that old law, giving the county discretion in the placement of the facility. But the bill, for the time being, is stalled in the Senate Judiciary committee.

On Monday, the Planning and Building Committee of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners moved ahead and narrowed its list of 11 possible sites for the courthouse to two, both in Novi. Even though the state has set aside the additional judge for the time, it will eventually be added, so the discussion about where the courthouse building should be located goes on.

Still, there is a great deal of suspicion locally that the county will try to stall its selection of the courthouse until Dobb's bill can pass the senate. There is great sentiment in favor of the bill at the county board level, especially among those commissioners who represent the



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northern portion of the district court's jurisdiction.

And there is a great deal of maneuvering going on in Lansing to try to get the thing passed as quickly as possible. Most involved say the bill has very strong support because of the why it would impact court sitting projects elsewhere in the state. It just isn't the legislature's highest priority right now.

In the meantime, Novi has hired a lobbyist, attorney Richard VanderVeen of Grand Rapids, to go to Lansing and try to kill the bill. If that seems like an extraordinary measure to take, it is only a reaction to talk among the Wixom City Council members of hiring a lobbyist, former state senator Richard Fessler, to go to Lansing to get the bill passed.

And all this is over the question of where the court should be located. The northern communities are arguing that putting the court in Novi would be too far for their police officers to drive to handle their court case. There is some legitimacy to that point. But one must keep in mind that the difference between the courthouse site in Novi at Grand River and Beck Road is a scant two miles from where the court would be located in Wixom, at that city's civic center. Walled Lake, likewise, isn't that far away.

So it really doesn't seem to be argument of distance. Rather, Wixom and Walled Lake appear to want the economic boost locating the court there would have. It is generally seen as a draw around which business can locate and find a market. Wixom and Walled Lake want to make the argument about distance and the northern communities are buying it hook, line and sinker.

But Novi did not raise such a stink a few years back when, as the county wanted to move the court within the city of Walled Lake, it ignored the state law. Novi could then have demanded it, but it didn't. Well, so much for repaying good neighbor practices.

The court should go in Novi and the county has several good proposals in front of it to achieve just that. We applaud the efforts of county commissioner Kay Schmidt, city manager Ed Kriewall, support committee chair Ernest Anuffo and member John Calandro, along with all others involved in the process.

Even if they don't win the fight, at least the city will have stood up for itself. And maybe it will get more fair treatment in the future.

## Politics moves to the 'burbs



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Michigan, like the rest of the country, is becoming suburbanized. Chrysler's decision to move its corporate headquarters from its urban Highland Park to suburban Auburn Hills merely symbolizes the fundamental demographic transformation that has been taking place for the past 35 years.

It's no surprise that politics, too, are being transformed. Today's suburban electorate is unlike either the rural voters who dominated American politics in the 19th century or the urban voters who largely ran the show in the first half of the 20th.

Suburbanites in general:

- Own their own houses and therefore pay property taxes. They might be the first demographic group ever to be defined by their taxpaying status.
- Are skeptical of activist governments that take their tax money but use it to benefit somebody else.
- Tend, therefore, to oppose social welfare programs.
- Support, however, what might be called public works — i.e., governmental activities that benefit most folks.

These tendencies lie behind the major turning points in modern American politics. Political scientists call them "watershed elections," because they set the course of politics for the next 15 or 20 years.

Lyndon Johnson was forced from office in 1968 in part because the war in Vietnam was deeply unpopular with many of his liberal, younger constituents. But just as important, LBJ stood for the Great Society, a series of governmental programs that took tax money from suburbanites

and used it to benefit minorities. Suburbanites were persuaded to take a chance on Ronald Reagan because he represented a way out of Jimmy Carter's Great Inflation that eroded the incomes and inflated the property taxes of suburbanites. "Are you better off now than you were four years ago?" is not only a great political theater; it's solid suburban political economy.

And now 12 years of Republican control are held hostage by the Great Recession that is hurting more white-collar workers (i.e., folks who live in the suburbs) than any other recession in our history. President Bush's nightmare is that those same suburbanites who sustained his party for so many years will be the same folks who find it in their interest to turn against him.

To win back suburbanites, Democrats must persuade them they can manage the economy better than Republicans have.

This would not be easy for a traditional, urban-centered Democratic politician who advocates social welfare programs and income redistribution.

But success might come to a politician who argues that America's troubles are rooted in failure to train and educate everybody in the workforce and who explains that the real reason for the erosion of our national competitiveness lies in an ideological fascination with trickle-down passivism.

It's a strategy focused on folks who live in the suburbs. And it explains just why Gov. Clinton was in suburban Macomb County two weeks ago and why President Bush ended last Saturday's Michigan train trip in suburban Plymouth.

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## There goes the English language



Michael Malott

### Letters

I have never ranked myself among those who believe the English language is deteriorating. The Edwin Newman, John Simons and William Salares of the world would have you believe that we are slowly destroying our Mother Tongue through our careless, ignorant and (gasp) ungrammatical use of the language.

I've never quite figured out what they think is going to happen to English, or us, if it does finally — as they predict — deteriorate to the point of self-destruction. Perhaps they envision a repeat of the Tower of Babel problem, everybody talking and nobody understanding.

But I just don't go along with it. It doesn't really make sense in this day and age when more information is being communicated, apparently effectively, than ever before. How can you have a booming information age while the language is deteriorating?

And I've always argued that a sentence should be considered grammatical as long as it successfully communicates the thought intended. No other test makes sense to me. So I have never had much use for grammarians.

I'm the guy who argues ain't it to be a perfectly acceptable contraction of the words and rest of society.

And I always took a special glee from Winston Churchill's response to an accusation that he had improperly ended a sentence with a preposition. "This is the sort of English up with which I will not put," he said.

There are still some things people can do to the language that grate my nerves, that sound like fingernails on a chalkboard to me. And the one that bothers me most is when they put some big, affected word on something that already has a perfectly good, and shorter, word for it.

For example, it wasn't all that long ago that high school sports and clubs turned into extracurricular activities. The educators apparently wanted a term they could apply to all after school activities; football, cheerleading, chess club and drama alike.

Then the term changed again. These sports and clubs came to be known as co-curricular activities. The more enlightened educators decided that term was better because it would point out that sports and clubs are part of the overall educational experience. Of course, they could have just said that.

It is the same tendency that changes an arson into a suspicious fire. The only thing fires are suspicious of, typically, are all those firefighters walking around with hoses.

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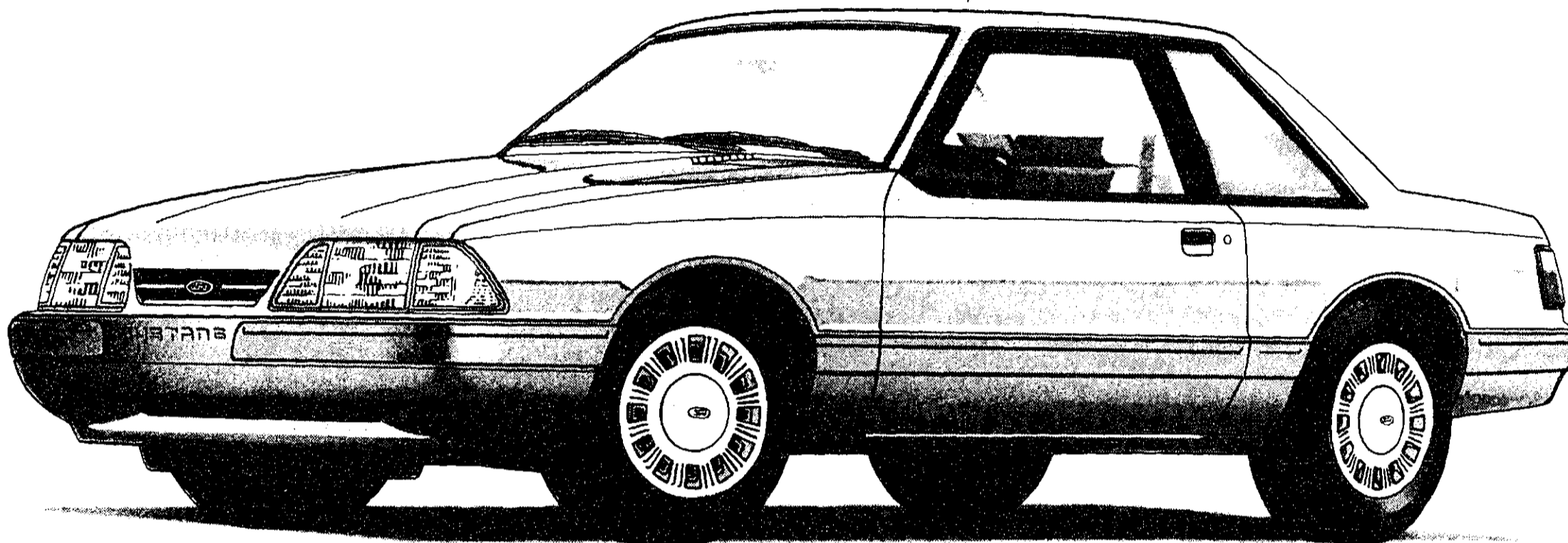
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Barbara Masters makes her point.

## Shall we SALON?

Monthly Novi meeting promotes understanding through shared ideas



David Seemann makes his point, too.

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

It's called a salon, and about 30 area residents gathered at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center Sunday to listen to Barbara Masters, a retired Plymouth teacher who was once the subject of censorship attempts.

The purpose of the salon is to share ideas — to argue, to support and to discuss the many ways of looking at a given subject.

The Borders Sunday Salon has become a monthly event in Novi, with a sign-up list that is nearly always full long before the scheduled date.

This month's salon, held on Sunday, Sept. 27, had a banned books theme in honor of the annual Banned Books Week.

"Every day someone, somewhere attacks a book, or a piece of art, or a piece of music — and tries to make it unavailable for the rest of us to read and enjoy," said Borders publicist Wanda Freeman.

This particular salon followed a slightly different format than usual, Freeman explained, because of a larger-than-usual group.

Normally, Sunday Salon hosts two speakers with different ideas on a given subject, then the listeners break into groups to share their own thoughts and ideas.

This time, Masters was the sole speaker, standing

behind a podium before a group that was arranged like a small classroom or lecture hall. After she addressed the group about her censorship concerns, a question-and-answer period ensued.

But, keeping with the salon format, the question and answer period soon became a rollicking discussion as participants tossed their thoughts about and agreed — or disagreed — with each other.

Masters' own experience occurred when a Plymouth-based Christian group called Citizens for a Better Education (CBE) attempted to ban the alternative newsweekly *The Metro Times* from the schools after learning that she was using it in her classroom. She was using it because it contained an article on rainforests.

"They tried to ban it because there are romance ads in the back. And what if one of the students answered one of those romance ads, and what if a student got AIDS as a result of answering that ad?" Masters explained.

Masters said she was also criticized for using a student-written paper that she felt was an example of very powerful writing.

"The paper was about divorce and they objected because it was depressing and they felt we should be using upbeat materials in the schools," she said.

But Masters said she is far from an expert on the topic of censorship, and said she feels other people in America have more powerful tales to tell.

"Nobody's ever broken into my garage and smashed my printing press," she said. "Nobody's ever arrested me on phony drug charges because I wrote against the Vietnam War. Nobody's ever threatened to take away my job. I've never received phone calls in the middle of the night."

"Those are things that have happened to many writers who published material that didn't fit into what may be called the mainstream."

Masters said that, during the last school year, there were 376 reported attempts at censorship in the United States. The incidents occurred in 44 different states, and 41 of the attempts were successful.

She pointed out a variety of other forms of censorship in the United States, ranging from FCC regulations barring radio stations from reading Alan Ginsberg's poem "Howl" on the air, to current legislative attempts to bar doctors in federally funded clinics from discussing the option of abortion.

But later in her presentation, Masters seemed to get off her own subject and began to talk about a type of "news" show for teenagers that is being shown in some high schools. The shows include advertising for various products, like candy bars and blue jeans.

It's a controversial program because of the advertising, which comes at a fast pace in large quantities, and Masters is opposed to it.

"I wouldn't worry so much about the promotion of Twinkies and Levis as I would the lifestyles being advo-

cated in these ads," she said. "Some states have banned it."

Audience member David Seemann challenged the speaker. "How can you be opposed to a banning of ads in school, yet be opposed to censorship?" he asked.

After some thought, as well as further discussion by several other audience members, she responded "Because the public school is not a place for commercial messages." Some people agreed with her. Some didn't.

Other teachers in the audience shared experience with censorship. Another Plymouth teacher, Kathy Thompson, is picketed every year by CBE because she uses the movie *Excalibur* in her classroom. She has also been challenged on several other books she uses, including one that mentions Luelfer in the prologue.

Another told of a parent objecting to his use of a book on eskimos because it contained a chapter where a group of hunters drank blood.

Still another experienced parental objections to *The Grapes of Wrath* and *Huckleberry Finn* because they present a negative view of America's past.

