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Teamsters picketing Monday's council meeting.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## City agrees to sub's plan for tap shuffling

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

Watertaps will be shuffling around in one local subdivision. The Novi City Council approved a plan to reassign four watertaps among lots in Yerkes Manor Estates subdivision, located on Eight Mile Road between Novi and Haggerty roads. Since the taps will move only within the subdivision, City Attorney David Fried said that no water tap transfer was taking place. The measure passed on a 5-2 vote.

Controversy has occurred in recent months concerning a possible city policy on water tap transfers. Water taps are a valuable commodity in Novi since the state imposed a moratorium on their installation some two-and-a-half-years ago. The council is expected to consider a formal tap transfer policy soon, especially in light of the situation with Cooker's Bar and Grille, located near Twelve Mile and Haggerty roads.

At issue is whether one property owner can legally purchase the rights to a water tap from another property owner and transfer a tap to their property.

Engineer Thaddeus Wozniak presented the Yerkes plan to the council, and explained the reason the tap switch was necessary.

Yerkes Manor Estates contains some 32 home lots in all, the engineer explained. The design plan for the subdivision has already met with city approval. Among its features were individual wells for the water needs of each of the 32 lots, Wozniak explained.

The Oakland County Department of Health regulates private wells, and had approved of the plan, the engineer said. Recently, however, the department rescinded its approval because it found the plan violated the state's so-called "plat act."

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That law says that no home lot of less than 12,000 square feet can have a well. Some 11 of the thirty-two lots in Yerkes Manor Estates are less than 12,000 square feet, Wozniak said, and so must be connected to a water main. Wozniak told the council that the county's phone call was the first time he learned that the plat plan was in violation of law.

To solve the problem, Wozniak explained, the council was asked to agree to the water tap switch.

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## Union says council blocking talks

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

Officials representing several dozen city of Novi employees aren't too happy with the Novi City Council these days. They expressed their feelings by picketing the council's Monday night meeting.

James Markley, secretary-treasurer for Teamsters Local 214, and about 25 union protesters were at the Novi Civic Center on Monday evening, where the city council's regular meeting

was to be held. The union represents more than 60 city workers.

Markley and the other protestors handed out leaflets to those who attended the meeting, citing the council for creating difficulties in contract negotiations. The council, Markley said, had repeatedly created problems by not letting negotiators do their jobs.

"Every time we think we have an issue resolved (between city and union negotiators)," he said, "our people come back and tell us the city council changed their minds and we're stuck."

The Novi News was unable to contact most of the council members before deadline. Council Member Timothy Pope, however, said that the council could not discuss the negotiation matters in public.

"I think it's unfortunate that the contract situation has gotten to this point," Pope said, "and it's unfortunate that they felt they had to demonstrate to make a point. I hope we can get this resolved."

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## Incumbents alone on schools ballot

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

The field is now set for the Novi Community School District's 1993 Board of Education race — if "race" is the appropriate word.

Two candidates will be on the June 14 ballot for the two four-year school board seats open this year — the two incumbents, Secretary John Streit and Treasurer Craig Foreback.

The deadline for having one's name placed on the ballot passed on Monday. Potential candidates had to return nominating petitions with the required 20 signatures to the district's administrative offices

by 4 p.m. April 12. Streit and Foreback were the only individuals to take out petitions, and both returned them by the deadline.

That means that the two board members will run unopposed for reelection. It also means that a statewide ballot proposal to reform school financing and reduce property taxes will be the object of much debate this spring.

Michigan's voters — including those in the Novi school district — will decide on June 2 if the proposal becomes law. The state legislature passed the plan on March 31, and is vigorously supported by Gov. John

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Assistant Fire Chief William McEwan, Fire Marshall William Conn and Firefighter Mike Jacobs pull up a manhole cover to try to find the source of a possible fuel leak into the Rouge River at Grand River Avenue near Flint Street.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Fire folks clean it up, but what's the stuff?

By CRISTINA FERRIER  
Staff Writer

The Novi fire department doesn't know what that stuff they cleaned up last Thursday was — and they aren't going to find out, Assistant Fire Chief William McEwan said Tuesday.

Firefighters last Thursday cleaned up an unidentified substance that may have been a gasoline spill. It was reported by a citizen who noticed it floating on the Rouge River in the vicinity of Grand River and Flint Street.

Firefighters searched drain pipes in the area and checked three manholes. Two were dry but a third was found to have a mixture of water and the substance flowing in it. The substance found in a storm sewer at the site was flowing into the river from that drainpipe.

The original source of the substance remains unknown.

"There was something floating in the creek of an unknown origin and unknown source," McEwan said. "That's all we know. Any time we have a pollutant in the environment we clean it up. We don't do an analysis. We just clean it up."

McEwan said the substance "could have been anything from paint thinner to gasoline."

"I can tell you it wasn't water, and if it's not water it's not supposed to be floating down there."

The citizen who reported the spill noticed it because it was floating on top of the water.

McEwan said there has been no further sign of the substance since it was cleaned up last week, and the department continues to monitor the situation.

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## Community Calendar

Today, April 15

**Blood drive:** The American Red Cross Blood Services, Southeastern Michigan Region, will be conducting a drive at Providence Park-Novi, 47601 Grand River, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Historical Society:** The Novi Historical Society presents "Preservation Now" at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Novi Town Hall. Historical Society president Kathy Mutch will present a slide show called "Discovering Historic Novi" about the historic sites in the city. Historic District Study Commission chairperson LuAnne Koza will give an update on the commission's efforts to survey the city's historic sites. The program will give residents an idea of how they can preserve the city's legacy and protect it for future generations. The presentation will include a report on the effort to relocate and restore the old Methodist Church on Grand River at Novi Road. Seating will be limited. Refreshments will be served. Call 349-6774 for reservations.

**Hooked on fishing:** Get your family hooked on fishing. Learn about the basics of family fishing fun. All the important essentials will be covered, including what equipment is really needed, where to fish near Novi and when is the best time to catch the really big ones. View two informational videos and take home some valuable tips and pointers. The Family Fishing Fun program will run from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Novi Civic Center. There will be a \$2 fee for adults. Children accompanied by adults get in free. Registration will be taken prior to and the date of the class.

**Budget session:** Novi City Council will meet in a budget study session at 7 p.m. in the council chambers in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting will also be broadcast live on MetroVision cable services.

Monday, April 19

**Wixom Historical Society:** The Wixom Historical Society's regular monthly meeting will present its membership with a program entitled "If This is Hastings, then wheres hog hollow." The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Wixom City Hall, 49045 Pontiac Trail. The meetings are open to the public and admission is free.

**Band Boosters:** The Board of the Novi High School Band Boosters will meet from 7-9:15 p.m. in the high school band room.

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

**Budget session:** Novi City Council will meet in a budget study session at 7 p.m. in the council chambers in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting will also be broadcast live on MetroVision cable services.

Tuesday, April 20

**Compassionate Friends:** The Compassionate Friends, Lakes Area Chapter, for bereaved parents will meet from 7-9 p.m. in the Richardson Center, 1485 Oakley Park Road, across from Walled Lake Central High in Commerce Township. Call (313)363-0722 for information.

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

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**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.

**Budget session:** Novi City Council will meet in a budget study session at 7 p.m. in the council chambers in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting will also be broadcast live on MetroVision cable services.

**Chamber Luncheon:** The Novi Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular general membership luncheon at noon in the Wyndham Hotel.

Wednesday, April 21

**Orchard Hills PTO:** The Orchard Hills PTO will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the elementary school. Free babysitting services will be provided by the members of Girl Scout Troop 1849.

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

**Advocates meet:** The ADVOCATES for Quality Education in Northville will hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in the Northville High School Forum. All members and interested residents of the Northville school district may attend. For membership information, call 349-3429.

**Golf Clinic:** Bavarian Village Ski and Golf is offering a free pre-season golf clinic from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at their store in Novi Town Center south of 196 on Novi Rd. Dennis Freese is the golf pro and instructor. Bring your clubs and comfortable shoes.

Thursday, April 22

**Novi schools:** The Novi schools Board of Education will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Services Building.

**Novi Newcomers:** The Novi Newcomers general meeting will be held from 7-8 p.m. at the Waterman Campus Center at Schoolcraft College. Master Chef and Director of Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts Program, Jeff Gabriel, will be the guest speaker.

**Budget session:** Novi City Council will meet in a budget study session at 7 p.m. in the council chambers in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting will also be broadcast live on MetroVision cable services.

Friday, April 23

**One Act Festival:** The Novi Youth Theatre's Performance Plus presents a "One Act Festival" consisting of three one-act plays from the works of Kurt Vonnegut Jr., William Faulkner and D.H. Lawrence on the Novi Civic Center stage. The show will begin at 8 p.m. Advance tickets

are \$6 for adults and \$4 for seniors and children under 12. Tickets at the door will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors and children under 12. For more information, call the Novi Parks and Recreation Department at 347-0400.

**Rummage Sale:** Faith Community Presbyterian Church is holding its annual rummage and used book sale from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at 44400 West Ten Mile Rd.

**Rummage Sale:** The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will hold a rummage sale from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. The church is located at 21355 Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine Mile Roads.

Saturday, April 24

**One Act Festival:** The Novi Youth Theatre's Performance Plus presents a "One Act Festival" consisting of three one-act plays from the works of Kurt Vonnegut Jr., William Faulkner and D.H. Lawrence on the Novi Civic Center stage. Two shows will be performed, at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Advance tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for seniors and children under 12. Tickets at the door will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors and children under 12. For more information, call the Novi Parks and Recreation Department at 347-0400.

**Rummage Sale:** Faith Community Presbyterian Church is holding its annual rummage, used book and bake sale from 9 a.m. to noon at 44400 West Ten Mile Rd.

**Rummage Sale:** The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will hold a rummage sale from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. The church is located at 21355 Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine Mile Roads.

Sunday, April 25

**Annual Providence Run/Walk:** This year, the format of this event has been changed to a "Walk in the Park" at the Providence Park Medical Center, at the corner of Grand River and Beck roads. This spring event is family- and fitness-oriented with a one- and a two-mile fun run/walk at 12:30 p.m. and a 5,000 meter run at 1:30 p.m. Registrations for the event are now being taken.

**ABWA Round-Up:** The Novi Oaks Chapter of the American Business Women's Association is sponsoring an ABWA Round-Up. Brunch will be at the Fox & Hounds at noon followed by Oklahomal at the Birmingham Theater at 2 p.m. Cost is \$35 for brunch and show or \$25 for just the show. For more information call Bettie Johnson at 478-5048.

Monday, April 26

**Arbor Day:** Novi City Council will host Arbor Day celebrations at 7 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center. The regular council meeting will immediately follow the celebration.

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### Thank you, Easter Bunny

The sign of spring—an easter egg hunt. Held indoors on Saturday at the Novi Civic Center due to bad weather, the hunt was fun for all. Kids picked eggs out of special bunny buckets. Before the big event, however, Allison Race, aged one and a half,

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# Juveniles may face assault charge

Two juveniles who allegedly attacked a third juvenile in the vicinity of the Lakewood Parkhomes clubhouse may face assault and battery charges.

According to police reports, the victim was playing basketball with the suspects April 5 when an argument broke out. One of the suspects allegedly told the victim he wanted to fight, but the victim declined and ran into the clubhouse.

However, the victim told police, the suspects were waiting for him when he came back out. One of them allegedly grabbed him and put him in a headlock and pulled him to the ground, while the other punched him at least twice.

Witnesses who saw the fight confirmed the victim's statements, police said. The victim and his mother told police they wish to press charges.

Police contacted one of the suspects who said he "lost it" after being called names.

LARCENY: A Novi High School student reported April 5 that someone stole her piccolo from her locker. The Yamaha brand piccolo was in its case inside a leather bag in a locked locker, the victim told police. She said she placed the piccolo in the locker around 9:30 a.m. March 26 and removed the bag after school to take it home. She said she discovered the piccolo was missing from the bag when she got home.

On March 31, police said, a middle school student reported that a piccolo was found smashed near the in-

## Police News

tersection of Woodland Creek and Sycamore streets. It turned out to be the one taken from the high school locker.

There are currently no suspects or witnesses.

BREAK-IN: A construction trailer on Twelve Mile near Summit was broken into April 5 and approximately \$2,000 worth of items were stolen, police said.

The trailer, owned by Pioneer Contracting, was reportedly entered some time between 9:30 a.m. Friday, April 2, and 7 a.m. April 5.

The complainant told police he didn't remember seeing anything suspicious when he left. Police said there was no physical evidence left around the trailer.

According to police reports, the locks were apparently cut, and wires were severed from the scene when officers were investigating. There are currently no suspects or witnesses.

RECOVERED STOLEN VEHICLE: A 1985 Chevrolet four-door found stuck in the mud near the Novi Party Store on Grand River turned out to be stolen when police checked it April 5.

An officer at the scene found the vehicle in the mud with a flat tire on the front driver's side. A computer

check revealed that it was stolen out of Detroit.

LARCENY: A resident on Kilrush reported April 5 that someone broke into her vehicle between 9 p.m. March 30 and 5:30 a.m. March 31 and stole miscellaneous items.

Among the items stolen from the car was the victim's checkbook. She told police that her bank sent copies of checks written in other cities by the suspects and in one case a local telephone number was written on the check.

Police called the number. The person at that number told police that he recently received a phone call from the Dearborn Police Department about someone being arrested for using his credit card. However, the man told police, his credit card is not missing.

The vehicle was parked in the resident's driveway at the time of the theft. The case remains under investigation.

HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT: Somebody backed into a car legally parked on Elk Street in Northville Township and left the scene April 10. According to a witness, the driver was a white-colored car who backed out of an Elk Street drive and collided with

the parked car. The man then reportedly pulled into another Elk Street drive, backed out again and proceeded westbound on Elk.

A township officer checked the address twice but the vehicle had not returned.

WINDOW SMASHED: The window in a rear door wall of a Cardene Way Court home in Northville was smashed between 10 p.m. April 10 and 9 a.m. April 11. There were no signs of forced entry.

The complainant told police several neighborhood children play in the area and could have accidentally broken the window. Damage was estimated at \$200.

LARCENY AT MEJER'S: Northville Township police were dispatched to Mejer's for a report of a larceny at 9:45 p.m. April 11.

Mejer loss prevention personnel told police two subjects were seen concealing liquor in their inside coat pockets. The items included a bottle of vodka valued at \$8.99 and a Southern Comfort cocktail valued at \$1.49.

One of the subjects, a juvenile, was issued a violation for larceny and was released to her father's custody. An 18-year-old was also released at the scene after receiving violations for larceny and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

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

## Novi Briefs

Road closures: The Michigan Department of Transportation has announced the following lane closures on Novi area roads:

■ The left lane of westbound I-96, starting one mile east of Novi Road will be closed to one-half mile east of Novi Road.

■ Bikeways from Nine Mile to Meadowbrook along eastbound I-96 and southbound 275 will be closed for the construction season.

New area code: The proposed new area code for Novi, Oakland County and the surrounding area will go into effect Aug. 10, 1994, Michigan Bell announced this week. Presently part of the 313 area code, the city and county will get the new 810 area code.

The demand for telephone numbers in the southeast Michigan region has increased dramatically in recent years. Fax machines, pagers, cellular phones and computer modems have created a high demand for additional numbers. Available numbers within the 313 area code are expected to be used up by 1994.

The boundary line for the new area code runs roughly along Eight Mile Road. The counties of Oakland, Macomb, Lapeer, Genesee, St. Clair and Sanilac will be in the 810 area code. Wayne, Washtenaw and Monroe counties will stay with the 313 designation.

On Dec. 1, a transition period will begin in which numbers in the new area code will be reachable by dialing either 313 or 810. On Aug. 10, 1994, the new area code will become official.

According to Michigan Bell, the cost of calls will not be affected by the area code change. For more information, call Bell's new infoline at 1-800-831-8989.

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# Glenda sewer plan dies, most residents pleased

By RANDY COBLE Staff Writer

Novi's Glenda Street won't be getting sewers anytime in the foreseeable future.

The Novi City Council at its April 12 meeting voted 7-0 to take no further action on a proposal to establish a special assessment district (SAD) for Glenda Street in order to construct a sewer line there.

