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Schools ask voters to okay two-mill levy

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Novi homeowners may have voted themselves a property tax cut in March, but they'll still be seeing less of a cut if they approve the two mill increase the Novi Community School District Board of Education is asking them to approve June 13.

The school board voted Thursday 4-2 to ask residents to approve two of the three enhancement mills the state is allowing districts to levy for three years.

The two mill proposal will be one of two millage propositions Novi voters will be asked to approve in June.

The second proposal will ask all property owners to approve an 18-mill levy against non-homestead properties only for a 10-year period.

The 18-mill question must be passed in order for the district to receive its portion of the state's foundation grant for education of \$6,500 per pupil.

Board President Ray Byers and Secretary John Streit voted against the two-mill proposal because they wanted to see the board go for the full three-mill levy.

Byers argued that even with the

Freshmen at Novi High will soon hear that abstinence is the best protection against AIDS and pregnancy. The Novi school board has approved a reproductive health class that will go into effect next year for students in grades 4-9. The story is on page 15A.

three enhancement mill levy property owners would still see a considerable tax cut over last year's tax rates.

With passage of Proposal A, Novi homeowners cut their property taxes from 34 to 16 mills. Six of those 16 mills are being levied by the state, another six are "harmless" mills which may be levied locally to save current programs, and 4.7 mills are being collected to retire the district's current debt.

Byers claims that if the board would have opted for the full levy, homeowners would still be seeing a savings by paying 19 mills this year instead of the 34 mills they paid last year.

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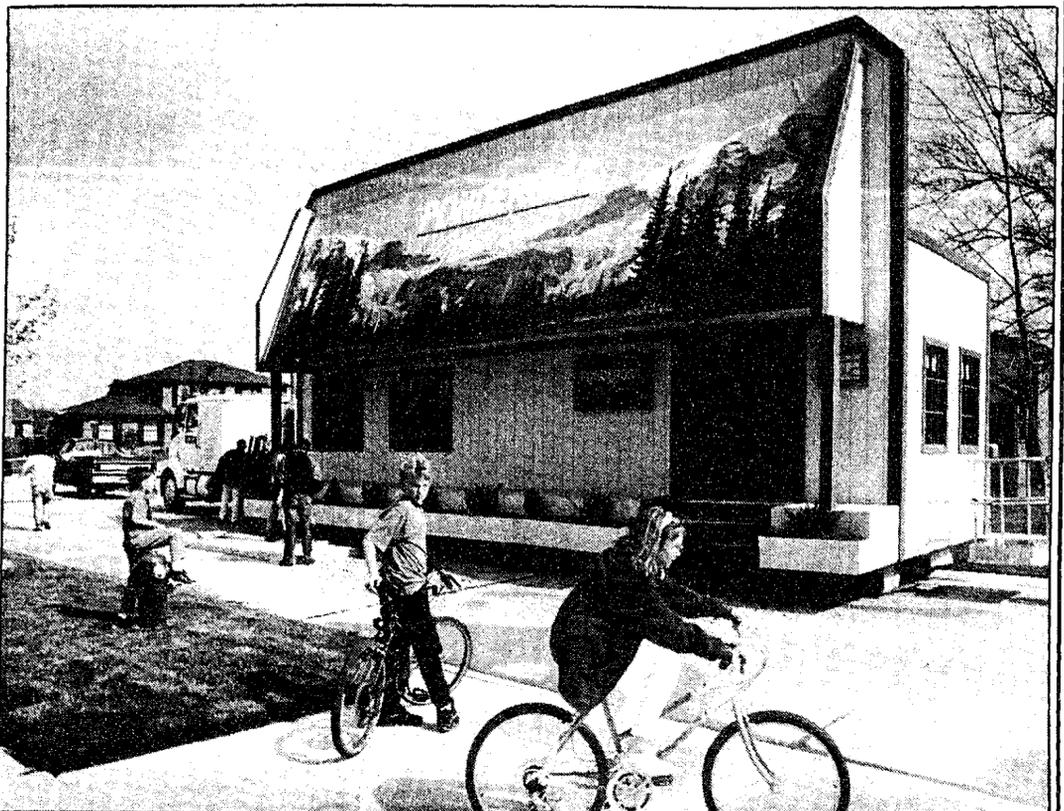


Photo by HAL GOULD

Kids flock around as a crew sets up to shoot a Ponderosa commercial in Roma Ridge subdivision.

Steak ad filmed in Roma Ridge

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Call it commercial in a residential zoning. Right in front of Planning Commissioner Glen Bonaventura's house. And not only is Bonaventura party to this, he didn't even get site plan approval for the Ponderosa Restaurant.

The blueprints didn't go through consultant review. There's no brick facade. The sign's way too big. No traffic study conducted. Insufficient parking spaces.

But the neighborhood kids loved it. Last week, two national television commercials for the Ponderosa Restaurant chain were filmed by Castorri and Company, Royal Oak production firm, in front of two Roma Ridge subdivi-

sion homes, including Bonaventura's.

That's why a mock-up of a Ponderosa Restaurant was parked outside of Bonaventura's home on Cider Mill. Bonaventura said the neighborhood was scouted out by Castorri employees, who chose his house and his next-door neighbor's home "because they liked the look."

It took all day May 5 for workers to build the restaurant on wheels and the entire next day filming.

Off-duty Novi police were paid by the production company to guard the set overnight.

"It was neat," Bonaventura said. "After school let out, the place was just swarming with kids. Everybody was really, really nice. They didn't act like having 150 little kids running around bothered them."

What really had the youngsters excited was the appearance of TV actor Joe O'Conner, who stars in the Nickelodeon show *Clarissa Explains It All*. Bonaventura said the children were all clamoring for autographs.

The commercial shot in front of the planning commissioner's home shows a family of five in their car when the Ponderosa man shows up with his restaurant. That sequence, called "The Big Family," could air as soon as Sunday.

It took hours to get the ten-second spot just right.

"It's amazing how many times they have to repeat things," Bonaventura said.

He was merely keeping up with the Jones, his next-door neighbors. Their front door was used for a second Ponderosa commercial.

DNR says landfill's polluting creek

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

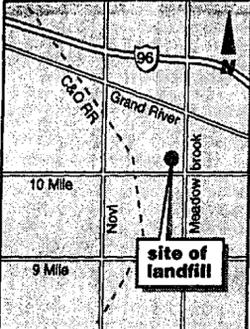
The old Munn landfill on Meadowbrook Road is leaching heavy metal contaminants into Bishop Creek and other surface waters, according to a study recently completed by the Department of Natural Resources, and the state wants it to stop — ASAP.

In April, the DNR's Surface Water Quality Division wrote the City of Novi, asking for both preventative measures and a removal of contaminated soils located in a nearby drainage ditch. The complaint was forwarded to the department's Compliance and Enforcement Section.

Novi was advised that the state could take civil action and that the city could face penalties of \$2,500 to \$25,000 per day for non-compliance.

But the DNR is going after wrong party, according to City Manager Edward Kriewall. Novi does not own

Old Munn Landfill



Map by JUANITA LITTLE

the former landfill but does own a road right-of-way adjacent to it, he said Monday.

"Our attorney responded to that letter and essentially told them (the DNR) it's really not our problem. It's coming from property owned by Holzman and Silverman," Kriewall said.

The former Munn's landfill is located west of Meadowbrook Road and south of Cherry Hill Road. Kriewall says he has met with Gilbert Silverman, an owner of Holzman and Silverman Realty, and that the firm plans to contract for soil borings on the property.

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Novi youth killed in shoot out

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

A troubled Novi teenager was shot and killed by police Tuesday afternoon after he fired an AK-47 at officers in a Detroit schoolyard during recess.

Gary Kindred, 17, was taken to Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills where he died from multiple gun shot wounds at 1 p.m.

Redford police say the teen's adoptive parents Susan and Kurt

Kindred and his 19-year-old biological brother, Matt live in Novi. But Gary was a ward of the state who had escaped from a state institution last month.

The teen was running Tuesday from Redford Township police after allegedly burglarizing a home in the area around 11:30 a.m. before he confronted officers on the playground.

Township police said they responded to a call of a break-in at a home in the 20000 block of Wood-

worth. At the home, officers took Kindred's 16-year-old Detroit accomplice into custody. Witnesses told police a second suspect matching Kindred's description fled east from the home on foot.

Redford Inspector Michael Kosia said officers spotted the suspect approaching the Open School in Detroit 15 to 20 minutes later.

Undercover officers from Detroit were called in and stationed around the schoolyard opposite the Redford squad, Kosia said.

Kosia said officers saw Kindred kneel down, pull a AK-47 semi-automatic weapon from a gym bag, load it, and then he opened fire at officers.

Officers from both departments fired back.

The teen was struck three times in the chest, abdomen and neck, Kosia said.

Redford police said the 17-year-old stole the gun from a Detroit home last week.

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Lansing pitches honors to Tiger mom

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Emilie Newhouser hasn't been in a parade since she was a schoolgirl.

And Newhouser is the first to admit that was a long time ago. Saturday, the 97-year-old Novi resident is traveling to Lansing as one of 10 stars of "The Salute to Michigan Mothers," which is a key part of the fifth annual "Michigan Parades Into The 21st Century."

Newhouser is the mother of former Detroit Tigers pitcher and Baseball Hall of Famer Hal Ne-



Photo by SCOTT DANIEL

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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, May 12

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

Novi Rotary: The Novi Rotary will hold the Rotary Interact Student Award Program at noon at the Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 Ten Mile Rd.

Friday, May 13

Fun Fair: Parkview Elementary PTO will hold a fun fair. "Take a Walk on the Wild Side" from 6-9 p.m. in the gymnasium. Fun for all ages. Food, games, prizes, face painting and raffle.

Saturday, May 14

Spring Clean Up: Novi Parks and Rec hosts the ultimate kick-off to the garage sale season. Rent a booth and sell any household item you would include in a personal garage sale, plus cars, boats, campers, etc. Booth rental is \$20 for one parking space (9' x 18') and \$10 for each additional space. Registration deadline is May 6.

Sunday, May 15

Open House: An open house will be held at Another Way Pregnancy Center, Inc., 39575 W. Ten Mile Rd., from 2-5 p.m. Refreshments will be served. For further information call 471-5858.

Monday, May 16

Police Memorial: The Novi Police Department will hold a Police Memorial Day Ceremony honoring Michigan police officers who have given their lives in the line of duty. The ceremony will be at 10:30 a.m. at the Police Department, 45125 W. Ten Mile Rd. The guest speaker will be the Honorable John Engler, Governor, State of Michigan. An open house will follow immediately.

Cholesterol Screening: Total cholesterol screening by finger-stick method, will be offered 1-4 p.m., at the Botsford Center for Health

Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. Cost is \$5 fee. For more information call 477-6100.

NHS Choirs Pizza Night: The Novi High School pizza night will be held at Shield's Pizza, 42100 Grand River, from 5 p.m. till closing. Just say "I'm helping the Novi Choirs" and order your favorite pizza and Shield's will donate to the choir. Donations apply to pizza orders only. Donations are used to fund choirs for awards and activities.

Republican Women: The Republican Women of West Oakland are hosting a dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Country Epicure Restaurant, 42050 Grand River. The guest speaker will be Michelle Engler. Cost is \$25 per person. For further information contact Edna Spears at 478-8868.

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

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

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

TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at Novi Meadows School, Room 6. For more information, call 348-9691.

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 Charisse Ryan at 420-2045. Visitors are welcome.

Tuesday, May 17

Chamber Luncheon: The Novi Chamber of Commerce monthly luncheon will be held at the Sheraton Oaks Hotel, 27000 Sheraton Drive, at noon. James Barrett, President of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, will speak. Cost is \$14. For further information call 349-3743.

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

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

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, 344-9833 evenings after 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 18

Planning Commission: The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session 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, Twelve Mile at Meadowbrook Road. For chapter information or an invitation to one of the meetings, please call 642-7725.

Thursday, May 19

Novi Rotary: The Novi Rotary will meet at noon at the Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 Ten Mile Rd. Suzuki, Myers, & Associates, Ltd., a Novi-based full service Japan/America consulting firm presents "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Tokyo Tower".

Blood Drive: The Orchard Hills PTO will sponsor an American Red Cross Blood Drive from 3-9 p.m. in the Orchard Hills Community Room. Scheduled appointments are being made, but WALK INS are welcome. To schedule an appointment or for further information call 349-1955.

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

Real public TV

Novi resident picked to head up SWOCC

By JAN JEFFREES
Staff Writer

In an earlier incarnation as news director at WEYI in Flint and at KAMI in Amarillo, Texas, Caren Collins was often on the phone explaining to disappointed people just why she couldn't find airtime for their fundraiser or special event.

Now as the new executive director of the Southwest Oakland Cable Commission (SWOCC), she's promoting the same one. "What's really exciting about community access is that anybody can come here. Anybody can put on the air the stories they think are important," said Collins, a six-year Novi resident.

"They can do whatever they want as long as it isn't illegal, immoral, fattening or to sell something."

Collins, who's been on the job for three weeks, was hired to replace SWOCC's first executive director, Lark Samsonian, who is now project manager for the Michigan Government Television Network in Lansing.

When Novi, Farmington and Farmington Hills entered into a cable franchise agreement with MetroVision 11 years ago, SWOCC was set up as part of the deal. A portion of the subscriber fees MetroVision collects fund SWOCC.

Elected officials and the city managers of the three cities sit on the commission, which has a charge to oversee the cable franchise and promote community, educational and governmental access TV. Collins' role is to carry out the commission's orders.

While she has an impressive resume in television and radio broadcasting, Collins is busy re-educating herself about public access and cable television. MetroVision's franchise expires in 1997 and renegotiations will begin in late May. As part of this process, SWOCC will evaluate the cable company's services.

"It's an opportunity to look at how they've been served and have been served in the past. If residents see future needs, they should come here and talk to us," Collins urges.

"I do know the area so I can relate to their needs." Collins has been immersed in notebooks full of data on federal cable television law, hardly easy reading. MetroVision has plans to convert from coaxial cables to fiber optics and offer services such as interactive television. Some of these proposals will be unveiled by the company at a special reception next week.

One thing Collins says she already likes about her new job is the regular hours. Prior to this, she was broadcast supervisor for AAA of Michigan. That meant on snowy winter mornings she left her Novi home at 4 a.m. to get to her job in Dearborn by 5 a.m., where she prepared the winter road condition reports which air on WJR and other

stations. The Memorial Day, July 4 and Labor Day weekends were spent by Collins and her staff in compiling statewide traffic updates, with time out to catch a bit of sleep in a nearby hotel.

Collins also did radio reports for WJR on things like fall color tours, statewide events, travel and tourism.

Before that, she was worked in the hectic, fast-paced world of television news and produced community forum shows for her stations.

"Did you ever watch the Mary Tyler Moore Show? I was Lou Grant, the manager of the newsroom," Collins explains.

Collins grew up in Farmington and studied broadcasting at North Farmington High school, before moving on to the University of Michigan, where she earned a master's in the field.

"At U of M, the undergraduates were not allowed to touch the equipment. You had to be a graduate student. I think that's how they got people to stay and go on to graduate school," Collins says.

"Our purpose here is to get peoples' hands on the equipment."

SWOCC's programming airs on Channel 12 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Most of the shows are put together entirely by crews of volunteers. Some of them may want to tap Collins' knowledge.

Her background includes a stint as a television news consultant for the well-known firm Frank M. Magid Associates in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. One of Collins' clients was Channel 7 in Detroit. As a consultant, she helped the on-air talent improve their delivery, writing, presentation and speaking.

About 500 volunteers put together SWOCC's programming, which ranges from "Motorsports Basics" featuring Ron Watson, Executive Director of the Motorsports Museum to Novi broker Shirley Cash's interview-format show, "Cash Talks."

"I think there are a lot of people out there who don't know community access is available to them. Not long ago, I was one of those people," Collins said. "A community access station is as successful as its volunteers."

It's not surprising that Collins previously didn't know much about local public access opportunities. Her home, the former Tollgate Schoolhouse is on Meadowbrook Road and cable television does not extend there because the area is not populated enough to meet MetroVision's requirements.

"My husband suffered Weather Channel withdrawals," she laughs.

Collins invites residents to drop by SWOCC's Farmington Hills studio at 24021 Research Drive for a tour. Better still, phone 473-8610 first and make an appointment to watch a show being taped.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Caren Collins is the new executive director of the Southwest Oakland Cable Commission

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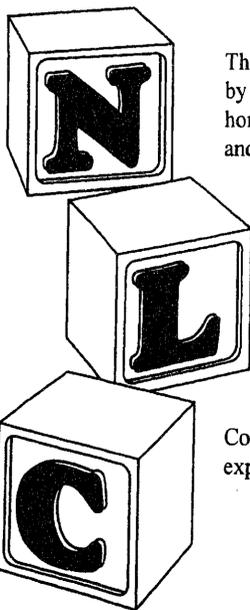
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Man may be suspect in car theft

Twelve Oaks security personnel may have been right on the mark when they notified police of suspicious vehicle that had been patrolling the mall parking lot.

The driver of the gray Chevrolet station wagon left the shopping center when he noticed security guards nearby. Police found the car minutes later parked in the Red Robin parking lot in the Novi Town Center. Officers approached the car and asked the driver for identification. He complied and then allowed police to search the car. Inside officers found two car radios with wires exposed that they confiscated. The driver, neither the car, the screwdriver or the radios were his. He was released at the scene after his identity cleared the LEIN system.

Police News

THREATS: The co-owner of a local restaurant said a man she refused to sell her restaurant to is threatening her and her employees.

Police were flagged down by one of the restaurant employees on Sunday, May 1, who told them about the man's threats. Police talked with the co-owner who confirmed the story. The woman said she's been receiving the threatening calls from the man ever since she refused to sell the restaurant to him a week ago.

CLEAN BREAK-IN: A couple returned home to their Walden Court Apartment on April 26 to find their YCR had been stolen from inside the apartment. The couple told police nothing else was missing and there were no signs of forced entry. A neighbor said she saw a white male leaving the couple's apartment earlier that day. Another witness remembered seeing a suspicious item covered with a newspaper in an upstairs laundry room. The witness told police there were wires coming from underneath the paper but she never uncovered the item to see what it was.

FELONIOUS ASSAULT, DANGEROUS WEAPON: A fight between two Novi Hilton employees triggered the arrest of one who allegedly attempted to stab the other with a screwdriver.

The April 20 fight ensued in one of the hotel ballrooms after the two argued about who was working harder. A 20-year-old Novi man told police the 24-year-old Detroit man poked him in the chest and then grabbed him by the throat. As the two continued to duke it out, the Novi man said the Detroit pulled the screwdriver out of his pocket and attempted to stab him with it.

EMBEZZLEMENT: A Modern Equipment manager returned to work after the April 22 weekend to discover that \$1,585 missing from his office safe. The money was stored in a brown envelope in the safe in the manager's closet. The manager couldn't tell police whether the safe was locked.

Police have no leads and there were no signs of forced entry at the scene.

STOLEN AUTO: A Springlake resident was awake to the sound of a starting car on April 28. Minutes later, around 3:30 a.m., the man looked outside his window and discovered that his brand new 1994 Jeep had been stolen. The man told police the vehicle could not have been repossessed since he just purchased it. He showed police his keys. There was no evidence left behind in the parking lot to indicate that the vehicle had been damaged.

