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Police are continuing to look at fatal crash

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

Novi police are waiting for one last piece of a puzzle they say will conclude an investigation into the cause of tow truck driver James Domin's death on Twelve Mile Road.

And, once that investigation is complete, an internal investigation into the department's own handling of the incident is set to begin.

Domin died Dec. 15 while in the process of clearing away a previous minor accident on Twelve Mile near Donelson Drive. Police were on the scene but not directing traffic when a car driven by 18-year-old Dawn Bauer of Highland struck him on the road.

Novi Police Captain Al Rasmussen said Tuesday that investigators are waiting for the results of a traffic accident reconstruction.

A medical examiner's report, which the department received last week, showed only that Domin died of multiple injuries and trauma.

Rasmussen said the medical examiner's report in connection with other evidence gathered at the scene will be combined with the reconstruction report when it comes in, and it will all be sent to the Oakland County Prosecutor's office.

Rasmussen would not make any guesses as to whether the prosecutor's office will seek a warrant against Bauer.

Rasmussen and Novi Police Chief Doug Shaeffer both confirmed that an internal investigation will take place once the investigation into the accident itself is complete.

"We will be looking at this very introspectively and with great concern," he said.

Shaeffer said it is "very possible" that the investigation could lead to a written policy change on officer responsibilities at accident scenes, and added that he is "already working on some things" in connection with that.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

A future olympian?

Most of us probably can't think of a single thing we like about winter, but this elementary student heading into school at Novi Woods might be able to give us a reminder — jumping over all those slush puddles is good practice for the long jump.

Some students to lose out on state diplomas

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Almost one-fifth of the Novi school district's 11th graders are currently ineligible to receive a state-endorsed diploma when they graduate next year.

More than 40 percent of tenth graders — the class of 1995 — are ineligible.

The reason? Beginning with the class of 1994, all graduating students in Michigan must achieve a state-mandated score on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) exams in reading, mathematics and science to be eligible for a state-endorsed diploma. The reading and mathematics exams are taken in the 10th grade; the science exams are taken in the 11th grade.

More than 40 percent of the 10th grade population did not achieve the required score in either the reading or math portions of the test or both — 122 students out of 297 total. That is a figure of 41.1 percent that are ineligible.

Out of 263 11th graders, 212 have achieved the necessary scores on all three parts of the MEAP exam: reading, mathematics and science. Some 51 students, or 19.4 percent of the total, have not done so.

"These tests have a real meaning now," given the requirement, said Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Rita Traynor. "We have to be responsible to our students given that reality."

The reasons why some have not achieved the required score are complex, school officials say. The solution to the problem, they add, is also not easy.

Students, according to Michigan 1991 school aid act, must achieve at least category two (of a total of four) on the reading portion of the MEAP, at least 50 percent of the objectives on the math portion, and at least 50 percent of the objectives on the science portion.

■ Educators say students and parents alike should understand both what has occurred and how the school district will respond to results of the MEAP test. The numbers of students who are ineligible for state-endorsed diplomas should be a cause for concern, but not panic. The story is on page 14A.

Beginning with the graduating class of 1997, the act says, "a pupil shall not receive a high school diploma unless the pupil achieves passing scores on the assessment instruments developed under this section."

The exact number of students who still have to achieve an acceptable score on one or more portions of the test may change as the data is analyzed, said Novi High School Assistant Principal Charles Nanas.

The numbers will vary when district officials look at such things as out-of-state students who move to the district, and haven't even taken the test. (They are still counted as ineligible.) Other factors are also involved.

However, the above figures, Nanas added, "are pretty much correct. They're not going to vary by much."

MEAP examinations were a creation of the state Department of Education, beginning in 1970. The reason, said Robert E. Schuller, superintendent of public instruction, was that the State Board of Education wanted to make improving instruction a priority goal.

The test's uses have expanded since then, however. Now it has two

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Planners check out school plan

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Walled Lake school officials need it, but they didn't get it from the Novi Planning Commission Jan. 20.

Representatives of the Walled Lake Consolidated Schools District asked the commission to recommend that the City Council grant a woodlands permit for a proposed addition to Hickory Woods Elementary. Commissioners refused, tabling the matter to an unspecified

date. "There are just too many questions here," said Chairperson Kathleen McLallen.

She referred to concerns that residents living near the school voiced. Commissioners asked city planning officials to review several matters connected to the addition's effect on nearby woodlands and wetlands. The consultants are putting together reports on the matter now for the commission's next meeting.

This is not the first time that questions have arisen over the elementary school. In the past, some residents have made similar accusations, which the district has denied.

The school is located on Decker Road between Thirteen and Fourteen Mile roads in the City of Novi. State law exempts school districts from local control over building matters. The city has no authority to deny a permit to — or even to review — the district's plans.

However, the district does have to comply with local woodlands ordinances, and the city could in theory block the addition by denying woodlands permits.

Woodlands permits, granted by the city council, are an approval of plans submitted by a builder that explains what natural areas would be disturbed, and what measures will be taken to redress that. Replanting of displaced trees is one

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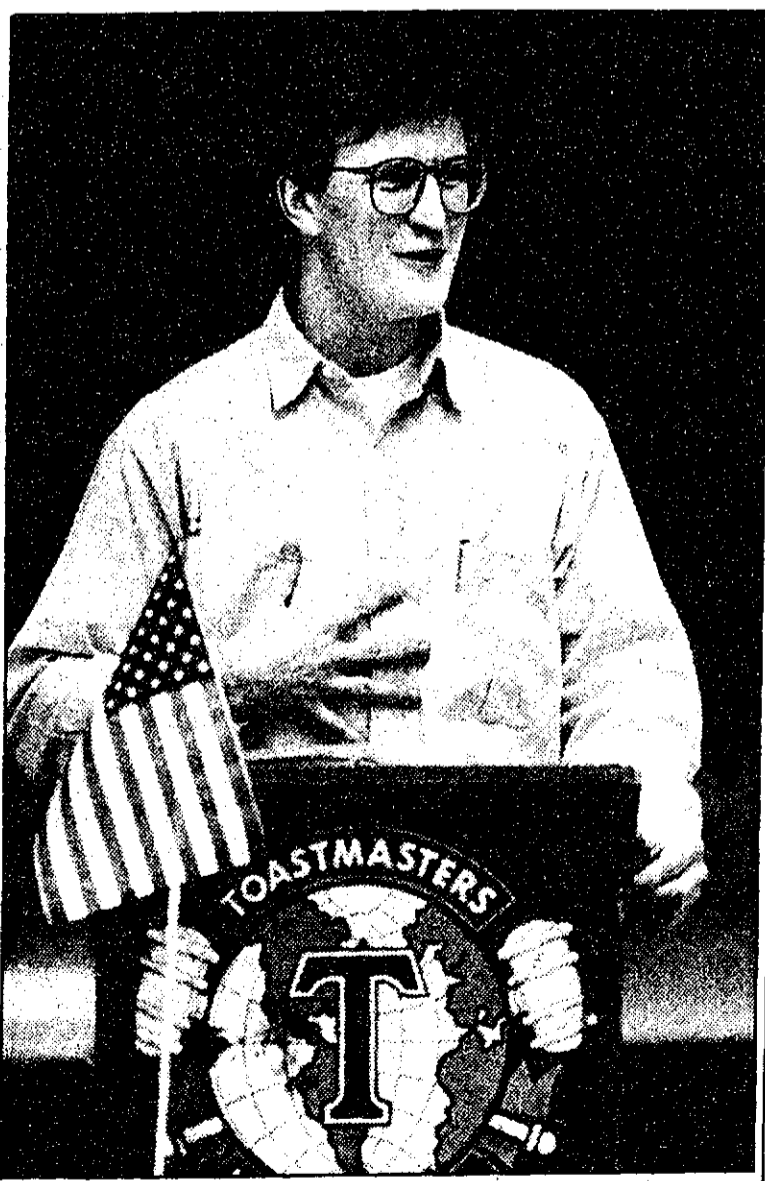


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Terrified

Are you afraid of public speaking, terrified to even talk before a crowd? Many people are. But one local club, the Northville chapter of the Toastmasters, is willing to help. Above, Novi resident Dan Cowan gives his first talk to the local club. A story about the horrors of public speaking, and how they can be faced down, appears on page B1.

Builders, residents clash over lot sizes

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Novi's adjusted lot size ordinance, which is targeted for a rewrite, is pitting several residents who don't like the idea against developers who do.

The homeowners contend that western Novi land is being "chipped away" to create more crowded developments than the one-acre-lot subdivisions called for in the master plan.

Developers, on the other hand, often argue that the one-acre-lot subdivisions cannot be marketed. The adjusted lot size ordinance allows subdivision lot sizes to be decreased below what the zoning category permits in exchange for the preservation of woodlands and wetlands.

Several residents Monday asked

that the City Council place a moratorium on granting the option. That night, the ordinance was approved for the Wintergreen subdivision but denied for Haverhill Farms.

Echo Valley Estates homeowner Dennis Ringvolski urged the council to follow the master plan. He suggested that under the "guise of saving trees," "cramped," Detroit-style subdivisions are now being built.

"I think it's painfully evident that several unintended and undesirable outcomes have occurred because of these ordinances . . . The ordinance must be changed to heal this wound and restore credibility to the council," Ringvolski said.

Ringvolski was active in Citizens for Responsible Development several years ago.

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Community Calendar

Friday, January 29

Historical District Study Committee: The City of Novi Historic District Study Committee meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center Conference Room F, on the second floor.

Chamber Banquet: The Novi Chamber of Commerce 5th Annual Installation Banquet will be held at the Novi Hilton Hotel. Phil Power, Chairman of Suburban Communications which owns *The Novi News*, will be the featured speaker. Tickets are \$25.

Monday, February 1

Novi Adventurers: The Novi Adventurers first meeting of the year will be at 6:30 p.m. at the Tollgate 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.

Health tests: Community EMS will sponsor blood pressure testing and cholesterol testing in the Novi Civic Center from 7:30-9 p.m. in conjunction with the Novi City Council meeting.

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

Choir Boosters: The Novi High School Choir Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. in the High School library.

Tuesday, February 2

Chess Club: The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tom Sawmiller, 344-9833 evenings after 6 p.m.

Novi Jaycees: The Novi Jaycees will hold a general membership meeting at 8 p.m. at the Jaycee House on Sixgate.

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.

Amateur Radio Club: The Novi Amateur Radio Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Anyone interested in any aspect of amateur radio two-way communication is invited to attend.

Wednesday, February 3

Farming Workshop: Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service is hosting a series of workshops for those interested in small-scale farming, 7-9 p.m., beginning today and ending on March 3. The series will be held at Tollgate Farm on Meadowbrook. Registration fee is \$16 per person. For more information, contact Chris Webster, Agriculture Agent, at 858-0887.

Good Morning, Novi: The Novi Chamber of Commerce breakfast series presents Councilwoman Nancy Cassis who will speak on issues,

past and future, important to the Chamber, including signs, taxes, false alarms, growth and development at 7:30 a.m. at the Country Epicure Restaurant. Admission is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members.

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.

Thursday, February 4

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

Saturday, February 6

Softball Tournament: The Novi Jaycees will hold their annual softball tournament at Mr. B's.

Sunday, February 7

Brunch at Brady's: The Women's Resource Center, Schoolcraft College, and Diamond Jim Brady's will host Brunch at Brady's. Scholarships for Women from 11:30-1:30 p.m. Proceeds will support scholarships for women who need assistance in meeting their educational goals. The cost is \$30. For more information call 348-5474 or 462-4443.

Monday, February 8

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.

Health tests: Community EMS will sponsor blood pressure testing and cholesterol testing in the Novi Civic Center from 7:30-9 p.m. in conjunction with the Novi City Council meeting.

Tuesday, February 9

Chess Club: The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tom Sawmiller, 344-9833 evenings after 6 p.m.

Band rehearsal: The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.

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

Wednesday, February 10

Youth Baseball: The board of directors of Novi Youth Baseball

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meets at 7 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting is open to the public.

Lions Club: The Novi Lions Club will meet at Kim's Gardens at 6:30 p.m. for dinner followed by a meeting.

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

SPARK: The Society for the Preservation of American Racing Knowledge, the all-volunteer support organization for the Motorsports Hall of Fame of America, meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center. The meeting is open to anyone interested in supporting the Hall of Fame and Museum.

Thursday, February 11

Orchard Hills PTO: The Orchard Hills Elementary School PTO will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the library.

Historical Commission: The Novi Historical Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center in the Manager's Conference Room (2nd floor).

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

Monday, February 15

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.

Health tests: Community EMS will sponsor blood pressure testing and cholesterol testing in the Novi Civic Center from 7:30-9 p.m. in conjunction with the Novi City Council meeting.

Tuesday, February 16

Garden Club: The Novi Garden Club will meet at 1 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.

Wednesday, February 17

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



Photo by PHIL JEROME

Puzzle-doer

There's a lot more to do at the Novi Public Library than just read books... particularly if you're a youngster. Three-year-old Mackenzie Melvin was pictured working industriously at a puzzle at the library recently. Mackenzie was at the library with a group of friends and relatives to participate in one of the many children's programs offered by the library throughout the year.

Split City Council rejects a water tap deal with Amoco

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Some City Council eyebrows were raised Monday over a proposal from Amoco Oil Company to purchase an unused water tap from Hickory Corporate Park.

Council Member Robert Schmid protested that it appeared Amoco may withhold a much-needed right-of-way along Twelve Mile Road from the city if approval of the tap sale was not granted.

Because of the state-imposed water moratorium, the existing taps are a highly desirable commodity.

"They have a gun to our backs. The sewer can't go in. The road can't be widened. This was a deal made in heaven. Now they have a gun to us," Schmid said.

The council majority denied the request. In favor of the action were Mayor Matthew Quirn, Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford and Council Member Joseph Toth.

Council Member Tim Pope, who suggested that Amoco was "playing hardball," told the firm's representative Nick LaRose that "your corporation made an agreement. Do you understand there is a perception that your word is not being kept?"

La Rose denied that. "I take exception to that statement about a gun to your heads. That is not true. I am prepared to convey the right-of-way according to the agreement with the city," he said.

Novi and Amoco entered into a highly controversial pact in June 1991. Provisions of the agreement called for Amoco to close down and clean up

the contaminated gas station at the corner of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue. Novi would gain an option to purchase that site.

For its part, the city allowed rezoning at two Twelve Mile Road sites, one at Novi Road, the other at Haggerty Road. Novi also is bringing in water and sewer lines. Amoco will join a special assessment district to pay for these utilities.

In addition, the city would pay about \$70,000 in consultant and plan preparation fees for Amoco. Novi in return would gain an estimated \$500,000 worth of rights-of-way along Twelve Mile Road after the two new gas stations and a Cooker's restaurant had site plan approvals and building permits.

The Amoco at Novi Road is already up and running. The tap is for the second location at Haggerty Road.

City Attorney David Fried said that with the council's approval, a water tap can be sold. Pope then questioned where the Cooker's restaurant got its tap.

Engineering consultant Deb Goselin said that about a year ago, she was contacted by the state health department because Hickory Park developers wanted to transfer the tap to the restaurant. The engineers gave the state a report on the number of taps involved.

Pope requested a copy of this correspondence and a review of the matter by Fried. He also asked for the attorney to review the original contract with Amoco and to advise the council on what will happen if the Amoco gets site plan approval but no tap.

Fried asked for time to prepare a

formal legal opinion.

"I don't see that there is any benefit to Amoco if the sewer line doesn't go in. I don't see Amoco sitting back and holding back the right-of-way if they can't get a water tap," Fried said.

Twelve Mile Road is currently undergoing a major state and city-funded expansion into a boulevard extending west from Farmington Hills.

Several council members contended that the distribution of the water tap to Amoco might not be fair to other developers.

"I'm not sure this is fair and equitable. I think some people may have an inside track and if that is the case, I would work vigorously to remove the inside track," Council Member Nancy Cassis said.

Council Member Carol Mason wondered if Amoco was jumping over someone else in line for a water tap.

City Manager Edward Kriewall explained that if a project such as Hickory Park was approved before the moratorium was slapped on several years ago, the development would automatically get water taps from the state health department.

Saying he was amazed by the discussion and wondered what his fellow colleagues were drinking, Council Member Joseph Toth said: "There are water taps in this city that are not being used and they're available for a price."

Schmid, who questions the wisdom of the Amoco contract, took exception to that concept. "That is certainly not the intent of water taps, to sell them on the open market. That's ludicrous," he said.

City reduces false alarm fees

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Businessowners up in arms about Novi's false alarm ordinance can calm down.

The City Council Monday unanimously voted to reduce the fines significantly.

The first false alarm remains without charge. But that has also been extended to the second false alarm as well, which originally bore a \$50 penalty.