The SAD designation would have been made in order to install a sewer line to connect the street's residents to the city sewer system. Glenda Street homes are now using private septic tanks on individual properties.

According to the results of a poll city officials conducted of those living there, most Glenda residents want to keep it that way. Mayor Matthew Quinn said that of the approximately 25 ballots mailed to street homeowners, some 20 opposed the SAD and

don't want it (the sewer line). One Glenda resident who has been active in campaigning for the SAD and sewer line proposal disagreed that there was no hazard. Ginger Barons told the council before members voted that she had concerns over leaking septic tanks in the area.

The Oakland County Department of Public Health regulates private septic tanks for health and safety standards. Barons said that she had contacted county officials, but that they hadn't responded. She then urged members to vote for the SAD as a way to alleviate the problem.

Alex Pond, another Glenda street resident, spoke to the council immediately after Barons, and had a different view of the situation. Pond said that the impression — reinforced by a recent Novi News article, he added — that Glenda's residents would "break down the doors to get to a council meeting to demand an SAD" wasn't accurate.

"I'm very satisfied with the level of service from the city and the lifestyle I have," Pond said. He asked the council to vote against the SAD proposal, and received applause from several in the audience.

Residents Marty and Joanne Schmitt expressed a similar view in a letter they wrote to the council on the subject. The couple said that the council had spent far too much time on the entire matter.

The Schmitts added that the vision of Glenda Street as "a mass of septic field failures, contaminated wells and residents that are appalled that nothing has been done" was inaccurate.

Other residents supported the proposal in letters sent to the council. "What happens when the septic fields fail?" asked resident Robert Near in a letter supporting the SAD proposal. "What alternative will I have if it fails?"

Near opined that most residents on the street would want sewer lines if the costs were not so high.

Italo and Peggy Tacchella said in a letter to the council that they supported the sewer line proposal as well.

"One only needs to take a walk in the summer down Glenda to see sewage running into the ditches," the letter said. "It is an environmental problem."

The Tacchellas also asked that the city consider helping residents offset the cost of sewer installation for Glenda Street. Council members did not discuss such a reimbursement idea at the meeting.

Most of the correspondence the council received on the Glenda Street SAD issue expressed opposition to the proposal, especially the expense involved.

"The residents felt that the cost in the beginning was far too great," wrote Marcia and Rick Ostrander of Glenda Street. "Having gotten our new assessments, this additional expense would put many of us out of our homes right now."

Resident Jacqueline Smith agreed. Her family had just received a large assessment increase in March, Smith wrote, and the possibility of having to pay for a sewer line concerned them.

"With these two increases," she wrote, "we are extremely worried that we will no longer be able to afford to live in our home."

"We have all the information we need," concluded Smith, "and we still have no desire to put sewers on Glenda Street."

Council member Nancy Cassis said that indeed was the case: street residents had reviewed the plan, and decided they didn't want it.

"There was some initial interest in the plan when the idea first came up, but that lessened as the costs became clear," Cassis said. "Majority rules, and the majority has spoken here; we must follow that."

The council then voted unanimously to take no further action on the measure.

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### 1993 CONSTRUCTION CALENDAR

April 14. Preparatory work begins on detour routes.

April 26. Northbound Middlebelt closes from Wick to Smith; I-94 is reduced to two lanes each direction plus an on/off ramp lane in each direction; all ramps from Middlebelt to I-94 are closed, and two ramps to I-94 from Merriman are closed. Most ramps and Middlebelt Road will reopen to traffic at the end of July.

August and September. Northbound Merriman is reduced to one lane north of I-94; the northbound Merriman to eastbound I-94 ramp is closed for two weeks (dates to be determined); the ramp from both southbound and northbound Middlebelt to westbound I-94 remains closed.

Late November to Spring, 1994. I-94 is opened to three lanes each direction plus ramp lanes; Merriman and Middlebelt Roads opened completely; all ramps fully opened for traffic.

Spring-Fall, 1994. Reconstruction work will be limited to I-94 and Merriman north of Flynn Drive.

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## White cane drive is chance to help

By CRISTINA FERRIER Staff Writer

Novi residents and others passing through will soon be seeing Lions in the streets. They'll be everywhere — at expressway ramps, major intersections and outside large stores.

But these aren't the lions that roar. They're the ones that make a difference in the lives of the blind, the handicapped, and others who need a helping hand.

Lions White Cane Week begins April 23, and will be marked by white cane sales by local Lions club members and volunteers. One of the organization's biggest annual projects, it is a fundraiser that nets thousands of dollars for local and area charities such as Sight First, Michigan Eye Banks, the leader dog training school in Rochester, the Penickton Center for blind and handicapped children, and the Welcome Home, which is for elderly blind people.

Novi Mayor Matt Quinn issued a proclamation Monday making White Cane Week official in Novi.

Novi Lions also contribute to DARE, Novi Youth Assistance, Tollgate, Quest, the Michigan All-State Band and the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. In the 1991-92 fiscal year, the Novi club donated over \$10,000 to these charities.

Funds raised by the Novi Lions this year will also go toward a project to equip an interview room in the Novi Police Department for victims of sexual abuse and other violent crimes. Plans for the room include discreet recording equipment, comfortable furniture and toys for children in an effort to lessen the trauma such crime victims' experience with the legal system.

But White Cane Week is more than just a fundraiser, said Novi Lions member Tom Napier, who is organizer of the project. It is also a week for the club to promote awareness of the laws protecting blind pedestrians.

Michigan's White Cane Law states that a motorist who approaches any pedestrian crossing must take all necessary precautions to avoid accident or injury to a blind person carrying a cane or using a leader dog. Failure to do so is a misdemeanor.

"Basically, someone with a leader dog or white cane always has the right-of-way," Napier explained. "We will be making a visible push for awareness of that law." In addition to the small plastic white cane the Lions are known for, they will also be distributing pamphlets reminding motorists of the law.

Lions will be most visible in Novi during the weekends of April 23-25 and April 30-May 2. Napier said he hopes to place volunteers at all local expressway ramps, the Novi Road-Grand River area, and at the entrance to large stores such as K mart, Builders Square and Service Merchandise.

However, he added, if some Lions members are unable to work during the weekend, they might also be seen outside stores on weekdays.

"White Cane is one of our biggest projects," Napier said, "and every fundraiser we do that includes the Lions symbol has every cent going toward charity."



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

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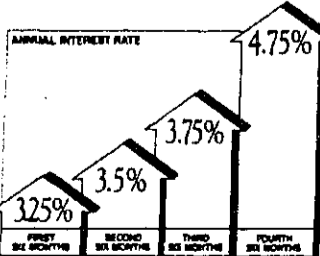
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## Planners deny sub rezoning plan

By RANDY COBLE Staff Writer

A developer asking the city to rezone land his company owns — with a view to building a new subdivision — ran into bad luck before the Novi Planning Commission at its April 7 meeting.

Commissioners voted to recommend that the Novi City Council deny Tri-Mount Development's request to rezone a parcel of land it owns located south of Eleven Mile Road between Taft and Beck roads. The land is currently zoned R-A (residential/agricultural); Ray Cousineau of Tri-Mount said that his company wanted the land rezoned to an R-2 classification.

R-2 is one of the R-1 to R-4 sequence of single-family home zonings in Novi. Each zoning classification has different requirements for the size of individual home lots, as well as differences in required dwelling units per acre.

Cousineau said that he wanted the land rezoned so that his company could build a large-lot, large-home subdivision there, which would incorporate the adjusted lot size option. The city's master plan for land use tags the land in question as best zoned R-A.

Commissioners said that their biggest motivation in rejecting the request for rezoning was that it would set a bad precedent. If the city rezoned one specific developer's property, commissioners said, then others would follow and make the situation untenable.

The Tri-Mount property lies between the Walden Woods home development, which it owns as well, and the proposed Lochmoor Village development, a Pulte development.

"The company wants to create Wal-

den Woods II on the property in question, Cousineau said. The proposal for the site — if rezoned R-2 — would incorporate the city's adjusted lot size option, he added.

The options in a trade-off under it, the council permits developers to build subdivisions with more lots than ordinance normally allows. In return, the developer is to use a design plan that protects environmentally sensitive lands better than a conventional layout.

Cousineau said that his firm was requesting the rezoning because Tri-Mount intends to build an adjusted lot size subdivision on the site. Cousineau said that his firm expected changes in the city's current adjusted lot size ordinance — "new parameters for lot sizes and widths, and so on" — that would make an R-2 property easier to develop.

"If there were no changes in the current lot size ordinance, Cousineau said, the property could be developed well with an R-1 zoning. The Walden Woods to the east is zoned R-1. To the south lies an R-4-zoned area containing the Simmons Orchard subdivision, and Lochmoor Village — zoned R-A — lies to the west. North of the property is land also zoned R-A.

Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers recommended to the commission that the site not be rezoned, saying that he didn't see any reason why the property couldn't be developed under its current R-A zoning.

He added that if the city granted the rezoning, other requests from developers for individual property rezonings would follow. That, Rogers added, would not be in Novi's best interests.

"Other developers may come in

and say, 'You compensated for Tri-Mount. Why won't you compensate for us?'" said Commissioner Robert Mitzel, agreeing with Rogers' view.

Rogers did say, however, that there may be some merit in considering rezoning the Tri-Mount parcel to R-1, a classification that requires larger lot sizes and widths — as well as overall density — than the R-2 class.

Cousineau said that his firm's record demonstrated that it would fulfill its commitment to building the kind of subdivision city officials wanted to see there.

Walden Woods, another Tri-Mount project, was also before the city for rezoning when a development was first proposed. Cousineau said: The R-A parcel was rezoned to R-1. Today, he continued, lot sizes in the development are all over 14,000 square feet, and all are at least 96 feet in width, with an overall density figure of 1.6 units per acre.

Cousineau said that at the time of the rezoning request, he promised that the firm would build a big-lot subdivision. There was concern that once Tri-Mount got the new zoning, it might not come through, he continued, but the firm kept its promise. "We ended up building exactly what we proposed," he said.

His firm has submitted a conceptual plan to the commission for Walden Woods II, Cousineau said, and is making the same promise for a large-lot, large-home subdivision.

"We're proposing nothing more than a continuation of that same type of land use," as in Walden Woods II, he said. "We hear a lot of talk in the council and the planning commission regarding large lots, large homes," Cousineau said. "In our minds, we

think that what we're doing in Walden Woods is an excellent starting point, especially in this particular area of the city. It sets a trend for large homes on larger lots.

One resident whose property is part of the area in the rezoning request urged commissioners to grant the request. Rose Hawks said that Cousineau would keep his word, and that the development proposed for the land would better preserve woodlands and wetlands in the area.

Another individual told commissioners that the rezoning was not a good idea. Edward Phelps said that the floodgates would open for rezonings in the city.

"What's the sense in having R-A (if you grant the request)?," Phelps asked commissioners. "Let's just pass out free R-1, R-2, R-3 (zonings) to every developer that walks through the door."

Many commission observers have expressed dislike for allowing smaller-lot subdivisions in the city, particularly in western Novi. Larger-lot developments, such as those that R-A aims at, are better for the city, they feel.

Commissioner Richard Clark echoed that opinion. He said that the city had to stop the progression of smaller-lot subdivisions into western Novi now.

"If we keep carving out exceptions," said Clark, "or we say we'll do it in the next section (west), or the next, or the next — folks, before too long we're gonna be in South Lyon. We have to draw the line in the sand here and now."

The conceptual plan for Walden Woods II — on land still zoned R-A — is expected to be before the commission at its April 21 meeting.

## School Happenings

The Novi Board of Education will next meet on Thursday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. at Novi Woods Elementary. All district students are on vacation this week. School resumes on April 19.

**Orchard Hills Elementary:** The school's next PTO meeting is scheduled for April 21 at 7:30 p.m. April 27 is Orchard Hills safety night, beginning at 7 p.m.

**Parkview Elementary:** On April 21 author Valerie Shoo Carey will discuss her stories and the creative writing process with Parkview students; parents are also invited.

**Village Oaks Elementary:** The next PTO meeting is scheduled for May 3. The school's Spring Fling is set for Friday, May 7 — this year's theme will be 'At the Zoo.'

**Novi Woods Elementary:** Author Jacque Wuertenberg will make a presentation to parents at 7 p.m. on April 21. A Fun Fair will be held April 30 from 6-9 p.m. Family bingo night will be held May 5 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

**Novi Meadows:** The school's next PTO meeting is scheduled for April 19 at 7:30 p.m. A parents' meeting for fifth grade human growth and development is set for April 20 at 7 p.m.

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### Pickers protest at Council's meeting

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The Teamsters represent about 62 city workers in various departments, Markley said. Negotiations on their contract — which expired in June of 1992 — began more than 13 months ago, he added, and have been delayed too long. "We think there's a problem here," Markley said, "and it's not with the city's negotiators. We think that if the public knows what's going on here, they'll send a message to the council."

### Water taps a'shuffling in Yerkes Manor subdivision

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Of the 32 total lots, 11 must be connected with a water main. Six lots of the 32 abut water mains that were built before the August 1990 water moratorium was imposed. According to the terms of the moratorium, those six lots can legally tap into the water mains, since the mains were built before the moratorium was imposed. Four of the six tapable lots are larger than the 12,000 square foot requirement and so can be developed with wells. Given that situation, Wozniak said that the proposed switching

the state of Michigan, Markley said. A hearing date on the matter — which is conducted before an administrative law judge — has not been set, Markley said. One area of difficulty, Markley said, was the issue of employee pay raises. The union official said that it appeared the two sides had agreed on a 4-percent annual increase, but that negotiations at their last meeting said that their offer was now 3.5 percent. Markley said that offer was the council's decision. Other stumbling blocks include re-classification and pay raises for certain city jobs to bring them in line with surrounding communities. Markley said, and health insurance benefits for retired city employees. With respect to contract terms, Pope said that the council was under tight fiscal constraints, given the economic climate of the area and the property tax relief plan that goes before Michigan voters June 2. Members had to remember that, he said. The union plans to have as many as 200 members at the next council meeting — set for April 26 — if the matter is not resolved, Markley said.

### County court grant means an extra judge for drug caseload

The Oakland County Circuit Court has been awarded a \$95,000 grant by the Office of Drug Control Policy. By paying for a visiting judge to hear felony drug cases, the grant will assist the court in bringing these cases to trial more quickly. Chief Judge Richard D. Kuhn announced that retired Oakland Circuit Judge Frederick C. Ziem will be the "drug judge" and will devote all of his time to hearing drug cases. The Office of Drug Control Policy receives money for the war against drugs from the federal government. It disburses the money to grant applic-

ants in the areas of law enforcement, courts, treatment agencies, and community groups. For the last several years, the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office and the Oakland County Sheriff's Department have received these grants. The successful efforts at investigating and prosecuting drug pushers have created a significant increase in the Circuit Court's burgeoning criminal docket — 15 percent of all felony cases filed are drug cases. Court officials hope this grant will allow the court to intensify its efforts in the war against drugs.

**NOTICE CITY OF NOVI**  
REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE BOARD OF REVIEW  
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(4-8, 4-15, 4-22, 4-29-93 NR, NN)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 21, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI to consider HAYHILL FARM SUBDIVISION, located on the south side of 14 Mile Road, between Heron Road and Back Road for POSSIBLE CONCEPTUAL ADJUSTED LOT SIZE AND SITE PLAN RECOMMENDATION.  
All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, 1993.  
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## Board election will be quiet race

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Engler. Its major features include:  
■ Raising the state sales tax from 4 to 6 cents per dollar, and constitutionally reserving that money and state lottery proceeds for school funding;  
■ Capping yearly property tax assessment increases at a maximum of 5 percent;  
■ Providing a one-year delay before an owner has to pay taxes on a property's new tax assessment figure (the idea being to provide an opportunity to appeal assessments before paying taxes on them).