IMPERSONATING OFFICER: A young male allegedly called the parent of a Novi teenager posing as a Novi Police Officer on Monday, April 25. The caller left a message on the man's answering machine claiming to be Officer Zimmerman of the police department. The bogus caller said his daughter was in trouble and to call him when he got home.

The officer told the victim to monitor his calls and keep the department apprised of any further calls.

THREATS, MOOP: An 18-year-old Novi man said that three teenagers accosted him and his girlfriend in the parking lot of Novi High School on Taft Road on Friday, April 29.

The complainant told police he and his girlfriend were sitting in his car when the three suspects approached. The alleged victim told police he knew one of the three suspects but not the other two. The victim told police he got scared and backed out of his parking spot. He left the lot but not before he struck another vehicle parked next to him. Police interviewed the known suspect who said he had heard through friends earlier that day that the complainant and a friend of his were threatening to "get him after school."

Police called the complainant back and told him what they learned about the case and the complainant opted to drop charges against the suspects.

CASE OF THE MISTAKEN SHOPPING BAG: Employees of a Peachtree Plaza retail store believe a shopper

who had been carrying a purse but did not have one in her hand when she was first seen. He told police he approached the woman and asked her to leave him alone. That's when he says she sprayed the Mace in his face and on his arms.

According to the report, the suspect said the complainant said he was "going to beat him up, put him in body bag and drag him behind a car." The suspect told police he went to the parking lot after school to confront the complainant. But at no time, the suspect told police did he or his friends ever threaten the complainant.

Pet food drive: Through the month of May, The Olive Garden Restaurant at 43300 Crescent Boulevard in Novi is holding a pet food drive for the Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society's animal shelter. The employees at the restaurant are setting up a display in the lobby of the Novi eatery featuring their own pets. As an added incentive to help homeless animals, The Olive Garden will be giving a free dessert to those patrons who donate pet food.

Information about the Michigan Anti-cruelty society will also be available at the restaurant. Bill Khoury, manager of The Olive Garden, can be contacted at 346-4279 for more information about this charitable event.

Looking for war stories: Less than a month away, Americans will observe the 50th anniversary of D-Day.

On June 6, 1944, allied troops invaded Normandy one year before the end of World War II.

Do you remember what you were doing when that historic moment took place? Whether you witnessed the event from the battle front or the home front, we'd like to hear your stories. If you have any photos, we might be able to use them, too.

Send your ideas to *The Novi News/Northville Record*, 104 W. Main St., Northville, Mich. 48167.

Blood drive: The Orchard Hills PTO will be sponsoring a blood drive on behalf of the American Red Cross from 3-9 p.m. May 19 at the school. Walk-ins are welcome.

Spring and summer are the seasons when blood supplies are in the highest demand, because of injuries suffered while people active outdoors, explained drive organizer Mary Bohme. It is also the time when donations dip because many regular givers are distracted by those same outdoors activities.

The Orchard Hills PTO had more than 30 promised donations before setting up the drive at the elementary building, located at 41900 Quince. But Bohme said she is hoping walk-in donations will boost the amount given in the drive.

History Week: The Novi Historical Commission will present Michigan History Week on Saturday, May 21, and Sunday, May 22. Activities will take place at the Old Town Hall, which is located at Taft and Ten Mile roads in Novi. Historical re-enactors will portray the people of Michigan and the Great Lakes. Players will be representative of historical figures in Michigan including Native Americans, French Colonials, British and American Soldiers and Civil War Musicians. Cooking and Craft demonstrations along with Children's Activities will also occur through the weekend. The hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, so look forward to Michigan History Week on May 21 and 22. For more information call (810) 347-0494.

Who's in the House? The Michigan House of Representatives will convene in Lansing on Monday, May 16, for the start of its 1994 session. The House will meet in the Michigan State Capitol building.

The House will be led by Speaker James Honan, R-Ann Arbor. The House will also elect its members for the 1994-1995 session.

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More money wanted for courts

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

State government would take on a larger burden of court funding under a reform movement taking shape in the Legislature.

That's the line with Rep. Willis Bullard and District Judge Michael Batechik. They praised Chief Justice Michael Cavanagh when he urged them to "assess the proper balance for the sharing of costs between local and state funding sources." Cavanagh held an open house of cooperation in place of a long-standing battle lines between the courts and the rest of government.

"Think of your recent accomplishments," said the complimentary Cavanagh, referring to the massive transfer of school funding responsibility from local property taxes to the state. Cavanagh, in his second year as chief justice, last Thursday made a first "state of the judiciary" address to a joint session of the House and Senate.

"I won't happen this year, but it will be faced," said Rep. Frank Fitzgerald, R-Grand Ledge, third-ranking Republican in the House. "The state pays about 31 percent of the cost of circuit, probate and district courts. Under a deal cut with

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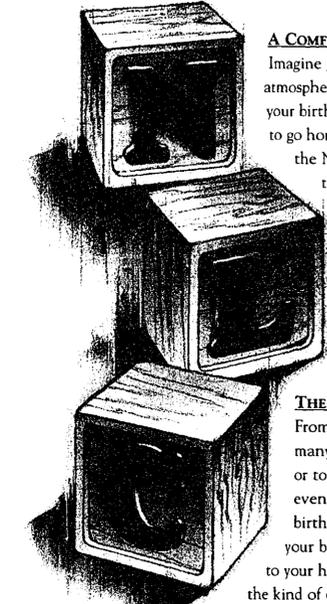
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City activates emergency preparedness plan

By JIM JEFFRIES
Staff Writer

A tornado sweeps through Novi, leveling an entire subdivision block. What next? The city activates its new Support Emergency Operations Plan, just adopted in April.

While everyone's got their fingers crossed that disaster never strikes here — although Novi does have a track record for twisters — the new plan provides the city's elected officials and staff with a framework for dealing with emergencies.

Two key players if something does occur are Mayor Kathleen McLallen and Director of Public Services Anthony Nowicki. Nowicki is the municipal emergency management liaison, who works under the direction of the mayor and coordinates local relief efforts with Oakland County's Emergency Management Program.

Several city departments immediately swing into action to assess the damages. The mayor then has the authority to declare a state of emergency and if it's determined that more than local resources are needed to handle the situation, she may call in the county.

The last time a Novi mayor actually declared a state of emergency was in the late 1970s, during a major snow storm "which pretty near shut down everything," McLallen said.

As a regional center, the city also has several vulnerable points — the freeway, the mall and the railroad. Novi must be prepared, McLallen explained, in case of toxic spills on the freeway or railroad. If a disaster hits the mall, the city must be able to keep traffic circulating and evacuate hundreds of people quickly.

"We have our worst-case and our best-case and our absolute most fun... it appears to be acts of God as well as acts of man," she explained.

These are all major potentials and you can't wait until they happen to have a plan... So many chemicals are going through the community, it's important to know how to handle it.

The emergency management team considered setting up an artificial disaster as a dress rehearsal, but that may be too complicated, McLallen said. A practice session could be held, however.

City officials have discussed response scenarios in detail, she said, thinking through aspects ranging from how to move helicopters in and out of town to how to keep TV crews from sticking microphones in the face of very busy emergency workers.

Novi's emergency plan is designed

to coordinate with the Oakland County Emergency Operations Plan. If necessary, the county may also call in the state for help.

Everybody expects the police and fire departments to mobilize in the event of a major emergency, but Novi's plan also musters up staff from areas such as parks and recreation and the building department.

Here's how it works:

Novi Police: In the event of a disaster, the police must notify the mayor, followed by the city manager, the department of public services director, the fire and police chiefs, then the Oakland County emergency coordinator.

The city's emergency center in the police department is activated, allowing agencies providing emergency services to communicate via telephones, pagers and mobile phones with staff on the site and at central offices. Contact with the county emergency coordinator is maintained.

As needed, the department sets off the public warning system, either through sirens, telephones, door-to-door operations or fanning out on the streets.

Building official: Damage assessment, so crucial in filing insurance claims, is under the supervision of Building Official Don Saven. The city's construction services staff evaluates damage to public buildings while the assessing department checks out private buildings.

Saven assists the mayor in drafting a state of emergency declaration. The building official also keeps a record of all city expenditures, staff hours and resources used to respond to the disaster.

Health services: Novi Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis functions as the health service liaison, who makes contact with his counterparts at Oakland County and the Red Cross.

Davis works with all human services agencies, coordinates crisis counseling, sets up and runs emergency shelters and reception areas, provides emergency transportation for public and emergency workers and coordinates special services to deal with victims with special needs, such as the elderly and handicapped.

Law enforcement: Another function of the police department is to keep the impacted population posted on the situation, conduct search-and-rescue operations, provide sec-

urity to the disaster scene and emergency shelters; control traffic; assist in the Weatherspotter network; enforce curfews; help residents with special needs, such as the elderly remove vehicles blocking evacuation routes; and assist the county medical examiner with mortuary services.

Fire Department: Along with providing fire protection and coordinating emergency medical services and transportation, the fire department takes on a series of key tasks, including assisting in warning the population; helping the city's department of public works shut down gas, electric and other utilities; performing search-and-rescue operations; evacuating residents; clearing debris; assisting in the Weatherspotter network.

The fire department is also charged with hazardous waste removal and assisting the Oakland County radiological defense officer as needed in radiological and decontamination activities.

Department of Public Works: DPW workers identify and keep clear key transportation and evacuation routes, help coordinate travel restrictions and assist with traffic control. The DPW provides emergency generators as needed, helps shut down gas and electricity, and assesses the safety and viability of the water and sanitary systems. In the event of a flood, they conduct sandbagging, diking and pumping operations.

In addition, the DPW crew may be called upon to help out in search-and-rescue missions and in controlling access to the disaster site. They also help bring in food and medical supplies.

Public information officer: Novi's public relations director Cindy Stewart establishes herself as the sole "point of contact" for the news media. She sets up a public information center at the Novi Civic Center, collects data from the disaster scene, writes news releases, conducts press tours and tries to keep reporters from pestering the emergency workers as they do their job.

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Novi youth killed in schoolyard shoot out

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Kosla said Kindred was reported missing from Maxey Boys Training Center in Detroit on March 14. Other reports indicate he had escaped from the Aurora Young Adult Division of Michigan Health Center in Detroit on April 6.

The inspector said he couldn't confirm nor deny where and when the youth escaped.

"The last time he was entered into the system was when he was reported missing from Maxey on March 14," he said. "But they say he had been taken off their grounds for evaluation."

Kindred's parents were reportedly in shock over the incident. His brother, Matt, reportedly learned about his brother's death from another student at the school Tuesday afternoon.

Novi High School Assistant Principal Dr. Jennifer Cheal said she was enrolled at the high school briefly in April and May of 1992.

She said he was brought there from Star Commonwealth, a youth residential home in Albion. He was removed when his attendance became sporadic, Cheal said.

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State house approves funding all courts

A 12-year-old wound in the battle of Detroit vs. outstate was reopened Tuesday when the state House of Representatives approved money for state funding of all courts.

The House approved 62 to 37 an amendment to a budget bill putting up \$128 million for courts statewide — a token amount designed to reopen the debate rather than solve the problem.

"The farmers are takin' us city guys to the cleaners every day of the week," protested Rep. Richard Young, D-Deerborn Heights, co-chair of the Appropriations Com-

mittee. Supporting the amendment were Reps. Willis Bullard, R-Milford, Dan Gustafson, R-Williamston, and Kirk Proff, D-Ypsilanti. Opposed was Tom Middleton, R-Orionville. Absent were Susan Munsell, R-Howell, and Jerry Vorva, R-Plymouth. They took no part in the debate.

The wound was opened in the closing months of Gov. William G. Milliken's administration, which ended in 1992. To help local units, the state put up money to fund Wayne County courts (circuit and probate) and Detroit courts (recorder's and district).

Other areas of the state were to receive full state funding as the economy improved and revenues rose. The other 82 counties still pay about half the cost of their courts; Wayne County suburbs pay a share of district court costs.

"Milliken was a very understanding man who led us through some very tough times," said Young, who challenged an outstate lawmaker to have his district do without a State Police post in the middle of town.

The amendment was offered by Rep. Tom Mathieu, D-Grand Rapids, and supported by Rep. Ken

Siikema, R-Grand Rapids. That area has a deep resentment against what it sees as a one-way flow of money going southeast from Lansing to Detroit to be soaked up by courts, the arts, public transit and possibly a stadium.

"We're seeking to treat seriously the commitment made 12 or 13 years ago," said Siikema. "We said we would treat a few courts one way, and we said we would treat others the same way. The issue is fairness and equity. But year after year, we keep hearing, 'not now, not now.'"

Appropriations Committee members argued that the \$128 million would put the overall state budget \$85 million beyond the limit set in the state constitution, which fixes spending as a percentage of total personal income.

Mathieu replied his amendment would rekindle the issue and force budget conference committees to address an issue long neglected.

In 1987 hearings, the circuit judges association estimated the cost of full state funding at \$275 million or more.



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Residents square off against Interlock factory

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Meadowbrook Lake residents say there's nothing more Interlock Corporation can do to accommodate their concerns except withdraw their plans to build a 100,000 square foot factory.

Residents have mounted an organized campaign against the project opposing it every step of the way despite the numerous concessions Interlock has made to accommodate them.

Jan Gray, president of the Meadowbrook Lake subdivision, Wednesday presented the Novi Planning Commission a petition signed by more than 200 residents from 16 subdivisions opposed to the project.

"These are the signatures of people who feel this industry doesn't belong in this residential area," Gray said last Wednesday.

Gray and others in the subdivisions argue that the proposed use doesn't match the uses outlined in the city's zoning ordinance governing industrial uses near residential areas. She says the city's ordinance restricts industrial use to light manufacturing and office use when the proposed use abuts homes.

Lynn Kocan, 23086 Ennishore, agreed. She contends Interlock's 24-hour, three shift operation is a direct contradiction of the ordinance which seeks to avoid creating an adverse impact on homeowners living next to industrial developments.

"I still believe this is a tool and die plant that is not compatible with residential," she said. "It is a 24-hour operation. The planning commission has the power and the responsibility to preclude 24-hour operations next to residential."

Ten residents spoke against the project during the public hearing held last Wednesday at the planning commission meeting.

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Lynn Kocan
Ennishore homeowner

mission meeting. Four others wrote letters to the commission urging members to deny the request.

Interlock's proposal was one of six hearings scheduled that night. But discussion of the company's revised plan monopolized the meeting until planners tabled it well after midnight.

The suggestion to table the issue came from Interlock attorney Terry Jolly after residents and commissioners raised new concerns about the plan.

Several of the commissioners struggled with their decision to vote on the issue because of all the concessions Interlock's president and owner Bob Peterson has made to accommodate residents.

Chairman Richard Clark and commissioners Kathy Mutch and Kim Thomas Capello all commended Interlock officials for their commitment to the community and to the project.

"... Mr. Peterson is an honorable man and he's tried hard to work with the residents," Clark said.

Interlock officials have met with subdivision residents on several occasions to discuss and amend parts of the proposed plan that, if approved, would be built behind

their homes in the Hickory Corporate Park subdivision. The company has met one-on-one with the subdivision's homeowners association and taken residents and city officials to tour two other facilities that manufacture the same products.

City planners say Interlock officials have "bent over backwards" to try to accommodate the homeowners.

Interlock made several significant changes to their plans after the planning commission denied its first proposal in March because of the public outcry.

A revised plan which was viewed by the commission Wednesday illustrated the changes made at the residents' request.

Among those are the omission of a ring road around the facility and the relocation of a truck dock from the rear to the west side of the building. Industrial trash containers were moved inside the facility and special exterior lighting fixtures were chosen to shield neighboring homeowners from parking lot lights.

Company officials also agreed to prescribe a truck traffic path for incoming and outgoing single axle semi-trucks carrying the raw materials and electrical component parts that would be manufactured at the facility. They did so because residents were concerned trucks would be too heavy to travel on the well-populated, two-lane roads that lead into the plant.

Interlock has also agreed to contain truck traffic between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A larger than required berm would be constructed to obstruct residents' view of the factory and the company has offered to provide individual landscaping for the 10 homes that directly abut the proposed facility.

A 600-foot buffer to the north of the building would be landscaped into a park-like setting to enhance the facility, which will be Interlock's corporate headquarters. Residents argue that the special land use permit and

site plan approval should be denied because the proposed building height is higher than what's allowed in the city ordinance.

Industrial structures abutting homes in Novi must also be no higher than 25 feet, according to the ordinance.

Interlock's proposed facility is 30 feet tall. Air conditioning units on top of the two-story facility add another 7 feet to the already non-conforming height.

City planning consultant Brandon Rogers contends the company has demonstrated the need for the additional height because of the process performed inside. Interlock officials say the additional height is needed because plastic pellets used in the manufacturing are stored in silos inside the facility. Pellets are dropped down into injection molding machines as needed to produce the component parts.

Commissioner Match said Wednesday she doesn't see how the factory will cause any adverse impact on homeowners.

"I paid particular attention to what you said was an adverse impact," she said. "But in comparison to what could have been there and other uses permitted, I would support it because I'm not convinced it would have an adverse impact."

Commissioner Capello — who made the late night motion to table the issue — agreed.

"Mr. Peterson owns the land and he's building a facility that's in compliance with the ordinance," Capello said. "... I don't see anything that he'd doing that will hinder the homeowner."

"It's a good American business," Capello continued. "It's bringing a good business to Novi. I don't want to send a message to other communities that residents dictate development in Novi."

Commission pulls back from action

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Moments before the vote was to be called on the Interlock Corporation's request for special land use approval, which appeared to be headed for a split vote and possible rejection, the Novi Planning Commission last week took company attorney Terry Jolly's suggestion that the issue be tabled.

It took more than five hours of debate about the project before a crowd of angry residents Wednesday for five of the eight planning commissioners to vote, well after midnight, to table the request until May 18.

Three commissioners — Robert Taub, Glen Bonaventura and Chairman Richard Clark — had all said earlier that they couldn't support the project because of the adverse impact it would have on adjacent homeowners.

The corporation is seeking a special land use permit and site plan approval to construct a 100,000 square foot manufacturing facility on Ventura Drive in Hickory Corporate Park. The 30-foot, two-story factory will produce plastic electrical connectors for automobiles.

Interlock's original plans were denied by city planners on March 16. A revised plan was unveiled Wednesday.

"The biggest problem I have is with the 24-hour operation," Bonaventura said. "That doesn't match with the intent of the ordinance."

"These people have bent over backwards (on this project) but their main law is the 24-hour operation," the commissioner said.

Bonaventura couldn't be swayed to change his mind even after hearing the proposed land use would generate less traffic than an office use.

"I always listen traffic consultants to both sides," he said. "I don't believe in either of them."

Taub said he had to side with the scores of Meadowbrook Lake subdivision residents who have rallied against the project since it was first proposed.

"I don't feel that in good conscience I could vote to impose something on someone else that I can't tolerate myself," Taub said prior to commission's late night vote. "I don't think it would work and I don't think it is fair."

Clark said it was a tough call for him. In spite of all the concessions he said the developer has made to accommodate neighboring residents, Clark contends the site is just the wrong location for the business.

"In my five year tenure on the commission, I haven't seen anyone do more to go the extra mile for the residents... But this is just not the best site for that facility," he said.

Clark said the height of the building which exceeds the city ordinance

by five feet was a big factor in his decision to want to vote against the project.