The reduced fee scale continues. A third false alarm is now \$50. This penalty will be waived if

the owner can prove that repair work was done on the system by a contractor after the second false alarm and before the third.

A fourth false alarm is \$100, rather than the previously hefty \$500.

New categories were also set up. A fifth false alarm will cost the system's owner \$200; a sixth is \$300 and a seventh is \$500.

The ordinance was enacted to compensate the police department for expenses incurred in responding to the false alarms. But members of the business community have contended that the fees were unreasonably high.

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Police investigating sex charges

Novi police are investigating an 18-year-old Dearborn Heights man who may face charges of criminal sexual conduct and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Police are currently seeking a warrant for the suspect, who was allegedly in the Fairlane Hotel Jan. 11 with three 15 and 16-year-old female runaways, also from Dearborn Heights.

According to police reports, the parents of two of the girls learned they were there with the suspect by questioning some of their friends. All three girls had been missing since the previous day.

Both sets of parents contacted the Novi police, who met them at the hotel. After confirming that the suspect was in one of the hotel rooms, they knocked on the door and one of the girls answered.

Police and the parents questioned the girls about their activities, and one of the 15-year-old girls said she ran away to be with the suspect, who she said was her boyfriend.

She and the suspect both told police they had sex while the other two girls were in the bathroom. She told police she did not want her boyfriend in trouble, and did not want to press

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any charges against him. However, her father told police he strongly wanted prosecution against the suspect.

HARASSMENT: A resident in the Chateau Estates mobile home park contacted police Jan. 24 in connection with ongoing harassment complaints against her neighbor.

The woman told police that she was heading home along Thirteen Mile, traveling behind the suspect. When they pulled into the Chateau Estates park, she said, the suspect slowed down to 3 mph and weaved back and forth to prevent her from passing.

Once they stopped at their respective homes and got out of their cars, she said, the suspect started to verbally abuse her.

She told police this was one of a long line of similar incidents, and she wants to press charges.

VANDALISM: A resident on Welling-

ton in the Portsmouth Apartments complex reported Jan. 23 that someone kicked open the door to a maintenance room in the building.

Police said the incident caused damage to the door, but nothing appeared to be missing.

AUTO THEFT: Another resident in Portsmouth Apartments reported Jan. 22 that someone stole his 1991 Ford Mustang, which was parked on the west side parking lot near his home on Wellington.

He told police he parked there around 11 p.m. Jan. 21 and returned at 7 a.m. Jan. 22 to discover the vehicle missing.

Police found two sets of footprints around the area where the vehicle had been parked.

MINOR IN POSSESSION: Novi police ticketed a 16-year-old Northville girl for minor in possession after she allegedly bought beer with a false ID. Officers were watching the Golden

Oaks party store as part of an undercover surveillance operation, looking for sales to minors. The girl told police the ID was her sister's.

VANDALISM: The owner of a 1986 Ford Escort reported Jan. 24 that someone smashed out the vehicle window while it was parked near the Old Dutch mobile home park clubhouse.

The victim told police he was at the clubhouse for a birthday party. The vehicle was unharmed at 3:30 p.m., he said, but at 4:30 p.m. he discovered the damage.

VEHICLE THEFT: A 1992 GMC Jimmy was reported stolen from the parking lot of the Novi Hilton Jan. 24, and recovered later that day in Detroit.

Police said the owner of the vehicle was at the Hilton for a convention. He parked the Jimmy in the north lot and, when he returned the following morning, it was gone.

Detroit Police found the vehicle stripped and abandoned.

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

Novi Briefs

Stewart benefit: Friends and neighbors are hosting a benefit bingo game for 18-year-old Jason Stewart, the son of Novi Director of Public Information Cindy Stewart.

Jason is undergoing treatment for cancer and the money raised in the bingo event will be used to help defray the cost of his medical treatments.

The bingo game will be held Jan. 30 from 6 p.m. to midnight at St. Mary of Wayne Haney Hall in Wayne. The event is being sponsored by St. Mary CVO and the Wayne Jaycees. All prizes for the event are being donated by merchants and friends.

All money raised will be given to Jason. For more information about the event and how to donate a gift, contact Joe Hullman at 729-7013 (home) or 347-0486 (work) or Pam Dobrowski at 224-0335.

To get to the hall, take the Michigan Avenue exit from I-275 east to Second Street, turn left. The hall is located on Second Street in Wayne.

Making History: The Novi Historical Society invites the public to a special presentation by Novi librarian Barbara Laute on her new book, *No. 10 On The Trail* on Friday, Feb. 5 at 2 p.m. The session will be held at the restored Novi Township Hall, next to the library on Ten Mile Road.

Refreshments will be served. To reserve a place, call society president Kathy Mutch at 349-6774.

They're back: Detroit Edison tree trimming crews are in town this week after a two-month break, City Forester Chris Pargoll says. They are focusing on the area between Ten Mile, Haggerty, Meadowbrook and Nine Mile roads.

"That will be an intense operation within the next week or week and a half. They will be very visible," Pargoll said.

A completed electrical pole behind Meadowbrook Glens subdivision was replaced Saturday, causing a power outage there, he added.

CPR Classes: Community EMS, the ambulance service which serves the Novi area, will host a variety of CPR classes at its Life Support Training Institute, 25400 W. Eight Mile Road in Southfield. On Feb. 1, an infant and child CPR class will be held from 9-10 p.m. Adult CPR will be given on Feb. 4 at 9 a.m. and from 6-10 p.m. The Basic Life Support/CPR Course C will be at 9 a.m. on Feb. 19. A first aid class will also be given on Feb. 23 at 9 a.m. Classes are open to everyone. For information and registration call 344-1990.

House fire: An Ashbury Drive home under construction in pricey Chase Farms subdivision on Eight Mile Road caught fire Jan. 20 at around 6 p.m. The small fire in the sub-flooring filled the house with smoke and caused about \$7,000 worth of damage. Fire Chief Arthur Le-nagan said. The house is still owned by the builder, Craig Corbell. The cause of the fire is unknown at this time.

Li' Abner, lotta fun: The talented bunch out at Novi High School will perform the hilarious musical *Li' Abner* on Feb. 4, 5 and 6. Show time will be 8 p.m., and tickets are \$5 pre-sale, \$5.50 at the door and \$3.50 for senior citizens and children under 12.

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Police chief calls for new room

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

For victims of violent crime, reporting the incident can be as traumatic as the crime itself.

A rape victim, for example, faces not only the emotional trauma of the attack, but the ensuing medical examination and repeated description of the incident for police investigators, detectives, prosecutors, a judge and a jury.

With that in mind, Novi Police Chief Doug Shaefler has an idea that could make the experience at least a little less intimidating.

He wants to create a room — one that is comfortable and inviting — where victims don't have to face the cubic-filled interior of the police de-

partment itself. He has already approached several local service organizations, in the hopes of gaining support. In fact, the Novi Jaycees have already latched onto a similar concept for the department by providing teddy bears for child victims.

"We're trying to create an environment that is non-hostile and non-threatening to victims of crimes that are particularly traumatic, such as child molestation, rape or similar events," Shaefler said.

"In other words, a living room type of setting with a couch, overstuffed chairs, lamp-type lighting and wallpaper or at least a pleasant paint color and pictures on the walls."

Such a room, he said, would help victims to feel more secure than the

atmosphere they currently face there. Right now, rooms used for interviews at the police department have stark white walls, fluorescent lighting and straight-backed chairs.

Shaefler would also like to locate the room off the lobby or in another location where the victim would not have to walk through the interior work area of the department.

"Then they wouldn't have to walk through a group of detectives and feel like they are being looked at and talked about."

"If this is a project the community is willing to support, I think it has merit and will prove valuable for many years," he said.

"If we can create an atmosphere where victims feel more comfortable about coming forward to report crimes, it will make this a better community."

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Praying for a win
Novi High School cheerleader Julie Fahmer was praying for a little help for the Wildcats last week... and they got it. Novi bested KVC leaders, the Brighton Bulldogs, 65-54. The story and photos are on page B7.

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Expressway area eateries must provide truck parking

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

A regulation to provide truck parking in city eateries got the big ten-four from the Novi Planning Commission.

Commissioners recommended that the City Council adopt a proposed amendment to the current parking ordinance. It calls for restaurants located near the city's two major freeways to provide oversized parking spaces for tractor-trailer trucks.

The proposal sprung out of a common practice by truckers: stopping for food at a restaurant near the freeway, and parking their rigs on the shoulder of the road. It's a common sight on Haggerty Road near I-275, the location of numerous fast-food eateries.

While it's illegal, noted Chairperson Kathleen McAllen, truckers do it anyway, "and it's a cat-and-mouse game between them and the police."

Coupled to a second regulation that concerned "landbanking" of

parking spaces, the proposal split the commission into two factions. Those supporting the measure argued that it would eliminate a safety hazard. Those opposing it said that it went beyond what the commission should be doing. In the end, it passed, 4-3.

"Whenever a sit-down or fast food restaurant is located within one-half mile of freeway interchange right of way for I-96 or I-275," the regulation reads, "adequate on-site parking and maneuvering spaces shall be provided for a minimum of two (50-foot) tractor-trailer vehicles."

Commissioners debated over what came first: truck traffic or oversized spaces to accommodate them.

"It's not our job to micro-manage businesses," said Commissioner Richard Clark. "They know their clientele and will build accordingly."

He also said that the presence of the oversized spaces might bring truckers to restaurants they did not frequent before.

"I think this requirement is about seeing to the health and welfare of

our citizens," said Secretary Timothy Gilberg. "I think it's appropriate."

"We know what property costs," said Commissioner Lodia Richards. "This (provision) essentially tells them (restauranters) don't build here — build down the road."

Gilberg, Vice-Chairperson John Balaga and Commissioners Robert Taub and Laura Lorenzozzo voted for recommending the plan. McAllen, Clark and Richards voted against it. The matter now moves on to the city council, which has the final say.

Balaga was the deciding factor, switching his vote. A motion to increase the number of required spaces from two to four lost 4-3; a second motion to stick with the original two-space requirement passed when Balaga crossed over and voted for it.

The commission can waive the requirement if it feels the spaces are unnecessary, given the type of restaurant involved. The provision affects new restaurants or existing ones looking to expand.

Church roof mystery unsolved

The cause of a roof collapse at Holy Family Church has not been determined, but the priest there says it was apparently not solely due to a build-up of snow, rain and ice, as originally reported by the Novi Fire Department.

Structural engineers have examined the damage.

"They still do not know the whole reason of the collapse. It's not just snow and ice. It wasn't simply that," Father John Budde said Monday.

The Novi Fire Department, called to the scene on Jan. 21, discovered that several roof trusses had broken in two over a large meeting room in the church's family education center.

Firefighters determined that a roof drain was blocked and to release the pressure on the collapsing portion of the building, opened a hole in the roof to drain a 50-foot span of snow, rain and ice into the church kitchen's drains.

Architects from the archdiocese were on the scene at the time, to evaluate the damage.

"According to the construction people, the drains were not clogged," Father Budde said.

The Meadowbrook Road church's religious education program had to be cancelled for the week, the priest said.

Services can still be held in the main, steeped center of the church building.

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Planners consider landbanking scheme

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Novi is driving towards a new parking ordinance amendment. City Planning Commissioners recommended on Jan. 20 that the Novi City Council adopt a proposed "landbanking" parking regulation.

Landbanking is designed to ensure that businesses allow enough space for parking even if the type of business on a particular site changes.

The motion to recommend adoption, coupled to a second parking regulation concerning tractor-trailer parking in restaurants, passed by the narrowest of margins, 4-3. Commissioners Richard Clark and Ledia Richards, as well as Chairperson Kathleen McCallen, voted against the plan.

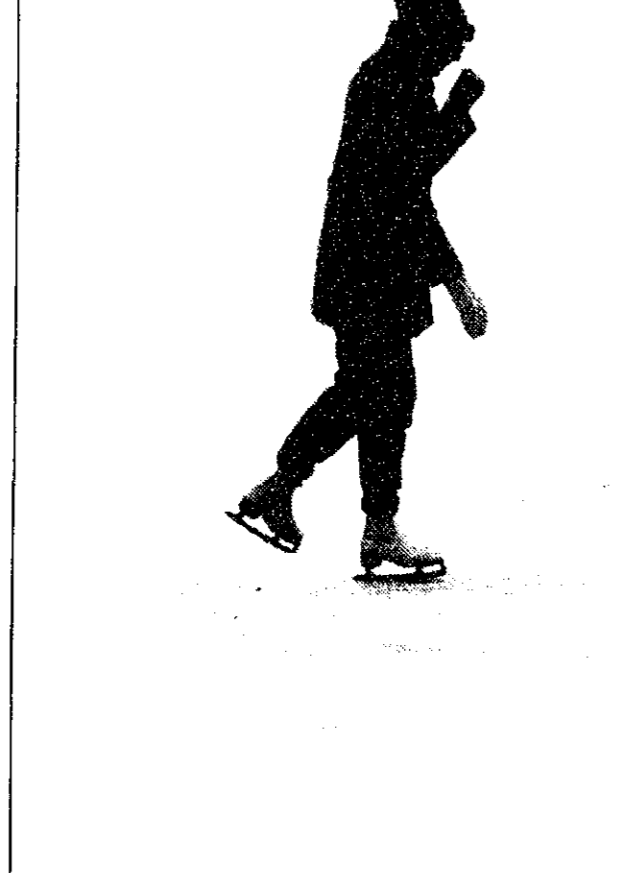
Secretary Timothy Gilberg and Commissioners John Balagna, Laura Lorenzo and Robert Taub cast their votes for the proposal. The matter now moves to the city council, which has the final say.

Landbanking pertains to certain types of businesses that have a lot of usable floor space per customer. Such facilities do not require as much available parking as more customer-dense businesses.

The proposed amendment would ensure that owners developing a property will leave enough space on site for additional parking spaces if the use ever changes — "banking" them, if you will.

The idea is that if the property ever changes to something which requires more parking, the land will be there to build it on. Otherwise, the thinking goes, the use of the property is limited to businesses that require fewer spaces.

Under the proposal, the commission could grant permission to businesses that want to build fewer parking spaces than ordinance currently allows. The catch is that they have to agree to set aside enough



"banked" land to meet the required number, if it's ever needed.

The amendment divides affected businesses into two types. In the first classification are such stores as appliance, household equipment, repair shops or the showrooms of decorators.

The second kind include warehouses, wholesale establishments and other related businesses.

City ordinance requires the first type of business to have one parking space for every 100 square feet of usable floor space in the first 15,000 square feet. It's one space for every 125 square feet.

Landbanking allows for a decreased number of needed spaces with commission permission. For example, if there's enough space left on the site where parking could be built to satisfy the stricter standard, commissioners could reduce the required level to one space for every 800 square feet, along with one for each two employees.

For the second classification, current ordinance requires one space for every 700 square feet. Under landbanking, the commission could reduce that to one space for every 1,700 square feet or relate it to the number of employees working there.

Any violation of the deferral agreement means the property owner will have to build enough spaces to meet the regular standard.

City consultants and the commissioners themselves said that they hoped landbanking would prevent another "Dobbs."

The Dobbs furniture store, located at the intersection of Twelve Mile and Novi Roads, has little area available for more parking spaces to be built. The firm is now out of business, but the possibilities for new businesses to use the site are limited by the parking constraints.

The proposal, should it pass muster with the City Council, may prevent such situations in the future.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Quiet moment on the ice

Novi resident Mary Kreiner gets a few moments to herself on the ice during the recent Chilly Willy Festival at the Novi Civic Center.

Quinn urges Novi residents to join together for action

By MICHAEL MALOTT
Managing Editor



MATT QUINN

Subdivision homeowner associations from all across the city should join together to form a single group representing city residents, Novi Mayor Matt Quinn proposed in his state-of-the-city address last week.

"The homeowners associations do have a voice, but just think of the possibility if the homeowners associations joined together to form a city-wide association of homeowners groups," he said. "And with a voice like that — when you have 50, 60, 70 subdivisions coming together as a whole — there is no doubt in my mind that the City Council and the city administration would have to listen very carefully to anything that a group like that would bring forward."

He also urged the business community to get more involved in the running and functioning of the city. While the business community has given "lip service" to such involvement, he said it really has not been as involved as it could be. He urged more involvement by business on the city's appointed panels.

Sull, when Quinn delivered his sixth and final state-of-the-city address before the Novi Chamber of Commerce Tuesday, Jan. 19, he saved his sharpest words for City Council.

"I hope we at the council table will see the light and adopt procedures that will allow us to end our meetings at midnight," Quinn said, "because I agree with what has been said — how can the citizens stay up till 2 or 3 in the morning to watch us debate some things that are very important to you."

