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Should city regulate its cable rates?

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Many couch potatoes have seen their cable television costs sprout upwards this fall and local officials may now seek to consolidate their power to challenge these price hikes.

Tonight, the Novi City Council will decide if they will join Farmington and Farmington Hills in seeking certification from the Federal Communications Commission to regulate cable rates.

Since 1982, the three cities have shared a franchise agreement with MetroVision of Oakland County, which is overseen by the Southwestern Oakland County Cable Commission. SWOCC, Farmington and Farmington Hills last week agreed to proceed with the filing and could ask MetroVision to account for its Sept. 1 price increase.

"In the future, even if the cities become certified, the FCC will determine if the rate is accurate. We will administrate it, not truly regulate it," SWOCC executive director Lark Samouelian explained.

Since the U.S. Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992 has gone into effect, the legislation designed to lower cable rates instead led to larger bills for many consumers.

"SWOCC intends to challenge MetroVision's recent cost jump from eight cents to \$11.18 cents a month for the basic cable service," Samouelian said.

MetroVision implemented the increased charge to offset \$13,000 in monthly revenue losses elsewhere, as the new law reduced extra charges for additional outlets and remote controls.

MetroVision President Tom Bjorklund said that the basic tier was "a public service" the cable operator could no longer afford. Typically, it is a service used by senior citizens.

"We don't think it's fair. We were glad to provide a service that was, frankly, being subsidized by other customers, but a low-price service for many years. It was not part of our franchise that we needed to do it," Bjorklund added.

The company calculates that about 73 percent of the basic service customers put up with the new charges, 15 percent upgraded to full basic service and the rest had their cable pulled out.

Samouelian said about 20 local MetroVision customers have asked SWOCC for application forms to file a complaint with the FCC over the rate changes.

"The intent of the regulation was to have the rates go down and have the service enhanced," Samouelian said.

"However they (the cable companies) interpreted the law, there have been a lot of unintentional loopholes in it. It's very possible the law will be revised."

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Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Novi High School's 1993 Homecoming Court: freshmen A.J. Lutz, Sarah McGlinnen and Brian Abbott; sophomore Pam Burns; and juniors Scott Morrison and Jennifer Ryan; seniors Jason Black, Jason Fischer, Andy Muzzin, Tony Dobson, Kathleen Ruzyski, Christy Yono, Julie Martin and Ellie Johnson. Not pictured is sophomore Mike Bendernagel.

Homecoming festivities start today

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

The wait is almost over. Homecoming week at Novi High School starts tomorrow.

Homecoming is one of those unique events that tugs the heartstrings of high school alumni — past, present and future. This year's festival spans five days of fun and excitement during Spirit Week.

Things kick off Tuesday with "clash day," students' chance to raid their closets and roam the halls dressed in mismatching outfits that give new meaning to the word "eyesore."

"Colors day" comes next, on Wednesday. Each class wears its special color as a show of school spirit. Seniors will wear black, juniors don red, sophomores sport blue and freshmen will put on purple.

Next comes Thursday and trip back to the 1960s: "hippie day." Flower children, rejoice —

you're in vogue again, if only for a day.

Friday will see all Novi High students come together to show their spirit. They'll raise the Wildcat standard high by donning the school's colors during "green and white day."

Then, of course, comes the pep assembly, where the school will meet its 1993 homecoming court. They include the following class representatives: freshmen A.J. Lutz, Sarah McGlinnen and Brian Abbott; sophomores Pam Burns and Mike Bendernagel; and juniors Scott Morrison and Jennifer Ryan.

The senior class homecoming court are Jason Black, Jason Fischer, Andy Muzzin, Tony Dobson, Kathleen Ruzyski, Christy Yono, Julie Martin and Ellie Johnson.

Up next on Friday is the homecoming parade. It begins at 4 p.m. at Holy Family Church, located at the intersection of Ten Mile and Meadowbrook Roads. Paraders will march to the high school, located at the corner of Taft and Ten

Mile roads.

This year's floats, a staple of the parade, include a variety of themes. Seniors will ride one with an "Energizer" theme; juniors "Taco Bell"; sophomores do double duty with a float on "Chevrolet and Coca-Cola;" and freshman round out the pack with "Nike Air."

The floats will be on display in the Ten Mile parking lot of the high school until 6:30 p.m. for those who are unable to attend the parade.

Halftime at the Friday football game will feature the naming of the 1993 homecoming King and Queen.

Rounding everything off will be the homecoming dance on Saturday, Oct. 9 in the high school commons. The shindig kicks off at 7 p.m., and tickets must be purchased in advance. There will be no sales at the door. They're \$5 per person and \$10 per couple, available during lunch periods in the high school commons area.

Jack Kemp addresses supporters

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

He's been an NFL champion, Congressman, U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and just may be the 1996 Republican Presidential nominee — so when Jack Kemp talks, people listen.

And listen they did Tuesday as Kemp held forth before a crowd at the Novi Hilton on how to Empower America.

That's the name of the organization he and other well-known conservatives Kemp put together earlier this year. Empower America, Kemp said, aims at advancing "social and entrepreneurial capitalism here and around the world." He outlined on Tuesday the group's basic beliefs and offered criticism of some Clinton administration economic moves during the speech.

Kemp, a major player in Republican politics for several years, has been a strong supporter of the traditional GOP stand for cutting the depth and breadth of governmental influence in people's lives, particularly in the economy.

As HUD Secretary under George Bush, Kemp pushed a program that

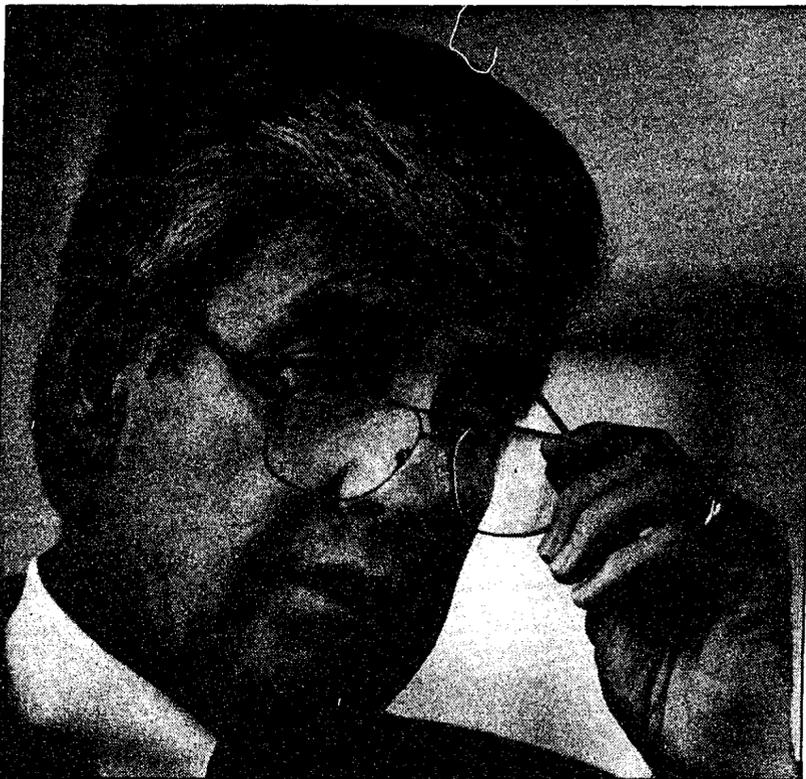


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Finance debate goes on at Hilton

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

It may not have brought agreement, but it did provide the movers and shakers in public education an opportunity to debate where it is in Michigan — and where it's going.