The discussion flowed on. "Why are people so upset about words?" one person asked, when someone commented on profanity in books and films.

"It's the relationship between words and behavior," responded another.

"But at what point does a human learn the

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Masters recommends a book to the group.

Photos by CHRIS FARINA



# 'Peacemaking' class underway

By JEANNE CLARKE  
Special Writer

Clara Porter, Novi Youth Assistance Chairman of the Parent Education Committee, reports that plans have been made for a class, "Peacemaking Tools for Families." The Novi Youth Assistance program is for families who would like to learn skills for creative conflict resolution. Information on the "friendly" skills needed to help resolve conflicts will be given. The instructor is a speaker from the Child Abuse and Neglect Council. The class will be on Tuesday, Oct. 6, from 7-8 p.m. at the Novi Meadows Library. There is a \$5 fee per family. Call 349-8398 for more information.

A report from Cindy Dove, PLUS chairman, indicates there is a real need for adults, especially men, to participate in the PLUS (People Listening, Understanding, Sharing) program. Training is available for adults interested in spending two to four hours a week with a 5-15 year-old child, perhaps from a fatherless home. They could go fishing, visit the library, etc. If you are interested, call the office at 349-8398 for more information.

The committee would like to thank all of those in the community who supported them in their recent fundraiser the concession stand at Art at the Oaks. Proceeds will go toward their many projects for next year.

Plans are already under way with the evaluation of the teen center and what will be offered another year. The next program will be inviting the community to their annual meeting. They will be thankful all of those who assisted them last year.

## Novi Highlights

The 4-H Craft Group, led by Ellie Waldo, will be meeting Oct. 14 at her home to design a plate or mug. Many other craft areas are scheduled for the rest of the year, including ceramics, leather, sugar eggs and more.

The Challenger group, for those 12 and older, is looking forward to a fall campout at Maybury State Park Nov. 6-9. Information will be available at the October general meeting.

The stamp collecting group meeting will be Oct. 12 from 7-8:30 p.m. They will meet once a month from then on.

Congratulations are in order for many of the 4-H members who brought home trophies from the Fowlerville Fair, including Christine St. Clair and Jennifer Hagopian. Those receiving the Best of Show awards were Christina St. Clair, Denby St. Clair, Jennifer Daves, Katie Marshall, Rick Marshall, and Shaun Opperman. Jessie Lewis and Jennifer Daves each received two judges awards, Jennifer Hagopian, Chloé Clark, Christina St. Clair, Rick Marshall, and Katie Marshall also won judges awards. Anyone wishing for more information on the group can call 380-0981.

### SPIRIT OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

The church has resumed the fall schedule of worship at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m. Other groups that are resuming a fall schedule include Morn. Devs and Tots for the fall. They meet monthly. Their first meeting will be Sept. 24.

The Women of the ELCH had a successful third annual retreat in Hartson, Mich., while they made 100 inconvenience pads for Luther Haven with a thank you to those who donated supplies of old sheets, towels, newspapers and plastic bags.

in and help work on the projects.

If you have an hour or so a week and would like to help call Sandy at 477-7000. She will give you more information.

At the last meeting, Alex Spiro, owner of the Charter House, was present. He indicated he would be very happy to have a very active volunteer program with people from the community. Retired community members could give an hour or two a week with the residents and play cards, entertain or just visit for 15 minutes on a one-to-one basis.

There is also a need for volunteers to come in once a week and read to some of the residents. It is being headed up by Pauline Drueschel of the Novi Library. Call her at 349-0720 and she will set up some time to discuss the project with you.

Volunteers are also needed at the monthly birthday parties. The activities department serves cake and coffee to the residents. Last month's entertainment was the Sixstage Cloggers. This month it will be the North Choralers on Oct. 6. Call 477-3000 if you can give an hour of your time to some of these projects.

### NOVI PIN POINTERS

High bowlers this week included Carol Irwin of the Bowling Bags with 218 in a 510 series, Rosemary Banish of the Never A Doubts with a 203, Minnie Legal of the Eager Beavers with a 192, Debbie Lukasiak of the Never A Doubts with 186, Jan Legal of the Adventurers with 184, Lori Seltzer of the Never A Doubts with 177, Dorothy Bose of the Lookin' Goods with 173 and Irene Kree of the Lookin' Goods with 171. Standings are as follows:

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B&Ls.....	12-16
Hi Low.....	9-19
Lookin' Good.....	2-26

## Reunions

NOVI 1977: Novi High School Class of 1977 is planning its 15-year reunion. For more information call Andy McComas 458-7113.

REDFORD 1972: The June graduate class of 1972 at Redford High School (Detroit) will be having their 20th Class Reunion Oct. 24. Call Colleen (Thomas) Cornell at 626-3941 or Mary (Knowles) Gall at 425-1808.

ST. BENEDICT 1942: St. Benedict High School's class of 1942 will be celebrating its 50-year reunion at the Troy Elks Club in Troy on Oct. 3. For information call 349-7397 or 758-5064.

REDFORD 1972: The graduating class of 1972 at Redford High School will be holding its 20th reunion Oct. 24. Call Colleen (Thomas) Cornell at 626-3941 or Mary (Knowles) Gall at 425-1808 for information.

DENBY 1952: The 40th anniversary reunion of Detroit Denby High School's Class of 1952 will be Oct. 10 at the Royal House, 8201 Thirteen Mile Road in Warren. All members of the class of '52 and their guests are invited. The evening will include dancing, open bar and a family style dinner. Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets for the reunion are \$40 per person. Reservations can be mailed to: Denby Class of '52 Reunion, 25044 Blackett, Warren 48099. Please include the name of your guest. Tickets will be mailed. For further information call Olga Morandi Hutchinson at 776-6496.

PARKER ELEMENTARY 1961: Parker Elementary's January and June classes of 1961 are planning their 30-year class reunion. Call Mary Cowan Bathe at 451-0806, Don Vartoogian at 538-4300 (days) or Rich Hahn at 537-7199.

FINNEY 1967: The 1967 graduating class of Detroit Finney High School will be celebrating its 25-year class reunion Oct. 10. For further information write to P.O. Box 80069, Rochester, MI 48308-0069 or call 879-0848.

REDFORD 1972: The 1972 graduating class of Redford High School is holding its 20-year class reunion Oct. 24. Call Mary (Knowles) Gall at 425-1808 or Colleen (Thomas) Cornell at 626-3941 for more information.

CLASS REUNIONS PLUS: Class Reunions Plus, P.O. Box 1171, Mt. Clemens, is planning the following reunions. Call 824-8550 for more information.

- October 3 — South Lake High School, Sterling Heights, Class of 1972 — Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights.
  - October 3 — Pershing High School, Detroit, Class of 1942 — Kingsley Inn, Bloomfield Hills.
  - October 10 — Cherry Hill High School, Dearborn, Class of 1982 — K of C Hall, Dearborn.
  - October 23 — Craswood High School, Dearborn Heights, Class of 1967 — Livonia Marriott Hotel, Livonia.
  - October 24 — East Detroit High School, East Detroit, Class of 1967 — Zucaro's, Mt. Clemens.
  - October 24 — Farmdale High School, Ferndale, Class of 1967 — Northfield Hilton Hotel, Troy.
  - November 27 — Stevenson High School, Livonia, Class of 1972 — Holiday Inn, Livonia.
  - November 27 — Our Lady of Sorrows High School, Farmington, Class of 1972 — Monaghan K of C, Livonia.
  - November 28 — Pershing High School, Detroit, Class of January 1961 — Northfield Hilton, Troy.
  - November 28 — Finney High School, Detroit, Class of 1972 — St. John's Helene Center, Sterling Heights.
  - November 28 — Denby High School, Detroit, Class of 1962 — Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights.
  - November 28 — Robichaud High School, Dearborn Heights, Class of 1972 — Airport Radisson Hotel, Romulus.
- The following reunions are being planned for 1993:
- April 24, 1993 — Sarville High School, Detroit, Class of 1973 — Assumption Cultural Center, St. Clair Shores.

## Engagements

Susan Sicks/  
Steve Cohen



Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sicks of Novi announced the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Sicks, to Steven Joshua Cohen, son of Robert and Cynthia Enlishore of Novi.

Steven dressed up in a medieval costume and brought a flower wreath for Sarah's hair. He proposed to her at a picnic in Kensington MetroPark that consisted of fruit, cheese, sausage and bread which they ate with daggers. They drank sparkling grape juice out of pewter mugs.

Sarah plans to graduate from Western Michigan University in 1994 and is a member of Phi Sigma Sigma. Steven is planning to graduate from Michigan State University in 1994. He is a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon.

An Aug. 13, 1994, wedding date is set.

Lisa Ann Clark/  
Kevin Wasson



Mr. and Mrs. Paul Richard J. Clark of Novi announced the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Ann, to Kevin Wasson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wasson of Ionia.

Lisa graduated from Michigan State University in June and is currently working on a master's degree in music at Michigan State.

Kevin graduated from Michigan State in June and has a bachelor's degree in journalism. He is currently employed by Waste Management of Michigan and will be attending Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

The couple is planning an August 1993 wedding at Holy Family Catholic Church.

## On Campus

DAVID McDONALD of Novi recently attended Michigan Technological University's 20th annual Summer Youth Program. He was among approximately 1,000 students attending one of this summer's 60 different week-long sessions. Program design focuses on career exploration and developing new skills through laboratory, classroom and field experience. McDonald is the son of Thomas and Mimi McDonald, and is a senior at Novi High School.

CHRISTOPHER BEECHER, LISA A. CLARK, TERESA L. COWARD, JOSEPH HENDERSON, CHARLES A. MUTCH and DAVID L. NETTE, all of Novi received their degrees from Michigan State University this summer.

# 'Just Mary'

Novi woman's musical debut culminates a lifetime of work

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

Now that her three daughters have grown and for the most part are out on their own, Mary Lewis decided it was time to do something for herself.

So she combined her musical talents as a clarinetist, pianist and singer, cut an album, and took to the open road.

"I've been a musician all my life," she said. "The girls and I have always performed together, but now that they are out on their own, I said, 'It's my turn.'"

In June, Lewis took the first copies of her debut album, *Just Mary*, out on the road to perform and promote it at eight Nazarene colleges from Boston to California.

The album showcases all of Lewis' talents as a musician and singer. On it, she did all the piano tracks, overdubbed her voice for leads and backups, wrote some of the songs and arranged them all.

"It came out very well," the Novi resident said. "It was really challenging to do it all."

If writing, recording and mixing the album wasn't challenging enough, the tour was.

"It was wonderful," she said. "And

yet it was the most draining and really the most challenging thing I've ever done."

"You have to be up and on all the time."

Despite the pressures, Lewis said, "Just as demanding as it was, it was just as rewarding."

And a long time coming. For years, Lewis said she's put her dreams on hold to see those of her family take off. She stood steadfast as the wife of Pastor Holland Lewis of the Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, now located on Haggerty at Eight Mile. For 25 years she was a member of her husband's staff and the mother of three. She stood beside her eldest daughter, Crystal, who left home to pursue a successful singing and acting career. Now she listens to Crystal's No. 1 hits on Christian radio and watches her on Saturday evenings on Nickelodeon.

It wasn't until recently that she decided it was time; it was her time. And so she took the dream of the shelf, dusted it off, and made it a reality.

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MARY LEWIS

ful to have the time to let me be free to do what I want and to have doors just open up."

Today she's in demand. She's playing church services, banquets, retreats, conventions, national assemblies, and dinner meetings. She's

making television appearances and recording new tracks.

Included on the local tour is an encore performance at the Detroit First Church of the Nazarene on Sunday, Sept. 27 at 6 p.m. at 21260 Haggerty Rd.

Located on the grounds of Children's Hospital of Michigan, the Ronald McDonald House provides housing for families across the country so they can be close to their children during special surgery at the hospital.

The can drive will last until Oct. 31, and the cans and bottles collected will come from customers and employees alike. The stores, including Novis, will be decorated with banners and a giant 32-gallon bin will be available for depositing empties.

They will also be handing out flyers in the parking lot, and, Mexicote said, could use any volunteers interested in helping to hand them out. If you would like to volunteer, call the store at 348-1430.

## Store collects cans for charitable cause

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

Fashion Bug in the West Oaks shopping plaza hopes to fill up with empties this month.

Starting Saturday, Oct. 3, all Michigan Fashion Bug stores will be competing with each other in "Cans for Kids," a can drive to benefit the Ronald McDonald House of Detroit.

"We want the community to know that if they have any cans or bottles they want to give us, we will cash them in and turn it all over to the Ronald McDonald House," said Novi store manager Vanessa Mexicote.

"If people have any cans or bottles in their garage, we'll take them," she added. "Lots of people do that; they don't turn them in, they just leave them in the garage. I'm good for that. I always have them

in the garage — until my daughter gets desperate for money, that is."

Mexicote said all 76 Fashion Bug stores throughout the state of Michigan will take part in a competition for who can collect the most returnables and donate the most money.

