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Chief faces job-hunting allegations

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Novi Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer disputes rumors and media reports that he's actively looking for a new job.

His motivations drew fire last week from City Council member Carol Mason who raised the issue in a letter to *The Novi News* after she received a copy of an April 24 edition of *The Lake Worth (Florida) Herald*.

Mason sent *The Novi News* a copy of the Florida newspaper article which mentions Shaeffer as a finalist. The council woman's letter spells out her concerns over Shaeffer's employment and the costs of

his FBI education to Novi taxpayers.

The chief said Monday that he does periodically circulate resumes to determine his own marketability. He does it, he says, to measure his skills in the market. But he said Tuesday he has no plans now to vacate his \$62,000 a year city post.

"I have no intention of leaving the City of Novi," Shaeffer said after Monday's Police Officers' Memorial Day service. "I'm very happy and satisfied with the City of Novi and appreciative of the employment conditions here."

The chief returned Monday from the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA to

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Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Gov. John Engler and Novi Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer place a memorial wreath during Monday's Police Officers Memorial Day.

Memorial honors fallen officers

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Monday's Police Officers' Memorial service was a ceremony to pay tribute to three deceased Michigan officers. But the ceremony was meant to honor the officers not for what they died for. Instead, the theme of the day was to honor them for what their lives meant to those they left behind. "We are here to honor them for being heroes for what they lived for, not what they died for," was the intention offered by Novi Police Chaplain Leslie Harding at the onset of the ceremony.

The theme held true in remarks made by Gov. John Engler and Detroit Police Chief Isalah McKinnon.

"We will remember them as custodians of the American way of life," McKinnon said. "Remember them not for what they died for but for the peace they brought to our communities."

The service attracted uniformed officers from all over southeastern Michigan along with Willis Bullard, R-Milford, and local dignitaries City Manager Ed Kriewall, Novi Council members Tim Pope and Carol Mason. Novi Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer took time

off from FBI Academy to fly back into town to host the service honoring his comrades who were killed in the line of duty this year.

Michigan State Trooper Byron Erickson, Detroit Police Officer Norman Spruiell and Manistee Police Officer Robin Smyke were the three officers honored at the 14th annual Police Officers' Memorial day event.

None of the three ever worked in the Novi Police Department but their losses were felt nonetheless by officers there and across the tri-county area.

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Prom night

Novi High Schoolers dance their 1994 Prom night away at Laurel Park Manor on Friday, May 13. Above Cliff Messer seizes a quiet moment on the dance floor with Danielle Kuenzel to share a romantic moment. See page 17 for more prom photos.

Homeowners unite in citywide group

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Novi residents have a new voice — and it's likely to be a strong one which carries loud and clear to all the right ears.

"Hopefully, it'll be a nice voice," says newly-elected President Ruth Ann Jirasek.

Fifty-four homeowners groups in the city, representing some 25,000 people, just joined forces last week to create the City of Novi Homeowners Associations. Their goal is to

be a non-political information network for homeowners groups and to promote and protect "the orderly development of the City of Novi."

Jirasek, representing the Willowbrook Community Association, was elected to lead the new group's executive board.

"Somebody told me last week we were the largest homeowner's group in Oakland County. There's a whole bunch of interest in this," she said.

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Novi's first city clerk dies at 88

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Friends of Mabel Ash, Novi's first city clerk, came to her funeral last week carrying potted flowers like geraniums and dusty millers.

They'll be planted by her close friend Cindy Gronachan in a memorial garden for Ash at her Garfield Road horse farm.

"She's been a real inspiration to me and all her friends. She was kind of like a grandma and a

good friend. They just don't make them like that anymore," Gronachan said.

Ash, 88, died May 10 at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. She is survived by sister Ina Lachenyer of Florida, Charles Rogers of Kansas and Bob Rogers of Wichita, Kansas.

Born in a log cabin when this century was just years old, Ash was a many-sided career woman when that was still unusual. A respected municipal worker, she was also an expert on the bloodlines of the Arabian horses she loved to breed, an

avid gardener, a past member of the Novi Planning Commission and an enthusiastic local historian.

Ash served as clerk of the Village of Novi from about 1960 and stayed on as clerk when the city incorporated in 1969, before retiring in 1973. Current City Clerk Gerry Stupp then took over the job.

Ash was on hand when Novi's 25th anniversary

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She said 'yes' to his proposal

Novi Expo Center employee pops the question on water tower sign

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Cheryl Seach was writing a check at Kensington Park to pay for her Saturday golf game when the woman at the counter hesitated.

"She looked up and said 'Did you say yes to your proposal?' I almost died. I was shocked," Seach said Monday.

If you've been wondering, Seach did say "yes."

Brian Starrs popped the question last week in a way nobody but Seach missed — on a huge sign at the Novi Expo Center, fronting right on the freeway. She says she didn't notice the message until he pointed to it.

Starrs, who works at the Expo Center, met Seach when she was employed there part-time selling tickets. She lives in Novi. He lives in Farmington.

At the end of an Expo show, Starrs drives the shuttle bus to the parking lot. About a year and a half ago, in Seach's case, he escorted her right to her car, rather than dropping her off just anywhere in the lot. Not long after that, they

started going out together.

Last week, Starrs reached the decisive moment. He donned a tuxedo, rented a van and drove Seach to the Expo Center sign.

"I love the girl. I plan on marrying her. After a year and a half of dating, I decided it was time," he said.

"I asked her to marry me at the base of it. She said yes. She was bawling from the minute I picked her up."

Seach says she could hardly believe her eyes, but she managed to read between the lines on the short proposal.

"I know that he truly loves me and wants to be with me and he's not afraid to show it," she said.

"We had people calling us and saying is that you?"

Now, they've set a date, Starrs says. It looks like June 24.

That's 1995, he clarifies: "I move fast but not that fast."

Stay tuned, the couple plans to put up a response to the proposal, as soon as they can get the sign company out there.