"Schools, Taxation and Michigan's Future" was the title of a conference that ranged over the educational landscape last weekend. The event, held Sept. 26-27 at the Novi Hilton, invited the hundreds of politicians, teachers, researchers and businesspeople who attended to examine many different problems and

possible solutions facing education today.

Number one on the list of topics was Senate Bill 1, the measure approved this summer that eliminates state property taxes earmarked for public education. How — and how much — Michigan lawmakers will replace the lost school funding is the \$6.5 billion question.

Many believe that Michigan will see one of two financing plans:

■ A "base grant" system, where state income, sales or business taxes will rise to give a set amount of money for every public school student in Michigan. Local districts

would have the option to ask for voter approval of local property or possibly income taxes to raise additional monies.

■ A return to the old property tax system. Many say this will occur because legislators will not have the support for radical change; others favor the move in any case because it means that local dollars pay for local education, keeping state influence to a minimum.

Other issues hot on the conference's agenda are ones Gov. John Engler and state Republicans generally have backed: educational reforms such as schools of choice,

privatization of services, tenure reform and competitive bidding of health care for school districts.

Many expect the state to settle the finance issue within the next few months, before the new year comes. If no funding bill is passed by Jan. 1, by law any such measure will need two-thirds support of both Michigan houses, a tough sell.

Among the other topics discussed in the two-day conference:

- Linking educational reform to financing.
- Setting educational outcomes

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Novi district unveils its long range plans

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

"If you don't know where you're going," the proverb goes, "any road will get you there."

Parents, students and officials of the Novi Community School District believe the reverse is true as well: you need a coherent, comprehensive plan to take education in the directions you want it to go.

The district has a new, wide-ranging and far-reaching roadmap to guide its activities in the coming years, thanks to the efforts of its 47-member Long Range Planning Advisory Committee. Committee members took up Superintendent of Schools Emmett Lippe's call for the plan that would cover the challenges Novi schools will face in the next half-decade.

Work began in January and the committee completed the report and submitted it to the Board of

Education this summer. At their Sept. 23 meeting, board members voted to adopt the plan for the district.

Members identified major goals for the district to accomplish between now and 1998. The report suggested that the board form a committee for each goal — a task force team, they're called — to implement the plans.

Nine goals were included. Exit competencies: To develop and implement a K-12 exit competency based education program.

Technology: To develop systematic implementation of technology as an instructional tool throughout preschool-12th grader.

Quality programs: To develop and implement a plan to have quality in all aspects of programs and services in the district.

Business partnerships: To create

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Community Calendar

To get your organization's activities, regular meetings or special events listed in the Community Calendar, send information to Community Calendar, The Novi News, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

Today, October 4

Red Ribbon Week: National Red Ribbon Week is this week (through October 8). Put a red ribbon on your vehicle, mailbox or clothing to show support for keeping young people drug free.

Novi Adventurers: The Novi Adventurers 4H Club welcomes new and returning families to its first meeting of the 4H year at 6:30 p.m. at the Tollgate Education Center (Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook). Membership is open to children who will be at least 6 years of age by December 31, 1993. Project areas include crafts, sewing, entomology, natural resources, cooking, clowning and photography. For more information, call Dyan St. Clair at 477-1168.

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

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

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

TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at Novi High School, Room 109. For more information, call 348-9691.

Choir Boosters Meeting: The Novi High School Choir Boosters will meet at 7 p.m., followed by a Madrigal Dinner planning meeting.

Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters: The Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters Club meets from 7-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile. For more information call Barbara Wold at 464-4199. Visitors are welcome.

Tuesday, October 5

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

Menopause Support Group: Providence Medical Center's Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., hosts a monthly menopause support group from 7:30-9 p.m. for women with concerns about menopause. Call 380-4115 for more information.

Board of Appeals: The Novi Board of Appeals will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

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

Chess Club: The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-9633 evenings after 6 p.m.

Armerman PTA: The Armerman PTA will meet at 7 p.m. in the school Media Center. Free child care will be available.

Wednesday, October 6

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

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

Business Network International: The Farmington Hills chapter of The Business Network International, made up of members from 10 neighboring communities, meets at 7 a.m. at the Tollgate 4-H Education Center, 12 Mile at Meadowbrook Rd. For chapter information or an invitation to one of the meetings, please call 642-7225.

Good Morning Novi! The Novi Chamber of Commerce breakfast series presents the City of Novi mayoral candidates at 7:30 a.m. at the Country Epicure Restaurant. Admission is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members.

Thursday, October 7

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

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

American Business Women's Assoc.: The Novi Oaks Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will meet at Country Epicure Restaurant on Grand River. Social Hour is at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. followed by a general membership meeting. Cost is \$15. All working women are invited. For reservations call Cynthia McKissack, 397-7990. For membership information, call 478-5048.

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

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CH.A.D.D.: Children with Attention Disorders (CH.A.D.D.) of Southwestern Oakland County will hold a support group meeting at the Novi Public Library. Registration begins at 6:45 p.m. and meeting time is 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Carol Pearsall, MSW with Pinckney Schools, discussing "Coping Skills." Persons interested in Attention Deficit Disorders can write for more information to 12579 Dejarol, South Lyon, MI 48178 or call the Hotline at 486-2876.

QUEST aids parents to raise their teens

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Hey, all you parents of adolescents out there. Yes, you—the ones who raise kids during the period when they'll experience the most rapid physical, social and emotional growth of their lives, except for infancy.

Have you ever hunted for a helping hand in how to deal with your young person? Searched for solutions to those early-teen dilemmas? If so, your quest can take a new tack, beginning tonight (Oct. 4) with, well, QUEST.

QUEST is a national program Novi Middle School is part of which teaches adolescents how to develop the self-confidence, self-esteem and survival skills they'll need to grow up right. Designed by a group of nationally-known educators, Novi Middle School's QUEST program revolves around two components: a confidence course, a class sure to appreciate seventh and eighth graders can elect to take, and a series of four parent nights during the year.

The evening meetings include guest speakers that will give valuable advice on how parents can help their adolescents grow into well-balanced, confident young adults that can make it through the turbulent teen years and beyond.