There aren't any prizes for the winning store, but that doesn't matter to Fashion Bug employees, Mexicote said.

"We'll get the gratification of giving. That's enough for all of us. But that little bit of competition makes it more fun and more of a challenge."

"All our store associates are excited about the Cans for Kids program," said Debbie Kernis, regional supervisor for Fashion Bug. "Our objective is to raise money to help the Ronald McDonald House and we're happy to be able to lend a helping

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# Travel



By WILLIAM T. TOMICKI  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

**Q: Is it possible to see the komodo dragon in its natural habitat?**

A: Travelers can get to Komodo Island, home of the lizards which can grow up to 10 feet long, aboard cruise ships and fishing boats that depart from the Indonesian coast.

The snake-like dragons with razor-sharp teeth can easily catch a goat or deer in three or four chunks. And one of the tourist attractions on Komodo Island involves rangers feeding 20 or 30 dragons. A sheep tossed into their pit will be devoured in minutes.

Exploring Komodo Island for wild boars, cockatoos and other wildlife is also popular.

A visit conducted by Aerotours International includes stops at Rinca Island to see wild horses, wild pigs and monkeys and, sometimes, more dragons.

En route, travelers dive among the coral gardens, see exotic fish and explore underwater caves. They sail aboard a comfortable motor cruiser with air conditioning, a lounge, a library and a dining room.

The four-day adventure costs \$744 per person, which includes all accommodations, meals, sight-seeing tours and local flights to and from the coast.

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**Q: Can you recommend a good place to learn about the history of Wyoming?**

A: The Homestead's Museum in Torrington, Wyo., is a quaint place to study the history of the 44th state. It is about midway between Cheyenne, the capital city, and Casper, the second-largest city.

The museum houses historical items from the state's settlement period, roughly 1830 to 1940. This era is full of lore about mountaineers, trappers, early stagecoach and freight lines and Indian treaties.

Visitors can see how rough life was for the early settlers. They tour a reconstructed homesteader shack with old furniture, tools, clothes and written documents. Photographs and materials excavated in archaeological digs are also on display.

The nearby town of Little Torrington (population 6,650) was a way station for the Oregon Trail and the pony express. It is now one of Wyoming's centers for marketing livestock.

For further information contact the Coshien County Chamber of Commerce at (307) 532-3879. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

**Q: Which wineries in Burgundy, France, are open to the public?**

A: Burgundy's 60,000 acres of vineyards are visited by about 6 million tourists each year. More than 250 wine makers in the area now cooperate to set up wine-tasting events, produce special lists of brands and prices — and to keep regular visiting hours.

The best source of information is a new guide called "Visits and Wine Tasting." It is distributed by the Burgundian Tourist Board and includes details about local hotels and other attractions.

For more information, plus a copy of the brochure, contact Comité Régional du Tourisme de Bourgogne, Conseil Régional, BP 1802-21035, Dijon, Cedex, France. Information is also available from your local travel agent.

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

## Fall color tour — southern style

### Asheville welcomes visitors to the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains

By RICK MASHBURN  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

For many people a getaway in North Carolina's Blue Ridge Mountains means a remote campsite or cottage, a place where the piled-up woodpecker is the biggest noise-maker around.

Travelers who take smaller doses of wilderness may prefer Asheville. Hiking trails, whitewater rivers and the meandering Blue Ridge Parkway section within easy reach, yet so are out-of-town newspapers, imported beer and the occasional foreign movie.

Not by accident is Asheville's professional baseball team called the Tourists. The city has catered to visitors since the mid-19th century, when it began to be known both for lavish hotels and sanitariums.

A number of its present-day attractions were built by people who visited first, then decided to stay. George Washington Vanderbilt was so enchanted with the sight of Mount Pisgah that he bought 125,000 acres surrounding it, then situated his 285-room estate Biltmore to give him an unobstructed view.

In turn, some of Biltmore's most talented designers and craftsmen also settled in the city and continued to contribute to a body of architecture that is strong in the Art Deco and Gothic Revival styles.

Created by and for outsiders, Asheville, with a population of 60,000, has an unusual sophistication for a city in the southern Appalachians.

**SIGHTS**  
For a visual introduction to the city drive west through the clutter and chaos of Tunnel Road. You'll pass through Beaucatcher Tunnel, then emerge to a stately view of the downtown skyline.

Thanks to a recent rejuvenation, downtown is spirited and hospitable. There are narrow, angled streets and spacious open squares filled with cafes, galleries and boutiques.

At Pack Square, the heart of downtown, the recently opened Pack Place Education, Arts and Science Center, 704-252-3866, has provided a new home for several of the city's small museums.

Architecture enthusiasts will want to seek out the pink-roofed Art Deco City Building at 70 Court Plaza, and the Gothic Revival Jackson Building, a pencil-thin skyscraper at 22 South

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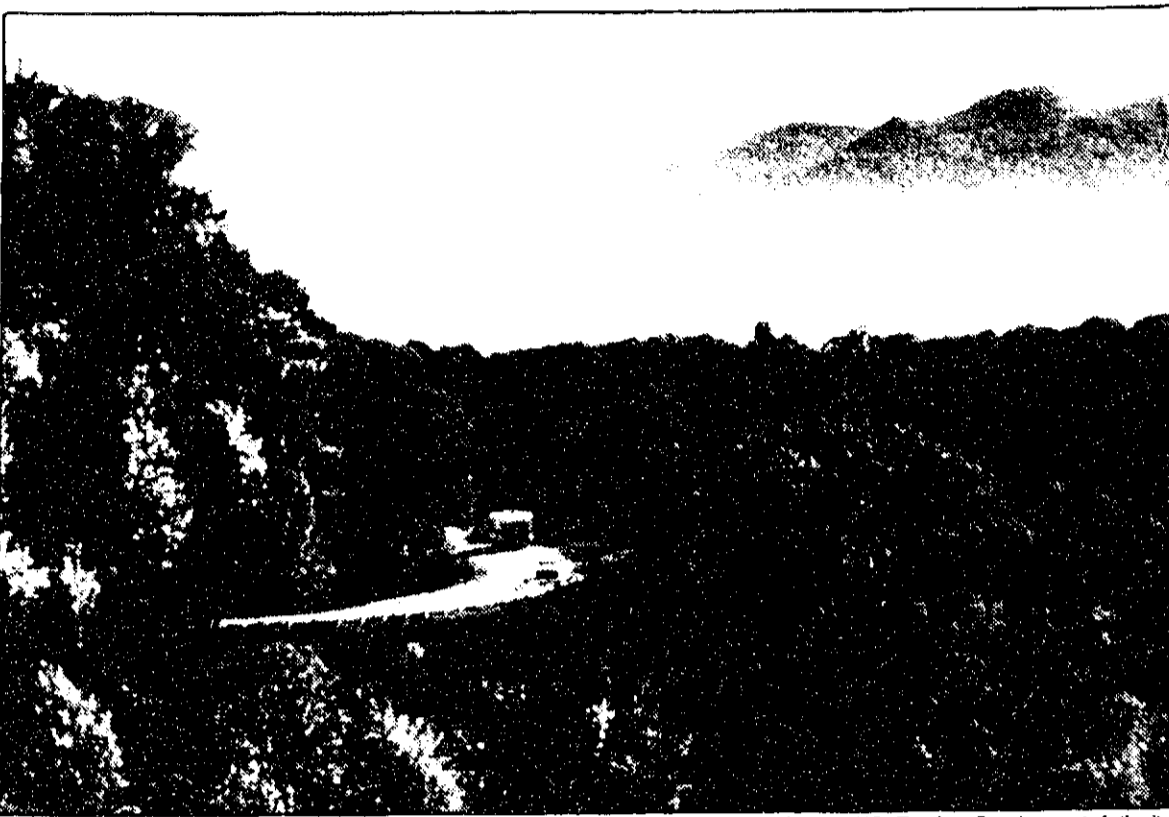


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Beautiful fall colors accent the Blue Ridge Parkway near Asheville, North Carolina

Pack Square. For a more comprehensive look a two-hour guided walking tour begins at the Downtown Welcome Center, 14 Battery Park Ave., 704-255-1093, and costs \$7.50.

Biltmore Estate should certainly be visited, even considering the \$21.95 admission charge. Built in the 1890s and designed by Richard Morris Hunt after 16th-century French chateaus in the Loire Valley, the splendid stone mansion is filled with original furnishings and art objects collected by George Vanderbilt in Europe.

The 8,000-acre grounds, designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, include lavish formal gardens and a conservatory. Lunch at one of the two restaurants on the estate and a winery tour can extend the visit to nearly a full day. The house, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (tickets must be purchased by 5), grounds close at 8 p.m., 800-543-2961.

The rough boulders of the Grove Park Inn in Asheville stand in sharp contrast to Biltmore's gargoyled facade. The rustic hotel was built in 1912 of stone carved from the mountain on which it sits, and the original structure remains largely intact despite the addition of two new wings. The terrace has dozens of rockers

and a sweeping view of distant mountains. It is especially pleasant at sunset. On chilly days, comfort can be found in two huge stone fireplaces in the lobby.

Visitors who are not staying at the hotel can sit on the porch and in the lobby. Many of Grove Park's original fixtures and furnishings were made by the Roycrofters, a well-known name in the American Arts and Crafts Movement; in addition, an impressive collection of arts and crafts furnishings now decorates the public areas of the new wings. At 2900 Macon Ave., 800-438-5800.

The six modestly furnished cottages have one to three bedrooms and all are equipped with kitchens, cable television and a deck with grill. A one-bedroom chalet costs \$75 a night.

In addition to being a historic and aesthetic landmark, the Grove Park Inn is a first-class resort hotel. It has 510 rooms, three restaurants, golf course and indoor sports center. Rooms in the oldest section retain their original furniture; they are smaller but more appealing. A room for two costs \$115 to \$185. Richmond Hill Inn, 87 Richmond

Plaza, 800-438-3960, is a jarring sight next door to the Thomas Wolfe Memorial, built in 1883.

Even so, the 281-room hotel is conveniently situated and offers views from its upper-floor rooms and restaurant. One complaint: the carpets were annoyingly stained during a recent stay. A double room costs \$79 (\$92 for people attending the Wolfe Festival).

The Swiss Chalets, 5 Delano Road, 704-253-6062, are all but hidden by the woods on Beaucatcher Mountain. They are 600 feet above downtown but still offer moments from Park Square.

Stone Soup, at both 50 Broadway, 704-255-7687, and 8 Wall St., 704-254-0844, offers soups, salads and hefty sandwiches on whole-grain breads. Even the desserts seem healthy. Only the Broadway restaurant, by far the more laidback of the two, is open for dinner. Str-frys, omelets and other special entrees are added to the self-service line in the evening. Dinner for two \$20; wine by the glass \$1.30.

Rick Mashburn lives in North Carolina and is a frequent visitor to Asheville.

**WHERE TO EAT**  
The thoroughly improbable Windmill makes Italian, German and Indian cuisines in a grotto-like setting under the Innsbruck Mall, 85 Tunnel Road, 704-253-5285. A popular item on the regular menu is chicken schintzell with sour cream and dark cherries. A frequent special is the German sampler. Dinner for two with wine costs \$50 to \$60.

The Latin Quarter at 76 Haywood St., 704-252-6602, offers dishes inspired by the cuisines of Spain, Cuba and the Caribbean. Paela and ajamarrillo jerked pork are popular, as are plantains stuffed with black beans, and chayote squash baked with cheese. Live jazz on weekends. Dinner for two with wine or beer costs about \$45.

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**WHERE TO STAY**  
Reservations can be hard to find during the height of the leaf season, mid-October.

All glass and steel, the Radisson Hotel Asheville at One Thomas Wolfe

Hill Drive, 704-252-7313, is among the most carefully restored and handsomely furnished of the city's inns in old homes. A bit out of the way, it sits alone on a steep hill over the French Broad River.

The century-old house has a paneled hall and library, and some of the 12 guest rooms have fireplaces. Nine cottages, also with fireplaces, have been built around a nearby croquet court. Rates for a double room, \$115 to \$275, include a full breakfast. The inn's restaurant also serves dinner, afternoon tea and Sunday brunch.

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## Cruise lines going overboard with discounts

By EVERETT POTTER  
New York Times Travel Syndicate

All hands on deck! Once again, the cruise industry has gone overboard with discounts.

A savvy travel agent or a cruise-only agent will take one look at a cruise price and immediately slice off another 15 percent to 20 percent. And last year's hefty discounts of 25 percent to 35 percent are back with a vengeance.

"We've seen a 35 percent drop in the cost of the average ticket in the last five years," says Mike Grossman, president of Cruises of Distinction, a New Jersey-based cruise-only travel agency.

"That's staggering. They can't go much lower because it's cheaper to lay up the ship."

In past years only consumers who booked very early or waited until the last minute could get a major bargain. Now it seems everyone has a chance.

With the economy in recession, rebates — for example, slicing an additional 5 percent off their already-discounted price.