When the city council voted to begin live cablecasts of its Monday evening meetings in early 1992, Quinn and other council members set a goal of concluding the meetings by midnight. But that goal was rarely achieved over the course of the past year and it has produced some criticism from council watchers.

Quinn said he hoped that council would adopt procedures during an upcoming goal-setting session that would help to conclude business by midnight.

"I also think the council has an obligation to all of you to keep the obstructionist attitude away from our public meetings and away from the council table. That attitude only de-

"What I found in my six years serving as mayor of this city is that the people of Novi — the residents of Novi and the business people of Novi — have sincere love for this city. And we have a love and respect for one another. What we all want is what's best for our family, what's best for our business and what's best for our community. And I have no doubt that it is this attitude, this underlying attitude, that will make our city a first-class city, that is second to none and that has a future that is unlimited," Quinn said. "We can work together. We can make it work. So I invite all of you — all of you here today and all of you who will see this — to come together. And let's get the job done."

While the theme of last year's state-of-the-city had been "houses, houses, houses," Quinn said the theme for 1993 would be houses, roads and parks.

1992 was a record year for housing development in the city. Quinn pointed out that 456 new home starts had been recorded in 1992, compared to 353 the year before. And in January of 93, the city building department was seeing an even higher rate of issuing building permits.

Quinn noted that the city has some 20 subdivisions planned, with 1,400 lots available for development. And permits have already been pulled for 650 of those homes, Quinn said.

Quinn also noted that the city will be working with neighboring communities early this year to negotiate an end to lawsuit filed by the Village of Franklin against the water main expansion from Detroit to the western suburbs. If that suit could be ended and the main could be installed, it would end the state-imposed moratorium on new water taps in the City of Novi.

Quinn noted a number of road improvements are slated to begin in the city this year. Among the most significant are the Decker Road extension and the improvement of Novi Road from Twelve Mile to Twelve-and-a-half Mile Road. He also pointed out work on the Haggerty Connector will continue. And Eight Mile Road is slated for upgrading from Meadowbrook west.

These will cause detours and headaches for drivers, but Quinn said the Novi road system would be much better off when the work is completed.

County exec issues challenge

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

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Oakland's delegates to SEMCOG — deputy executive John Grubba and several Republican county commissioners — voted against what used to be a routine resolution: a contract in which SEMCOG provides staff support for the Metropolitan Affairs Corp.

The fly in the ointment is that MAC will work on public transportation, a taboo phrase among many Oakland politicians.

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SEMCOG's executive committee last week passed the resolution by voice vote.

The amount of the MAC contract is just a few salaries, but the political principle is big. SEMCOG loans MAC some staff for studies on such issues as chronic joblessness, joint public ventures, and how to find a tax for public transportation. John Amberg, executive director of SEMCOG, doubles as president of MAC.

"SEMCOG provides administrative and staff support for MAC under contract," Amberg said. "This unique arrangement provides SEMCOG with the benefit of having a close working relationship with the Greater Detroit business community."

Mert Lou Murray, a Washtenaw County commissioner, stoutly defended the plan to find a local funding source for public transportation.

"The Ann Arbor Transit Authority is effective because we have a tax," she said. "If a tax plan would have to go to a vote of the people."

She urged a yes vote on the MAC contract so the region wouldn't be "putting our heads in the sand."

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Ideas harvested for farm's future

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

The Furst Family Farm Advisory Committee is off and rolling.

The committee, called for by the Novi Schools Board of Education, will delve into the question of what should be done with the homestead of Iva and Ruby Furst, located at the intersection of Ten Mile and Taft roads.

The board approved the final list of the committee's volunteer appointees at its Jan. 21 meeting. The members held their organizational meeting last night in the Educational Services Building, after The Novus News deadline.

Board members said they wanted to get a wide range of opinion on what should be done with what they called "a community asset." The 17-member committee represents city gov-

ernmental bodies, interested groups and citizens-at-large.

"Citizen input is important in order for the board of education to determine the best use of this historic community property," said Superintendent of Schools Emmett Lippe in a letter to Novi Mayor Matthew Quinn.

The school district owns the Furst property. The home, land and surrounding outbuildings are not part of the current legal battle taking place over the sisters' wills.

The home, vacant since both sisters died, and adjacent buildings, including the family barn, are the subject of much attention. Some have proposed making the homestead a Novi historical site; others have said the land should be the site of a new senior citizen housing complex. Less-talked-about ideas include building a community ice rink on the property or turning the area into a

petting zoo.

The committee, which the board authorized in December, will research the alternative uses for the site, and make recommendations to the board in a report due by May 31.

Among the factors the committee should consider, the board said, are the presence of nearby Novi High School, the old Novi City Hall and the contributions of the Furst sisters. The committee will recommend the three best alternatives for the site, ones that will best serve the needs of the community.

Committee members include:

- Chairperson James Koster, the district's assistant superintendent for business and operations;
- Joseph Toth, Novi City Council member;
- Lodia Richards, Jr., Novi Planning Commission member;

- JoAnne Killeen, of Novi Youth Assistance;
- JoMarie Soszynski, of the Novi Historical Commission;
- Robert Pfeiffer, of the Novi Parks and Recreation Department;
- Kathy Mutch, of the Novi Historical Society;
- Rebecca Prosl, of the Novi Arts Council;
- Clara Porter, director of the district's Community Education program;
- Sheila Henderson, Lippe's design representative;
- Citizens-at-large Margaret Schmidt, Mary Ann Weber, William O'Brien, Curt Perry, Sally Dudley, Connie Lake-Noble and Becky Staab.

The committee will meet on a regular basis, and is expected to have its report completed by requested May 31 deadline.

Obituaries

HERBERT FARAH

He worked in construction and was a veteran of World War II. Surviving with his wife are their children, Fred of Howell, and Barbara Morgan of Florida; 23 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren; his brother Link of Wisom, his sister Betty Clement of Howell, Lillian Chalker of Florida and the late Barney.

The funeral date was Jan. 23 at 10 a.m. from the O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi. Rev. Thomas Scherger officiated. Interment was at Oakland Hills Cemetery.

ROBERT E. BISHOP

Robert E. Bishop, 65, of Novi died Jan. 18 in Annapolis Hospital, Wayne. He was born Jan. 25, 1927 in Richmond, Ind. He worked as a design engineer for Air Gauge, Inc. of Livonia for five years. Previously he worked with Bendix for 23 years and Dunn Tool for ten years.

He was past minister of Farmington Masonic Lodge 151 and a member of Eastern Star. He was a past member of S.Ward Masonic Lodge 62 and was a member of Mosell Temple Shrine, Knights Templar, Royal Arch and Multi-Lakes Conservation Assoc.

WAINO J. EKO

Waino J. Eko, 81, of Dearborn Heights died Jan. 20 in Detroit. He was born Dec. 10, 1911 in Mohawk to the late John Eko and Anna Healanen. He worked for Ford until his retirement in 1980 and formerly worked in Civilian Conservation Corps. He was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, and the Finnish Center Assoc.

Survivors include his wife, Allie Eko of Dearborn Heights, his daughter Barb Murphy of Novi, his son Wayne Eko of Cincinnati, Ohio, his nephew John Jackovich of Lake Linden, his nephew Jim Jackovich of Mohawk and five grandchildren.

Services were arranged by Thayer Rock Funeral Home, Services were Jan. 23 at 11 a.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills.

WALTER F. MEINECKE

Walter F. Meinecke, 76, of Novi died at in his home Jan. 20 due to heart failure. He was born May 18, 1916, in Redford to the late Walter Meinecke and Mary Whiteford. His wife, Mary Torvinen, survives him.

Government's courting big industry

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Big industry and big government have kissed and made up.

"It's a new era of cooperation," said liberal Democrat Sander Levin, U.S. representative from Southfield for a decade, former legislator, and former county and state chair of a party usually at odds with business.

But scratch President-elect Bill Clinton's idea for a corporate payroll tax, Levin said last week in an interview. The plan was to require business to "invest" 1 to 1.5 percent of payroll in employee skills upgrading, or pay the federal government a tax to do it.

"They [Clinton's people] are revisiting that. The tax idea is out," said Levin, a member of the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee.

President Bush had charged the \$150 billion tax increase would cripple economic recovery.

Under Bush and Reagan, Levin said, "this country lost its understanding of the importance of autos to the overall economy. Also, the Big Three were not working toward the same objective."

In mid-January, the chairs of General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, along with the United Auto Workers president, visited Clinton in Little Rock. Then John Smith, Harold Poling and Robert Eaton took the same message to the Economic Club of Detroit. Finally, they met with the Michigan congressional delegation.

"The nation has to once again have a love affair with the American automobile, and I think that love affair is being rekindled," said Levin.

General Motors said at the Economic Club, "Look, there has to be a partnership on health care. We can't gain control of health care costs by ourselves."

"When I first came to Congress, the Big Three weren't operating at all in

the same direction. They disagreed whether government had any role at all in the industry."

Big issues are 1) health costs and care, 2) Japan's closed market and 3) federal regulations.

"Health care costs add about \$600 to an American-made vehicle over a transplant or one made in Japan or Europe," Levin said.

"Red Poling [of Ford] was militant that this country must have trade policies that give our manufacturers an equal shot at markets. This one-way street in trade just isn't workable," said Levin, whose trade bill was threatened for veto by Bush.

"I've known Clinton for a number of years when he was with the Governors Association, working on issues of health, training and retaining. He was an unusually creative governor — a mainstream person who wants change. He knows revolution doesn't work in this country; reform does."

Levin was the only federal, state or

county office-holder to attend the Oakland County Democratic convention Saturday in Pontiac.

Local delegates elected state convention delegates and learned, to no one's surprise, that state chair Gary Corbin will seek a new two-year term.

The state convention will be Feb. 6 and 7 in Detroit's Cobo Center. In the 11th Congressional District, a contest is shaping up between Marvin [Mickey] Melzer of Birmingham and Vicki Barnett of Farmington Hills. Both are longtime Democratic workers and veterans of legislative candidacies in Republican areas.

Stepping down will be Walter O. Briggs IV, who ran twice for Congress besides serving as district chair.

Only party offices are elected at the winter conventions in odd-numbered years. But gubernatorial hopefuls such as Howard Wolpe and Debbie Stabenow, along with U.S. Sen. Don Riegle and challenger Carl Maringola, will be wooing early support.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Imagine that

Anthony Lang shows several Amerman students how to tune a piano. He also discussed with them the creative process of writing a song and composition. The program is part of a program at

the elementary school, known as "Reflections," which stresses creativity in the arts. The theme of the program is "Imagine that."

Teachers aiming for state school finance reform

A Bloomfield Hills mother stood beside a Redford Township father earlier this month as educators marked the first time both out-of-formula and in-formula districts have come together to solve Michigan's mounting school finance crisis.

Present at the launching of the petition drive in the Redford Union School District administrative offices were Bloomfield Hills resident Cynthia Vonoeven, who lives in a richer district which spends about \$8,500 per student, and Gary Belanger, a trustee on the Redford Union

Board of Education who lives in a poorer district which spends about \$4,200 per student.

They were surrounded by educators from Berkley, Southfield, South Redford, Livonia, Garden City, Wayne County and districts from outstate Michigan.

All stood in support of the O/K proposal, which if adopted would cut school millage rates across the state — even in Novi — and force the state to spend more to fund public education.

"We've been waiting for this day, waiting for the final language on the petition," said Vonoeven, who serves as chairwoman of a citizens' committee to get petition signatures in Bloomfield Hills.

"We support this because it stops

recapture, something that has cost Bloomfield Hills \$10 million in the last three years.

"The bottom line is that this helps the taxpayers in Bloomfield Hills. But it also helps kids. Kids who are being educated today are our future for tomorrow, whether they live in Bloomfield Hills or Redford Union."

Belanger estimated the proposal would save every Redford Union homeowner \$300 a year.

"The concept of unity is new to school finance reform," Belanger said. "We speak in one voice which can't be ignored. There's something in this for everyone."

Proponents started the petition drive one day before the Michigan Legislature begins its new session. Backers have six months to get the

205,000 valid signatures needed to present the petitions to the Michigan Legislature.

Lawmakers then have 40 days to either approve it or reject it. If the proposal is not approved, it would go to the voters as a ballot issue.

Affixed Tuesday were the first of the 270,000 signatures being sought. Petitions are available at local school district offices.

The O/K plan, named after former Detroit school board member David Olmstead and University of Michigan professor Phil Kearney, would limit all district operating levies to 30 mills.

"It reduces reliance on the property tax," said Redford Union superintendent Ken Johnson. "Redford Union now levies 40.03 mills. This would be rolled back to 30 mills and the state would pick up the rest. It's a 25-percent reduction in property taxes for Redford Union residents."

Novi Community School District's millage would drop from 33.02 mills to 30 mills, a modest decrease in property taxes for district residents. Lila Vonoeven, Livonia school trustee Sue Thompson praised the proposal for eliminating recapture and tax-base sharing.

Both Olmstead and Kearney were present for the launching of the petition drive.

"Whenever we talk about education someone always asks, 'what happened to the lottery money?'" Olmstead said. "This will force the state to redeem the lottery promise."

The proposal, phased in over six years, would force the state to fund

education with the proceeds from the Michigan Lottery.

The proposal does not call for a tax increase; neither does it say where the state would get the money to reimburse districts.

But 20 years of getting nowhere with finance reform means educators have to take some risk in proposing a solution, Olmstead said.

"I've heard a million reasons why we shouldn't support this and they're all poppycock," said Berkley superintendent Bob Maxwell. "This plan is not perfect, but so what? Some say it's not good public policy, that it ties the hands of legislators. I say it's about time. This is our last, best chance to get the Legislature to act. If they can come up with a better idea, more power to them."

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Planner hopeful eyes council

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

It took a bit of wrangling, but two new planning commissioners, Rob Mitzel and Glen Bonaventura, were appointed by the City Council Monday.

One of the seven applicants, Oliver Hayman, backed off from the position, saying he intends to run for city council in November instead.

Hayman is the first to formally announce an intention to run for council. Up for re-election are Mayor Matthew Quinn and council members Tim Pope, Nancy Cassis and Hugh Crawford.

Quinn, whose nominations for the Planning Commission post need council approval, had to run down a list of four before the council agreed to appoint Bonaventura.

Quinn's first choice for a term expiring in June 1994 was Mitzel, an environmental engineer who has been active on a local government/citizens committee which hopes to bring the new 52-1/2 District Court building to Novi.

The mayor said that Mitzel showed "a tremendous understanding of Novi ordinances."

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"Even though Rob Mitzel is a fairly young man, now that he has a real job, I consider him to be a real resident of the city."

Matthew Quinn
Mayor

job, I consider him to be a real resident of the city," Quinn said.

All the council members agreed to this selection except Council Member Robert Schmidt.

Quinn then nominated lakes area activist Ed Phelps for a term which ends in June 1993. He lauded Phelps' tenacity over the last five years and the moderation of his views. Phelps has applied for the job on numerous occasions.

The council majority did not agree. Then proposed in succession by Quinn were John Antoskiak, Kim Capello and Bonaventura. Bonaventura won all votes but Mayor Tom Hugh Crawford's.

Bonaventura is a CAD/CAM operator and mechanical engineer who has already served on the city's Natural Resources Design Plan Committee. He became a familiar figure at

city council sessions when he raised the issue about the high number of dying trees in the Briarwoods Condominiums, a protected woodlands which is used as a stormwater detention basin.

Hayman announced at his scheduled interview for the commission Monday that he was withdrawing from the competition.

"It's not fair to anyone to be a planning commissioner when the politics of running for an office could interfere," he said.

A 1989 campaign worker for Cassis, Hayman in spring 1990 kicked off a short-lived citizens tax protest group. The residents supported an unsuccessful move by Cassis, Pope and Council Member Joseph Toth to roll back the tax levels to that of the previous year.

Hayman said he's been thinking

about aiming for the council since last fall, but that "the issue was brought to the forefront" when he began studying for the planning commission job. He says he feels a sense of urgency about traffic and the master plan.

"I'm very concerned about the adjusted lot size ordinance and our vision of the future. In 2010, they say we're going to be 95 percent built. What is the vision of what the city is going to look like?" he said.

A number of other city appointed posts were filled as well. This includes:

Zoning Board of Appeals: Gerald Harris, Lisa Foote and LaVerne Retzke, full-time and James Antoskiak, alternate.

Board of Review: Gail Zbranchik, full-time and Karl Wizensky, alternate.

Election Commission: Helen Stabler.

Housing and Community Development Committee: Kim Capello, Lake Property Committee: Mark Adams, Alan Kindinger and Sarah Phelps.

Economic Development Corporation: Jim Rose and Fil Superstijak. An alternate position on the board of review remains open.