The first parent night is tonight (Oct. 4) and QUEST program coordinator Leslie McDonald stressed that it's open to all community parents, whether their child is enrolled in Skills for Adolescence or not.

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Resident complains of tree clearing

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

"It's proof that you absolutely cannot fight city hall."

That sums up the feelings of Novi resident Patrick Downey. He says he's frustrated following his dealings with city officials concerning trees in and near his Eleven Mile Road property.

Downey said that he complained about the way construction workers were clearing trees on the side of the thoroughfare to put in a 36-inch stormwater pipe.

"They were just rapping the landscape," Downey said. "It looked like hell."

The resident said that workers were cutting down trees wholesale in a 50-foot wide swath. After he discussed the situation with city officials, Downey added, they reduced the area to less than 20 feet.

"The woodlands in that area do not fall into the protected areas under city or state ordinance," City Forester Chris Pargoff said. "We're not sure why. It seems to be a well-wooded area."

He added that he had not handled Downey's complaint himself.

Pargoff also said that a protected cedar tree had been removed during road paving operations but that city officials were working with consulting engineers JCK & Associates to prevent this sort of thing in the future.

Downey is even more frustrated, he said, over the impending demise of two hundred-year-old trees located on his own property. City engineering consultants, Downey said, have told him they have to tunnel directly underneath them to put in the utility pipe.

That, Downey says, will kill the trees within three to four years at the most. When he asked city officials about the matter, Downey said, they told him nothing could be done.

"(City Attorney) David Fried said



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Drain work elicited a complaint from one resident when a wide path was cleared through this wooded area.

On bond, assault suspect threatens district court judge

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

Security was increased at Walled Lake 52-1 District Court last week after Judge Brian MacKenzie reportedly received a death threat from a defendant who was out on bail.

A 52-year-old Commerce Township man currently working his way through the legal system on a high misdemeanor charge of aggravated assault. Earlier last month, he failed to show up for a preliminary examination in MacKenzie's courtroom so MacKenzie issued a bench warrant carrying a \$10,000 bond.

The defendant was arrested on the warrant about two weeks ago, and a former co-worker posted the \$10,000 bond so he could be released, MacKenzie said. The man who posted bond then left for vacation. When he returned, he learned that the defendant had allegedly threatened to kill him and his family.

"He goes on vacation, then when he gets back he finds out that the guy had threatened his life, threatened the life of his whole family, and threatened my life," MacKenzie said.

The man who posted bond returned to court and asked that his bond be withdrawn from the case before the defendant's Oct. 27 jury trial on the aggravated assault charges.

"Nobody has objected to me trying it, and I am certain in my own mind that I can be fair, but I have decided that it would be better if I withdraw," he said.

This is the first time MacKenzie has ever received a death threat in his career as a judge although, he said, the family member of a defendant once threatened to blow up his house.

"My house never got blown up," he said. "I'm not really concerned this time, either."

That doesn't mean this incident hasn't held his attention.

"Oh, it's been wild," he said. "It's been sort of interesting dealing with him."

Watkins' prelim set for district court

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

A 76-year-old Novi man charged with murdering his wife of 47 years will be in court Friday so that a judge can determine whether there is enough evidence for trial.

Frederick Watkins faces first degree murder charges in connection with the stabbing death of his wife, Theresa Watkins, 68, on the morning of Sept. 26. His wife died shortly after police broke into their Broquet Street condominium and reportedly found Watkins holding a butcher knife, which was plunged into her chest.

Watkins is currently being held without bond in Oakland County Jail.

Autopsy results indicated that Theresa Watkins was stabbed more than 20 times. Police arrived four minutes after she placed a frantic 9-1-1 call for help, but it was too late to save her.

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Woman says her ex stole purse

A Novi woman told police that her former boyfriend stole her purse from her car while she was giving him a ride Sept. 27.

She said she stopped at the Speedway gas station on Pontiac Trail, and he grabbed the purse and fled on foot. The purse contained approximately \$400, she said.

NEIGHBOR TROUBLE: A resident on Pontiac Trail told police Sept. 28 that her 8-year-old neighbor has been bullying her daughter.

The woman related a series of events involving her daughter and the neighbor boy that, she said, amounted to harassment. Further, she complained, the boy's parents seemed unwilling to do anything about the problem.

Most recently, the woman said, her daughter was playing behind Orchard Hills Elementary School when the boy grabbed her coat and bicycle, then dumped them in the woods nearby.

The incidents remain under investigation.

HARASSMENT: A Novi woman re-

Police News

The next morning he discovered the damage to his car.

LARCENY: A Laguna Miguel, California man reported Sept. 28 that someone stole his wallet while he was at the Novi Vic Tanny.

The wallet contained cash as well as the man's driver's license and various credit cards.

He told police that he set his wallet next to a Starburst machine while he was using it. He started to leave, almost forgetting it, but turned back to pick it up.

When he returned to the machine, it was gone.

VANDALISM: A Rochester Hills man reported Sept. 27 that someone smashed his 1984 Pontiac 2000 by scraping the paint with a sharp object.

The man told police he had been out of town since Sept. 17. He returned home Sept. 22 and discovered that his soon-to-be ex-wife had moved a majority of items from their home.

LARCENY: An employee at the Maples of Novi subdivision reported Sept. 26 that someone entered the clubhouse and stole a microwave from the kitchen area.

Police said a window to the kitchenette was also open. There was no further evidence at the scene.

LARCENY: A Lake Orion man re-

ported Sept. 29 that she has been receiving obscene telephone calls from an unknown male and female.

She told police that the calls come at strange hours and have been occurring regularly for the past two weeks.

The woman said the callers have been asking her to pose for nude photographs and the male caller has made several obscene suggestions. There are currently no suspects or witnesses.

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As We See It

Long range plan is well thought out document

How would you describe a successful student ready to graduate from high school? As someone who has attended classes for 12 years and received passing grades?

The state legislature, you may recall, recently decided that the successful student should be defined as someone who can pass the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) test. Under a new state law, students will soon have to pass the MEAP test to get a "state endorsed" diploma.

Both approaches assume — as assume but don't guarantee — that if students can get the grades or pass the MEAP, they've learned the things they should have to be prepared for life in our society.

Particularly forward-thinking individuals these days are talking about the "skills" students should have when they leave school. Without defining their terms, they talk of "employability skills" and "life skills."

Now consider for a moment how the 47-member Long Range Planning Advisory Committee of the Novi Community School District described what it thought should be the definition for a successful student.

- Self directed, life long learners.
- Effective communicators with skills in reading and writing, verbal and nonverbal communications, and listening, observing and viewing.
- Competent in academic concepts and skills.
- Users of technology in everyday life.
- Skillful in critical, creative and reflective thinking, including gathering, synthesizing and analyzing information, as well as problem solving and decision making.
- Responsible citizens possessing positive human relations skills in teamwork and collaboration, appreciation of diversity, and adaptability to change.

