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School board hikes pay for 85 employees

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

All contractual support personnel and non-union employees of Novi Schools received a 3.95 percent wage increase Thursday night compliments of the Board of Education.

The salary improvements were negotiated behind closed doors Wednesday night and presented to the public the next day.

They were approved 5-2. Vice President Stephen Hitchcock and Trustee Julie Abrams voted no.

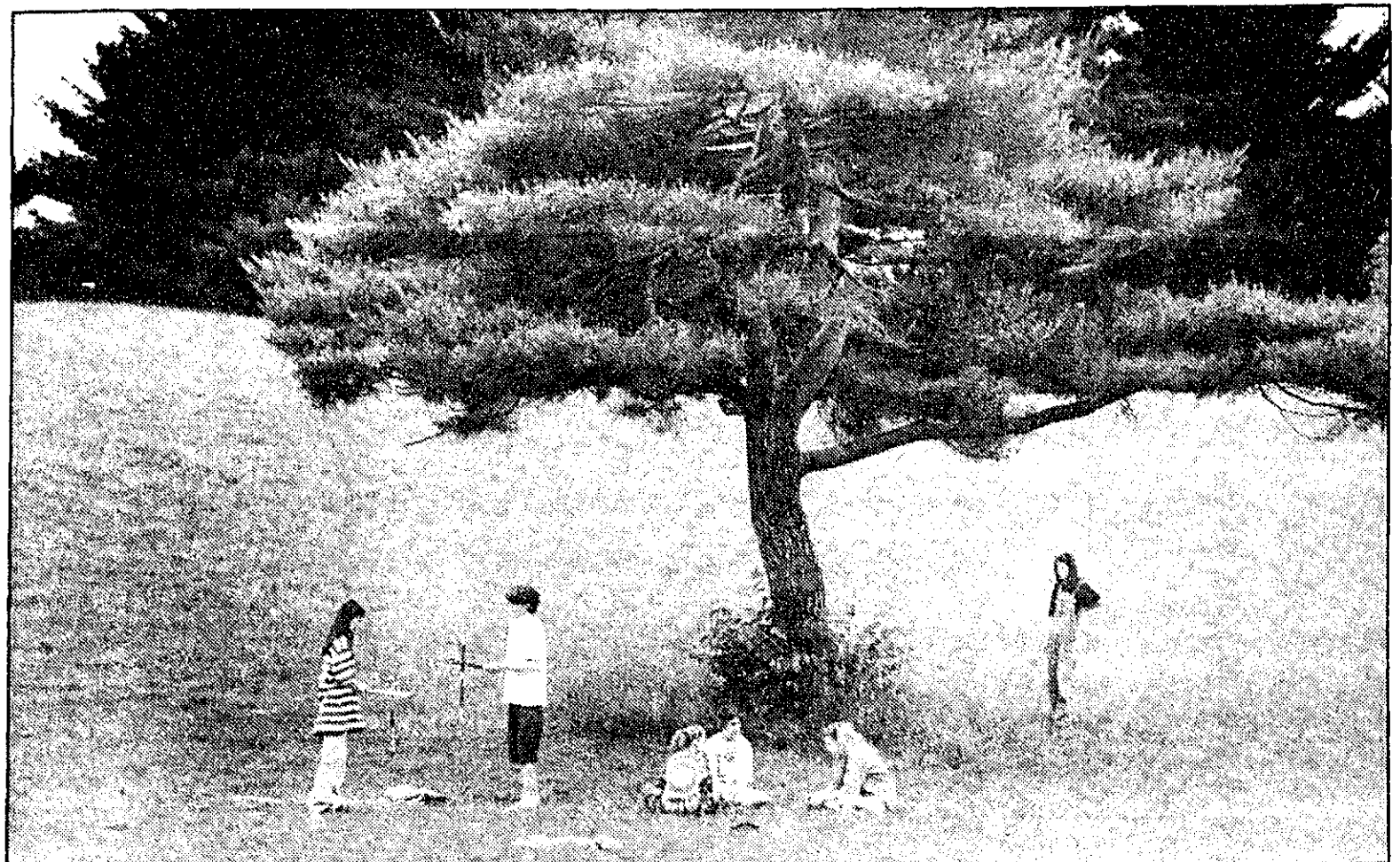
James Koster, assistant superintendent of business and operations, said the raises were in line with those set by the teachers' union. This year, union members received a 4 percent increase in the second leg of a three-year contract. All other employee contracts, Koster said would receive a slightly less increase.

The raises were presented to the

- Superintendent Emmett Lippe got a super score on his annual evaluation. The story is on page 8A.
- Stipends for board members won't be increased in the coming year, but they won't be cut either. The story is on page 8A.

board and approved as part of Thursday's consent agenda. They are effective July 1.

John Swallow, assistant superintendent for human resources, said Tuesday the raises were given to 85 employees in the central office staff, building administrators, executive secretaries, paraprofessionals, and all other non-certified staff including but not limited to full- and part-time transportation employees, mechanics, noon aides and monitors.



Friends of Aaron Buff's met Monday in Hines Park beneath the teen's favorite tree.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Upbeat teen kept others smiling

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Aaron Buff was a fun-loving, friendly kid who lived for the day and never worried about tomorrow. In fact, the afternoon before he was killed in a car accident on Monday, June 20, the 17-year-old Novi High schooler reportedly told a close friend that if he died tomorrow he'd have few regrets.

And that's just how family and friends remember him—happy, content and fulfilled.

"He was a wandering spirit who just wanted to experience a lot of things," said Ronnie Buff Sr., Aaron's father.

Ronnie Buff Sr. and others who knew the eleventh-grader described him as an out-going, enthusiastic kid with a zest for life. He liked adventure and enjoyed meeting people. His friendly, optimistic spirit enabled him to make friends easily with everyone he met.

"He was just always fun to be with," said Cary Bott, a 17-year-old friend from Northville. She met Aaron by accident while trekking across the railroad tracks by Guernsey's Farms Dairy three to four years ago. They've been best



AARON BUFF

friends ever since.

"He's always put a smile on my face even if a ton of bricks fell on my head," she said. "He'd just always make me smile."

It was Aaron's ability to make people happy that is foremost in the minds of his closest friends and relatives now that he's gone.

The teen made a lot of friends during his lifetime because those who knew him said he would talk to anyone and everyone.

"Aaron didn't know any strangers," his father said. "He was most

out-going. He'd talk to anyone. Everyone was a friend."

Wherever Aaron was, he'd talk to anyone. He once met a man described by some as an "old hippy" at a local gas station. He spent time talking with the man about rock music and his favorite band, The Grateful Dead.

Days after Aaron's death, the man sent him a tape recorded version of one of the band's earlier releases. The tape arrived in the mail a week after Aaron died.

But the importance of it and Aaron's uncanny rapport with people didn't go unnoticed.

"That is just the way he was," his dad said.

Aaron had few fears anyone knew about it. He was upbeat and that's what drew so many close to his side.

He loved to travel and did so frequently with his mother, Vickie Buff; his aunt Marilyn Gebhart of Pinckney; his dad and step mother Lisa Buff, and brothers Ronnie Jr. and Brendan. The families traveled separately to countless destinations but whenever Aaron returned home, he's always tell them and friends he wanted to go back to live wherever he'd just returned home

from. "Everytime he came home he wanted to live there," his father said, as the kids who knew him best sat in his bedroom and laughed in agreement on Monday.

Vickie Buff described her son as an upbeat, loving and adventurous son.

"He was such an optimistic kid," she said Friday afternoon. "If he were here I know he would say don't cry for me Mom."

Her son had been an avid downhill skier since he was about 3½ who also loved to skateboard.

He was coming home from skateboarding with a group of friends when he was killed Monday.

The teenager had a variety of other interests including a love of fine arts and music. He had a fondness for works written by Ralph Waldo Emerson and Henry David Thoreau. He studied their works and kept a copy of a Norton Anthology of Literature tucked in his desk in his bedroom.

"We would be in line in a store or at a movie and Aaron would recite long poems by Edgar Allen Poe or Thoreau," Ronnie Buff Sr. said.

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Homeowners ink contract with BFI

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

With one homeowner's association, a neighborhood has a voice. Get several groups together and all of a sudden, you've got clout.

Economic clout. The City of Novi Southeast Neighborhood Coalition has found out. Led by Willowbrook's Community Association President Ruth Ann Jirasek, the new organization recently signed a garbage collection contract with Browning Ferris Industries (BFI).

They've been able to take advantage of economies of scale, with homeowners realizing a rate reduction for trash pickup ranging from \$6 to \$155 annually, depending on their previous contracts.

"We have some very happy campers in the area. I know Willowbrook residents will be jubilant when they receive their bill for the year and it will be \$40 less than last year's bill and more services will be rendered," Jirasek said.

The new service begins July 1 for many of the member neighborhoods.

The coalition to date represents 1,950 homes. Subdivisions and condominium associations on board are Applegate I, Cambridge Drive Association, Crosswinds West, Lakewood Park Homes, Meadowbrook Glens, Orchard Hills, Willowbrook, Novi Heights and Echo Valley.

Jirasek estimates as many as ten more homeowners groups may join up.

The union is a spin-off of The City of Novi Neighborhood Associations, which Jirasek also leads as president. In January, when Mayor Kathleen McLallen held a coffee klatch for the city's homeowners groups, one of the often-voiced complaints was about garbage collection.

Novi voters in 1992 vetoed a move to a citywide pickup and some neighborhoods have two or three waste haulers operating within their boundaries, meaning the unsightly cans are at the curb several days a week. Residents calculated they were paying from \$9.50 to \$17.00 per month for the same service.

It was a dirty job, but the energetic Jirasek, a mother of four children under 9 years old, took it on. She spent four months researching the subject, writing the proposals, collecting five bids and then explaining everything to the homeowners group's presidents.

"It's very interesting. It shows what you can learn about garbage," she said.

"When you take over an association, you're responsible for getting these contracts together. You learn very quickly what are the needs of the people."

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4TH OF JULY EARLY DEADLINES

Monday Buyers Directory; Pinckney, Hartland, Fowlerville Shopping Guides; Pinckney, Hartland, Fowlerville Buyers Directory; and Wednesday Buyers Directory, South Lyon Shopper and Home Town Connection deadlines will be Thursday, June 30 at 3:30 p.m.

Monday Green Sheet and Wednesday Green Sheet deadlines will be Friday, July 1 at 3:30 p.m.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Offenders are now being sentenced to community service work rather than incarceration.

ASP gives judges sentencing options

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Now instead of doing time in jail, criminals convicted of non-violent crimes in Walled Lake's 52-1 District Court are doing time in the garden.

The fruits of their labor are being used to feed hungry people lodged in local shelters and area soup kitchens.

Dan Brock, a probation officer in the district court, also coordinates the Alternative Services Program (ASP) which is the umbrella for the garden and a municipal clean-up program.

Inmates convicted of domestic abuse are sentenced to community service time in the three-acre garden that lies on the corner of Pontiac Trail between Welch and Haggerty roads in Commerce Township.

Early in the spring, first-time, non-violent offenders go out into the garden and plant the seeds for zucchini, tomatoes, egg plants, radishes, beets, squash, bell peppers and cucumbers. Throughout the lifespan of the garden work crews are required to cultivate the garden and then harvest the produce grown there.

The fruits and vegetables are then distributed to the Oakland County Food Bank and other area,

non-profit food ministries.

When the garden is harvested in the fall, defendants are sent out into local municipalities to do odd jobs like readying landscaping and painting buildings.

The participating municipalities are those that fall under the jurisdiction of the district court. The City of Novi is one of those municipalities who have benefitted from the ASP.

"It gives judges another sentencing tool that is an alternative to incarceration," Brock said about the garden's purpose. "Everybody wins—the community, the defendants, the court system—everybody wins."

"It's a sentencing tool that also allows defendants to stay in the community. They can stay with their families and keep their jobs while they are being sentenced."

The garden idea was adapted locally from what's being done in Berrien County. Commerce Township donated the land and the owners of the Eldorado Golf Course prepare the ground each year.

Brock said Judge Michael Batchik has been instrumental in getting the garden underway.

"He has been strong proponent of it and he really wanted to see it get started here," Brock said about the

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Officers get entangled in disputes

Police officers attempted to restrain a Novit man after he allegedly assaulted his 14-year-old son in the family's Village Oaks home on June 12.

Before police could contain the man, he became verbally and physically assaultive to the two officers. It took a third officer to get the man handcuffed and transported to the station. During the struggle the suspect had reached for one of the officers' guns and repeatedly struck the officers trying to apprehend him.

The man was taken back to the station and is expected to be charged with domestic assault, attempted murder of a police officer, assault and battery of an officer, and malicious destruction of police property.

RESISTING, OBSTRUCTING: A Novit woman was arrested for resisting and obstructing police after she allegedly assaulted her sister on June 12.

Police were called to the home by the mother of the two women who had been fighting. The mother told police there had been trouble brewing between the two since their father died earlier this year. Police intervened in the dispute and attempted to separate the women. Before the officer could stop one daughter, who allegedly assaulted her sister, she fled the home in a

Police News

white Grand Am. Minutes later while the officer talked with the remaining daughter and the mother, the other daughter burst into the room and began shouting.

The officer asked the second daughter to step outside, but she allegedly refused to comply. He then escorted her outside the home and attempted to take her into a station wagon. The woman fell down on the door step while the officer tried to handcuff her. The mother then came outside the home and grabbed the officer's shoulders to try and stop him from cuffing her daughter.

While the officer was urging the mother to leave him alone, the daughter was able to free one hand and strike the officer. He was then able to cuff the woman and put her in the back seat of the police car.

Inside the car, she allegedly kicked the door and window of the car repeatedly.

"She was arrested for resisting and obstructing police. Officers are also seeking a warrant for domestic violence."

She was released on \$10 bond. Neither the mother nor daughter were willing to press charges.

INDECENT EXPOSURE: Police are still searching for a white male in his 30s who exposed himself to a 12-year-old girl June 11.

The incident occurred in a shoe store in the West Oaks shopping center.

Two women say the man followed them inside the store and then exposed himself in an aisle in the store. He then fled the store in a brown, soft-topped Jeep.

HARASSING PHONE CALLS: An elderly woman allegedly called the home of a Novit family to harass a boy living there because she thinks he looks like a skinhead.

The boy's father told police the woman phoned the home twice on June 15. The first time she left a message for his wife. The second time she said "We don't like skinheads. They are also in Detroit." The caller hung up but not before caller identification tracked her phone number.

Novi Briefs

Beauty Contest: As you begin landscaping your entranceways and front yard setbacks, remember that in recognition of the dedicated efforts and outstanding achievements, the City of Novi holds an Annual Beautification Awards Competition. All landscaping efforts enhance and beautify our community.

A select committee chooses winners from the following categories: Apartment and Condominium Entranceways, Businesses, Industrial Buildings, Offices, Shopping Centers, Subdivision Entranceways, and Places of Worship/School/Hospitals, etc. Start planning those flowers, shrubs and trees now. The judges will be out later this summer. For more information call Public Information Director Cindy Stewart at 347-0494.

Lighting strikes thrice: Tuesday night's thunderstorm had the Novi Fire Department on the run. The first call came at 9:07 p.m. Lightning demolished a chimney at 43201 Oxford Court in Chase Farms subdivision. Minutes later, the department checked a report that a building had been struck in the neighboring Woodland Glens apartment complex. Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan said nothing was detected.

A house at 40450 Eleven Mile Road, near Seely Road, was also hit by a bolt, but no damage was done, Lenaghan said.