"The height is also a big problem. There is no way a berm will obstruct it," he said.

Commissioner Kim Thomas Capello suggested tabling the issue after Jolly hinted company officials would try to reconfigure their plans again to address the height, noise, traffic and suitability concerns neighboring residents voiced.

Jolly suggested the building could be lowered into the ground to meet the letter of the city law and avoid asking the city for a five-foot variance. But he said company officials

would need the two week stay to evaluate it before coming back to the commission a third time.

The 5-3 vote to table set off an angry Taub who again reiterated his distaste for the project because of the adverse impact it would have on abutting homeowners.

Taub was reacting to the laundry list of concerns residents from adjacent subdivisions presented to the commission Wednesday night. Ten residents spoke against the project on Wednesday. Another 207 signed petitions urging the commission to deny approvals.

Residents who flocked to the meeting and stayed until it adjourned after 1 a.m. sided with Taub and were equally outraged by the decision to table.

Taub argued that the motion was erroneous because the idea to table came from the floor not the commission.

Clark disagreed. He said the motion was valid because it was made and seconded by planning commissioners.

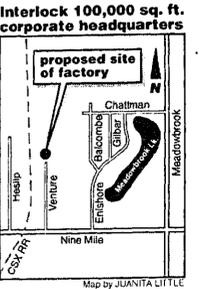
But Taub insisted it was "out of order" because the motion came from the applicant's attorney who was allowed to speak after the commission had finished discussing the issue

and closed the public hearing on it. The commissioner said the attorney's comments were contrary to Robert's Rules of Order, the commission's procedure for conducting meetings.

Clark allowed the attorney to make the comment but stilled Taub from responding to it until the roll call vote to table was taken.

Taub's charge was overruled by Clark. The commissioner then stood up, shouted his objection to the motion across the room and then left the meeting.

He returned minutes later to participate in the remainder of the meeting before it adjourned after 1 a.m.



Engler to speak at memorial

Novi Police will host a memorial service for three officers killed in the line of duty on May 16.

None of the officers being remembered were Novi officers said Nov Sergeant Bob Gatt. But that doesn't lessen the importance of the memorial service for anyone, Gatt said.

It is an event we believe strongly in and an event we feel is very important," Gatt said Tuesday. "We've been very, very fortunate not to have any of our officers seriously injured in Novi during my career. But we know anything is possible. That's why it is important to support a ceremony of this type."

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Gov. John Engler will be the keynote speaker at the 14th annual memorial day event. Remarks will also be made by Detroit's Chief of Police Isiah McKinnon and Novi's own Chief Douglas Shafer.

"We are expecting a large police turnout," Gatt said.

The Novi High School Band will perform and there will be a 21 gun salute in honor of the slain officers. There will also be an open house at

the station for all who attend the memorial service.

Novi's event is being coordinated with the national memorial services for officers killed across the country which is being held in Washington, D.C. on May 14.

The annual event is the 14th of its kind and is being planned as part of the 32nd annual anniversary of Police Week.

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"We can't ever come back again," he said. "I'm saying we should just ask for it. We may not ever need it but we should ask for it."

Board candidate-elect George Kortlandt and Carol Elfring, PTO president from Novi Middle School, sided with the minority.

"We have the opportunity now to do something for our students," Kortlandt said. "It's important for the board to take this opportunity to ask for the full amount. It will keep us financially solvent over the next couple of years."

Elfring agreed and wanted the additional millage to hold the current programs harmless from any cuts.

"I feel it's important at this time," Elfring said. "I feel any cut in the program directly affects our children."

Trustee Julie Abrams was absent from the meeting.

Those opposed to the three mill levy said they couldn't justify to the community banking the additional tax revenues to build a 22 percent fund equity balance in 1989-99.

Vice President Stephen Hitchcock said there was no need to levy the full

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millage just to put the additional tax revenues into a rainy day fund.

"I don't think it's fair to the citizens of today to be funding education too far down the road," he said.

Hitchcock said he would be in favor of asking voters to approve "some" millage for the future to save it from tapping into its fund equity account over the next three years, but three mills was just too much.

He said he'd also be looking at tightening the reins on the district's annual budget as a means to saving money.

"In addition to whatever we ask voters for, we have to pare down the budget."

Outgoing Trustee Robert Schram agreed.

"This will be a tax burden to us in Novi," Schram said. "I think we to levy enough millage to get us through the state's period of adjustment."

... But it's also time to look at

"I'm concerned about being a high spending district," he said. "In the future if we have that much money sitting there it could be taken away by the state to provide equity."

The 4-2 passed before a crowded audience. And despite requests from the audience to go for the maximum levy, the majority ruled.

Trustee Michael Meyer seamed on the fence on the millage question during the debate before the vote. He said then he could support the three mill increase if the revenues were closely monitored.

Later on in the meeting, after learning about state mandates that could chew away at the district revenues, Meyer moved to reconsider the millage question. A second thought prompted him to ask the board to reconsider bumping the two mill request to the full three mill levy.

The motion died for lack of support.

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NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MICHIGAN TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:
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Starting in mid-May, the spring series of Transitions Seminars will be offered at four OCC campuses. Participants may choose from morning or evening sessions. Admissions is free, but advance registration is required. Participants must also meet income eligibility requirements.

■ Auburn Hills Campus, 2500 Featherstone Road, first session Monday, May 16, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Gail Bryan, Counselor/Facilitator.
■ Highland Lake Campus, 7350 Cooley Lake Rd, Waterford, First session, Wednesday, May 18, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., Roxanne Allen, Counselor/Facilitator.
■ Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, first session, Tuesday, May 17, 5:30 to 8 p.m., Darlene Currier, Counselor/Facilitator

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If kids can't just say no, class teaches birth control

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

Next year freshmen at Novi High School will be taught that abstinence is the best prevention of pregnancy, acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) and other sexually transmitted diseases.

At the same time high schoolers also will be taught how to protect themselves from the same consequences by using condoms and other methods of contraception.

The Novi Community Board of Education Thursday passed a revised reproductive health curriculum that will go into effect next year for students in grades 4-9.

The school board approved the curriculum 6-0 provided that the statement about abstinence be strengthened and that the curriculum be reviewed and evaluated at the end of next year.

The curriculum changes are units that will be integrated into the district's existing health program.

The curriculum is abstinence based at all grade levels but contraceptive methods will be taught exclusively to ninth grade students.

Ninth grade students will also be the only ones being taught AIDS instruction. Younger students will be introduced to AIDS as a communicable disease.

The information will be presented to ninth graders as part of the Health/Life skills unit starting next fall.

The Human Sexuality unit within the required ninth grade Health/Life skills course will seek to provide students with the most current and accurate information about the human anatomy and physiology of the male and female reproductive systems.

Information about conception, contraception, protection, pregnancy, HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases will be discussed in detail.

Instructors will discuss the physical, emotional and personal advan-

tages of remaining abstinent. The course will include a description of the process of conception and the early signs of pregnancy; the physical changes that occur during pregnancy and the risks involved in teenage pregnancy. The consequences of becoming an adolescent parent and learning the differences between mature love and infatuation are also topics to be discussed.

The curriculum will also stress the advantages of abstinence in preventing STDs and pregnancy. Students will be taught that abstaining from "high-risk" sexual intercourse is the foolproof method of protection.

Rita Traynor, the school district's Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, steered the 21-member Reproductive Health Advisory Committee which recommended the curriculum changes to the board last Thursday.

The committee's charge 18 months ago was to enhance the district's existing curriculum to include units on reproductive health instruction, Traynor said.

The charge originated at the State Department of Education level in two public acts which now require public schools to teach sex education, reproductive health, family planning and AIDS prevention.

The committee's revised curriculum has been approved by the State department, Traynor said.

Committee members were in agreement that the curriculum be abstinence based and follow the rules of the state department which includes keeping parents informed about course content. Parents will also under state law be able to excuse their child from any class, Traynor said.

According to Traynor, fourth graders will be introduced to the signs of puberty in separate boy/girl presentations one day during the spring. Walt Disney videos will be used to illustrate the different changes occurring during the maturation process. Health professionals may come into

the classroom to discuss the physical, hormonal, and emotional changes related to puberty.

Fifth graders will attend a three day unit with separated 50 minute discussions. The focus of the unit will be to increase students' awareness of the emotional and social changes during puberty. For girls, discussion will focus on the physical activities and hygiene necessary during menstruation and puberty. Sanitary supplies will be introduced.

Question and answer sessions, videos and pre and post tests will be used to teach the unit.

Male and female anatomy and reproductive systems will be introduced to sixth graders during their four day unit. Once again, the physical and emotional changes of puberty will be discussed along with the importance of problem solving and social behaviors.

Seventh graders will spend five days learning about the physical implications of AIDS. The cause, means

of transmission, progressive stages and the affects on the human body are the focus of the unit.

Lessons aimed at strengthening eighth grade students' decision making skills will be the focus of their new unit. Students will be provided with information about sexually transmitted diseases and the cause and symptoms of them. Trained health care professionals will come into the classrooms to answer questions.

Eighth graders will be taught refusal skills to deal with peer pressure and learn to recognize the behaviors that can prevent the spread of sexually transmitted diseases.

Traynor said the committee reviewed scores of suggested materials for the 4-9th grade lesson plans. The 18 month process, the Assistant Superintendent said also included a review of materials from other districts and a series of visits from professionals who work in the field.

All the materials that will be used to teach the courses are available to be reviewed in Traynor's office.

Adults, teen don't agree on sex ed

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

Liberal and conservatives may never see eye to eye when it comes to sex education being taught in the classroom.

The theory was tested and proven last week when the Novi Community School District Board of Education discussed and then adopted a health and sex education program for students in grades 4-9.

The school board adopted the curriculum presented by the district's Reproductive Health Advisory committee provided that committee members beef up the message that abstinence is the best defense against pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.

Nancy Nemceck was at the meeting prepared to share her view along with the views of 14 other parents who reviewed the curriculum changes with her.

She commended the committee for the work members had done. She offered praise and criticism for various parts of the program and noted specific items she'd like to see changed.

"There are kids who will have sex," she read from a letter signed by 15 parents including herself. "But let's stop throwing condoms at them as the answer for saving their lives."

"Yes, this curriculum teaches abstinence—but not enough," she continued. "Let's not give our kids less than what they are worth. Let's not give them double messages."

But teaching abstinence isn't what high schoolers need nor want to know, says one student who sat on the 21 member committee.

The student was denied an opportunity to speak about the curriculum changes by Board President Ray Byers because he was not present when Byers called for public comment.

Trustee Robert Schram sought the same student's input after Byers denied him access to the conversation.

Schram asked the student to share his perception of the proposed changes. But what he got instead was something he and the rest of the adult crowd didn't want to hear.

"At least 170 students believe that safe sex should be taught and that condoms should be passed out," sophomore Robert Littleton told the board and the audience.

"Students believe there should be more education," he continued. "I don't want my kids to learn about it because people in the '90s don't want to hear about it."

Just as Littleton started to present a litany of facts and figures to support his case, a parent who was not on the committee jumped out of his seat and told him to "shut up."

Byers immediately brought the discussion back to the board table. He instructed Schram to redirect his question to the student and told the student to contain his comments.

Littleton offered little else and talk of the proposed curriculum changes volleyed back to the board and the administration.

In response to the student's comments, Rita Traynor, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, said there had never been any talk at the committee level of handing out condoms in the hallways.

"There are those who are more liberal thinkers than others," she said. "But we never talked about the distribution of condoms in the school."

Trustee Craig Foreback said he wasn't convinced the proposed curriculum was the best solution or the most comprehensive plan.

"I'm concerned about the content and things that were left out," he said. "... Let's give them all of the facts."

"I think this needs more work. I'm not ready to pass it tonight. I do not see a strong abstinence message here and that's what I thought we were going to get."

"It's about 80-90 percent condom education and 10-20 percent abstinence education."

Foreback voted against the motion to move the issue to an action item. But when Schram echoed his sentiments and asked to strengthen the abstinence message, Foreback concurred and voted to implement the

curriculum for the 1994-95 school year.

"There is no question in my mind that things need to be changed," Schram said. "I see no value in teaching kids how to put on a condom."

"We need to fine tune it," he added. "I'm not talking about reinventing the wheel, it just needs fine tuning."

When it looked like the board may stall a vote on the issue, Traynor defended the curriculum content by saying it was the consensus of the liberal and conservative minds on the panel.

"What you see tonight is the consensus of a number of considerations," she said. "I reflect the liberal and conservative point of view."

Byers pushed to get the curriculum passed Thursday.

"I think the committee has done a wonderful job on the framework," he said. "It isn't going to be perfect."

The president contended that if the board didn't adopt the curriculum last week someone else might show up and start the debate all over again.

"I would ask for a vote but I can't as

president," he said. "If we don't vote on it the debate could go on all summer long."

"This is just one piece of the entire curriculum."

Trustee Michael Meyer said initially he planned to vote against the curriculum if the board would have adopted it as presented. He took issue with a portion of the ninth grade course that directed pregnant girls to local clinics.

But after Traynor told him that portion of the plan had been deleted in the final copy, Meyer reversed his decision.

Library Notes

Literary Program Tonight: Learn how to encourage your child's literary creativity in a program at Novi Public Library this evening (Thursday, May 12) at 7 p.m.

Beth Katz, scriptwriter, puppeteer and motivation specialist, will present "Born to write: For parents only." Call the library at 349-0720 to register for this free program.

Teens Wanted: Teen volunteers, grades 7 and up, are wanted to help with Novi Public Library's Summer Reading Program. Applications will be available at the library on May 20.

Volunteers will be assigned such tasks as helping register children for the summer program, assisting with crafts, shelving picture books and other useful chores.

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To rezone a part of the NW 1/4 of Section 12, T.1N, R.8E, City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, being part of parcels 22-12-101-005 and -008, more particularly described as follows:

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Thieves rip through five cars

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Five Fountain Park Apartment residents' cars were broken into on Tuesday, May 3.

Police have no suspects in the break-ins that occurred between 11 p.m. and 7:30 a.m.

There were also no signs of forced entry to any of the five vehicles involved. The owners of the cars told

police their vehicles were locked when they left them in the complex parking lot overnight.

A bagged car phone, two compact discs, a pair of Ray Ban sunglasses and a rearview mirror were taken from three of the cars. Nothing was missing from the other two vehicles, although a briefcase was taken from a 1991 Ford Tempo and found on top of another car to the north. The interiors of each of the cars had been ransacked.

Four of the vehicle owners reported the break-ins, a fifth was discovered by police when officers arrived to investigate. Officers found a door ajar and the glove box open on a 1989 Ford Ranger while they were looking over the other cars.

The owner was notified and he said there was nothing missing from inside the car.

Police have no leads or suspects in the case.

Twelve Oaks races for charity

Twelve Oaks will host its first charity race Sunday, May 15, on the paved roads around the Novi shopping center.

All profits from the '94 Challenge event will go to the Exceptional Equestrian Foundation, a therapeutic horseback riding program for people throughout the Detroit metropolitan area with physical, mental or emotional disabilities.

The race, a cooperative effort between Twelve Oaks and Hudson's, will include a 5K run, a 5K walk and a one-mile "fun walk."

The run begins at 8 a.m., the walk at 8:30 a.m.

There will be awards for "best overall," "Masters" and the top three finishers in each of 12 different age groups for men and for women runners in the 5K run, plus awards for "best overall" and the first 15 walkers to finish the 5K walk.

All registered participants can win prizes from Twelve Oaks retailers at a

drawing in Center Court immediately after the race.

Everyone can enjoy an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Hudson's Restaurant. All profits from the breakfast will also go to the horseback riding program.

"We've never done anything like this before, and we're really excited about it," said Elaine Kah, Twelve Oaks marketing director. "The Exceptional Equestrian Foundation produces amazing results from its efforts, and we're thrilled that our run and walks will help others ride."

The equestrian program, one of the largest of its kind in the entire country, serves about 550 people from 18-month-old toddlers through senior citizens each year. Participants often progress from basics, like balancing in the saddle, to jumping or participating in the program's drill team, which recently performed at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington.

The Exceptional Equestrian Foundation operates from the Tollgate Education Center, one mile from Twelve Oaks at Meadowbrook and Twelve Mile.

Participants can pick up registration forms at both Twelve Oaks information desks or at the following Twelve Oaks stores: Footlocker, Lady Footlocker, Kids Footlocker, Athlete's Foot, Champs Sports, Great Stuff, NordicTrack, and Track'n Trail.

Since the 5K walk will be competitive, those who wish to run for even a small part of the course should register for the run rather than the walk, according to Kah.

Runners and walkers can pick up race packets in Twelve Oaks' Center Court on Saturday, May 14, from noon to 5 p.m., or from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. the day of the race. They can also register beginning at 6:30 a.m. on that day.

Obituary

ANDREA L. SOBUSH

Andrea L. Sobush died May 5 at her Novi home. She was 47.

Ms. Sobush was born May 4, 1947 in Dearborn. She was an office manager for a dental practice.

Surviving is her fiancé, William Ward; her brothers, Andrew, John and Steve; and her sister, Mary Christine Dunn.

A private funeral service was held at Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington, Fr. Gerald McEnhill of St. Gerald Catholic Church in Farmington officiated. Entombment was at Parkview Memorial Mausoleum in Livonia.

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10:00 a.m.—Travels with Kay: Yugoslavia
10:30 a.m.—Women on the Move: Florist
11:00 a.m.—Coffee and Conversation: Fashions of Today
11:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
12:00 p.m.—F.H. Police Journal
12:30 p.m.—Dollars and Sense with J. R. Duane Nowaryta
1:00 p.m.—Seniors on the Move: The Gourd King
1:30 p.m.—The Word of Life: The Fullness of Time
2:00 p.m.—Life Liberty and Health: Hospital Billing Problems
2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
3:00 p.m.—North American Indian Journal
3:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
4:00 p.m.—Medical Update: M.H.I.A.
4:30 p.m.—F.H. Employee Awards
5:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
5:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
6:00 p.m.—Positively: Massage Therapy
6:30 p.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil
7:00 p.m.—Legally Speaking: Victims Rights
7:30 p.m.—Adventures with Pirate Pete
8:00 p.m.—Impact Video
9:00 p.m.—Democratic Closeup: Debbie Stabenow
9:30 p.m.—Groove Session

Tuesday May 17, 1994

10:00 a.m.—Drawing Men to Christ
10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
11:00 a.m.—Happiest People Alive
11:30 a.m.—I Remember When I was a Hobo
12:00 p.m.—Adventures with Pirate Pete

12:30 p.m.—Spontaneous Seniors
1:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
1:30 p.m.—Cooking with Class: Barbecue Chicken
2:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Newest and Latest Haircuts
2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
3:00 p.m.—Cosmic Connection
3:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
4:00 p.m.—Defense Tactics
4:30 p.m.—Community Kids
5:00 p.m.—Lansing Connection
5:30 p.m.—Living with Your Addictions
6:00 p.m.—Jr. Japanese: Lesson 27
6:30 p.m.—Business and Residential News
7:00 p.m.—Cash Talks:
7:30 p.m.—F.H. Police Journal
8:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Newest and Latest Haircuts
8:30 p.m.—Black Tie Optional: Jr. League House
9:30 p.m.—Music Box: Reform School

Wednesday May 18, 1994

10:00 a.m.—Legislative Forum
10:30 a.m.—The Job Show
11:00 a.m.—Study in Scripture
11:30 a.m.—Oakland Press Perspective
12:00 p.m.—The Way The Truth and The Life
12:30 p.m.—Abundant Life Arabic Ministries
1:00 p.m.—Seniors on Parade
1:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
2:00 p.m.—City of Novi Open Forum Main Street Project
2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
3:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
3:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
4:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family: Stuttering
4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
5:00 p.m.—Prescription for Your Health: Physicians Assistants
5:30 p.m.—Groove Session
6:00 p.m.—Spontaneous Seniors

Thursday May 19, 1994

10:00 a.m.—Senior Messenger
10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
11:00 a.m.—Dickerman Showcase: One Flight Up
11:30 a.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil
12:00 p.m.—Cash Talks:
12:30 p.m.—Along the Way Photo Essay
1:00 p.m.—Alaska Two Ways to See the Last Frontier
1:30 p.m.—Casualties at the Crossroads
2:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts
2:30 p.m.—Chi-aerobics: Lesson 7
3:00 p.m.—Business and Residential News
3:30 p.m.—Viewpoint
4:00 p.m.—Seniors Beware
4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
5:00 p.m.—Night Life
5:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
6:00 p.m.—Coffee and Conversation: Fashions of Today
6:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
7:00 p.m.—Travels with Kay: Yugoslavia
7:30 p.m.—Dollars and Sense with J. R. Duane Nowaryta
8:00 p.m.—Novi News Week
8:30 p.m.—Getting the Love You Want
9:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
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Opinions

THURSDAY
May 12,
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As We See It

Issue was already before commission

Dozens of residents sat through five hours of debate and discussion by the Novi Planning Commission last week only to watch the commissioners table the Interlock Corporation's request for a special land use facility in the industrial park behind their subdivision.