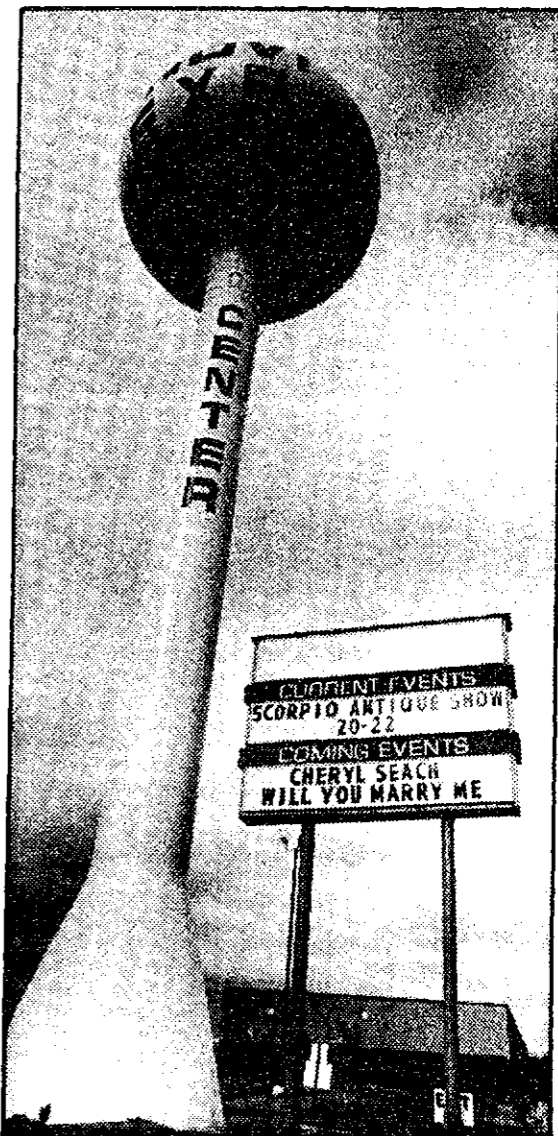


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Brian Starrs pops the question.

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Police say he forged prescription

Police suspect a student, who worked briefly in a Providence Hospital doctor's office, filled a prescription April 8 using a slip the doctor stole while working in the doctor's office from March 14-April 9.

A local pharmacist detected a difference in the doctor's handwriting after the suspect attempted to fill a second prescription May 6. The second slip was, however, not signed by the doctor. The pharmacist notified the doctor, who phoned police and filed the complaint.

FAILURE TO RETURN VEHICLE: A 32-year-old man said he lent his 1986 Chevy Astro van to a co-worker May 2 who never returned it.

The suspect said he would fix the flat tire on the van and return it an hour later. But he never did. Police say the suspect didn't have a permanent job, nor a permanent home, and were unable to track him down.

DISORDERLY: Twelve Oaks security personnel called Novi police to tell them an unidentified man refused to move his car which was parked in a handicap space on May 2. Police said the man was disoriented and uncooperative when asked to move the vehicle. He refused at first to move the car for security personnel, but did so before police arrived to issue him a ticket.

DISURBANCE: Novi Hilton personnel called police to say that the mother of a 30-year-old woman refused to leave the hotel without her daughter on May 8. Police arrived at the hotel and found the woman standing outside. She reportedly refused to tell police her or her daughter's name or the

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room number of the hotel guest. But did say she was there with two other relatives to pick up her daughter and take her somewhere for mental health treatment. She told police she didn't want anything from them except their help in getting inside the hotel to pick up her daughter.

Police asked the woman if her daughter was dangerous or if she had the proper paperwork to commit her daughter to an institution. She replied no to both inquiries and then left the hotel.

Inside, police found the daughter seated in the hotel bar. She appeared in good spirits and able to care for herself, the police report indicated. Police say the woman told them she checked into the hotel to get away from her parents for awhile because they were bothering her.

QUIL, POSSESSION: Police arrested a 31-year-old Walled Lake man on May 4 after he allegedly forced a squad car off Decker Road.

According to the police report, the officer was forced to swerve off the road into a construction barrel to avoid hitting the oncoming motorist who had crossed the center line. The officer turned around and pulled the motorist over. He stated in the report he smelled a strong odor of intoxicants coming from inside the car when the driver was stopped and asked for his driver's license and registration. The officer asked the man to exit the car. He failed field sobriety tests and then allowed police to

search the vehicle. Inside, police say they found a yellow upperware container with marijuana inside. The man reportedly admitted the drug was his and told police there was more in his shoe. Police checked the man's shoe and allegedly found a baggy with marijuana inside. They also say they found more of the same in an old super glue container.

The man was arrested and ticketed for operating under the influence of liquor and possession of marijuana.

LARCENY: A guest of the Novi Hilton told police she got little response from hotel management after she reported her \$700 leather jacket missing from her room.

The Livonia resident told police she didn't notice the jacket was missing until she was packing to check out on April 24.

BREAK-IN: Someone threw a large rock through the front glass window of a local dry cleaners and stole \$1,030 from the cash register on May 10. Police say the incident happened after 1 a.m. and business owners on either side didn't hear or see anything.