New Face in Town: Local entrepreneur Victor Cassis has sold his eatery Victor's to a Royal Oak restaurateur, Robert Higgins, owner of the Oxford Inn in that city, plans to open a second Oxford Inn on Novi Road next month, in time for the Michigan 50s Festival.

The Novi City Council Monday approved the transfer of Cassis's liquor license to Higgins and Dean Fitzpatrick of Shelby.

Looking for Your Mayor? Many residents with questions for Mayor Kathy McAllen, wonder how they can get hold of her. It's very easy... call her at 348-4840. If she's not at home during the day to answer the phone, Mayor McAllen retrieves her messages each evening and returns all calls within one day.

The only reason she won't return your calls that quick is when she's out of town. If you haven't received a return call and need to reach her, you can call Lynn George at the Novi Civic Center, 347-0556. Lynn can usually track down the mayor.

Novi's Mayor has also gone global... if you have a modem you can reach her on America On-Line (Code: MAYOR MCL) or Inter-Net (Code: MCLAOL.COM).

And if all else fails, you can spot the Mayor around Novi on certain evenings at Little Ceasars, Blockbusters or the neighborhood grocery store. She's never too busy to chat with Novi residents.

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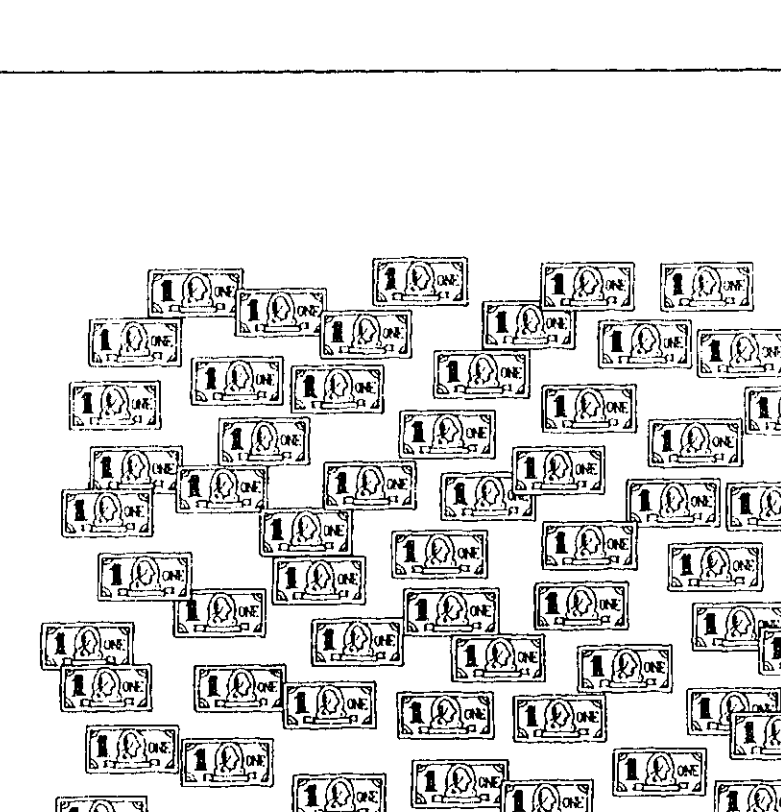
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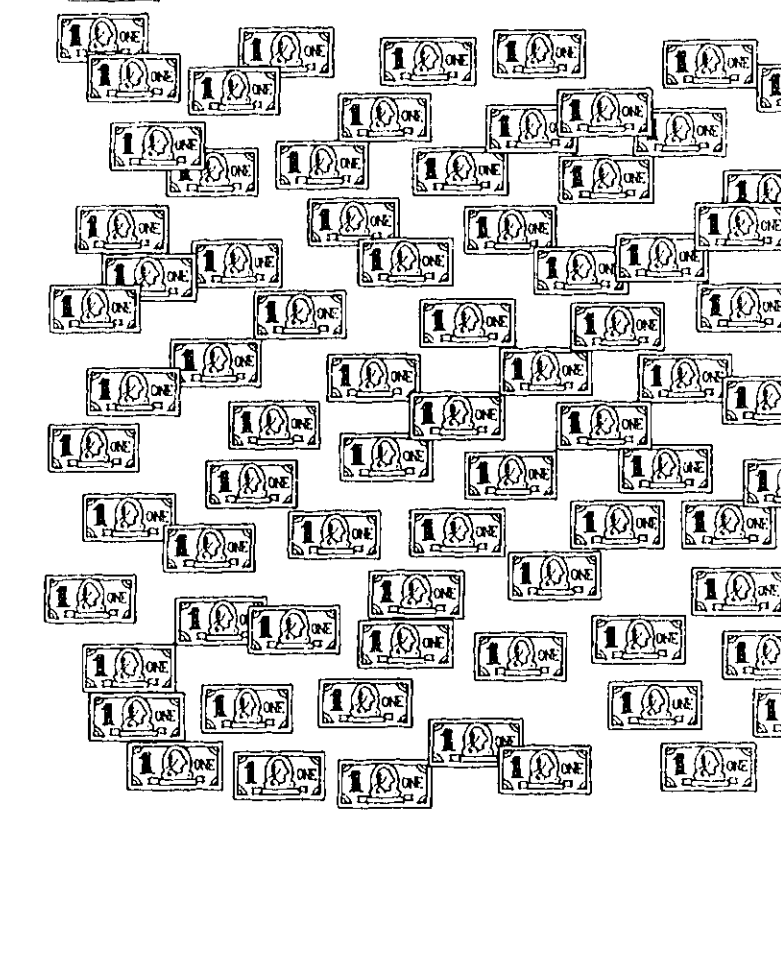
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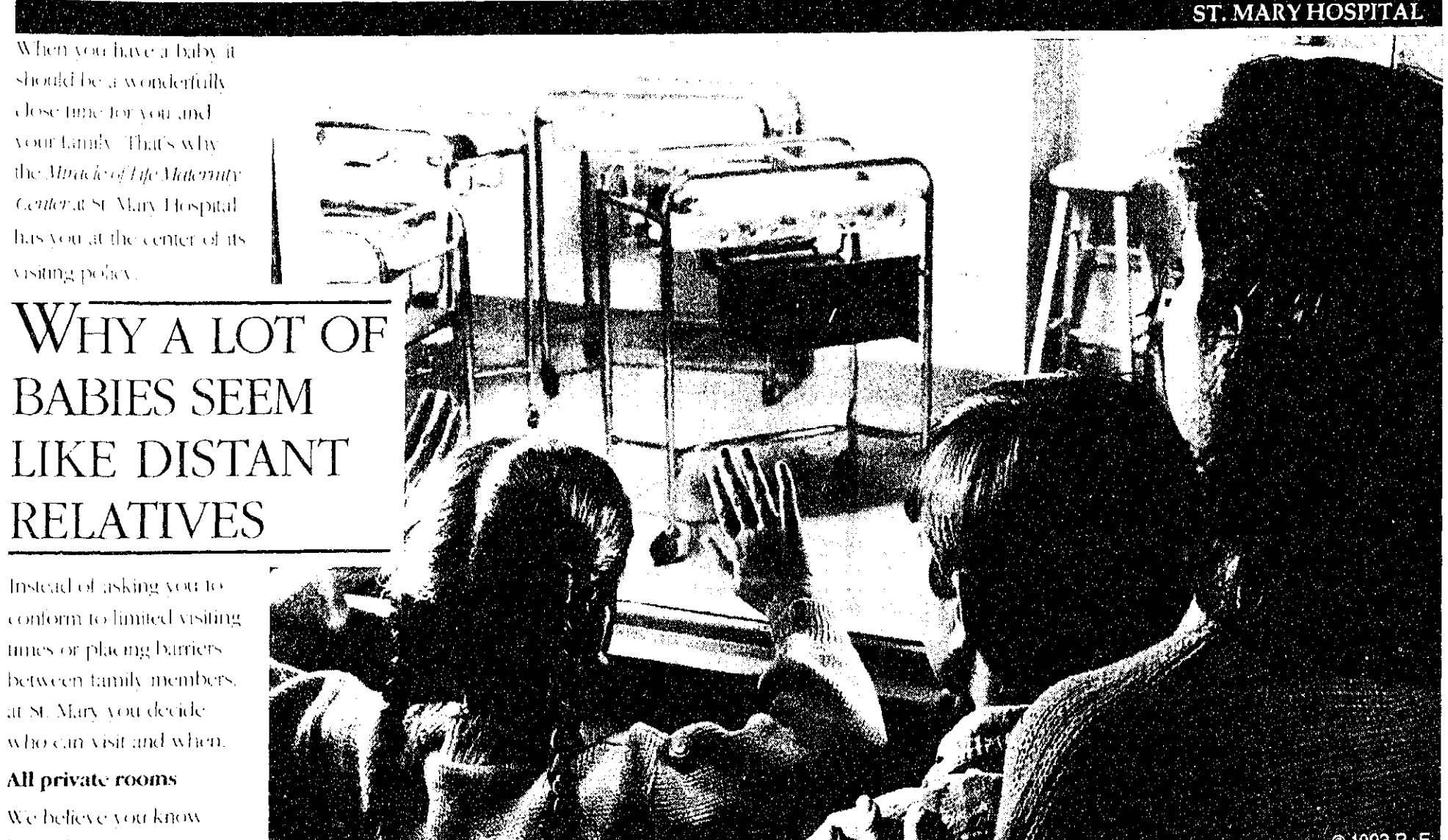
HELMET LAW
The State House of Representatives passed and sent to the Senate a bill to regulate go-cart safety sponsored by Rep. Lyn Banks, R-Redford.

Banks' House Bill 5182 was a response to a fatal 1991 accident at a Houghton Lake recreation center that claimed the life of a high school student. It requires operators to post signs announcing the availability of crash helmets and new go-carts to have seat belts and roll bars.

The House passed it 89-12. Opponents included Jerry Vorva, R-Plymouth, and big government foe Greg Kava, R-Rochester Hills. Kava objected that it was over-regulation and said some responsibility should be left to parent.

NO TOUGH-MAN REGS?
Sen. George Z. Hart, D-Dearborn, voiced a loud protest to a new law that will regulate professional boxers but not amateurs duking it out in "tough man contests." Senate Bill 1106 amends the Occupational Code.

"How ludicrous! We are going to let untrained, unconditioned people participate in a boxing ring within a 24-hour period for the second phase of an elimination tournament. But professional fighters must wait 48 hours, and they are trained athletes," said Hart, objecting to 21-13 Senate passage of the bill. The bill exempts amateurs who box four or fewer one-minute rounds in a two-day period. Voting were area Republicans Robert Croke of Northville and Fred Dillingham of Farmington Hills. Voting no were Democrats Jack Faxon of Farmington Hills and Lana Pollack of Ann Arbor. Absent was David Hoigman, R-West Bloomfield.



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Tax cut could be deficit next year

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Michigan business owners and pensioners will get a tax cut soon despite a minority's warning that this year's cut will be next year's budget deficit. "It would have been easy and tempting to vote for something popular," warned state Sen. Lana Pollack, D-Ann Arbor.

"We're granting permanent tax cuts because of a temporary surplus. If you think of the kids in third grade (in three years) who are now in kindergarten—it's not good," said Pollack, whose district includes Salem Township.

But Pollack's attempt to play Cassandra—the Trojan princess with the gift of prophecy whom no one would believe—was buffeted by leaders of both political parties as the Senate completed work on a \$155-million tax cuts.

"It shows dramatically how the state has changed in five years. We would have had opposition from the previous governor (Democrat James Blanchard)," said Senate majority leader Dick Posthumus, R-Alto. He praised Democrats for bipartisan cooperation, adding, "This is a signal to job providers in the rest of the country."

Pollack said the pension tax cuts were advocated by chambers of commerce and retailers, not senior citizens groups like AARP. Undercutting Pollack was Senate minority leader Art Miller, D-Warren, who was "glad to see policy take precedence over politics," Miller praised Republicans for adopting Democratic proposals to cut income taxes for pensioners.

Three Democrats voted against the package—Pollack, a U.S. Senate hopeful, and two Detroiters. Absent was Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills.

The recuperating David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, returned to a major part of the Senate session.



Graduation time

Walled Lake Sergeant Roger Cote, Wixom course which graduated its first class last Wednesday. At left, Detroit FBI director John Bell awards Pearl Adams her certificate of completion. The three collaborated on the curriculum of the

Photos by ROM PONEY

joining all other local senators in voting yes. The lakes area senator has been recuperating for months from intestine surgery.

The Senate concurred in House amendments and sent the package to an eager Gov. John Engler for signature. Republican Engler will sign it and boast the state also has cut property, inheritance and personal income taxes as he seeks a second term.

The 23,000-member Michigan Federation of Independent Businessmen praised the package for "keeping the job machine moving."

The package of bills is expected to cut the single business tax (SBT) \$80 million and pensioners income taxes \$75 million.

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Lakefronters vs. 'backlotter's'

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For a generation, lakefront owners have battled to prevent the state Department of Natural Resources from developing public access sites—"not in my backyard."

Until now, their enemy has been the general public, the 40 percent of registered boats that are brought by trailer to an inland lake and launched.

Backlotter's—homeowners of lots not on the waterfront but who have had access to lakes through road ends and association lots—openly joined the fray recently on the public's side during a state Senate subcommittee hearing.

"Their concern is abandonment of roads going into the lake," said Sam Kirtakides, a Union Lake homeowner siding with the backlotter's. "These people have conducted themselves in a good manner."

"I've only seen one party (by backlotter's) in 25 years. But the people (lakefront owners) who complain, I hear all the time."

"Our township rescinded the ordinance allowing backlotter's access," said William Hall of the Higgins Lake Civic Association. "We can't lounge, sunbathe or keep our boats on a hoist. We used to have one dock at each road end."

Hall, who traveled from one of northern Michigan's largest and most famous lakes to Pontiac Thursday night, said his association of backlotter's is in litigation over 62 road ends that the township has closed off.

"We have appealed to the (state) Supreme Court and been refused (leave to appeal) twice. We feel we're being discriminated against," Hall said. The subcommittee headed by Sen. Matt Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion.

Stephen Pemberton, an Elizabeth Lake backlotter, said his association has raised \$10,000 to fight to keep the launch it put in for 90 users. The alleged lake overcrowding, Pemberton said, is due to lakefront owners who have "three or four pontoon boats and two or three speedboats"—stored there for friends and relatives.

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Book Talk: *Three Women at the Waters' Edge*, by Nancy Thayer, will be the subject at the Novi Library Book Discussion Group on Monday, July 11 at 7 p.m. For more information, call the library at 349-0720.

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Super gets super score

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Novi Community School District Superintendent Emmett Lippe is still making the grade after two years on the job.

In a closed session last Wednesday night the Novi Board of Education reviewed Lippe's second year at the helm of the district. On a five-point scale, board members rated Lippe 4.75.

"The board is extremely pleased with the performance of the superintendent," said Board President Ray Byers. "He has done things exceeding the expectations of the board in all performance areas."

"We are proud of his accomplishments and his relationship with the students, staff, administrators, board and community."

Lippe was beaming Thursday night when the results of his evaluation were released to the public at the board's special budget meeting.

"I'm very pleased to be working for a group of very professional board members who have a sincere interest and respect for creating the best climate for learning they can for kids," Lippe said after the meeting. "The focus on kids is what really drives this board of education."

"This will really motivate me for continuous improvement of myself," he said. "I feel very pleased to have fulfilled every expectation they had."