■ Reducing millage rates to a base of 18 mills, with an absolute cap of 27 mills;  
■ Requiring voter approval for any millage above the 18-mill base;  
■ Guaranteeing each district a base per pupil spending figure of \$4,800 per year, linked to yearly changes in revenue growth;  
■ Districts that levy the 27-mill maximum next year — likely to be the case in Novi — will be guaranteed their current per-pupil figure plus a 3-percent increase. For Novi, that means about \$7,013 per pupil for the 1993-94 school year.  
According to published figures, some 244 school districts were

their millage rates drop by 16 mills or more; 200 would see a drop of 10-16 mills; 81 districts would see a 2-10 mill reduction; and 41 districts would see rollbacks of 2 mills or less. Novi currently assesses 29.2 mills for general operations.)  
■ Categorical expenses — state contributions to employee Social Security and retirement payments, transportation and other operating costs — would be shifted to local school districts.  
[The state would continue to provide money to districts for special education — some \$260,000 next year in Novi's case.]  
■ State "recapturing" of funds from wealthier districts, as well as the entire in-formula/out-of-formula funding system for districts would be eliminated.

Engler's administration officials argue that the plan would result in a net tax cut for the average individual. According to estimates from the state's treasury department, the plan would produce a net gain of \$775 million. In the following year, that figure would drop to \$178 million, according to the department, but would rise to a total of \$400 million by 1998. Others dispute those claims, and say that the average person will end up paying more under the plan. The voters will have their say on June 2.



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### Student in court over credit card

An Andover High School student who Novi police say is a key player in a credit card fraud ring — which involved teens stealing credit cards from their parents — was bound over for trial Monday.

Daniel Lin, 19, faces six felony counts related to credit card fraud, and a seventh for possession of a pipe bomb. A circuit court arraignment date has not yet been set. During Lin's preliminary examination in Walled Lake 52-1 District Court before Judge Michael Batchik, a witness testified that he participated in a sting operation set up by Novi police in January to catch Lin and another suspect, Frederick Binno. Lin and Binno were arrested after police reportedly watched them charge approximately \$10,000 worth of stereo equipment with two stolen credit cards. When Lin was arrested, police discovered the pipe bomb in his car.

The witness, Michael Collins, worked at the Sony Home Theater store in Twelve Oaks Mall. According to his testimony, he had previously been approached by Lin about working with the ring to put through purchases on the stolen cards. He testified that the group promised to "take care of him" if he kept quiet. Novi police have also investigated Collins as a suspect in the ring. Oakland County Assistant Prosecutor Mary Kucharek said Collins has not been offered any immunity from prosecution in exchange for his testimony, and the possibility remains that he may still be charged due to other evidence. However, Collins has denied any involvement with the fraud ring.



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## City opposes lake access

There would be no public access to Walled Lake for boaters if the Nov City Council had its way.

Council voted 7-0 Monday evening as a part of its consent agenda to approve a resolution opposing a proposal by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to buy 30 boat launch sites in Oakland County, possibly including one on Walled Lake.

The state DNR has recently proposed a program for acquiring lakefront property on a number of Oakland County lakes and has asked for approval of the state legislature. DNR officials have specifically mentioned Walled Lake as one of the lakes in which it is interested.

The council resolution cites a number of problems with the Walled Lake area, it points out that Oakland Countyland is among the most costly in the state. It notes that the west end of Walled Lake, apparently the most

likely spot for a boat launch, is zoned for single family residential at present and is privately owned.

Council also stated the western end of the lake is particularly environmentally sensitive, and noted that it is located at the headwaters to the Rouge River. The council also stated that the roads around the lake are "narrow, substandard roads without sidewalks which are overburdened with traffic." Finally, the council members contended that "budget cuts at the state level would no doubt leave inadequate staffing at such a site."

Harry Avagian, president of the Lakes Area Residents Association, said he was pleased with the council's passage of the resolution and that the problem is not a serious one and that members of his organization would agree with the specific objections pointed out in the resolution.

But he said the highest concerns

for LARA members would be the additional traffic burden a boat launch would put on the local roads and the additional boat traffic it would put on the lake.

"I've been on the cutting edge of public safety concerns and I am particularly sensitive to the way in which public safety would be compromised by the opening of this lake up to the public beyond those who live on the perimeter of the lake," he said.

He said that while he could understand someone who argued that the lake is a public waterway and therefore members of the public should have access to the use of the lake for boating, his interest is in representing and protecting the interests of LARA members. Safety would be a top concern with any possible boat launch site.

## Council OKs signs to limit Westminster's traffic flow

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

The Westminster Village subdivision sign for traffic signs for traffic signs from the Novi City Council at its April 12 meeting.

Council members approved a plan to place "no through traffic" signs at the entrances to the subdivision, located near the Haggerty Road-Ten Mile Road intersection in Novi, on a 5-2 vote. Many residents of the complex say that vehicles use their streets as a way to get around the congested intersection area, and present a danger, especially to children.

City traffic consultants, however, say that the problem is not a serious one and that the signs are unnecessary.

Westminster Village resident Denise Tiso disagreed, reiterating her support for the sign installation to the council.

part of Public Works (DPW) also made a similar recommendation to the council.

"The request for the 'no through traffic' sign is based upon the assumption that there are heavy traffic volumes using the subdivision to avoid the traffic signal at Ten Mile and Haggerty Roads," wrote DPW Director Bruce Jerome in his report on the subject. "There may be some through traffic, but I do not feel the problem is severe."

He added that the design of the subdivision's streets was intended to discourage through traffic, and that his survey showed that through traffic was not a problem.

Jerome said that the signs carried problems of their own, however, if they were installed. It's difficult to enforce the traffic ban, Jerome said, and it is improper to deny the use of a public street to the public when their taxes maintain it.

Council members and Westminster Village residents alike who supported the plan acknowledged that enforcement of the ban would be difficult, but that the presence of the signs would achieve the goal of reducing vehicular flow.

"I personally believe that the placement of the signs will go a long way to cut down on unnecessary traffic," wrote Westminster resident Robert Gatt to the council, "by alerting law-abiding citizens that our streets are no longer to be used as a thoroughfare."

Gatt added that residents didn't want to deny the use of the subdivision's streets to anyone, but merely wanted to quell the inordinate flow of short-cut-seeking drivers.

Council member Nancy Cassis said she was concerned that if the signs went up, the city could be held liable if it could not enforce the no-through-traffic rule. City Attorney David Fried said that there was no such liability problem.

"I see this as a one-time-only thing," said council member Carol Mason in support of the proposal. "They're in a unique position (due to their location), and I believe signs would be a good thing."

Council Member Hugh Crawford said that the council could always take down the signs if a problem developed, or if they found that they were not needed. He said that he would support the sign installation measure in the meantime.

"We have to consider actions as a council for the good of the city as a whole, not for individual subdivisions," Schmid said. "I find it difficult to see why we ignore the traffic studies we ask for."

Schmid and Mayor Matthew Quinn voted against the sign installation. Quinn said that he wanted to see temporary signs put up for 90 days to see what effect they would have, and then the council could make a decision about permanent traffic signs. Since the measure voted on called for permanent signs, Quinn said, he could not support it.

The motion passed, however, by a 5-2 margin. City DPW workers will erect the signs barring through traffic through Westminster Village in the very near future.

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## Health Notes

**Immunization clinic:** The Oakland County Health Division will be offering an immunization clinic for Walled Lake and surrounding areas at the Walled Lake United Methodist Church, 313 Northport, Walled Lake on Tuesday, May 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

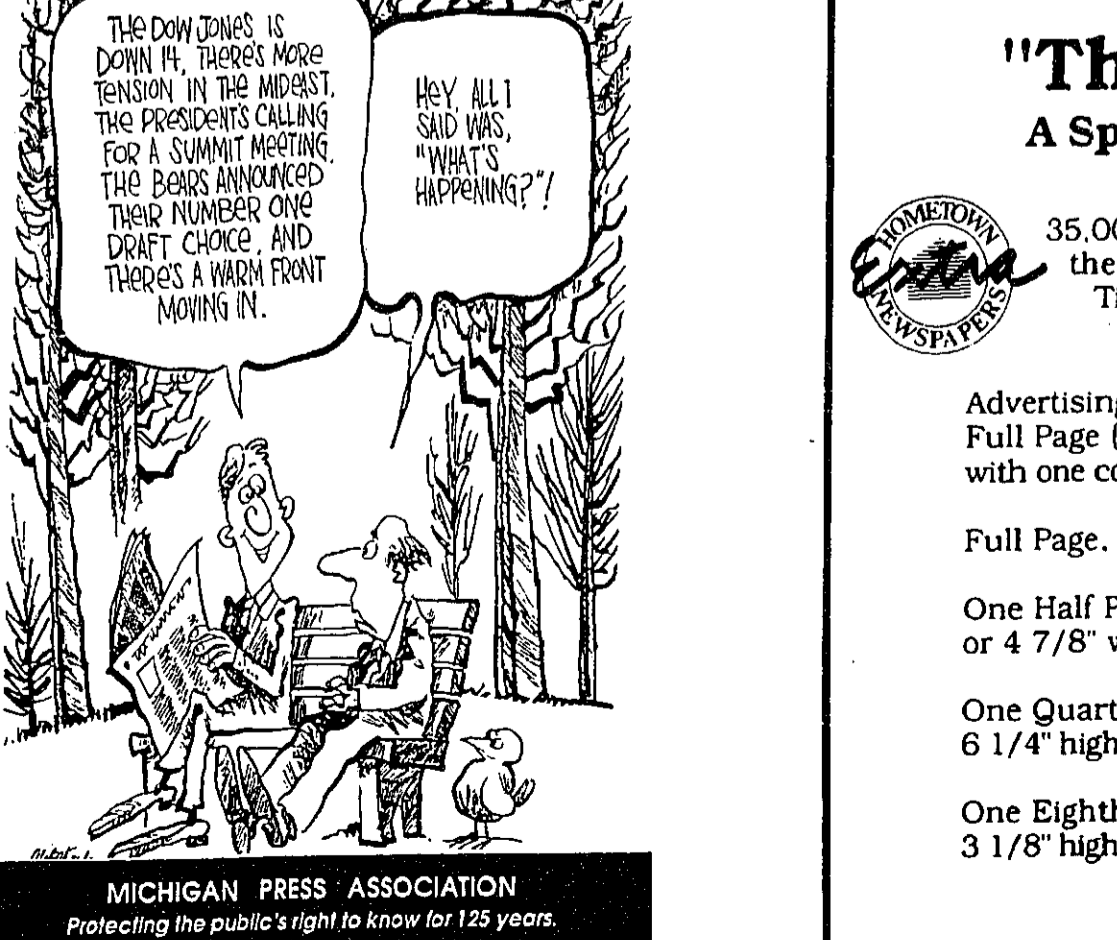
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A parent or legal guardian must accompany a child under 18 years of age. Please bring any previous records of immunizations, including notices which might have been sent home from the child's school pertaining to immunizations.

Immunizations will be given at the same time and location the first Tuesday of every month. The next scheduled immunization clinic will be June 1. For further information call 858-1305.

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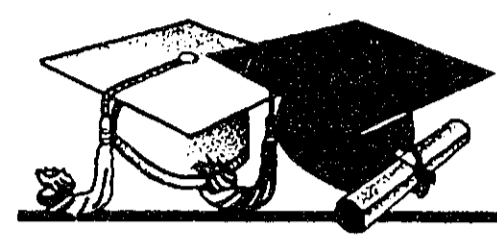
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## As We See It City, schools budgeting is a study in contrasts

April 1 was a study in contrasting styles of government. That evening, in the Civic Center, the chiefs of the police and fire departments were on the carpet before Novati City Council justifying the budget spending they've proposed for the coming year. The administration is under orders from council to cut enough from the budget so it can avoid an increase in property taxes over the state-set Truth in Taxation level. The administration has already taken \$250,000 out of the police department budget. While more than \$100,000 has been proposed for cuts from the fire department, the administration would like to save that. In the end, the one thing the city won't consider to keep taxes within Truth in Taxation levels is laying off personnel. City council members seem to agree on that point. About a mile away, in the Novi Schools Educational Services Building, the Board of Education was also dealing with finances. And they were handling them in a very different manner. On the agenda that evening was a proposal to buy four new buses for the district. The purchase would carry the price of \$178,500. Mind you, the school board hasn't even seen a preliminary draft of the budget yet. The budget is being worked on by the school district administration, but it is not scheduled to be presented to the board until May 26. Now, the board does have some idea of what the budget is going to look like. Assistant Superintendent of Business James Koster had given them a run down on what the budget looked like earlier in the meeting. And the numbers were not encouraging, not the kind of numbers that would suggest the district should move ahead with large purchases. Koster told the board that if all factors remained the same in the coming year, revenues would fall short of expenses by \$258,000. That could be covered by the district's fund equity, he said, but it is also clear that not all factors are likely to remain the same next year. Earlier this week, the state legislature had cleared the way to place a property tax reform/sales tax increase on the ballot in June, which has since been named Proposal A. If approved by voters, the reform plan could well cost the Novi district a substantial sum. Also, several appeals are pending before the state Tax Tribunal. If those appeals win, the school district as well as the city could be faced with the prospect of repaying some taxpayers for money collected in previous years. We give the school board credit for almost getting it right. Twice board members cast their ballots on the bus purchase, and in 4-3 votes, turned it down. The members made it clear they wanted to wait until June to make the decision, after the election and after the board had had a chance to look at its budget. In the end however, it was trustee Robert Schram who saved the district from financial sanity. Originally voting against the purchase, Schram later called for reconsideration and became the deciding vote on the third ballot to go ahead with the purchase. He explained only that the board discussion after the earlier votes had changed his mind. Yes, you can argue that this is a good case. We are talking about school buses here, the vehicles that transport kids to and from schools each day. It is important that they be in good condition. It could be a matter of safety for them. Three of the buses will be replacements



Education

of oldest buses in the district's 16-vehicle fleet. The fourth new bus would be an expansion to the fleet. However, you can also argue that the police and fire departments are good causes. They too are matters of safety, perhaps for those very same students as well as all the other residents of the city. Still, everyone recognizes that those departments must operate within a budget. Most disappointing was the lack of a real examination of claim of a "need" to purchase the new buses. Keep in mind that the number of students a bus can carry is not fixed. Sure, the bus may have, for example, a 65-person capacity, but it can be scheduled to make more runs on a given day, delivering more students to and from school. School starting times can be adjusted to give those buses more time for more runs. The life expectancy of a bus also is not fixed. Unlike passenger cars, which are considered worn out at 100,000 miles, as long as buses are well maintained they can run much longer. Some districts keep their buses on the road 20 years. Sure, there would be disadvantages to delaying the purchase. The district is on a schedule for periodically replacing its vehicles. Scheduling the start of school to allow for more runs by the buses poses problems not only for the operation of the buses, but also for the overall operation of the district. None of this was discussed or examined by the board in the meeting. President Ray Byers simply stated, "I think that given our growth, we need more buses. We're right on the edge now." No one else on the board challenged him on that or attempted to examine what that need was. The board simply fell in line ... or at least a majority did. El presidente Byers was visibly angered at the suggestion by some board members that the spending decision should wait till June. He was red-faced when he pronounced the district's need. Byers' style is to attack personally anyone who criticizes him or the school district, and he was on the attack that night. He made it clear that anyone who opposed some taxpayers for money collected in previous years. It is hard to tell whether that intimidation was what swayed the majority of the board. But the board did claim as its major reason for voting for the purchase that night the idea that unless the decision was made right then, if the decision was delayed till June, that the vehicles might not be delivered by the start of school next June. It is also hard to believe that the district could have found a way to get by for a few weeks until the buses arrived. School board members have denied this newspaper's charge that they intend to seek a tax increase from voters this year. It is also clear they are doing nothing to try to avoid a tax increase. The budget hasn't even made it to the board level and already the vast majority of the spending for the coming year has been decided. What the school board seems to think of as "budgeting" is what the rest of us call "running up the totals," what we call merely "tabulation."

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## Survey piqued my interest

Several of our readers were concerned enough to call and warn us that they believed "ballot stuffing" might be going on in our survey. As we conducted our reader poll regarding the recently approved contract between the Novi school district and its teachers, those readers said they'd heard of incidents in which people were turning off copies of survey forms in order to submit multiple responses. Those who identified themselves as working in the non-health care end of the private sector took the dimmest view of the teacher salary hikes. Those most distinctive difference came in response to the question about what the maximum pay for teachers should be, where the top of the scale should be set. Educators by and large picked the \$60-\$65,000 range or the \$65-\$70,000 range. Those who identified themselves as working in the private sector or in the non-education end of the public sector most often picked the \$45-\$50,000 range. One other item caught my interest. I've been in management now for about nine years, and one of the things I learned in that time is that everyone, or nearly everyone, thinks they are underpaid. Rare is the individual who doesn't. Rare is the person who claims he or she is being paid what he or she is worth. So I found it interesting that so few respondents argued that the pay raises were too low. Only 11 said the base increases weren't high enough and only seven said the step increases were too low. That and in of itself tells me a great deal. Mike Malott is the Managing Editor of The Novi News.