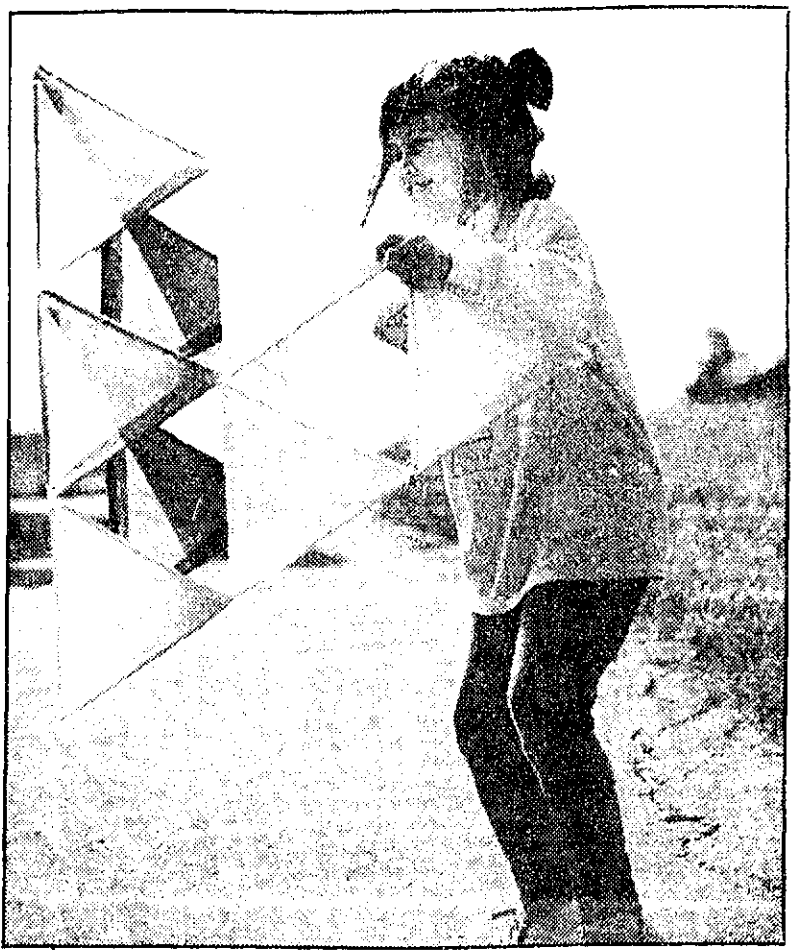
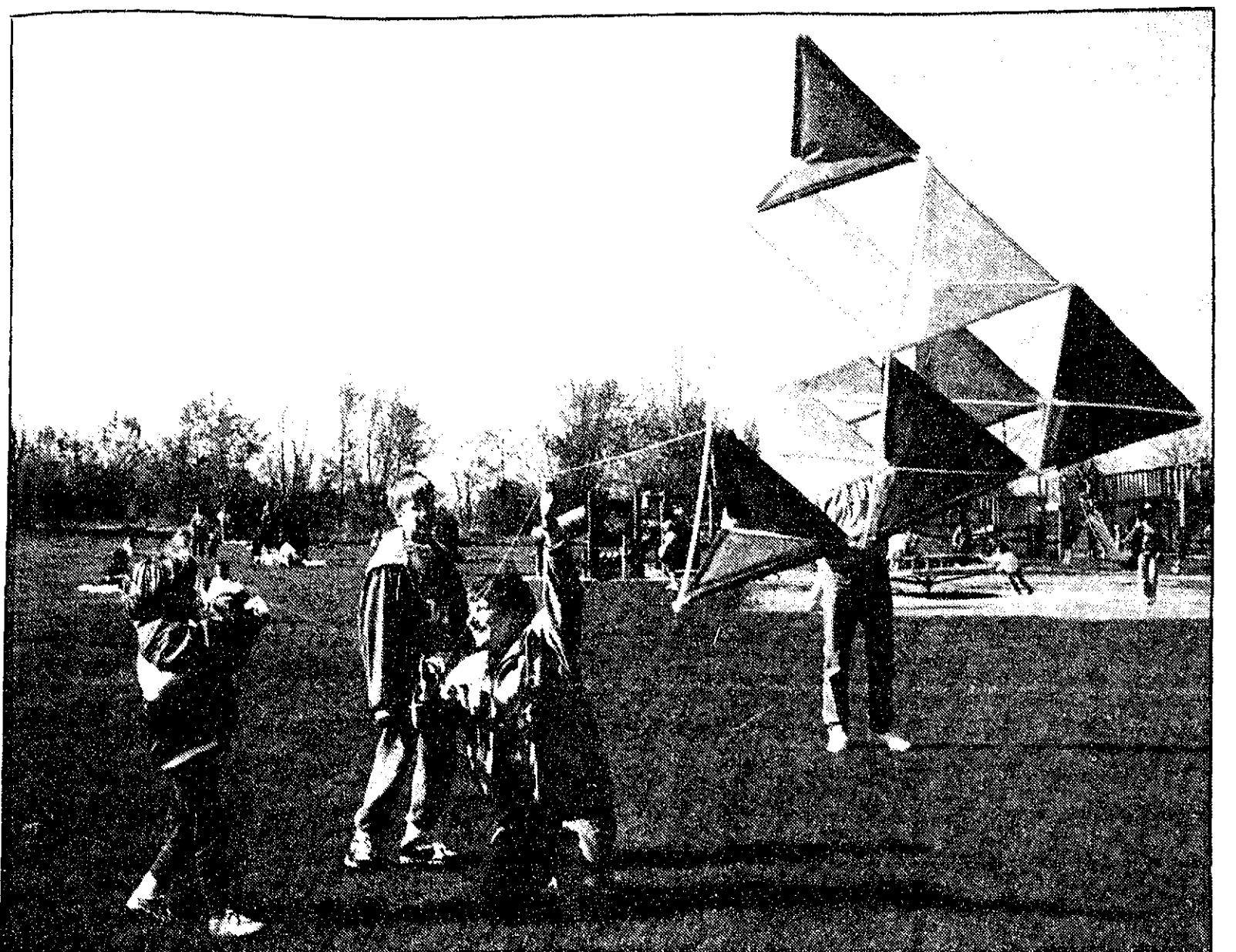
Novi Briefs

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 Tall 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.

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.

Spring Arts Festival: Novi school district students will be displaying their creative talents Thursday, May 26, at the 1994 Spring Festival of the Arts. Student artwork from all grades will be on display in the lobby of the Fuerst Auditorium from 6-9 p.m. Awards for the high school art competition will be announced at 7 p.m. Immediately following the awards presentations, the school district's choral music department will present a spring concert. Choral groups from Novi High School will be performing. As part of the festival each year, the school district sponsors a button design competition. This year's button and logo design were created by Mallory Ahern, a fourth grader at Parkview Elementary.

Admission to the Spring Festival of Arts is free. Novi High School is located at the corner of Ten Mile and Tall roads. Parking will be available in the Ten Mile Road lot. Call (810) 344-8330 for further information.