School Happenings

Village Oaks Elementary: The much-anticipated Storybuilders assembly will be held tomorrow (Jan. 29). Village Oaks PTO, VOICE, will meet on Feb. 1 in the school's library. Rap Dog, the radical rappin' canine, will bring his friends for a school-wide assembly on "honesty" on Feb. 5.

Parkview Elementary: Rap Dog comes to the school on Jan. 29 from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. "The Musical Health Show," hosted by Mr. Slim Goodbody, will take place on Feb. 5. The 9:40 a.m. and 1:20 p.m. shows are for parents and kids alike.

Feb. 9 will be the date for Parkview's monthly PTO meeting, at 7 p.m. in the media center. Members will organize the games for the school's annual Fun Fair — those interested are asked to attend.

Novi Woods Elementary: The school will sponsor two new Family Fun nights in the coming weeks. The second science activity night of the year will take place in March, and a bingo party will be held for students and families on May 5.

The school's next PTO meeting is set for Feb. 4 at 7 p.m. at Novi Woods.

Orchard Hills Elementary: Jan. 29 is school spirit day, with students dressing appropriately for "Tacky Day."

A "Living Science Foundation" assembly will take place on Feb. 9. Feb. 11 will see both a Kensington Metropark Information assembly, and the school's PTO meeting. The meeting will be held in library at 7:30 p.m., and babysitting will be available, courtesy of Girl Scout troop #1849.

Feb. 26 is again school spirit day, where kids will dress for "Elegant Day."

On tap for the spring are such events as adult CPR classes, "Family Safety Night" and the Spring Fling.

Novi Meadows: John Fundukian, Novi High School's athletic director, will give a talk on self-esteem, motivation and role models to interested Meadows parents and children on Feb. 9. The discussion will last from 7:30-9 p.m.

Feb. 3 is the date for Novi Meadows' next roller skating party at Bonaventura Roller Rink.

The school's monthly PTO meeting is scheduled for Feb. 8.

Novi Middle School: The school's monthly PTO meeting is set for Feb. 2, beginning at 7:15 p.m. in the media center.

GUEST speaker Susan Dvornik will give a talk on drug and alcohol abuse on Feb. 8. The program will begin at 7 p.m. in the media center; all are welcome.

The Living Science Foundation, which brings live animals, including some endangered species, will visit all science classes on Feb. 10.

Art classes focus on handicapped

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

"Art," said writer Amy Lowell, "is the desire of man to express himself, to record the reactions of his personality to the world he lives in."

Apparently the folks at Tollgate Center think that's a very worthy goal. The center, located in Novi at the intersection of Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook roads, is offering a series of therapeutic art classes for handicapped children and adults.

"It's a chance for people with disabilities to experience what art's all about," said Cindy Richards, the center's Director of Handicapped Programs.

Four courses, open to those with disabilities, as well as their siblings and friends, will be offered beginning next month. They will run for six weeks, and are open to those ages six

and above. Professional counselors and teachers will conduct the classes, Richards said.

"We wanted to incorporate both handicapped and non-handicapped in the program," she continued, referring to the inclusion of friends and family. "It lets people close to them (people with disabilities) get involved in their lives. It also lets everybody see that nobody's really that different."

Class sizes are limited, Richards said, so those interested should act soon. To get more information on class times and costs, or to enroll, call Richards at the Tollgate Center — 347-3860.

The first class will be "Creative Movement and Motion." Activities will include dance, movements and music.

"It's a lot about learning how the body works," said Richards.

"Experience in Music" will give students a chance to play.

"It will be a lot of hands-on work with instruments," she explained. "A lot of rhythms, a lot of learning — they'll even learn some songs."

For hands-on learning of a different type, there's "Active Art," a class that will include pottery, painting, crafts and more.

Rounding the quartet is "Beginning Drawing," the perfect pastime for the amateur thespian.

"Students will learn how to act without being embarrassed or nervous," Richards said. "They'll work with songs and some dance elements too. We're even trying to get a theater program up and running here."

The efforts to get a "barn theater" program, she added, included the handicapped and non-handicapped in a variety of roles. The Michigan Very Special Arts Council, an organi-

zation especially for people with disabilities, is also helping out, Richards said.

Volunteers for the theater, any of the four classes, or the center's other handicapped programs are always welcome, she added.

The center is also taking applications now for its spring handicapped horserback riding program. With the help of volunteers, the handicapped can ride gentle horses for exercise, fun and to build self-confidence. Call Richards if you're interested in enrolling or volunteering your time.

The program is therapeutic as well as fun, its director said.

"The kids learn to work their social, cognitive, motor and emotional skills," Richards explained. "The classes create a lot of increased motivation and self-esteem, and that's really the goal of the whole program."

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Residents don't like lot size rule

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

The Wintergreen Park subdivision will have adjusted lot sizes.

Haverhill Farm won't. But the Novi City Council decision is in no way as cut and dry as that.

The adjusted lot size ordinance permits increased density within a given zoning category if the natural areas are preserved.

However, the city council Feb. 11 is scheduled to review the pros and cons of this increasingly controversial regulation.

Wintergreen's original adjusted lot size plan called for 59 homes on the 40 acres. The city council cut that back to 55. A standard subdivision would have had 44 lots, but would have taken 30 percent of the woodlands and wetlands.

The approved plan preserves 99 percent of the sensitive lands.

Developer Barry Stulberg told the council his plan fit the city's "like a glove," creating a subdivision which would be compatible with surrounding developments.

The council majority followed the Planning Commission's recommendation and allowed the increased density, but the future of the ordinance itself is not certain.

Council Member Tim Pope, who has questioned the regulation, said the Wintergreen subdivision was the first adjusted lot size plan he's approved.

"Mr. Stulberg was unique in that it was predestined by the ones around it. Past councils in my opinion blindly accepted any adjusted lot size that came in. I don't think we're doing that now," Pope said.

"I'm looking at the ordinance and it doesn't give me any guidelines other than 'do you like the plan, does it save a little bit more?'"

"We're in a transition. It's not a good policy atmosphere to make this decision."

Council Member Robert Schmid has been one of the most outspoken opponents of the adjusted lot size. He argued that the developer wanted it for economic reasons and that Wintergreen could be built as a conventional subdivision.

"It's bang, bang, bang — houses. This is a typical Detroit 30 year ago subdivision. With large lots this would be one of the more attractive subdivisions in Novi," Schmid suggested.

Stulberg maintained the large lots could not be marketed: "We would be way out of the ballpark in terms of

competition. We would have to develop 50 percent more infrastructure. It would stick out like a sore thumb."

Developer Michael Horowitz lobbied long and hard for similar treatment of his Haverhill Farm. The first adjusted lot plan he submitted had 121 lots, but Monday night he produced a new version with 115 lots.

With this design, he said he could preserve 41 acres of woodlands and wetlands on the 91 acre site.

Haverhill is proposed for the site of the riding academy on the south side of Fourteen Mile Road between Haggerty and Decker roads. The land was originally zoned at the lowest density residential category, residential-agricultural (R-A). Horowitz won a rezoning to the more dense R-2.

The developer, noting he's spent \$12,400 for rejection letters from city consultants, said he was feeling "very frustrated" and told the council that adjusted lot size is going through that maturation now," Quinn added.

City Attorney David Fried told the council he doesn't agree with the premise that saving woodlands and wetlands is an unconstitutional "taking" of property.

"I think we need to compensate by allowing greater density," he said.

The council majority joined in with Schmid's contention that Haverhill failed to meet the intent of the ordinance.

"We can't be concerned about maximizing developers' profits, if we remain loyal to our consultants who want large lots. Virtually speaking, he's gotten an R-3 subdivision from an R-A. I think it's asking a bit much of this city," Schmid said.

One problem with the ordinance suggested by Council Member Tim Pope is that credit is given for saving woodlands already preserved by state regulations.

Mayor Matthew Quinn said the ordinance was drafted "because it was the only way the city could legally negotiate in public. Contract zoning is illegal."

"The underlying intent is to allow a give-and-take. All ordinances go through a maturing stage and I think the adjusted lot size is going through that maturation now," Quinn added.

City Attorney David Fried told the council he doesn't agree with the premise that saving woodlands and wetlands is an unconstitutional "taking" of property.

"I think we need to compensate by allowing greater density," he said.

Wintergreen wins adjusted lots

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Joining him in berating the ordinance was new resident Jim Christoff, who said he left Warren to get away from small-lot neighborhoods.

Christoff suggested that communities like Troy and Rochester would give their right arm for the room to plant large lot subdivisions.

"In some ways, the concerns of the citizens are being overlooked. The intent of the residents are not being followed," Christoff said.

"It's a quick fix to cover-up development or a loophole to allow them

to squeeze in more lots. Developers use it to get more homes, more revenue."

The city council is scheduled to discuss modifications to the ordinance at their Feb. 11 meeting.

Council Member Tim Pope has raised the issue that wetlands which may not be built under state Department of Natural Resources regulations anyways are included as preserved land in the adjusted lot size calculations, Christoff suggested.

From the other side of the fence, attorney James Ginn, representing the Beztak Company, argued in a letter

to council that the zoning has been beneficial to the city, especially in Section 28, west of Taft Road between Nine and Ten Mile. Ginn contends that a city-initiated reduction in zoning densities in Sect. 28 in 1982, along with existing environmental features, made development of Beztak's property there unfeasible.

Beztak staff, city employees and elected officials then worked together to draft the adjusted lot size option to provide incentives for developers to save wetlands and wetlands. An overall development plan for Sect. 28 was created, making use of the ad-

justed lot size option.

Beztak was then granted adjusted lot sizes for its Broadmoor Park subdivision, which has 44 acres of preserved environmentally-sensitive land. Other adjusted lot size subdivisions which have been okayed include Meadow Park (26 acres preserved), Barclay Estates (25 acres) and Nottingham Woods (16 acres).

In a compromise with the city, Sect. 28 developers agreed to finance the paving of Nine Mile Road there, as well as the extension of sewer and water lines. The ordinance made this financially feasible, Ginn wrote.

'Da Yoopers' to invade Novi Expo

A host of family activities join the traditional lineup of outdoor recreation events at the 1993 Outdoorama. Feb. 28 through March 7 at the Novi Expo Center.

Billed as Michigan's largest sport and travel show, the event is sponsored by the Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC).

Weekends at Outdoorama will include family days with seminars on fishing, wildlife and other outdoor activities. "Wildlife Encounters," an educational display of Michigan wildlife runs throughout the show.

Entertainment at Outdoorama will be provided by "Da Yoopers," a musical comedy troupe who leave behind the 14-foot snowbanks of their hometown of Ishpeming to take the stage daily. Show hours are weekdays at 6:30 p.m.; 12:30 and 6:30 p.m. Saturdays; 12:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 28; and 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 7.

Outdoorama will host the 11th annual Michigan Wild Turkey Calling Classic on Saturday, Feb. 27. Other Outdoorama activities include: Big Buck Night, March 1; DNR Forecast Night, March 2; Hunting Dog Night, March 2; Hunting Dog Night, March 3; Bowhunting Night March 4; and March 5, Fishing Night.

Outdoorama's new location at the Novi Expo Center allows over 300,000 square feet to be devoted to exhibit space. Displays feature Canadian and Western outdoors, recreational vehicles, sport and fishing

boats, and outdoor equipment.

Outdoorama hours are Feb. 28, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.; weekdays 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Feb. 28, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and March 7, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Admission is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under, and \$3 for senior citizens 60 years or older (weekdays only). Children, five and under, are admitted free.

Outdoorama is a non-profit event. All net proceeds from the 1993 show help support MUCC's conservation efforts and environmental education programs throughout the state.

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As We See It

Now they want control of what your signs say

First the city wanted to regulate the size of business signs... and the height, number, and placement, and lighting, and whether it flashed or not.

Now, the city seems to be interested in regulating the contents too, what business signs actually say.

With some in the business community already arguing that Novi's sign ordinances may violate First Amendment protections to the freedom of speech, it seems a bad time for the city government to push for control of content as well.

Bill Cook is moving his auto dealership to the city, and it is presently named Farmington Hills Chrysler-Plymouth. He also will be adding a second dealership, Farmington Hills Infiniti. Although he is locating those facilities in the Novi Auto Mall on Haggerty Road between Ten Mile and Grand River, he plans to keep the Farmington Hills name.

Novi officials are not happy about it. They feel that if these dealerships are going to be located in the City of Novi, they should carry the Novi name.

Cook, on the other hand, is arguing that Farmington Hills is actually the name on his franchises with the automakers. And he points out that he has something over 10,000 who are used to dealing with him under the Farmington Hills name, so he might just lose customers because of a name change.

Cook however is looking to open yet another dealership here, and he has said he is considering naming it either Bill Cook Lexus or Lexus of Novi.

City Manager Ed Kriewall, according to an administrative memo he issued recently to the City Council, went to talk to Cook about the concern over names.

He suggested the two dealerships bearing the Farmington Hills name might be switched to bare the moniker of their soon-to-be host city. He also mentioned he through Novi Lexus had a nice ring to it, according to the memo.

So far, so good. We applaud Kriewall and the council for their community pride. We think it's great they want the city to have a clear identity and not somehow come to be known as West Farmington Hills. There's nothing wrong with a few city officials proposing a few ideas for good names for a dealership. And we're sure Cook appreciated the suggestions.

However, when we read the following, we just have to cry foul.

Speak up about MEAP

As most local parents know by now, this year's Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test scores were released in mid-January.

Testing students' achievement in math, reading and science in various grades from fourth through 11th, MEAP is no longer an abstraction. Beginning with the graduating class of 1994, those leaving school must pass all three sections to get a state-endorsed diploma.

Raw numbers indicate what percentage of children in a given grade did satisfactorily on the test.

By and large, this year's scores in the Novi school district are up. Students improved scores in six categories, although there was a minor decrease in three categories. The experts say parents should be concerned if their school district receives a score lower than 30 in any one category. Novi students didn't score under 30 in any category, so obviously, Novi parents have reason to be pleased about our district's results.

Rather than being used as fodder for criticism or praise of local teachers and principals, MEAP scores offer pa-



Government

"I told Bill Cook that we are extremely unhappy... I reminded Mr. Cook that everyone seems to be looking to the City of Novi for financing the improvements on Haggerty Road. I indicated that this could be a tough sell for a dealership not carrying our name," Kriewall stated in his memo.

Regardless of what the intent of the comment may have been, we view it as a threat... or perhaps a bribe... depending on what the road funds are withdrawn or given based on the verbiage of the signs.

Either way, it's just not an appropriate way for the city to be doing business. Road funding just should not be made contingent on what a sign says.

The question of paying for improvements to Haggerty Road, or letting area property owners pay for them, is clearly a separate question from the name of the dealership. And it should be treated that way, if it's appropriate, it's appropriate regardless of the name on the sign.

While we don't think the citizens want their government officials going around issuing threats, we also don't think they'd agree that road improvement project was a fair trade for a renaming of the dealership.

Haggerty road improvements should be decided on their own merit. Using them to gain concessions for the name that appears on a sign seems to us to be way out of line.

It frankly only lends credence to those who are already arguing Novi's sign rule violate the First Amendment. And it also puts in jeopardy any council decision about the Haggerty Road project, should council turn it down. With such things having been said, could a business owner convince a judge the real reason behind rejection of funds for the project was because if the owner's refusal to change its name. The mere raising of this point taints the decision making process.

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Rulings that violate sense



Tim Richard

In recent months I've used this space to deplore court rulings that violate common sense and raise our auto insurance rates. It's only fair, then, to give jurists a pat on the back when they do something right.

In the holiday rush, the Michigan Supreme Court made a little-noticed decision in favor of Auto Club Insurance Association in a no-fault policy case. The justices, in a 6 to 1 decision, said a shooting case isn't an auto insurance case. They reversed a Court of Appeals decision and the Genesee Circuit Court.

The facts: Party night in Flint. An argument. Plaintiff Michael Marzonia II, 19, driving his mother's insured car, chases a vehicle driven by Vernon Oaks. Marzonia's passenger, 18, throws beer bottles at Oaks' vehicle, breaking a window.

Oaks goes home, emerges from his house with a shotgun and fires. There is conflicting testimony over whether Marzonia's car had stopped or was moving forward at a "creep." Oaks says he aimed at the grill of Marzonia's car. Instead, his blast hit Marzonia in the face and neck, inflicting permanent and serious injury.

Charged with assault with intent to murder, Oaks pleads guilty to a reduced charge of careless discharge of a firearm and spends nine months in jail.

A rational person would think Marzonia would sue the guy who shot him. Not in Michigan. Marzonia went after Auto Club, the insurer of his mother's car, asking "benefits for accidental bodily injury arising out of the ownership, operation, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle as a motor vehicle." The jury found for Marzonia.