"The cruise lines may say that re-booking doesn't occur, but it happens a lot," says Grossman of Cruises of Distinction.

"Instead of waiting until the last minute, we now see some cruise lines selling their whole year at discount," says Larry Fishkin, president of The Cruise Line, a Miami-based cruise-only travel agency.

Clients are now lured with various options. It could be a second week at sea for a rock-bottom price or a special two-passenger-for-the-price-of-one rate.

It could be a low standby fare offered three weeks before sailing. These options come and go. But a knowledgeable travel agent should be aware of them.

To attract more clients, some cruise-only agencies will consume part of their own profits by offering the real price from the consumer."

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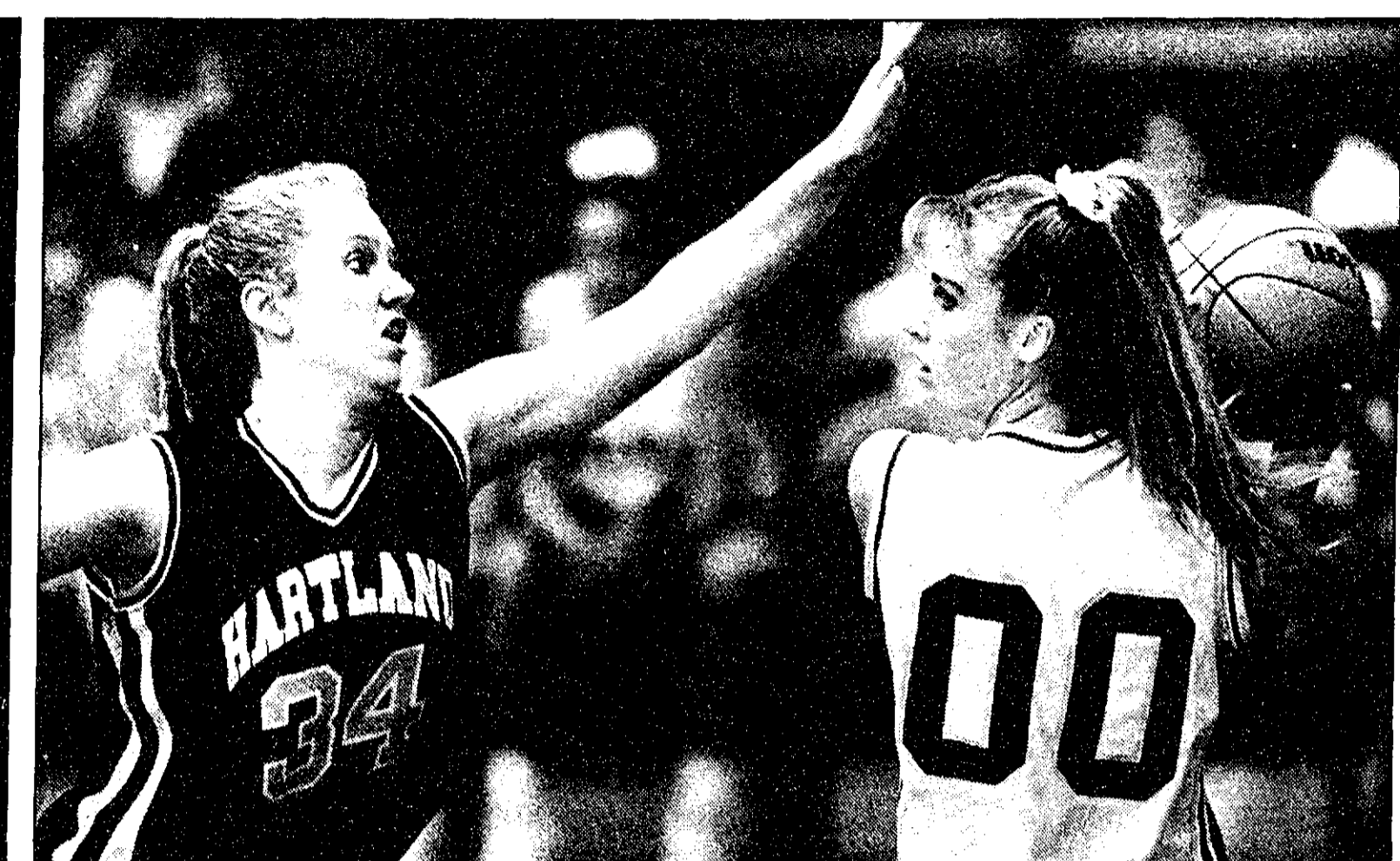
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Kate Mackenzie grabs a rebound against Hartland (left) while Kelley Barton (above) looks for a pass.

## Hoopsters lose two in KVC

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

All is not well in Mudville, or even Novi for that matter.

With three straight Kensington Valley Conference losses, the fortunes of the Wildcat basketball team are setting faster than the Oc-

seniors. That's happening but only in spurts.

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# Kickers use penalty to beat Milford

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Dave Zycynski's goal with less than 10 minutes left gave the Wildcat soccer team a 2-1 win over Milford on Sept. 22.

The goal came on a penalty shot. Novie's Chris Young tore down the field on a breakaway and was stopped when the Redskins goalkeeper "grabbed his foot," said Wildcat coach Larry Christoff.

Zycynski made no mistake on the penalty kick as he sent a hard low shot to the left of the Milford keeper for the game winner. Novi outshot host Milford 22-9.

Christoff said the game got very rough in the second half. With about 15 minutes left three Redskin players were ejected from the game for unnecessary roughness.

Novi goalie Matt Bendernagel was also ejected. The Wildcat stopped a Milford shot and was on the ground when another Redskin kicked him in the head.

Bendernagel went after the player and was subsequently ejected. Christoff said. The Milford player was thrown out as well.

"It was a rough and tough game," Christoff said.

Keith Barber opened scoring in the game at the four minute mark of the first half. Milford tied it with less than three minutes to go in the half on a failed Novie clearing pass.

Despite all the rough play, Christoff said his team played well.

"I thought we dominated," he said. "There was no question we were in control of the game."

**SOUTH LYON 1, NOVI 0:** The 'Cats inability to finish off scoring chances showed up against the Lions Thursday at home.

Novi had 33 shots on goal without scoring. Christoff said it's getting to be an old story.

"We just couldn't find the net," he said. "We missed a lot of opportunities, but their goalie rose to the challenge."

South Lyon goalie Steve Cramer got the shutout. Christoff said the Lion Junior was outstanding in the nets.

South Lyon got the game's only goal at the 12 minute mark of the first half.

Novi had several chances to tie the game in the second half, including four corner kicks.

"This is the most frustrating year," he said. "We could be 7-1-1 instead of 4-4-1."

"Our youth is showing. When we get some experience we will be a team to watch."



Dave York goes for the ball.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

# Crawford leads runners past Hartland

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

Behind the leadership of John Crawford, the Wildcat cross country team scored an easy 23-36 victory over Hartland on Sept. 22.

The senior runner finished Northville's best distance race in 17:02. According to coach Bob Smith, Crawford is one of the Kensington Valley Conference's best runners.

"Crawford showed he's one of the best in the KVC," he added.

The coach said Novi did a good job as a team against the Eagles.

"We ran like we are capable," Smith said. "When we do that we will do well."

Vince Meehan ran nearly as well as Crawford. He was third overall with a time of 17:48.

Shawn Kelly also broke the 18-minute mark with a 17:55. Brendan Best was seventh overall in 18:25 and Brian Grems was close behind in 18:34.

Novi's five top finishers had an average time of 17:57, which Smith termed as very good. The coach described the win as "satisfying" because Hartland had taken the 'Cats to a breaker last year before falling over Hartland on Sept. 22.

The Wildcats placed second in the junior-senior division with 53 points.

"We ran extremely well," he said. "But they beat us soundly."

The coach added that Brighton almost certainly will be among the state's top teams at the end of the season. Smith predicted they would knock off defending state champ Lakeland.

Crawford was again first for Novi (second overall). The senior ran an amazing 16:39. Brighton's Brandon Daulton was just a shade better to win the race in 16:37.

Meehan ran his best time ever at Cassa Benton Thursday with a time of

17:23. Grems improved by 20 seconds from the Hartland meet and posted an 18:14. Kelly was 17th overall and ran an 18:22.

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McGoorty took 19th in 19:08 and Jeremy Meynard finished in 19:25. Rob Mutch and Ryan Keys were the 'Cats final two runners and posted times of 19:52 and 20:29.

Runners finishing in the top 20 of either division took home medals.

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# Fitness Notes

**Cholesterol Screening:** The Preventive Health Care Clinic is conducting a free cholesterol and glucose screening session Oct. 10 from noon to 5 p.m. The center is located at 39555 W. Ten Mile Road in Novi. For more information call 473-2980.

**Fitness over 50:** A one hour exercise program is held Monday and Wednesday at Twelve Oaks Mall. It takes place from 9-10 a.m. in the Lord & Taylor corridor near the east entrance.

The program, conducted by the University of Michigan Division of Physical Education, is particularly aimed at older people and others who want to benefit from an invigorating but non-strenuous exercise program. Fitness over 50 welcomes all interested persons, regardless of age and current activity level. The instructor is Nora Champion of Novi. Call the Twelve Oaks management office for more information.

**Fitness Factory:** Fitness Factory is offering a one hour high/low combination aerobic/muscle toning class at Village Oaks Clubhouse in Novi. Classes will run Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:15 a.m., Tuesday and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. and Monday and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Babysitting will be available for the morning classes only at a minimal cost. Price for one day a week is \$30, two days \$49, three days \$59 and unlimited at \$64. Courses last for 10 weeks. For more information call Kahl at 349-7928 or VOCH at 349-0510.

**Gymboree:** Registration is being accepted for Gymboree classes in Novi at the Novi Town Center. Gymboree is a play program for parents and children three months through 4 years old, designed to enhance the development of motor skills. Classes are offered Monday through Saturday mornings and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. For class descriptions, schedules and information call (313) 737-2888.

**Jazzercise and Jazzerstep:** Our fall schedule has started. Jazzercise classes meet Monday/Friday at 9:30 a.m. and Tuesday/Thursday at 5:45 p.m. Both classes are great for giving you more energy and reducing stress. They'll also help you feel better about yourself and your body. Both are aerobic, fat-burning workouts with floorwork but Jazzercise classes really concentrate on your lower body. Babysitting is available at morning classes. Come by Grand Slam USA at 42930 Ten Mile Road in Novi or call Julie at 426-9096 for more information.

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

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

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

**Weight loss:** Ellie's Weight loss classes are being held each Saturday morning at 10 a.m. and again at 12:30 p.m. at Grand Slam USA in Novi on Ten Mile Road.

For more information, call 682-1717.

**Open swimming offered:** Northville Recreation Department will offer open swimming at the Northville High School pool on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:15-8:15 p.m., and on Saturdays from 2:45-3:45 p.m. A lap swim will also be offered on Mondays and Wednesday from 8:15-9:15 p.m.

Locker rooms and showers are available. The fee is \$1 per person. For more information, call 349-0203.

**Schoolcraft health club:** If you're thinking of joining a health club, Schoolcraft College has something for you.

The Livonia junior college is offering a Health Club and a Gym and Swim program. The health club is designed for families to enjoy unstructured activity in a modern, fully equipped physical education facility. A nominal fee of \$3 is charged per visit and you will have the use of gyms, racquetball courts, weight machines and saunas. A membership fee of \$25 per individual or \$65 per family will cover the entire fall session. The club meets on Sundays from 1-5 p.m. for 26 Sundays.

The Gym and Swim program is offered on Thursdays and on Saturdays from 8 a.m.-noon. This program costs \$3 per visit on Thursday and \$2 on Saturday, and uses facilities including the pool, weight training equipment, handball/paddleball courts, gyms and saunas.

Call 462-4413 for more information.

# Wildcats of the Week



JOHN LAHTI

JOHN LAHTI: The senior quarterback threw for 275 yards and one touchdown in Novi's 33-0 win over Milford Friday night. For the season, Lahti has thrown for nearly 900 yards.

BETH VANDERHOFF

BETH VANDERHOFF: The senior No. 2 singles player collected a pair of wins in two KVC Wildcat victories last week. She is undefeated in the league.

# Hoopsters fall twice in KVC

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The 'Cats rallied from an eight-point deficit at halftime to take the lead with seconds left, but Brandy Taylor collected a rebound and scored at the buzzer to give Lakeland a 44-43 win. Hoffman said his team had several chances to win the game, despite playing poorly.

"It was by far the worst game we've played this year," he said. "We had numerous opportunities to put it away but nobody stepped up to get the job done."

Lakeland coach Paul Gmelin summed it up this way. "They thought they were going to walk all over us."

A sluggish first quarter by both teams resulted in an 8-6 Novi lead. But the Eagles charged back in the second to outscore the 'Cats by 10 and take a 24-16 advantage.

"We played like we were half asleep," Hoffman said.