They're frustrated, and it's perfectly understandable. They'll have to return to the planning commission meeting coming up May 18 to see the deliberations resume. No telling how long the conversation may go on that night.

Additionally frustrating is the fact the idea of tabling the request came up just moments before the commissioners were ready to vote on the issue. And it appeared very possible the request could go down to defeat. Three of the eight members present had already made it clear they would not be voting in support of special land use approval.

Now, Commissioner Kim Capello has received criticism for making the motion. But it is undeserved, because that is all he did — make the motion — it took four other members of the commission to support the tabling. Likewise, chairman Richard Clark has drawn some fire for allowing the motion. The suggestion to table came from Interlock attorney Terrence Jolly, who requested the delay when the public comments of the agenda was supposed to have been closed. The criticism aimed at Clark argues he should not have allowed Jolly to make the suggestion, but in fact it was out of Jolly's mouth before Clark could stop him and the motion was made and seconded by commissioners. So in the end, Clark merely followed the rules of order.

Jolly of course was only doing his job, which was to represent his client. Which he did, speaking out of turn or not.

The blame has to rest when the commission majority. It appears they delayed the decision, possibly because of the controversial nature of the project, when the central question on which Interlock's special land use approval request is likely to be decided. It seems very unlikely the company will be able to make any further changes to the plan to make it more acceptable to the Meadowbrook Lake subdivision residents on that central questions.

In the end, the tabling may have been unfair to both Interlock and the



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residents. Two topics about the building posed the lion's share of the concern. One was the height of the building. Interlock needs a 30 foot tall structure, but the height limitation in that area is 25 feet. One resident suggested the building could be sunk into the ground five feet, but the building designers are skeptical because of a high water table in that area. Sinking the floor five feet may put it into that water table they warned.

But that was not the main concern. The primary objection was that this will be a 24-hour light manufacturing operation. The coming and going of truck traffic to carry away the company's product throughout the night may cause a disturbance to the neighborhood immediately adjacent. There will be a berm other buffer between the light manufacturing facility and the subdivision. And that fact will not likely be changed when Interlock returns May 18.

As one commissioner put it, this may be a great facility and a desirable business to have in town, but this appears simply to be the wrong location for it.

Tabling a decision on a project that has run into opposition is usually done to give the company time to resolve the concerns. No one can fault Interlock for the efforts it has made. The company has already made numerous alterations to meet the concern of the abutting landowners. So if Interlock could revise its project to make it more palatable, tabling would save it from having to resubmit the plans again later and pay new filing fees.

But in this case, the delay may simply burn up more of Interlock's time and engineering resources, costing it more money, when the central issue is already before the commission.

Additionally, it just aggravates the residents.

Some battles worth a fight

Perhaps we should take it as a reminder that good politics are not always pretty politics, not always polite politics.

This year's budgeting process in the City of Novi was frustrating for many here. The City Council became obstinate, cantankerous and slow. Council members were accused of playing politics with the city's money as a result of the debates. Many wondered if the council of days past hadn't returned.

But what came out of the process was a budget that looked the way it should, nice and tight, and without a tax increase in it. If politics were being played, it was politics with a good cause.

At issue was the question of whether the city should exceed its limit in taxation limitation, a rollback of the city property tax levy designed to keep income from existing buildings the same from year to year. There was significant pressure to go over the truth in taxation amount. After all, we've got computers to buy in the city this year. Administrators are looking for raises, to the tune of 3.5 percent, which is not an unreasonable amount. There have been requests for more police and fire department personnel. The mayor was pushing for additional trucks to spend on park land development and roadway maintenance.

the city. Call it compensation for having to put up with the rapid development of the area.

In the end, much of what city officials got included in the budget without increasing the taxes. The police and fire departments got a new position each. Administrators will get their raises. The money for the computers was set aside.

Of course, the administration had to go back and find a way to trim \$300,000 out of its spending plan. And a lot of niceties, proposed to be restored to the budget after being cut out in previous years, ended up biting the dust. The money for park land purchases and road improvements citywide. Given the extra efforts, we think there should be a delay in such increases. Wait until the residents get a little further down the road toward paying these commitments off and then it will be time to make those additions.

It has been said before that democracy is not supposed to be efficient. It certainly is not supposed to be without some level of debate and dissent. Certainly this time, council's stubbornness with the administration and the budget process was the right way to go.

No one should expect the council to avoid fighting. Some things are worth the battle. Frankly, the city budget was worth the fight.

Would teachers put up with it



Michael Malott

Imagine for a moment that the students of Novi High School had a food fight in the cafeteria. What kind of punishment do you think they would draw for that? Detention perhaps? Clean up detail in the cafeteria? And let's say that the next day they did it again. And the day after that. And the day after that. I'm willing to bet teachers would get rather cranky about it in a big hurry, and chances are they'd toughen the penalties paid by the food fighters pretty quickly. Teachers don't like to take much guff from students.

Now, for the sake of argument, imagine that the students started picketing and calling the teachers Nazis because of that crackdown. How long do you think teachers would put up with that?

So I was somewhat amazed by the reaction of teachers to the state Legislature's recent adoption of amendments to the Public Employment Relations Act, toughening the penalties for teachers who go out on strike. Things got downright ugly elsewhere in the state. Teachers walked around for days wearing "Engler hates me" buttons and some even went picketing with signs calling the governor a Nazi.

I have to give teachers in Novi credit for keeping their objections to the bill well within bounds. Sum and total of the local protest consisted of Novi Education Association President Martha Franchi and a school district resident getting up in a recent school meeting to complain about the Board of Education's adoption of a resolution supporting the passage of the bill. Franchi mainly expressed disappointment and anger, contending that it was her feeling the board and union have worked cooperatively in the past. Board President Ray Byers simply responded that the

measure was seen by members as a cost containment measure. But something Franchi said in her comments perked up my ears a little. She talked about how the bill (which has now become law) would eliminate "protections" for teachers, which I thought was a pretty curious way to refer to a law that, as I understood it, made teacher strikes illegal.

As it turns out, there were indeed "protections" for teachers in that old version of the law, which explains a lot about the final shape of the amendment, and which I don't think the media has explained very well so far.

One was that teachers who went out on strike could do so without risking losing any pay. Since teachers are paid an annual amount, when they returned to work their paychecks were simply recalculated in order to get them their full yearly salary. That's one reason the Legislature set the fines to be worth roughly a day's pay for each day the teachers are on the picket line. It also explains why other unions did not rush to teachers' defense. Paid hourly, members of other unions already have to gamble that they'll win enough in wage increases to make up for the time they lost on the job. So they are not particularly sympathetic.

I had always marvelled that judges seemed so reluctant to crack down on striking teachers when the law said such strikes were illegal. Novi Superintendent Emmett Uppe explained to me that the reason was that technically they weren't on strike. Since the school year calendar was a negotiable item, if there was no contract finalized to set the starting date, teachers weren't really failing to report to work.

You could certainly count that as a "protection." And it is also one of the main reasons the Legislature sought to remove the school calendar from the list of negotiable items in the recent changes to the law.

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Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



Bridging the generation gap at the "Senior" prom at Northville's Cooke Middle School.

Let's Dance

Up to my elbows in paper



Lee Snider

At one point in my judging, I spread a mound of papers out on the desk in front of me to survey the task ahead. I began to feel like a computer into which an overload of information had to be stuffed. Memorizing the Yellow Pages would have been less time consuming. I didn't think I'd ever see the bottom of the stack.

Somehow I got through it all and I have to admit some of the submissions were so good they were scary. It was hard to believe they came from the minds of 12 and 13 year olds. In fact, I asked friends to eyeball a couple of the compositions and tell me if they thought the authors hadn't gotten the help of a ghost writer—like Salman Rushdie. The maturity of the writing was astonishing.

When I was that age, I think my literary interests were limited to reading the backs of baseball cards. I thought Jughead and Archie were well-constructed characters.

The most impressive honor I heard about was from Cooke Middle School where a team of 16 students finished first in the state in this spring's Knowledge Masters Open, a trivia-type quiz covering the whole gamut of subject matter. There's a story about it in today's B section.

In addition to finishing first among 56 teams in Michigan, the Cooksters placed an amazing 28th out of 1,470 teams nationwide. That's in the 98th percentile. Wow! crats from the House of Representatives at them as the law making power was in the leadership hands of John Engler. Thus comes the golden dream of any person who would be governor — the chance to solve the state problems of this choosing—jobs!—crime!—pollution—you name it! Total free

Boy, do they ever know how to prepare a steak at the VFW hall. I ate dinner over there April 24 at the annual public safety honors ceremony where they served file (oh, the sacrifices I have to make). After a dignified series of presentations to officers and firefighters of the year, we cast off airs and proceeded to gorge ourselves at the banquet table. I'll spare you the gory details other than to say that I made the right decision to starve myself earlier in the day. I plan to volunteer for the event again next year, only this time I'll bring my own doggie bag—one of those 30-gallon jobs from the kitchen pantry.

From the small world department: While at the hall I had the chance to meet longtime Detroit City Councilman Mel Ravitz, who attended the awards ceremony because his son-in-law, state Trooper Norm Harrington, was one of the honorees. Mr. Ravitz knew my late father from the time the two of them worked at radio station WJLB in the mid 1940s (pre-Strong Song era).

According to Mr. Ravitz, I inherited my father's looks, though not necessarily his vocal prowess. I guess as long as they never make talking newspapers, I won't have to worry. Lee Snider is editor of The Northville Record.

Inattentive public creates wolves



Tim Richard

Moonlight glowed on his classical-style monument on the shore of the Tidal Basin. The rest of Washington, D.C., was asleep or preening. The man's ghost stood six feet three and had a reddish tint to the hair, but his visage was sad. "My own party, my own party," said Thomas Jefferson's spirit. "Fassing gun controls — in the name of crime prevention!" It was true. Each year Democrats hold "Jeff-Jack" banquets honoring Presidents Jefferson and Jackson, but last week the bulk of Democratic congressmen had supported a draconian gun measure.

Pointing to the newspapers, I whispered to him that the press was treating it as a defeat for the National Rifle Association. "Pshaw!" said Jefferson's spirit. "The right to bear arms isn't about crime, or self-defense, or even hunting. It's about keeping government under control."

"Man is the only animal which devours its own kind. For I can apply no milder term to the governments of Europe, and to the general cry of the rich on the poor. Hold that a little rebellion now and then is a good thing, and as necessary in the political world as storms in the physical." It is a medicine prescribed for the sound health of government. God forbid we should ever be 20 years without such a rebellion.

"Let them take arms," Jefferson said, warning up. "The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants."

"Didn't you witness the French Revolution of July 1789 when you were our envoy?" I asked. "The people armed themselves with such weapons as they could find in armors' shops and private houses, and with bludgeons," Jefferson's spirit recalled. "The next day, July 13, the Assembly pressed on the king to send away the troops, to permit the bourgeoisie of Paris to arm for the preservation of order in the city."

"I've been listening to Howard Simon of the American Civil Liberties Union," I replied. "He insists that 'this may come as a shock to people, but there is no 2nd Amendment right to own a handgun, a weapon or any gun. The Supreme Court has said the 2nd Amendment refers to a commitment to states to be able to maintain their militias as a condition of joining the Union in the 18th Century.'"

"What is the militia," said Jefferson, raising his head and glaring, "but the people? The Militia at Concord and Lexington provided their own arms. The Anglo-Saxon Chronicle of 605 said the militia 'was a local defense force, made up of the entire free male population."

choice — and no group to stand in the way? Truly one of those rare moments to make a real difference! Let's see what the Governor and his followers did with this golden opportunity: First — They took the first two weeks of April as an extended Easter Break.

Second — They returned to promptly make a law making it illegal for the Democrats to raise any political action money via Bingo. (Labeled by Republican senate majority leader Posthumous as the most significant political fund raising reform to ever pass.)

Next — They passed a law in the middle of the night (and without public hearings) that strips from public education employees many rights that all other citizens of the state enjoy.

Lastly — They passed a law that removed farm land way beyond the family homestead from the property taxes of the state, stripping from public education employees many rights that all other citizens of the state enjoy.

As we approach another political campaign season listen carefully to what John Engler says — then look carefully at what John Engler did when given that golden opportunity!

I think Republican Senator John Dillingham of Fowlerville summed it up best when he said, "nothing but politics, we're not fooling anybody in this state."

Jim Shaw

Sex ed program mixes signals

To the Novi schools Board of Education: We would, first of all, like to thank Rita Traynor for making

available to us the curriculum material for review. We would like to recommend a lending policy for this material in our community, but more importantly for our children. At first glance we might have seen only the negative and controversial aspects of the curriculum. Being able to take time with it enabled us to see that there were only a few items that were objectionable.

Novi is a conservative community. We are not ready to give up on our youth and assume that they are all ready to throw caution to the wind and have sex at every opportunity. We are a community that has taught our youth morals and values. We need our school programs to reflect what we have taught them. We are not a community that will hide its head in the sand. There are kids who will have sex. But let's stop throwing condoms at them as the answer for saving their lives. Let's equip them to say NO. Let's equip them to say NO until marriage. Let's not be afraid of the word "virgin." To say anything less is to encourage them to play Russian Roulette.

In this curriculum there are many references to delaying "until they are ready." Can a youth actually determine when they are emotionally ready? How many relationships have each of us had that we thought "this is it, 'I'm in love'?" In this day and age we involve ourselves in numerous relationships and even multiple marriages. Staying monogamous is difficult for adults as well as youth. Saying an emphatic NO is the only answer that will save our lives.

Yes, this curriculum emphasizes abstinence, but it uses unsex names. We would like the role playing to reflect the norm of society as it is in Michigan, not in California. On page 118 the teacher demonstration is unnecessary as instructions are enclosed in each box of condoms.

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each member of which was charged with providing his own armament. The Stuart Restoration of 1662 hoped to do away with professional soldiers — no standing army — and substitute a militia."

"It looks as if our Bill of Rights, which you insisted on, has been eroded," I replied, "but in Michigan we still have a clear constitutional right: 'Every person has a right of keep and bear arms for the defense of himself and the state.'"

"Bless the states like Michigan and Vermont!" the spirit said. "Vermont allows any citizen who is not a felon or mental patient the right to carry a handgun. The Green Mountain people say 'an armed society is a polite society,'"

Jefferson's spirit turned to me and urged me to keep writing about the Michigan Legislature's efforts require that documents, meetings and lawsuits settlements be made public.

"The way to prevent these interpositions of their affairs," the spirit said, "is for them to become inattentive to the public affairs. Congress and Assemblies, Judges and governors shall all become wolves."

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Let's equip them to say NO. Let's equip them to say NO until marriage. Let's not be afraid of the word "virgin." To say anything less is to encourage them to play Russian Roulette.

In this curriculum there are many references to delaying "until they are ready." Can a youth actually determine when they are emotionally ready? How many relationships have each of us had that we thought "this is it, 'I'm in love'?" In this day and age we involve ourselves in numerous relationships and even multiple marriages. Staying monogamous is difficult for adults as well as youth. Saying an emphatic NO is the only answer that will save our lives.

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DNR finds old landfill oozes leachate, blames city

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Silverman says he has not been contacted by the DNR. He said Tuesday he did not wish to discuss the issue.

The site has been a perennial on the DNR's Michigan Sites of Environmental Contamination, Public Act 307 list.

It's also been eyed as possible park for Meadowbrook Glens subdivision, if the land is found to be safe and if Holzman and Silverman approve.

In January and in April, the DNR checked out the area. Based on site observations and laboratory analysis of sediments and water, the DNR "positively confirmed" that an open drainage ditch running along the

west side of Meadowbrook Road was carrying leachate from the landfill to a culvert under Meadowbrook Road and from there the heavy metal contaminants flowed to land east of the road and into Bishop Creek.

At a point south of the culvert, the DNR identified "a blow hole" in the landfill, where the leachate was seeping out. Leachate is the combination of groundwater and whatever soluble materials are located in the old landfill.

This discharge violates the Michigan Water Resource Commission

Act, the DNR letter from environmental quality analyst Earl Friese noted. Novi was ordered to remove soils contaminated with heavy metals found in the drainage ditch and dispose of them in compliance with state guidelines.

The former landfill is no secret. A 1985 environmental inventory of the city by consulting engineers JCK & Associates includes a write up on the site, noting that there were actually three landfills along Ten Mile Road between Meadowbrook and Novi roads. The dumps were used by

Munn Contractors prior to more stringent state guidelines.

In January, Daniel Weiss, president of Weiss Construction Company, who owns 63 acres at the southeast corner of Meadowbrook Road and Grand River, complained to the city about the discharge onto his land.

In a January letter to Kriewall, Weiss said a \$2 million sale of his land was jeopardized by the pollution.

"This problem needs some immediate attention. It would be sad and

extremely costly for all if there was some easy solution that as not implemented by you in a timely fashion. As it is headed now, it appears that your inactivity is rapidly heading us towards a large disaster and litigation, massive DNR fines, etc.," Weiss wrote the city.

This Wednesday, however, Weiss responded to Novi News inquiries from vacation in Seattle. He said experts he has hired have recently concluded there may be no pollution problem on the land there.

In a letter faxed to The Novi News,

Weiss stated: "This is to confirm my indication to you when I called you that there is clear indication, written by experts based on laboratory tests and analysis, that there are no violations occurring at the Munn Landfill and that my letter was incorrect. Hopefully, you will not knowingly publish information that is incorrect and damaging to innocent people."

The old landfill has been screened by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and at one time was considered for a Super Fund cleanup, Kriewall confirmed.

Newhouser is parade's young mom

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whouser. She's "absolutely" a Tigers fan and follows the team avidly on television. She isn't keen on the plans for a new stadium.