His overall score was 4.7. In five areas, the superintendent scored above 4.5. Those included his relationship with the board, the community and the teachers and administration. He also achieved 4.6 out of 5.0 on goal performance.

Lippe's performance areas that fell below 4.5 are listed below and include his cumulative score in each area:

- Understands the negotiations process and the negotiation of fair contracts, 4.2
- Ability to speak and write acceptably, 4.0
- Provides adequate information concerning school programs and operations through reports to the board, 4.3
- Encourages a fair and effective method of faculty evaluation, 4.4
- Encourages a faculty improvement through in-service training and professional affiliation, 4.4
- Is implementing district quality teams relating to support services, 4.2
- Neither Lippe nor any of the other board members seemed too concerned about the shortcomings.
- Emmett's leisurely style is extremely refreshing," said outgoing Trustee Robert Schram, who was absent from the review process. "You've done an excellent job."
- "I'm glad he didn't get a five out of five... 4.7 keeps him lean and mean," Schram said.
- The glowing reviews kept coming. "I appreciate all that you have done," said Secretary John Strett. "In my 30 years of education you are the first superintendent who has taken an active interest in all areas of education."



EMMETT LIPPE

Lippe's performance in the past should give way to his performance in the future, Trustee Michael Meyer hoped.

"I appreciate all of the long-range planning," he said. "That kind of vision and purpose is a sign of goals in the future."

"I also appreciate your presence in the community and your commitment to honesty."

Trustee Craig Foreback said the fact that Lippe's face is familiar in school halls evidences enough that the man is doing his job.

School board's pay stays at same rate

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Neither Bob Schram nor Ray Byers will see an increase or decrease in Novi Board of Education members' paychecks.

Thursday night Schram withdrew the motion he made a week ago to increase board members pay \$5 a meeting. A second motion to not eliminate any or all compensation passed 6-1.

Schram cited a lack of support from the board as the chief reason for withdrawing his motion.

"People in the community have told me they would support an increase," he said. "There seems to be little support on the board now and the board president obviously wants to make it a divisive issue."

Two weeks earlier, Trustee Craig Foreback had backed Schram's original motion to increase meeting stipends. But when the matter was put to a vote Thursday, he reversed his stance. Instead, he suggested a motion to eliminate board pay altogether.

"A couple of weeks ago I would have supported it," he said. "But I reversed my decision and I think I'd like to see it go to zero compensation."

That idea led for lack of support as members of the sparse audience chuckled.

Secretary John Strett supported Foreback's motion for discussion purposes but when the board was silent, he said he'd have to vote no.

"I am willing to leave it as it is, but there is a part of me that says take it to zero," said Board President Ray Byers who told Schram last week he'd oppose the increase and suggest a 100 percent reduction.

The board then voted 6-1 to deny any increase and eliminate any decrease.

Big cuts ahead for schools

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Novi schools have a preliminary \$33.7 million budget in place but administrators will be scrambling to find \$421,000 worth of cuts by October.

The \$421,000 mandated cut came from the Board of Education which approved the district's preliminary budget Thursday night, 7-0. Budget approval was tied to the expectation that district administrators will trim it to reduce the current \$321,000 deficit and add \$100,000 in positive cash flow for safe measure.

The preliminary budget reflects a \$321,188 deficit between the \$33.7 million in revenues and \$34 million in expenditures.

Overall, however, the 1994-95 budget is \$3.4 million or 10.5 percent larger than the previous year's.

"The biggest thing the administration has to do is show us a \$421,000 savings," said Board President Ray Byers. "If they can't the board will find it."

Administration is expected to have the cuts prepared by the first Board of Education meeting in October.

James Koster, the district's assistant superintendent of business and operations, said the board's mandated cuts will most likely come from the supply side of the budget rather than the staffing side.

"We have a \$321,000 shortfall of revenue," he said. "Now the question is do we go to fund equity or cut something?"

It was the board's preference Thursday to see the cuts made rather than seeing the \$2,748,025 fund equity account depleted.

Just where the cuts will come from remains to be seen. There was speculation at Thursday's meeting but no firm decisions were made.

More than 87 percent of the district's budget is allocated to salaries and fringe benefits. The remaining 12.7 percent is used to cover utilities, insurance, special education, drivers' education, child care programs and building rentals.

Board Vice President Stephen Hitchcock was concerned which piece of the budget pie the \$321,000 or 7 percent deficit would be reaped from.

"I'd like to find a way to pull that 7 percent from the larger portion of the budget than find it in the roughly 15 percent," he said.

Hitchcock's comment suggested that in the future there could be across the board cuts in staffing, pay, course options and increases in class sizes.

Those kinds of cuts, however, are not options in the upcoming 1994-95 school year.

Next year, staffing levels and class sizes are expected to remain constant with this year's ratios, school officials said.

In fact, the preliminary budget includes the expense of hiring 7.3 new teachers for the anticipated 181 new students Novi Schools is expecting this fall.

All of those teachers have yet to be hired, but the posting of the positions stirred some concern on the board.

Koster and Superintendent Emmett Lippe assured the board they were proceeding with caution because of the uncertainty in state funding.

"Not all of the positions have been posted," Koster said. "We are still waiting for the right time to hire them."

Which in some cases may be when Koster's enrollment projections match his actual student counts.

"Building administrators have been advised to use judgment," Lippe said. "We have been tightening down on the hiring."

Koster was quick to remind board members that state funding is tied to new enrollment. Therefore if Novi gets the additional students, the district should also get the funding from the state to cover the additional expense of educating them and the costs of teachers to teach them.

For the most part, the financial snapshot of Novi Schools is status quo in 1994-95. In 1995-96, however, school administrators and board members aren't so certain it will be business as usual.

Instead, they fear they'll have to hold the line on new hires while class sizes will increase to accommodate new enrollment. Pay raises for teachers, administrators and staff will be a thing of the past, Byers said.

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TUP94-024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Douglas Earl, representing Earl's Farm & Produce, is requesting a temporary use permit to allow sale of produce at 40670 Ten Mile Road, for the period July 15, through October 15, 1994. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

The request will be considered at 3:00 p.m., on Wednesday, July 6, 1994, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Department and must be received prior to July 6, 1994. (6-30-94 NR, NN)

REGISTRATION NOTICE FOR THE STATE PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 1994

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that qualified electors not presently registered may make application to register at the Office of the Clerk, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan on or at any Secretary of State Office.

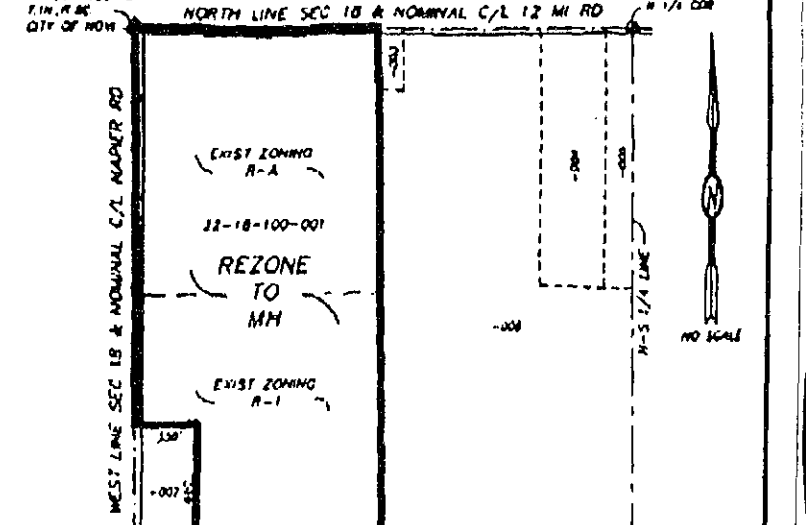
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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that I will be at my office at 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan on MONDAY, JULY 5, 1994 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. local time, which is the LAST DAY to register for the Tuesday, August 2, 1994, State Primary Election, for the purpose of receiving applications for registration of the qualified electors in the City of Novi.

GERALDINE STIPP, CITY CLERK
810-347-0456

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 20, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider MAP AMENDMENT 18.528, located at the southeast corner of Twelve Mile and Napier Roads for POSSIBLE REZONING FROM R-A AND R-1 TO MH DISTRICT.



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While in Novi, the Vocalys de L'Évry will perform a concert at Twelve Oaks Mall Wednesday, July 13, at 7 p.m.

The Vocalys is one of 11 European musical groups that will visit Michigan during 1994 as part of Blue Lake's International Exchange Program.

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Read, Then Recycle

United, they take out trash

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The coalition wanted by weekly recycling, composting, large item pickup at no extra charge, unlimited pickup and one waste hauler in and out of a subdivision on a given day. They got that from BFI, at monthly costs per home of \$107 annually.

The contract covers a customer area larger than some municipalities served by BFI, including Belleville, Keego Harbor and Wolverine Lake. Gary DeFerro, BFI territory manager, said.

If residents had agreed to citywide waste collection in 1992, they would have paid slightly less than \$150 per household. The coalition managed to better that, plus keep their direct control of the service, Jirasek said.

The disposal rates have dropped significantly since two years ago, DeFerro explained.

The coalition's trash will go to BFI's recycling center at Five Mile and Napier roads and what can't be salvaged will end up in the firm's landfill at Six Mile and Napier roads.

About half of the coalition's members were already recycling, Jirasek said. New with the practice but starting up soon are Cambridge Drive, Orchard Hills, Echo Valley and Novi Heights subdivisions. They'll be using new bins in BFI blue.

"Once they try it, they're hooked," she said.

Member associations pay the coalition an annual dues of \$20 per homeowner group. The homeowners group is responsible for billing its residents for the trash collection.

If you would like more information on the coalition, call Jirasek at 471-5468.



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Ruth Ann Jirasek, holding daughter Elizabeth, was the driving force in the BFI contract.

Offenders pay debt with fresh produce

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Judge's commitment to the project. It is the second year the garden has been in the hands of the judicial system. Last year, 215 defendants were sentenced to till the 1.5 acres garden.

The produce grown in the garden raised more than \$25,000 in produce on the wholesale market. Another \$2,547 was made by the court from the sale of the produce.

Taxpayers also benefited. The work program saved them \$78,000 in jail days last year.

Thus far this year, Brock said 225 defendants have already come through the system and into the ASP.

"We are anticipating more defendants to go through this year than last year," he said.

And since Commerce Township has donated an additional 1.5 acres this year, the program's benefits are far-reaching.

"There is only one direction for this program and that is up," Brock said.

This year, district court personnel have added melons, a herb garden and a pumpkin patch to added

acreage in the garden. The irony in some cases, Brock said, is that some defendants returned last year to help harvest the garden after their sentencing was completed.

"We are good to them and they love it," he said. "I don't think you'll get a negative comment from any defendant except those who already have (an) attitude."

In Novi, work crews have been here to paint the civic center and other municipal buildings. They returned in May to prep city grounds for Gov. John Engler's visit on Police Officers' Memorial Day May 16.

"The work crews are going out into the community to beautify and maintain the buildings and the gardens," Brock said.

And since there is no shortage of defendants these days with the district court's fast track system for domestic abusers, there's no shortage of work that could be done.

"We've got plenty to keep us busy," he said. "Because we work the programs concurrently to keep us busy."

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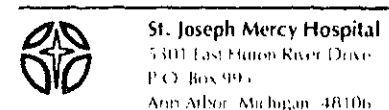
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Novi school board sets the dates

The following is a list of dates and locations for Novi Board of Education meetings for the '94-'95 school year as approved.

The schedule of '94-'95 Board meetings also published in the '94-'95 Novi Community School District Activity Calendar.

July 7, 1994—Educational Services Building
August 4—Educational Services Building

August 18—Educational Services Building
Sept. 1—Educational Services Building

Sept. 22—Educational Services Building
Oct. 6—Educational Services Building

Oct. 20—Orchard Hills Elementary School
Nov. 3—Educational Services Building

Nov. 17—Novi Woods Elementary School

March 23—Novi Meadows Building
April 6—Educational Services Building

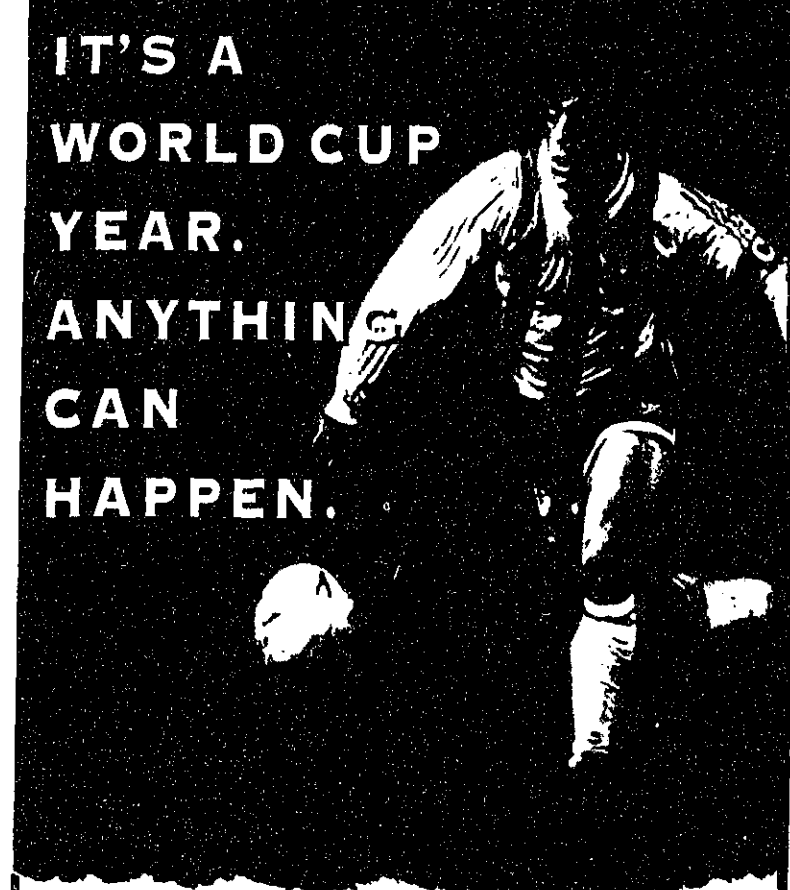
April 27—Parkview Elementary School
May 4—Educational Services Building