Other goals include developing a program that recognizes the diverse needs of its students, providing adequate facilities for all students, providing for quality in all of the district's programs and services, and provides an integrated curriculum.

Also on the list is the goal of developing a partnership with the Novi business community. Another significant goal is to create a plan to prioritize the school district's expenditures.

The danger of far reaching plans such as this is often that, once adopted, they are not acted upon. They wind up sitting on some shelf gathering dust.

But this plan includes timetables for implementation. According to the timetable, some goals are to be achieved within the year, and all the rest are to be accomplished by the end of the 1997-98 school year.

This is work well done by the members of the committee. We can only hope that the district and school board will work closely with the committee members to achieve these goals.



Education

representative Stacey Pearl, 11th grade representative Eugene Wang and 9th grade representative Christopher Goss.

Out of it came a nine-point plan that will guide the development and operation of the district for the next five years . . . and probably well beyond.

Lippe, all the members of the committee and the Board of Education, which voted to adopt the plan last week, deserve a great deal of credit for their accomplishment.

The 35-page report includes the list of nine goals and a timetable for accomplishing them. One of the most significant is the implementation of a K-12 program to insure that every student graduating from Novi schools has those "exit competencies."

Another important goal is the "implementation of technology as an instructional tool" throughout the district from preschool to the 12th grade. As Lippe pointed out in a recent presentation, "computer literacy" includes a great deal more these days than just knowing how to turn the machine on. It includes a full range of skills, from operating word processing programs, to running spreadsheet, to building data bases. Still, the goal goes further than learning even this extensive list of computer operation skills. The goal is to tap into databases and networks to use the technology as a tool to learn about many other topics.

Staff development is also listed as a goal, to make sure teachers can meet the expectations arising from the new technology and the "exit competencies."

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Braced for angry phone calls



Phil Jerome

"You're not really going to let that go in the paper," said one. We were so concerned that one of the last things Editor Mike Malott and I did after finishing last Thursday's edition of *The Novi News* was discuss our response when the complaints started coming in.

"How many calls you expecting?" I asked.

"A couple of hundred," he estimated.

What happened is this: Shortly before 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 26, Novi police received an emergency 9-1-1 phone call from a woman who reported that her husband was trying to kill her with a butcher knife.

The call was made by Theresa Watkins, 68, a resident of the Country Place Condominiums on Eight Mile. She and her husband Frederick "Skip" Watkins, 76, had been married 47 years and, by all accounts, had enjoyed a relatively happy marriage.

In fact, they had been to a party the evening before the fatal attack and seemed to enjoy themselves.

It was a most unusual incident. What had happened to prompt the attack? There had been no prior signs of any trouble . . . just all of a sudden a brutal attack.

We reported the story, of course. People expect that. The part of our coverage that we felt might prompt angry phone calls was the decision to print a portion of the transcript of Mrs. Watkins' call to police.

It was an eerie, troubling transcript.

"Why are you doing this, honey?" she asked. "Please stop. No more. No more, honey."

Nowhere on the transcript was there any indication that her husband had said a word. You could hear police arrive yelling through the door. But there was no indication that Mr. Watkins had uttered a single word throughout the attack.

There will be more to this story. What caused Mr. Watkins to snap? Did the fatal attack have anything to do with the medications he was taking?

It's interesting to note that police said Mr. Watkins seemed dazed when they arrived at the scene. Further, they said he was surprised to learn his wife had been murdered when arraigned the following day.

Why did we print the troubling transcript. Because it was troubling. That's one of the reasons.

We also felt it said something about violence. Media is often accused of glamorizing violence. Not us; not this time. We reported the grisly proceedings as depicted on the tape.

And we're also concerned that the murder might have had something to do with those medications. If this type of bizarre incident can happen to "normal" people, it's something we all need to be aware of.

I checked with Malott at the end of the day Friday to see how many angry calls we had received. "I can't believe it," he said. "Not one."

Phil Jerome is executive editor of *The Novi News* and *HomeTown Newspapers*.

Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



Our Gang
This group of Novi youngsters takes a ride in the rain.

Nothing new under the sun



Rick Byrne

When I was still in high school, my auto shop teacher told me, "There's nothing new under the sun."

By that, he meant that anything that was mass marketed, in particular automotive technology, had already been done at some point.

I think he was overstating his case a little bit. You've got to remember, this was 1979, and MTV, CD players and the Home Shopping Club were yet to come.

But to some extent, Mr. Kobalski was right. In 1979, front-wheel drive on cars was all the rage. Yet he pointed out that front-wheel drive was standard on the Cord, which was built in the 1930s. Fuel injection? It had been around forever. Electric cars? They'd been around since before World War I.

So now we hear this announcement last week that Ford, General Motors and Chrysler were going to work together with the U.S. government to build an extremely high-efficiency, low-emissions car.

I'd add two further comments, however. First, I find it ironic that we'd have to use Adolf Hitler as a benchmark for anything.

Second, all those civil libertarians and arch right-wingers who think government can't work efficiently and ought to keep its nose out of everything should stick a Volkswagen in their pipe and smoke it.

BEST-KEPT SECRETS: I'm going to reveal a couple of my best-kept secrets, which after this is written, won't be secret anymore.

■ The most overlooked shortcut for anyone traveling south or east out of Northville is Edward Hines Drive. Even though the speed limit is only 40, there's never any traffic, and — I figured this out — there's an average of only one traffic light for every three miles. There's one at Seven Mile and Sheldon, and then you don't see another one until you're in the area of Ann Arbor/Trail and Haggerty. There's another one at Newburgh Road, another at Wayne Road, and another at Inkster.

Even at the height of the rush hour, I can get to my Grandma's house in Westland in 20 minutes. Less, if I make all the lights — both of them, that is. I've seen people spend 20 minutes just getting to I-275 from downtown Northville.

■ The best brownies anywhere are the Chocolate Raspberry variety at Maria's Italian Bakery at Ten Mile and Mesdowbrook in Novi.

■ You want to order flowers for someone? You'll have a hard time of it in Novi. Livonia, Farmington, Walked Lake, Plymouth and Northville all have florists popping up like weeds, but in Novi I can think only of Flowers & More in the Town Center. Flower Depot near Bates Hamburgers, and Diner's way out on Wixom Road. I find it hard to understand how a city of 35,000 people gets by on just three flower shops.

Rick Byrne is copy editor for the *Northville Record* and *Novi News*.

Art show set to open at church

The "Juried Fine Arts Exhibition," to be held at First Presbyterian Church in Northville, will feature multi-media works of Southeast Michigan artists, including painting, sculpting, clay, photography, drawing and fiber displays.

The art will be judged by Douglas Semivan, assistant professor of art at Madonna University. He has served as director of the Detroit Artists Market and has taught printmaking and drawing at Wayne State University.

His field of experience is sculpture and painting on paper.