With his starters struggling the coach made a number of substitutions in the second quarter. But Hoffman said, "But they did an excellent job of what we would like to do: block out and hustle on defense."

Hartland led 29-21 at the half. Barton and Kenny led Novi with seven and six points, respectively, in the first half.

The Eagles added two points two their lead in the second half to win by 10. Barton led Novi with 12 points in the game while Christine Edwards had 11.

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The final period was a story of missed chances by Novi. The 'Cats shot just two of 11 from the field and missed five free throws in the last eight minutes. The Eagles, by contrast, hit on six of eight field goals.

"We had a zillion chances," Hoffman said.

Kenny led Novi with 17 points while Kearney and Barton each had eight. Taylor led Lakeland with 18 points.

HARTLAND 55, NOVI 45: The news didn't get any better against the KVC's other Eagles Thursday.

In an effort to light a fire under his team, the coach sat down all but one of his starters to begin the game. Hartland kept the 'Cats' embers smoldering, however, and took a 17-11 lead after one quarter.

With the message received, many of the Novi starters returned early in the second and immediately slashed the Eagle lead to two points. The 'Cats could come no closer than 19-17 in the second and Hartland's lead wasn't challenged again.

"We came back so fast it looked like we would pass them up easily," Hoffman said. "But they did an excellent job of what we would like to do: block out and hustle on defense."

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# SCOREBOARD

## FOOTBALL

### STANDINGS

#### Overall/KVC (Through Sept. 18)

Lakeland	4-0-0
South Lyon	4-0-2
Howell	3-1-2
Brighton	2-2-0
Hartland	1-2-1
Novi	1-1-2
Milford	0-3-0

### KVC LEADERS

Running Yards	Porter (South Lyon) 805
Receiving Yards	Porter (South Lyon) 805
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# Recreation

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## Potluck banquet planned

Calling all residents over 80 years of age: Novi Parks and Recreation has come up with yet another great, new idea — the "80 Years Plus Potluck Banquet."

Did you know that life begins at 80? The first 80 years are the hardest, but the second 80 are a succession of birthday parties. This could be the reason behind Kathy Crawford's idea to honor all of Novi's finest citizens at a special potluck banquet on Friday, Oct. 9.

As Special Recreation Coordinator Kathy Crawford and Senior Center Manager Jan McAlpine started planning this special event they had no idea how many seniors in Novi were over 80 years old. The stereotype of an 80 year old is someone slow moving with numerous health problems who can't or won't leave their home.

"Not our 80- and 90-year-olds," said Crawford. "Many of our seniors coming to the Center each day, taking part in activities such as swimming, exercising, dancing and traveling are over 80 years old, and we didn't even realize it until we put out the notice for our 80-plus banquet."

"We want everyone, regardless of age, to come out to the Novi Civic Center on Friday, Oct. 9, at 5:30 p.m. to meet these very special people. Everyone bring a dish to share and we will provide chicken, table service, coffee and tea. If you're over 80, just bring yourselves."

There will also be a special program honoring those 80 years and over, as well as a mini-concert by our very own Novi Choralaires. Bring your family and friends because it will be an enjoyable evening filled with good food, music and laughter.

Just what are the secrets of living to the ripe old age of 80 or even 90? Most of our Novi seniors agree that being active is the key. Ninety years young Kate Magas and her sister Ann Taylor who is 87 would make most people tired just by looking at their so-



Dave Schofield is a regular at the Novi senior center.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

cial calendar. They are making up for lost time by traveling, coming to the Senior Center for bingo, pinocle, bridge, and line dancing.

"My favorite place to go is Toronto to see 'Phantom of the Opera.' I've been five times," said Megs. "I retired as a bookkeeper in 1982 and haven't slowed down since. My sister moved up to Novi from Florida that same year, and we have enjoyed being together. With the Senior Center we've traveled to the Canadian Rockies, Mackinac Island, Hawaii and even went on a Caribbean Cruise. Lately, we do more of the shorter trips."

Said Ann Taylor: "The secret to a long life is have fun and don't stop! With dances, exercise class, reading and performing with the Skits-o-Frantic Players, who has time to get old!"

A former Detroit Tiger employee,

Harold Hill, turned 80 this past January, but you'd never know it to look at him. He just retired two years ago but continues to stay active square dancing with his wife, as well as enjoying activities at the Senior Center.

Violet Howard, who's only 94 years young, wants to relay a message to the young people out there, especially the 70 and 80 year olds: "Don't stay at home and do nothing, get out and have fun! If you have a few aches and pains, ignore that and do things. It makes a difference." Violet enjoys coming to the Senior Center for bingo and pinocle games.

Ermine McGinn worked in accounting until she was 65 and then taught at a Head Start program in Detroit until she was 74. Now that she's 82, she has not slowed down. McGinn enjoys traveling, baking, sewing and continues to volunteer with her daughter who teaches Engl-

ish as a second language.

Eighty-two year old Gordon Wilcox is another Novi senior who stays busy. A former chemist with the Ethyl Corp., Wilcox has also stayed active in Boy Scouting for 50 years. Maybe it is his scouting leadership skills that have helped him lead the Novi Senior Club for the past 10 years.

"We know there are many more special people out there who deserve to be recognized," said Crawford. "Please, if you have family, friends or neighbors over 80 years old, tell them to call us at 347-0400."

Mark your calendars for Oct. 9, make a favorite dish to pass and one to come meet Kate, Ann, Harold, Violet, Ermine, Gordon, and many more remarkable seniors. And remember, as Ann Taylor said, "Old age would have to run very fast to catch up with us."

## Tie health insurance rates to weight?



Randy Step

In today's sluggish economy, many people are concerned about the money spent on certain government give-away programs. However, I suspect that the dollars spent on these federal programs would pale next to the money put out by the insurance companies for medical problems that could have been prevented.

I see a parallel between these two situations. The government give-away programs discourage the spirit and work ethic of America's economically disadvantaged. In a similar vein, today's health insurance practices perpetuate unhealthy American lifestyles. Neither offers any incentives to people to do better. Let's look at the problem of insurance.

Picture a man, 50 pounds overweight, who spends evenings on the couch eating junk food and watching the tube. The same man, two months earlier, was told by his doctor that his lifestyle was putting him at a great risk of heart disease. He was told his cholesterol, blood pressure, weight and resting heart rate were all going up and he was basically risking his life.

Now, two months later, he has a heart attack and receives a triple bypass. His medical bills for the 10 weeks he will be out of work, along with his disability pay, comes to about \$160,000.

Who takes responsibility for this situation? Why does this man's health insurance cost him the same as a physically responsible person? Does today's health insurance system contribute to the tendency for us to not take responsibility for our actions?

Here's a way to get and deal with these issues. Let's set measurable standards to determine the cost of medical insurance. How about a 10 percent surcharge on insurance costs

for individuals who weigh more than the national height/weight standard?

Just to make it more fair for starters, we'll add 20 pounds to the average weight charts since many people complain the charts are low. Then additional surcharges could be added in based on factors people, not heredity, have control over. A misery-index based on a score of several predetermined health standards could be developed.

And, just as a bad score raises the cost of insurance, a lower score would lower the cost.

If this system sounds unfair and unreasonable, maybe it is today. However, I hope it has at least got you thinking about the situation. Maybe at some future time, there will be incentives for people to live a more healthy lifestyle.

Okay, it's time to put the paper and donut down and go for a walk.

Randy Step owns Running Fit in Novi. This series is coordinated by Peg Campbell of the University of Michigan Health Centers.

## Spots open in senior bowling league

**Bowling League:** The Swinging Seniors league has begun, Thursdays at 1 p.m. at Novi Bowl. Sign up now at Novi Bowl.

**Learn to bowl:** Sign up for five weeks of professional bowling instruction, free shoe rental, practice bowling and a free custom-fitted bowling ball... all for just \$7 per week. Classes are Saturdays in October from 1-3 p.m. All ages are welcome. Fee is \$15 registration and \$7 per week. Call Frank Pepp at Novi Bowl, 348-9120 or parks and recreation at 347-0400.

**Volleyball player:** Novi resident Lara Lamb has received an Academic All-America honorable mention by the National Alliance of Two-Year Colleges Athletic Association. Lamb graduated with honors from Henry Ford Community College and was a member of the volleyball team.

**Pool Schedule:** Open swimming at Novi High will be held 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays. The pool may also be rented on Friday nights from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Swimming lessons, swimnastics and scuba diving programs will also be held. Call 344-8330 ext. 71 for more information.

**Softball:** Softball double-elimination tournament men's and women's tourney on Oct. 10-11 at Novi Power Park. All ASA registered

## Rec Briefs

men's class C and below and women's class C and below teams are eligible. Interested teams call Tom Willette at 455-6623.

**Roundball Roundup:** A basketball clinic designed to teach and instruct boys and girls on the fundamentals of basketball will be held: Wednesday's, Oct. 7, 14 and 21. For third and fourth graders the time will be 6:30-7:30 and for fifth and sixth graders from 7:30-9 p.m. The cost is \$18 for residents and \$21.60 for non-residents. The clinics will be held at Parkview Elementary and the registration deadline is Oct. 2.

**Summer Concerts:** The 1992 Sounds of Summer Concerts have begun. The concerts, held at 7 p.m. outside of the Novi Civic Center each Thursday, are 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.

**Novi Bike Club:** For information on bike club group rides call Gordy Gray at 349-4235 or

Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400.

**Discount Tickets:** Discounted tickets to many of the area's top attractions can be purchased through the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. Bob-Lo, Cedar Point, the Detroit Zoo and Chicago's Six Flags Great America amusement park are just a few. For more information, call 347-0400.

**Senior Spotlight:** Novi seniors host a feature-oriented half-hour show on cable Channel 12 Mondays at 6:30 p.m. Topics featured on the show have included health issues, Novi sports leagues and many others.

**Aerobic Exercise:** Designed for men and women, this aerobic exercise program stresses an individual workout at your own pace. The class, sponsored by Novi Community Education, meets at Novi Meadows Gym Monday through Thursday from 7-8 p.m. For more info call 344-8330.

**Early Morning Jog & Swim:** Class meets at the Novi High School gym each day of the week. For more information, call Novi Community Education at 344-8330.

**State Permits:** State Park Permits for 1992 are now on sale. The prices are the same as last year, an permit is \$15 and a senior annual permit is \$3.75.

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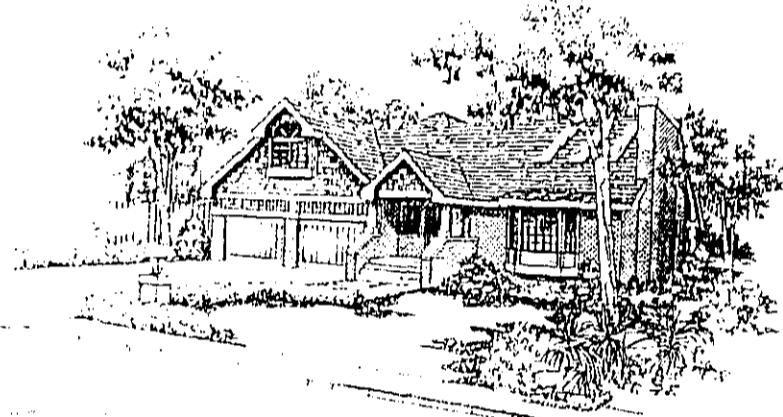
The cost of the seminar is \$160 and includes a building book.

For a free brochure and more information about the classes, call Michigan Builders Institute at 313-651-2771.

Pre-registration is required no later than Thursday, October 22, 1992 at Novi Community Education. Those interested should call 313-344-8330, ext. 15 to register during school office hours.

The course instructor is a licensed builder with extensive experience teaching builders' classes. The instructor will be able to answer questions related to all facets of home building.

**HOME DESIGNS**



## The Scott says you can go home again

By James McAlexander  
Copley News Service

A place you look forward to coming home to, whether you still live there or are returning to visit your parents — that's what the Scott looks like from the outside. Cedar shakes, gables and a brick facade combine to create this nostalgic exterior, but inside the home is completely modern.

A closer look at the exterior also reveals contemporary touches — glass blocks flanking the front door, half-round window at the peak of the garage gable and a row of skylights in the roof. An undeveloped attic runs the full length of the house, available for future expansion.

The entry opens into a huge, skylit great room, with a bay window and a wide hearth in front of the fireplace and wood box.