May 18—Educational Services Building
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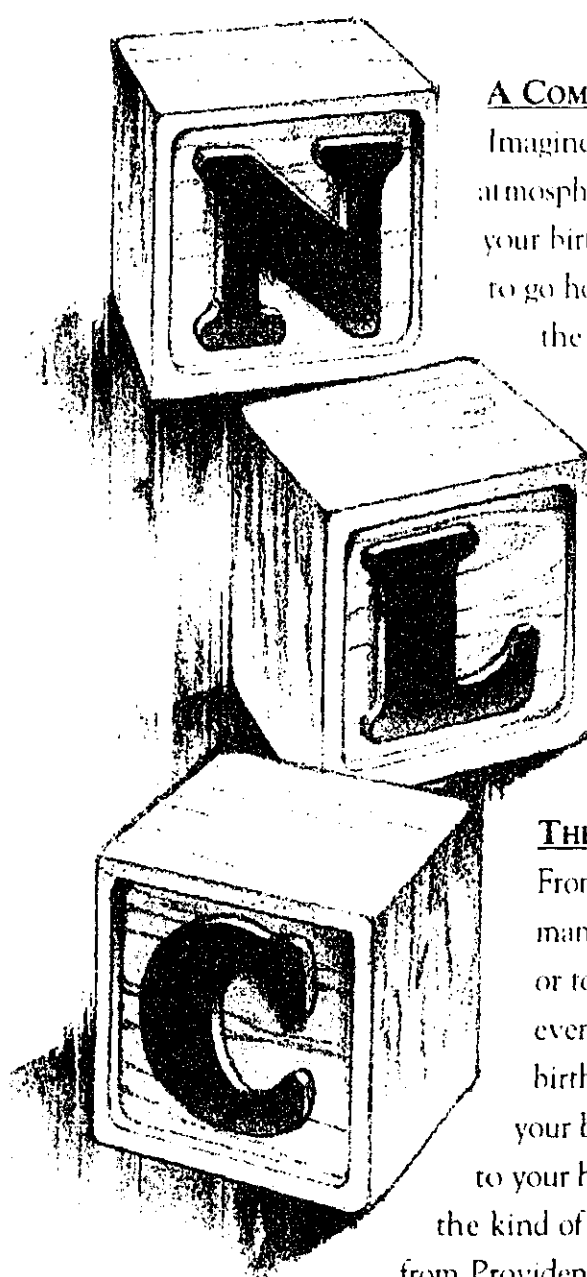
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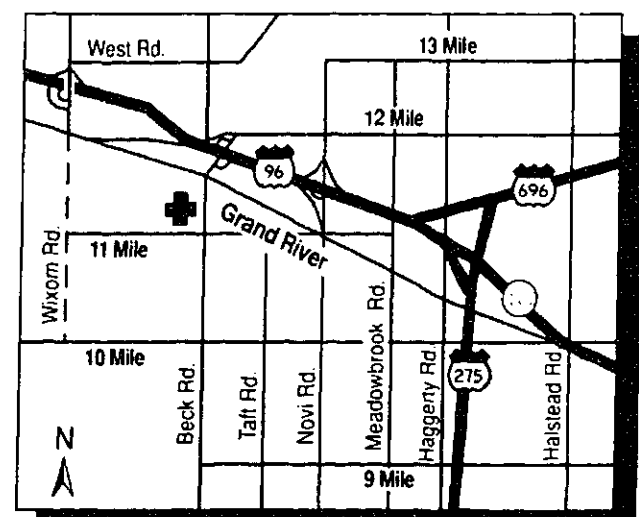
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(George) Geddis of Owosso, Nancy (Hobert) Lahr of Novi, and Sherry (Mich) Hardin of Memphis, Mich.; seven grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and one sister. She was preceded in death by her son, Robert.

Services were held June 27 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington. Burial followed at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit. Memorial tributes may be made to Children's Hospital of Michigan (for Cancer Research), 3901 Beaubien Blvd., Detroit, MI 48201-2198.

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As We See It

Novi would get little use of Northwestern

So let's see if we've got this right—West Bloomfield Township doesn't want an extension of Northwestern Highway and has done everything in its power to block construction of that roadway through its community.

Now, the Michigan Department of Transportation is proposing to re-route the extension along Fourteen Mile Road, skirting Novi's northern border, and—

you guessed it—wants the City of Novi to help pay for it.

In the past few years, with Novi's road network straining under an ever-increasing load of traffic congestion, many residents and officials here have started taking the view that 'any road is a good road.' Certainly, when Novi has already had to take over needed roadway construction projects itself several times because of a lack of action or a lack of money on the part of the Oakland County Road Commission and the MDOT, there is a strong temptation to leap at any offer when the state is interested in doing some road work here.

But we question what a Northwestern Highway extension would do for Novi. We wonder what Novi would get for its \$2.3 million share of the cost. Northwestern currently moves traffic from the West Bloomfield area to parts south and east, toward Southfield and eventually tying in to the expressway system there.

If alternative B were chosen, part of the project would land in Novi, and therefore the MDOT would ask the city to pay 8.75 percent of the roughly \$30 million cost of the project.

That was the basis for a hearing held in the Novi Civic Center last week, in which the proposal was unveiled for residents' comments. Interesting, few showed up to the hearing.

We think that should be seen as an indicator of the level of interest local residents have in the project. Yes, some Novi officials have already expressed support for the extension, but it seems to us residents would likely get little use from it.

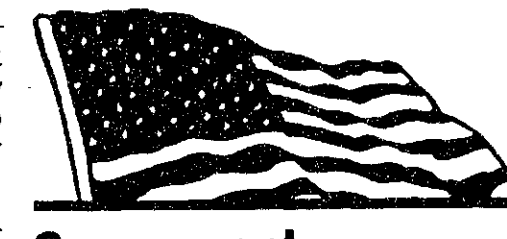
We don't much care if it is built, because it would be a useful project for those northern communities. But we don't want to see Novi's share of MDOT dollars burned up for it. And we certainly don't want Novi city money used up for other municipalities' commuting problems.

We can definitely think of other places where we would rather see the money spent, like improving the safety of Novi's most dangerous intersection at Beck and Twelve Mile roads, or untangling the mess at the expressway interchange there. Many worthy projects could be taken up by the state in Novi, from further improvements along Hag-

Schools have had to wrestle with the problem of training kids to handle the advancing technology in the workplace. Schram was involved in the efforts by the Novi school district to build its technology center.

It has been a time when tensions between the policy makers and educator/employees have been on the rise. Schram is credited in Novi with building a cooperative relationship between the school board and its teacher unions.

It has been a time of tremendous growth in the Novi community and its school district, with a dramatic effect on the student population. In Schram's position, he has had to help guide the school district through its response to those growing needs.



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gerty Road, to more improvements to Eight Mile, to improvements on Novi Road, to improvements on Grand River, to more surface road work around and supporting the Haggerty Connector project.

Of course, at this point the MDOT hasn't settled anything. It is merely proposing that an extension of Northwestern again be considered, and since its original plan of extending the highway diagonally from Fourteen Mile to Fifteen Mile west of Orchard Lake Road has been blocked by development, it has devised two alternative routes.

One of those routes would carry traffic up Orchard Lake to Fifteen Mile, then west on Fifteen Mile to the Haggerty Connector now under construction. 'Alternative B' is to run the extension straight west from its present terminus along Fourteen Mile and along the border of Novi to wind up at the Haggerty Connector.

Novi commuters would likely continue use to the roads they have now, or soon will have. For the majority of Novi residents, if they want to head to the southeast, it would make a good deal more sense to pick up I-96 or I-275, or the soon to be completed Haggerty Connector.

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Life does move in circles



Michael Malott

"In the jungle, the mighty jungle, the lion sleeps tonight."
—The Tokens 1961

I was 6 years old when I first heard that line. On cold mornings, I'd lay in bed and listen to the music playing on my parents' radio alarm. In a state of half sleep, I thought it sounded exotic and distant, yet somehow oddly familiar. Evoking visions of steamy African nights and tribal village life, the tune topped the charts in mid-December, providing a sharp contrast to the Christmas carols I'd hear on the radio the rest of the day.

Even then, I recognized it for what it was—great song, really stupid lyrics. What is "a-weem-a-wap" anyway? Nonetheless, if you could do anything close to a decent falsetto, it was the kind of music that sounded really great reverberating off the tile in the bathroom.

It was also kind of song you can get tired of real quick. For me, it had been played to death in about a week. Play lists being what they are at most radio stations, I awoke to the sound of that song for what seemed like months. It was a long winter.

If you doubt the contention that life is a circle, consider this—now my oldest child, Samantha, is 6 years old and the song is enjoying a revival, this time as a promotion of the new Disney flick, *The Lion King*. Once again, "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" is being sung in the bathtub of the Malott household.

You see, my second child, Charlie, has reached the terrible twos. That's the time in life—development psychologists will attest—when a child's growing, normal, healthy vocabulary suddenly and inexplicably shrinks to a single syllable. . . . "no."

"Are you done brushing your teeth?" "No." "Would you finish brushing your teeth?" "No." "It's time to go to bed." "No." "Do you want to live to see age 3?" "No." . . . Charlie so dislikes going to bed at the regular time, 8 p.m., that I recently found him still up at 11:30 p.m. leaning over the side of his younger brother's crib, whacking the poor kid over the head with a toy. Zockary, I didn't seem to be bothered. He was beaming ear to ear, just happy to have someone playing with him. (I worry about that one.)

Anyway, another of Charlie's pet peeves has to do with bath time. Oh, he'll take a bath. He'll let you get his hair wet. He'll even let you shampoo it, but don't try to rinse the shampoo out. Talk about a falsetto reverberating off the tiles.

Now, Mom has found that singing can often get Charlie to cooperate. The theme song from the Spiderman cartoons, for some reason, works remarkably well at getting him into bed. I can't stand that song—great superhero, stupid music, even stupider lyrics. Nonetheless, one verse is usually all it takes to get Charlie to follow his Mom and dance happily off to bed.

So Mom tried singing when it came time for Charlie's bath this past Sunday evening. This time it was, you guessed it, "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." As I said, it's a song that gets worn out pretty easily, so the words started changing even before the hair rinsing was finished.

"In the bathtub, the pi-ink bathtub, the children get clean tonight," Mom intoned. Sam and I joined in with the doo-wap line a couple of octaves lower. "His hair is wet, his hair is wet."

Needless to say, it didn't work. Charlie screamed anyway. On top of that, Samantha headed off to bed making up new verse after new verse.

The *Lion King* opened last Friday and I'm already sick of the song. It's gonna be a long summer.

Michael Malott is the Managing Editor of *The Novi News*.

Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



NOVI COMMUNITY
This Novi Woods student takes one last look before the final ride home.

'See ya' The accidental shopper



Jan Jeffres

Since I've returned from my summer vacation, a few people are putting because I didn't bring them T-shirts and refrigerator magnets. Hey, I go to places where they're lucky if they have refrigerators. Magnets are an innovation yet to arrive.

Shopping is so easy here. Three air-conditioned malls side-by-side in Novi. So much merchandise that the truth part is making a decision. Prize tags on everything.

We may fret about the economy, but most of the world still thinks of America as the land of milk and honey—or at least of abundant consumer goods.

On June 16, I came back to work after spending 25 days in six countries, only one of them with a full selection of cheap gimcrackery available as gifts for the folks back home. That was England. As for the others, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Kirghizia (all three nations were once part of the Soviet Union); China's wild west, the Xinglan Province; and Pakistan, forget it. You just don't see stores full of "My friend went to Samarkand and all I got was this t-shirt."

Except for Pakistan, where we saw a full-fledged shopping center in the capital, Islamabad, most stores in Central Asia are small and carry the same stuff that you see in the establishments next door and down the street. Never have I seen such a vast choice of hand-made hats, dress fabrics and daggers and not much else. Since no one I know makes their own clothes, covers their head or pulls knives on people, I was hard put to find gifts.

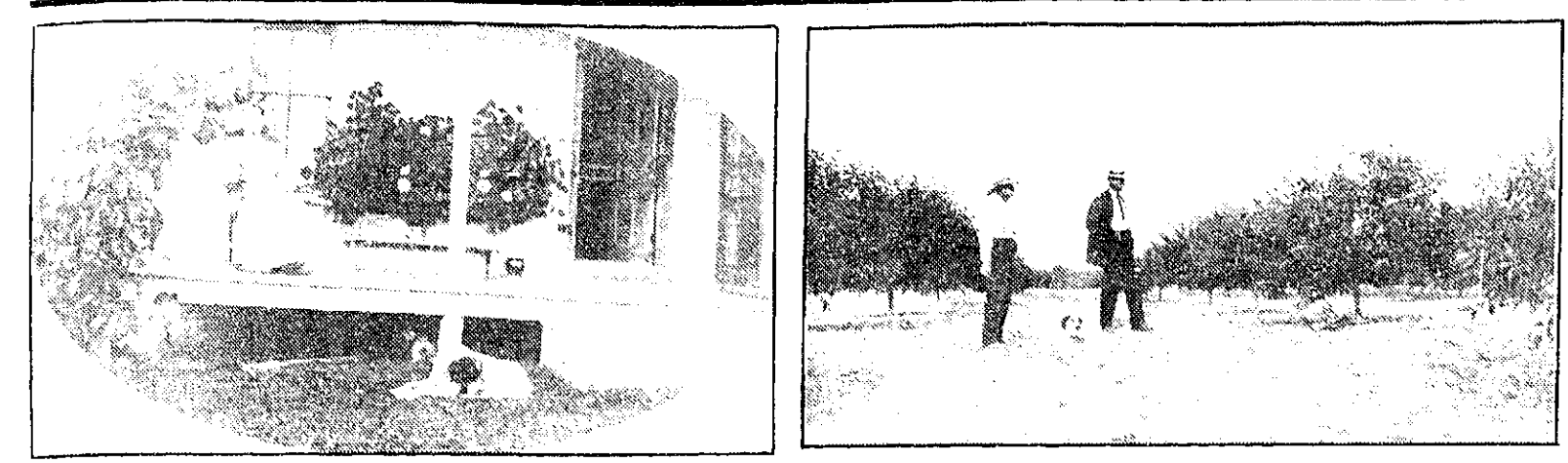
Shopping can be fatiguing in Asia and not just because you're trotting around until your feet ache. It's arriving at a fair price. If an item is worth, say US\$10, the asking price may start at US\$100. Then, you work your way down from there. I spent 45 minutes with a dealer in China negotiating over an antique Uigher (Moslem Chinese) hat: How much? Too Much. Not too much. Too Much.

The trick is reaching a happy medium. You don't want to be cheated; you don't want to keep back an extra dollar or two from somebody who may need it far more than you ever will, either.

Merchants in Uzbekistan only accepted the U.S. dollar, not their own money, the sum. Inflation's so out of control there people feel the only way they can protect their savings is with our cash. One dollar bills are carefully scrutinized, to make sure they're not counterfeit.

"U.S. money, the best money in the world," a salesman in Rawalpindi, Pakistan assured me. Tell that to your financial planner.

Nobody, but nobody took traveler's checks. I traveled with a group hailing from various English-speaking nations. In the former Soviet Union, tourists from Great Britain and Australia were greeted with calm politeness. Those of us who could say we were from America were bowled over by the ebullient enthusiasm. It's hard to believe we spent 40-odd years as partners in the dance of Mutual Assured Destruction.



In left photo, great-grandmother Celestia at the family farm; at right, great-grandfather Eugene in his cherry orchard.

A Power family treasure—cherry pie



Phil Power

My father died last December. So in addition to sorting throughout legal and financial details, I've been looking through a lot of old family photographs.

Two strike me in particular, probably because we are now entering the cherry season, one of the great glories of summer in Michigan.

One is a picture of my great grandmother, Celestia Power, sitting on the porch of the old family farm in Elk Rapids, a tiny town near Traverse City. I suppose the picture was taken around the turn of the century. She is wearing the full-busted, long, cotton dress fashionable at the time. She's sitting in a rocking chair on an old-fashioned porch with Old Joe, the family English setter, sleeping on the grass below.

The other is a picture of great-grandfather Eugene Power, in a white shirt and tie, dark suit and Panama hat, standing in the middle of his cherry orchard. He's surveying the newly-planted cherry trees, with a farmland holding a pruning knife standing behind him.

Family legend has it that great-grandfather Power was one of the first farmers to plant Montmorency cherries (called "sours" to distinguish them from the dark red eating cherries, "sweets") in northern Michigan. For a time, they became the dominant crop in the region, thriving on the sandy, well-drained soil and the moderating influence of the lake. Even today, most land that hasn't been raped by developers is in cherry orchards.

My father remembered his first job was out on the family farm, picking cherries for 10 cents a lug. He thinks his father, Glenn, who started

out as a surveyor, helped great-grandfather Eugene lay out the cherry trees in long, straight lines.