Semivan's works are included in the permanent collections of the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Brooklyn Museum of Art, the Toledo Art Museum and the New York Public Library. Semivan holds an undergraduate degree from Olivet College and a master's of fine arts from the Cranbrook Academy of Art.

The professor will designate a

"Juror's Choice Award," which will include a \$250 stipend. The Northville Arts Commission will also give out a special award. In addition, there will be a minimum of four merit awards of \$50 each. Award recipients and all juried artists will be honored at an artists' reception.

A special event, a "Gallery Talk" by the juror, is scheduled from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday. Semivan will guide listeners through the art displays. He will focus on "Creativity:

Why Modern Art Looks the Way It Does." Admission to this program as well as the art show is free.

The exhibition opens to the public Saturday and will continue through Friday, Oct. 8. Hours are noon to 4 p.m. this weekend and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Some works of art will be available for purchase. A luncheon will also be available from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Jack Kemp speaks to Novi crowd

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called for removing bureaucratic barriers to development and providing incentives to bring business and jobs to economically depressed areas.

That in turn, Kemp has said, will better help to solve many social problems America faces than government programs do.

Kemp's Empower America speech was put on by Citizens Insurance Co. in cooperation with the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce. Other Empower America founders include

former U.S. Secretary of Education William Bennett and former UN Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick.

Kemp was a quarterback for the San Diego Chargers and the AFL Champion Buffalo Bills in the 1960s, named most valuable player in 1965. He later served 18 years in the U.S. House of Representatives as a Congressman from western New York state.

In 1988, President George Bush picked Kemp to serve as HUD Secretary. During his tenure, Congress passed:

■ The HUD reform act which aimed to stop the waste, fraud and abuse past administrations had encountered.

■ HOPE (Homeownership and Opportunity for People Everywhere), a Kemp idea which gives low-income families in public and assisted housing the chance to manage their own complexes and work toward home ownership.

Another Kemp notion, enterprise zones, has caught on and is expected to receive bipartisan support in Congress. The zones aim to foster an economically attractive area for businesses in areas where it's needed most, especially through the use of tax breaks.

Citizens Insurance is headquartered in Howell. Kemp's speech is part of a year-long series of speakers the firm is putting on to discuss major policy issues. Other speakers include law professor Anita Hill, former assistant Secretary of State Margaret Tutwiler and former Secretary of Education Lamar Alexander. For information on speakers and tickets, call (517) 484-4954.

Council will mull cable regulations

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Samouelian explained that the results of an FCC survey of the major cable firms are expected in within the next few weeks and will help the federal commission determine if the law will be reworked.

Like Farmington and Farmington Hills, Novi will be asked to pass a cable regulation ordinance delegating its authority to SWOCC.

With FCC certification, the two municipalities will not have rate increases more than once a year and these increases will be tied to inflation rates.

If Novi does not agree to seek certification, technically Novi residents could have more than the annual rate increase.

"It is possible Novi could have more rate increases and Farmington only one, but MetroVision is not the kind of company to do that," Samouelian said.

The law went into effect April 1, freezing rates until Nov. 15. This gives local governments time to apply for certification by that November deadline.

Under the law, local governments may regulate the cable equipment and basic cable service package which includes channels 2 to 23. The federal government regulates channels 24 to 61, including the satellite channels.

Pay-per-view and pay channels such as Home Box Office are not regulated.

SWOCC has hired attorney Neil Lehto as a cable consultant to help guide the commission through the 500-page maze of new regulations and MetroVision's plan to greatly expand their system through the introduction of \$5 million in fiber optic technology. This will offer viewers 112 channels, rather than the 62

they now tune into.

The law also requires cable companies to reach an agreement with local television stations to transmit their broadcasts. Local stations can demand to be paid for the service.

On Sept. 28, MetroVision announced that it has reached an accord with the Fox Broadcasting Company to offer WKBD-TV (Channel 50) as part of its cable lineup and expects to reach similar pacts with WJBK, WDIV and WXIA.

If any agreement is not reached by Oct. 6, the new regulations require MetroVision to either pay to transmit the channels or remove them from its system. The local stations WXON, WADL, WTWS and WOPR have already decided to be carried by MetroVision without financial compensation.

MetroVision's contract expires in 1997 and the firm this year unsuccessfully sought to renew negotia-

tions early. The contract negotiations are scheduled to begin in May 1994 and to be concluded by November 1994. The franchise agreement requires renewal if MetroVision is found to have met all of the terms during its years of service.

In Farmington last week, MetroVision was asked to open its books to the public, but Bjorklund said this will not be done. The firm does file audited financial reports with SWOCC.

Novi district unveils its long range plans

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an atmosphere and develop a plan where business, educators and parents can come together to implement the common goal through partnerships.

Staff development: To develop a comprehensive plan to ensure the staff's ability to meet the increased expectations of education, as these pertain to technology and exit competencies.

Facilities and land: To guarantee adequate facilities for all Novi students.

Financial issues: To develop a plan for prioritizing school district expenditures.

Curriculum integration: To develop K-12 integrated curriculum units which are appropriately placed throughout the total instructional program.

Diverse population: To develop an educational program that recognizes and addresses the diverse learning needs of all students.

Committee members, the report said, deserve a pat on the back for their enthusiasm and commitment to the project.

"School district staff, students, parents and community representatives came together in an exemplary team effort to build the quality plan attached," the report's acknowledgements section said.

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Conference is stage for funding debate

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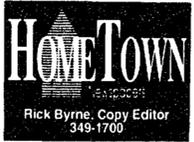
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Lois Thieleke/Home Economist

A to Z cooking is the style for today's cook

A to Z eating is the "in" thing to do. Every-one is becoming knowledgeable about the new research on antioxidants to zinc. Books and papers are being written and published on the alphabet of nutrition and food issues.

Antioxidants, like beta carotene may help protect our bodies from lung cancer, cataracts, strokes and heart attacks. More research is needed to find out the exact amount of beta carotene needed by the body for maximum protection. Unlike vitamin A, beta carotene is non-toxic, the worst that can happen is that it would turn your skin yellow or orange if you ate great, enormous quantities.

The more intense the green or yellow-orange color the more beta carotene. Good sources are carrots, sweet potatoes, pumpkin, orange winter squashes, spinach, broccoli, apricots and most dark green leafy vegetables.

Carrots are rich in beta carotene. When eaten, it's converted into vitamin A by the body, but it's possible that beta carotene may have its own effect apart from the vitamin A conversion. Most of the vitamin A comes from plant sources, namely dark green or yellow veg- etables and fruits that contain beta carotene. However, vitamin A is in animal foods, too, such as cod and halibut fish oil, liver, kidney and other organs, meats, milk, cream and cheese. A real disadvantage of these are the fat and cholesterol whereas the fruits and vegeta- bles contain no fat and cholesterol.

C and E vitamins along with beta carotene may also play important roles in averting cor- onary artery disease, cancer, cataracts, delay aging and other ills.