Michael Malott

So I looked very closely at all the responses that came in on forms run off copy machines. There were 36 of them out of the total 123 responses. Although I am not a handwriting expert, I did not see much evidence of any "stuffing." Most had original signatures, many bearing names I recognized. There was one incident of stuffing, but it was so poorly done it was frankly quite humorous. Multiple unsigned forms, all bearing the same answers and filled out in the same hand, were sent in a single envelope. The writer had bothered to change pens from one form to another. Many of the copied forms did come from people who identified themselves as teachers, so it did appear that Novi educators had tried to get the form into as many people's hands as possible via the copying machine. There is nothing wrong with that. To some degree, it reflects the real-life situation in which those with education interests marshal their forces at election time to pass millage proposals or to support a candidate for the school board. So even though it was an unscientific survey, I think to a

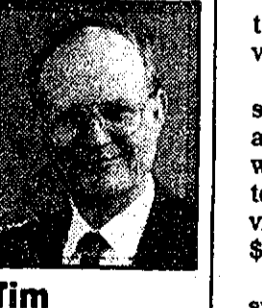
## Moments



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## One dissatisfied customer

The customer was very dissatisfied. He had ordered a videotape. The vendor gave him a long story about why it was unavailable. Finally, the vendor said it was available, for \$78. The customer paid, but never saw his videotape and never got back his \$78. Sounds like a nightmare version of an ordinary consumer problem. Well, the vendor was the law enforcement system in a certain way. The videotape was of an interrogation. The very dissatisfied customer was an inhabitant of the Charles Egle Facility, Jackson — in other words, a guest of the Michigan Department of Corrections. He was in my audience Saturday when I spoke about the state Freedom of Information Act. The FOIA is a law that applies to "all persons." You don't have to be a white male adult, an adult, or even a citizen to make a FOIA request. A 12-year-old Mexican webback has the same rights under FOIA as the Wayne County prosecutor, who once had to use the act to pry evidence from a certain mayor. I'm not an attorney and don't file FOIA lawsuits. The Michigan FOI Committee does stock copies of the law and major court decisions. We encourage people to exercise their rights under Michigan's twin "sunshine laws," FOIA and the Open Meetings Act. The inmates were upset over a ruling against David DeScorry, who sued the Department of Corrections and its library. DeScorry wanted to inspect final orders in prison discipline cases and their supporting records. But the State Court of Appeals held that the Legislature had removed disciplinary hearings from the Administrative Procedures Act, thus removing those hearings from the definition of "contested cases" for purposes of the FOIA. Inmates can't learn the underlying reasoning, just the final order. They want to know why, when four men have



Tim Richard

## TEACHER SALARY SURVEY RESULTS

The Novi schools Board of Education approved new three-year contracts for teachers and other district employees in late February. Effective this June, the teacher contract will provide base pay raises of 3.75 percent in the first year, 3.55 percent in the second, and 4 in the third. Additionally, 55.5 percent of Novi teachers are eligible for "step increases" in salary, which will bring their total raises to about 10 percent. Starting pay in the district will move from \$27,352 this year to \$29,556 over the life of the contract. The top of the scale will move from the present \$58,579 to \$65,672. The Novi News asked readers what they thought about the salary increases in an unprecedented survey conducted during the month of March. One hundred twenty-three readers responded to the survey. The results were as follows. (Readers were asked to mark the comments with which they most agreed. Bold numbers are the people who responded to that question.) I believe the base pay increases granted in the contract are: Too high 52 Too low 11 About right 60 Annual teacher salary increases should be set according to: What other employees in the public and private sectors are receiving 41 The rate of inflation 27 The Consumer Price Index 9 The rate of growth in the Novi tax base 14 What the Board of Education believes it can afford 2 What salary rate is determined in contract negotiations 37 Other 29 Similar to surrounding districts 6 On merit 4 Pro-rated for nine months work 2 Similar to quality districts 2 Under scrutiny 1 According to student testing 2 By the economic climate 2 By amount of education the teacher has 1 Let residents decide 1 Frozen 1 By the financial status of the district 1 By responsibilities 1 By market forces 1 By amount of service 1 By experience and ability 1 By tested ability of the teachers 1 Starting pay for a teacher in the Novi school district should be: Under 20,000 10 20-25,000 46 25-30,000 50 30-35,000 9 Over 35,000 3 Top of the scale for a teacher in the Novi school district should be: Under 45,000 16 45-50,000 22 50-55,000 16 55-60,000 14 60-65,000 16 65-70,000 16 Over 70,000 14

## More reader comments on salaries

We commend The Novi News for calling this to the attention of the community. Shades of Hillary Clinton and her health committee meetings! Secret meetings cause diatribes! Mr. and Mrs. Anthony DiRocco To move to Novi (because of the excellent school system) continues to be the right one. Tert Mobo I think The Novi News has taken an awfully strong position against teachers. Teachers in any community have a very important job which affects the lives of many youngsters daily. I feel very strongly about quality programs for children and personally I would vote yes for any millages, bond issues, etc. that would contribute to the education of children in my own community. I think the pay increases were perfectly fair, considering the valuable service teachers give our children. Lisa Erickson Novi News report card: A-Bias: You have managed to portray an extremely one-sided view of the situation. B-Criticism: You are unjustly critical of a system that works. C-Allegation: You have done a remarkable job of attacking the education staff as well as many members of the community. It is to the Board's credit that they are willing to negotiate in advance. D-Memory Retention: You obviously have forgotten adversity in the community as a result of the last teacher strike. E-Editorial: I can't seem to find much of value. What is your real complaint about educators (education)? F-Citizenship and conduct (on a scale of 1-5, 1 being excellent) Cindy White I have taught in Novi Schools for 15 years. For the first seven years my husband's secretary (without a degree), made more than I did. Only in the last five years have I been able to make equivalent to Ford Motor Co. bachelor's degree graduates in business with the same seniority. Unfortunately, teacher salaries come from taxes, which are under scrutiny. Don't forget the quality programs, such as Novi's, do cost money. And children are the future! Being an educator, I truly understand that, "to teach is to touch a life forever." When former students, now 16, 19 and 25 years old, come back to say that you made a difference, that is something that cannot be measured in dollars. Linda Rowe Novi teachers' pay compares very favorably in Oakland County. Pay should be higher by comparison. Labor peace is very important. No reason to negotiate under strike conditions. Voters in Novi strongly support education and the action of the board. Robert B. Schrupp I believe that the pay increases that the Novi teachers receive during their new three year contracts are fair and equitable. I trust that our elected officials (school board members) are capable of making such decisions, and in fact, by voting for them I expect them to do just that. As a taxpayer in Novi, I feel that our teachers are doing an excellent job as is shown by our student achievement and by the desirability of Novi as a place to live. I am pleased that this contract has been settled amicably and fairly and look forward to my children continuing to reap the benefits of our excellent school system. I am glad to see that the choice we made

## Policy raises questions of your logic

Letters And the high school mails regular progress reports (mid-marking period reports) which detail a student's progress, or lack thereof. I'm sure there are many more examples worth mentioning. What has resulted from these programs of improvement and accountability? Our schools rank among the top systems in the state, some have national recognition and over 90 percent of Novi High School graduates go on to higher education. This has not only resulted in better education for our children, but has elevated Novi to one of the prime areas to live and work. A city's schools make or break that city's property values. I now ask you who bore the burden of improving Novi's educational system? The parents? To some extent. After all, we have paid those property taxes your newspaper is so concerned about. And we do work with our children and their teachers in the effort to ensure homework is completed on time. Many parents also work with the PTOs toward better education. Certainly the students work very hard. Their efforts toward their education cannot be overlooked. And the school administrators should be mentioned for their efforts to lead in better education. This leaves the teachers. I feel that they have shouldered the most responsibility and burden in making Novi schools the quality system that it is today. They have been the ones who have worked with us parents, and maintained the mounds of paperwork required for accountability. I know that several teachers serve as role models that my daughters admire, respect, and love. This fact should make them very proud, and they deserve more than adequate compensation for their efforts. But The Novi News has questioned this practice. The agreed-upon wage increases of between 3 and 4 percent (isn't that the current rate of inflation?) is too much for The Novi News because the teachers also receive step raises. What The Novi News fails to consider (or mention), is that step raises are common contractual pay increases throughout the public sector. Almost all public employees receive step increases as compensation for increased experience and training. The theory being that more experience and training leads to higher productivity. In public education, teacher step raises are based on a formula that combines years of teaching experience with state mandated graduate school course work — no continuing education graduate work, no graduate courses are paid for by the teachers, and they are at-

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Willard Pilche

I feel that educators are the "key" to our future. Why should they be paid less than other professionals?

J. Fallmer

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Mary Nims

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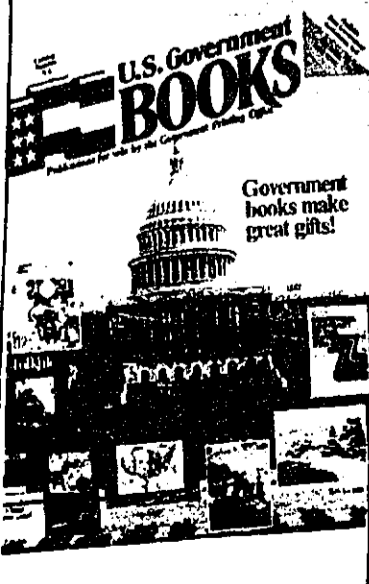
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Peter M. Karr

Why all the attention on teach-

ers? Can we expect similar surveys from The Novi News wanting to know what readers think about police salaries, fire salaries, judges and other tax based occupations? Where did this interest originate from? I'd like to see more surveys of this type in the future.

Tom Grullmeth

Stop playing "sensational" news "reporting." Keep your editorial comments to the editorial pages. This survey is a disservice to the community.

Bill Halvay

Taxing people out of their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Morris

Teachers should receive fair compensation just as other professionals. They have the most important job in our society.

Jim Lyon

Teachers salaries have gotten out of control. They do not realize what it is like in the real work world.

Nicholas S. Zazula

Analysis of the Novi School District's new three-year teachers' contract providing for seniority percentage increases and the educational step scale increase, reveals the lavish generosity of the Novi School Board. Especially true considering the current uncertainty of state school funding. The Board of Education appears to forget who really pays the bills. That money they think is out there somewhere and they continue to pluck, has about been picked clean. The lethargic voters in the district are also to blame for not exercising

their oversight by voting. Any request for new millage — operations, debt service or whatever — is tacitly approved by non-voting taxpayers. New issues are promoted as being in the best interest of our children's education. Three years could be a long period of underfunded teacher and other contractual salaries. We do not want to face another millage request, blamed on state funding, shortfall or whatever to pay for poorly structured contracts.

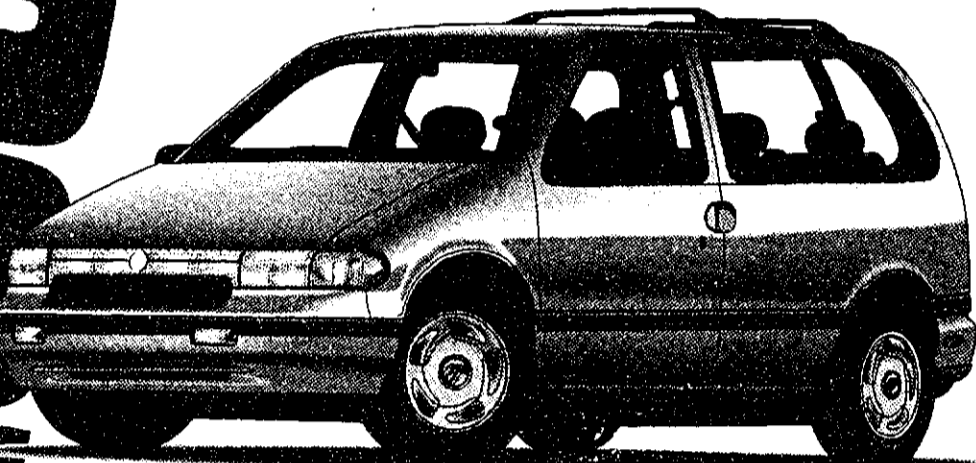
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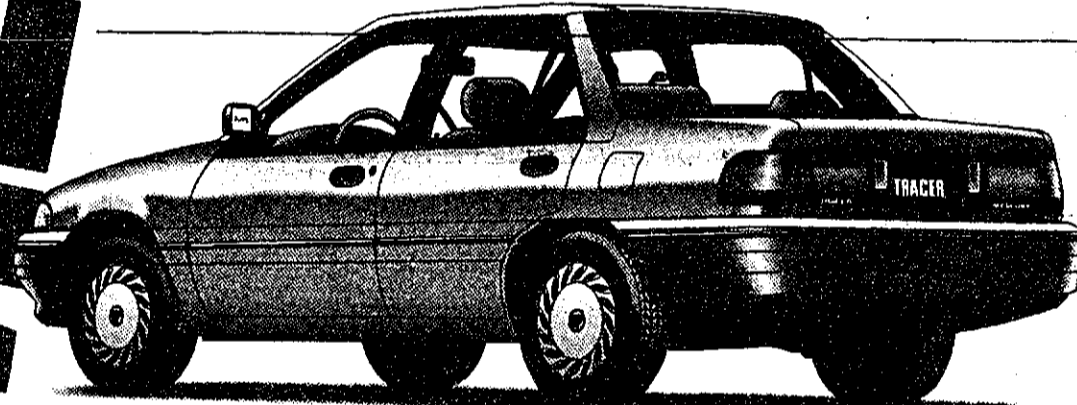
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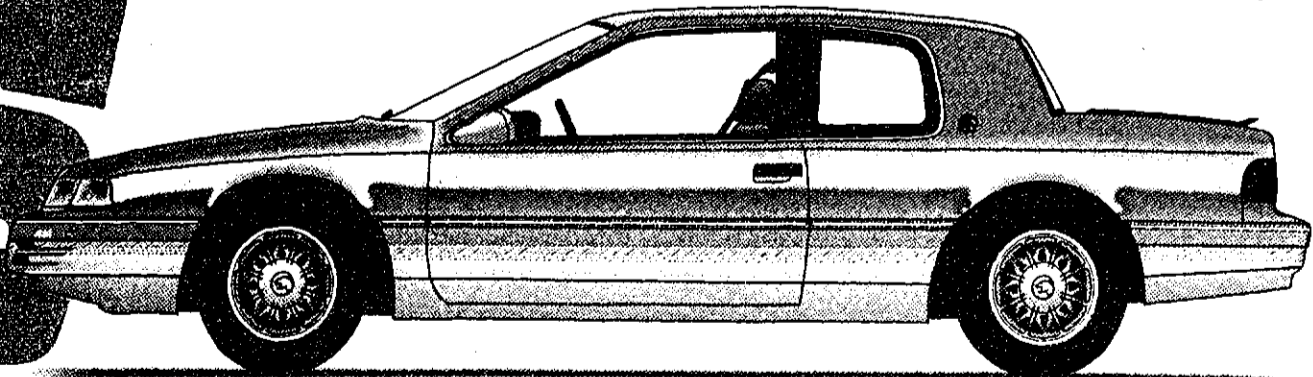
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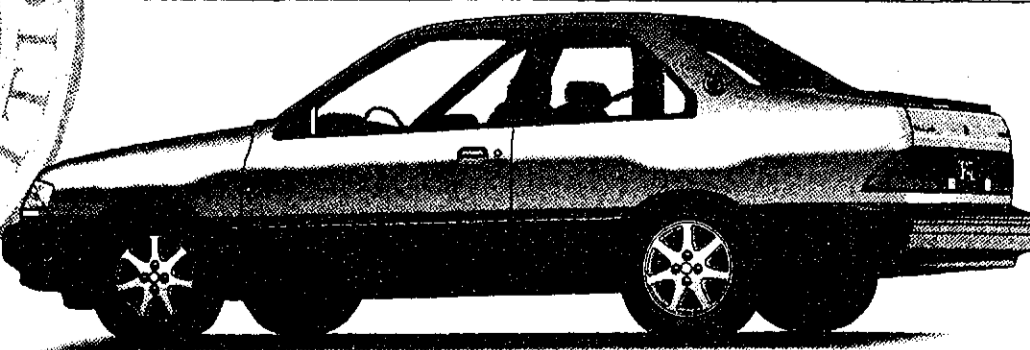
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THURSDAY  
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## Where the little ones play



By **CRISTINA FERRIER**  
Staff Writer

**I**t takes a special kind of person to work with children all day long. People who succeed in the daycare field are those with a special kind of compassion, a truckload of patience, and a sense of fun.