I suspect it wasn't easy to be a pioneering farmer way back then. You wouldn't be sure the land there was always the risk late frost would nip the fruit. And your capital, once lost, was so hard to regain!

But originality (in practice, often hard to distinguish from mere eccentricity) always ran deep in the Power family.

My great-great-grandfather, Nathan Power, came to Michigan in 1824 from Farmington, New York. I suspect his neighbors thought him a bit strange when he went out west to found what became Farmington, Mich. And his son, Gideon Power, was no doubt regarded as a bit odd when he moved from Farmington way up north to Elk Rapids.

But that was their way—and the way of countless pioneer families like them. They made our state and our nation what they are, and it gives me a feeling of family continuity to think of them in the aftermath of my father's death.

And, just in time for the sour cherry season, here's our family recipe for Montmorency cherry pie:

MONTMORENCY CHERRY PIE
For the crust:
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour, plus additional for rolling
Quarter-teaspoon baking powder
Half-teaspoon salt
One-third cup lard
3 tablespoons unsalted butter
2 tablespoons vegetable shortening
2 tablespoons ice water
1 teaspoon white vinegar
2 eggs

For the filling:
4 cups pitted red sour cherries
1 cup granulated sugar
Half-cup brown sugar
3 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
Half-teaspoon almond extract
Quarter-teaspoon mace
3 tablespoons butter, cut into small pieces
1 tablespoon kirsch (optional)

Preparing the crust:
Combine the flour, baking powder and salt in a mixing bowl. Add the lard, butter and shortening and mix with your fingers or a pastry cutter until mixture forms coarse crumbs. Whisk together the ice water, vinegar and one of the eggs. Add to the flour mixture and mix with a fork just until combined; do not overwork the dough. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Preparing the filling:
In a large bowl combine the cherries, sugars, tapioca, almond extract, mace and optional kirsch, if desired. Allow to stand for 15 minutes. Preheat the oven to 425 degrees.

Roll out two-thirds of the dough on a lightly floured surface. Line a 9-inch pie plate with the dough and trim the edges. Place the filling in the pie shell and dot with the butter. Roll the remaining dough and make into a lattice top. Whisk the remaining egg with 2 teaspoons of water and brush the egg wash onto the top.

Bake for 10 minutes, then lower the temperature to 350 degrees and continue baking for 30 or 40 minutes longer, or until the juices are bubbling up in the center of the pie. Cool briefly and eat warm.

My father preferred vanilla ice cream with his pie. I'm a purist. Either way, it's a delicious way to celebrate Michigan cherries and the family that grew them.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. You can reach him by Touch-Tone phone at (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1880.

History repeats itself at Beck-Ten

To the Editor:

"History repeats itself" is an old adage I've heard many times over the years and it's happening again right here in Novi at the intersection of Ten Mile Road and Beck. An outsider developer, Max Sheldon, wants to come in knock down the old horse farm, rape the land and build a new shopping center—all in the name of progress!

It seems to me I recall fighting this very same battle four or five short years ago regarding a similar proposal for the northeast corner of Ten Mile and Beck. We ended up with a scaled-down version of the original plan, which has yet to open, and is more than many of us wanted in the first place.

Most of us who opposed the ini-

Letters

tial proposal for a major shopping center on that corner are still here. We continue raising our families and going about the business of living our lives without the intrusion of a shopping center a block from our homes. We like it this way! We moved to this area to free ourselves from the noise and congestion of a commercial area.

We have some new neighbors now, the residents of Greenwood Oaks, who have recently invested a considerable amount of money for the ambience of country living who may now find their homes abutting the parking lot of a large shopping complex. Having spoken to a few of

these residents, I can assure you that they are not pleased with the prospect.

It always amazes me that developers from outside the area presume to know what is best for a community in which they do not live and work. Let's keep the major shopping centers along the major thoroughfares and in the commercial districts already provided by our city planners. Leave the residential areas residential!

By the way Max, is your home adjacent to the parking lot of a major shopping center?

Karen B. Zyczynski

Never complain never explain

To the Editor:

Lately, it seems that an increasing number of people have been writing lengthy letters to the editor bashing *The Novi News* for a variety of things. While I disagree with a lot of the bashing and wish people would say what's on their mind in fewer words, I respect their right to voice their opinions as they see fit.

I've also noticed lately that *Novi News* editors are actually responding to the bashing. I find this defensive and unprofessional and wish *The Novi News* had thicker skins.

Perhaps Mike Malott and his staff have forgotten the immortal words of Henry Ford II: "Never complain, never explain."

Bill Rice

Cable takes to the road for summer



Mary Linda Calderone

It's the summer time! The fun is easy and so is the riding. Yes, it's biker season! You won't want to miss Skip Phelps' new series on Channel 12 entitled *The Road*.

Phelps is one of our Community Access volunteers who works on numerous Channel 12 shows. He is also known as the "Computer Whiz" around the SWOCC office. Phelps' passion for his own 1950 Harley Davidson was the impetus for producing a program on bikes.

In this series, expert tips on maintenance are provided by Pat Hayes, certified Harley Davidson mechanic and decorated Viet Nam vet. Hayes has literally cycled all over America and Europe, knows more about bikes than most engineers from the factory and would rather "ride" than drive anywhere. Hayes' experience with

custom shops around the Metropolitan Detroit area opens the doors for the camera to peek in and show the audience "behind the scenes" work and detail that goes into making a motorcycle run the way it should and look its very best.

The first program takes us to Gismo's in Detroit where we meet Gismo himself. Gismo expertly describes and illustrates the changes in configurations of the engine cases, fly wheels and crank shafts over the past 50 years with Harley Davidson. Our next stop is on to Pinch's in Auburn Hills. Owner, Ron Pinch, gives a tour of the shop where he shows viewers "one of a kind" bikes he custom builds. His customs are visually stunning, painstakingly detailed and distinctly different as any you are likely to see anywhere in the world. It takes about 89 days for him to produce a finished product.

Those who have not two types of motorcycles: "They say there are two types of motorcycles: those who have not and those who have." So you can bet *The Road* will feature safety tips including proper gear to wear on the bike.

It is Todd Whitman's artistic talent with the camera in the field that allows the audience to catch the detailed customized work and "close up scenes" on the bikes. Whitman is also an avid biker and a proud owner of a BMW motorcycle soon to be featured in an upcoming show. The show is not specifically dedicated to Harleys, Indians, or any other model, but hopes to feature a variety of cycles to include dirt bikes, choppers, cafe racers, etc.

If you have questions about cycles, you may write *The Road* c/o SWOCC, 24021 Research Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Your questions will be answered in upcoming shows.

In the meantime, tune into Channel 12 on Monday, June 27 at 5 p.m. Venture where you've never ventured before. Feel the wind on your face and join with the universe as you lean to take those tight curves on *The Road*.

Mary Linda Calderone is the community outreach coordinator for the Southwest Oakland Cable Commission, which oversees the operations of MetroVision cable services.

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Eleventh grader mourned by friends

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His literary books were stacked up against those about other famous writers and those about Jim Herdick and Jim Morrison. They shared equal space in his bedroom in a cabinet stocked with video games and tapes of Walt Disney classics or of his favorite music artists.

Both genre provided inspiration for the countless works he'd written himself and stored in the trunk of his 1988 Chevrolet Beretta. The car was his pride and joy, his dad said.

Volumes of his work remained locked in the trunk of his car which was impounded by police after the accident.

Lisa Bull described the trunk as "his toy box." She said he kept all of his favorite poems there.

Neither of his parents read a lot of his poetry, but friends said he often shared it with them.

He was drawn to the outdoors where he spent hours with friends writing and reading his poetry in Hines Park.

Cory Davis and Aaron were close friends and "soulmates," his father said. The two used to take frequent trips to Ann Arbor to goof off downtown. They shared a love of the Wizard of Oz and would often skip and dance to the beat like the characters in the movie did.

It was a secret they shared.

"We did it when we were alone," Davis said. "It was kind of like our own little thing."

Aaron liked to hear Davis sing and would frequent places where she was performing, Lisa Bull said. Knowing that he loved to hear Davis sing, Davis performed the "Our Father" at Aaron's funeral service last Thursday.

In return she would sit for hours over a cup of coffee in Davis's and listen to him read his poems.

"He wrote for himself," she said about the poetry he'd written. "It wasn't something he did for the public."

Friends say Aaron's poetry was strange. His dad thinks he wrote some things just to shock others.

With the exception of the poems Aaron shared with friends, some said he wasn't a real private person. He was deep some say, but others say he was still a child at heart.

Aaron liked to climb trees and roll

down hills in the park, his friends said.

Since his death, Aaron's friends have returned to the park several times. He's buried in Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville, just feet from his favorite tree in Hines Park.

After his funeral, a group of friends came to Bull's home and took his father and step mother back to some of Aaron's favorite places in the park. Another 18-20 kids joined them there.

"He was just an all around good guy," said Mike Carlson, the 16-year-old who was in the passenger's seat the night Aaron was killed.

Carlson, still visibly emotional about the incident, said the driver of the other car crossed over the centerline and smacked right into the car without warning.

Phil McMichael, 17, and Wade Clay, 18, worked with Aaron at the Novi Auto Wash.

"He was just back, easy-going and never got mad," McMichael said. "He always went with the flow and never really had anything planned out. If something went wrong, he never got worked up. He'd just laugh it off."

Clay agreed.

"He never had a worry," said Clay, who had attended school with Aaron since the fifth grade.

"He'd always get you to laugh and could always make you smile," McMichael said. "No matter what."

Friends came out in droves for Aaron's funeral and wake. At the funeral home Wednesday night, several of them passed by the casket, each placing either a favorite piece of jewelry, teddy bear, flower, concert ticket stub or other personal memento inside next to him.

At first, Aaron's father said he was insulted. But after while he knew it was the kids' way of healing and saying good bye.

"Each one put something in there that Aaron had liked," Ronnie Sr. said. "When they closed the casket, it was filled with mementos and keepsakes."

Vickie, Ronnie Sr. and Lisa Bull said Aaron's friends' support has been a saving grace in a tough time.

"I had so many kids come out and say they loved him," Vickie Bull said. "His friends have been so supportive."



Stacey Samhat, 18, (left) and Cary Bott, 17, trade their favorite stories about Aaron.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Driver charged in teen's death

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

Australian resident Gavin Geoffrey Crotchie was charged with negligent homicide in 47th District Court last Tuesday for the death of 17-year-old Aaron Bull of Novi.

The 44-year-old businessman was arrested Monday, June 20, after his 1994 Chevrolet Lumina crossed the center line on Haggerty Road and struck Aaron Bull's 1988 Chevrolet Beretta head-on.

The accident occurred just after 11:25 p.m. just south of Nine Mile Road.

A doctor and nurse who witnessed the accident stopped to assist the injured youth, Farmington Hills Police said. Paramedics arrived minutes later. Aaron Bull was pronounced dead at the scene shortly after 11:30 p.m.

His 16-year-old passenger was treated for minor injuries and released to his parents.

Crotchie was taken to St. Mary's Hos-

pital in Livonia where he was treated and then released into the custody of Farmington Hills police.

He was arraigned on the misdemeanor charge last week. He posted \$2,000 bond and voluntarily surrendered his visa.

The Australian was due back in court yesterday for his preliminary examination. The results of that hearing were not available by The Novi News' deadline.

Police said he is employed by a subsidiary of the General Motors Corporation.

If convicted on the charge, Crotchie faces up to two years imprisonment for Farmington Hills Police Officer Larry Luttrell investigated the acci-

dent. He said Monday it appears Crotchie drove head-on into Aaron Bull's vehicle shortly after 11:25 p.m.

Neither driver was speeding nor was alcohol a factor, he said.

Luttrell said Aaron Bull was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the accident.

But his parents dispute that. They said Friday their son never drove or rode in a car without a seatbelt.

"No one has ever known him not to wear one," said Ronnie Bull Sr., Aaron's father. "Aaron made every one of his friends wear a seatbelt every time they got into his car."

But the father said Monday police had told him it may not have mattered judging from the extent of Aaron Bull's injuries.

Friends and family gathered Wednesday night at the O'Brien Chapel, Ted C. Sullivan funeral home in Novi to pay their respects before the funeral Thursday. The church service was held at the Northville United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his mother Vickie Bull, of Novi; his father, Ronnie Sr.; step mother, Lisa Bull; and brothers Ronnie Jr. and Brendan, all of Novi.

His parents said Friday afternoon they were grateful to all those people in Novi who offered support. Among those mentioned were the kids who attended the services, Novi Community School District administrators and counselors, and the Novi Police Department.

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Tuesday July 5, 1994

10:00 a.m.—Summit University
10:30 a.m.—Praise, Praise, Praise
11:30 a.m.—Life Matters
12:00 p.m.—Adventures with Prate Pete
12:30 p.m.—Spontaneous Seniors
1:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
1:30 p.m.—Pet Painters: Dog Examination
2:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Skin Care
2:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
3:00 p.m.—Cosmic Connection
3:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
4:00 p.m.—Community Kids
4:30 p.m.—Liberty Check It Out
5:00 p.m.—Crime Watch
5:30 p.m.—Living with Your Addictions
6:00 p.m.—Seniors on the Move: Boxing Trainer
6:30 p.m.—Business and Residential News
7:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Elvis II
7:30 p.m.—Viewpoint
8:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Skin Care
8:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
9:00 p.m.—Let's Talk with Ben Marks
9:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

Wednesday July 6, 1994

10:00 a.m.—Capitol Report
10:30 a.m.—Madrone Magazine
11:30 a.m.—Study in Scripture
12:00 p.m.—Arms
12:30 p.m.—The Way, The Truth and The Life
1:30 p.m.—That's Italian

Thursday July 7, 1994

10:00 a.m.—Senior Messenger

1:00 p.m.—The Great Escape: Sailing
1:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
2:00 p.m.—Travel: The Movie Trail
2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
3:00 p.m.—Dickerman Showcase: One Flight Up
3:30 p.m.—Paws with a Cause
4:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family: Children of the Dream
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: Seven Sons of Sin
7:30 p.m.—Cooking with Class: Barbecue Chicken
8:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts
8:30 p.m.—Lansing Connection
9:00 p.m.—Speakers Row
9:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
11:00 a.m.—Travel: On Southwest
11:30 a.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil
12:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Elvis II
12:30 p.m.—Dickerman Dance: Step-phi Out
1:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
1:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
2:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts
2:30 p.m.—Chi-aerobics: Lesson 14
3:00 p.m.—Business and Residential News

3:30 p.m.—Viewpoint
4:00 p.m.—AIDS Hits Home
4:30 p.m.—A Moving Experience
5:00 p.m.—Shaarey Zedek Productions
5:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
6:00 p.m.—Seniors on Parade
6:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
7:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family: Children of the Dream
7:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
8:00 p.m.—Novi News Week
8:30 p.m.—Join Akourt Madame

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8:30 p.m.—Your Money Matters: Investing Your Savings
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Andris suit tossed out of court

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Would-be restaurateur Ted Andris's 1988 lawsuit against the City of Novi was apparently dismissed by an Oakland County judge last week, based on the precedent set by Novi's recent appeals court victory in the Paragon Properties rezoning case.

Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Edward Sosnick, reversing his 1990 refusal to toss out the case, ruled that Andris must first be denied a variance by Novi's Zoning Board of Appeals before he can sue the city.

However, Andris's lawyer Gerald Fisher says he is seeking a clarification of the judge's opinion. Fisher says Sosnick did not address a second part of the lawsuit which claims that Novi's zoning ordinances are unreasonable in so far as they apply to his client's East Lake Drive property. The clarification could come from Sosnick Wednesday (after press-time).