Two Court of Appeals judges — Marilyn Kelly (1992 Democratic Supreme Court aspirant) of Bloomfield Hills and Roman Gribbs, ex-mayor of Detroit — agree, saying

the injuries "stemmed from the functional character of the motor vehicle."

Judge Barbara MacKenzie dissented, saying Marzonia "was injured as a result of his dispute with Oaks, and plaintiff's automobile merely served as the target of Oaks' gunfire and the situs where plaintiff was shot." The relationship between the car and the gunfire was "too indirect" to justify an auto insurance claim, she said.

Six Supreme Court justices agreed with Auto Club and MacKenzie. [The harm that befell this plaintiff was not within the ordinary risks of driving a motor vehicle.] Quoting other case law, the Supreme Court said, "The automobile was not the instrumentality of the injury."

So what do you and I care about a street light in Flint? First, Auto Club members could have lost a bundle of money.

Second, even if you're not an Auto Club member, your company's lawyers may have read the mid-1992 Court of Appeals opinion and paid off underserving claimants. Trial lawyers will tell you such cases affect only a handful of people. Not quite true. The courts don't just decide individual cases; they set precedents that affect business decisions of all companies.

Third, I'm disturbed by what I didn't see spelled out in many Court of Appeals decisions. There seems to be an underlying political assumption that, if a guy gets hurt, somebody, somewhere in society, owes him money. The unwritten assumption seems to be, "Hey, if Oaks doesn't have much money, here's a pot in the insurance pool; let's take some of it."

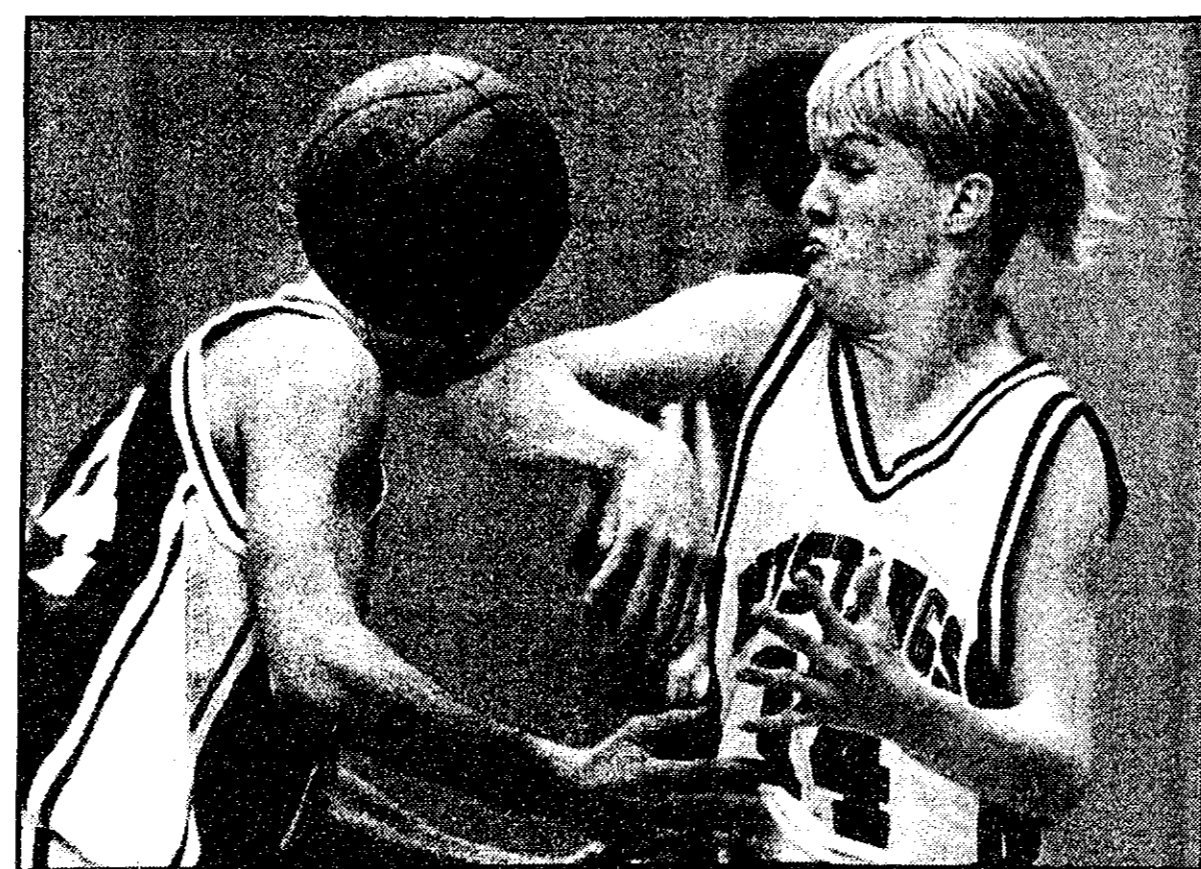
Perhaps I'm harsh on the attorneys and the lower courts, but that's the only reasoning that explains their pursuit of this case.

Guns are guns. Cars are cars. Thank goodness, the Michigan Supreme Court knows the difference.

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Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



'What no foul?'

Northville's Rick Blomann goes for a ball, but gets something else — a Wildcat jaw

The MEAP test is no cure-all



Phil Power

There is a representative sample of the range of views, from a group of reasonable and respected school leaders: Dennis McMahon, superintendent of Brighton schools: "Our school district believes in assessing students' abilities... It is important not to rely on any one form of assessment, which just gives a snapshot of the students' ability."

Fred Liebowitz, supervisor of secondary education in Southfield schools: "I don't think something that significant should be based on one score... I understand the purpose of trying to raise standards of education, but there are other ways to raise standards than holding a kid's feet to the fire."

Jon Reynolds, superintendent of Waverly schools, is concerned the MEAP tests could be used as a "back door method" of creating a state-ordered curriculum and eventually linking funding with test results. Once published by the media, MEAP tests tend to get parents and the public to rank schools competitively, which may or may not be fair.

Gary Doyle, deputy superintendent in Bloomfield Hills, agrees: "I think in general the concept of having a quality standard is good. But this is another example of the state getting involved in local districts."

Two themes emerge from the range of comment I've seen about MEAP tests.

First, it's a back-door way of getting state control of local school districts and, maybe, linking funding with performance.

My view: So what's wrong with that? One big reason American K-12 education is so resistant to change is the notion of local control. As long as our school system is organized by independent school districts (in Michigan we have 523 of them), any overall attempt to raise standards is doomed to failure.

Second, basing evaluation of a kid's learning achievement on just one test is unfair and, probably, inaccurate.

My view: That's right. Basing a kid's future on just one standardized test makes little sense. I remember seeing 10-year-old kids in England throwing up and even getting ulcers just before taking the dreaded "Eleven Plus" exam.

Indeed, a University of Michigan professor of education, Scott Paris, argues that standardized tests stifle education and should be banned for three years while educators come up with better ways to evaluate student achievement.

Lots of states — Vermont leading them — are developing something called "portfolio assessment systems" in which the range of a student's work over several years would be collected into a folder for external review. This is obviously a much better way to determine what a child actually learned than a standard test, but it's also obviously much more expensive than a standardized computer-graded test.

The bottom line: The MEAP test alone is no cure-all. But it's better than nothing because it forces attention to what kids actually learn and provides stimulus to school reform.

State deserves an 'F' for MEAP law



Michael Malott

We rail about local government officials who try to do the public's business behind closed doors. In fact I sometimes empathize with local officials, just before this newspaper gives them both barrels right between the eyes, because I know that the same action might go unnoticed or barely raise an eyebrow in a larger community or at the county, state or federal level.

We give it to them anyway of course, because we feel strongly about openness in government and because we believe the actions of local government have a more direct impact on citizens' lives.

Then, along comes a story like the one we have on the front page this week and I begin to wonder if we aren't whododging the wrong people, if we aren't giving hell to the wrong people.

The state has launched a program of giving out state-endorsed diplomas, continuing the passage of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program test, under a law passed in 1991 by the state legislature. No one has actually graduated yet under this new system, but they soon will. The students who are now juniors in high school will be the first. They'll still get a high school diploma even if they don't pass the MEAP test. It just won't be endorsed by the state.

How important is that? It seems likely to me that it will become very important. There has never been anything like a state-endorsed diploma, but I predict it will at least become a factor in local admissions and perhaps on employment applications. Colleges already ask for ACT and SAT test scores before they'll consider a student for admission. Many employers still ask for GEDs, especially for job candidates

just out of school. And under the state's plan, after 1997 students won't be able to get any diploma at all if they don't pass the MEAP.

At present 40 percent of Novi High's tenth graders don't qualify for the state endorsement as a result of the last round of MEAP testing. Almost 20 percent of juniors still have not qualified even though they have had a shot at retesting once. Unless they can do better when they are retested, the MEAP score could have a significant impact on their lives.

This is sure to get a few parents hot. First, they'll want to know why their kids can't pass the test. Then, they'll want to know why the school district can't teach their kids to pass the test.

But there's still one more very important question to be asked: Who said students ought to be required to pass the MEAP before they can get a diploma in the first place?

I also don't remember any public debate over the question of whether there should be a competency test for high school graduation or whether the MEAP is the appropriate tool by which to measure a student's proficiency... well, it's because there wasn't any.

Yes, a couple of years back, there was some general talk about the idea of testing high schoolers before letting them graduate. But there never was a specific proposal put forward in the legislature to be debated and discussed. Thus, there was no real public debate or discussion of the idea either.

So how did this MEAP requirement/state-endorsed diploma get to be law? It was tacked on to the 1991 state aid bill during a conference committee. Conference committee is the very end of the legislative process, and it is supposed to be used to hammer out differences between the versions of bills passed by the House and Senate. Conference committees are supposed to settle those differences, not add new provisions.

And conference committees are not an open process; it all happens behind closed doors.

They don't take public testimony at that point. And yes, the House and Senate do later vote on the final version, but by that time approval is often perfunctory.

Now I'm one of those folks who thinks there should be a proficiency or competency test for graduating high school seniors. I think we need to make sure students have actually learned what they were supposed to, and proficiency tests are one way to do it.

But I also think there are a lot of perspectives on this issue that we didn't hear because of the lack of debate. There are those who say a student who works hard for four years and perhaps earns good grades should not be disqualified from graduation because of bombing a single test. There are those who contend standardized tests like the MEAP don't really test knowledge so much as they test the students' test-taking skills. Both points are fair and legitimate, worth considering.

I also don't think the MEAP is a good measure of proficiency or competency. It was originally designed to help school districts assess their curriculum and programming. If you want to test for competency, you have to write a test to measure precisely that. Drafting the MEAP for use in competency testing is akin to taking the Rorschach inkblot test and trying to use it for intelligence testing. That's not what it was intended to do, so the results obviously wouldn't be very valid.

Parents who get upset when they learn their children have not passed the MEAP, and are in danger of missing out on a state-endorsed diploma, are sure to be upset. They will look first to their kids, then to the school district.

They should be looking to the folks in Lansing, who created this terrible mess and did so in an ill-considered fashion.

It is the state legislature which deserves an 'F' today.

Michael Malott is the Managing Editor of The Novi News.

Asking for the 'old boy network' back?

Letters

To the Editor: Now that the identities of the Recall Committee have been revealed, we are all somewhat surprised that none of the "key" figures in this movement have been noted.

At this time, I must explain to the general public exactly what the Iva Street issue is. (Victor Muscat's reason for being involved.)

Victor Muscat owns the Iva Street commercial area on the west side of Novi Road. He petitioned directly, and got Iva Street closed at Novi Road for "health, safety and welfare" reasons. The original notion to close the road passed, Next, Victor Muscat presented a lovely plan and idea to close Iva at the residential "division," creating a parking lot for his commercial tenants and opening Iva at Novi Road.

This was denied due to the original closure being a "dangerous intersection." Somehow, speed bumps (orange plastic) were installed along the residential division. I had that removed. Soon after, a chain link fence was erected by the city, totally blocking all entry and egress to the commercial portion of Iva through my subdivision. This, then, forced all commercial traffic across Mr. Muscat's property north

of Iva, creating a new "road" from Austin to Novi.

These curbs cut presented problems to Austin Drive residents. Just to make sure you understand what has happened, we have a property owner being given private parking areas at taxpayer expense; we had a roadway being developed across private property for his personal use and the use of his tenants — only! The rest of the taxpayers would have to treat with the residents of this intersection for "safety" purposes? The dangerous curves were to be realigned for better passage through the area. That road work was also denied by one property owner. As I remember it, we waited about one year for the new and better road system to start. City management specifically told me the problem was a \$10,000 issue. The owner of the property wanted \$10,000 more than the city was willing to give for the small piece of land. The final decisions had to

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It appears to me that Mr. Muscat's problem with Iva Street is that he no longer has use of a private, fenced parking lot at taxpayer expense. I hardly think that's "picking on" the man.

While we're at the corner of Novi/113 Mile/South Lake, did the city not remember the realignment of this intersection for "safety" purposes? The dangerous curves were to be realigned for better passage through the area. That road work was also denied by one property owner. As I remember it, we waited about one year for the new and better road system to start. City management specifically told me the problem was a \$10,000 issue. The owner of the property wanted \$10,000 more than the city was willing to give for the small piece of land. The final decisions had to

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Many of us up here are amused by this recall petition. We also realized the major impact that the Iva Street issue would have on the "old boy" network! This was the first time that such favoritism by city management was publicly challenged and immediately corrected in the direction of John G. Public. In my estimation, the Iva Street issue was a public challenge of the "old boy" network! As we are seeing, it's foundation is being unearthed as I speak. The comment made, "There has to be a change back to the total control by the 'old boy' network?"

James E. Korte

Hall of Fame names inductees

At the Grand Opening celebration of the new Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame, the ten winners of nationwide balloting for the 1992 class of inductees were announced.

They are Ted Horn, David Pearson, Wally Parks, Al Holbert, Dick Mann, Ron Musson, Jacqueline Cochran, Craig Breedlove, Louis Meyer, and George Bignotti.

Ted Horn, the winner in the open wheel category, won the AAA National Championship an unprecedented three times in succession in 1946, 1947 and 1948. He also established an incredible finishing record at Indy between 1936 and 1948 (the year of his death in a racing accident) never finishing below fourth place.

Horn joins A.J. Foyt (1989), Mario Andretti (1990), Jim Clark (1990), Al Unser, Sr. (1991), and Bill Vukobrat, Sr. in the open wheel category in the Hall of Fame.

David George Pearson (retired driver, former car owner) has made everybody's top five or top ten "all time greatest drivers" lists after an illustrious career in NASCAR Grand National (now Winston Cup) competition. He won 105 races and 113 poles, second in both categories at the all-time list, and captured the Grand National Championship in 1968, 1969 and 1973. He won 18 races and won 11.1 percent of the 69.1 million NASCAR record for a single season.

He is tied with Richard Petty, Bobby Allison and Bill Elliott for most consecutive super speedway wins at four.

Pearson joins Richard Petty (1989), Bill France, Sr. (1990), Joe Leonard (1991), and Bobby Allison (1992) in the Hall of Fame of America in the stock car category.

Wally Parks, a founder of the Southern California Timing Association, which organized hot rod-type competitions in the dry lakes begin-

ning in 1937, became the founder of the National Hot Rod Association in 1951. Under his leadership over the years, the NHRA became the largest auto racing sanctioning body in the world, and was accepted into ACCU-FIA in the early 1970s.

Parks joins Don Garlits (1989), Shirley Muldowney (1990), Don Prudhomme (1991) and Dick Donahue (1992) in the Hall of Fame in the drag racing category.

Al Holbert, winnngest driver in Camel IMSA GT history, captured that series championship in 1976, 1977, 1983, 1985, and 1986, scoring a record 49 victories. He also won 10 SCCA Can-Am races, a Trans-Am, and the famed LeMans Classic three times. He was IMSA's first \$1 million winner. Additionally, he competed in the CART Indy Car Series in 1984, finishing fourth at Indianapolis, and also drove in NASCAR Winston Cup competition in 1980 and 1981.

Al Holbert joins Phil Hill (1989), Mark Donohue (1990), Alan Gurney (1991), and Carroll Shelby (1992) in the sports car category of the Hall of Fame.

Dick "Bugsy" Mann was the first driver in being racing history to win the "Grand Slam," with victories in all categories. He enjoyed one of the longest active careers in AMA championship racing with 24 career titles in 1951 and 1952, and the 1951 "Grand Slam," with victories in all categories. He enjoyed one of the longest active careers in AMA championship racing with 24 career titles in 1951 and 1952, and the 1951 "Grand Slam," with victories in all categories. He enjoyed one of the longest active careers in AMA championship racing with 24 career titles in 1951 and 1952, and the 1951 "Grand Slam," with victories in all categories.