Take Nancy Hanson, for example. She runs Nancy's Pumpkin Patch, a licensed home child care center for up to six children in her Novi home.

When she first began her daycare program four years ago, she didn't know it would turn into a career. At that time she was going through a divorce and wanted to stay home with her three young children to help them through a difficult period.

"I decided to give up my career as a legal secretary and stay home," she explained. It was a decision that led her into a new field that she finds more rewarding than she ever imagined.

Now that her own children are old enough to be in school, she still takes in children during the day and "they really love it too. This is like a home for them. We do projects, and today we went to the park. We do lots of outdoor things like fly kites, visit farms, things like that."

Sure, sometimes she misses the days when she spent her time working with other adults. But it's a trade-off, she said.

"I don't miss the office, or the drive, and the parents do come in and talk to me so I'm not without adult contact."

"When I was in the law firm it was basically a nine-to-five job. This is more work, but the rewards are great. When a kid gives you a hug, or when they say they want to go to Nancy's place, it makes me feel great."

Some people, it seems, are cut out for the business of working with children and others are not. The field has a fairly high turnover rate.

Lisa Williams, director of Rainbow Rascals Learning Center in Northville, said there have been a few instances where people came in to work there and decided after only a few days that they are not cut out for that type of work.

"Some people start here, and then they realize it's not for them," she said. "And that's good because we don't want anyone who looks at this as just a job."

"You have to be very caring and loving. You have to give those hugs and kiss those boo-boos."

Williams, like Hanson, finds her work with children to be very rewarding. She does not teach the classes herself, but often steps in to assist with child care duties.

"You have to be able to enjoy children and be ready to deal with their basic needs," she said. "But it's fun. If you enjoy children in life, you definitely can enjoy working with children."

Hanson agreed that the work is a challenge.

"People tell me they don't know how I do it," she confessed. "They say 'You must have a lot of patience.'"

"I think God gives people like us something special."

The following is a list of local day care centers and preschools. For more information call the num-

bers listed or your local chamber of commerce.

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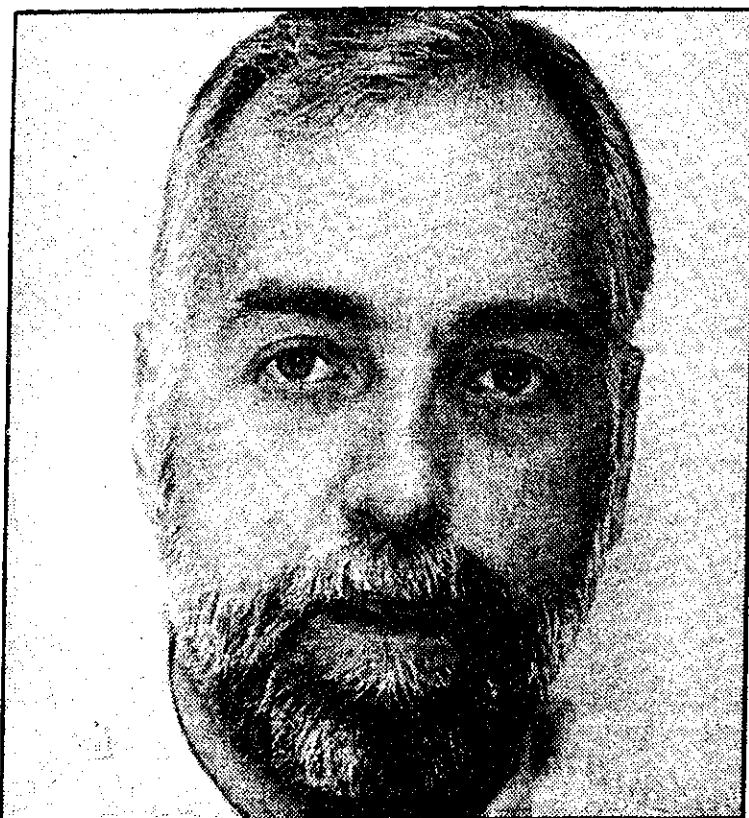
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WALTER COPONEN

### Coponen's work keeps local history in place

"If you have a certain contribution you can make to your community," said Walter F. Coponen, architect, "you should make it."

And that's why for four years he has been on the Northville Historic District Commission.

As a member of the Historic District Commission, he meets with five others once a month to decide on half a dozen cases, predominantly residential (remodeling of old structures or building of new ones) that have been brought forward for review.

Maybe it's a matter of color of roof, siding, brick or window trim. Or, on a matter of adding on to an existing building, is the character of the trim and the windows the same as the original?

Exterior lighting fixtures and commercial signs on business buildings also have to be passed on.

Commission members are notified about petitions before each meeting so they look at the sites and become acquainted with them when the

owner, designer, or architect comes for a hearing.

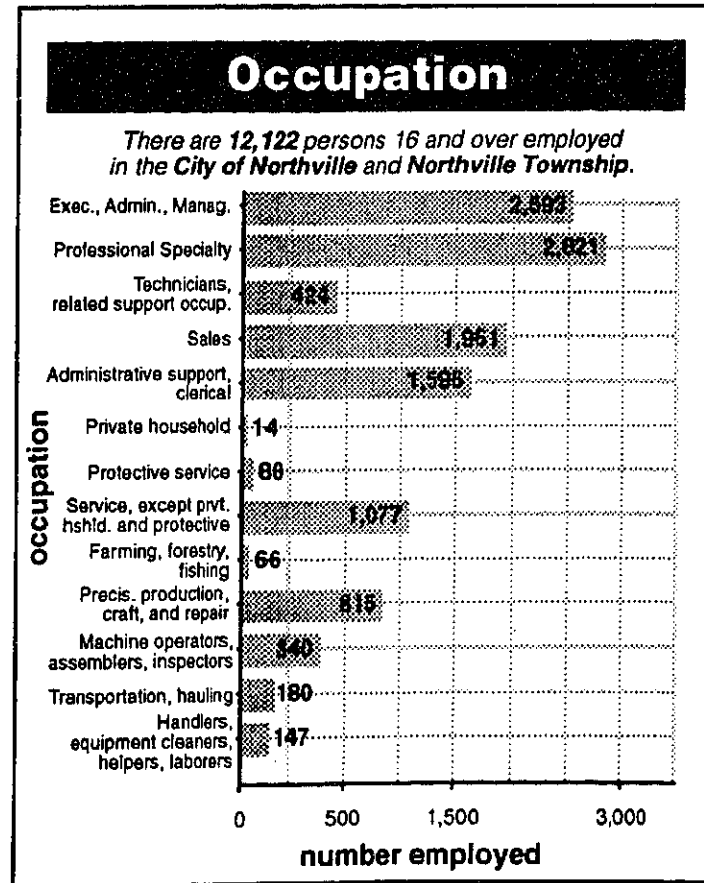
Why is the commission so much concerned? It's state law. When Northville applied in 1972 for permission to have a certain locality designated a historical district, it assumed the responsibility of conforming to state regulations. And one regulation was that the city must have a Historic District Commission to review building plans.

Walter Coponen located in Northville in 1971, he said, because he liked the community, and he applied for membership on the Commission because he loves the building business and felt he could make a contribution.

There is a vacancy on the commission and Coponen said he'd like to see a builder or an architect fill it.

Whether interested in the vacancy or not, you are invited to attend a meeting of the commission on the third Wednesday of the month at 8 p.m. at the City Hall.

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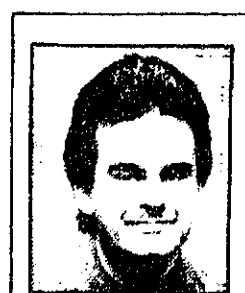








## Wildcats should have strong spring



**Scott Daniel**

It happens every spring. Just when you think winter has slithered away and old Sol is once again master of the sky — BOOM, the snow storm from hell hits. This year was no exception, of course. But no need to fret sports fans. Your fearless ink-stained wretch has come up with a solution.

The Wildcat Dome! Instead of keeping fingers crossed for the entire month of April, every eye would go off planned. The Dome would bring a virtual plethora of other benefits, too.

Overcrowding on the practice fields would be a thing of the past. No need to add on to the high school's existing gym facilities, either. And talk about your bragging rights, how many prep teams play in a dome?

All of this could be accomplished with just a little financing from the voters. Say a one-time 50-mill increase? Sure, it's a small sacrifice. But wouldn't it be worth the expense in the long run? Novi High sports would really be on the map (literally with a dome, wouldn't they?) Okay. Okay. So I've taken one to many last-balls off the helmet. Seriously, folks. It should be a successful spring for Novi if and when the weather cooperates.

Look for a repeat Kensington Valley Conference title for Brian Howard's baseball squad. The Cats are loaded at every position on the field led by shortstop Tommy Grigg and third baseman Kevin Serra. If the pitching staff holds up, and there's no reason to think it won't, Novi should be talking about a three-peat next year.

The boys track team likely won't challenge for a conference title. Led by John Crawford, Vince Meehan, Jason Simace and others, the Wildcats are sure to send a strong group to state finals.

On the girls track side, Connie Alia has one of her strongest groups in years. Christy Carmichael could own many Novi records by the time she graduates next year.

A young soccer squad takes the field for Larry Christoff. Look for the kickers to improve as the season goes along and finish in the top half of the KVC.

After a rebuilding year, the softball team appears ready to make a move in conference standings. Novi should have excellent pitching with Julie Swineheart and Erin Ejerke. If the Wildcats can score enough runs they're sure to turn some heads this spring.

Scott Davis has taken over as coach of the tennis team. He inherits a KVC champ from longtime mentor Jim Newbold. Although Novi lost top singles player Mark McGrew, don't be surprised if another championship falls the Wildcats' way.

It's wait-and-see for Novi's two new teams. The lacrosse squad is already off to a 1-1 start. With a roster dominated by freshmen and sophomores, the Wildcats have a chance to dominate in a year or two.

Numbers are low in the golf team's first year. Coach Deb Harris said 1993 will be a year to simply grow support for her team.

## Wildcats of the Week



**SHADY SARDY**

**MICHELLE DEWITT**

**SHADY SARDY:** The junior had a solid performance in Novi's trouncing of South Lyon last week. In the high jump, Sardy and Damien Thompson tied for first by clearing 5-8. He had a nice run to capture second in the 400-meter run.

**MICHELLE DEWITT:** The junior helped the Cats to a sweep of South Lyon last week on the softball diamond. She knocked in three runs and scored three runs in the two games as well as playing solid defense behind the plate. It's DeWitt's first year as Novi's full-time catcher.

## Kickers play to 0-0 draw

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Both teams were short-handed for the contest. Fullback Betsy Becker missed the game with an injury for Novi. The Lions, meanwhile, were minus six players.

"Everyone was excited, everyone was happy," said Bill Stevanovic. "We didn't have that many subs. I was really pleased with the performance and the results."

"Considering it was our first game outdoors, everything worked out OK. Novi has a strong team this year." Christoff was pleased with the performance of many of his players as well. He mentioned fullback Amy



**LARRY CHRISTOFF**

Campbell (who had four shots on goal), Beth Courty, Becky Pylar and Keri Naughton as all having strong games.

Noting that a majority of his lineup was made up of freshmen and sophomores, Christoff was particularly happy with the effort.

"They did well for themselves," he said. "I think we will continue to improve. Novi resumes its season Wednesday on the road against Lakeland."

## Tracksters demolish South Lyon on road

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Todd Pejakovich won the 100-meter dash in 12.06. Matt Buck was second in 12.20 and Goss was third in 12.28. All three are freshmen.

Novi disqualified in the 800-meter relay because of a failed hand-off. Runners have 22 yards to exchange the baton. Smith said his team will have its timing down for its next meet.

Jason Armstrong edged teammate Rob Mutch in the 1,600-meter run. He won in 5:34.15 while Mutch was third in 5:39.61.

The team of Buck, Matt Topper, Terese, and Ryan Keys took the 400-meter relay in 47.57. "It was a pretty good time," Smith

said. "But we can do better."

Sardy had a nice run to capture second in the 400 with a time of 54.65. Peter Wickman was third. In the 300-meter hurdles, Brandon placed first in 45.06. Thompson was second in 45.15 and Jesse Barron finished the sweep in 45.97.

Freshman Adam Hagfors beat the field in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:16.24 and Troy Helmick was third in 2:19.28.

Pejakovich garnered his second victory in the 200 dash as he finished in 24.22. Josh Frick was third in 25.19.

Novi closed its scoring in the 3,200-meter run. John Crawford won in 10:34.50 and Vince Meehan was second in 10:34.60.

## Fitness Notes

**Twelve Oaks Walkers' Program:** Health education programs are presented on the second Tuesday of the month by the U-M Health Centers. Coffee and bagels are served. "Fitness over 50," is presented by a certified instructor on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9-10 a.m. It's a low-impact aerobic session designed by the U-M Physical Education Department.

Mail 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 security office located on the upper level, JC Penney corridor. For more information call 348-9438.

**Fitness Factory:** Fitness Factory aerobic/muscle toning classes will be started spring session registration at Village Oaks Clubhouse (22859 Brook Forest, N. of Nine Mile between Meadowbrook and Hagerty) this week. Classes will run 10 weeks and will be offered Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m., Monday and Wednesday 6:30 p.m. and starting anew will be step aerobics on Tuesday 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Babysitting will be available for morning classes only. The cost for one day per week is \$30, two days \$49 and three days or more for \$64. There will be an additional cost for rental at \$1 per week. For more information, please call Kathi at 349-7923.

## Novi faces uphill track battle in KVC

The Novi High boys track team is enjoying a week of with Easter break along with the rest of the Kensington Valley Conference.

When the Wildcats return to the track next week having already knocked off South Lyon, they'll be the darkhorse in the league race by Brighton considered the front runner. The following takes a look at the KVC's track squads, the top athletes and coaches that make the conference one of the state's best.

**BRIGHTON**  
The newly renovated track at Brighton High is sitting idle under several inches of water, but that hasn't prevented the 1993 boys' track and field team from enjoying its largest turnout in history.

Currently, the Bulldogs' roster stands at 83 athletes, and there's no doubt those runners, leapers and throwers are all seeking the opportunity to put Brighton back on top in the Kensington Valley Conference.

In 1991, the Bulldogs were co-KVC champs, but then last season, they tied with Howell for third place.

"On paper, we look pretty solid across the board," said Bulldog Coach Doug Falan. "I don't know if we have what it takes to win the league, but we're going to give it a shot."

Brighton is loaded with returning athletes, including 30 juniors and a few league champs and state qualifiers.

Once again, the weight events appear to be the Bulldogs' strongest suit. Junior John Blake and senior John Cogo finished 1-2, respectively, in the KVC shot-put showdown. Blake also took second in the discus, while Cogo came in fifth.

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consistent scorers. McCarty will also join ace sprinter John Kelley on the track. Kelley, a sophomore, cranked out an 11.1 to lead the area in the 100-meter dash last season.

As for the hurdles, Turner will be a force, along with Junior Todd Pleiness and senior Mike Peterson. Falan said he can see all three athletes running in for 15-second range in the 100 hurdles. He also has high regards for Peterson.

Junior Brandon Dutton, who won the KVC cross-country finals, has the premier 400, 800 and 1,600 speed of any Bulldog on the team. Dutton is the league's defending 400 champion (51.8) and took third in the 800 last season. He was also a state qualifier in the 800, in which his personal record time is 1:57.5.

**HOWELL**  
During the 1992 Kensington Valley Conference track and field season, Howell High's boys were guided by some very strong relay teams and some exceptional individual performers.