Without that, Fisher says it is unclear if the entire lawsuit has been dismissed or just the portion which contends that Andris was deprived of his constitutional rights when he was denied the rezoning needed for a lakeshore restaurant in 1986. He is seeking damages in excess of \$10,000 as well as the commercial zoning.

Fisher doesn't "foreclose" the possibility of an out-of-court settlement, something the city and Andris sought in late 1993 and early 1994 via the unusual format of public

"It would be futile to go to the zoning board."

Gerald Fisher
Attorney

hearings in Novi's city council chambers.

"I know that the private parties are talking," Fisher said.

In 1989, James and Carol Kernan, owners of Frigate's Inn on East Lake Drive, intervened on Novi's behalf in the lawsuit. They opposed the lake-side restaurant.

However, Novi's City Attorney David Fried is pleased with Sosnick's ruling.

"The city feels pretty good," Fried said.

Fisher says it wouldn't make sense for Andris to apply for a variance with Novi's Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

"The fact is that the city through their attorneys has maintained consistently that (zoning) relief should not be granted. It would be futile to go to the zoning board," Fisher said Tuesday.

Andris, his wife Elaine Andris and partner Myrna Romain hope to build a 250-seat restaurant on the residentially-zoned shores of Walled Lake. They already have approval from the city to build the business and a small shopping center just across the street, on the east side of

East Lake Drive, which has commercial zoning.

Andris withdrew his offer of an out-of-court settlement in March. Earlier, he offered to exchange for the right-of-way for an S-curve reroute of East Lake Drive and \$15,000 towards the \$175,000 construction costs in return for the rezoning. This plan got mixed reviews from lakes area residents.

Sosnick ruled that Andris's claim that he was unconstitutionally deprived of the use of his property by the city's refusal to rezone the land was not yet "ripe." The judge wrote that he had earlier rejected Novi's motion to dismiss the case because the city council's denial of the rezoning was "sufficient final administrative determination."

"The court finds that its ruling was erroneous in light of the Paragon decision," Sosnick noted in his opinion, explaining that "the facts were so similar" in the Andris and Paragon cases.

"The doctrine of finality requires a property owner to obtain a final decision from the governmental entity alleged to have unconstitutionally taken the property and also attempt to

obtain just compensation through inverse condemnation. The purpose of this finality requirement is to ensure that there was actually a taking," Sosnick noted in his three-page opinion.

"Until plaintiff obtains a final decision from the City of Novi, this court cannot determine that the defendant's ordinance renders plaintiff's property unusable."

Andris would need to file a lawsuit seeking inverse condemnation, Sosnick added.

In 1990, Paragon won a 1984 lawsuit against Novi, but this was overturned by the Michigan Court of Appeals in April. The firm aimed to build 400 mobile homes on land zoned for single-family residential at Twelve Mile and Napier roads. An Oakland County Circuit Court judge agreed that Paragon had been unconstitutionally deprived of the use of its land and awarded the corporation \$420,000 and the rezoning.

The appeals court upheld Novi, finding that Paragon did not exhaust all avenues of local appeal because the firm did not seek a variance from Novi's ZBA.

This was the route followed by the Southern Michigan Oil Company (SOMOCO's), which sued Novi after the city council refused to permit an oil well near Echo Valley Subdivision. SOMOCO's lawyers, cognizant of Novi's arguments in the Paragon case, applied to the ZBA and won their variance in 1991, thus ending their lawsuit.

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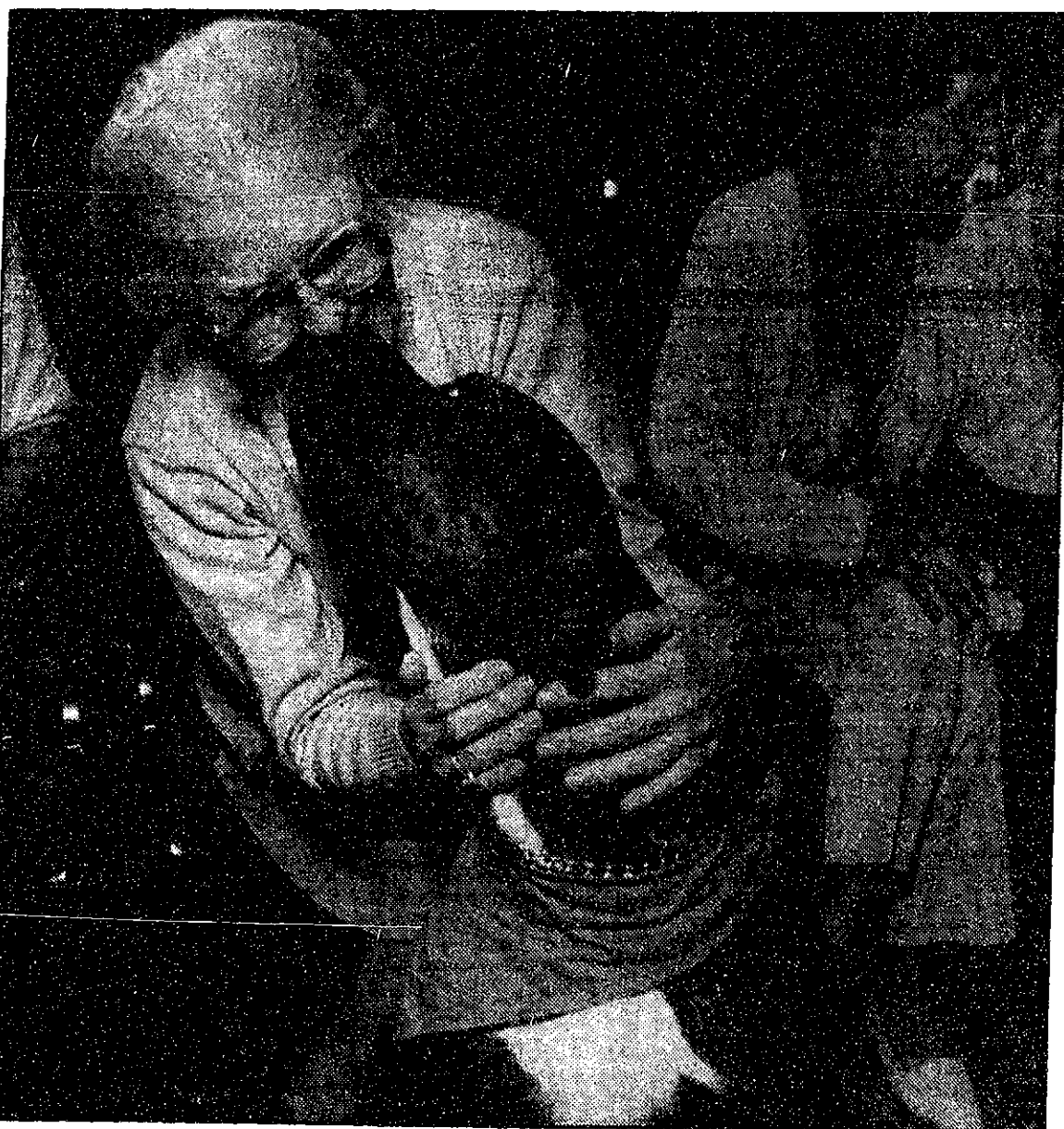
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Photos by BRYAN MITCHELL

Above, Dottie the dalmatian hams it up for the camera with owner Ron Hufstедler. The two, part of the K-9 Klick, entertained residents at Novi Village last week. There are about 14 members in the friendship club who visit hospitals, senior citizen homes and schools to educate people on dog safety. The dogs entertain by performing tricks, such as jumping through hoops and a country line dance, as well as responding to routine obedience commands. Right, May Kopinski, a Novi Village resident, gets a kiss from Zepo, an American bulldog. Members of the K-9 Klick train every Friday night to prepare for upcoming shows.



HOSPITAL HOUNDS

Friendship club shares pets for therapy, education

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer

Thursday's show at Novi Village, a senior citizen's home on West Road.

It took Mary Hufstедler five months before she could enter a hospital with her dog.

Hufstедler, of Garden City, is one of 14 members of K-9 Klick, a "friendship club" whose members, along with their canine companions, visit children in the hospitals and senior citizens in homes.

"Sometimes it can get pretty emotional for us," Hufstедler said.

"Everybody usually breaks down when we leave," said Bob "Fong" Wilfong. "It's hard to do."

But it's also rewarding to watch a child who hasn't moved in months to show reaction when visited by a dog, Wilfong said.

"Or you'll visit a senior citizen's home and some people are withdrawn," he said. "They'll see an animal and actually come out of their shell. It's really amazing the power an animal has."

Pam Koons of Novi said everybody has heard about the wonders of pet therapy, but can't appreciate it until experiencing it for themselves.

"It's a great feeling," she said. K-9 Klick members have another important aspect to their agenda, however, other than cheering up the sick and elderly. Their goal is to teach responsible dog ownership and safety.

Koons said the club put on its most important and impressive show at last Sunday's Balloonfest in Howell. Two members demonstrated to the audience the right and wrong ways of approaching a dog.

For example, never approach a dog from below its head, giving it the sense of dominance, Koons said.

And children should be careful not to run up to a dog, grabbing to hug it, Wilfong added.

K-9 Klick's shows are also entertaining, as some members participate in a country line dance with their dogs—complete with cowboy hats. Another part of the program, "tips or tricks," educates audience members as club members offer dog safety "tips" or the dog entertains by performing "tricks."

Wilfong's two miniature schnauzers, Gus and Sadie, were to perform several tricks at last

Hufstедler brought Houston and Dottie, her and her husband Ron's two dalmatians, to last week's show. They were to jump through hoops as well as perform in the line dance.

"We're all amateurs, but we try," she said about the dancing.

Each of the dogs know from 150 to 350 different commands—voice commands and hand commands—said Wilfong.

Koons said all of the dogs have had basic obedience training as well as 18 weeks of advanced "off-leash" training.

Club members get together every Friday night at the Maplewood Civic Center in Garden City to work on routines and a 20-minute training session.

"None of the training is done with treats," Wilfong said. "It's strictly telling the dog he's a good dog—verbal treats."

All of the shows are put on free of charge. Any costs associated with the show, such as uniforms and equipment for tricks, is paid solely by club members.

Michelle Koons, a 17-year-old Novi High School student, works with her family's three white shepherds. She shows confirmation as well as participates in her mother's K-9 Klick shows.

"It's a lot of time and a lot of work, but the rewards are great," Michelle said. "You can take (the dogs) any place and not worry about them getting out of hand."

Pam Koons said club members are a dedicated lot. Most of them work during the day, leaving little time for themselves when a show is being performed.

"You've got to find it rewarding yourself to work with these animals," she said. "These dogs are a big part of our lives."

Upcoming shows for the K-9 Klick include the Carriage Court in Canton, Aug. 12; the Children's Home of Detroit in Grosse Pointe, Aug. 15; and an unscheduled performance at the Plymouth Inn. Each year, the group also participates in Howell's Festival of Lights Christmas event, dressing the dogs up in Christmas lights.

The group would like to reach more children's groups. Anyone interested in booking a show should call Koons at 349-2685.

Volunteer



Nancy Polcyn

Association's president loves her neighborhood

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

If you live in Novi, you know you live in the best city in the state, and if you live in Village Oaks, you know you live in the best subdivision in the city.

It's a factual matter, according to Nancy Polcyn, who has been president of Village Oaks Commons Areas Association for three years and treasurer and activities chairperson before that.

"We have 350 homes," she said, making it the largest subdivision in Novi. The residents are of all ages from small kids to retirees and of various professions, too.

There's a two-story clubhouse that has a ballroom which can hold 100, and there's a swimming pool.

"We have two lakes we maintain, too," Polcyn added. A monthly newsletter, The Village Oaks Voice, is mailed to every house, telling what's going on.

There are activities such as square dances, pot-luck suppers,

children's parties (under age 12 and also teen-agers), Fourth of July parade, Easter parade, Christmas and New Year's Eve parties.

"There's always some place to go, something to do," Polcyn said, "and if there isn't one, you can suggest it."

"We have monthly meetings," she continued, of the two governing bodies: "the executive council of which I'm president and the board of directors which determines how our money is invested."

Money? There's a \$130 annual membership fee per household and that covers everything except things like swimming lessons and private parties at the club house.

Yes, they rent the place out for outsiders. "The rental," Polcyn said, "enables us to do all of this."

You need a baby-sitter? No problem. You put in so many hours of baby-sitting for a member and you get that many back for yourself.

It takes doing, Nancy Polcyn said, but look what you get! "A lot of fun and a friendly place where people get to know each other."

It's A Fact

MDOT QUIZ

Michigan has converted more abandoned rail corridors for bicycle use than any other state. How many miles have been converted to date?

- a. 102.8 b. 98.5 c. 56.3

Travel between the U.P., Canada, and Michigan's lower peninsula was facilitated by the Mackinac Bridge improving trade, tourism and business travel in Michigan. How many vehicles crossed the Mackinac Bridge in 1993?

- a. 3,015,022 b. 3,633,060 c. 1,520,111

What is the most heavily traveled section of Interstate?

- a. I-69 West of Lansing
b. I-94 west of Kalamazoo
c. I-75 (the Chrysler) near the Davison Freeway

SOURCE: Michigan Department of Transportation

Garden club earns Novi Charter House award

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

Volunteers play a big part in the lives of the residents at the Novi Charter House and they are recognized every year at a very special tea. One individual or group is always presented the Bernice Frederick Award for Outstanding Volunteer Work.

This year the Northville Garden Club received the award from Sandy Spino, owner of the facility. In addition to all other groups or individuals also received certificates of appreciation and flowers. The residents also participate in volunteer activities by assisting at the kiosk, leading in singing, etc. and they too were recognized recently at an afternoon punch and cookies party by the Community Council.

They too received certificates, also had their pictures taken and a small picture frame to put the picture in for each one. Volunteers are always needed and presently there is a need for people from the community to assist at bingo for those who are hard of hearing, etc. Also a need for people to help set up the pins, etc. The two teams received their shirts and were appropriately distributed to the two teams, the Strikers and the Angels. Call Director Sandy Chadek at 477-2000 if you can help for an hour a week. Many special activities have been planned for the residents including a program by Ethel dancers, later in the month to celebrate Flag Day entertainment was furnished by Robin Beck and everyone enjoyed red, white and blue pop-sicles. On June 21 first day of sum-

mer, they had a party celebrating it with entertainment by keyboardist Francis Wesco, and everyone wore sun glasses and ate watermelon.

NOVI YOUTH ASSISTANCE
The Teen Center sponsored by this group of volunteers for the youth in Novi and surrounding areas has reopened this year. There is a change in the format because of not being able to use facilities for a drop-in center. Heading up the teen center is Director Jeff Stewart and a staff of five young people. The emphasis for activities this year will be on field trips and community service outings. The Civic Center will be the meeting place, registering and boarding buses in that area. In the Community Service Program they will be helping with the '50s Festival, helping seniors in the area with chores through the Senior Center and aiding in cleaning up the Novi parks. The program is open to graduating 5th graders and up. Anyone with questions should call 347-0410.

The center opened up on the 20th followed by trips to U.S. Blazes, Kensington Park for a picnic and swimming, and bowling at Novi Bowl. The second week they went to the Detroit Zoo, Red Oaks Water Pool, and Cedar Point. In addition they attended the fair at their attendance at the Novi '50s Festival on Saturday, July 30, and volunteers will be needed for the evenings activities.