"I like the old stadium. I've been going to that stadium since when the bleachers didn't have an upper deck," she said.

It's a good thing Newhouser's used to the roar of the crowds. About 75,000 are expected to turn out for the parade Saturday, which focuses on Michigan history in the 1940s — the era when Hal Newhouser pitched for the Tigers and his mother was a surrogate mom for the other players during spring training in Florida.

"The Salute to Michigan Mothers" is chaired by state Senator Debbie Stabenow, D-Lansing. The moms are honored at a special brunch and recognition ceremony before they embark on the parade.

Newhouser said she was prepared to walk in the parade, but learned she'd be riding instead. Riding in style. Each of the ladies will be chauffeured in a vintage automobile. Parade Coordinator Trudy McKinnon's hoping Hal Newhouser will drive the car for his mom.

Newhouser's actually just a kid compared to some of the other mothers. She's only the sixth oldest of the 10. A 103-year-old Jackson woman was in the "salute" last year but dropped out this week "to give someone else a chance." McKinnon said.

That leaves Emma Shepersen Hull of Carson City, at 100, the oldest mother in the parade. But three others will turn 100 within a few months, including Anna Miller of Ionia County, the most prolific of the batch. Miller has 10 children, 50 grandchildren, 93 great-grandchildren and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

The youngest mother is 96. "They're just wonderful. They're so much fun. They could really tell us some stories," McKinnon said.

Newhouser has two sons, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Of the ten, she has the most famous child.

The two-and-a-half hour-long parade was started by Lansing man Duane Vernon five years ago.

"It was just an idea I had. I thought, here we were, the state capital and we don't have a major parade," Vernon explained.

It'll be an opportunity for Newhouser to be a passenger — she's often the one behind the driver's wheel. Her driver's license doesn't expire until she's 99-years-old, but these days she prefers just to tool around the Novi/Farmington area.

She started driving in the early 1920s, more or less on a whim. Newhouser wanted to visit some friends at a coffee klatch in Birmingham. The family Ford was parked in the driveway of their Detroit home, so she hopped in and away she went, without any lessons or previous experience.

"I just got in the car and started driving up Woodward Avenue and I made it. My friend said, you don't have a driver's license. I didn't know you needed a license. I got scared and I said 'I'm going to go home.'" she recalls.

"I was afraid to tell my husband until the next day. He said, 'Holy smokes.'"

These days, Newhouser's a regular at the Novi Senior Center, where she enjoys the bingo games and the day trips, including a recent jaunt to Frankenmuth.

Newhouser was born in 1897 and says she isn't sure how she got all the way to 1994. She has some advice, though. No smoking. No drinking. "Of course you can have ginger ale and root beer," she says.

"You don't have to be a mean person. Be a good person. Sometimes, one person if they're bad can ruin the whole team."

The world has changed a lot since Newhouser's pre-World War I girlhood — but for her the biggest change is in our inner clocks.

"Everybody's going too fast. Running here, running there. They don't watch where they're going. Everybody wants to be first," she says.

"You've got to take it easy and see how the world will take you. If you're good about it, you'll get along swell."

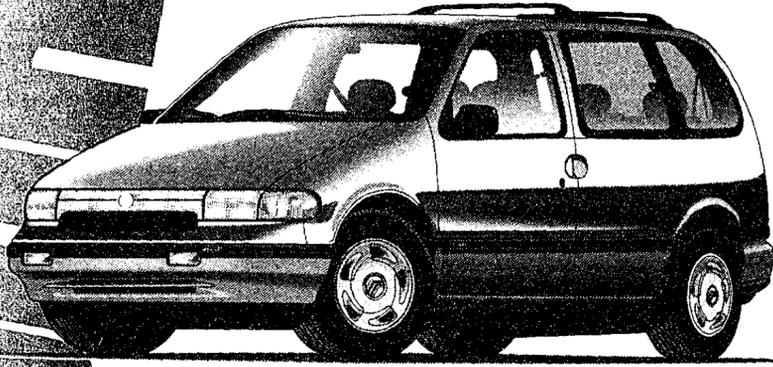
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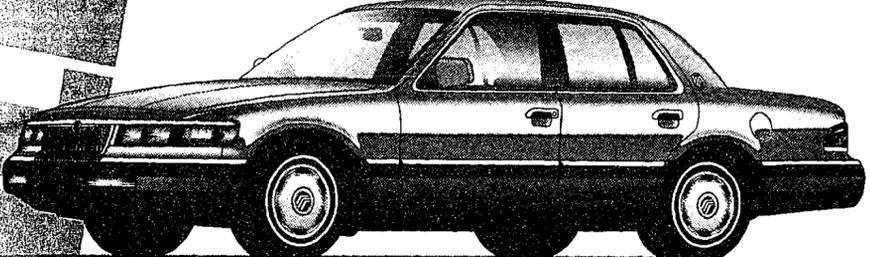


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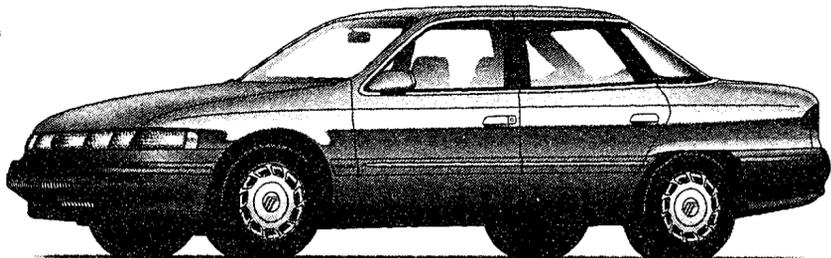
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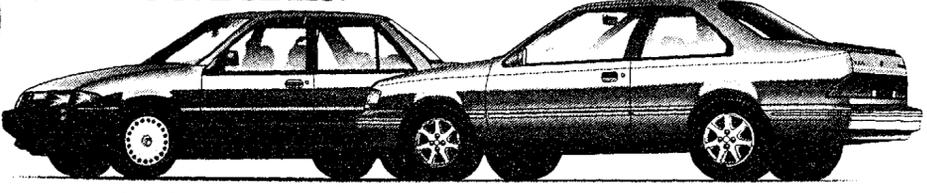


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TOP GUNS

Valedictorians

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer

Because there are 15 valedictorians at Northville High School this year, their speeches will be published, and not spoken, as part of commencement ceremonies.

"We're quite proud of the kids, but we also want to think about the 5,000 in attendance (at graduation)," Thomas Johnson, Northville High School principal, said.

Novi High School's 12 valedictorians, however, will work together on one speech, a part of which will be delivered by each one of the 4.0 students.

"They know they have a certain amount of time," said Janie Baird, a counselor at Novi High School. "They work together as a group and determine who says what. It's one speech delivered by all of them."

The perfect grade point average students at Northville will submit 50-words or less essays, reflecting upon their high school years.

"They can use that to thank someone or relay any message they want," explained Johnson.

It's not uncommon to have a dozen or so graduating valedictorians, said Baird. Last year, there were six and the year before there were 10, she said.

"We have had high numbers before," she said. "... It (the class of '94) is a very bright class. It's important to recognize that two of these kids are going to MIT, one's been accepted to Harvard, one to West Point and several to Northwestern. It's a really high achieving class."

"I've never seen a group of kids like the ones we're looking at now," said

Arthur Miller, Novi High School principal. "We're talking about some heavy hitters."

Miller said he felt it was unfair to be critical of the high number of high achievers the school is turning out.

"When the school preaches excellence, then why complain (when it reaches 11)?" he asked.

Automobile manufacturers are allowed to have more than one excellent car, so why can't schools be allowed to turn out more than one 4.0 grade point average student, he asked.

In Northville, the number of valedictorians is increasing because the school is getting ready to change its honors system in 1997.

In January 1993, the Board of Education approved new designations for honor students in an attempt to encourage more high school students to take risks in planning class schedules.

Beginning in 1997, students graduating with a 3.8 to 4.0 grade point average will earn magna cum laude status; cum laude for those earning averages between 3.5 and 3.79; and honors for students with 3.0 to 3.49 grade point averages.

When the board of education first discussed revamping the honors system, Dolly McMaster, assistant superintendent for instructional services, said the change was needed because students were not "seeking risks" by experimenting with subjects other than what they excelled in for fear of lowering their averages.

"As we celebrate more kids, we'll get out from under (the valedictorian, salutatorian titles)," Johnson said. "We're just waiting it out until 1997."

Valedictorians



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Andrea Graham

City blooms thanks to local volunteers

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

The flowers that bloom in the spring tra-la — and also bloom all summer long in downtown Northville — don't just pop up by themselves, according to Andrea Graham, vice-chairperson of the City Beautification Commission.

She and nine co-members meet once a month except in July and August to plan and order what supplies they'll need for spring and fall planting.

"So what's new?"
"We try to buy something different each year," she said, and this year they looked for "things that don't need much sun or much water." After all, there's quite an area to cover to make downtown Northville ablaze with color around the clock, the bandshell, the boulevards, and in the 160 tubs.

No, the commission members don't do all the work.

First, the Department of Public Works has the weeds pulled out of

the tubs and the soil prepared for planting.

And then volunteers from the garden clubs come to help plant.

"We make diagrams," Graham said, "of where we want plants." Each tub is basically the same and, "We put the plants alongside, too."

She's there, too, with other commission members to supervise and help.

Something else new that commission members decided on for this year is red instead of pink geraniums.

"Red won't fade the way pink does," Graham said. "And besides, it's more Victorian."

Putting living color into downtown Northville is a lot of work, and Graham said she does so much planting herself in the boulevard in front of the VFW Hall that she gets tired of planting — but "it's a nice feeling when people stop and say it looks nice."

If you want to know more about the Northville City Beautification Commission, you're invited to attend a meeting on the second Tuesday at the City Hall at 7:30 p.m.

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American Legion observes Poppy Day today

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

Thursday, May 12, is the start of the annual Poppy Days when members of the American Legion Post No. 19 and Auxiliary will be out in the Novi area on street corners, various strip malls and West Oaks I and II. All funds received are used for service and rehabilitation of veterans and their families.

They are also working with the other veterans groups in the area on their plans for the Veterans Memorial Building. This group called the Veterans Alliance of Novi are making plans for some fund raising programs to complete their goal and meet the first and third Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Expo Center. All veterans who would like to know more about the plans encouraged to come.

The Legion is always looking for new members. Meetings are at 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at the Novi Fire Department Training Building, 25850 Novi Road, Commander Bob Sale presides over the sessions.

The ladies meet at Unit No. 19 with Shirley Schollett as President. A report from the group indicates a lot of donations to many charitable organizations including the Nurses Scholarship fund, Novi Police Assistance, Legion Villis, Girls State Camp of the Four Chaplains, Lion's Chapel for Visually Impaired Youth, and many more.

Plans are already being made by the Legion and Auxiliary to participate in the annual Memorial Day Parade on May 30, and they will be cooperating with the Novi Parks and Recreation on this project. The Veter-

ans will be leading the parade and this will include not only Post No. 19, but also NovI AMVETS Post No. 76, Marine Corps League Detachment No. 162 and V.F.W. Post No. 1519. All Veterans who wish to march will form at the Veterans Plot at Oakland Hills Cemetery for Memorial Services at 11 a.m. At 10 a.m. they will be leading the parade from the Novi Towne Center. At 11:30 a.m. there will be a guest speaker at the Novi Civic Center. Members will return to the post home for potluck luncheon.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
The next general membership luncheon meeting will be Tuesday, May 17, at the Sheraton Oaks Hotel at noon. Advance reservations may be made by calling the chamber office at 349-3743.

The special guest speaker will be James Barrett, President of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce. Barrett's presentation will be entitled "Business Perspective on Public Policy Issues." If unable to come for the lunch, contact the office for information regarding non-meal admission. Chamber chairman of the board David Casstis reports a very successful second annual Big Band Dance/Charity Auction with many thanks to those who were sponsors or helped in some way to make it a successful fundraiser and will help the chamber continue the level of services they offer.

A report from President Corine Mallett indicates that World Trade Week '94 that is being held May 16 through 18 at the Westin Hotel in Detroit. In addition, she reports that two Novi business people, Izumi Suzuki and Steve Myers, will be involved in

Novi Highlights

The Japan panel discussion with a presentation entitled "A Little Language Goes a Long Way." The discussion will cover topics such as body language, room language and food diplomacy.

Also coming up will be a jointly sponsored business After Hours Mixer by the Novi Chamber and the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, May 24, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Key Largo Restaurant in Walled Lake. Reservations should be made by contacting either Chamber of Commerce. Additional information will be available at the general membership meeting regarding the June 2 Morning Mixer at Borders Books, the Mystery Mixer on June 15, the next membership luncheon meeting on June 21 at Mountain Jack's Restaurant, and the June 21 After Hours Mixer with Northville Chamber.

NOVI SENIOR CENTER
May 19 will be a special day for the seniors and also for the two first grade classes at Orchard Hills School. Teachers Mrs. Paine and Mrs. Crasbowl. This day the two groups who have been corresponding all year as pen pals will meet at 12:30

p.m. with a special program and a party being planned by Center Manager Jan McAlpine and her staff. Senior Golf started Monday at Pebble Creek for both the men's division and the women's division with the mixed division on Thursdays at the Parks and Recreation office for more information.

Coming up and being formed right now is the Novi Senior Men's Softball team at 347-0400. The Center continues to have nutritious meals every day at noon for a small donation with a variety of menus including chicken, turkey, Salisbury steak, lasagna, meatloaf, and many more. Reservations should be called in several days before at 347-0414.

The center has travel shows each month and the next one will be Thursday, May 19, at 9:30 a.m. with information about the Canadian Rockies and Spain. The senior dances are also once a month with the next one Friday, May 24, from 1-3 p.m. with a live band and delicious refreshments at a cost of \$2.

The center also offers seniors in a chance to make friends, eat lunch with other people who may live by themselves and stay for special programs in the afternoon. A reminder that if transportation is a problem to call the center and ask for a ride from the senior van. Several kinds of card games are offered including bridge, Bingo, crafts, pinocle, and much more. Stop in and get all the information monthly from the calendar on the brochure rack in the Civic Center.

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MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
The community is reminded of the annual Plant Sale being sponsored by the Women's Service Club of the Meadowbrook Congregational Church. They will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 21. They plan to have geraniums and bedding plants. In addition there will be a bake sale and this year they plan to have a spring boutique and the youth group will be washing cars while you shop. Sunday, May 22, has been designated as a special "Bring a Guest Sunday." Members are invited to ask their neighbor, co-worker, etc. to attend services that Sunday and will be called "Share the Spirit Sunday." The Church served the noon meal at Watana located near Holly on Lake C.O.T.S. last Saturday after preparing the meal on Friday under the direction of Bob Smith. Another service project is the collection of canned

goods for the Novi Food Emergency food bank. The center also offers seniors in a chance to make friends, eat lunch with other people who may live by themselves and stay for special programs in the afternoon. A reminder that if transportation is a problem to call the center and ask for a ride from the senior van. Several kinds of card games are offered including bridge, Bingo, crafts, pinocle, and much more. Stop in and get all the information monthly from the calendar on the brochure rack in the Civic Center.

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NOVI YOUTH ASSISTANCE
At the last meeting the committee continues to make plans for fundraising for their projects that help combat juvenile delinquency and keep youngsters on the right track through their adolescent years. They have received about 20 applications for a camp experience this summer from youngsters in the area and will be sending some to the Parks and Recreation Camp Lakeshore and others for overnight experience at Camp Rockies and Spain. The senior dances are also once a month with the next one Friday, May 24, from 1-3 p.m. with a live band and delicious refreshments at a cost of \$2.

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Arndt is author of *A Mother's Touch* and *A Mother's Time*. She can also be heard weekdays at 10:15 a.m. on WUFL 1030 AM's "Common Sense Living."

New Horizon meets at the General Cinema Theaters in the Novi Town Center. The one-hour service will be casual and include contemporary music.

The Great Adventure program will be available for children through the eighth grade and a nursery will provide care for infants and toddlers up to 5.

For more information, call the church offices at 305-8700.

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The church will also feature a series of Bible studies in the weeks leading up to Pentecost. The series books dealing with critical issues such as *Rick Christians in an Age of Hunger: A Biblical Study of Christ and Violence*; *Cry Justice: The Bible on Hunger and Poverty*; and his most recent book, *One-sided Christianity: Uniting the Church to Heal a Lost and Broken World*.

The program will include a distinguished panel: The Rev. Harry Cook, former religion editor, *Detroit Free Press*; Rector St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Clawson; the Rev. Pat Meyers, director, Baldwin Ave. Human Services, Pontiac; and Edna Jack-Watson, director of the volunteer department for Focus: HOPE, Detroit.

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Local student a winner in DARE contest

MANDY MITCHELL, 12, of Novi, is one of nine Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) students from across the country selected as a regional winner in the radio category of the 1994 KFC/DARE National Public Service Announcement (PSA) Contest.

Kudos

Her winning PSA will be aired on radio stations nationwide. The contest challenged fifth and sixth graders to create the best 30-second radio public service announcement (telling why DARE is important in their lives).

KFC is a national sponsor of DARE, a program which brings specially-trained law enforcement officers into the classroom to give young people the facts about drugs and alcohol and provide information on how to resist peer pressure to experiment with drugs.

Students created written scripts for the theme "DARE to Make a Difference." The entries were judged on their originality and written skills. Mitchell will receive a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond for her college education.

Seniors

The following is the weekly schedule for the Novi Senior Center:

- Friday, May 13: 8:30 a.m. Friends of HB 10 a.m. Cards 11 a.m. Coffee and conversation 12 p.m. Lunch 12:30 p.m. Bingo 12:30 p.m. Clogging 12:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge

Saturday, May 14
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LISA BRANDOW, the daughter of Novi residents Eleanor and Douglas Brandow, has been cast in *A Child's Garden of Verses* at Eastern Michigan University Theatre.