Scientists are still not sure how this all works but believe vitamin C is necessary in for- mation of healthy bones, teeth and skin. Also C helps to heal wounds, resist infections, meta- bolize some amino and folate acids and help the body absorb iron. Citrus fruits, strawberries, to- matoes, broccoli, turnip green and other greens, sweet potatoes and cantaloupe are all good sources of vitamin C.

Vitamin C is vulnerable to air and heat and is water soluble so leaches out of the food into the cooking water. Always cover containers of juice, cut fruits and vegetables with lids, foil or plastic wrap. If at all possible keep the skins intact, avoid chopping or paring, the longer the surfaces are exposed to air the greater the loss of the vitamins.

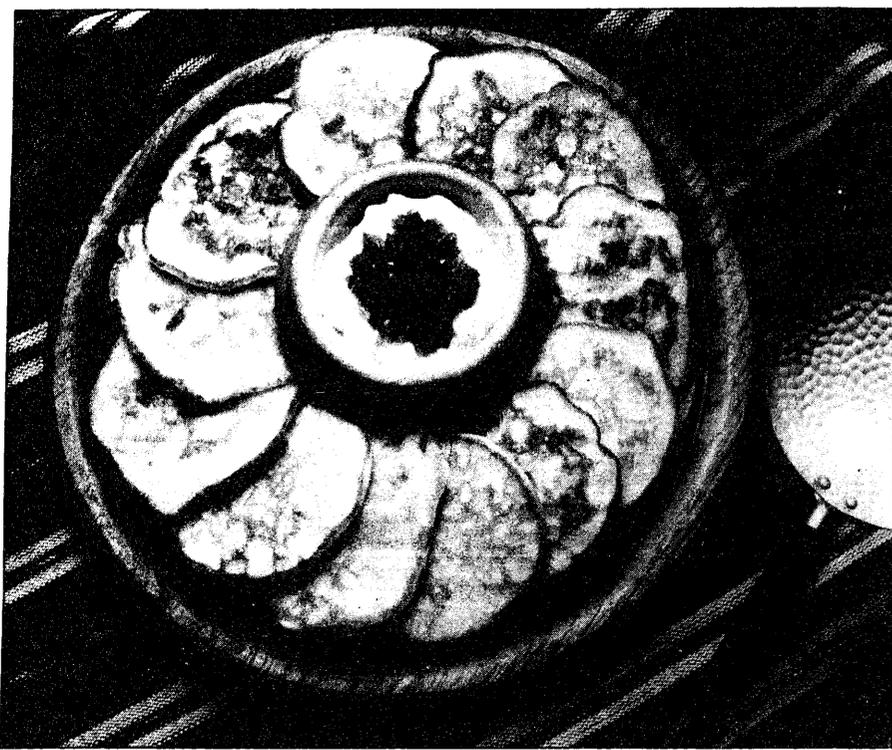
Many health claims have been made for Vita- min E and as a protector against heart disease and other conditions. Research is under way and it's possible the daily requirement for vita- min E will be re-evaluated. Vitamin E is abun- dant in vegetable oils, whole grain products, wheat germ, liver, nuts and leafy green vegeta- bles.

Kale, kohlrabi, Brussels sprouts, cauliflower, cabbage and other members of the cruciferous family are all possible cancer fighting vegeta- bles. Kale is a dark bluish green leafy nutri- tional powerhouse of vitamin C and beta car- otene, calcium, potassium and fiber. Cook kale leaves in a minimal amount of water to pre- serve nutrients.

Folate acid (folacin) is associated with protect- ing a fetus against some birth defects and may be helpful in preventing cancer of the cer- vix. Many doctors are prescribing over and above the normal dose for women trying to conceive or in the beginning of pregnancy or those that have pre-eclamptic cervical or lung cells. Foods rich in folate include leafy greens, whole grains, dried beans, oranges and grapefruit.

Garlic keeps vampires away and maybe some close friends. Research is under way on the medicinal use of the sulfur compounds that give garlic its potent aroma. Garlic may protect against cancer, heart disease and stroke and reducing cholesterol but all the facts are not in yet. The problem comes from knowing how many garlic supplements you need. The best source is raw garlic, the supplement may not

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Buttery Corn Clouds with Salsa served with onions, peppers and avocado cubes are the perfect complement to a glass of icy Mexican beer.

ETHNIC APPEAL

Sample from global roundup of tastes

By TERSHA D'ELGIN Copyist News Service

How often do you opt for a couple of appetizers instead of a main course? Do you often drop by a bar for a few tapas or hors d'oeuvres? If so, you're part of a trend.

People are eating less, in less time, and under more casual circumstances. But they still seek variety, flavor and ingenu- ity in their food, even in small portions.

When preparing hors d'oeuvres for party, turn to ethnic cuisines for the un- usual. You'll find exotic ingredients that are perfect for feting. Even if the ingredi- ents are ordinary, the combination of flavors may be new. You might choose to center your event around food from one specific culture or country. Or maybe a mix serves your purposes better.

SOUTH OF THE RIO GRANDE
Mexico has more than chips and gua- camole to its credit. Seville, while perish- able, makes a refreshing hot-weather tapa (Spanish for hors d'oeuvre). It's easily prepared and requires no actual cook- ing since the fish "cooks" while marinat- ing in the lime juice.

One version marinates firm fish filets in coconut milk, red pepper, tomatoes, parsley and green onions. Serve sevice on soft of quick-fried tortillas.

Squid, lightly sauteed in wine, garlic and herbs and finished in fresh chopped parsley is another great, light taste from Central America.

JUST BEYOND THE TIP OF ITALY
Pizza is the traditional tavern food in Sicily. There are limitless topping possi- bilities: artichokes, anchovies, dried to- matoes, sausages, tuna, salmon, Italian bacon, toasted garlic, mushrooms, olives and Italian cheeses like Gorgonzola, moz- zarella and Romano.

Two or three toppings make it more manageable for cocktail food. A large tin of pizza can be sliced into easy-to-eat por- tions and served with a hearty red wine.

Many simple snacks are the accident of peasant customs. Serve caponata, made of minced eggplant and tomatoes, on Italian bread. Sicilian Tomato Spread is little more than dried tomato sauce. Try it on Toasted Bread Rounds.

THE MIDDLE EAST
For variety, particularly in vegetarian regimens, Middle Eastern specialties can't be beat. Consider the many fillings for pita — hummus, falafel, tabouli, cu- cumbers and yogurt, feta. Grilled vegeta- bles like eggplant, peppers, tomatoes and onions, brushed with olive oil, are ter- rific right off the barbecue in pita.

THE ORIENT EXPRESSION
In the last decade, Japanese sushi and sashimi have swept America. Their preparation by a trained sushi chef seems nothing short of a miracle. Nevertheless, these feats are not beyond the reach of a good knife, the right ingredients and a little practice.