The Civic Committee is also collecting school supplies and backpacks to be distributed to needy children in school in September. Coming up will be a family picnic and

desserts, casseroles, or what ever and own table service. Beverages and chicken are supplied. Raffle tickets for a \$50 drawing are used to help defray expenses. Hostesses supply the breads and for their efforts get to go through the line first. Following the meal, cards and bingo will be enjoyed. The business meeting will be July 27 at 1 p.m. with hostesses Dorothy Burkhardt, Janet Fields and Lila Mae Mainis. Tour Chairman Mary Kay Hill is taking reservations for the cruise planned on July 20 on Diamond Jack's River Tour. This is a two hour trip along both the U.S. and Canadian coasts. Tour sights will include Hart Plaza and Dodge Fountain, Renaissance Center, St. Aubin Park Marina, Manongon Mausoleum, Detroit Yacht Club, Hiram Walker Distillery, Ambassador Bridge and much more. One of the Crew members continually points out all the above and much more while traveling along side of the freighters and world traveling ocean ships and everyone is encouraged to bring your camera. The trip will include stopping for lunch at Bill Knapp's. Later plans include the traditional trip to Turkeyville in October. Anyone who would like more information on the club should call President Helen Weiss.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NOVI
The Annual Sunday School picnic was held last Saturday with a good attendance and good weather. A potluck picnic was planned by the young adult class headed up by the teacher, Mr. Robert Caswell assisted by the class secretary Mrs. Linda Saylor. Games and prizes were given out by

Novi Highlights

Ball, Whirly Ball, Canoeing, Tigers vs Seattle Mariners, Greenfield Village, Selfridge Air Force, a trip to the Ann Arbor Hands on Museum, and a trip to the Court house and also to the Novi Police Department. Some of the programs are free but others do require some fees with the Youth Assistance office supplying the buses and staff for chaperoning.

NOVI NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS
This club has as their motto, "There are no strangers here. Just friends who have never met." continue to be busy with many activities for members during the summer months, and plans for the fall.

The date for their "Kickoff Dinner and Fashion Show" has been set for Sept. 22 at 6:15 p.m. at the Sheraton Oaks Hotel. The Fashion Show will present clothes from Casual Corner and all those attending are being asked to bring canned goods to make plans for the Thanksgiving and Holiday Food Baskets. Coming up will be their attendance at the Novi '50s Festival on Saturday, July 30, and volunteers will be needed for the evenings activities.

NOVI SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB

All Seniors in the area are reminded of the club that meets for a potluck once a month and then a business meeting later in the month to make plans for activities. The next potluck will be July 6 in the stage area of the Civic Center with hostesses Eleanor Lewis, Ray Martin and Lily May Matins.

Those attending are asked to bring a passing dish, which can be salads.

Campus

Two Novi students are among a total of 1,687 students included in the dean's list for the winter semester of the 1993-94 academic year at Western Michigan University. They are: **DEBORAH ANNE BUTLER**, and **KURT N. KOKKO**.

LISA A. MCALEER was one of 185 members initiated into The University of Michigan chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

STEVEN COHEN, a senior at Michigan State University and a graduate of Novi High School, has been initiated as a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. To be invited for membership at Michigan State a senior student must be in the upper nine percent of his or her class.

named to the Kalamazoo College Dean's List for the last academic quarter.

Among those named were the following Novi students: Sophomore **HEATHER A. CLAREY**, a graduate of Walley Lake Western High School and daughter of Ruth Ann D. Clarey of Novi and Patrick M. J. Clarey of Sterling Heights; and Senior **JANETTE M. GENOVESE**, a graduate of Grand Blaine Senior High School and daughter of Evelyn M. Genovese of Novi and Samuel J. Genovese Jr. of Swartz Creek. To achieve the honor, students must earn a 3.5 grade point average, or above, on scale of 4.0.

The following Novi residents have been awarded scholarships from Madonna University for the 1994-95 academic year. **JANET BARTOL**, a junior and a legal assistant major, received the Anton Jakobs Scholarship. **KAREN EHRD**, a junior majoring in nursing, received the Francis and Anna Kujawa Scholarship; and **SUZANNE GOLDSMITH**, a senior majoring in English journalism, received the William Randolph Hearst Scholarship.

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Down town Detroit and Milford's Kensington Metropark will be the closest travel sites for those hoping to see some fireworks this Fourth of July holiday.

According to a AAA Michigan survey, depending on how far you're willing to travel, the southeast portion of the state is offering many fireworks displays. Unless otherwise noted, all events begin approximately at dusk (10 p.m.), weather permitting.

June 26 — Dundee, Dundee Fourth of July celebration, C.C. Rod Park, M-50, (313) 529-3430.

Engagement



Jeff Hosler/Amber Johnson

Mr. and Mrs. Larry P. Johnson of Carsonville are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber Larne, to Jeff Quentin Hosler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hosler of Charlevoix, Mich.

Amber is a 1987 graduate of Carsonville-Port Sanilac Schools. Jeff is a 1984 graduate of Northville Schools. Both are graduates of Ferris State University.

Amber and Jeff are employed by Phoenix Group Inc. of Farmington Hills, Mich.

An October 8, 1994, wedding is being planned.

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ICE CREAM

What flavor are you?

Did you know that your favorite ice cream flavor reveals something about your personality? Danilo Ponce, a medical doctor and psychiatrist at the University of Hawaii School of Medicine, says common flavors indicate certain personality traits. Here's the scoop:

Chocolate—You're sentimental, nostalgic and traditional. You like to reminisce about life's good times.

Vanilla—You're personable, proud and popular. You enjoy life's simple pleasures.

Strawberry—You're compassionate, easy-going and down-to-earth, willing to share feelings openly.

Butter Pecan—Romantic and personable, able to bring out the best in people.

Neapolitan—Flexible, experimental and able to compromise easily.

Coffee—Self-confident and competitive, you possess a take-charge personality of a perfectionist.

Mint Chocolate Chip—Bold and high-achieving with a good eye for detail, able to "read" people.

Chocolate Chip—An optimist who has full life.

Rocky Road—Adventurous, exciting, enjoy challenges.

In the early 17th century, a French chef introduced "cream ice" to King Charles I of England.

Initially, cream ice was a dessert reserved for royalty and people of the court. By the end of the century, commoners were allowed these confections. We now know these desserts as ice cream or frozen desserts.

The hand-cracked ice cream churn was invented in 1846, but it was 1904 before the first ice cream cone was sold. And this, of course, started a wave of frozen treats in a cone or on a stick. A trip to a modern "90s supermarket may confuse even the best shopper with all the names and definitions of available frozen desserts.

Frozen yogurt is either soft or hard. Soft frozen yogurts are served in cones or sundaes. Hard frozen yogurt has a smooth texture, but is less creamy than ice cream, and usually flavored with fruits.

Since plain yogurts do not freeze well, sugar, a stabilizer, milk solids and fruits have been added.

Ice milk is a generic name for frozen desserts that cannot be labeled ice cream because they contain too much air and/or too little butterfat. It is made from milk, stabilizers and sweeteners, and sometimes contains more sugar than ice cream.

Ice milk is a sherbet to which milk or cream has been added, but not enough to make it ice cream.

Sherbet can be called ice, water ice, Italian ice or fruit ice. Sherbet is generally made from pulverized fruit pulp, fruit juice and sugar syrup.

The French sorbet made with a light syrup, is slightly grainy and has an intense fruit flavor. Italian sorbets are made with a heavier syrup and tend to be smoother and sweeter. Sherbets and ices are more sensitive to texture changes than ice cream or frozen yogurt.

A bombe is a classic shape for molded ice cream. It looks like half a football. A bombe is a mixture of two or more frozen desserts of different colors layered and packed into the mold.

A watermelon bombe would certainly impress your friends. Layer the inside of the mold with vanilla ice cream, press plastic wrap against the ice cream and freeze at least four hours. Stir chocolate chips into raspberry sherbet to simulate watermelon seeds.

Remove the plastic from the vanilla mold and fill the cavity with the sherbet. Cover and freeze. After the bombe has been unmolded, paint the outside of the molded ice cream with green food coloring until it looks like a watermelon, slice to serve.

Do the unusual with frozen desserts. Cut off the top of a navel orange, and hollow out the pulp, fill with ice cream, sherbet or fruit ice, use the top for a lid and freeze individually. Allow about one-half hour to defrost and serve to your delighted guests.

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Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

What does your favorite flavor of ice cream say about you? Chances are if you're a mint chocolate chip lover like this woman, you are bold and high-achieving with a good eye for detail. Research indicates certain preferences for flavors of ice cream may reveal something about your personality.

Dieters can dish it up, too

Good news. Even if you're on a weight loss program, you can still enjoy the quintessential summertime treat—ice cream.

"In any weight loss program, it's important to include treats—foods you really enjoy," said Florie Mark, president and CEO of the WW Group Inc., the largest franchise of Weight Watchers International. "Learning to eat foods you love in a sensible way is one of the keys to lifetime achievements."

So, if the thought of ice cream gets you screaming, try these tips from Weight Watchers:

1. Order single service sizes of cones or cups.
2. Try low-fat yogurts, or reduced fat and calorie ice milk.
3. Make your own.

For make-it-at-home fun, Weight Watchers offers yummy recipes for creamy Homemade Ice Cream, Tangy Lime Sherbet and decadent Tin Roof Sundae. Recipes are from Weight Watchers Favorite Homestyles Recipes Cookbook.

HOMEMADE ICE CREAM
Makes 8 servings

1 1/2 cups evaporated skimmed milk
1 large egg or 1/2 cup egg substitute
4 medium bananas, mashed
1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
Sugar substitute to equal 1/2 cup sugar (12 packets)

In 5-cup ice cream maker, combine all ingredients except milk. Add milk to bring mixture up to fill line. Add more milk if necessary. Freeze according to manufacturer's directions.

A Guide To FROZEN DESSERTS

Ice Cream — made by stirring a slowly freezing pasteurized mix that includes one or more dairy ingredients (milk, cream and condensed milk), sweetening agents, flavorings and optional egg yolk solids or other ingredients.

Ice Milk — prepared with ice cream's ingredients but the milkfat content is lower, usually has more sugar than ice cream.

Sherbet — contains 1 to 2 percent milkfat and 2 to 5 percent total milk solids; water, flavoring, sweetener and stabilizers are added.

Yogurt — a mixture of milk, skim milk and/or cream and bacteria. It must contain at least 8.25 percent nonfat milk solids and 9 percent acid. Dairy products in yogurt are pasteurized or ultrapasteurized, using a heating process to destroy disease-producing bacteria and increase shelf life. They are also homogenized, producing a smooth, uniform texture.

Wholefat yogurt — must contain at least 3.25 percent milkfat.

Nonfat yogurt — must contain less than .5 percent milkfat.

SOURCE: The Dairy Council of Michigan.

Note: Each 1/2 cup serving provides 112 calories, 5 grams protein, 1 gram fat, 21 grams carbohydrate, 164 mg calcium, 76 mg sodium, 29 mg cholesterol, 1 gram dietary fiber.

LIME SHERBERT
Makes 4 servings

2 1/2 tsp. lemon-lime sugar-free drink mix
2 cups diet lemon-lime soda
1 Tbsp. plus 1 tsp. unflavored gelatin (2 packets)
1 Tbsp. fresh lemon juice

In large bowl, stir lemon-lime drink mix into buttermilk. In 2-quart saucepan, bring soda to a boil; let cool to lukewarm. Sprinkle gelatin over soda and reheat over medium-low heat, stirring constantly, until gelatin is completely dissolved.

Stir gelatin mixture and lemon juice into flavored buttermilk. Pour mixture into 2-quart plastic resealable container; place in freezer until mixture resembles set gelatin, four to six hours. In two batches, process briefly in food processor fitted with steel blade.

Return mixture to resealable container.

TIN ROOF SUNDAE
Makes 1 serving

1/2 cup frozen low-fat vanilla dairy dessert
1/4 ounce shelled peanuts, chopped
1 packet reduced-calorie chocolate dairy shake mix

Scoop frozen dessert into small dessert dish; sprinkle peanuts over the top. In small bowl, combine shake mix and about 2 tsp. hot water to make thick syrup. Pour over dessert and serve immediately.

Note: The serving provides 233 calories, 11 grams protein, 7 grams fat, 35 grams carbohydrate, 258 mg calcium, 266 mg sodium, 5 mg cholesterol and 1 gram dietary fiber.

Create fabulous flavors by making your own ice cream

For a sweet summer indulgence, delight "kids" ages eight to 80 with homemade ice cream.

No one will refuse a chance at the churn in order to reap the scrumptious rewards. That's why making ice cream tends to turn into a family activity. Whether using Grandfather's churn with rock salt and ice or one of the newer machines that needs no ice at all, young and old alike will gather to lend a helping hand—and spoon.

TO BEGIN—THE BASICS

Because every ice cream maker is different, get acquainted with your machine before you begin. Read the owner's manual thoroughly and follow the manufacturer's instructions for freezing. The basic procedure is simple—even for a first-timer—and these helpful tips ensure success.

- As with all good things, the better the ingredients, the better the results. Use fruit at the peak of ripeness, foreign imitation flavor extracts and use fresh eggs and real dairy products.
- Chill cooled ice cream mixtures completely before freezing.
- Ice cream expands as it freezes, so don't overfill the ice cream maker.
- Most should be filled to only two-thirds to three-fourths of their capacity. Check your manufacturer's instructions.
- Homemade ice creams are made without preservatives and stabilizers so they don't keep as long as commercial varieties. For optimum flavor and texture, eat homemade ice cream within one or two weeks.

FABULOUS FLAVOR

The most difficult—but fun—part about making homemade ice cream is choosing a flavor. According to the International Ice Cream Association, vanilla continues to be the most popular pick, selected nearly 30 per-

cent of the time. But, for a delicious alternative, the American Dairy Association has two new flavors you'll want to try. (See recipes below.)

In homemade brown sugar peach, brown sugar enhances the fresh peach flavor, setting it apart from other basic peach ice creams.

And six-ingredient-easy cinnamon is the perfect accompaniment for summer fruit pies and cobblers.

Each begins with a "stirred custard" base, which is the recommended start for all homemade ice creams containing eggs.

One package (16 ounces) frozen unsweetened sliced peaches, thawed, may be substituted for fresh peaches.

Variation: For a peach swirl, fold the sweetened peaches into cream mixture after freezing in freezer for at least one hour before serving.

CINNAMON ICE CREAM
Yields approximately 2 quarts

2 cups milk
4 eggs, beaten
1 cup sugar
6 sticks (about 3 inches each) cinnamon, broken into thirds
2 cups whipping cream
1 tsp. vanilla extract

Combine milk, eggs, sugar and cinnamon sticks in large saucepan. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and coats spoon, about 15 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in cream and extract. Chill at least three hours. Remove cinnamon sticks. Freeze in ice cream maker according to manufacturer's directions.

The cinnamon sticks can be substituted with 1 tsp. ground cinnamon.

BROWN SUGAR PEACH ICE CREAM
Yields approximately 2 quarts

4 large peaches (about 1 lb.)
1 1/4 cups firmly packed light brown sugar, divided
1 tsp. lemon juice
1 1/2 cups milk
3 eggs, beaten

1 1/2 cups whipping cream
1 tsp. vanilla extract

3 or 4 finely chopped peaches. Stir in 1/4 cup sugar and the lemon juice; reserve. Combine milk, eggs and remaining 1/2 cup sugar in medium saucepan. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and coats spoon, about 15 minutes. Stir in cream and extract. Chill. Stir peaches into cream mixture. Freeze in ice cream maker according to manufacturer's directions.