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WALLED LAKE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 309 Mackinac St. 524-2483 Sundays 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Nursery Available	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 200 E. Main St. 349-0911 Worship & Church School 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Catholic Activities at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Rev. James Barrett, Minister of Evangelism & Song Rev. Mark Alexander, Minister of Music & Church School
ST. JOHN LUTHERAN FARMINGTON HILLS 23256 Grand River, 3 blocks S of Grand River 3 blocks W of Farmington Road Worship 10:30 a.m. (Nursery) Church School 9:40 a.m. Pastor: Christine Fox 476-0000 Lenten Services: Wed. 7:30 p.m.	SPIRIT OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH - E.L.C.A. 4070 W. 10 Mile W. (Hwy 10) Sul. 8:30 a.m. Sun. 9:30 a.m. Church School 9:30 a.m. Church Office 477-6200 Pastor: Thomas A. Schaeffer
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH 9 Mile Meadowbrook Worship by Lutheran Synod Lenten Services: Wed. 7:30 p.m. David A. Crumrine, Pastor - 349-0565 9:15 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class Wed. 7pm-Lenten Vespers Service	OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH 779 Taylor, Northville Sundays 10:00 a.m. Sundays 9:30 a.m. Church 349-2671, School 349-3010 Religious Education 349-2597
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail Plymouth, Michigan Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Meeting, 7:30 p.m.	FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH 5375 Hottel Road off 11 Mile Northville, Michigan Services every Sunday at 11:30 a.m. Also, Pentecost Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Bible Class, Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Song Services - Last Sunday of month, 7:00 p.m.
NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY 4156 Sa-Mia Road Northville 349-0000 Sunday School 9:15 & 10:30 a.m. Sundays 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Dr. Stephen S. Pastor Northville Christian School Phone 349-2011	ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD High & Elm Streets, Northville Church 349-3140 School 349-3144 Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Worship 7:30 p.m.
NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 4151 W. Ten Mile - Meadowbrook 349-2632 (24 hrs.) Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m. Nursery Care Available Charles R. Jaccard, Pastor Church School 9:15 a.m.	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE Dr. Douglas Vernon - Rev. Thomas M. Beagan Summer Sunday Worship Service: 8:15 & 10 a.m. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m. - Nursery 3rd grade 11 a.m. Nursery 3rd grade
MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. Novi off 9th Mile Morning Worship 10 a.m. Church School 10 a.m. 349-7753 Minister: Steve & Neil Hunt Minister of Music: Ray Ferguson	ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH, SBC 23455 Novi Rd. (between 9th Mile) Bible Study 10:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Worship Services at 11 a.m. 8:30 a.m. West 7 p.m. Kenneth Stevens, Pastor, 349-5665 All services interpreted for the deaf.
CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL 10 Mile between Ten & Beck, Novi Phone 349-1171 Worship 1:40 p.m. Holy Eucharist Sunday 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11 a.m	

Engagements



Robert McLean/Lynn Simpkin

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Simpkin of Novi are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lynn Marie, to Robert McLean, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McLean of Sterling Heights. Lynn is a graduate of Novi High School and is currently employed as a marketing associate at a local company. A July wedding has been set.



Matthew Gdowski/Lisa McAleer

Jack and Linda McAleer announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa, to Matthew Gdowski, son of Joe and Lois Gdowski. Both graduated from Novi High School in 1990, and from the University of Michigan in April 1994. The bride-elect received a bachelor's degree in business administration, concentrating in marketing. The groom-elect received a bachelor's degree in engineering, chemical engineering. A July wedding is planned.



Steve Mitzel/Wendy Pierman

Jim and Mary Ann Pierman of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy Renee, to Steve Michael Mitzel, son of Raymond and Linda Mitzel, also of Novi. The bride-elect is a 1991 graduate of Novi High School and expects to graduate from Oakland University in 1995. She is majoring in Journalism, with political science and general business minors. Wendy is president of the Women in Communications, Inc. Oakland University Chapter. The bridegroom-elect is a 1990 graduate of Novi High School and a 1994 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of arts degree in accounting. He is employed by Price Waterhouse in Detroit. A July 23 wedding date has been set.

On campus

The University of Michigan has announced that the following Novi students have been named to the Dean's Honor List for the fall 1993 term at the College of Engineering: ROSLYN MARIE YARRINGTON, AMY LYNN JOHNSON, LAURA ELIZABETH KLEBAN, and ROBERT STEVEN KODY.

LISA ANN MCALEER has graduated from the University of Michigan with a degree in business administration with an emphasis in marketing. Her perfect 4.0 GPA earned her an invitation to join the Michigan Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. She is a 1990 graduate of Novi High School and plans to pursue her career in Chicago.

KEELY HARRIS has graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor of arts in English literature with honors from the Honors College. Keely also completed the requirements for a thematic in Women's Studies and is a Phi Beta Kappa. The daughter of Rod and Nina Harris of Novi, she was a Valedictorian of Novi High School's class of 1991.

LARS LUEDEMAN has transferred to Dartmouth College as a member of the class of 1996. Luedeman is the son of Larry and Irene Luedeman of Novi. The University of Michigan has announced the following degree candidates: MATTHEW JOSEPH GDOWSKI, bachelor of science in engineering in chemical engineering; JEFFREY MICHAEL O'NEILL, bachelor of science/physical education; KAREN P. BUCZEK, master of business administration; JENNIFER ELLEN GALLAND, bachelor of arts; MATTHEW TIMOTHY HAMILTON, master of business administration; JOHN JOSEPH KODY, master of business administration; ROBERT STEVEN KODY, bachelor of science in engineering in mechanical engineering; BRADLEY DONALD LEWIS, bachelor of business administration; LISA ANNE MCALEER, bachelor of business administration; HOLLY PATRICE MCGUIRE, bachelor of arts; STEVEN MICHAEL MITZEL, bachelor of business administration; BRAD DEAN MORROW, bachelor of science in engineering in mechanical engineering; STEPHEN J. OWENS, master of business administration; KRISTEN DENISE PEMBROKE, bachelor of arts; SCOTT M. PHEIFFER, bachelor of arts physical education; MICHAEL JOHN PYETT, master of business administration; KRISTIN LYNN BENIT, bachelor of science physical education; and STEVEN R. WINEMAN, bachelor of arts.

Michigan State University lists the following degree candidates for spring 1994: DAVID MICHAEL HUGHES, master of science environmental engineering; JONATHAN HAROLD COHEN, B.A. landscape architecture; STEVEN J. COHEN, bachelor of science urban and regional planning with honors; SHERRI L. CROWE, bachelor of arts (journalism); THOMAS WILFRED DENOMME, master of business administration; JOSEPH A. DIMICELI, bachelor of science packaging; JANICE MARIE KONCZAL, bachelor of arts marketing; DINA ANGELA KROK, bachelor of science dietetics; KIMBERLY LYNN MAZZIE, bachelor of arts audiology and speech sciences; KELLEY A. PECK, master of business administration; THOMAS EDWARD SUMNIC, bachelor of arts marketing with honors; DARYL M. ADAMS, master of business administration; PEGGY ANNE BALAGNA, bachelor of science physical education and exercise science; JENNIFER RUTH BORG, bachelor of arts M.B.A. purchasing and operation management; and DAVID J. BOSAK, bachelor of arts philosophy and interdisciplinary humanities, both with high honors.

Club news

NOVI ROTARY

The Novi Rotary Club, District 6380, meets Thursdays for lunch at the United Methodist Church, 4167 1/2 W. Ten Mile Road.

Members are gearing up for a district conference in Windsor May 13.

Officers include VICTOR CASSIS, president; PEGGY HAYMAN, president elect and vice president; LEE NAMOLA and GERRY STIPP, secretaries; BARB KIENTZ and GARY KELLER, treasurers; BOB FRIESS, senior past president; and KELBER, immediate past president.

Directors are BOB LIMBRIGHT, MAMOLA, VIC MERRIT, MARILYN KLOCKE, STEVE MYERS, GINGER SARROUS, SHIRLEY CASH, CONNIE MALLETT and TOM FRY.

AMERICAN LEGION, NOVI POST 19

Don't forget that the Veterans Alliance Network holds its social evenings on the last Saturday of each month beginning with a potluck at 6:30 p.m.

ED SYTSA presented BOB POHLMAN and NORM SCHELLET certificates of appreciation for their many years of dedication to Post 19 and the 17th District. BOB SALE, post commander, received a 50-year certificate signed by the national commander. He started with Post 39 in Arlington, Mass.

Post 19 presently has 95 members, 93 paid and two transfers. The quota is 103. TED ROBINSON has already paid his 1995 dues.

Dates to remember: Business meetings for Post 19 and Unit 19 are held at 8 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. Social nights for both the post and unit are held at 8 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

The Veterans Alliance Network holds business meetings at 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month.

COOLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Detroit; Class of 1944; Sept. 17 at Livonia Holiday Inn; Class Reunions Plus.

COOLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Detroit; Class of 1984; Aug. 20 at the Metropolitan Music Cafe in Farmington Hills; Reunions Made Easy.

ANN ARBOR HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1948; June 18 at Weber's Inn, Ann Arbor; Class Reunions Plus.

BERKLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1984; Nov. 5 at the Metropolitan Music Cafe in Farmington Hills; Reunions Made Easy.

BIRMINGHAM GROVES HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; July 23 at Somerset Inn, Troy; Class Reunions Plus.

BISHOP BORGESS HIGH SCHOOL: Redford; Class of 1974; Oct. 22 at the Metropolitan Music Cafe in Farmington Hills; Reunions Made Easy.

CARLSON HIGH SCHOOL: Gibraltar; Class of 1984; July 16 at Gibraltar at Columbus Hall in Lincoln Park; Class Reunions Plus.

CHERRY HILL HIGH SCHOOL: Redford; Class of 1974; Sept. 24 at the Dearborn Elks Lodge in Dearborn; Reunions Made Easy.

MOTT HIGH SCHOOL: Warren; Class of 1974; Oct. 8 at Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights; Class Reunions Plus.

NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1954; July 9 at the Novi Holiday Inn. For information, or if you have addresses of former classmates, call Ruth (Pullen) Mejia, 349-1022.

NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; a hospitality night is scheduled for the evening of Friday, Sept. 2, at the Holiday Inn in Livonia and the reunion will take place at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 3, also at the Livonia Holiday Inn. For information, call Susan (Heckler) Boll, 348-3974, or Sally (Johnson) Flayer, 349-0111.

NOVI HIGH SCHOOL: Classes of 1974 and 1975 are planning to meet in the spring of 1995. Send your name and address to Class of 1974 and 1975, P.O. Box 701, Novi, Mich. 48376-7101.

NOVI HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1984; July 9 at the Novi Sheraton. For more information, call Brent Camp at (313) 685-0387 or John Mio at (313) 684-1359.

PERSHING HIGH SCHOOL: Detroit; Class of 1994; Aug. 14 at Northfield Hilton Hotel, Troy; Class Reunions Plus.

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PLYMOUTH SALEM HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; Oct. 8 at Livonia Holiday Inn; Class Reunions Plus.

PONTIAC CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; Oct. 14 at the Northfield Hilton in Troy; Reunion Planners, (313) 465-2277 or (313) 263-6803.

REDFORD THURSTON HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1984; Oct. 22 at the Italian American Club of Livonia. Call (313) 455-2979.

REDFORD UNION HIGH SCHOOL: Redford; Class of 1969; July 16 at Livonia Holiday Inn; Class Reunions Plus.

REDFORD HIGH SCHOOL: Detroit; Class of 1974; Oct. 26 at the Holiday Inn in Livonia; Reunions Made Easy.

ROSEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; July 20 at Zuccaro's in Mt. Clemens; Class Reunions Plus.

SOUTHFIELD LATHRUP HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1984; Nov. 26 at the Kingsley Inn in Troy; Reunions Made Easy.

STERLING HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1943; Oct. 2 at Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights; Class Reunions Plus.

STERLING HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1954; July 9 at the Novi Holiday Inn. For information, or if you have addresses of former classmates, call Ruth (Pullen) Mejia, 349-1022.

STERLING HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; a hospitality night is scheduled for the evening of Friday, Sept. 2, at the Holiday Inn in Livonia and the reunion will take place at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 3, also at the Livonia Holiday Inn. For information, call Susan (Heckler) Boll, 348-3974, or Sally (Johnson) Flayer, 349-0111.

STERLING HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL: Classes of 1974 and 1975 are planning to meet in the spring of 1995. Send your name and address to Class of 1974 and 1975, P.O. Box 701, Novi, Mich. 48376-7101.

Novi-based company looks for clever jingle

By MICHELLE HARRISON Staff Writer

A local contest could help put a little extra jingle in some lucky student's pocket.

Apartment Quest, a Novi-based company which provides apartment data sheets to apartment seekers, is looking for some help in creating a 30- or 60-second commercial spot for radio.

"This is our very first (radio) commercial," Beverly Smith, marketing director, said. "Previously, we've advertised in newspapers and magazines, but we thought this would be kind of fun."

Students in middle and high schools as well as technical schools are invited to submit their jingles, no longer than 60 seconds, on a cassette tape. Tapes will not be returned.

Since the company's logo is a medieval castle, entries should contain a medieval theme.

People looking for an apartment are referred to complexes that meet

their specific needs through Apartment Quest. When the client rents, Apartment Quest receives a percentage of the rental amount as a referral fee, making the service free to the client.

The company also publishes Apartment Quest Roundtable, a quarterly magazine for the apartment industry.

All entries must be received by May 1. Include your name, address and phone number. Send cassettes to Apartment Quest Commercial Contest, 39555 Orchard Hill Place Dr., Suite 600, Novi, Mich. 48375.

The winner will be notified no later than Aug. 10. A release must be signed giving the company exclusive rights to the jingle.

Smith said she hopes to have the radio spots airing by September. The commercial will be played on local radio stations with formats geared toward younger adults, the majority of which are apartment dwellers, she said.

Singles

Single Place, an adult ministry for single people meeting at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, will gather from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Sunday morning. Bob Allwine will be the speaker.

Summer volleyball will be played at 6:30 every Sunday evening at Park Place Apartments. Eight Mile Road between Meadowbrook and Griswold. The cost is \$1.

"How Are You Coping? Survival Strategies for Single" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. May 18 in Boll Fellowship Hall, Carol Havenanek will be the guest speaker. The cost to attend is \$4.

Tina Edwards will present "Making Better Decisions" at 7:30 p.m. May 18 and 25 in the youth room. The cost is \$15.

"Understanding Yourself and Others — Using the Myers Briggs Type Indicator" with speaker Roberta Floyd will be presented at 7:30 p.m. May 19 and 26. The cost is \$20.

"Understanding Yourself and Others — Using the Myers Briggs Type Indicator" with Roberta Floyd will be presented on two Thursday evenings, at 7:30 p.m. May 19 and 26. The cost is \$20.

A divorce recovery workshop has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. for seven Thursday evenings, May 12 through June 23, in the Library lounge.

This workshop is for divorced and separated persons of all ages. A donation of \$30 is requested and scholarships are available.

Living Beyond Divorce, Phase II, will be offered from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on six Thursday evenings, May 12 through June 16. Pam Jacobs will be the facilitator.

A donation of \$40 is requested and scholarships are available.

For further information about any of the Single Place programs or to register, call 349-0911.

Holy Family Singles is a group for separated, divorced, widowed or never been married persons. A special evening night has been planned for Wednesday, June 22, with a murder mystery dinner and theatre train ride. The cost is \$87.50.

For more information, call Church of the Holy Family, 349-8847.

Single Point Ministries offers a unique opportunity to join more than 500 persons of varied backgrounds together for a class about Jesus Christ. The group meets at 10:45 a.m. each Sunday in Knox Hall of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road (on the corner of Six Mile) in Livonia. The Rev. Paul Clough will lead with scripture messages relevant to single living.

"Talk It Over" is held on the second and fourth Fridays of each month in Knox Hall.

For further information about Single Point Ministries, call 422-1854.

A Singles Coalition Benefit Dance to benefit the Children's Hospital of Michigan has been scheduled from 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, May 20 at the Marriott Hotel in Livonia.

Groups expected to attend include the Farmington Single Professionals, First Society of Detroit, Ford Singles, Selective Singles, Metropolitan Single Professionals, Westlake Singles and many more.

Attire is dressy, men must wear a coat and tie.

Admission is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door and includes a disc jockey, hors d'oeuvres (from 8 to 9 p.m.). A cash bar will also be available.

For information, or to make reservations, call (810) 478-9181.

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A special "Family Package" including two adult and two child's tickets is available for \$25. A portion of the proceeds benefits Michigan Special Olympics and their heroic athletes.

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The Refrigerator Door

Gourmet treats can have less fat

Health Gourmet Series: If you still believe that all gourmet cuisine is fattening, covered with heavy creams and sauces, guess again. Four premiere chefs from the metro Detroit area will show you otherwise.

Chefs Hamad Kouka of Ristorante di Modesta in Southfield, Matt Prentice of Morels in Bingham Farms, Marty Wilk of Excalibur in Southfield and Jeffrey Smith of 4th Street Bakery in Royal Oak will demonstrate their own delicious recipes, altered to fit into healthier lifestyles, at Weight Watchers' third annual Health Gourmet Cooking Series. Anyone who likes to cook or just eat healthy, and wants to learn from the experts, is invited to join the chefs from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 24, at the Weight Watchers test kitchen in Farmington Hills, 28555 Orchard Lake Road between Twete and Thirteen Mile roads. Admission to each session is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to The Detroit Institute for Children, a non-profit organization which provides care for disabled children. Reservations are required as seating is limited. Call 1-800-487-4777, ext. 294, to purchase tickets in advance and reserve your space. There will be tasting after the demonstrations, door prizes and recipes for those who attend.

Storing Foods: "There is a whole new world of foods on our grocery shelves nowadays," said Sylvia Treitman, home economist for the MSU Extension—Oakland County. Many new types of packaging materials are being used now that were unheard of a few years ago, she said. Also, many sugar and fat substitutes are incorporated into our food.

"It used to be simple to know which groceries should go in the refrigerator or in the cupboard, and how long to keep them," Treitman said. "Today, however, the new ingredients and packaging makes it very confusing. The new shelf-stable microwave meals are an example of modern technology. They can remain on the shelf for 18 months because of special packaging."

Since storing these new foods can be confusing, the following information may help you to keep your foods safe.

1. Look for the words "refrigerate" or "freeze." "do not freeze" or "refrigerate after opening."

2. "Sell by" means the last day the item should be sold by the store. 3. "Best if used by" means the food should retain top eating quality until that date. 4. "Expiration date" means the last date a food should be eaten or used.

To help you with ways to store some of today's convenience foods, a new bulletin (No. E2297, Storing Designer and Convenience Foods) is now available. To order, send \$1.25 to cover postage and handling, specifying booklet name and number, to MSU Extension—Oakland County, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Dept. 416, Pontiac, Mich. 48341-0416.

Call the Food and Nutrition Hotline at 858-0904 for help with all food storage, safety, preservation or other food and nutrition questions or concerns.

Enrich Your Health: Did you know that a cup of strawberries has more vitamin C than an orange?

Are you aware that broccoli has at least four cancer-fighting nutrients?

Do you get enough of the kind of fiber that only comes from fruits and vegetables that you can't get from grains?

There's a wealth of health benefits we can get from eating a diet rich in fruits and vegetables. Unfortunately, most Americans eat only half the amount of fruits and vegetables they need each day, missing out on many vitamins, minerals and fiber that are essential to good health. With all the news about rising health-care costs, it's important to know that a primary source for guarding your health is in the fresh produce section at the grocery store.

Health authorities like the National Cancer Institute and the American Institute for Cancer Research advise us to eat five servings of fruits and vegetables each day. That may sound like a lot, but one serving equals just one whole piece of fruit or a half-cup of chopped or small-sized vegetables (like corn or peas).

So, fruit on your breakfast cereal, a piece of fruit for a snack, salad-bar veggies for lunch and a cup of vegetables with dinner all stack the odds in your favor for good health.

There are lots of ways to add fruits and vegetables to your daily diet. Add them grated, chopped or pureed to soups, casseroles and stews; add them as garnish to your entrees; keep a bowl of fresh fruit nearby for snacking; buy bags of frozen chopped vegetables to use in small portions and to save preparation time.

For a free booklet of delicious fruits and vegetable recipes, send a stamped (\$2 cents postage), self-addressed envelope to AICR, Dept. AP, Washington, DC 20069.

OCC Takes the Medal: A team of students from the Oakland Community College Culinary Arts Program received a silver medal in the American Culinary Federation's Central Region Junior Chefs Hot Food Competition in St. Louis.

When well-endowed comedienne Roseanne Arnold returned from a trip to Italy about a year ago she proclaimed, "There are no fat people in Italy!" For that reason, she said, she fell out of place there and couldn't wait to get out of the country.