Graduation, however, took away a few of those key Highlander athletes, so Coach Mike Steinhilber and his 1993 squad will be seeking to fill those holes as well as improve in other areas.

Making up for Jon Clark, Keith Flamini and Tim Wilson, though, won't be an easy task. Last year, Clark was a state qualifier in the 800-meter run and ran to second place in that event at the KVC meet (1:56.7). He also served as the anchor leg for Howell's 3,200 relay team (8:02), won the KVC meet and qualified for the state finals.

Flamini and Wilson were also potent scoring forces last season as they finished 1-3, respectively, at the KVC high-jump affair, set new school records (both at 6-4) and qualified for the state outing.

In the high jump, then, senior Aaron Ray and junior Adam Briggs appear to have the greatest ability. Steinhilber said they should jump 5-10 or better.

Matt Evans, a junior, returns as Howell's top sprinter as well as one of the fastest boys in the league. At the 1992 KVC affair, he placed second in the 200 (23.1) and was a key element in leading the 400 relay to third place.

After Evans, freshman Brad Schmidt appears to be the Highlanders' next-fastest sprinter. Then, the speed begins to grow thinner.

In the hurdles, senior Corey Tahnten is one of Howell's front-runners. Last year, he finished sixth in the 300-lows (43.1) at the KVC meet. Seniors E.J. Nichol, Matt Clark and Jerid Zell will also help out.

Howell's distance squad will be paced by senior Brendan O'Neil and sophomore Dan Reed. O'Neil was a member of the Highlanders' school-record 3,200 relay team and he's broken 2:00 for the open 800. Reed, who will run the 1,600 and 3,200, enters this season after a fine outing on the cross-country circuit. Also lending their talents in the distances will be senior Harold Theibert and junior Brian Boewing.

Howell will open the outdoor season Tuesday against Brighton. The meet is supposed to be run at Brighton, but because the track isn't lined, it will probably take place at Howell.

**HARTLAND**  
With a pair of new coaches and plenty of young faces, the Hartland High track and field teams are each undergoing fresh starts in the 1993 spring campaign.

Charlie Aldrich is coaching the Eagles boys. Aldrich coached track at Waterford Kettering for 11 years. The Hartland boys are loaded in the youth department. Three experienced athletes — seniors Ryan Valko and Mike Bees and junior Jon Hoffman — will be looked to for their leadership.

Valko enters the spring season after a fine fall cross-country outing. The barrier was fifth at the KVC meet and just missed qualifying for the state finals. At the 1992 KVC track trials, he placed fifth in the 3,200 (10:07). Joining Valko on the distance circuit this season are fellow junior harrisers Joe Bernardi and Scott Szukits, as well as several others.

Bees is a versatile runner in the shorter distances and he also has prowess in the long jump (19-foot range).

As for Hoffman, he returns as one of the fastest sprinters in the area. At last year's KVC affair, the junior won the 200 (22.8), was third in the 100 (11.4) and helped the Eagles' 400 relay team to first place (44.9).

has been in a cast the past few weeks. Other young sprinters for Hartland include sophomore Dennis McCarthy — also a hurdler — and freshman Dan Quinn.

In the field events, freshman high-jumper Jason Schultz could go 6-0, while sophomores Jason Shearer and Rusty Greer will anchor the discus and shot put.

**LAKELAND**  
Lakeland's list of 1992 boys track graduates reads like a who's who list of the KVC.

The Eagles lost a huge portion of their league championship squad, including KVC champs Dean Rugh (1,600 meters), Darrin Dell (110 and 330 hurdles), all-star Warren Johnson (1,600 and 3,200) and sprinter Chris Perry.

That adds up to a huge number of points the Eagles have to try and cover for this year. Of course, Lakeland didn't become the most dominant program in the league by failing to replace seniors.

Despite the graduation of such talent, the Lakeland track machine is ready to grind away at another title. A combination of experience and new blood should make the Eagles competitive throughout the season.

Seniors Bob Nicodemus and James Kolodziej will bolster the field events contingent. A pair of strong 220-pounders, the two will try their hand at the shot and discus.

Junior Brian Evans should also contribute to the throwing events. Senior Jeff Mollard and Todd Menna may compete in the long jump, but the pair are also in demand for other events.

Pole vaulter Ken Flowers jumped as high as 12 feet last year, but stayed around 11-8 for most of the season. Flowers placed fourth in the KVC pole vault, second in the 330 hurdles and third in the 110 hurdles.

Sophomore Kyle Baldwin and junior Chris Betts have potential as high jumpers. Baldwin jumped 6-2 last year and placed fifth in the league. Betts sat out last year with eligibility problems.



Chris Modelski will try to take points in the pole vault for Novi this spring.

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## Youth theatre set to perform

Looking for a cultural experience for the family next weekend? Look no further. Here's one of Novi's best kept secrets.

Novi Youth Theatre's Performance Plus presents its Spring production, "A One-Act Festival" consisting of four one-act plays from the works of Kurt Vonnegut Jr., William Faulkner, Susan Glaspell and D.H. Lawrence. Performances are at the Novi Civic Center Friday, April 23, at 8 p.m. and Saturday, April 24, at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.

The students involved in Performance Plus have worked long and hard to make each and every production a first-class experience, from promotion, set design, costumes and make-up to their actual performances. And their efforts did not go unnoticed because the Michigan Recreation and Park Association (MRPA) awarded Novi's Youth Theatre with this year's Innovative Rec Programming Award.

This innovative program is the



Performance Plus students have already performed in *The Crucible*.

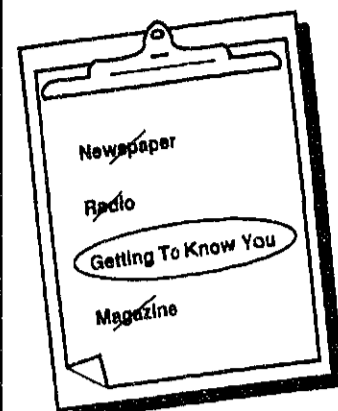
brainchild of Novi resident Linda Wickert. She is the guiding force of Performance Plus and the true reason for its success. Wickert's educational approach to the theater offers "theater experience" to each individual beyond the memorization of lines. Performance Plus students have already performed in *Picnic at Hanging Rock*, *Alice in Wonderland*

and *The Crucible*. "Anyone fortunate enough to see our last performance of *The Crucible* knows what a wonderful program Novi has," said Wickert. "I received letters from professionals on our tremendous performance of *The Crucible*. It is a play not usually attempted by 12- to 18-year-old students." Bring your family and friends to

check out the Novi Youth Theatre's Performance Plus. You won't be disappointed and hopefully this is one secret that won't be kept.

Tickets can be purchased now at the Novi Civic Center, Parks and Recreation Department. Advance Tickets: \$6 adults, \$4 seniors and children under 12. Tickets at the door: \$7 and \$5.

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## Testicular cancer strikes young



Michael Bayerl

It's easy for young people to forget that they may develop cancer. Young men in particular should know that cancer of the testicles, although rare, is the most common cancer in men ages 20 to 34. It can occur as early as age 15.

The testicles are the two oval organs located below the penis in the scrotum. They make sperm and produce the male hormone testosterone. Men who have a close relative like a brother, father or grandfather who had testicular cancer, and men who had an undescended testicle as a child are at higher risk for testicular cancer. However, in most men with testicular cancer no apparent risk is found. Therefore, all men over 14 are considered to be at risk for this cancer.

Once a fatal disease, testicular cancer can now be cured up to 97 percent of the time. This high cure rate is a result of improved treatments and early detection through self-examination. Every man over the age of 14 should do a monthly self-examination. A self-examination may also detect other testicular diseases such as infections. Currently, there is

### Health tips

no proven way to prevent testicular cancer. The best time to examine the testicles is during a warm bath or shower. This relaxes the scrotum as well as providing privacy.

Begin by standing in front of the mirror and check for different sizes of the testicle, and for abnormalities of the scrotal and penile skin. The testicles will normally sit at different heights in the scrotum. Size or shape differences are really the most important. Most skin abnormalities are not cancer. Any problems should be evaluated by a physician.

Next, examine one testicle by gently rolling it between the thumb and first three fingers. Normal testicles should be smooth, oval, slightly tender, and move freely in the scrotum. Make note of any irregular bumps. Often, cancers are firm, painless nodules about the size of a pea.

Now examine the epididymis the same way as the testicle. This is a cord-like structure found on one side of the testicle, most often the back or top side. This is where sperm is stored. It is important to identify what this feels like so it is not confused with an abnormal bump. The best way to assure you have correctly identified the epididymis is to note it is connected to the

testicle and spermatic cord. The spermatic cord is a soft, tubular structure running from the epididymis to the top of the scrotum. It contains the vas deferens, which is the tube that carries sperm from the testicle to the penis, and arteries and veins. Remember to also note any bumps or painful areas when examining the epididymis and spermatic cord.

Complete the exam by repeating the above steps with the other testicle, epididymis, and spermatic cord. Examining the second testicle helps identify abnormalities because both sides should feel about the same. This will also help identify the epididymis because there is one on both sides and cancers usually occur on only one side. Also note that a simple difference in size or shape without an obvious bump on either side is a significant observation.

Your physician should examine the testicles as part of a routine examination and can teach you how to perform a testicular exam properly. If you should find any abnormalities during a monthly testicular exam, visit your physician immediately.

For additional information, contact your doctor, or call the Cancer Information Service of the National Cancer Institute at 1-800-4-CANCER.

Michael Bayerl is a local physician. This column is coordinated by Peg Campbell of the University of Michigan Health Centers.

## 'One-Act Festival' comes to Novi

**Theatre:** Novi Youth Theatre's Performance Plus presents its "One-Act Festival" consisting of three one-act plays from the works of Kurt Vonnegut Jr., William Faulkner and D.H. Lawrence, April 23-25 at the Novi Civic Center Stage. Times are: Friday, April 23, and Saturday April 24, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 25, at 3 p.m. Advance tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for seniors and kids under 12. Tickets at the door are \$7 and \$5. For more information, please call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400.

**Novi Jaguars:** The Novi Jaguar Soccer teams held their annual Kick-Off Dinner April 7 and were treated to a visit from Detroit Rocker Lars Richter. More than 200 people attended the event.

The Jaguars are sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department and have four select and three premier teams. For more information about the Jaguars call Marilyn Hart at 349-3424. Tryouts for fall teams will be held in late June and early July.

**Walled Lake happenings:** The Walled Lake Community Education Department will be offering several activities this summer for all ages.

Adult golf lessons will be held at Novi Oaks April 12 through June 24 from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Adult softball leagues start April 28 and run through Aug. 13. For more information on Walled Lake Community Education offerings please contact Lori Ann Stanton at 960-8370.

**Golf Clinic:** Bavarian Village Ski and Golf is kicking off the new season with free golf clinics. Bavarian Village would like to welcome area golfers to join us every Wednesday from now until April 21. Clinics start at 7:30 p.m. and last an hour. The store is located in the Novi Town Center. For more information call 347-3323.

**Novi Youth Baseball Tryouts:** Tryouts for the Novi Youth Baseball league will be held April 24 at Bosco Field on Beck Road. Tryouts are for all players at the senior division level, as well as all other players that are new to the league or are in a new division. Senior tryouts are at 10 a.m., Majors will follow at 11 a.m., Ponies at 12:30 p.m. and Minors at 2:30. For more information call 349-2543.

**Golf League:** Novi Parks and Recreation will sponsor a new adult golf league at the Links of Novi this spring. This mixed league will play on Mondays with tee-off times between 4:30-5:30 p.m. The league begins play on April 18 and runs for 18 weeks. Registration is \$36 for residents and \$42.20 for non-residents, which includes awards, weekly prizes, raffle prizes, a site supervisor and banquet. Greens fees are \$15 per week for a total cost of \$306. The league is limited to 32 golfers and

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registration is on a first-come first serve basis. For more information call 347-0400.

**Coaches Needed:** Coaches are needed for Novi Youth Baseball's new travel team, which will consist of 17- and 18-year-olds. If you are interested, please contact Angelo Carcone at 348-9196.

**Tennis Lessons:** Classes for beginners to adult intermediate will be conducted by Novi Parks and Recreation this spring. Cost is \$42 for residents and \$50.40 for non-residents. Session I registration deadline is April 21 and Session II registration deadline is May 19. Call 347-0400 for more information.

**Novi Trackers:** The Novi Trackers is a running club whose members range from the casual jogger to serious competitor. The Trackers meet twice weekly and all runners are invited to join any of the club runs. Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at Novi High School and Saturdays at 8 a.m. at the Sundowner Restaurant parking lot, across the street from the Northville Post office. For more information, please call Hub Copp, Club President at 348-7779.

**Aerobic Exercise:** Designed for men and women, this aerobic exercise program stresses an individual workout at your own pace. The class, sponsored by Novi Community Education, meets at Novi Meadows Gym Monday through Thursday from 7-8 p.m. For more information, call 344-8330.

**Horseback Riding:** Learn "English Style" riding at Haverhill Farms indoor facility in Novi. Classes range from beginner to advanced. Register at Novi Parks and Recreation office. Call Haverhill Farms at 624-5554 on class availability. The fee is \$95 for residents and \$114 for non-residents. For more information call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400.

**Volunteers Needed:** Novi Youth Baseball needs volunteers for the 1993 baseball season (the last year at Bosco Field). The league needs an Activities Director. The Activities Director is in charge of awards, team pictures, team picnic, etc. If you would like to be a part of Novi Youth Baseball for the upcoming season, call 349-2543 or 348-5637.



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**REAL ESTATE**

**New structures are being framed with steel**

By James M. Woodard  
Copley News Service

A home or other building is no stronger than its frame. And the strongest, most durable frame material is steel. That's why an increasing number of new structures are being framed with steel, as opposed to the more conventional wood frames.

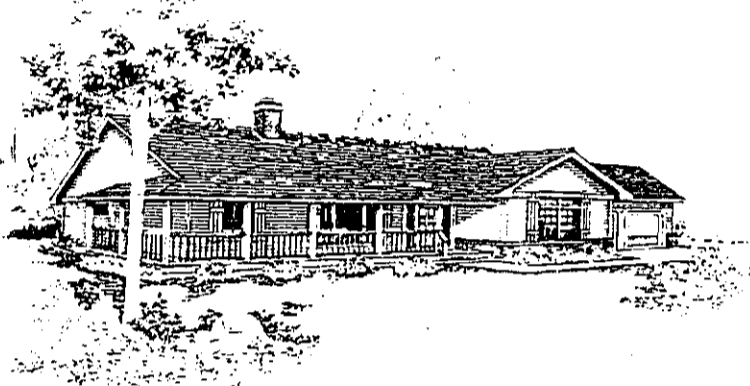
For example, one current "steel framing" project now on the drawing boards in California includes two barns and a residence. The buildings will be built this year, all

framed with steel. "I've compared the use of wood vs. steel framing from every perspective," said Brian Larson, an architect and owner-builder of the structures. "There will never be a termite problem with my frames and each frame element will be precisely cut to specifications—no waste of material or time."

Larson also noted that steel frames cannot contribute to a fire. And steel is an 80 percent recyclable material.

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**HOME DESIGNS**



**The Henning is straight and pure country living**

By James McAlexander  
Copley News Service

A wide, wraparound railed porch adds a touch of nostalgia to the country/ranch-style Henning. Hang an old-fashioned porch swing here and bring on the chilled lemonade.

Soft, natural light from four skylights illuminates the large 19-by-17-foot family room at the core of this medium-size home. Not that this would be a dark space without them. Wide expanses of glass on three sides add brightness, giving the area the feeling of wide-open spaces.

A country kitchen with a wide work island is located at the opposite end. Although the area to the right of the kitchen is designated as an eating nook, some families might prefer to place their informal eating area under the skylights and close to the fireplace.

Other features in the kitchen include a walk-in pantry, a Lazy Susan in the corner cupboard and a dishwasher that faces into the family room.