A range and oven are built into a large work island in the center of the kitchen. A wide window in front of the kitchen sink looks out over a wood deck, easily accessed

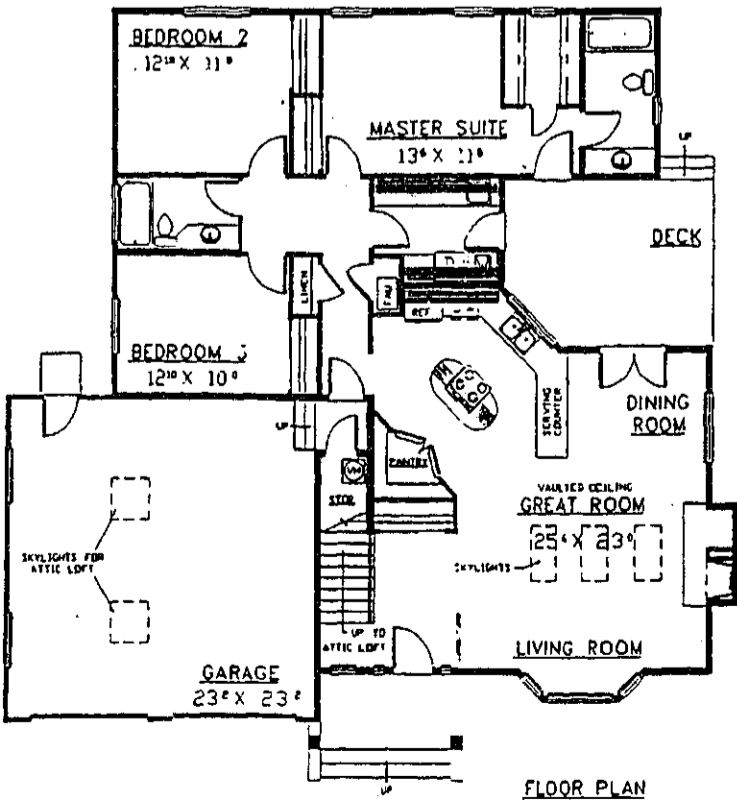
through French doors in the adjacent dining area. Other amenities include a triangular step-in pantry and a long eating bar.

Some families prefer the utility room be close to the kitchen. Others think it should be closer to sleeping areas. The location of this utility room suits both factions, and the room also has an outside entrance, handy for washing off muddy hands and/or feet.

The master bedroom, although physically no longer than the other two bedrooms, has a walk-in closet, private bath and access onto the deck.

For a study plan of the Scott (208-23), send \$750 to Landmark Designs, c/o HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River Ave., Howell, MI 48843. (Be sure to specify plan name & number when ordering).

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The outside of Esther and Bob Churella's Novi home.



## In a white room, with black accents

By RICK BYRNE  
Copy Editor

Some people are baseball fans, and some are fans of old cars. You can call Esther Churella of Novi a fan of architecture.

"I've been a subscriber to Architectural Digest since 1960," she said. "I've collected floor plans for years."

She's no armchair fanatic, though. Armed with her collection of floorplans — but no formal architectural training — Churella took on the task of designing the home she and husband Bob now own.

Even if you never got to see the Churella home from the inside, you'd know it is something distinctive.

From the outside, a visitor is immediately intrigued by its white brick and beveled glass entry door, and his curiosity piqued by a bi-level garage. Nestled in a scenic Novi subdivision, this home speaks well for the creativity of its owners before you even set foot inside.

The white brick and beveled glass are just an enticement for what lies inside. Nearly all the surfaces inside the home are white. The woodwork and moldings are done in pickled hardwoods, giving them a pale cast as well.

Yet the white is not overwhelming because it is so well balanced with black and colored accents. Nowhere is this more



Photos by BRYAN MITCHELL

The white great room has a 15-foot ceiling and is accented by a black piano.

evident than in the great room. Though it features a 15-foot ceiling, and huge a bay window that towers over the scene, a black piano and an Oriental screen serve to offset the vast expanses of white and light. Even the lush carpeting,

which at first glance appears to be white, has a light rose tint to it. The stairs to the lower level are guarded by etched glass, and there are glass doors

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## Plant spring bulbs now

By C.Z. Guest  
Copley News Service

**GARDENING**

The falling leaves of autumn announce the coming of winter just as crocuses, daffodils and tulips blooming in the yard proclaim that warmer weather is on the way. To gardeners, the normal conditions of fall signal the time to plant spring-flowering bulbs.

In order for bulbs to develop properly, they must endure a long, cold winter. The bulb will begin to grow and blossom in response to gradually warming weather. So flowering bulbs must be planted in fall to ensure a colorful spring.

Plant bulbs in perennial borders, lawns, rock gardens, under trees or anywhere else a splash of color is desired. The flowers will come back year after year if they are given a good start in life with an environment composed of fertile soil, garden sand and peat moss. The sand provides drainage while peat moss holds air, moisture and nutrients at proper levels.

The most difficult part of planting bulbs is choosing among the hundreds of species and hybrids available. Gardeners tend to favor the following types.

• **Allium:** A showy relative of the onion, this lilac, pink or yellow flower grows on stems 9

inches to 3 feet tall, making it an excellent ground plant.

• **Chionodoxa:** Commonly known as "glory-of-the-snow," this early spring flower produces 4- to 6-inch sprigs of white, blue or pink starlike blossoms, making it ideal for borders and rock gardens.

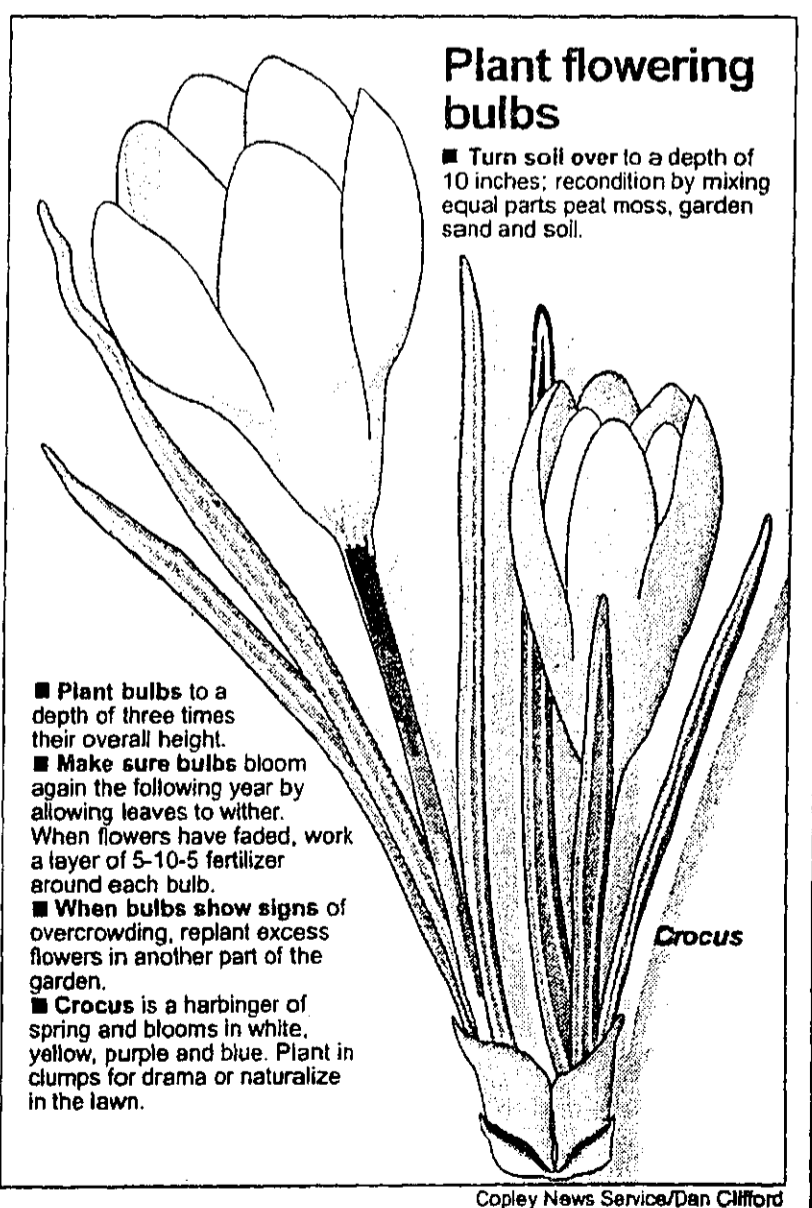
• **Crocus:** Harbinger of spring, the crocus blooms in white, yellow, purple and blue. Plant in clumps for drama or naturalize in the lawn.

• **Muscari:** Nicknamed the "grape hyacinth," these tiny, bright purple flowers multiply quickly and make excellent borders.

• **Narcissus:** Commonly called daffodils, this large group of flowers comes in many shapes and shades.

• **Tulips:** The most popular of all spring flowering bulbs, tulips offer a wide range of choices in height, color, shape and bloom time.

Unless spring bulbs are to be "naturalized" (scattered) throughout the garden, which requires individual holes for each bulb, it's best to plant them in mass, using a large trench for each group. Whatever the design, follow these steps to guarantee bulbs that



### Plant flowering bulbs

■ Turn soil over to a depth of 10 inches; recondition by mixing equal parts peat moss, garden sand and soil.

- Plant bulbs to a depth of three times their overall height.
- Make sure bulbs bloom again the following year by allowing leaves to wither. When flowers have faded, work a layer of 5-10-5 fertilizer around each bulb.
- When bulbs show signs of overcrowding, replant excess flowers in another part of the garden.
- Crocus is a harbinger of spring and blooms in white, yellow, purple and blue. Plant in clumps for drama or naturalize in the lawn.

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# Accenting the white room with glass and black

**Continued from 1**  
ways of centering the dining room, family room and kitchen. Kathy Dinkel of Wall-to-Lake created the etched pieces.  
Such uses of glass are not just an artistic gesture, however. When combined with the mirrors that line the walls throughout the home, they allow clear views from one room to the next.

But just as important is the view to the outdoors. Not wanting to waste the lovely landscape that surrounds the walkout lot, Churella designed windows on all sides of the home.  
"Coming in here and looking out at the trees makes me happy," she says from the bright dining room, with its glass (what else?) table.  
The kitchen of the home is striking. Not only is everything—counters, cabinets, hardware and appliances—in the same gleaming white that adorns the rest of the house, it is outfitted with state-of-the-art appliances from the General Electric Monogram Series that beg you to push their buttons and turn their knobs.  
But you can push all the buttons you want on the stove; it won't come on until there's a pan on top of it. This safety feature senses the metal of the pan and shuts off when it is removed.

"I used to cook a lot," said Churella. "It was my creative outlet. But now I'm in here and say, 'What a pretty kitchen,' and make reservations."  
Gadgets and conveniences pop up where you least expect them. In the family room, a single switch lights a fireplace and a blower heats the room. On the lower level, a custom spa allows Bob to get in frequent workouts by swimming against the jets. In the utility room, shelves and drying racks make laundry a breeze.  
Ester even designed her own entertainment center in the same

picked wood that appears elsewhere in the home. It houses a large-screen TV, surround-sound stereo, and even the controls for the electric piano.  
It just goes to show that sometimes you can judge a book by its cover. From its white brick exterior to the surround-sound speakers, this is a home of the unexpected.

# Prepare soil properly and plant bulbs now for spring flowers

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will thrive year after year.  
• **Prepare the soil.** Turn the soil over to a depth of about 10 inches to give roots room to grow. Recondition the soil and improve drainage by mixing equal parts of peat moss, garden sand and soil.  
• **Rake in a top layer of bone meal** (use about 5 pounds per 100 square feet), and let the natural fertilizer work its way slowly down into the soil.  
• **In addition, use a complete fertilizer,** such as 5-10-5, to increase bloom size and vigorous growth. This can be added while the soil is being prepared or applied to the ground surface shortly before bulbs are planted.

three times their overall height. Remember, if bulbs are planted too shallow, they will be in danger of freezing or having their period of dormancy interrupted by the freezing and thawing of the soil.  
• **To plant a large formal bulb garden,** remove the soil to the required depth, press bulbs into place like flat side is the bottom) and return the amended soil—water well.  
• **For smaller spaces or a lawn,** use a bulb planter or trowel to dig holes. Place the soil in a bucket, mix with equal parts sand and peat moss and add a dash of bone meal as described above. Nestle the bulbs in the mix at the recommended depth and water well.

• **Divide when crowded.** Most bulbs can be left in place to multiply and flourish for a number of years. When they show signs of overcrowding, simply divide and replant using the same directions listed above.  
The waiting, they say, is the hardest part, but rest assured that after a long winter's snooze, the bulbs will fill the garden with color and, of course, inspire a dose of spring fever!

**C.Z. Guest is a gardening authority whose work appears in House and Garden and author of numerous books and videos, including "Five Seasons of Gardening" (Little, Brown and Co.).**

• **Plant at proper depth.** The rule of thumb is to plant bulbs to a depth of

• **Groom with caution.** Make sure the bulbs will bloom again next year by allowing the leaves to wither. After the blossoms wilt, the stem and leaves begin to

make and store food for use the following spring.  
Therefore, "deadhead" the bulbs, but let the leaves and stems remain until they turn yellow and shrivel. When bulbs are planted in grass, do not mow until leaves are brown. When flowers have faded, carefully loosen soil and work a handful of 5-10-5 fertilizer in and around each bulb.

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This pump organ was made in the late 1800s.