Roseanne probably had the mistaken notion that because native Italians eat a lot of pasta and bread, they're typically obese. She found out it's not true of the general population. The fact is the pasta and Italian bread (made only with yeast, flour, water and salt) people are not fattening. The culprits are the fatty ingredients many people combine with them.

True, northern Italians tend to use more butter and cream, such as in fettuccine Alfredo, but this is counteracted by the cuisine of southern Italians who combine a variety of vegetables with pasta, a mixture which is free of cholesterol and saturated fat. And Italians don't slobber their bread with butter. (By Italians, we mean those living in Italy, not those in other countries where they've acquired local eating habits.)

It might be said a pasta a day keeps the doctor away. Ask Jane Brody,

LABEL AWARENESS

Nutritional information is standardized

Area grocers aren't seeing much of a reaction from customers about the new Food and Drug Administration-required food labels appearing on store shelves.

The new food labels, which require manufacturers to place easy-to-read "Nutrition Facts" on all products, began appearing on packages earlier this month. The regulations went into effect Sunday.

"The new label will make it easier for people to choose good foods that fit into a heart-healthy diet," said R. Clinton Webb, president of the American Heart Association of Michigan. "Shoppers will be able to quickly compare products side-by-side to find the amounts of fat, cholesterol, sodium and other nutrients in a standard serving of those products."

The American Heart Association worked with a coalition of 20 health and consumer groups to urge Congress to pass the Nutrition Labeling and Education Act of 1990. The association then worked with the FDA and USDA to develop guidelines to

improve food label guidelines. The new food label usually appears on the back or side of the product and will list key ingredients, including total amounts of fat, saturated fat, cholesterol, sodium, dietary fibers, sugars and protein per serving.

Calories (as well as those from fat content) will also be listed. This information can help consumers limit their total fat intake to no more than 30 percent of calories per day, the American Heart Association's recommendation for heart-healthy eating.

"Today, people want to cut down on fat, especially saturated fat and cholesterol, to reduce the risk of heart disease. With the new label, they can see at a glance which food products are low in fat," said Webb. "And people with high blood pressure who want to stay away from salty foods can find the amount of sodium in an instant. It's good nutrition, made easy."

For consumers who need help de-

termining what constitutes a healthy diet, the label lists the upper limit of fat, cholesterol, sodium and other nutrients you can safely have every day, if you normally eat 2,000 calories. These numbers are called daily values.

For example, if your food product package lists the percentage of daily value for total fat as 5 percent, you know you have 95 percent of your daily fat allowance still available. If the package lists the percent of daily value for total fat as 60 percent, you know you have only 40 percent of your daily allowance left.

In addition to the new label, the FDA has come down on manufacturers who use health claims such as "light," "low-fat," "calorie-free" and "low-sodium" lightly. Now, the product must meet strict guidelines in order to bear those claims.

For more information on the new food label awareness and education program, contact the American Heart Association of Michigan at (810) 557-9500 or 1-800-242-8721.

NUTRITION FACTS

Serving size 1/2 cup (114g)
Serving per container: 4
Amount per serving
Calories: 90
Calories from fat: 30

	% Daily Value*
Total fat 3g	6%
Saturated fat 0g	0%
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 300g	13%
Total carbohydrate: 13g	4%
Dietary fiber 3g	12%
Sugars: 3g	
Protein: 3g	
Vitamin A	80
Vitamin C	60
Calcium	4
Iron	4

*Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs.

Calories 2,000 2,500
Total fat less than 65g 80g
saturated fat less than 20g 25g
Cholesterol less than 300mg 300mg
Sodium less than 2,400mg 2,400mg
Total carbohydrates 300g 375g

Fiber 25g 35g
Calories per gram
Fat: 9 Carbohydrates: 4
Protein: 4

For the spicy, hot can be haute cuisine

By ALISON ASHTON
Copy News Service

Anyone who doubts the allure of fiery cuisine should make a point of watching the art-house film, *The Story of Qui Jou*.

It's the tale of a Chinese peasant who seeks legal retribution on behalf of her humiliated husband. To find her way to the big city to plead her case before high officials, she loads her bicycle with huge, vibrant red wreaths of dried chilies.

Much is made of the chilies' value, especially as you watch Qui Jou barter with sidewalk merchants, who are later seen grinding the chilies into a fine, precious powder.

Though you won't find it much in evidence in, say traditional French cuisine or German cooking, chili is an integral part of many of the world's cuisines.

It lends zip to Mexican seveche, as well as Chinese Sichuan and other Asian specialties. Southwesterners love their scrambled eggs with a dash of Tabasco, and smart chefs use chili to impart piquant flavor or create fire in the belly of lucky diners.

But why didn't hot foods originate in Scandinavia instead of in warmer climates? Probably because in cold climates, food spoils quickly. Pungent seasoning helps retard the process, and camouflage the flavor of food that's past its prime.

The chili, actually, is not so exotic. Part of the *Capsicum frutescens* family, it is a cousin of the tomato and eggplant. But Europeans weren't introduced to its robust charms until Christopher Columbus brought it back from the New World and Magellan brought it to Africa and Asia on his travels.

How hot is too hot? There's no such thing, contends Geraldine Duncann in *Some Like It Hotter* (101 Productions). She loves her food hot, hotter, hottest and advises some chefs to make food as hot or mild as they like.

If you have a sensitive palate, use chili judiciously. If you love your food so hot that your nose runs, be gener-



Photo by MICHAEL LIMOTTE

Hot stuff — Fiery peppers are heating up cuisines around the world.

ous with the seasonings. Ideally, you'll use fresh chilies and Duncann suggests cooking with whatever variety is available. Vitamin C-rich sweet peppers—the large green or red bell shapes—probably are quite familiar. But yellow and orange varieties are becoming more common. They add flavor, but not fire, to a number of dishes.

For flames in your food, you'll need to experiment with different varieties of chili peppers—the small, long capsicums that come in a rainbow of hues. Generally speaking, the smaller, the hotter.

Novices can start with the milder 3-inch-long red or green chili peppers. The more adventurous can try the hot little West Indian, or fiery pepper, or the copper-colored bird pepper. The long, thin, red cayenne pepper also has a sharp flavor.

Of course, jalapenos and serranos are an integral part of Mexican cuisine. More exotic types include the ancho, chipotle, pequin and mala-gueta, each with its own distinctive flavor.

You can turn down the heat in chili peppers by removing the seeds or soaking them in cold, salted water.

When working with hot chili peppers, remember that the oil, which gives them their flavor, is irritating to eyes and sensitive skin, so always wash your hands after chopping a chili.

Plan your menu with what Duncann calls "fire extinguishers," mild items to complement and counteract these fiery dishes.

Seviche
Seviche requires no cooking (the lime juice performs a similar function). In some regions of Mexico, clams and scallops are added to the raw fish. This is a dish that can cost as much or as little as you wish.

2 lbs. firm-fleshed boneless fish or shellfish, such as butterfish, sole, salmon, scallops, shrimp or a combination.
1/2 cup freshly squeezed lime juice, or more, if necessary
1 red onion
1 large or 2 small tomatoes, diced
4 green onions, chopped, finely chopped
1 small bell pepper, seeded and cut into thin strips
1 small fresh hot chili, or more to taste, minced
4 cloves garlic, minced
1 tsp. minced cilantro
1/4 tsp. ground cumin
1/4 tsp. sugar
1/2 tsp. coarsely ground black pepper
Salt to taste

Yields 12 servings as an appetizer; six as an entree.

Dice fish into smaller than bite-size pieces. If scallops are large, cut in half. Shell shrimp, if large, cut into pieces the same size as fish.

Combine seafood in large bowl and cover with lime juice (add more juice if necessary; seafood must be covered). Mix thoroughly and refrigerate at least two hours.

Dice half of red onion; slice other half into thin rings. Add red onion, tomato, green onions, bell pepper, chili, garlic, cilantro, cumin, sugar and pepper to fish. Season to taste with salt, and refrigerate for at least one hour. Taste and add more fresh chilies if desired.

Serve chilled.

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Plymouth wraps up its season

The Plymouth Theatre Guild will present its final show of the season, *Isn't It Romantic*, at 8 p.m. May 13, 14, 20 and 21 with a special Sunday performance at 6 p.m. May 15. The play is being performed at the Water Tower Theatre, located on the campus of the Northville Regional Hospital.

Isn't It Romantic, by award-winning playwright Wendy Wasserstein, is a warm and witty story of two post-graduate women as they struggle with personal independence and romantic fulfillment in Manhattan. Told in a fast-moving series of alternately hilarious and touching scenes, this stirring play tells their stories and searches for answers to love, career and of course, those dominating parents.

The cast includes Susan Odum of Plymouth as Jamie Blumberg; Heidi Schuster of Southfield as Harriet Cornwall; Rami Farhat of Canton as Marty Sterling; Julie Vorus of Gregory as Tasha Blumberg; Jerry Salas of Northville as Simon Blumberg; Wendy Sielaff of Canton as Lillian Cornwall; Dan Sperling of Farmington Hills as Paul Stuart; and Ken Pletzer of Livonia as Vladimir.

Photographer Ford Sutherland and Randy Polegaire, in charge of lobby display, are also Northville residents.

Francine Hachem of Dearborn is directing the play and Karen Groves



Photo by FORD SUTHERLAND

Bottom row, left to right, Julie Vorus, Susan Odum, Heidi Schuster, Wendy Sielaff; top row, Jerry Salas, Rami Farhat, Dan Sperling and Ken Pletzer, are all performing in Plymouth Theatre Guild's season finale, *Isn't It Romantic?*

of Northville is serving as assistant director and stage manager. Mary Lynn Kiks of Plymouth is producer.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$7 for seniors/youth. Advance tickets are

\$1 cheaper and are available at Sir Speedy Printing in Plymouth and Heavenly Bakery in Northville.

For more information, call 349-7110.

Entertainment listings

Suburb items for the entertainment listings: The Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167; or fax to 349-1050.

Special events

FILM AUDITIONS: Make Believe Productions Inc. will be holding auditions for *The Ironspiral*, an action-drama feature film production, from 1 to 5:30 p.m. May 15 at Adams Modeling Agency, located on the corner of Haslett and Marsh roads in Haslett. Six male actors appearing age 30 to 45, one female actress appearing age 30 to 40, one male actor appearing age 6 and 20 or so bits parts for males and females of all age ranges are needed.

Shooting will begin in July and August during weekends in the Wayne County and Hilldale areas. Please bring references and resume, however, no formal experience is required.

For more information, call (810) 474-5316.

MARQUIS THEATRE: Children of Northville will be entertaining young audiences with a musical comedy presentation of *The Princess and the Goblin*, adapted for the stage by R. Eugene Jackson from the novel by George MacDonald.

Performance dates are 11:30 a.m. Saturdays May 7, 14, 21 and June 4, 11 and 18. Tickets are \$5.

For general ticket information, group rates and available school performances, call 349-8110.

NOVI YOUTH THEATRE: will present *Lion and Mouse Stories* at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 14; Friday, May 20; and at 9 p.m. Sunday, May 22 at the Novi Civic Center.

A Children's Annex Production, *Lion and Mouse Stories* is a delightful comedy by Colleen Neuman.

Advance tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for seniors and children under 12. At the door, tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors and children under 12. Tickets are available at the Novi Civic Center.

For information, call 347-0400.

ARTS SERIES: The Northville Arts Commission is hosting the second Riverview Series Colloquies at 8 p.m. May 21 in the Cady Inn, located in Northville's Mill Race Historical Village.

The evening will, once again, be hosted by Julie Fountaine, who has hosted and performed at East River Folk Society Colloquies in Grosse Pointe and will feature both amateur and professional performers. All musicians are invited to perform from 8 to 9 p.m.

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Movies

'With Honors' gives students new view of life

Monty Kessler (Brendan Fraser) is a Harvard scholarship student well on his way to graduating summa cum laude. Driven to succeed, Monty panics when a severe winter storm causes his computer drive to crash and takes with it his senior honors thesis.

As he rushes to the library to copy the existing pages of his draft, Monty begins a learning experience that's different from anything he's experienced at Harvard.

What begins as a trading-off for necessities becomes a discovery that life's most important lessons are not necessarily learned by the book.

Academy-Award winner Joe Pesci is Simon Wilder. Starring with Pesci are Brendan Fraser as Monty, Moira Kelly as the highly competitive Courtney, Patrick Dempsey as Everett and Josh Hamilton as Jeff.

Acclaimed writer-actor-political commentator Gore Vidal makes a co-starring appearance as the feared and revered Professor Philip Hayes Pitkannan. A Nobel laureate, he has the authority to recommend or deny a student's cum laude — with honors — status at graduation.

Producer Paula Weinstein first read "With Honors" at the request of Warner Bros., where the film had been in development for several years. What she liked about the project "was the idea of dealing with the issue of a homeless man on one of the most elite institutions in America."

"It was an opportunity to open the eyes of these students, who generally feel they are ordained for greatness by having been accepted at such a prestigious school," said Weinstein. "We wanted to show what would happen if real life really pushed up against these kids. Simon stops them mid-track and forces them to find their own way — so that they could become not just great leaders, but also great citizens."

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"To begin with, I was intrigued because it was Harvard," said Keshishian, who graduated summa cum laude from Harvard in 1986. "Secondly, I liked the premise of four students coming of age in college and the idea that an education isn't something you just learn with your head. It's something you learn through your heart as well."

Weinstein, who previously helped guide first-time director Steve Kloves through his debut film, "The Fabulous Baker Boys," feels that "as a producer, what we dream for, and should dream for, is to have an extraordinary established director or someone new who has a burning passion and vision for your film."

"From our first meeting, I saw that Alek had the story in his head and that he understood what it was about," she said. "He had lived those years, was critical of those years and enjoyed those years. By the time he said 'action,' I was very confident. "We both felt," she continued, "that the film had to be an ensemble piece, with Monty and Simon's relationship at the center. But for Monty's character to work, we have to see the other students ... the world he lives in. Alek made it more balanced piece."



T. Ryder Smith stars as the Trickster in 'Brainscan'

'Brainscan' explores high-tech terror

Imagine committing a series of murders in virtual reality only to discover they may in fact be real.

That's the living nightmare that one teenage boy, played by Terminator 2 star Edward Furlong, faces in Triumph Releasing's high-tech suspense thriller, "Brainscan."

It all starts innocently enough when 16-year-old Michael (Furlong) is introduced to a CD-ROM interactive virtual reality game called Brainscan, that promises to give him the ultimate experience in terror. A devoted horror fan, Michael is intrigued, but skeptical.

After a blinding flash, Michael finds himself in the backyard of a dark suburban house. He creeps silently into the house and takes a knife from a kitchen drawer. He steals up a flight of stairs and stands in the doorway of a bedroom where a man lies sleeping.

His heart pounds. His hands shake. He moves toward the man and kills him. When he's sure the man is dead, he leaves the house as stealthily as he entered. Michael awakens with a start — panting, dripping with sweat. It felt so real. What a game. He has never been so exhilarated in his entire life.

But exhilaration soon turns to horror when Michael hears on the TV news the next day that a brutal murder has been committed in his neighborhood. He watches in growing terror and shock as he recognizes the yard, the house, the man. It can't be. Did the murder actually happen? Was it a game, or was it real?

When a second CD mysteriously arrives in the mail, Michael hurries it against the wall, determined to end the madness. Enter the Trickster — the mastermind and embodiment of Brainscan itself, who materializes in Michael's room through his computer screen.

A cross between Count Dracula and Mick Jagger, the Trickster cunningly convinces Michael that he must come to play the game ... that he must experience the second CD.

"What happened?" Michael screams. "What was on that CD?" Michael refuses to play the game, afraid. He threatens to go to the police. The Trickster laughs. He convinces Michael the police will consider his bizarre story a confession. Besides, there were witnesses, the Trickster warns him. "It's only a crime if you get caught," the Trickster chuckles.

Thus, Michael is drawn into the game a second, third and fourth time. Each time he tries to stop, the Trickster reappears, cajoling (tormenting and tempting Michael to face his deepest fears and fantasies. Michael is trapped by the game's hypnotic spell from which

there appears to be no escape. He can no longer distinguish fantasy from reality. The Trickster and the game are now in control.

"Brainscan" also stars Tony Award-winning actor Frank Langella as Police Detective Hayden, who relentlessly pursues Michael as a prime suspect, and T. Ryder Smith as the evil Trickster.

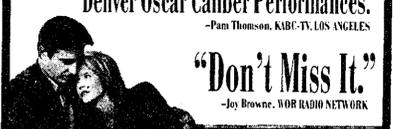
Directed by John Flynn, "Brainscan" takes the viewer into a virtual reality, creating a combination of suspense, red-herrings and unique characters. The whole project fell together after Flynn's first meeting with producer Michel Roy.

"His take was exactly the same as mine," said Roy. "Both of us were looking at a film that was not a horror movie per se, but a very well-paced suspense thriller. And we got along very well. I didn't go after 25 people; John Flynn was the one, and bingo — we shot the film."

Roy sees the film as a little bit of everything — horror, suspense, thriller. "It has its own genre," he said.

Flynn said he made the film "to allow the audience to experience fear. The mood was one of tranquility gradually turning into menace, and then turning into sheer horror," he explained. "The violence of this movie is channeled through this vulnerable and lonely young man."

As originally conceived, Michael's tormentor, the Trickster, was a hologram — half man, half beast. During pre-production sessions, however, it was decided to transform the hologram into a real person and T. Ryder Smith was selected for the role.



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'King of Comedy' anything but a comedy

KING OF COMEDY By Helaine Binstock Novi

You'll undoubtedly find this in the comedy section of the video store, but it's anything but that. Considering its title and having Jerry Lewis as a major performer, people who haven't seen it might be deceived. Instead, it's a heavy psychological drama.

Jerry Lewis, not one of my favorites, does the greatest piece of serious acting of his career. He impeccably underplays his role of a late-night host revered by his throngs of followers, yet strikingly lonely when retreating to the privacy of his home.

This might also be the finest role Robert DeNiro has ever executed. He's great in whatever he does —

his performance is riveting. Directed by Martin Scorsese, "King of Comedy" flawlessly demystifies performers' fantasies, some not too talented, who feel rejected and rebuffed when ignored. He introduces you to crowds of people who revere luminaries to such extremes, they devote entire lives to collecting their signatures. You will not complete this movie without having to discuss its ending as it has several different interpretations. A must see.

MRS. DOUBTFIRE By Heather Wadowski Northville

The magic of "Mrs. Doubtfire" is now on home video, and can be yours to watch again and again. And, if you haven't, what are you waiting for?

the NOVI NEWS Sports

Softballers fall to near bottom of standings

By SCOTT DANIEL Sports Editor

Five losses in six Kensington Valley Conference games has dropped the Wildcat softball team near the bottom of the standings.

The bats went sour and league rivals seem to have solved Novi's pitching. While things look bleak, Wildcat coach John Peace thinks there might be some light at the end of the tunnel.

"We've got time to turn it around," he said. "They're not quitting. We're getting good effort despite the trouble they're having with hitting."

Peace said he has set a modest goal for the remainder of the league season.

"We would like to finish in the top half of the league," he said.

The latest dose of bad news came Friday in a doubleheader loss to Lakeland on the road. The Eagles won by scores of 6-3 and 4-1.

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Katie Shaw tries to beat the throw to second base last week against Brighton.