He was the first American to officially break the two-way 400 mph barrier when he recorded a speed of 407.45 mph in 1963. He raised it to 526.277 mph the following year, and in 1965 reached 600.61 mph on Nov. 13.

Breedlove joins Pamello Jones (1989), Kenny Roberts (1990), Joe Leonard (1991), and Joe Petrali (1992), Art Arfons (1991), and Mickey Thompson (1990) in the Motorsports

Hall of Fame of America, Inc. in the at-large category.

Louis Meyer, retired driver and engineer, as a rookie won the first of three Indy 500 victories in 1927. His 500 wins in 1933 and 1936 made him the first three time Indy winner. His brilliant racing career also includes three board track victories in 1927, 1928 and 1929. He was the AAA National Champion in 1928, 1929 and 1933. Teamed with Paul Drake in 1939, he took over production of the "only" racing engine which powered 18 consecutive winning cars at Indy beginning in 1947. After selling his interest in the Meyer-Drake Offy engine in the early 1960s, Meyer managed the production of the Ford V-8 racing engine which broke the offy domination at Indy in 1965.

Meyer joins Barney Oldfield (1988), Wilbur Shaw (1991), and Albi DePalma (1992) in the historic category in the Hall of Fame.

George Bignotti (chief mechanic), a driver of midgets immediately after World War II, he turned his talents to auto racing, and was among the most successful in history. He has more championship (Indy Car) wins than any other chief mechanic. His 85 total victories include 10 at Indianapolis. Nine National Driving Championships have been won in Bignotti-prepared cars.

Bignotti joins Tom Hulman (1991) and J.C. Agajanian (1992) in the at-large, non-driver category in the Hall of Fame.

The Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame opened its doors Jan. 9 with a Grand Opening party and benefited from the generosity of 1000s of fans. Michael E. Kraneff, director Special Vehicle Operations, Ford Motor Co.; Herb Fisher, director Motorsports Technology Group; General Motors; and Michigan's manager of Motorsports Operations, Chrysler Corp.

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School officials fail as Novi planners check out plans

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Walled Lake district officials in requesting the permit said they want to be "good neighbors" to the city. The proposed addition calls for two classrooms to be built onto the southeast end of the existing structure — removing seven trees. Five more will go to make room for a new playground — a total of one-quarter of an acre for both projects.

"We're expanding the elementary school because of the expanding number of students in the district," said David Largent of TMP and Associates, the Bloomfield Hills architectural firm representing the district. Several members of the unusually-large audience urged commissioners to not recommend approval of the permit. Those living near the school said that district officials had not made

good on various promises concerning noise buffer zones and proper drainage for the site. "The school district has not been a good neighbor in the eyes of the residents surrounding it (Hickory Woods)," nearby resident Edward Phelps said. "If you agree to grant the permits," he told commissioners, "please get everything in writing first." Charles Kissau, a Walled Lake

schools official, denied that the district had broken promises. He said that problems which had come up had been resolved as fairly as possible. "My understanding is that it's been corrected," said Kissau, who added that he recently became involved in the project. "I don't know exactly what was done." He added that the district had wanted to build four classrooms, but

felt that possibility had no chance of winning woodlands approval. Debbie Meyers, another nearby resident, said that the district had encroached on residents' property lines, had not installed a sufficient noise buffer as promised, and had created flooding problems. "I have a lake in my backyard," said Susan Maltipati. "Walled Lake is supposed to be just in my front yard."

On the heels of those comments, commissioners felt more investigation of the matter was necessary. They unanimously approved resolutions asking planning officials to review the woodlands and wetlands situation on the site and report back to the commission at its Feb. 4 meeting. The commission also voted 7-0 to table approval of the revised woodlands permit "to an undetermined date."

Officials studying scores for answers, responses

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

How should district residents react to the performance of Novi schools students on this year's Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) examinations?

District educators say that students and parents alike should understand both what occurred and how they plan to respond to a situation that should provoke a lot of thought.

Some 19 percent of this year's 11th graders are ineligible to receive state-endorsed diplomas next year because they did not achieve a state-mandated score on one or more parts of the MEAP exams. More than 40 percent of the 10th graders are ineligible.

Students must achieve state-set scores on the three portions of the exam—reading, math and science—in order to be eligible. They take the reading and math portions of the test in 10th grade — along with fourth and seventh graders — and the science portion in the 11th grade along with fifth graders.

School officials said the situation was one to cause concern, but not panic.

First, there are further opportunities to take the test. Second, the district is currently studying the ways to successfully prepare students for them.

The 11th graders have at least two more opportunities to take the MEAP before their graduation next year; the 10th graders do not even take the science portion of the exam until next year, and have several more chances on the reading and math sections.

The MEAP exams will be next offered in late April or early May and again in September.

Officials said they were exploring what was needed to bring the scores up to the mandated level, and why some had fallen short.

"We're researching what's the best

Low MEAP scores mean some can't get diploma

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other purposes — student competency and state diplomas. The state legislature made that decision in the 1991 school aid act — in a manner that some criticize.

"We are the last ones in Lansing to know about it," said State Board of Education President Dorothy Beardmore. "It was done in a legislative conference committee."

Beardmore added that the expansion of the MEAP exams' uses was a bad move.

"This is not the proper use of MEAP," Beardmore said. "It was designed to identify a student's strengths and weaknesses — a diagnostic tool for teachers."

To receive any money, the aid act says, local school districts "shall award a state-endorsed high school diploma to a pupil" only when the pupil passes one set of three sets of tests:

- MEAP;

- A locally developed and state-approved basic proficiency test;
- A passing score on the GED (general educational development) test.

Pupils who do not achieve the score necessary to be eligible for a state-endorsed diploma on any part of the test may take the test again when it's offered, usually twice a year.

In practice, most districts use MEAP.

Are MEAP test scores adequate as a sole indicator of what students know? "No," says the state's MEAP Handbook.

"MEAP tests only indicate what students know about the selected objectives tested," the handbook reads. "To determine the status of student knowledge in other areas, other assessments must be made," such as "teacher observations."

Staff writer Tim Richard contributed to this report.

way (to bring the scores up)," said Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Rita Traynor. "It's a long process."

She said that the analysis of the scores was just beginning, and the process of developing responses to them wasn't a short-term one.

After-school classes to work on MEAP objectives were offered last year, she said, and could be again this year. Other possibilities include input from teachers, in-class work and possibly some curriculum changes.

Why did some not achieve the cutoff score? Again, the issue is under

scrutiny, officials say.

Some students may not have the necessary skills to pass the test. Changes in the MEAP test itself, as well as recent changes in the district's mathematics curriculum, could have affected students' scores, particularly the tenth graders.

"These kids got caught in the middle," said Novi High School Principal Arthur Miller. "The tenth graders have had only a couple of years with the new test and the new (math) curriculum."

Traynor added that a crucial factor the district was looking at was how information was delivered — is the

system giving children the skills they need in a form they can understand?

"The question we're asking is, 'what ways can we instruct differently?'" she said.

The score requirement for eligibility begins with the class of 1994 — today's juniors. Beginning in 1997, however, Michigan students can only receive a high school diploma if they achieve a mandated score on an assessment test.

Whether that test will remain the MEAP exam is an open question. Many observers predict that MEAP exams will soon be out the door, replaced with another statewide proficiency test.

Many have questioned the value of scoring well on the test, beyond the obvious. Both Traynor and Miller said that the MEAP exams did have a lot of usefulness.

"I think it should be (important),"

said Traynor. "You have a situation where there are standards (the endorsed diploma) out there and I would want people to know that I've met those standards. As an employer (for example), I'd want to know — 'have you met those standards?'"

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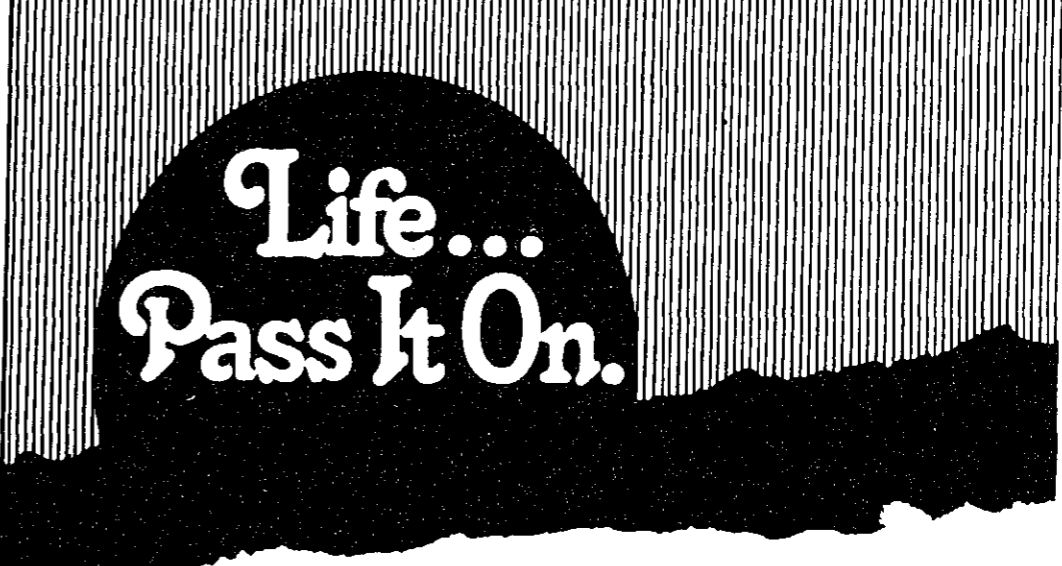
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"I used to get butterflies. No, they were bigger than butterflies. They were bats."

Barbara Wold
Toastmaster

Bill Peterson, president of the Northville Toastmasters, welcomes the club's two newest members. At top right, Novi residents Dan Cowan (right) and Scott Wakefield take their first steps toward progress. And at right Barbara Wold has come along since her first public speech.

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Master the fear of PUBLIC SPEAKING

Three and a half years ago Barbara Wold waltzed up to the podium to give a four-minute speech about herself to a handful of people. Thirty seconds into her speech her voice started to quiver, her knees began to shake, and her mind drew a blank.

Right there in front of everyone she froze. She forgot what she wanted to say and her body and mind wouldn't let her say anything else. It was sheer terror, she remembers.

"I came here my first time and went up there," Wold said pointing to the podium. "After 30 seconds I sat down because my mind went blank, my voice was quivering, my hands were sweaty and my knees were knocking."

"I sat down. Then I left and I cried all the way home."

For Wold giving a speech before an audience was nothing short of "living death." Just being in front of a crowd and having to speak to them was paralyzing, she said. And it was always like that for her.

"In school it (having to give a speech) was a tremendous terror," she said. "I used to hope that I would be sick the day I had to give an oral presentation."

"I used to get butterflies. No, they were bigger than butterflies. They were bats."

Wold is not alone in her fear. Public speaking is rated as one of the biggest fears people have. It rates high on the list of stress triggers and causes similar physical and emotional reactions in a lot of people.

Novi resident Scott Wakefield knows the feeling.

"I get really nervous and my face turns bright red," Wakefield said. The 29-year-old sales engineer

says he needs to overcome his fears about public speaking so he can improve his communication on the job. As part of his job responsibilities, Wakefield said he has to make reports in the office to his co-workers. Those reports are often a source of panic and fear. But he added that with practice his public speaking skills have improved a little bit.

"I'm getting better, and the more confident I feel about things the better I speak about them," he said.

Like Wold, Wakefield is seeking the help of the Motor City Speak Easy Toastmaster's Club to settle their fears and tame the bats in their tummies.

Wold's been a member of Northville's chapter of the International Toastmasters club for the past three and a half years. Wakefield and his roommate Dan Cowan were both installed just last Monday.

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Volunteer



Audrey Blackburn

Blackburn's a fixture in auxiliary activities

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

Some good things are not for everyone — like the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 19 in Novi, of which Audrey Blackburn is president.

Membership is restricted to women who can claim relationship to a member, living or dead, of American Legion Post 19.

The main concern of these women, according to Blackburn, is the promotion of love of country. And they do it in three ways in coordination with the state organization and also the national organization of over a million members.

At Christmas, they contribute gifts for the temporary shop set up in the gymnasium at the Ann Arbor Veterans Administration Hospital. Veterans come to select whatever they want to be wrapped and sent to their family members.

"Our unit is assigned to buy 30

gifts," Blackburn said.

At other times they contribute money to the hospital toward purchase of needed items, such as wheel chairs, shower trolleys, and coffee for the coffee hour.

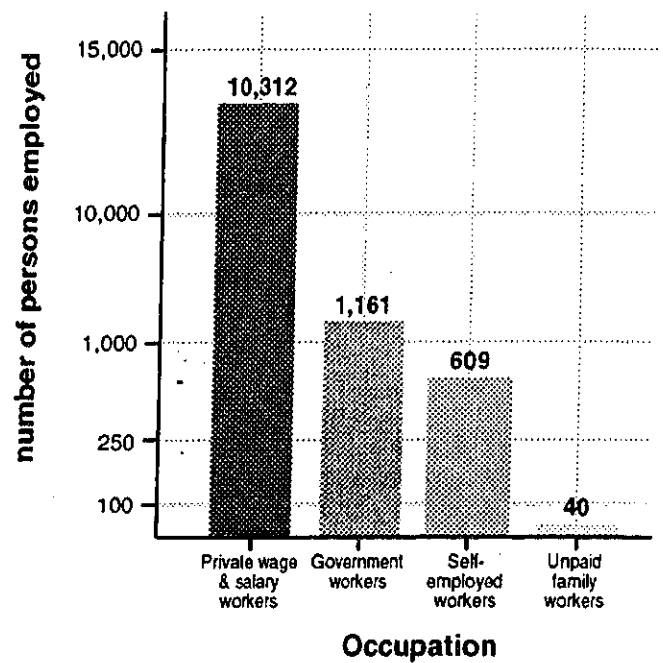
The second project, Blackburn said, is the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Program. Unit 19 with cooperation of Novi High School counselors, selects three or four girls to attend a 9-day session at Central Michigan University to live with more than 500 others from the state as self-governing citizens in a mythical community. Eventually two girls from that group are chosen to go to Washington to learn more about our political process.

The third project is helping instill patriotism in the minds of preschoolers by passing out coloring books on Americanism and the Pledge of Allegiance in the American Legion Booth at the '50s Festival.

It's A Fact

The working class

There are 12,122 persons 16 years of age and older employed in the City of Northville and Northville Township.



Fitness Notes

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.

Twelve Oaks Walking Program: The University of Michigan Health Centers and Twelve Oaks Mall present health education programs as part of the mall walking program. The programs are held in the mall's Center Court on the second Tuesday of the month from 9-10 a.m. Coffee and bagels are served.

Also available is "Fitness over 50," a low-impact aerobic session designed by the University of Michigan Physical Education Department. It's presented by a certified instructor on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9-10 a.m.

Mall entrance doors open at 8 a.m. Monday through Saturday and at 10 a.m. Sunday for walkers. New walkers need to register in the Twelve Oaks Security Office located on the upper level, JC Penny corridor. For more information, please call 348-9438.

Children's fitness classes: The "Fit-n-Fun Club," for boys and girls (grades three to five), is now being offered by Northville Parks and Recreation and New Attitude Aerobics, at the Northville Community Center. Designed for the younger set, aerobics, games and activity stations help to strengthen the heart and major muscle groups, plus develop and increase flexibility, strength and stamina. For class or registration information, call 348-3120 or 349-0203.

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. Alapswim will also be offered on Mondays and Wednesdays 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.

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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/paddelball courts, gyms and saunas.

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Northville downs Walled Lake Western

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Northville High managed to kill a pair of birds with one stone Friday night with a 68-63 basketball win over Walled Lake Western.

The Mustangs got a taste of revenge against the Walled Lake School District, having lost to Central earlier this season. The win also ended some recent road woes.

"We've had a tough time winning at Western in the past," Northville coach Larry Taylor said. "If you can come out of there with a win, it's great. I thought we did a great job to win by five."

Todd Rabourn led the way for the

Mustangs. The senior guard notched a triple-double with 12 points, 11 rebounds and 12 assists.

"He played pretty well," Taylor said.

Mike Maschek was also solid with 22 points and nine rebounds. Junior Marc Chalson had 10 points.

Going into the contest, Taylor said he was concerned about his team's one-week layoff after the Walled Lake Central game.

"Playing one game a week isn't good for us," he said, noting that practice isn't the same as game action. "I think the kids like to play tough competition. They look forward to it."

Northville showed no signs of inac-

tivity in the first quarter against Western.