# 'ARM' yourself with the right rate; home sales prediction for next year

**By James M. Woodard**  
Copley News Service

When shopping for the best possible home financing loan, the current low interest rates offered for adjustable rate mortgages may appeal to you. But take special note of the index used to determine the future ups and downs of the loan's interest rate.  
One index could be 100 times more volatile than another, according to a report from Great Western Financial Corp. Translation: some indexes are much more likely to zoom up or down than others, significantly increasing your risk. Those rate adjustments will directly affect the amount you pay in monthly mortgage payments.  
"The Certificate of Deposit index is probably the most volatile of all currently used indexes. And this index is used with an increasing number of mortgage loan offer-

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ings.  
"An ARM loan tied to a CD index is much more volatile than one using a Federal Cost of Funds Index," the Great Western report stated. "This can result in serious payment shock" for borrowers.  
Generally, these loans do not offer annual payment caps, so do loans using other indexes. If interest rates increase an average of 2 percentage points a year over four years, borrowers could see their monthly mortgage payments increase 56 percent, the report pointed out.  
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On the other hand, when you take a high-risk CD-index mortgage loan, you can usually benefit from a lower initial interest rate than other ARMs offer. That index also could potentially go down as fast as it goes up. But with today's mortgage interest rates at a 20-

percent, those applications are for 15-year loans (as opposed to the more conventional 30-year loans).  
"With today's low interest rates, most people want to look in a firm rate on their new home financing or refinancing mortgage loan."  
If you do select an ARM loan, be sure to periodically check your changing interest rate against the index used as the loan matures. Several recent surveys have revealed an alarming number of cases where lenders miscalculate their loan rate adjustments.  
These surveys have been conducted by such credible groups as the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., National Credit Union Administration and Office of Thrift Supervision. They have determined miscalculations in rate adjustments have been made in from 20 percent to 38 percent of ARM loans.  
"Are home sales increasing or decreasing?"  
At this writing, sales are on the increase. The growing activity is due, in part, to first-time home buyers who are discovering they can take advantage of today's super-low mortgage interest rates and keep their loan payments lower than their previous rental payments.  
"What's the predicted volume of existing home sales for the rest of this year?"  
About 3.49 existing single-family homes will be sold this year, it was predicted by the National Association of Realtors. That would be 8.3 percent greater than 1991's volume.  
Questions may be used in future columns; personal responses should not be expected. Send inquiries to James M. Woodard, Copley News Service, P.O. box 190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190.

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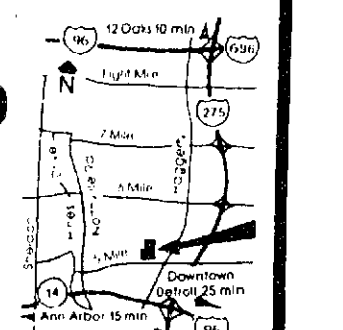
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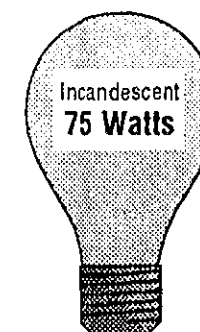
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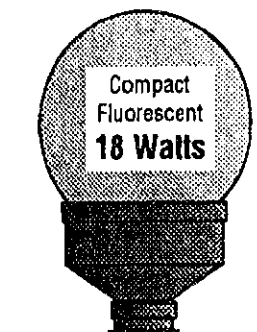
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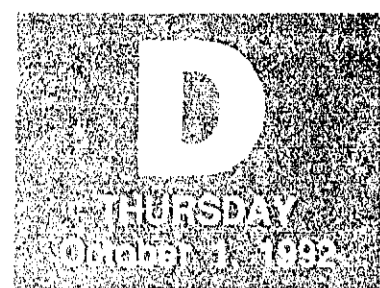
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## Service for 12? Heslops' offers service that knows no bounds

By RICK BYRNE  
Copy Editor

If there's one thing that's true about weddings, it's that they never go exactly according to plan.

But if the plan includes a bridal registry at Heslops, gifts of tableware won't be a source of worry. The Novi firm, which has been called the largest independent retailer of dinnerware in the U.S., specializes in speedy service that fits into just about anyone's plans for the big day.

Which is ironic, since owners Ron and Barbara Heslop will tell you they don't attribute much of their success to sound business planning.

The Heslops started with one small store in 1975, and today own a string of 14 shops around Michigan, in addition to their 80,000 square-foot headquarters in Novi.

"I'd like to say that we had a great business plan and it just clicked along like a Swiss watch from the beginning," said Ron. "Nothing could be farther from the truth. We kind of got into it by accident."

The Heslops had been looking to start a family business, but were uncertain as to what it should be. They considered everything from a book store to an unfinished furniture store.

A friend who was a sales representative of a greeting card company told them about a card shop in Livonia, Jean's Cards & Gifts, that was up for sale.

"We took one look and said 'no way,'" Ron said.

The shop was run down, and in need of major renovations. But after some thought, the couple decided to give it a try. Those early days weren't without their headaches.

"We went into it knowing nothing about retail," said Ron. "Neither of us had even run a register before. We'd never even been behind a counter of a retail store."

Indeed, Ron can laugh now about the harrowing tales of having to make

change for customers from his own pocket because he couldn't figure out how to open the cash register.

"We had nowhere to go but up," he said. "You could not go into the business greener than we did."

The little shop bloomed with vitality in the months that followed, however. The first time they did \$100 in sales — their break-even point — the couple went out and celebrated with a fancy dinner. But before long they were celebrating the opening of stores in Westland and Southfield.

It wasn't until they purchased the former Cricket Box in Plymouth that the two realized the opportunities that awaited them in fine dinnerware. In acquiring the store, they had acquired its stock of fine china.

"We actually stumbled upon the opportunity to enter the tabletop industry," said Ron.

They began stocking all their stores with china and collectibles, and followed just one simple rule: If either Ron or Barbara detested a specific pattern or gift item, they didn't sell it.

In developing their tableware business, the Heslops realized that there were more patterns and variations than they could possibly hope to display in one store. They converted their basement and garage into a storage facility, but even that didn't suffice.

"We finally decided that we wanted to offer the absolute best selection of dinnerware anywhere," said Ron.

Therein lies the key to the success that Heslops now enjoys: If there is a pattern made, Heslops almost certainly has it. If they don't have it in the store, they have it in stock in their Novi distribution center, and can deliver it overnight.

And when they say they stock a pattern, they're not just talking about dinner plates and saucers.

"There are as many as 100 pieces behind every pattern," said Ron. "We built this facility just to house all that."



Ron and Barbara Heslop are proud of the extent of their dinnerware stock.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Admittedly, it's a strategy few business prognosticators would recommend. But then, for a couple that had no background in retail, the rules of keeping a small inventory didn't apply.

"Most company's won't make the kind of inventory or space commitment that we do," Ron said. "We threw Retail 101 right out the window, and it's worked. A customer can't beat that kind of satisfaction."

Other special services at Heslops include the Platinum Club, where by brides can register for service for 12. Then if guests purchase 11 sets of

their dinnerware, the 12th is free. The Platinum Club also offers a lifetime replacement guarantee if any piece is broken — no matter what the cause.

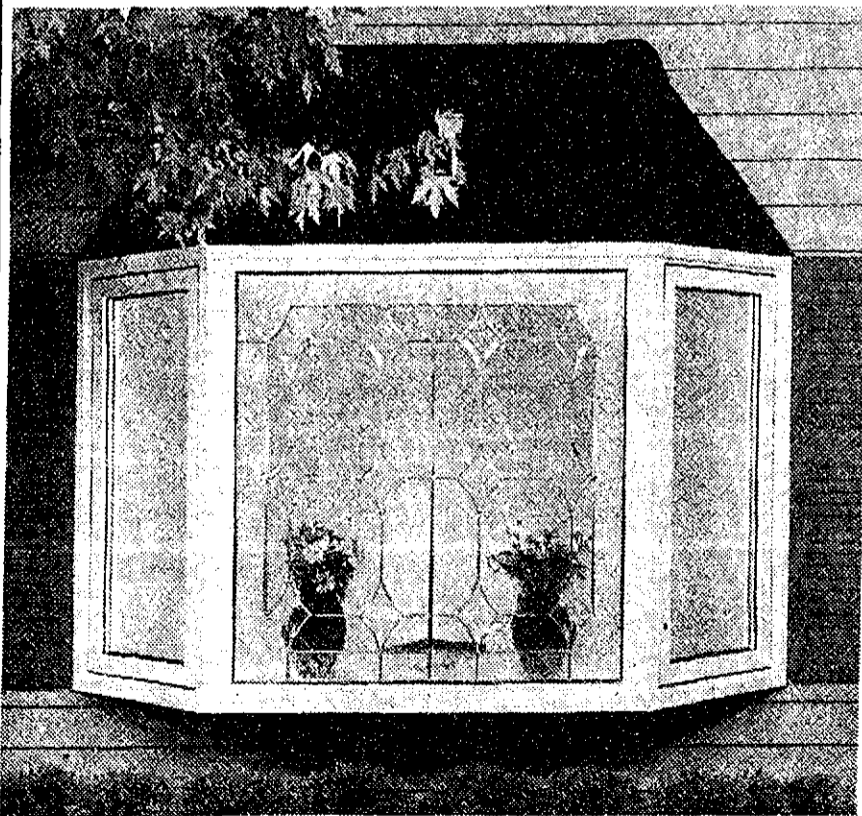
There are also discounts for bride and groom gifts, and guests get a favorable price which is locked in at the time of registry. Even if the wedding is two months away, or two years, the price remains the same.

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**Business Briefs**

**RICK MELNECHUK AND JOHN LARUE** have joined Fendt Transit Mix Inc. of Novi.

Melnechuk, now Director of Fendt's Technical Service Group and its Quality Control Department will be responsible for the design and quality control of all the concrete products produced by Fendt. He most recently was employed as the national technical service manager for St. Mary's Peerless Cement Company.

Melnechuk is a graduate of engineering technology at Centennial College and Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. He has earned a certificate as a senior technologist, Ontario Association of Canadian Engineering Technicians and Technologists.

LaRue will be responsible for overseeing market expansion and penetration of Fendt products and services in their geographical marketing area of Oakland, Livingston, western Wayne, northern Washtenaw and Ingham counties.

LaRue recently left St. Mary's Peerless Cement Company where he worked for 24 years in various levels of management. He spent 12 years as Great Lakes district sales manager for Penn-Duque Cement Corp.

**WILLIAM AUSTIN** of Walled Lake was re-elected to serve as chairman of the Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL) Board of Directors meeting held recently in Kalamazoo. Austin, president of Livonia Community Credit Union, was first elected MCUL chairman in 1991 following two years as League vice chairman. Serving as chairman, Austin holds the key leadership role in the governing body of the MCUL which supports credit union ideals and philosophy.

Founded in 1934 and headquartered in Southfield, the MCUL is the primary trade association representing credit unions in Michigan. The state's 571 credit unions serve over 3.6 million members and hold over \$11 billion in assets.

In addition, Austin, was re-elected as vice chairman to the CU-Corp Board of Directors. MCUL's business subsidiary which provides credit unions with financial products and operational services.

A veteran of the organized credit union movement, Austin has served as president of Livonia Community Credit Union since 1975 during which time he held numerous service positions including MCUL director and MCUL Executive Committee Treasurer.

In the face of an increasingly challenging financial environment, Michigan credit unions have continued their tradition of stability and conservative investment policies. One out of every three Michigan residents is now a member of a credit union.

**SLID SIDDIQUE** of Ford Front end wheel design is a winner of the 1991 Truck Significant Achievement Award. His group's feat was one in 14 selected to receive the high honor in a competitive field of 64.

Siddique was a member of a five-person team that introduced solid modeling to the Ford truck production process. Combining his



**RICK MELNECHUK**



**JOHN LARUE**



**SMIT SIDDIQUE**



**WILLIAM AUSTIN**

new computer technology with a process called rapid prototyping, Ford designers are able to build complete parts for engineers within a week's time. Solid modeling technology has reduced the average cycle time of part production by 40 percent.

Ford Truck Operations initiated the Truck Significant Achievement Award Program in 1985 to better recognize employees who best exemplify technology achievement, product improvement and outstanding work effort.

Siddique is a resident of Northville.

Voltek, Division Sekelski America Corp., has appointed **TODD K. STARNES** as industry manager for the recreational vehicle, marine, and packaging industries. He will also be the new territory manager for Voltek's Midwest Region 2, comprised of Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois.

Starnes will be responsible for developing new and existing applications for Voltek's Volar, Voletra, and Minicel cross-linked closed-cell polyolefin foams within his assigned industry and territory. He will work closely with authorized fabricating distributors to adapt Voltek products to customer applications, and to develop new grades of foam as needed for special uses.

Starnes, a resident of Milford, graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in packaging.