Indonesia has its own spicy, tropical flavors that are particularly appropriate for warm evenings. And we're not just talking ramak. Try Lime and Ginger Scal- lop skewers, in which the scallops are marinated rather than cooked. For an outdoor party, try chicken skewers, grilled on the spot. Chutneys of peppers, cucumber, cilantro, mint and shallots give shellfish a zing.

Don't forget fruits. Pineapple, figs, mel- on, mango, papaya and pears alternate in season. They can be plumped up with liqueurs or sweet wines to make stunning partners with smoked meats or cheese. Or try them with seasoned nuts.

REGIONAL AMERICA
American hors d'oeuvres have plunged ahead far beyond meatballs and cheese balls. America has its own ethnicity, most recently Southwest. This cuisine, a mix of Mexican and American specialties, shows allegiance to a wide array of chiles, black beans, several strains of corn and corn products, cilantro and tomatoes of every shape and color.

For example, flour tortillas stacked with chiles and cheese and served with margaritas is not authentic popular. Corn Clouds are another example.

African-American culture, with roots in Africa and the South, has its own dis- tinctive recipes. Some of it's Cajun style, blackened or seasoned with gumbo. Others are Southern favorites like pickled okra. This can be kept in sealed jars for

many months and is great served with beer or iced tea. Small barbecued ribs, little crab cakes and fritters are part of this heritage.

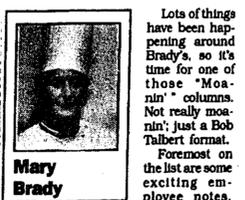
TO KEEP IN MIND
● Appetizers are "finger food." Keep the proportions small.
● Avoid runny sauces since these are to be eaten while standing or without a table.
● Stay away from complex combina- tions. Use three main ingredients, tops.
● Season are forks or chopsticks in- volved. Think about "containing" the food — on toast, in a mushroom, nestled in an endive or spinach leaf, baked in pastry, etc.

● Appetizers are best when they have both smooth textures and crunchy textures combined.
● Your menu will be more visually appeal- ing if contrast is built into each hors d'oeuvre. Top them with nuts, chopped herbs, a leaf of mint, basil or parsley, a dollop of sauce. Display them on a color differing from the hors d'oeuvre color itself.

YOUR APPETIZER LARDER
Develop a few favorite appetizers and keep the ingredients on hand. You'll be able to produce appealing offerings at the last minute. These needn't be compli- cated. There is nothing more gracious

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Chefs named sous keep the boss happy



Mary Brady

Lots of things have been hap- pening around Brady's, so it's time for one of those "Mo- nin'" columns. Not really mo- nin'; just a Bob Talbert format. Foremost on the list are some exciting em- ployee notes.

The job is a big one. Not easy, but re- warding. A large part of the day is spent guiding other kitchen members, ordering, and food preparation. They must be aware at all times of what is on hand, and each and every shift "go through the walk-in" and organize.

We have very limited storage space so serious attention is given to perishables. Much of the food has a short shelf life and must be treated with extreme care. Almost "baby-sat."

Keeping a kitchen ush as ours orga- nized is a major task. Mind-boggling at times. Prep lists are done twice a day. Major cleaning tasks are performed daily. Bottom line, there is a lot of work.

Anyway, for several months we've been waiting for the right person to take over the party station at lunch. My thought was to free up Pat Wazolek, our day sous chef, who has been "working a station" in addition to everything else.

And one day along comes Dorothy Mor- tenson. Her background is one of golf courses. Fast food, fast pace. I was more than willing to give her a try. A hunch paid off. She's been with us nearly a month and has fit in with our crew very well.

Additionally, Pat is able to do more of the "keeping Me Happy" scenario. Keep up the good work, Dorothy.

Also I'd like to announce the promotion of Sharon Deurgens to night sous chef. Sharon has worked hard to attain this position. "Paid her dues," so to speak. She is a graduate of Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts Program, and has worked with us for nearly two years.

Very few persons her age (young) have the distinction of being the second in com- mand. The rest of the staff is happy with her advancement and they — along with me — will do whatever they can to make the job easier. Congratulations. You'll do fantastic!

Last but not least, welcome George Ham- mel. George was brought on staff to take over Sharon's sautee position. He is a cer- tified working chef, and a graduate of Oak- land Community College's apprentice program. We are thrilled to have him working with us.

Our second newsletter was mailed on Wednesday. What a tremendous sense of accomplishment. Some highlights include a wine and beer dinner celebrating Michi- gan wine month and October fest will be held on Oct. 11.

The Refrigerator Door

"The Refrigerator Door" is a list of coming events and short notes about food and drink. If you have an event planned or a brief announcement you would like included here, send it care of this news- paper, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, Mich., 48167. Photos and other artwork are welcome.

AMERICAN HARVEST OPEN: Schoolcraft College's Ameri- can Harvest Restaurant is now open for the school year. The on- campus restaurant, which features gourmet specialties prepared by Schoolcraft's Master Chefs and Culinary Arts students is open for lunch, Tuesday through Friday, noon to 1:15 p.m.

New to the restaurant this fall is the offering of French and Rus- sian culinary selections, in addition to its traditional American cus- tine. A variety of tempting entrees are offered daily, with prices rang- ing from \$6 to \$10. Each Friday the regular menu is cast aside in or- der to present an extensive "grand gourmet buffet" of appetizers, entrees and desserts for \$10 per person.

Seating is limited to 50 guests per day. Reservations can be made by calling American Harvest at 462-4488. The American Harvest restaurant is located in the Waterman Campus Center at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile Roads in Livonia.

DEL MONTE: Del Monte fresh cut Hawaiian pineapple is now available in conveniently packaged bite-size wedges packaged in a plastic airtight pouch. It is available in two sizes 12 ounces (\$2.19) and 16 ounces (\$2.49-\$2.99).

FRANGO CHOCOLATE: Hudson's recently introduced an eighth new Frango Chocolate flavor — Frango Cappuccino Chocolate. Frango Cappuccino Chocolates combine the flavorful ingredients of rich chocolate with creamy cappuccino all enrobed in milk chocolate. Frango chocolates sell for \$1.15 for a one-pound box and come in a variety of sizes and flavor combinations. They are available at Hud- son's stores or by mail 1-(800)-537-2646.

HEALTHY COOKING CLASSES: Chef Larry Janes will be teaching healthy cooking classes for Livonia Public Schools Adult Education. For class times and registration information, call 523-9277. He will also be conducting Eastern Market tours for Kitchen Glamor. For registration information, call 537-1300.

LENORE'S NATURAL CUISINE: Gull-free desserts, begin- ning cooking, and quick meals are some of the classes being offered this fall at Lenore's Natural Cuisine, 22899 Inkster Road, Farming- ton Hills. Call 478-4455, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays for information.

HEINZ: Known worldwide for ketchup, Heinz U.S.A. recently married the classic flavors of ketchup with salsa. Heinz Salsa-Style Ketchup comes in two flavors, mild and medium, and retails for \$1.39 per 13-oz bottle.