Peace said the Bulldogs didn't make many mistakes when his team did hit the ball.

"They were probably one of the best defensive teams we played against this year," he said.

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Novi falls in dual meet

By SCOTT DANIEL Sports Editor

We've all heard a player or coach say, at one time or another, that the score really didn't indicate how close the game was.

Well, the same can be said about win-loss records. The Wildcat boys' track team went into Thursday's road dual meet with Brighton undefeated, as did the Bulldogs, in the Kensington Valley Conference.

But league observers had little doubt as to who would win the "showdown." When all was said and done, Brighton walked away with a crushing 108-29 victory.

"There are 17 events in a dual meet," Novi coach Bob Smith said. "We were competitive in every one of them but they were just a notch better."

Novi earned its four KVC victories by running "perfect" meets, he added. The Cats, Smith said, made the most out of their abilities in those wins.

"We've been able to capitalize on our speed in the league," he commented. "But (Brighton) matched us."

"They don't have any holes," Brighton dominated from start of finish.

Novi got six of its 29 points in the 110-meter high hurdles. Damien Thompson won the race with a time of 15.8 while Eric Brandon was third in 16.4.

Adam Hagfors won the 1,600 meter. He ran a 4:50.6 race.

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Baseballers nip Trojans, look for win streak

By SCOTT DANIEL Sports Editor

If ever a team needed to get hot in a hurry it's the Wildcat baseball team.

The two-time defending Kensington Valley Conference champions are currently in fourth place heading into the final three weeks of the league season. A frustrating season thus far, Novi picked up the win for the 7-7 overall.

"We've been making a lot of silly, stupid mistakes," coach Brian Howard said. "It's not something I expect from this group. I think they are as disappointed with how things are going as I am."

"We need to get a streak going and play some consistent ball. We are capable."

Perhaps Saturday's 8-6 win over Clarendonville on the road will give the Cats the shot in the arm they need.

Trailing 6-5 heading into the top of the seventh, Novi rallied for three runs. John Wroe led off with a bunt single and was followed by a pair of walks to load the bases.

Mitch Jabczynski tied the game with a single. The Wildcats then added two more runs on an error. Kevin Serrin pitched well after Novi. He relieved Wroe in the fourth and pitched three and one-third innings of shutout ball.

LAKELAND DOUBLEHEADER The Wildcats went from contenders to middle-of-the-pack Friday by dropping the road twinbill.

The Eagles beat up on Novi pitching for wins of 11-4 and 8-6. Howard was none to pleased.

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Bulldogs stop Wildcat tracksters 74-49 for KVC lead

By SCOTT DANIEL Sports Editor

David didn't quite kill Goliath. But the Wildcat girls track team put up a fight in falling to KVC powerhouse Brighton 74-49 Thursday on the road. According to coach Connie Alta, it was as close as Novi has come to beating the Bulldogs in many years.

"I went in as the underdog," she said. "All I wanted to do was make a strong showing. We did that. I couldn't ask for anything more from the girls."

Brighton, no doubt, will win the Kensington Valley Conference title this spring. With only one league loss, though, it looks like the Cats have a good shot at second place —

a jump of two places from last season.

"We're going to hope," said Alta. "I don't think we'll finish lower than second."

Novi is 4-1 on the dual meet season. The Wildcats close their KVC season Tuesday at Milford.

Final league standings are determined from league duals and the KVC meet, which will be held May 24. Novi could tie for first if it beats Milford then wins the KVC meet.

"I'm very, very proud of the girls this year," Alta said. "I think we're a well-rounded team."

Kari Jettie was one Wildcat at the top of her form against Brighton. The senior won both hurdling events and the long jump.

Desire to excel," said Alta. "She's showing leadership skills and instilling it in the freshmen."

Jettie cleared 4'-10" to win the high jump. She posted a time of 16:47 in the 110-meter hurdles for first place and won the 300 low hurdles in 59 seconds.

In the 110-meter dash, Sarah Blumer was second in 13.9 while Sarah McGlinnen was right behind in 14 seconds for third place.

Jettie took second in the long jump with 14'-2 1/2". Freshman Jenny Hampton took third in the 1,600-meter race with a time of 5:33.

The 400-meter relay team of Sarah Schmidt, Dyan Ahrens, McGlinnen and Audra Wolowicz won in 54.67. Christy Carmichael

was the winner of the 400 dash in 1:02.6 while Michelle Sweller placed third in 1:06.08.

Hampton finished first in the 800-meter with a time of 2:32.4. Carmichael's 28.1 won the 200 dash and Wolowicz was second in 29.1.

In the 3,200-meter run, Lorna Camp finished first in 12:08 while Katie Zimmerman was third in 12:36.

NOVI 80, HOWELL 35 The May 3 home meet was a breeze for the Wildcats. Novi won every event but two against the Highlanders.

"They just didn't have the depth," said Alta. "But the girls ran good times and pushed each other."

Novi swept the 1,600-meter run with Hampton in first, Zimmerman in second and Angel Root in third place. Schmidt, Wolowicz, McGlinnen and Ahrens won the 400-meter relay in 54.7.

The Wildcats got another sweep in the 400 Carmichael was first in 1:01.95, Sweller second in 1:04.68 and Harrison third in 1:07.58.

In the 300-meter hurdles, Jettie was first in 50.14 and Blumer was third in 55.2. Hampton, Camp and Lauren Rice swept the 800 meter race.

Carmichael won the 200 meter race (27.7) while Camp was first in the 3,200 (11:51.84). Harrison, Christina Astley, Hampton and Sweller won the mile relay in 4:30.99.

Kickers down Eagles 1-0

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Usually a goalkeeper is only as good as the players working in front of them.

If teammates allow too many scoring chances, chances are a few balls are going to find the back of the net. But there are nights where it doesn't matter how many opportunities the other team gets — nothing goes in.



Nicole Borashko make a play for the ball.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

That was the kind of night Novi High goalkeeper Lisa Antuna had Friday night at Lakeland. It didn't matter much that the Eagles forced her to make 20 saves or turn away several breakaways.

Behind Antuna, the Wildcats notched a 1-0 Kensington Valley Conference soccer victory over Lakeland. According to coach Larry Christoff, the junior did everything but stand on her head to preserve the win.

"She made some phenomenal saves," he said. "She was catching the ball behind her head a couple of times."

It was Antuna's fifth shutout. With assorted injuries taking a toll on the lineup, Novi needed her effort. Becky Pylar was lost before the season started and, since then, star Erin Vogel has gone out with knee problems.

Christoff has been able to bring up players like Jamie Vandermast and Megan Mutch from the junior varsity level. Their solid work among others, has kept Novi in the thick of the KVC race with a 5-1 record.

The coach said his team had to beat Lakeland to keep any shot at a

title viable.

"It was very critical," said Christoff. "What it does is it puts us a few games ahead of Milford and Lakeland and only a game behind Brighton."

It looked like Novi would run away with the game early Friday.

Mandy McGilgren scored just two minutes into the contest on a cross pass from Nicole Borashko. Novi had a few other chances in the first half but couldn't capitalize.

Lakeland dominated the second half. The Eagles fired shot after shot at Antuna but had no luck. Christoff said she stopped three breakaways in the half.

"They had the momentum," he added. "They had us pinned in."

marking the Eagles best offensive players, he said.

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The Wildcats took another close victory May 4 against the Lions.

Playing at South Lyon, Sheila O'Sullivan got the game's only goal. She scored on a rebound from a McGilgren shot.

According to Christoff, Novi completely dominated the game. He said the Lions, in fact, only had the ball in the Wildcat end of the field a few times.

"We just couldn't put the ball in," Christoff said in accounting for the close score of the game.

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Golfers get first win 247-253 over Western

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Novi High didn't play its best golf Thursday.

But the 'Cats were good enough to rip Walled Lake Western 247-253 at the Links of Pinewood. According to coach Debbie Harris, the Walled Lake course is one of the tougher ones her team will play on all season.

"It's very long and narrow," she said. "It's over 6,000 for the men and 5,000 for the women."

Harris added that many creeps of dirt come into play separating holes from each other. In talking to Kensington Valley Conference colleagues, she said she expected scores to be five strokes higher on average.

"Our team score was higher than it has been," Harris said.

Gretchen Harvey had the best round of the day with 56 strokes for nine holes. Alison O'Mura finished a shot behind while Lisa Mott came in with a 68. Erin Willis and Kelly Worger with scores of 69.

Harris was proud of Harvey's performance. She said the junior recovered from a tough round the day before nicely.

"Gretchen was especially happy because she was the medalist (low score)," Harris commented.

The Wildcats stand at 1-2 on the season. Novi will play at Livonia Churchill tomorrow in a non-league match and Monday on the road against Milford.

Overall, Novi has improved in its second varsity season. Scores have been routinely in the 230s, which is some 10 to 15 strokes better than year ago. Harris said each of her varsity players have contributed to the improvement by cutting a few strokes.

"We've really been working on chipping and putting," the coach said in accounting for the improvement.

The Wildcats season low is 231. "I'd like to see us get into the teens," Harris said.

Novi fell short of that mark May 4 against Milford. The Redskins shot a phenomenal 197 to the Wildcats 234. The two squads met at Novi's home course of Pebble Creek.

O'Mura was the low shooter with 53. Mott totaled a 55, Worger a 61 and sophomore Angie Unitas a 65.

Novi opened its week on May 3 against Farmington. Mercy High School and lost despite shooting its low round of 231. Mott finished with a round of 53. O'Mura a 55, Harvey a 61 and freshman Johna Meredith a 62.

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With one out, Andy Sill singled to leftfield. A walk to Fischer and a couple of passed balls scored Sill to tie it up.

Novi nips Trojans

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state, the Bulldog pitcher met his match in the Novi junior, Jabzenzki struck eight Brighton batters out while allowing just four hits.

"He's developing into one of the best pitchers in the state," said Howard. "He outpitched Hornsberger."

Considering the lack of fielding support, Jabzenzki's performance becomes even more impressive.

"What made it great was that we had six fielding errors," Howard said.

Despite the miscues, the coach said his team got it done when it needed to.

"We made an error then made the play," Howard said.

Brighton held a 1-0 lead until the top of the seventh.

With one out, Andy Sill singled to leftfield. A walk to Fischer and a couple of passed balls scored Sill to tie it up.

Brighton wins 'showdown' with Wildcats 108-29

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The sophomore came back to take second place in the 3,000 in 10:30. Thompson finished third in the 300-meter low hurdles with a time of 44.6.

The junior placed second in the long jump by leaping 19'2 1/2". Steady Sardy was third with 19'7 1/2".

In the high jump, Thompson took second place again as he cleared

5-10. For the day, he accounted for 12 of the Wildcats 29 points.

Discus thrower Keith List was third against Brighton with 109' 6".

"He will be a good one before he's done," said Smith.

Brandon cleared 11 feet to place second in the pole vault. Todd Pejakovich was second in the 100-meter dash in 11.24. Novi's final points of the day were scored by Mark McBride, who took third in the 400

with a time of 55.41.

"We ran well," said Smith. "They were just a notch better."

Novi 86, HOWELL 51

Going into the May 3 meet, the coach was a little nervous. The Highlanders had beaten Novi early in the season at the Lakeland Relays.

But those concerns turned out to be unfounded as Novi took an easy home victory.

"On paper they were as good as we were," Smith explained. "But we do better on the track than on paper."

Howell led 25-2 early, but Novi fought back to take a 37-23 lead heading into the 400-meter dash.

With the excellent work of junior John Scherger, who won the race in 55.5 seconds, Novi pulled away after the event.

"John is one of our more natural runners," Smith said.

Sardy took second in the race as well. The air seemed to let out of the Highlanders tires after the 400, Smith commented.

"The meet just broke open," he added. "Our team just fell apart."

Novi had several other notable performances. Eric Norman's personal best of 39' 3" in the shot put, for third place, was one of those.

John Hardin tossed a 106' 5" for third place in the discus. Thompson won the long jump with as he flew 19' 7". Sardy was second at 19' 6".

Sardy took first in the high jump with fewer miles than his teammates Thompson. Both cleared 5' 8".

Novi swept the 100-meter dash with Pejakovich, Brandon Spence and Scott Keys. The 800-meter relay team of Spence, Ryan and Scott Keys and Pejakovich was first in 1:37.7.

Hagfors got second place in the 1,600 in 4:57.07.

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Camp Lakeshore registration is coming up soon.

File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Camp Lakeshore registration on tap

By CINDY STEWART
Special Writer

Summer's almost here — picnics at the lake, backyard barbecues, swimming, vacations and warm weather. Sounds great, but there is one small problem with summer: a trip to the Oakland County sewage pool. Your kids won't want to miss out on all the wonderful activities that Marilyn Troshak and her camp counselors are planning. There will be no dull moments as kids and counselors have fun with arts and crafts, swimming games, sports and field trips.

"Even kids who have been to Camp Lakeshore in the past will want to sign-up this year because the program has been revitalized for the Summer of '94," said Marilyn Troshak, recreation coordinator.

"The new programs and activities will be great but that's not what makes Camp Lakeshore so fanat-

ic," added Troshak. "The best thing about Camp Lakeshore is the experience the campers have because of the dedicated counselors. Many of the counselors are considering careers in teaching or recreation and their love for children is so obvious. The kids 'adopt' the counselors as big brothers and sisters."

"If they had camps like this when I was younger, I would have gone," said counselor Jason Stewart. "This is the best summer job I've ever had. It's hard to believe they pay me for having fun with the kids. I'm looking forward to getting attacked in the lake everyday. This is a great experience for me because I'm studying to be an elementary school teacher."

This year, Camp Lakeshore is back to four two-week sessions staffed by one supervisor, four leaders and three junior counselors. There will also be more small group activities this year, both in the water

and at the park.

Marilyn gets a lot of calls from other cities and they have modeled their activities after Novi's Camp Lakeshore and the Recreation Station in offering quality programs to its residents again and again.

The two-week Camp Lakeshore sessions are June 20 through June 30, July 5 through July 15, July 18 through July 28, August 1 through August 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Remember to mark your calendars for the special early registration for Novi residents only on Saturday, May 21, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Regular registration begins Monday, May 23 at 8 a.m. For more information call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400.

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

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Parents should take a stand



John Farrar

It's time for parents to take a stand. For those of us who are the parents of teenagers, particularly high school seniors, spring means more than the annual budding of trees and the moving of clocks forward one hour. It means doing our part in preparing for two "once-in-a-lifetime" experiences for our sons and daughters — senior prom and high school graduation.

Many of us will confine our involvement to financial assistance. We will "lend" money for prom tickets or formal wear, recognizing that the debt is unlikely to be repaid and not really minding if it isn't. Many of us will assume a more proactive role with respect to graduation or prom, however. We will agree to host a pre-prom party or will plan a graduation party designed to provide a social outlet for 50 or other seniors, and not Aunt Doris and Uncle Wally from Okemos or Dearborn Heights. If we choose not to host such events, almost certainly our senior offspring will be attending functions given by other parents who do.

The problem that each of us may choose to ignore is the role that alcohol and other drugs

Health tips

play in these two significant "rites of passage" events for our children. Whether we recognize it or not, the problem of adolescent drinking and recreational drug use is rising once again after a period of modest decline over the past several years.

This article is not about assigning blame, but discussing shared responsibility. During the past 12 years, most local school districts have implemented broad-based curricula which address topics related to chemical dependency. Educational specialists have been added (student assistance specialists, SAFE workers, DARE officers) to work with students on this issue. Community-based organizations have networked into task forces aimed at seeking ways to change the climate of our neighborhoods and discourage substance abuse.

Ultimately however, the most important and effective monitors of our children are their parents. We have the uncontested power and authority to create a safe environment and set of expectations for our kids. With that in mind, I would like to suggest a few guidelines for parents to consider for senior prom and graduation festivities:

1. State unequivocally that no illegal substances will be served or tolerated in your home. (Alcohol is illegal for 18 year olds)
 2. Inform your child that you expect that he/she will not be using those substances in the homes of others, and that they will not be part of their prom or graduation experience. (The limo to the prom is meant to be an elegant means of transportation — not a rolling bar)
 3. Discuss these issues with the parents of your son or daughter's prom date or with parents hosting a graduation party. (You may be pleasantly surprised to learn that they share your concern)
- If these suggestions make you uncomfortable or seem out of date, consider what those thoughts and feelings may be saying. It is difficult to follow through with our own beliefs about adolescent use of alcohol and other drugs, then let's at least recognize that peer pressure and the desire to be liked has a powerful negative influence on adults as well as kids.
- Dr. John Farrar has been an employee of the Livonia Public Schools for 23 years and the Executive Director of the Community Commission on Drug Abuse for 14 years. He and his wife Anita are the parents of two teenagers, including a graduating senior. This column is coordinated by Peg Campbell and the staff at the U-M Health Centers.

Hypertension is a silent killer



Barry Franklin

Your blood pressure is gauged by two numbers, expressed in millimeters of mercury, that measure pressure in your arteries. They are keys to diagnosing hypertension.

The higher one is recorded during the heart's pumping stroke and is called the systolic blood pressure.

The lower number is the pressure while the heart is relaxing between beats and is called the diastolic pressure.

When recorded in a relaxed, resting subject, normal systolic pressure is around 120 millimeters of mercury, whereas normal diastolic pressure is around 80.

This is expressed as "120 over 80."

A systolic pressure between 100 and 140 is considered normal. In elderly people, however, a slightly higher systolic pressure may be within normal limits. Normal diastolic pressure lies between 60 and 90 millimeters of mercury.

When the resting pressure is consistently above these ranges, high blood pressure (hypertension) is diagnosed.

Unfortunately, there are no symptoms which indicate the presence of hypertension. For this reason, it is frequently referred to as the "silent killer," often resulting in kidney disease, heart disease and strokes. Have your blood pressure checked often.

Once hypertension is diagnosed, it is important to determine whether it is the common "essential" type, meaning the cause is unknown, or whether it is due to other factors, some surgically or medically correctable.

Fortunately, there are excellent drugs currently available for treating hypertension. These fall into two major categories: those that cause blood vessels to dilate or relax, lowering blood pressure, and those that work by eliminating excess sodium and fluids from the body (diuretics).

High blood pressure can sometimes be managed successfully without resorting to anti-hypertensive drugs — through modifying diet, exercise and behavior.

The overweight person with hypertension may be placed on a reducing diet and exercise program by his or her physician, for blood pressure often decreases with weight loss.

A diet low in sodium (ordinary table salt is

the most common form) also may help to lower blood pressure. Sodium restriction curbs fluid retention by the body and tends to reduce blood volume and pressure.

You can decrease the salt content of your diet by avoiding such salted foods as peanuts and pork products and not adding extra salt to other foods.

Many processed foods, including lunch meats, canned soups, snack foods and many others are very high in sodium. Learn to be a food-label reader. Your detective work will quickly reveal which packaged foods are high in fats, salts and other ingredients.

Finally, learning to relax and cope with stress and tension is extremely helpful. Stress reduction courses are often offered at your local college or continuing education department. They are inexpensive, amazingly easy to learn and effective.

Hypertension is a life-shortening disease which can be medically managed quite effectively. There's no excuse to ignore it.

Barry Franklin, Ph.D., is director of Cardiac Rehabilitation and Exercise Laboratories at William Beaumont Hospital. His new book, "Making Healthy Tomorrow," is available by calling 1-800-289-4943.

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