**TRADEWINDS AVIATION INC.**, a flight training, aircraft rental and executive air travel aviation center in Waterford announced that

Brian "Buck" Skinner of Novi was added to their staff. Skinner has been named full-time, flight instructor. Previously, Skinner had been an assistant manager with Anderson Marine in Waterford. Skinner received his flight training and pilot's license through Tradewinds Aviation.

**SANDEE STAMM** of First Impressions Landscape and Design Service has been approved as a new member by the Board of Directors of the Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association (MNLA). Stamm joins over 600 other nursery and landscape industry businesses who also seek to further their professional development through continuing education, networking and informational services provided by the association.

The MNLA is the statewide trade association representing business involved in Michigan's \$340 million nursery and landscape industry. Its members are landscape contractors, retail garden centers, wholesale growers, landscape management firms, suppliers and other industry-related businesses.

**Business Briefs**

**SAMUEL P. RAGUSO**, President and CEO of Executive Relocation Corp., a subsidiary of Michigan National Bank Corp., announced recently that Roy M. Wilson III has been selected as vice president of sales and marketing for Executive Relocation Corp. Wilson will report directly to Raguso.

Wilson spent the last 12 years with Prudential Relocation Management, formerly Merrill Lynch Relocation, where he held numerous management positions in operations and client services, including most recently, vice president of client services for the Midwest Region.

In his new position at Executive Relocation, Wilson will be responsible for securing new business opportunities and developing product lines to assist both new and existing clients with their corporate relocation needs.

Executive Relocation Corp. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Michigan National Bank Corp., serving the relocation needs of Fortune 500 corporations nationwide.

**CUMMINS MICHIGAN INC.** has opened a new parts and service branch located in Novi. This branch is a modern facility specially designed to protect the environment by crushing and recycling used filters; recycling water used in steam cleaning and parts washing; recycling of all scrap metal, used oil, batteries, antifreeze, paper products, aluminum and glass. Also, refrigerant recycling equipment is used on the premises as well as biodegradable cleansers.

All engines sold have passed all federal emissions standards and there are no underground storage tanks. A special air circulating and cleaning system is also in use in the shop area.

The branch markets and sells Cummins Engines from 40 to 2,000 horsepower for trucking, logging, construction, marine, agricultural and RV markets. Other parts and services provided are Fleet-guard filters, Dayco belts and hoses, 24 hour emergency and field service, and complete engine service from routine maintenance to overhauls.

This new location also distributes Onan products. Onan, a wholly owned subsidiary of Cummins Engine Company, is the world leader in generator set production and sales. Onan products available at the new branch include portable, RV and marine generator applications as well as large, stationary generators for prime power and standby applications. These feature gasoline, natural gas or diesel power. A full generator rental fleet of up to 1,000KW will also be available.

Cummins Michigan Inc. is also employing a team management style at this branch that should be completely phased in over the next 18 months. All employees are actively involved in the management and operation of the business.

The branch is located at 25100 Novi Road in Novi. Current hours of operation from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Cummins Michigan Inc. is the distributor for the Cummins Engine company in the lower peninsula of Michigan of diesel engines, components and power systems for trucks and industrial equipment. There are other parts and service branches located in Dearborn, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, and Blissfield and corporate headquarters in Novi.

**THE SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED INSURANCE COUNSELORS**, a national organization that for over 22 years has provided a comprehensive program of instruction for insurance professionals, has recognized J. Michael Osmer of Northville for his more than 10 years of "steadfast commitment to continuing education."

The recognition was received by Osmer, of Insurance Exchange Agency Inc., in a formally inscribed testimonial conveyed and signed by the Society's President, Dr. William T. Hoid.

Citing Osmer as among the top 1 percent of all insurance professionals in America, the CIC testimonial called attention to his local individual's leadership and excellence stemming from the pursuit of continuing education, and to his "achievement and demonstrated level of professional competence in all areas of the insurance business."

The Society's educational system is comprised of CIC, the Society of Certified Insurance Service Representatives (CISR), the James K. Ruble Seminars, and the Academy of Producer Insurance Studies. Its headquarters are in Austin, Texas.

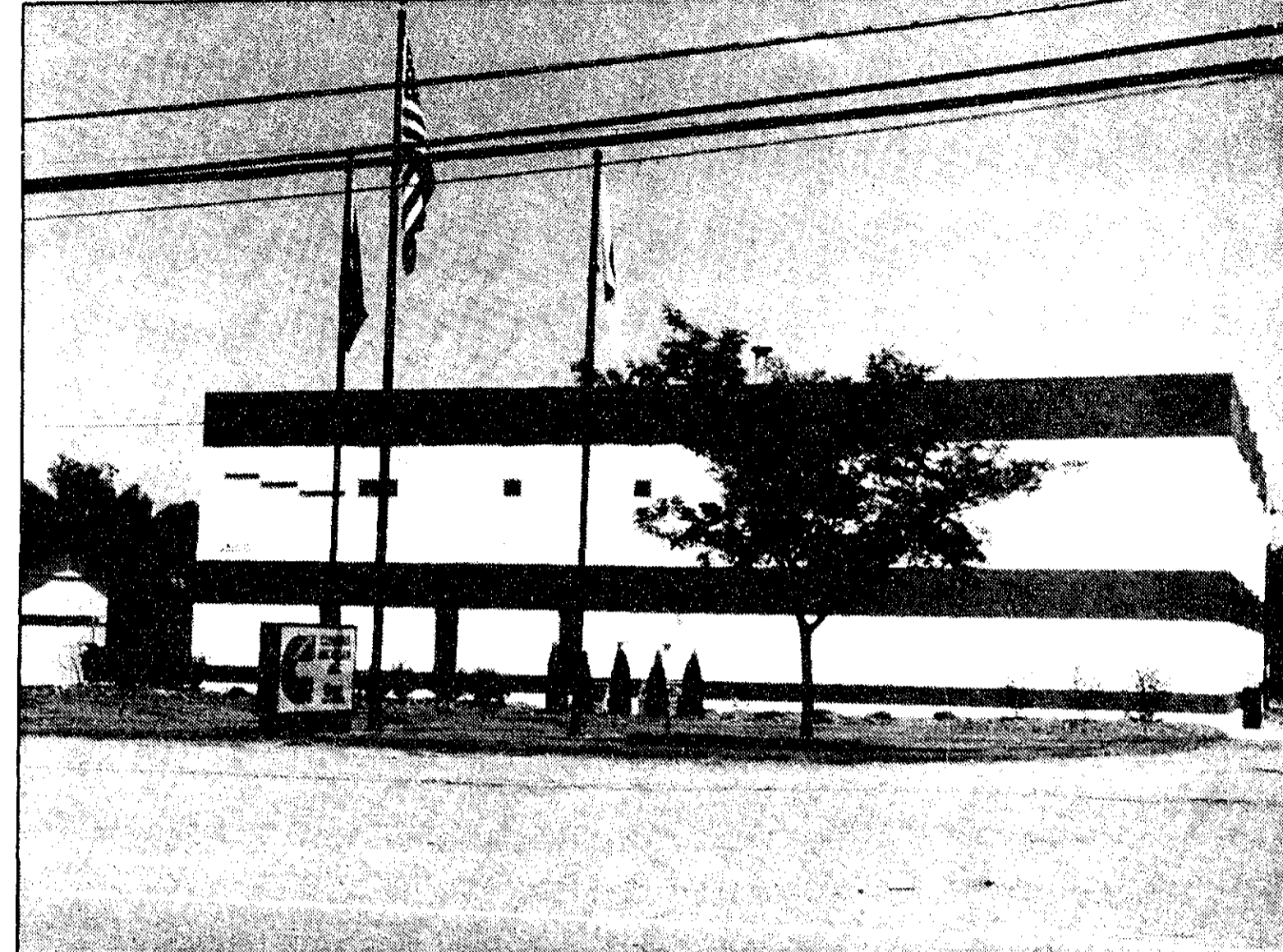
**ERIC KOSMIDER** of Novi has recently been named manager of corporate communications services for Talon Inc., a privately held investment company.

In his new position, Kosmider is responsible for the development and implementation of corporate communications and marketing support programs for Talon and its affiliate companies. Talon has interests in retailing, manufacturing and real estate, and employs more than 6,000 people in 19 states.

A graduate of Central Michigan University where he earned a bachelor's degree in journalism, Kosmider previously was the director of public relations for the Jervis B. Webb Company, a Farmington Hills-based manufacturer of material handling systems.

Founded in 1973, Talon recently relocated its corporate headquarters to the Talon Center building in the Stroh River Place complex.

**NANCY C. IZZARD** of A-R Kujala Insurance in Milford recently was awarded the designation of Certified Professional Service Representative (CPSR) for personal lines, after successfully completing a



The new Cummins facility opened recently on Novi Road.

rigorous education program administered by the Professional Independent Insurance Agents of Michigan (PIIAM).

CPSR is a continuing education program tailored to the unique needs of customer service representatives in insurance agencies. The Professional Independent Insurance Agents of Michigan is a statewide trade association that represents 10,000 independent insurance agents and industry employees.

**NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT CENTER INC.** (NEC) has announced the selection of Randolph Payne of Milford as the newest member of the NEC family of licensees. He will be able to offer assistance to people exploring a career with the federal government. The service is designed to assist people with entry level, white collar, and blue collar positions.

Payne is fully trained in all aspects of securing information on available job openings with the federal government on local, regional, and national levels. He is able to offer a proprietary computer database of federal government employment information that is guaranteed to match every job applicant to at least five current openings.

The federal government matching service specializes in job listings obtained from the federal government, as well as over 200 federal agencies. It is not affiliated with the U.S. government.

The service maintains the most current and up-to-date information available to enable the job seeker to pursue a career with the federal government.

Most federal positions require applications as soon as possible; thus, job seekers should contact Payne at 684-1702.

**GARY W. DORF** of Highland recently completed an intensive three-day seminar dedicated to sharpening his skills as a financial services professional at the Lutheran Brotherhood University (LBU) Summer School.

A district representative at the Karl W. Mueller Agency, Dorf was updated on a variety of topics, including new and revised products, service activities and selling concepts, among others.

This training was designed to improve financial service for clients. Held at eight schools across the country, Dorf attended LBU at Valparaiso, Ind., from June 29-July 2.

Reaching out to a 1,700-member field force, Lutheran Brotherhood's LBU Summer School is considered rare in the insurance industry.

Lutheran Brotherhood is a fraternal benefit society with one million members nationwide. It offers a broad range of financial products and services to Lutherans. Through its fraternal (charitable and benevolent) resources, it aids its members, their communities and Lutheranism.

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If you're not sure whether a charity is qualified, ask your CPA, the organization itself, or the IRS, which maintains a master list of qualified organizations.

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When you make an outright donation to an organization, the rules are pretty straightforward. The amount you donate is the amount you deduct. However, the amount you deduct cannot exceed 50 percent of your adjusted gross income for the year, computed without regard to net operating loss carrybacks. When you receive something of value in return for your gift, you must subtract the fair market value of the benefit you receive from the amount you paid to arrive at your deductible amount.

**OUT-OF-POCKET VOLUNTEER EXPENSES**  
The unreimbursed expenses you incur as a volunteer to a qualified charity may also qualify as a charitable contribution. If you drive your car to volunteer at church, hospital or school, you may be able to deduct your transportation costs. You can claim either a standard mileage rate of 12 cents a mile plus parking tolls, or your actual expenses. If you use public transportation, your fares are deductible. Depreciation and insur-

ance are not deductible as part of the contribution.

Other deductible out-of-pocket expenses include the cost and care of any special uniform that you are required to wear while performing your volunteer duties, any materials and supplies you pay for, and the cost of telephone calls you make on behalf of your charitable endeavors.

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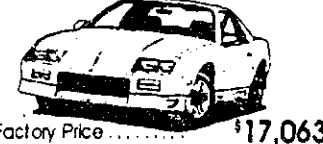
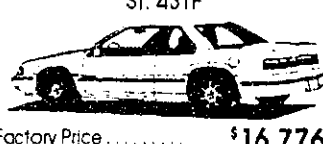









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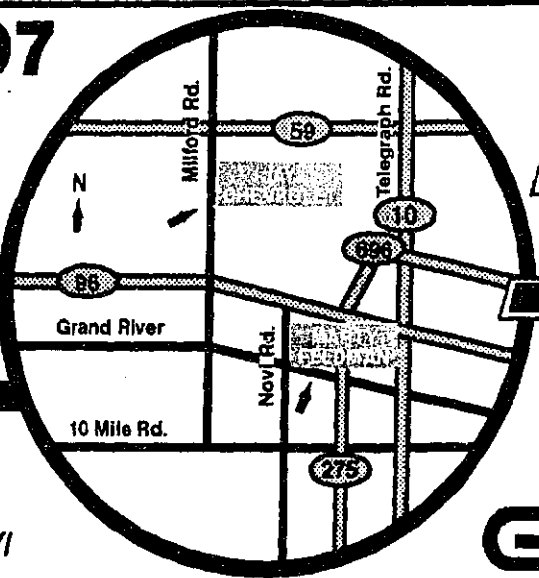
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