Photos by SUE SPILLANE

Family flying
Elizabeth, Steven and Susanna Szlaga (at left) try to get their kite off the ground at Orchard Hills Elementary School's Family Kite Night May 12. The annual event was a time for family activities, like a picnic, as well as kite flying. Above, student Laura Wesley flies a kite based on a design originally created by Alexander Graham Bell.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Date: May 19, 1994

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources proposes to issue a permit exemption pursuant to 1929 P.A. 245, as amended, the Michigan Water Resources Commission Act (Act 245) and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder, to Consumers Power, 1945 West Parnall Road, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

The applicant proposes to discharge a maximum 1,000 gallons of hydrocarbon test water during the construction of a new N. Lyon City Canal during the summer of 1994. The gate is located on the east side of Old Plank Road, in the NW 1/4 of Section 12, T1N, R7E, Lyon Township, Oakland County. The hydrocarbon test water will be discharged to the groundwater at the test location site. The permit exemption will expire on December 31, 1994.

Comments or objections to the draft received by June 20, 1994 will be considered in the final decision to issue the permit exemption. Persons desiring information regarding the draft, procedures for commenting or requesting a hearing should contact: Groundwater Program Section, Waste Management Division, Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 30241, Lansing, Michigan 48909, Telephone: (517) 373-8148.

Copies of the public notice, fact sheet, and draft may be obtained at the Waste Management Division Livonia District Office, located at 38990 Seven Mile Rd., Livonia, Michigan 48152, Telephone: 313-953-0241. (5-19-94 AN)

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Novi High schooler Wade Clay performs "Taps" at Police Officers Memorial Day.



Diane MacGregor (front) and Paul Stulgross honor their fallen comrades with a 21-gun salute.

Engler helps honor police who gave their lives

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Some surviving family members attended the memorial service, others traveled to a similar service in Washington D.C.

Two rows of uniformed officers watched as the flag was raised and then dropped to half-mast.

Rep. Bullard and Councilman Tim Pope presented proclamations acknowledging and declaring Monday, May 16, Police Officers' Memorial Day.

Gov. Engler also produced an executive proclamation declaring the same.

"We are here to recognize the courage and self sacrifice the men and women of law enforcement agencies make on a daily basis," Gov. Engler said. "These are special people who

answered a very special role call. . . It's a rare, special call to individuals who are willing to risk their lives for others. These officers are witnesses to the spirit of courage and self-sacrifice," the governor continued.

"Every loss in the line of duty is a tragedy," Engler said. ". . . Families have lost a loved one. The community has lost a protector. Police officers

have lost a friend, and the state has lost a hero.

"There's a thin blue line that keeps our families, neighborhoods and streets safe," before ending his remarks.

Remarks made by McKinnon were the best received by the crowd in attendance in front of the Novi Police Department.

"We are truly privileged to serve with men and women of this caliber," he said.

A 21-gun salute followed the placement of a memorial wreath near the city's flag pole. A bagpiper's version of "Amazing Grace" accompanied the wreath's placement. The Novi High School band performed "Taps" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" before the ceremony adjourned.

Novi police hosted an open house inside the department while Engler met with the police chiefs from the tri-county area.

After the chiefs and the governor emerged from the closed door session, Engler said the meeting was an opportunity "to determine what we need to do to improve the criminal justice system in Michigan."

Roll up your sleeves and volunteer

The Orchard Hills PTO will be sponsoring a blood drive on behalf of the American Red Cross from 3-9 p.m. today (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 donors 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 Guinice. But Bohme said she is hoping walk-in donations will boost the amount given in the drive.

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The Novi Community School District presents the:

1994 Spring Festival of the Arts

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featuring the Youth Art Show and Spring Choral Concert

K-12 student artwork will be on display in the auditorium lobby from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The Spring Choral Concert will begin in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

Admission is free.

For further information please call 344-8330.

Choir to score in soccer tourney

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

It's no secret World Cup Soccer is coming to town June 18.

And Novi High School's Concert Choir is going to make sure everyone who's got an eye on the ball will also have an ear to the stadium when the international soccer tourney kicks-off.

When the games begin, sixty students from the high school and another 15 from Novi Meadows will be included in the opening ceremony of the televised event from the Pontiac Silverdome. More than 2 billion people are expected to tune into the international event.



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"It's a great opportunity for these kids," said Novi Choir Director Paula Joyner-Clinard. "It's a once in a lifetime opportunity for everybody."

The majority of Novi's Concert Choir will join some of the best and the brightest singers from other area high schoolers in a pre-game opening ceremony.

Fifteen others from Novi Meadows will also be included in the four-part ceremony.

Singers will provide back-up in "America the Beautiful" and enjoy in the musical Parade of Nations. Novi's choirs will perform Martha Wash's "Hold On" along with teens from other areas.

"They'll be singing, dancing and jiving to the tune on the field," Joyner-Clinard said.

The finale will feature the gospel-like tune "Clory Land" as the official World Cup is introduced.

Students will begin rehearsing at the end of May and have a final dress rehearsal on June 9.

But Joyner-Clinard said students involved with the production have been preparing for the event since they heard about it last month.

"Kids with families in other countries have already written them and told them to watch the show," Joyner-Clinard said.

"This is just one of the neat things kids are doing," she said. "It's something positive and they are getting positive strokes from people too."

They are being shown to the world. And getting exposure to the business contacts. That's phenomenal. We've never had an opportunity like this."

Joyner-Clinard said the show's director and choreographer are both top notch in the business. She said the team producing the show enjoy focusing in on the kids.

"The producers and directors are kid-oriented," she said. "They want to see the kids be in the spotlight. That's good to see."

The choir director said Novi was chosen to sing at the event after someone made an anonymous recommendation to the show's producers.

She attributes the solid reputation of Novi's Choirs as the reason her kids were chosen to perform.

"We are just building on the reputation we've built over the last eight years," she said. "Our reputation is that our program is one of the finest in Michigan. It's solid."

"It's very gratifying," she continued, "because the kids have put in a lot of hard work."

Joyner-Clinard said the summer soccer performance will be a brilliant culmination to an award-winning season.

All four of the high school's choirs, Concert Choir, Advanced Women's Chorus, Women's Chorus and the Novi Singers performed and placed at the District Choir Festivals held March 18.

At the State Solo and Ensemble competition a select group of singers sang two songs and performed a sight singing exercise.

Scores on the individual performances were averaged together to award students a score of 219 for the performance and 113 for the sight singing exercise.