Maschek dominated on the inside for the Mustangs dropping 10 points in the period. John Farrar scored six on a pair of three-pointers.

Defensively, Northville went with a man-to-man defense designed to shut down Walled Lake's excellent outside shooting. Farrar responded well to the tough assignment of guarding Brent Mackowiak by holding him to two points in the quarter.

"We didn't want to let Mackowiak get to hot to early," Taylor said of the likely all-WLAA player. "He kept him intact pretty well."

As a result, Northville led 20-12 by the end of the period. The game tight-

ened in the second.

"We came out and played well in the first quarter," Taylor said. "I don't think (the layoff) hurt us too bad."

Mackowiak warmed up for eight points as the Warriors pulled to within two by halftime. The Walled Lake senior nailed a pair of three-pointers to rally his team in the early going of the period.

The two schools played to a standstill in the third quarter.

Rabourn led Northville with six points in the period while Rick Biermann added four. Heading into the final frame, the Mustangs clung to a 51-49 lead.

The two schools traded baskets in the fourth. With 1:30 left, Northville

led by three points and went to a spread offense designed to generate fouls or an easy score.

Mackowiak got a steal on the Mustangs first attempt at the offense and cut the lead to 63-62. Northville had better success the second time around as Maschek was left open for an easy layup.

Farrar then connected on a pair of free throws with about five seconds left to ice the game. Taylor gave his team credit for not folding under pressure.

"They never lost their composure," he said. "I was proud of them."

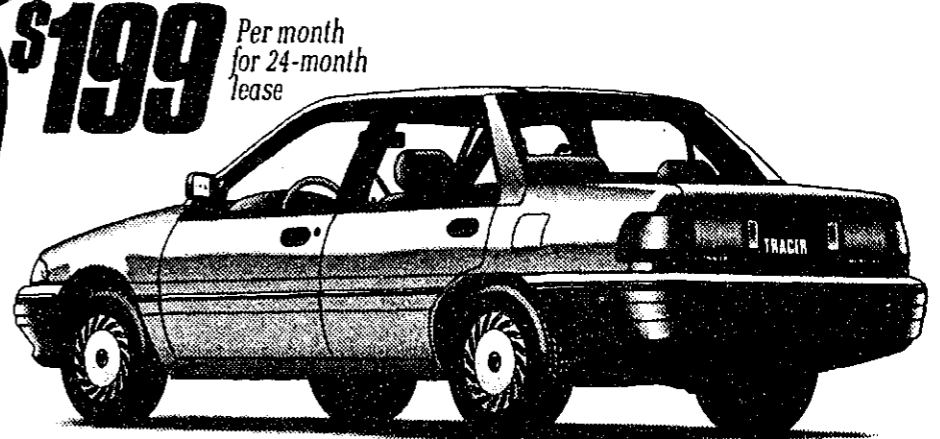
Northville moved to 6-3 overall with the win. The Mustangs are 2-2 in the conference.

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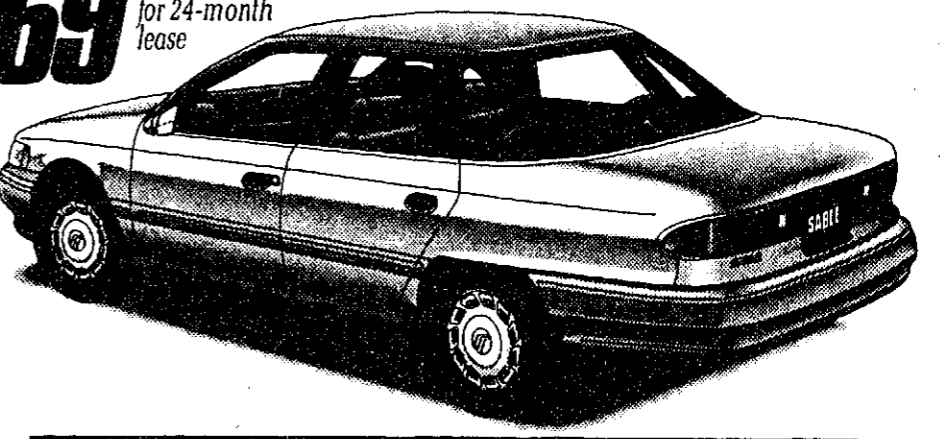


1993 MERCURY TRACER

STANDARD FEATURES:

- 1.9-liter I-4 single-overhead-cam engine • Sequential multi-port electronic fuel injection • Power brakes • Tinted glass
- Automatic overdrive transaxle • Air conditioner • Dual power mirrors • Power steering • Variable speed interval wipers • Electronic AM/FM stereo cassette radio with integral clock

24 Monthly Lease Payments at	\$199
Refundable Security Deposit	\$200
Down Payment	\$525
Total Cash Due at Inception	\$924
Total of Monthly Payments	\$4,776



1993 MERCURY SABLE GS

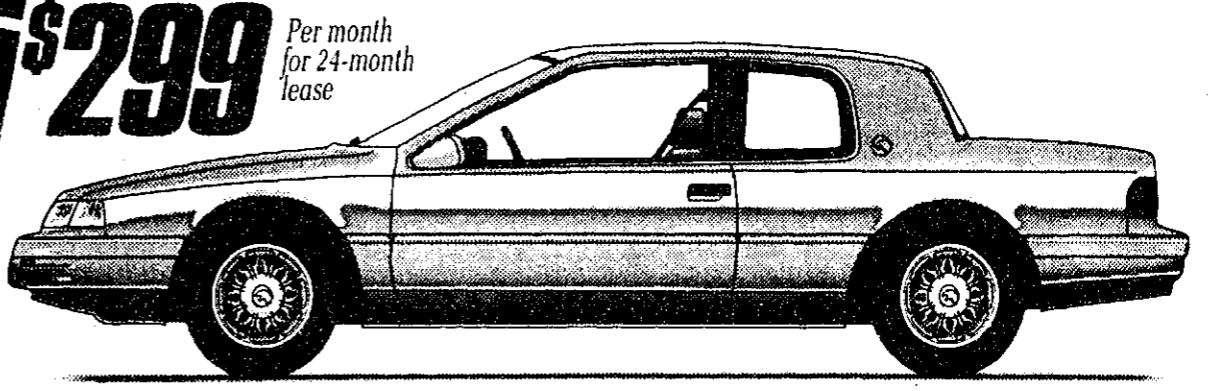
STANDARD FEATURES:

- 3.0-liter V-6 engine • Sequential multi-port electronic fuel injection • Power rack-and-pinion variable-assist steering • Power brakes • Air conditioner • Tinted glass • Tilt steering column • Driver- and right front passenger-side air bag • Supplemental Restraint System*

PREFERRED EQUIPMENT PACKAGE 451A:

- Power side windows • Fingertip speed control • Power lock group • Electric rear window defroster • 6-way power driver's seat • Electronic AM/FM stereo cassette radio

24 Monthly Lease Payments at	\$269
Refundable Security Deposit	\$273
Down Payment	\$1,479
Total Cash Due at Inception	\$2,023
Total of Monthly Payments	\$6,456



1993 MERCURY COUGAR XR7

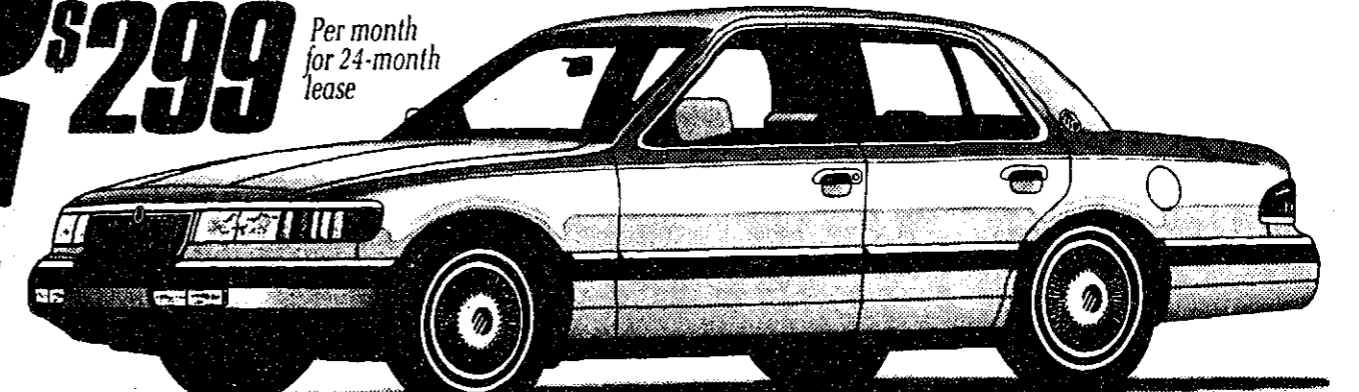
STANDARD FEATURES:

- 3.8-liter V-6 engine • Sequential multi-port electronic fuel injection • 4-speed electronic automatic overdrive transmission • Power rack-and-pinion steering • Air conditioner • Power brakes • Power windows

PREFERRED EQUIPMENT PACKAGE 260A:

- Power lock group • Electric rear window defroster • Tilt steering wheel • Light group • 6-way power driver's seat • Leather-wrapped steering wheel • Electronic AM/FM stereo cassette radio

24 Monthly Lease Payments at	\$299
Refundable Security Deposit	\$300
Down Payment	\$2,474
Total Cash Due at Inception	\$3,073
Total of Monthly Payments	\$7,176



1993 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS GS

STANDARD FEATURES:

- 4.6-liter SOHC V-8 engine • Sequential multi-port electronic fuel injection • 4-speed electronic automatic overdrive transmission • Driver- and right front passenger-side air bag • Supplemental Restraint System* • Air conditioner • Power windows • Tilt steering column

PREFERRED EQUIPMENT PACKAGE 157A:

- Fingertip speed control • Power lock group • Electric rear window defroster • Illuminated entry system • Luxury light group

24 Monthly Lease Payments at	\$299
Refundable Security Deposit	\$300
Down Payment	\$2,474
Total Cash Due at Inception	\$3,073
Total of Monthly Payments	\$7,176

REAL ESTATE

Real estate market should be improving

By James M. Woodard
Copley News Service

A slow but steady improvement in the real estate market this year is expected by most industry professionals.

The reasons for their optimism could translate into good news for home buyers and sellers—reasons like lower home prices, continued low mortgage interest rates, renewed consumer confidence and a new crop of mortgage loan plans that make home financing more achievable.

Similar projections are expressed in the annual National Real Estate Review, a market conditions report prepared by the National Association of Realtors.

"One key to economic growth in 1993 is lower interest rates," the report stated. "The Federal Reserve Board vigorously pushed down short-term rates (last year) and by mid-1992 the discount rate stood at its lowest level since the early 1960s. The Fed, however, isn't able to pull a similar lever for long-term rates, which are more crucial to home purchases."

"One critical influence on long-term interest rates in 1993 will be the direction of the federal budget deficit. If Washington passes legislation designed to promote economic recovery that also yields a significantly higher budget deficit, then long-term rates may well rise, putting housing markets and the recovery itself at risk."

The overriding factor to long-term interest rates in 1993 lies with the behavior of inflation, it

was emphasized in the NAR report.

"Rates will continue their descent as businesses and households realize that inflation in the U.S. remains in line."

Brokers in most regions of the country are experiencing a sharp increase in the number of first-time home buyers who are now taking action to achieve their dream of homeownership. An increasing number of these prospective buyers view the current market as a "window of opportunity"—a time when home prices are as low as they will be for some time and when mortgage interest rates are still at a 20-year low.

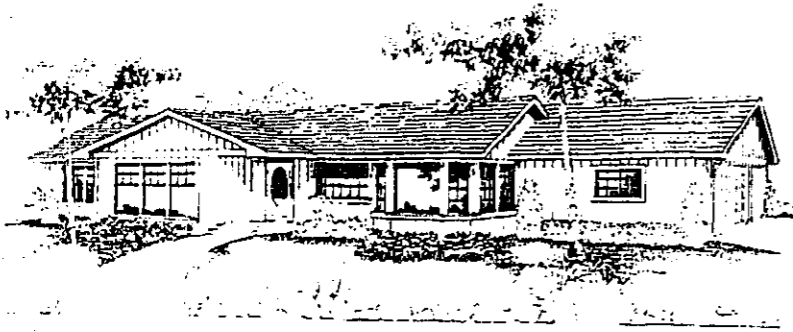
There also is growing consumer confidence in the economy, generally in the wake of the presidential election and a new administration taking the helm. This has a strong impact on the home-buying market, real estate leaders say.

Real estate investors and developers are also bullish on the future market. Developers can expect new pools of capital and targeted development opportunities during the next four years, it was predicted by Stan Ross of Kenneth Leventhal & Co., a research and accounting firm.

"The president-elect has made it clear he wants to spur the economy with tax credits and infrastructure spending," Ross said. "Developers should be keeping close watch on Washington so they are poised to take advantage

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HOME DESIGNS



The Kidder offers high-tech play room

By James McAlexander
Copley News Service

No need to have a television in the living room or family room of the Kidder (unless you want one there, too). This home has a media room especially for television, video games, stereo equipment, video-cassette recorder—all manner of high-tech paraphernalia. The room also has a small storage closet.

And when it's time to wind down still further, you can simply step into the living room and leave the high-tech world behind. Here you can drop into an easy chair and watch low-tech flames flicker in the corner fireplace.

A sunny window bay brightens the comfortably spacious country kitchen. Parents of young children will appreciate placement of the kitchen at the front of the house, allowing them to keep an eye on the neighborhood. Sliding-glass doors in an adjacent space that serves as either family room or dining room, open onto a backyard

patio. The spacious open-design master suite has three closets: his, hers and another, for overflow.

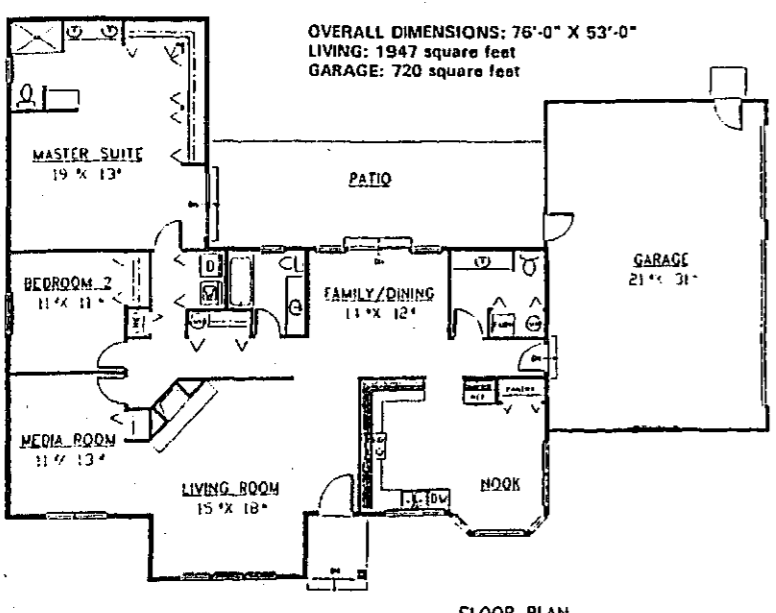
Other amenities include an oversized shower, a wide vanity with twin basins, a separate vanity without a basin and sliding-glass doors that open onto the patio.

Utilities are tucked behind folding doors in a hallway outside the bedrooms.

And when it comes to bathrooms, there's no waiting in line here. This home has three, including a full bathroom with tub and a half-bath adjacent to the two-car garage, in addition to the master bath.

The Kidder is designed for a corner lot.

For a study plan of the design mentioned in this article, send \$7.50 to Landmark Designs, c/o HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River Ave., Howell, MI 48843. (Be sure to specify plan name and number when ordering.)



DREAM ON

Experts in any field are generally in heavy demand. That's a given. But what you may not realize is that you're an expert of sorts when it comes to home design. And you're the foremost expert when it comes to selecting the features and amenities you would include (and leave out) of the home of your dreams. Nobody else can provide that information with any degree of certainty.

Landmark Designs, in partnership with Hometown Newspapers, invites readers to share their expertise by participating in our Dream Home survey. The attached form makes the process easy and fun, whether you're planning to build a home or not. It includes the same types of questions architects, designers and real estate agents ask to determine their clients' wants and needs.

We also encourage you to attach letters, sketches and any comments or inspirations that come to mind. Throughout the 16 years Landmark has been designing homes, readers have always been one of our richest sources of new ideas. So don't be shy. We love reading what you send in—the more detailed, the better.

After the results are tallied, Landmark will design a national 1993 Dream Home. In addition, because area preferences vary widely, we will also custom design a home to meet the exact specifications newspaper. Where response is high, we'll come up with three plans—small, medium and large.