French doors in both the dining

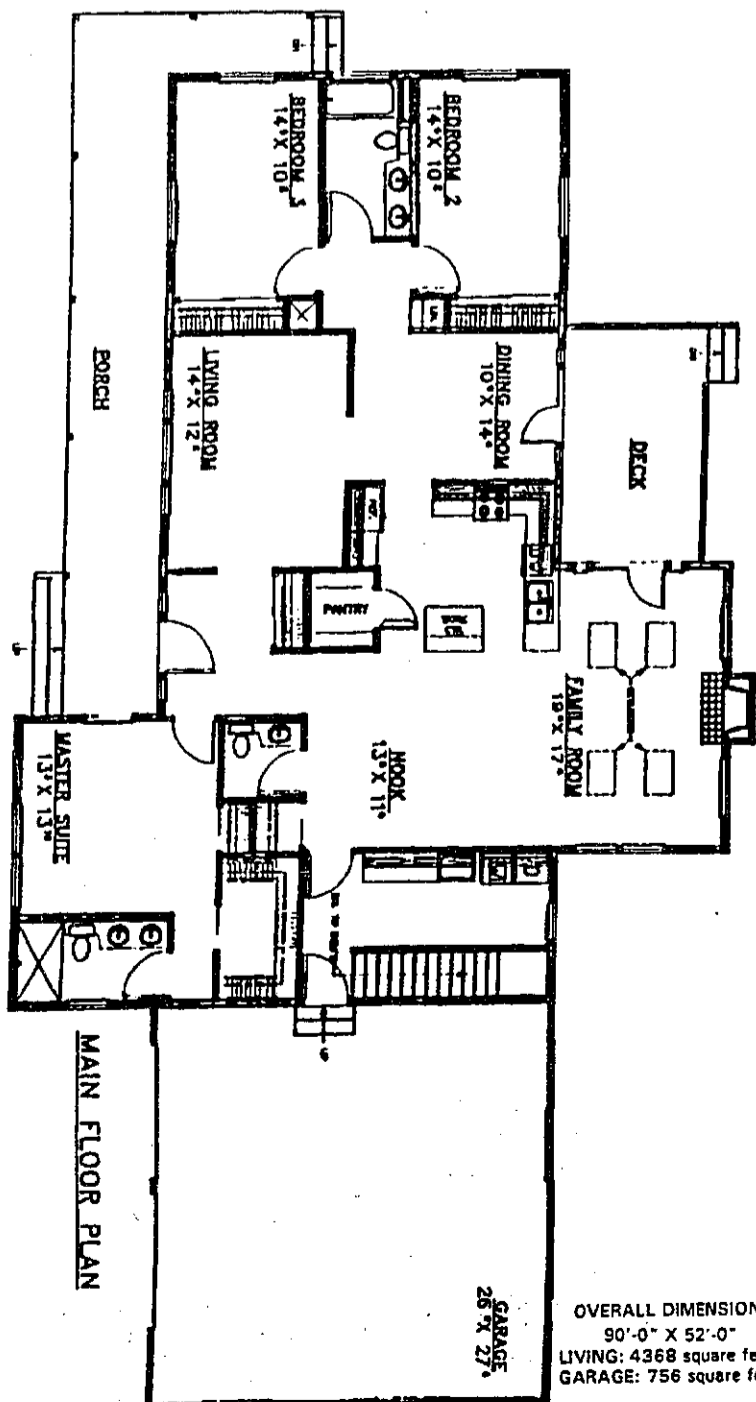
room and family room open onto a small deck.

The master suite is close to the front entry and isolated from the other two bedrooms for added privacy. In addition to a large walk-in closet, it has a smaller cedar-lined closet for protection from moths and a private bathroom with twin vanities.

Twin basins in the bathroom shared by the other two bedrooms will help ease early-morning competition for mirrors, especially if teen-agers occupy the home.

The utility room is equally convenient to the kitchen and the two-car garage, allowing for wash-up after working outside. Although the utility room is not designed with a door to the back yard, this situation could be remedied by simply substituting a door for a window.

For a study plan of the Henning (100-39) 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.)



**RADON**

It's been getting a lot of attention lately because levels of it have been detected in schools throughout the United States, but radon can be a threat in homes as well.

Radon is a naturally occurring gas produced by the breakdown of uranium in soil, rock and water. Radon is estimated to cause many thousands of lung cancer deaths each year. The Surgeon General has warned that exposure to radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States.

Nearly one out of every 15 homes in the United States is estimated to have elevated radon levels, according to "A Citizen's Guide to Radon." The guide is published by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Public Health Service. Copies of the guide are available at the Livingston County Health Department.

In southeast Michigan, there are pockets of uranium that were left behind by the glaciers, so there may be problems with radon in some area homes, according to Mark Doyle of the Livingston County Health Department.

Doyle added that just because there is ura-

nium in the area, that doesn't mean that all of the homes in one area will be threatened by radon. The problem is usually very localized, he said.

"It's very house-specific," he said. "You can't look to one street or one neighborhood and say there's a problem."

Radon moves up through the ground and into the air in a building through cracks and other holes in the foundation, Doyle said. The structure traps the radon and allows it to build up, and this is where the problems start.

It doesn't matter whether a home is old or new. Also, it doesn't matter whether a home has a basement, a crawl-space, or has no basement, radon can still be a problem.

So, how do you find out if there are high levels of radon in your home?

"The only way you can find out if you have a problem is if you test," Doyle said.

Doyle said that it is fairly simple to

accurately test a home for radon. Many area stores carry radon test kits that include a charcoal canister that may be placed in the basement of the home for a certain amount of time. Then the canister is sealed and mailed to a laboratory for analysis.

"That's a fairly reliable testing method," he said.

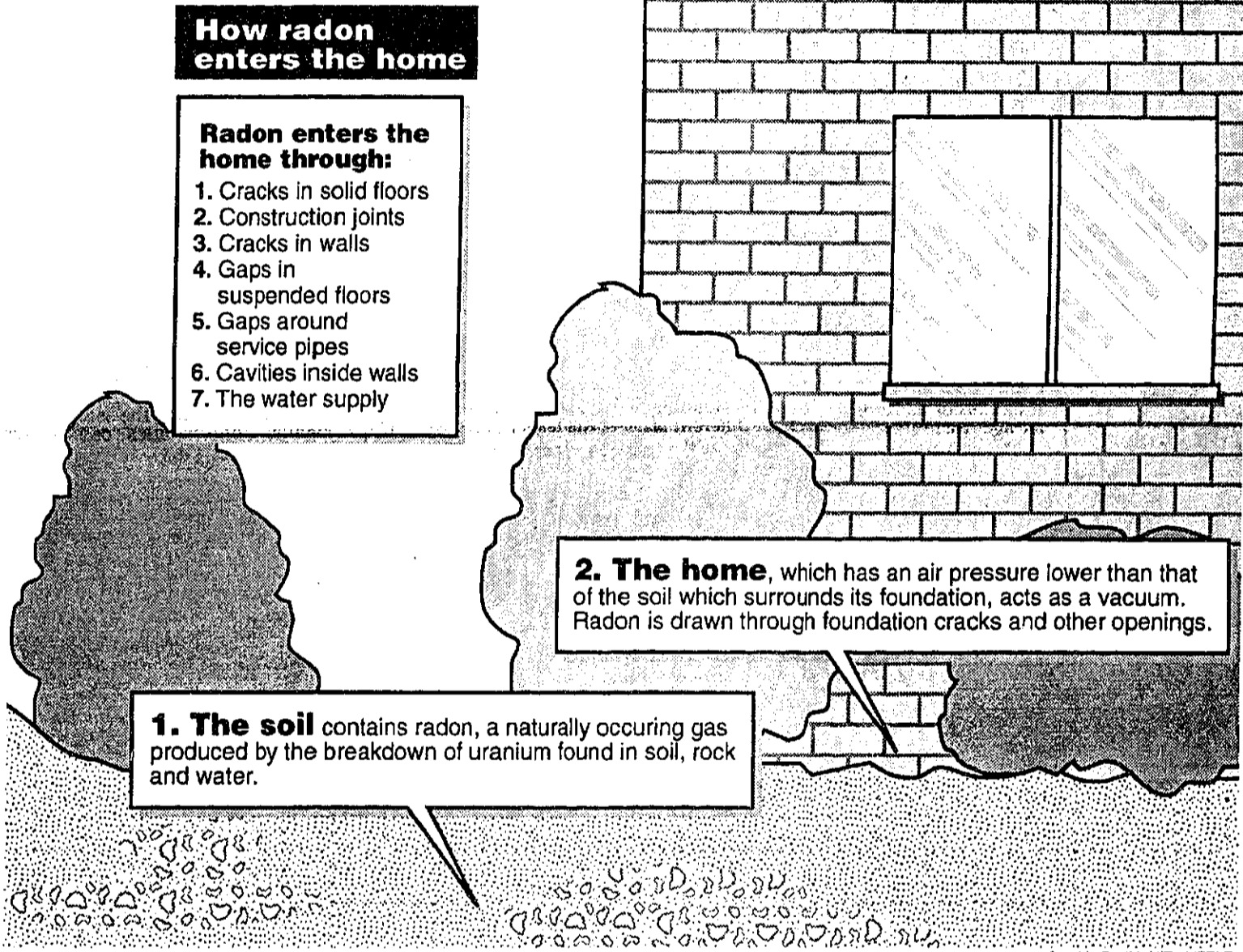
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**How radon enters the home**

**Radon enters the home through:**

1. Cracks in solid floors
2. Construction joints
3. Cracks in walls
4. Gaps in suspended floors
5. Gaps around service pipes
6. Cavities inside walls
7. The water supply



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**Plants, birds and bees**

By C.Z. Guest  
Copley News Service

**GARDENING**

In the plant kingdom, it takes not only two to tango but sometimes three. Gardeners, therefore, must often get into the pollination act.

Over the millenniums, we have cross-pollinated all different kinds of plants (trees, vegetables, flowers and grains). For instance, grains, which have become our major food supply, now have larger seeds and larger yields than our ancestral varieties, thanks to plant breeders, the result of never-ending, careful cross-breeding and selection.

Flowers are another rich source for plant breeding. You may not be aware that there is a great deal of hanky-panky going on among all the flowers and all their pollinators. The birds, bees and insects play the role of "messenger," carrying the pollen from one flower to another, the most ingenious role in nature.

Pollinators also include butterflies and small mammals, such as lemurs in Madagascar, small rodents in Africa and opossums in Australia. The role of messenger is essential. Without the messenger, the world would be without diversity, without seed.

The creatures who carry out

pollination have their reward, too. For instance, bees and birds get flower nectar that they use as food and a certain portion of the pollen, as well.

In order for a flower to be able to attract the animal or insect that pollinates it, the flower must have a specific odor or color. In other words, a pattern that directs the insect to the flower center, where the sex parts and the nectar are located.

Many insects have vision that is shifted (as compared to ours) with respect to the portion of the light spectrum they can see. They do not see red but can see ultraviolet, which we unfortunately cannot.

Flowers pollinated by bees and birds are usually showy and colorful and, of course, can be very complicated.

Some orchids even go so far to duplicate the shape of the insect that pollinates them! The insect comes to the flower believing it is going to mate with another insect like itself but, lo and behold, unexpected results occur: orchid seeds!

Often, the relationship between flower and its pollinator is very specific. The yucca and the yucca moth, for



**Pollination primer**

**Beets:**  
Pollinated by wind.

- Birds, bees and insects are the messengers who carry pollen from flower to flower.
- Flowers pollinated by birds and bees are showier and more colorful than those pollinated by insects.
- Some plants and pollinators have a specific relationship; only a yucca moth can pollinate a yucca plant.
- All cereal grains and grasses are pollinated by wind. So are spinach, beets and rhubarb.

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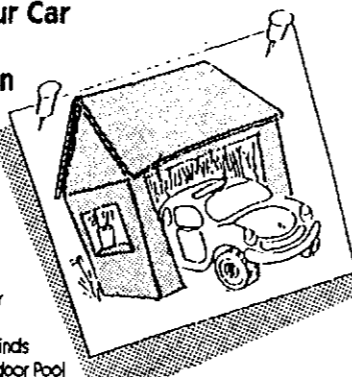
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# The kids menu is a ViewMaster at Shield's Pizza

By RICK BYRNE  
Copy Editor

There's a new dimension to family dining at Shield's Restaurant Bar & Pizzeria in Novi.

Shield's, home of the award-winning, deep-dish, Sicilian-style pizza has added a kiddie menu that is presented to youngsters on the famous three-dimensional View-Master cameras.

The View-Master, a popular child's toy for nearly 30 years, is presented to the child while adults are given Shield's regular menu. Pictures of the five entrees and two desserts on the kiddie menu appear in the viewfinder, accompanied by a furry costumed critter.

From the not-so-ferocious lion and tiger to a cuddly koala and hip-hopping bunny, the stars of Shield's kiddie menu were chosen to be entertaining for customers between the ages of 3 and 10.

According to Manager Jeanette Russell, the new idea has received rave reviews from the toughest of critics.

"A lot of parents are really happy with it," Russell said. "And the kids enjoy going through it and ordering."

Shield's owners decided that adding a kiddie menu would help attract families to the restaurant. But they also needed a unique way to keep the kids occupied until

mealtime.

"Children greatly influence families' choice in restaurants," said Lee Moraitis, vice president and corporate director of operations for Shield's. "In 1990, the NRA/Gallup Poll showed that children between the ages of 6 and 12 are very influential in decisions to eat out. In fact, 48 percent of the parents polled with toddlers under age 6 said their children specifically request a favorite restaurant, and that's precisely where the families dine."

"It can be difficult for parents to keep small children happily occupied before the food arrives," Moraitis continued. "The View-Master camera has always been popular among children. We selected this toy as the subject of our kiddie menu because of its tremendous ability to engage children's interest."

In addition, the kiddie menu is printed on a placemat for the youngsters. The placemat is loaded with games, puzzles and pictures for them to color with crayons provided by Shield's.

Small-fry customers can enjoy children's portions of Shield's famous deep-dish pizza, nachos, spaghetti, chicken strips, grilled cheese and chips, apple cobbler, and hot fudge sundae. This View-Master kiddie menu is available at Shield's four locations: Novi, Southfield, Sterling Heights and Troy.



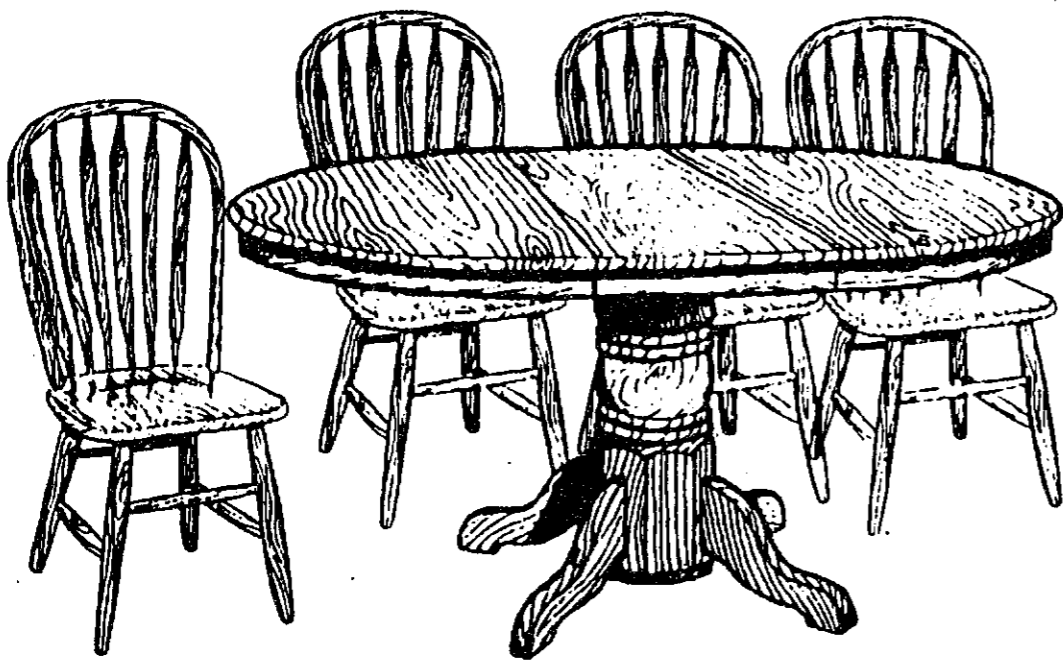
An entertaining way to read the children's menu.