Aside from the Women of the Novi Singers, these high schoolers who were eligible to perform at the State Solo and Ensemble competition: Rebecca Vorwerk, Corey Davis, Kelly Lutes, Chad Darling, John Streit, Carrie Trinka, Becky Pylar, Beise Becker, Jennifer Wroe, Carl Foreback, Kristen Martell, Jon Wroe, and John Srednicki.

Set of 7 members Keren Self, Alyson Carroll, Debbie Franz, Angue Ferriuolo, Stacie McQuigan, Beth Langham, Danielle Kuenzel, Kari Davis, Christine Caldwell, Jennifer Allee, Christy Charbonneau, and Derek Wadtschick were also eligible.

Senior Rebecca Vorwerk, based on her performance at the State Solo and Ensemble competition, was selected to sing at the Michigan Youth Arts Festival last weekend. Vorwerk is one of 12 students in Michigan to receive the honor. Joyner-Clinard said. Vorwerk performed at the Dalton Center at Western Michigan University.

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The two-day class will meet on Monday and Wednesday, June 6 and 8 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in Orchard Hills Community Room. The fee is \$25.

Nature Walk: Combine the best of both worlds, a nature walk and physical fitness walk. Individuals will be grouped to accommodate fast and slow walkers. Wear good walking shoes and dress for the weather.

The first in the series of four nature walks is a Wildflower Walk on Monday, June 6 from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at Heritage Park in Farmington. The fee is \$10 per family per walk. Heritage Park is located on Farmington Road between Ten and Eleven Mile roads. Participants should meet at the Visitor's Center.

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 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 Nowarty
 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.—Motorsports Basics: Michael Collins
 2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 3:00 p.m.—North American Indian Journal
 3:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 4:00 p.m.—Novi Chamber's "Forum

on Main Street"
 4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 5:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
 5:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 6:00 p.m.—Dash Dakota: Fire Safety
 6:30 p.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil
 7:00 p.m.—Rainbow of Promise: Pastor Stan
 7:30 p.m.—Chi-aerobics: Lesson 8
 8:00 p.m.—Cosmic Connection
 8:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 9:00 p.m.—Democratic Closeup: Debbie Stabrow
 9:30 p.m.—Groove Session

Tuesday May 24, 1994
 10:00 a.m.—Sunrhit University
 10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
 11:00 a.m.—Praise, Praise, Praise
 11:30 a.m.—Life Matters
 12:00 p.m.—Adventures with Pirate Pete
 12:30 p.m.—Spontaneous Seniors
 1:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
 1:30 p.m.—Restoring the Rouge

Wednesday May 25, 1994
 10:00 a.m.—Capitol Report
 10:30 a.m.—Madonna Magazine
 11:00 a.m.—Study in Scripture
 11:30 a.m.—Anvets
 12:00 p.m.—The Way The Truth and The Life
 12:30 p.m.—That's Italian
 1:00 p.m.—F.H. Dance Recital: Let's Dance
 1:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 5:30 p.m.—Native American Series: Buffalo Symbol or Sabaton
 2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 3:00 p.m.—Seniors on Parade
 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.—Impact Video
 5:30 p.m.—Groove Session
 6:00 p.m.—Senior Messenger
 6:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 7:00 p.m.—The Word of Life: The Fullness of Time

Thursday May 26, 1994
 10:00 a.m.—Senior Messenger
 10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
 11:00 a.m.—Citizens Against Government Waste
 11:30 a.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil
 12:30 p.m.—Cash Talks: Novi Rotary
 12:30 p.m.—Prisoners of Wedlock
 1:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
 1:30 p.m.—"Travelin' On: Pacific Northwest
 2:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts
 2:30 p.m.—Chi-aerobics: Lesson 8
 3:00 p.m.—Business and Residential News
 3:30 p.m.—Viewpoint
 4:00 p.m.—Community Kids

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 6:00 p.m.—Outdoor Adventure: Bow Hunting
 6:30 p.m.—Women on the Move: Florist
 7:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family: Stuttering
 7:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
 8:00 p.m.—Novi News Week
 8:30 p.m.—Dickerman Showcase: One Flight Up
 9:00 p.m.—Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council Race Relations
 9:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

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Stewart will chair induction

Jackie Stewart was named honorary chairman of the 1994 Motorsports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies which will be held June 8 at the State Theatre in downtown Detroit, the kick off event of the Detroit Grand Prix.

Stewart was three times Grand Prix Champion of the World, but is known most recently for his work in automotive safety and his consulting for automotive manufacturers.

The master of ceremonies will be Van Earl Wright, sports director of WDIV-TV in Detroit, formerly of CNN. As honorary chairman, Stewart will open the ceremonies.

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PLAQUE TO SAX



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Dr. Joseph Sinkwits has practiced dentistry for 26 years, but has been a musician since the age of 7. Although his first desire was to follow in his father's professional musician footsteps, the Northville dentist got cold feet at the last minute and enrolled into dentistry school.

He's a dentist by day and skilled musician by night

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer

Northville dentist Dr. Joseph Sinkwits knows his instruments. By day, he uses his dentistry drill to fill cavities and make people feel better about themselves. By night, it's his turn to make himself feel good by picking up a saxophone.

Playing music since the age of 7, a lot of Sinkwits' patients are often surprised when they learn their dentist is also a professional musician.

"I'll be playing the (Northville) bandshell on a Friday night and people will look in and say, 'Hey, that's Dr. Sinkwits,'" he said.

Sinkwits plays the alto, soprano, tenor and baritone saxophones as well as the clarinet. He learned how to play the saxophone at a young age because his father was a professional musician.

"Little boys always try to emulate their fathers," he said. "It was a natural thing to do."

With his first professional engagement at age 11, Sinkwits has gone on to play with most of the big bands in the Detroit area, including The Skyliners, Johnny Trundell, Joe Vitale, Dick Murphy, Metro Jazz Orchestra and The Big Band Express.

Sinkwits almost followed in his dad's musical footsteps, but got cold feet at the last minute.

"I was going to begin the music program at the University of Michigan," Sinkwits said. "Then I decided maybe I'd better do (with music) as a hobby."

Right before he was to start college, Sinkwits changed his mind and enlisted in the pre-dentistry program at the University of Detroit.