Floorplans and artist's renderings of the 1993 Dream Homes will appear on these pages in the spring. And it may interest you to know that home designers and builders nationwide will also be paying close attention to the results.

Mail forms to Landmark Designs, Inc. Dept. HN48, P.O. Box 2307, Eugene, OR 97402. To reserve a personal copy of all the 1993 Dream Homes, include \$3 to cover the cost of postage and printing. Be sure to include your name and mailing address.

DREAM HOME SURVEY

GENERAL INFORMATION

Type of Home
 One Story Two Story Split Level Basement

Size of home
 1000 & less 1001 to 1500 1501 to 2000
 2001 to 2500 2501 to 3500 3500 & up

Budget for home (land excluded) \$ _____

Lot location
 Standard Lot Acreage Other _____

Exterior style
 Contemporary Country Spanish Ranch
 English Tudor Colonial Victorian Other _____

Exterior material
 Brick Stone Wood Stucco Other _____

Garage
Number of cars _____ Shop Storage RV Parking

LIVING AREAS
In addition to kitchen and living area I would like the following rooms in my home:
 Formal Entry Formal Dining Recreation Family Room
 Media Room Exercise Office Den
 Guest Suite Library Utility Nursery
Number of Bedrooms _____ Number of Baths _____
Other rooms _____

KITCHEN FEATURES
Style and Shape
 Country U-shaped Walk-Thru Other _____
Amenities (in addition to standard appliances)
 Breakfast nook Pantry Eating Bar Recycling Center
 Appliance Center Island Double Oven Trash Compactor
 Garden Window Freezer Grill Other _____

MASTER SUITE FEATURES
 Isolated from OR Adjacent to other bedrms Patio Sitting Room
 Private bath with the following features:
 Tub/Shower comb. Bathlud Shower Oversized Tub
 Two wash basins Skylight Bidet Spa Other _____

MAIN BATH FEATURES
 Tub/Shower comb. Bathlud Shower Oversized Tub
 Two wash basins Skylight Bidet Other _____

SPECIAL REQUESTS
 Fireplace Woodstove Spa Indoor Swim Pool
 Computer Center Deck/Patio Atrium Security System
 Vaulted Ceilings Skylights Other _____

I would conserve energy by taking advantage of:
 Minimized Windows Passive solar Active solar Extra insulation

DEMOGRAPHICS
Number in Household _____ Age _____ Marital Status _____
Do you own a home? Yes No Are you going to build a home? Yes No

GARDENING

Scented Geraniums

By C.Z. Guest
Copley News Service

Scented geraniums—their pleasures are understated, and their delightful fragrance is their best-known feature.

Traditionally grown as houseplants, scented geraniums also are useful in the garden. In frost-free areas, they may be treated like ordinary perennials and renewed by cutting only when the plant grows too woody.

In northern zones, they should be planted in containers (tubs, pots, etc.) and overwintered indoors, or otherwise treated like annuals.

Scented geraniums are marvelous placed on a sunny porch or terrace. The heat of the sun releases their perfume (which ranges from rose-scented to spicy or pungent) and fills the air with delightful fragrances. An open-air potpourri!

These lovely plants are a cinch to raise, they require almost no effort with the exception of a very few cultivars.

Culture. Soil, equal parts of a good garden soil (peat moss and sand), should have proper drainage.

Water. Only when soil surface dries.

Harvest dry leaves for potpourri. Drying should be rapid to prevent molds. Remove leaf stalks and spread out leaf blades to dry. Leaf blades should never overlap.

Light. As much sun as possible. Keep them cool, preferably not above 70 F.

Disease or pests. Scented geraniums are not bothered much by either, since most diseases are caused by too much moisture. To discourage fungus (disease) during mid-winter, avoid poor ventilation and dampness. Propagation is best done by stem cuttings.

Sources: Logee's Greenhouses, 55 North St., Danielson, CT 06239; Well-Sweep Herb Farm, 317 Mount Bethel Road, Port Murray, NJ 07865.

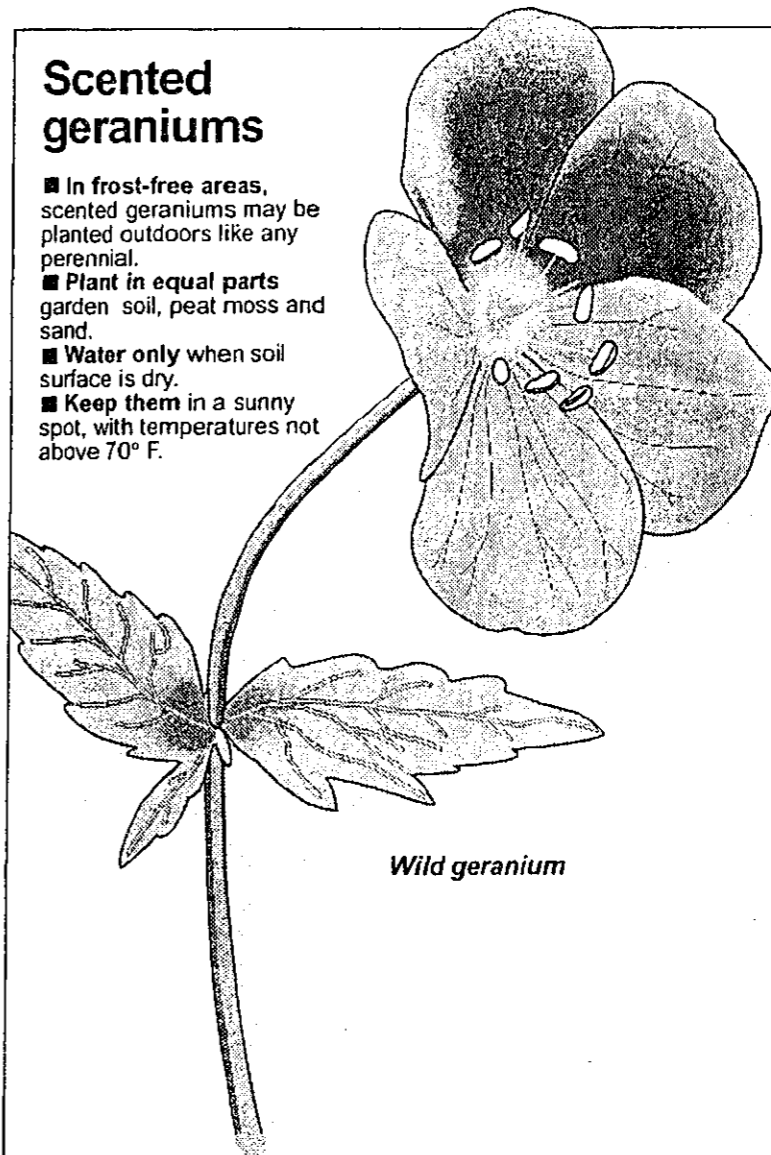
GERMINATING SEEDS

Once you know germination requirements for the seeds you wish to plant, all you have to do is find a good location around your home for germinating almost any type of seed. Many tiny seeds like steady warmth, so for best results I suggest the top of a refrigerator—it has given me great results.

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Scented geraniums

- In frost-free areas, scented geraniums may be planted outdoors like any perennial.
- Plant in equal parts garden soil, peat moss and sand.
- Water only when soil surface is dry.
- Keep them in a sunny spot, with temperatures not above 70° F.



Wild geranium

Copley News Service/Dan Clifford

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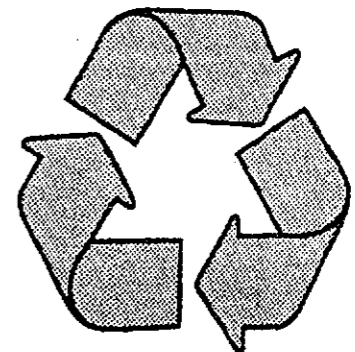
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**CLASSIFIED
GREEN SHEET**

**Store blesses
its customers
with bargains**

By ANNE SEEBALDT GOGOLIN
Special Writer

When Marcy Birch decided to start her own business at age 22, she hoped it would rain blessings upon her and others.

And 10 months later, she thinks that has happened.

Birch, who owns Our Blessings consignment clothing store, said that her sister Tracy helped her decide on a name and that her father was instrumental in helping her start the business. The shop opened last April 7.

"It was a blessing to me and I thought it could be (one) for others," she said.

Her goal is to provide customers with the opportunity to purchase quality designer and other like-new items at reasonable prices. Our Blessings carries a variety of clothing items, such as men's and women's business suits ranging in price from \$20-\$40.

"We carry things that you would find in a store today," Birch said. "Things are sized like they would be in a department store. We're very particular about what we take in."

"We try for a Victorian atmosphere." That atmosphere includes an authentic curved Victorian counter with glass display cases.

Birch entered the retail world after leaving the field of clothing design, in which she has a degree. She said part of the reason for the switch is that as a designer, she would not be serving the general public.

Following her graduation, she decided she wanted to strike out in another area.

Another reason for her career switch is that she said she would be uncomfortable if she were asked to design clothing which she considers risqué and flashy.

"It would be really hard to be a designer with my Christian standards," she explained.

Birch added that she enjoyed resale shopping as a means to get more for her money and that gave her the idea to open a consignment clothing store. "I felt a conviction to make (good) clothing more affordable," she said.

Birch is thankful for the support and help she received from friends and family which has made her venture possible. Her father provided encouragement and the building behind the home he had recently purchased, she said.

Since her shop is located behind a building and did not have a sign for a short time, Birch said customers at first had a hard time finding her building, located at 328 Summit in



Owner Marcy Birch sells used clothing and accessories with like-new quality.

Photo by CHARLIE CORTEZ

Milford. Our Blessings is situated between the railroad tracks near the dam and Prospect Hill Shopping Center.

"I'd like to get our name out so people will bring their things in and know that we're here," she added. Our Blessings is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Family members and church

friends gave her her initial stock and advertising brought in the rest.

"Everybody gave me clothes," she said.

Birch said that men's and women's clothes are available in all sizes, including designer suits and dress clothes, designer jeans, maternity clothes, formal gowns, wedding dresses, some furs and leathers, and

various accessories.

She also sells jewelry, custom wreaths, Victorian-style stationery, and jackets and vests decorated with vintage lace and beads. Shop assistants Susan and Shirley Gibson make the vests and jackets, as well as assist Birch in keeping the operation running smoothly.

This spring, Birch said she plans

to add on to the existing building. She would like to use some of the expansion area for baby furniture consignments.

Starting her own business taught Birch some retail lessons, such as what items she should accept, she said.

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Business Briefs

MARTY GIBSON of South Lyon, lead technician for clinical engineering in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital's operating room services area...

The work group captured the Cost Savings Award. The team developed and implemented a plan to cut almost in half the costs associated with service and maintenance contracts for cardiopulmonary bypass equipment...

The award recipients' names will be added to the department's recognition plaque. In addition, recipients received checks and restaurant gift certificates for their efforts.

Catherine McAuley Health System is a not-for-profit health care provider based in Ann Arbor. Units include St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, McPherson Hospital in Howell, Saline Community Hospital and outpatient facilities in Washtenaw, Livingston and western Wayne counties.

BRUCE LYS of Novi has joined Farm Bureau Insurance as a new agent serving this area. He joins a force of 430 Farm Bureau insurance agents serving nearly 350,000 Michigan policyholders.

Lys completed an extensive career development program for new agents, which prepared him for the state licensing examination and provided instruction in all areas of property/casualty and life insurance.

The training included the professional insurance program at Michigan State University and the agent career school at the Farm Bureau Insurance home office in Lansing. Farm Bureau agents are qualified to sell all lines of insurance, including life, home, auto, farm, retirement and business.

Lys was a self-employed investor prior to joining Farm Bureau Insurance Company. He graduated from Michigan State University in 1989 with a degree in financial management.

JERRY A. McCABE of Wixom has been appointed director of marketing planning by Thompson Advertising Productions in Farmington Hills. McCabe joins Thompson from Woverline Gear and Parts Co., where he was general manager.



BRUCE LYS



JERRY A. McCABE

"McCabe has the management experience and marketing know-how we wanted for this new position," said John R. Thompson, president of Thompson Advertising Productions...

McCabe, a graduate of Eastern Michigan University, has been in automotive parts marketing for nearly 20 years. He and his wife, Laurina, and family reside in Wixom.

SPARR'S GREENHOUSES and Flower Shop has been recognized as a Top 500 member of Florists' Transworld Delivery Association (FTD). Sparr's has locations in Northville and Plymouth.

Sparr's Greenhouses and Flower Shop received a specially-designed plaque for the volume of outgoing and incoming FTD wire orders processed in fiscal 1991-92. FTD is the world's oldest and largest inter-city flowers-by-wire delivery organization.

Ford employees honored for work

Three Northville men are among 43 Ford scientists and engineers from Europe and North America who have been recognized for breakthrough innovations that will help Ford cut costs and development times while producing better quality products.

James G. Boerger Jr., James R. Siltari and Ray A. Dickle, all of Northville, were honored at the 12th annual Henry Ford Technology Awards program in Dearborn recently. Boerger, a process liaison engineer, and Siltari, a product design engineer, both received Henry Ford Technology Awards for development and production implementation of a precision cold reduction process for forming internal splines on transmission brake drums.

Dickle, a principal research scientist, received a Henry Ford Technology Award for his part in the development and production implementation of rapid bonding technology for plastic lamp assemblies. "When we look to the future and consider what we must do to be successful, it's clear that technology is going to be a critical element," said Ford Motor Company President Philip E. Benton.

"When it comes to technical content, what we need most of all is innovation that adds real functional value to our products."

The technologies and processes for which employees received awards ranged from finding a way to produce cleaner burning, more fuel efficient cars to developing a computerized hydraulic system that can determine tire wear patterns before a new vehicle ever touches the pavement.

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Resale store has bargains

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Due to experience, she has become very selective about the clothing she takes on consignment. She emphasized that the clothing must be in good to excellent condition, stain free, freshly washed or dry-cleaned, pressed, on hangers and in season or she will not take it. Jeans, knits, and baby clothes may be neatly folded rather than hung up.

In the future, Birch said she may want to buy clothing outright and pick up clothing from people to allow for greater customer convenience.

"It's rewarding when people come in and they're really excited about the clothing we have in," she added. "A lot of people are very pleased that we're here. They say it's the best consignment clothing shop they've ever been in."

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Household goods advertisement listing various home items.

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Antiques advertisement listing various collectible items.

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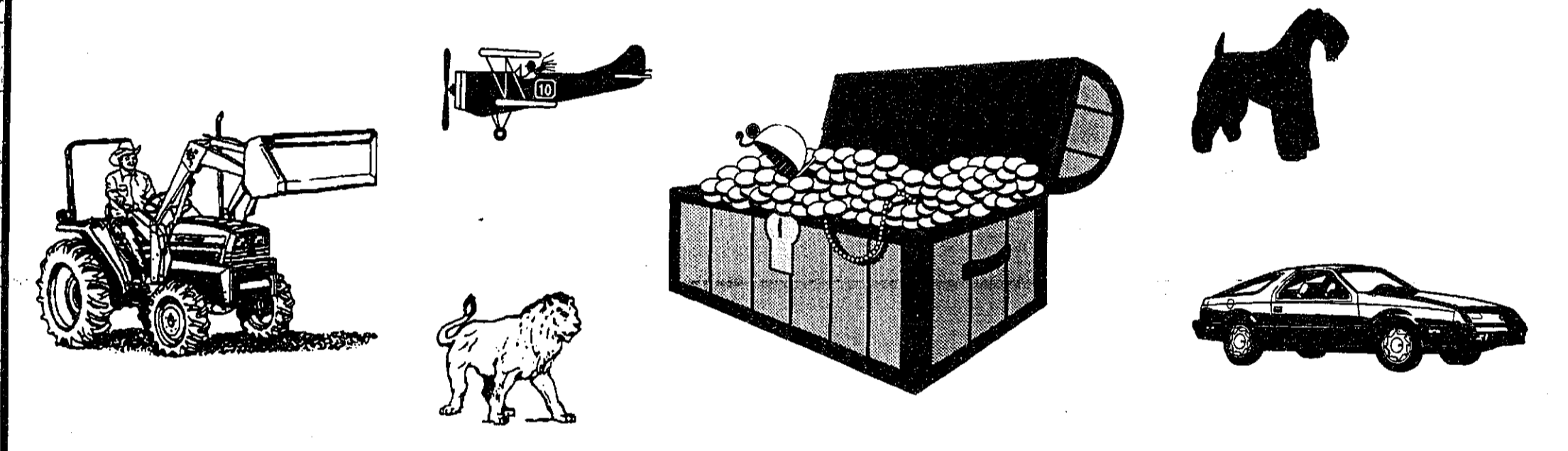
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