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HOME CANNING COURSE: If you've promised yourself each year that you would learn how to can foods properly — this is the time to start.

The Oakland County Cooperative Extension is now offering a seven week correspondence Food Preservation course for \$15 to cover mailing and printing charges.

For enrollment information and other food and nutrition, food safety and food preservation questions, call the Food and Nutrition Hotline, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 858-0904.

The various lessons include — complete information on food safety; canning of low acid and high acid foods; pickling and jam and jelly preparation; freezing and drying of foods.

The lessons are mailed every two weeks to your home so you can work at your own pace. Complete background materials and recipes are provided. There's even a quiz at each lesson's end for you to see what you have learned.

WARM UP TO FOOD SAFETY: That's the message from the United States Department of Agriculture which warns there are more cases of food poisoning during the warm weather months.

Don't use food from damaged containers. Check cans and glass jars for dents, cracks or bulging lids, paper packages for leaks and stains.

■ Serve food quickly from the cooler and replace it inside the cooler fast.

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Novi City Council has scheduled a public hearing to obtain input from the residents of the East Lake Drive area relative to a possible rezoning of East Lake Drive at 14 Mile Road. This possibility has been raised with regard to pending litigation regarding the zoning of property at East Lake and 14 Mile Road.

This hearing has been scheduled for 8:00 p.m., Monday, October 11, 1993 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road in the Council Chamber.

All interested persons will be heard. Date: October 1, 1993

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than a nice cheese and tempting nut bread. Or it might be Italian fare like salami, cured olives and a thin sliced loaf.

Something different but simple like freshly roasted plump chestnuts served with sherry or cider has Euro- pean style. In France, every inn serves its own pate with cornichons. Pate can be kept in the fridge almost indefinitely.

These recipes are from the Cole Group's California Culinary Academy Series cookbook "Appetiz- ers & Hors D'Oeuvres," available from the publisher, 4415 Sonoma Highway, Santa Rosa, Calif. 95408-2717, or your local bookseller (\$11.95).

For Corn Clouds with Spicy Salsa, fluffy cornmeal batter turns into but- tery corn "clouds" to be topped with sour cream and salsa. Or put a platter of these dollar-size clouds beside a selection of garnishes — cubed avoca- dos, chopped tomatoes, marinated red onion slices, chopped red pepper, chopped green onion — and let guests help themselves. Sense when fresh cocktails is at its peak, as a partner to cornmeal or cold Mexican beer.

CORN CLOUDS WITH SPICY SALSA
1 1/2 cups flour
1/2 cup cornmeal
1 teaspoon baking powder
6 eggs, separated
6 ounces cream cheese
1 1/2 cups milk
1/4 cup unsalted butter, melted
1/4 cup minced green onion
1 cup corn kernels cut fresh from the cob
1 teaspoon salt
Hot-pepper sauce to taste
1 teaspoon butter
1 teaspoon corn oil
Salsa Verde (recipe follows)
Sour cream

Stir together flour, cornmeal and baking powder. In large bowl of electric mixer, cream egg yolks and cream cheese. Add cornmeal mix- ture, then slowly add milk. Stir in

melted butter, green onion, corn ker- nels, salt and hot-pepper sauce to taste.

In separate bowl, beat egg whites with a pinch of salt until they are stiff but not dry. Fold one third of whites into batter. Then gently fold batter into remaining whites.

Grease non-stick frying pan with 1 teaspoon butter and corn oil. Heat pan until butter foams. Drop batter into hot fat by rounded tablespoons and cook until bubbles form and burst on top. Turn cakes over and cook an additional 30 seconds.

Transfer cakes to a warm platter and dot with salsa, sour cream, or both. Yields 5 dozen.

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SAIJA VERDE Green Tomato Sauce
1 pound tomatoes (Mexican green tomatoes, available in Hispanic markets), canned or fresh
1/2 cup minced cilantro
1/4 cup diced white onion
2 to 3 serrano OR jalapeno chilies, minced
2 green onions, minced
Lemon juice to taste
Salt to taste
Additional minced cilantro, for garnish (optional)

Drain tomatoes if canned. If fresh, husk them and blanch them in boil- ing water to cover until tender, about 12 minutes. Core tomatoes and mince.

In small stainless-steel, glass or ceramic bowl, combine tomatoes, cil- antro, onion, chilies, green onion and lemon juice.

Add salt to taste. Garnish with minced cilantro just before serving, if desired. Yields about 3 cups.

To make in food processor: Put tomatoes, cilantro, onion and chilies in work bowl fitted with steel blade; process briefly. Mixture should be slightly chunky. Stir in green onion by hand; add lemon and salt to taste

just before serving.

Strips of chicken marinated in a sweet and peppery peanut sauce are threaded on skewers with red pep- pers and grilled until crisp and juicy.

INDONESIAN CHICKEN SKEWERS
3 whole chicken breasts, boned, skinned and halved
1 cup chopped peanut butter
1/2 cup chili sauce
1 tablespoon salt
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
1/4 cup lemon juice
1/4 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup soy sauce
8 green onions, minced
3 tablespoons minced garlic
2 sweet bell peppers, red or green, cut into 1/4-inch cubes
Minced parsley, for garnish

Preheat oven to 350°F. Heat oil and butter together with garlic (if used) until butter is melted. (The garlic can steep in the oil for several hours, if desired.)

With sharp, serrated knife, cut bread into 1/4-inch-thick slices on diagonal. Brush slices liberally on both sides with butter-oil mixture and place on baking sheet.

Bake until golden (about 10 min- utes). Makes about 40 rounds. salt and black pepper to taste pinch cayenne pepper
1/4 to 1/2 cup flour
1 to 1 1/2 cups peanut oil cream fraiche or sour cream

ZUCCHINI FRITTERS
8 medium zucchini, grated
1 carrot, peeled and grated
3/4 cup fresh basil leaves
3 whole eggs plus 2 egg yolks
5 green onions, minced
2 tablespoons minced fresh dill OR 1 tablespoon dried
1/4 cup chopped parsley
1/4 cup fresh bread crumbs
2 tablespoons fresh tarragon OR 1 teaspoon dried
1/4 cup grated Jarlsberg or Gruy- ere cheese
2 tablespoons lemon juice

In blender or food processor, place zucchini, carrot, garlic, eggs and egg yolks, green onions, dill parsley, ba- sil, tarragon, cheese, lemon juice, salt, pepper and cayenne. Process to blend well, then transfer to large bowl. Add flour, 1/4 cup at a time, un- til mixture holds together and is not "gluey."

Heat 1/4-inch of oil in medium saute pan. When oil is almost smoking, drop large spoonfuls of batter into pan. Flatten each round slightly, then saute quickly, 30 to 45 seconds on each side. Drain fritters on paper towels and keep warm while you fry

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