"I was very adept at science and chemistry," he explained. "I liked the idea of working with your hands and being able to take care of people—make them feel better about themselves."

"Most dentists I knew had a nice family-type of existence and life without having to make midnight calls to deliver babies."

Sinkwits was also accepted into a doctorate program in bio-

chemistry, but it took only a few months of working in a basement research lab to discover that wasn't the career for him.

"It was so isolated," he said. "I'm a people person. The only thing down there was a bunch of rats and rabbits."

In practice in Northville since 1972, Sinkwits said he has about 700 families as patients.

Sinkwits used his musical talents to put himself through college and dental school, playing and leading his own band.

"It (playing professionally) is a wonderful diversion from the everyday pressure of running a busy general practice," he said.

"But I wouldn't want to do it all the time. Those days are over for a while."

Now, he plays professionally approximately 20 times a year. He does have his music union card, which means he has to be able to make a living by playing.

These days, Sinkwits basically serves as a substitute, filling in for regular band members during performances.

"I don't play regularly," he said. "It's the fun way of doing it."

Sinkwits also plays for relaxation. Oftentimes, he'll play along with his compact discs after a day at the office.

"I have a (compact disc) library of most of the songs recorded during the Big Band Era," he said. "That keeps me able to sight read from anyone else's book."

The dentist also writes his own arrangements when time permits.

"It is something to look forward to in my retirement—expanding my musical career," he said.

"When I had a young family I didn't want to spend the time away from

them. However, doing this as an avocation really is enjoyable."

Sinkwits has been practicing dentistry for 26 years. He has two children: Jennifer, a sophomore at Ferris State University, and Scott, a civil engineer.

Although playing at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn on New Year's Eve was a highlight in his career, Sinkwits said it doesn't matter where he plays, just as long as he gets the chance to.

"It's not so much the place, but the type (of music)," he explained. "I really enjoy the Big Band sound whether it's in a tiny hall or a big auditorium."

He particularly loves to play with the 16- or 17-piece gigs.

"Since I have over a thousand original scores from the big bands, I enjoy playing in the style of Benny Goodman and Artie Shaw, emphasizing their style of clarinet work," Sinkwits said. "But, the Glenn Miller sound is still very popular—people still love to hear it."

An avid runner, golfer and tennis player, Sinkwits said he has many fond memories of his lengthy musical career. One of them is of the time when the late Bud Freeman, jazz tenor saxophonist from the Tommy Dorsey and Benny Goodman bands, stopped by his office for a visit.

"He put me behind an hour and a half reminiscing about the days of the big bands," he said. "But my staff and patients were all thrilled to meet one of the real legends of jazz."

Volunteer



Chuck Keys

Rotary president will plan aggressive term

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

"Anyone old enough to walk" is eligible to join, according to Chuck Keys, new president (as of July 1) of Northville Rotary Club.

But, he said, they're going to have to do something to promote welfare causes in Northville and in the world.

Keys admits he's cracking the whip, but he also said, "No one has said no" when he has assigned responsibilities.

"It's an aggressive approach," he added, but then also "I'm an aggressive business person." His business? He's president of Keys Financial Group, Inc., located in downtown Northville.

So what does Rotary do? Keys answered that it raises and donates money for charitable causes all over the world.

Locally, Rotarians have raised money by selling hot dogs at all major civic events. At Christmas-time they've sold luminaries. And they've

organized the Goodfellows newspaper sale.

Locally they've given money to a long list of causes, chief of which is Civic Concern. Internationally they've contributed in areas such as a dental clinic in Brazil, Croatian relief fund, Rotary International Fund, and Polio Plus.

Rotary, according to Keys, is "compassion for the underprivileged, the ill and the disabled," many of whom are the beneficiaries of over 50,000 service projects conducted by Rotary Clubs in the world each year.

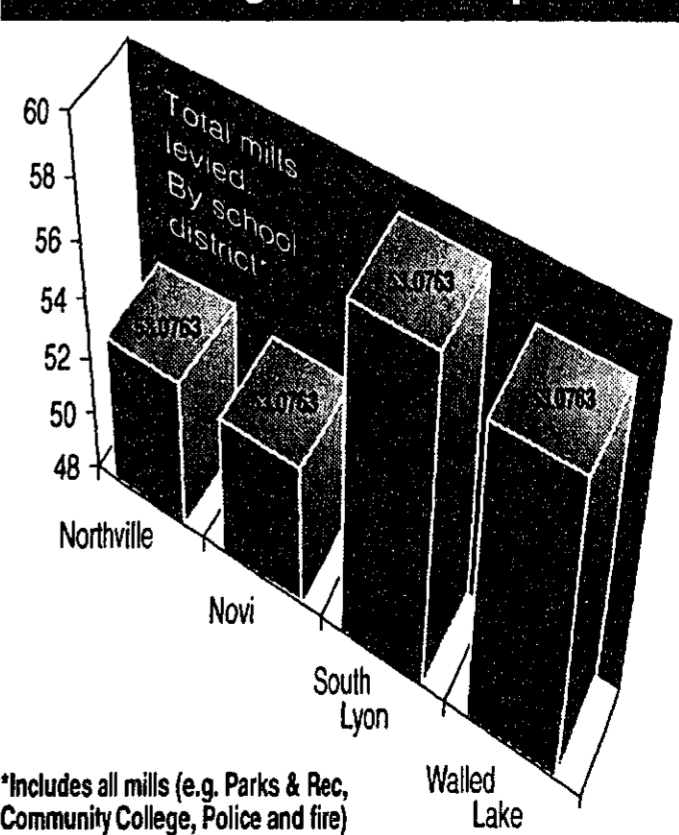
"It's a lot of work—and it's working," he said, because, for one reason, "as business men and women we all owe something" to the community.

Northville Rotary Club meets for lunch every Tuesday at 12:05 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church to enjoy one other's fellowship and to discuss ways to serve others.

If you are interested, give Chuck Keys a call at 349-3348.

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'Cats win two at Farmington

By SCOTT DANIEL, Sports Editor
The funk that has been plaguing the Wildcats softball team may be finally lifted Saturday.