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- Don't buy an item just because you have a coupon for it, and don't assume an item is a bargain just because it's on sale.
- Compare brands for the lowest price offered for the same item. Items are easy to compare, just check the ingredients if you're not sure.
- Consider trying generic paper products, toiletries, canned goods, etc. If you don't like them you can always go back to your regular brand.
- Make sure the credit card you carry best suits your needs. If you pay off your balance each billing cycle, look for a card with a grace period and no annual fee. If you roll over part of your balance due from month to month, make sure to use a card with a low annual percentage rate. It's worth noting that credit unions maintain low credit card interest rates.
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## Lessons to learn from tax stories

### Money Management

To avoid being an April fool this tax season, the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants urges you to take note of these tax stories. You may just learn some valuable lessons that can save you tax dollars and prevent you from running into trouble with the IRS.

**IRS doesn't pay for housekeeping**  
The pressures of working and raising children doesn't allow you to claim a tax deduction for hiring someone to clean your home. Brian and Suzanne Knutson, who both work full-time, learned this during appearances before the Tax Court. Brian, an accountant, and Suzanne, a teacher, have three children. They contracted with a cleaning service to have their home cleaned on a weekly basis and included their payments to the cleaning service in computing the child care credit on their tax return.

The IRS disallowed the credit to the extent that it was based on payments to the cleaning service. That's because qualified child care expenses are limited to those that enable parents to be gainfully employed.

### Recording helps cocktail waitress

Even if you have been found guilty of tax delinquencies, it doesn't mean you owe the IRS penalty payments—or that you must pay for unnecessary legal fees. Take the case of Dennis and Kathleen Heasley. Although they did not challenge the IRS' contention that they owed over \$10,000 in tax shelter deductions and \$20,000 investment credit claim, they felt the IRS was unjustified in charging them penalties totaling \$7,420. They had limited education and investment experience and had relied on the advice of a financial consultant.

The Fifth Circuit Court agreed with them and said the penalties were not justified or should have been waived by the IRS. What's more, the Circuit Court enabled them to recover more than \$7,000 of court costs and attorney fees which the Heasleys incurred while disputing the IRS penalties. (Heasley, CA-5 7/20/92)

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Oginski is a U.S. Army disabled veteran. She previously served as Prosthetic Staff Representative at the Batavia, New York VAMC. Her career with VA began in 1985 at the Portland, Oregon VAMC where she worked as orthotist-prosthetist. She received her training in Prosthetic Management at the Salt Lake City, Utah VAMC.

A native of Northville, Oginski attended the College of Charleston in South Carolina and earned her Associates of Arts degree from Trident Technical College there. She then studied orthotics and prosthetics in a hands-on environment at Northeast Metro Tech Institute in White Bear Lake, Minnesota where she finished at the top of her class.

Oginski is the first vocational rehabilitation student and the first woman VA has trained in the orthotics-prosthetics program.

**JACK MacLACHLAN**, president of D&N Bank of South Lyon, announced the re-entrance of D&N Bank into the investment property mortgage market.

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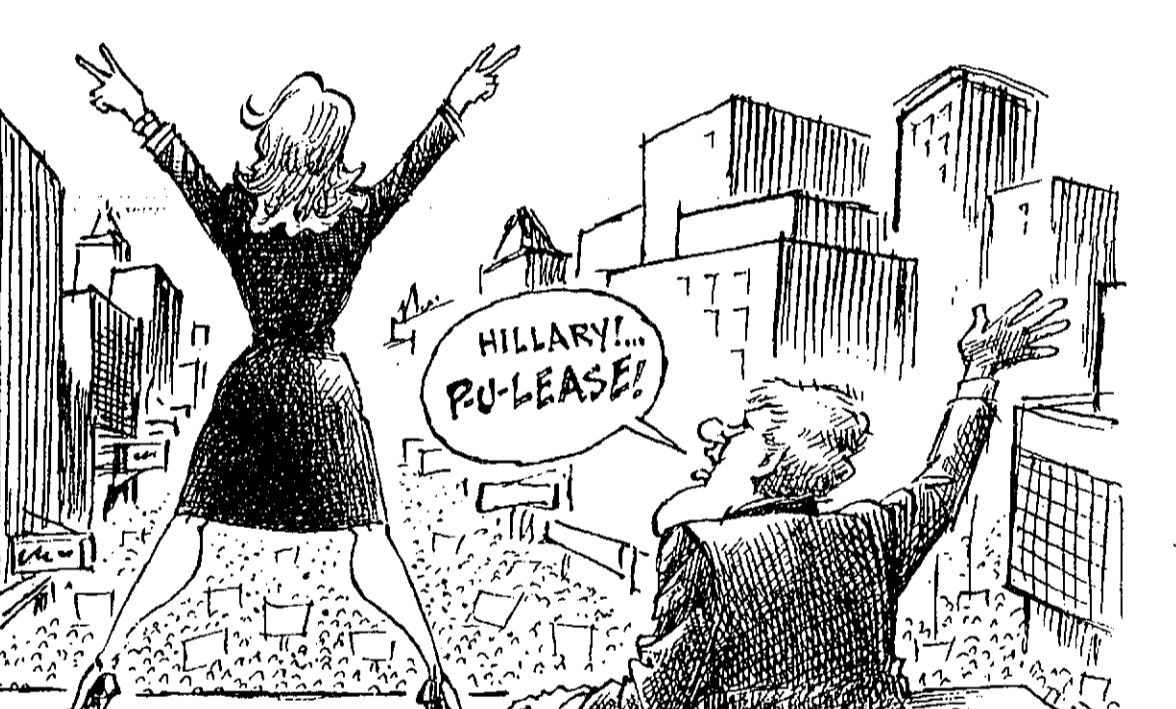
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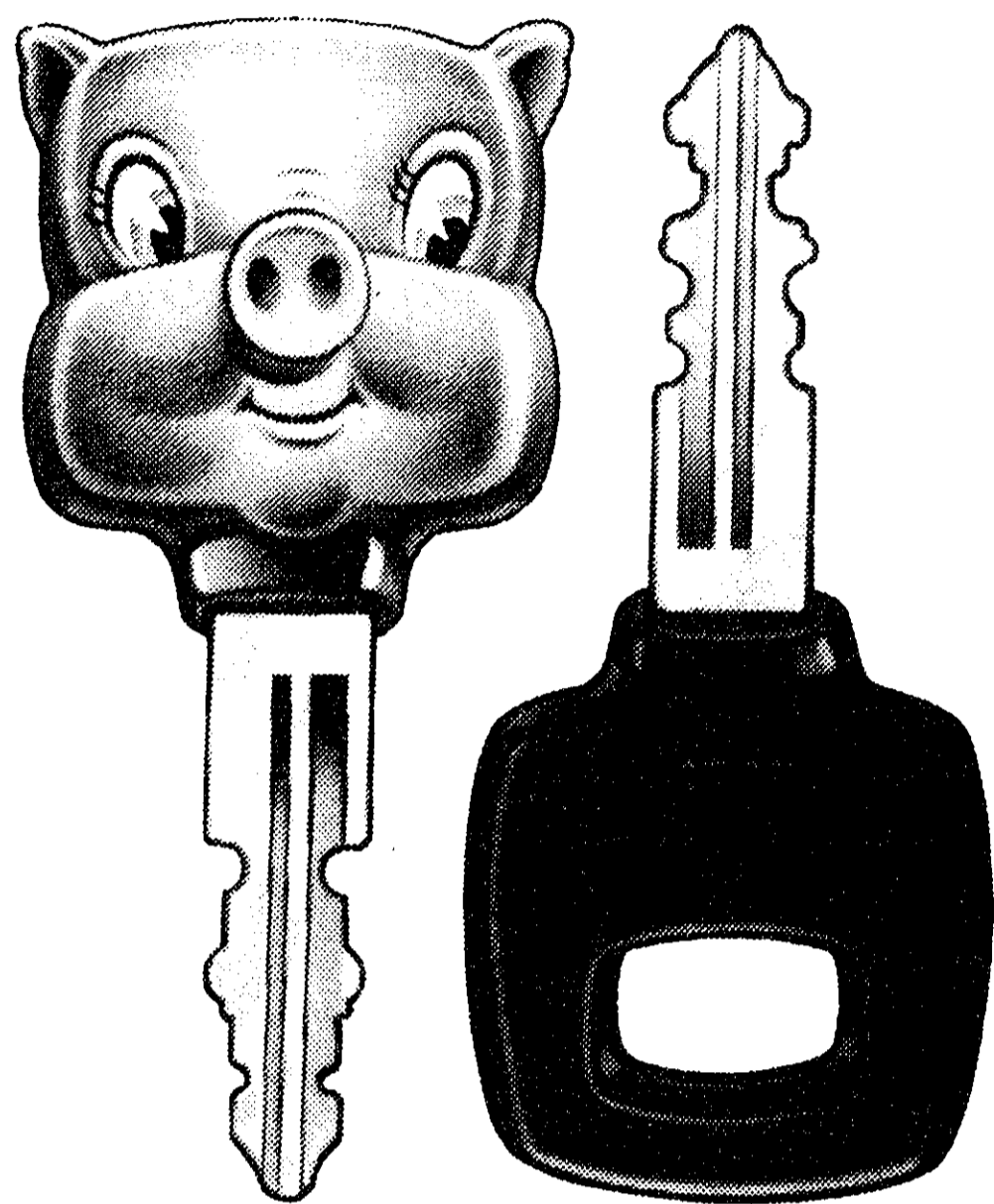
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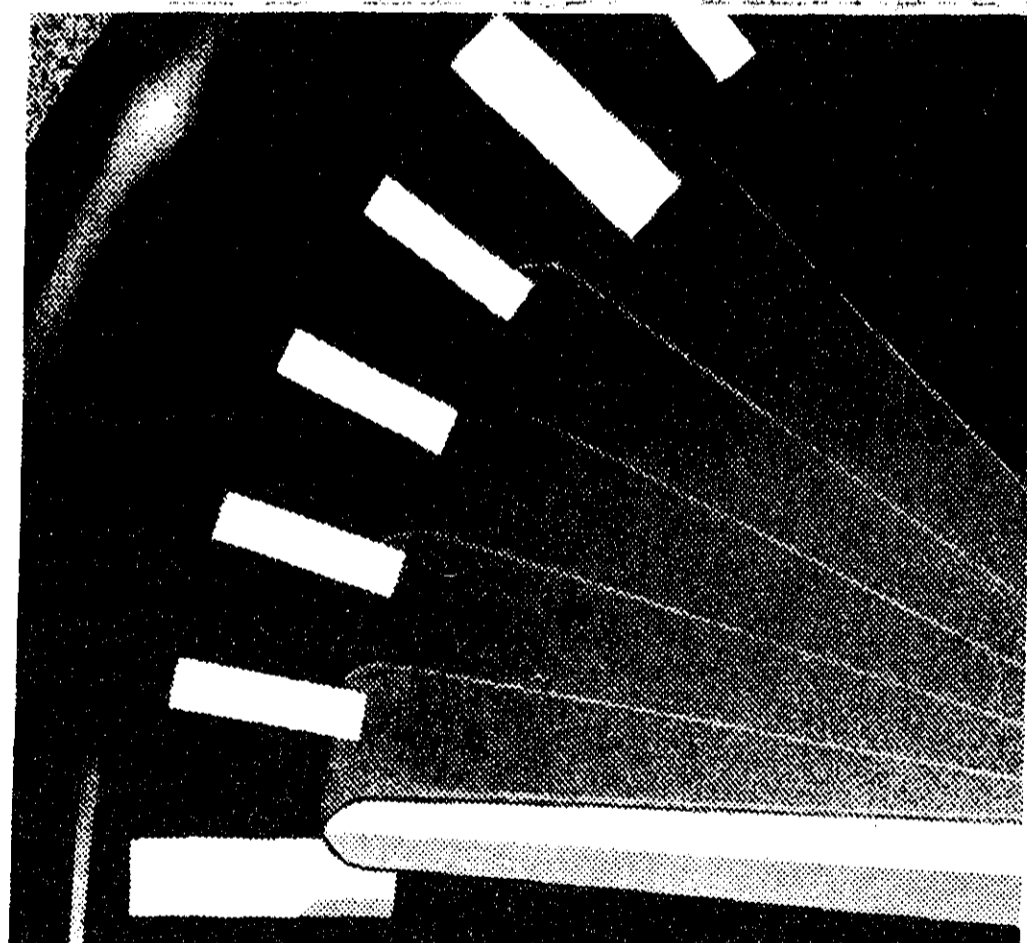
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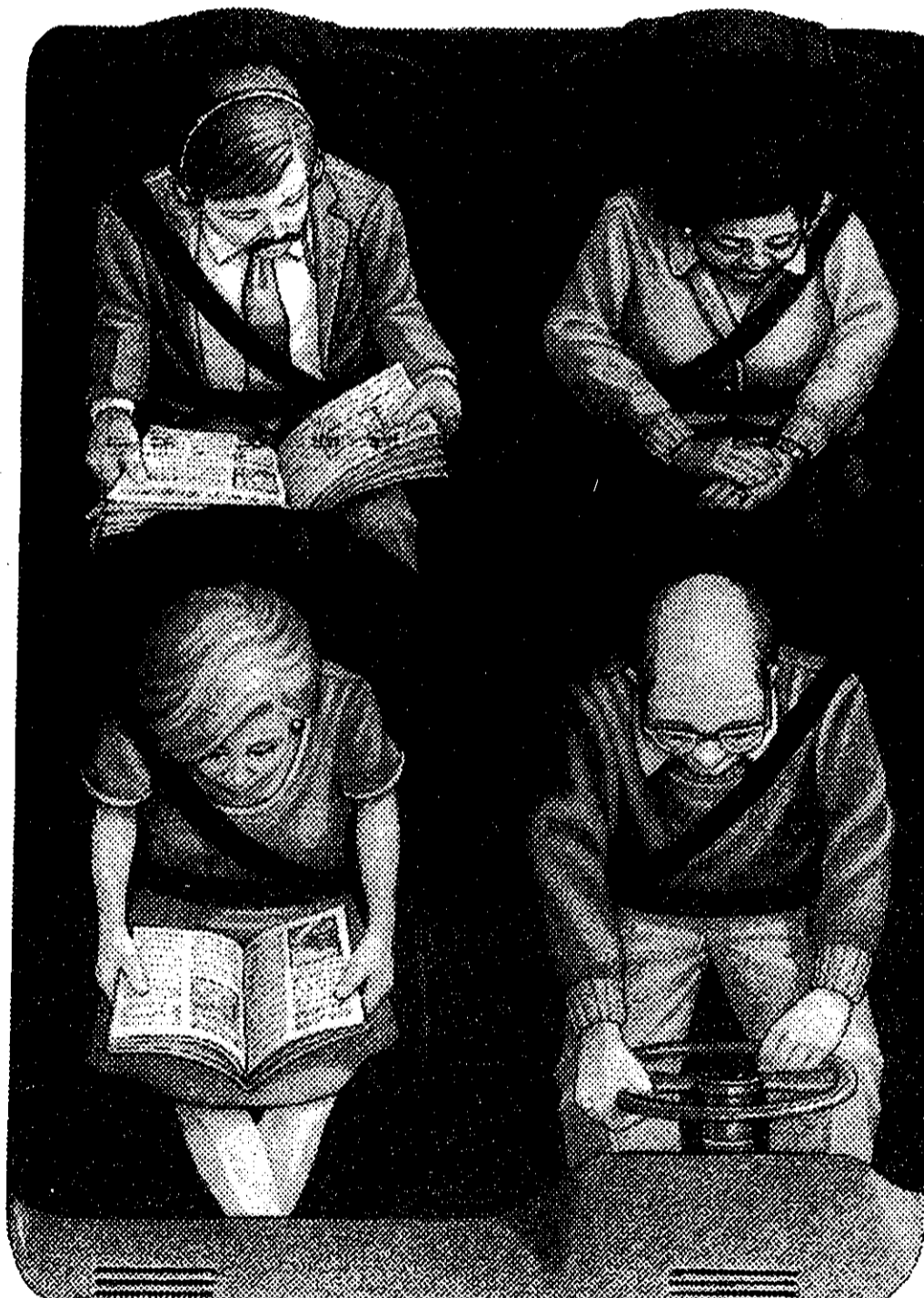
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