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Boys Track, Girls Track, Softball, AREA LEADERS, KVC STANDINGS, AREA LEADERS BATTING. Lists names, scores, and times for various sports teams and individuals.

Linksters fall to Churchill

By SCOTT DANIEL, Sports Editor
The Wildcat golf team will be shooting for their first trip to state finals tomorrow in Brighton.

Recreation

Parade coming soon to Novi

By CINDY STEWART, Special Writer

Everyone loves a parade. Marching bands, floats, clowns, animals, fire engines, police cars and marchers.



Novi's Memorial Day Parade is coming up soon.

Well, get ready for the 1994 Memorial Day Parade. The city still needs involvement from residents, community groups and local businesses to make this parade a success.

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Kickers keep heat on Brighton with KVC win

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Novi kept the heat on Brighton in the Kensington Valley conference soccer race Friday by beating Howell 4-1 on the road.

Balanced scoring and solid goal-tending helped the Wildcats move their record to 7-1 in the league — just a game behind Bulldogs. The two teams were to meet Monday night (after *The Novi News's* deadline) to decide the KVC title.

"It would definitely be an upset," said coach Larry Christoff.

Novi fell 2-0 to Brighton back in April. The Bulldogs are currently rated No. 5 in Class A.

The Cats went into that game at less than 100 percent. Injuries, in fact, have forced Christoff to change his lineup frequently this year.

In Friday's game with Howell, for example, Erin Vogel moved to goalie. The sophomore is normally a forward but was dropped back into nets because of a knee injury.

Perhaps all of those lineup shifts had something to do with the game's slow start. Neither team could find the range until the 26-minute mark of the half.

Mandy McGlennen scored for Novi. Christoff said the forward slid for several yards and then nudged the ball past the Highlander keeper.

Kim Blalek just about made it 2-0 minutes later. Christoff said she blundered a shot at the Howell net but was denied.

"I couldn't believe it," he said.

Blalek's fine job of marking was one reason Howell stayed off the board for the first 40 minutes. Christoff said it was a solid effort from his team in the half.

"We were dominating," he said. "They had trouble coming across (midfield)."

The Wildcats converted on their chances in the second half. Lisa Antuna scored at the midpoint on a pass from Michelle Koons. Just more than minute later Sheila O'Sullivan scored on a pass from

Kathy Blisko. Jamie Vandermass got the final tally with six minutes to go.

"This was the best game we've played all season," said Christoff.

The coach was happy to get the win. He was just as pleased, though, with how the game was played.

"This was one of the cleanest games we've played all year," he said. "There was good sportsmanship and lots of handshaking."

NOVI 2, HARTLAND 0
The May 11 home win wasn't easy. A fired up Eagle team gave Novi

problems, according to Christoff. Novi beat Hartland 1-0 in late April.

"It was a frustrating game," he said. "They played a very good game."

Vandermass got the only goal of the first half on a kick from about 18 yards out. Antuna got the other score 10 minutes into the second half on a penalty kick.

With the lack of offense, Christoff said it was a good thing his team played well defensively.

"Our defense has been very, very tough," he added.

Novi falls to N'ville runners

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Novi led early 32-14, but couldn't hold it.

The Wildcats began to build that lead in the long jump. Shady Sardy won by jumping 20 feet. Damien Thompson was second with a jump of 19-10.

John Hardin finished second in the discus. He threw 105-10 while Eric Norman was third with 101-8. Pole vaulter Adam Tymenski was second with a 10-6. Northville swept the shot put.

Novi came right back, however, and swept the high hurdles. Thompson was first in 15.45, Tim O'Flynn second and Anthony Kozadinos third.

Todd Pejakovich ran an excellent time of 11.08 to win the 100-meter sprint. Brandon Spence had his best time of the year with an 11.47.

Novi won the 800-meter relay in 1:35.59 with Pejakovich, Spence, Scott and Ryan Keys. Hagfors won the mile run in 4:48.61.

Thompson finished second in the high jump with a 5-8 and Sardy was third with 5-6. Sardy's 55.39 was second in the 400-meter while John Scherger took third in 57.72.

Novi swept the low hurdles with Thompson, O'Flynn and Rescnilf. Jukes Namm was third in the 800 in 2:11.02.

Pejakovich took second place in the 200-meter in 23.68. Novi got its last points of the day in the 3,200-meter as Hagfors came out on top with a 10:22.84 and Shepley third place in 10:31.71.

Novi wins Sunshine meet

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Atia said her freshmen have done the job all season.

"We've put a lot of pressure on those kids and they have come through," she added.

No matter how many races or tough practices Atia throws at the youngsters, they respond.

"We call them the energizers," she said. "They just keep going."

Lori DeWitt took second in the shot put with a throw of 28 feet and eight inches. Novi took second and third in the high jump as Karie Jettie and Ursula Place each cleared 4-8.

The 3,200-meter relay team of Sweller, Harrison, Camp and Jenny Hampton won in 10:14.40. Jettie won the high hurdles in 17 seconds.

In the 100-meter dash, Carmichael ran an impressive 13.1 for first place while Sarah Schmidt was second in 13.3. Hampton, Camp and Zimmerman swept the 1,600 meter run.

The Wildcats also swept the 400-meter dash. Carmichael was first in 1:02.1, Seveller second in 1:04.2 and Harrison third in 1:06.4.

In the 300-meter low hurdles, Jettie won with a time of 50.6 and DeWitt was third in 54.4. Hampton won the 800-meter race in 2:26.5 and Angela Pelletier was third in 2:37.7.

Carmichael placed second in the 200-meter dash in 27.9 seconds.

SUNSHINE MEET

The Kensington Valley Conference held its freshmen-sophomore league meet Saturday at South Lyon. Novi pulled the upset and beat Brighton for the title.

"I was shooting for second the whole time," a shocked Atia said. "I never for the life of me thought we would come in first."

The Wildcats won by the slimmest of margins, 128 points to Brighton's 127. South Lyon was third.

Novi set two meet records in the process.

Camp beat the KVC freshman-sophomore mark in the two-mile race by some eight seconds as she finished in 12 minutes flat. Novi also set the mark in the two mile relay at 10:03. The previous best time was 10:14.60.

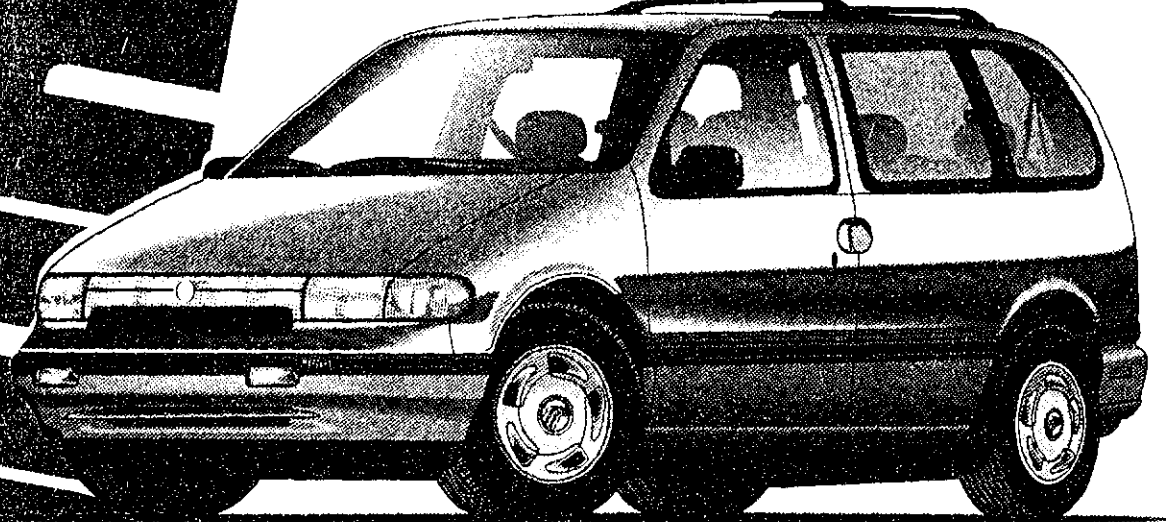
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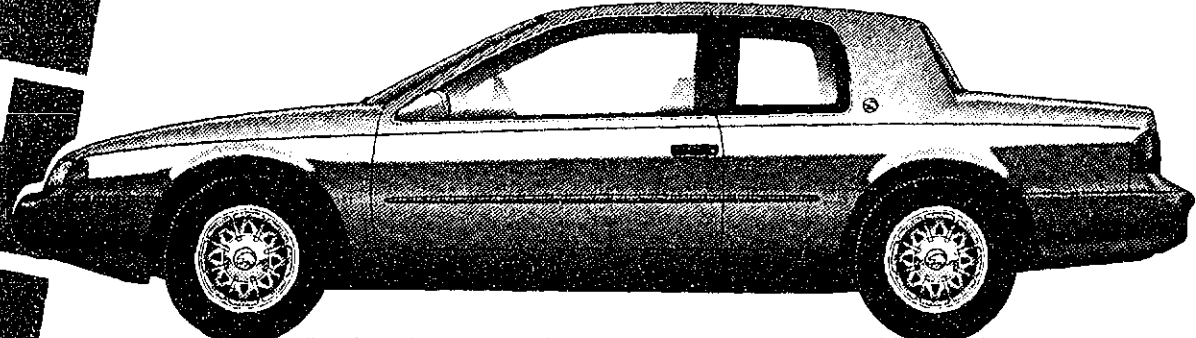


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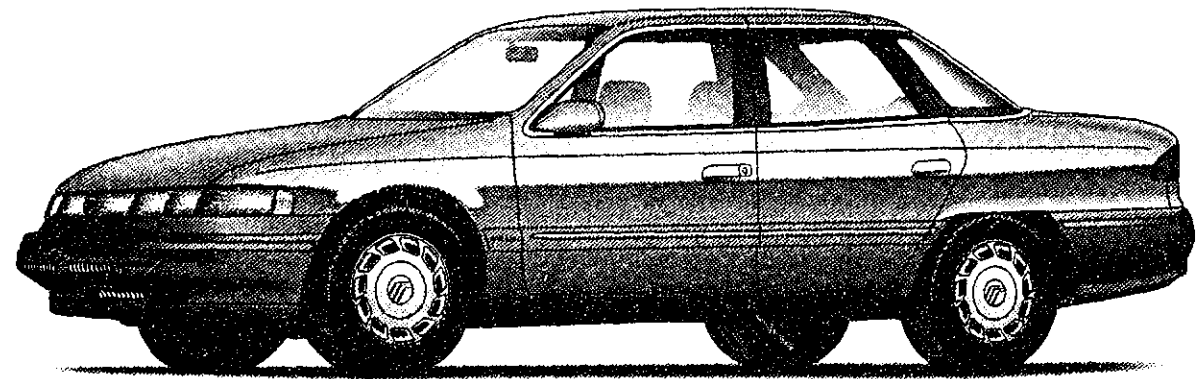


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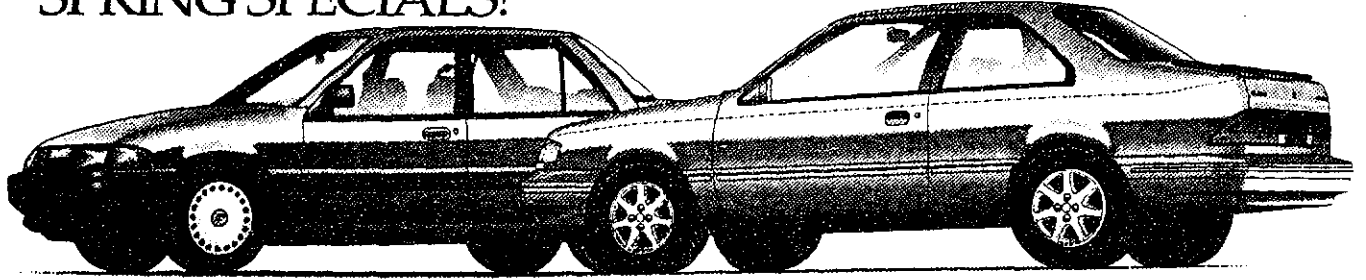
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