Seniors

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

Friday, July 1
8:30 a.m. Friends of the Homebound
10 a.m. Cards
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Bingo
12:30 p.m. Clogging
12:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge

Monday, July 4
Center closed.

Tuesday, July 5
8:30 a.m. Friends of the Homebound
9:30 a.m. Line dance
9 a.m. to Noon Massage therapy
10 a.m. Cards
Noon Lunch

Wednesday, July 6
8:30 a.m. Friends of the Homebound
10 a.m. Cards
11 a.m. Blood pressure
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Clogging

Thursday, July 7
8:30 a.m. Friends of the Homebound
9 a.m. Senior golf
9 a.m. to Noon Massage therapy
10 a.m. Cards
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Bridge

For more information, call the Novi Senior Center, 347-0414.

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.

A divorce recovery workshop has been scheduled for seven Thursday evenings, July 14-Aug. 25. A donation of \$50 is requested. Scholarships are available.

Several summer trips have been planned. A charter fishing/canoeing/camping trip is set for July 29, 30 and 31; a getaway weekend to the Double JJ Resort is planned for Aug. 12, 13 and 14 and a trip to the Shaw Festival is set for Aug. 20-21. Call for costs.

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.

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.

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.

A divorce recovery workshop will be presented from 7:09-9:30 p.m. July 11-15 and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 16. The week-long workshop will feature experienced speakers on "Assuming Responsibility," "Getting Your Ex in Focus," "Forgiveness," "Relationships," "Co-dependency," "Single Parenting" and "Letting Go of Your Past." The cost of the workshop is \$25. Child care will be available during the weekday sessions.

A grief support group will meet at 10:30 a.m. July 13 in the Calvinroom and at 7:30 p.m. July 7 and 21 in Room A-15.

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

Volleyball is played at 6 p.m. Thursday evenings at Rotary Park. Co-ed softball is also played on Wednesdays at Riley Middle School in Livonia. Although there is a limited number of positions for players, all are welcome to cheer from the sidelines.

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

Farmington Single Professionals is a non-profit group for singles ages 25-40 who share common interests and want to form new friendships. Membership is not limited to the Farmington area. The group participates in over 200 activities per year.

Volleyball is played at 6:15 p.m. every Tuesday in Heritage Park (Farmington Road between Ten Mile and Eleven Mile roads). Meet at the volleyball nets (when entering the park, turn right). The cost is \$1 for members and \$2 for non-members, which goes toward equipment.

For more information about Farmington Single Professionals, call 478-9181.

Parents Without Partners, Inc. (PWP) is an international, non-profit, non-sectarian educational organization devoted to the welfare and interest of single parents and their children.

The chapters of the Eastern Michigan Regional Council of PWP are holding an open to the public dance to raise funds to support the many programs and activities of these chapters. It will be hosted by the Rochester chapter from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 2 at the Ford Local 228 Hall, 39209 Mound Road (north of 17 Mile) in Sterling Heights.

The cost is \$5. There will be a cash bar and a disc jockey.

For information, call Dan Platz, 651-3511.

Novi seniors help out the homebound

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer



Victor and Arlene Gillet volunteer several days a week at the Novi Senior Center to help prepare meals for the homebound.

A little before 8 each weekday morning, Clara Lutz arrives at the Novi Senior Citizens Center. She starts the coffee and begins unloading stock items for Friends of the Homebound, a Mercy Services for Aging senior nutrition program.

Volunteers prepare, pack and deliver the meals to 50 to 60 shut-ins living in the Novi, Commerce, Highland, White Lake, Holly, Milford and Walled Lake areas.

Before the food arrives from Mercy Center in Farmington Hills, Lutz gets the steam tables started and later "temps" the food, making sure it reaches the required 140 or more degrees. She also makes sure the center is well-stocked in Styrofoam containers used for salads and fruits, lunch and sandwich bags, paper towels and placemats.

The vegetables are cooked in the Novi senior center kitchen for both the homebound program and the local center's lunch program, according to Lutz.

"They're just beautiful meals," raved Arlene Gillet.

Gillet volunteers with her husband Victor, twin sister Maxine and Maxine's husband and Victor's twin brother, Vincent, for the program. Arlene and Victor also volunteer in Livonia and Farmington Hills senior centers.

"This program wouldn't run without people like them," Ellen Johnston said. Johnston was supervising last week's program in the absence of Sister Camille Kelley.

Arlene said volunteering adds to her life.

"It makes living good," she said.

Lutz, who has volunteered for over six years, said it keeps her from getting lonely.

"I like to be with people," she said.

Reunions

Some of the following reunions are being planned by Class Reunions Plus in St. Clair Shores, (313) 886-0770, and Reunions Made Easy in Novi, (810) 390-6100.

ANDOVER HIGH SCHOOL: Bloomfield Hills; Class of 1974; July 30 at Novi Hilton Hotel; Class Reunions Plus.

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

BERKLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1964; June 25 at Amick's Italian Village, Farmington Hills; Reunions Made Easy.

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

CARLSON HIGH SCHOOL: Gibraltor; Class of 1984; July 16 at Knights of

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.

COOLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Alumni classes from 1929 to 1950 will be holding their fourth annual picnic from noon to 7 p.m. Aug. 10 at Rotary Park, located on Six Mile Road between Farmington and Merriman, in Livonia. There will be a commemorative theme honoring the hundreds of Cooley students who gave their lives in World War II.

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 Musicale in Farmington Hills; Reunions Made Easy.

FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL: Livonia; Class of 1974; Nov. 26 at Sheraton Oaks Hotel in Novi; Class Reunions Plus.

GARDEN CITY EAST HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1973; July 30 at Amick's Italian Village in Farmington Hills; Reunions Made Easy.

GARDEN CITY WEST HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; Aug. 13 at Fairlane Manor, Dearborn; Class Reunions Plus.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; July 1 at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club; Class Reunions Plus.

HAZEL PARK HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1984; Sept. 16 at the Stephenson Haus in Hazel Park. The committee is searching for classmates. Call Reunions Planners, (810) 465-2277 or (810) 263-6803 or write to Box 291, Mt. Clemens, MI 48046.

HIGHLAND PARK HIGH SCHOOL: Classes of 1939 and 1940; Sept. 15-17, 1995, at the Radisson on the Lake, Ypsilanti; Class Reunions Plus.

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 Hilton. For information, or if you have addresses of former classmates, call Ruth (Pulver) 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 (Hecker) Boli, 348-3974, or Sally (Johnson) Flyer, 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., 48276-7101.

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

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

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

TRENTON HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1984; Aug. 12 at the Italian American Club, Trenton; Class Reunions Plus.

WALLED LAKE WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1974; Oct. 1 at Farmington Hills Holiday Inn; Class Reunions Plus.

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Church news

Father Les Harding of CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL, 46200 W. Ten Mile, Novi, received a commendation and the chaplain of the Civil Air Patrol, Michigan Wing Conference last month. The monthly attendance for May, at 357, was higher compared to last year's figure of 271 parishioners.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi. It's time to gear up for the Christmas In July workshop which entails wrapping gifts for the senior population at the Charter House of Novi Convalescent Home. The workshop will be held from 12:30 to 3 p.m. July 14 (for set-up) and 6 to 9 p.m. the same day for selecting and wrapping gifts.

Items still needed for the workshop include jewelry boxes, Christmas wrapping paper, men's and women's cardigan button-up sweaters, hand lotion, combs, small gift items (especially for men), Christmas items or decorations appropriate for a nursing home room, lip pads, new or like-new stuffed animals, new socks or footies, new slippers (one size fits all), new Christmas cards and anything else you can think of. The men's/women's appointments are now being accepted through the Christian Service office for Wednesday, July 6 and Thursday, July 7, for when the Oakland County Mobile Breast Detection Unit visits the church. The 34-foot self-contained facility is staffed with women and designed for privacy and confidentiality. Each appointment takes approximately 45 minutes.

The Prayer Group of ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH, 46325 Ten Mile Road, Novi, meets at 7 p.m. each Tuesday at the church to pray the mysteries of the most Holy Rosary. The Community Clothes Closet needs gently used clothing, toys and household items. The closet is located in the trailer next to Novi Meadows School (north side between school and tennis courts), 25549 Taft Road, between Ten Mile and Eleven Mile roads.

Volunteers will then meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. July 23 to caravan the food to Cass United Methodist Church. There, they will serve the food and expect to be back in Northville around 3 p.m. Sign up forms are in Friendship Hall. Send items regarding church programs and activities to The Northville Records/Novi News, 194 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

Summer Bible school offers fun, friendship

By MICHELLE HARRISON Staff Writer

What benefits do children receive by attending vacation Bible school? Just ask Judy VanTuy, one of the organizers of the week-long event at First Baptist Church of Northville. "You mean besides coming together and learning about Jesus, learning Bible verses and having a good time?" she asked. "Making new friends, but keeping old ones."

VanTuy, along with Shirley Backman and Murla Berryman, started planning for the church's vacation school in January. The last day of classes was held last Friday.

Each day, the children would participate in a recreational activity, do craft projects, hear Bible stories and sing. All activities were associated with the school's theme, "Fruit of the Spirit—Son Country Farm."

VanTuy said love, joy, peace, patience and kindness—fruit of the Spirit—were emphasized. Teachers and volunteers also reinforced the "Son Country Farm" theme by donating hats, bib overalls and fake freckles.

During the week, students had a chance to barter for items in the "Old Country Store" by bringing clocks and a pair. For each memory verse the student learned, or visitor he brought in as well as other incentives, the student would receive a chick to put toward a certain item in the store.

The students also had the opportunity to learn about another country as they heard about First Baptist's two missionaries—Dave and Lynn West—on a two-year stay in China. Besides providing education for children, vacation Bible schools often mean a return to church for young families, according to the Rev. David Grundmeier, pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

"A lot of times, parents use vacation Bible school as the first time for the kids to get really into Bible study," he said. "Often times, it's new parents' first contact with the church since they were teenagers. It leads into a family ministry to families who haven't got back into the church. Often times, the child is the catalyst to doing that."

The following churches have scheduled vacation Bible school classes: NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July 18-22; no cost; theme is The Peace Patrol. Solving Spiritual Mysteries; to register, call the church at 348-9030.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Northville, Aug. 1-5; cost is \$10 per child or \$18 per family; ages 4 years through 5th grade; theme is "Beneath the Storytelling Tree"; pre-register by July 24 by picking up a form in the church office.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY, Northville, 9:30 a.m. to noon Aug. 1-5; registration is limited to members of the church only; deadline for registration is today.

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Northville, 9 a.m. to noon July 18-22; theme is "Adventures in Prayer—Exploring God's Kingdom"; a donation of \$5 per child is requested; to register, show up at the church on the first day of classes.



Ride 'em cowboys and cowgirls. Three-year-old children enrolled in Northville First Baptist Church's vacation Bible school made stick horses as part of a craft project last week.

The daily offerings taken at the Bible school will go toward purchasing Bibles for the missionaries.

Novi United Methodist Church is offering a new slant to this year's vacation Bible school. Classes will be held in the evening and will be geared toward including the entire family.

The evening will begin with a meal before the children break into their classes.

Novi United Methodist Church, Nov. 9 to 11:30 a.m. July 18-22; theme is "Code J.E.S.U.S." for those ages 4 and through the sixth grade; registration is currently underway; call the church at 349-5666.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH, Nov. 9 to 11:30 a.m. July 18-22; ages 3 to those entering the eighth grade; theme is "Exploring God's King—Adventures in Prayer"; registration is going on until July 10; there is no cost, however, a free will offering will be taken.

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Trips to France help inspire local painter

By MICHELLE HARRISON Staff Writer

It has rained four of the eight times Caroline Dunphy has painted in the gardens of the French impressionist Claude Monet.

One year she was "stuck as a dog," after she and her daughter caught a bug on the airplane while on their way to the Giverny gardens.

But neither the rain nor the flu has kept the Northville artist from spending a day sketching in her favorite spot.

"That garden is like no garden in the entire world," she said. "To go sit there and paint, I almost felt like I was going to meet him (Monet) someday."

Dunphy and her husband just returned a few weeks ago after vacationing in Provence, France. Of course, she made a stop at Monet's gardens to paint for a day.

She will combine paintings based on last summer's trip with her recent one as she prepares for an art show in September.

"Everytime I start a painting, it's almost like I'm going there again," the artist said. "There's one flower bed just to the right... it's all mauves, pinks and purples no matter what time of the year. It's my favorite, favorite spot."

In the spring, the lilies are out. That's my favorite flower to paint, so I was in my glory."

To help keep the images of the garden alive in her mind when she gets back home, Dunphy takes photographs and uses a sketchbook.

"I keep a sketchbook going a lot of the time," she said. "I do do watercolors as much as I can. I have a very photographic memory. When I take a picture I know where it will be in the painting... I sort of sketch with my camera."

On her latest trip, Dunphy used over 20 rolls of film. A downtown business owner for about two decades, Dunphy jokes that she has outlived the numerous landlords and tenants of the Center Street building which houses her studio.

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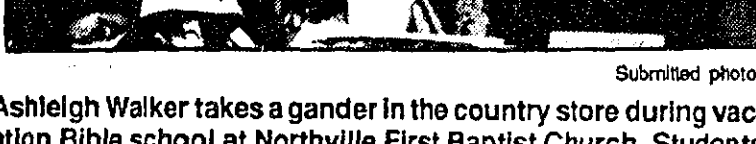
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Research scholar and author Ken R. Canfield will present the seminar "Seven Secrets of Effective Fathering" on July 8 and 9 at Detroit First Church of Nazarene in Northville.

The seminar begins Friday, from 7 to 9 p.m., with a session for couples. Canfield will discuss how wives can help their husbands be better fathers.

The Saturday session will be for men and will address a variety of topics including the negative effects of a father's absence, hindrances to effective fathering, the seven secrets of effective fathers and the necessity of accountability. Saturday's session will run from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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Rosie O'Donnell, Rick Moranis, John Goodman and Elizabeth Perkins earn good grades in 'The Flintstones.'

'Much Ado' merits much ado

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING
By Tim Anderson
Novi

If you are willing to be intellectually involved in a romantic comedy, this gem is for you. Adapting Shakespeare to film has had dismal results in the past ('Hamlet' with Mel Gibson comes to mind). What Kenneth Branagh has done with his adaptation of 'Much Ado About Nothing' is magnify the persona above the prose. Because of the vivacity of the actors, especially Branagh and Emma Thompson, I found myself on the edge of my seat, ready to solve the puzzle of the next uttered phrase.

The one disappointment in this film was the part of the dim-witted constable played by Michael Keaton. His part borrowed too much from the Monty Python movies and his Beethoven character to be believable, and much of what he said was unintelligible. Thankfully, it was such a minor part that it was just a nuisance in an otherwise exemplary film.

This movie is not for the kids, but if you're in the mood for a stimulating frolic through Shakespeare's world, you can't go wrong renting 'Much Ado About Nothing.'

DOMINIC AND EUGENE
By Helaine Blinsock
Novi

Dominic's (Tom Hulec) restricted mental development is apparent, yet he's able to diligently handle his garbage collector job. His truck partner, Larry, not too sharp himself, recognizes his pal's limitations but likes him anyway. Dominic may be dull-witted, but he's a buddy.

Dominic's brother (Ray Liotta) is a busy medical student, grappling to achieve good grades while caring for Eugene. Parents long gone, they've survived together, bonded by love. However, responsibility for Dominic begins to impede

READER MOVIE REVIEWS

Eugene's efforts to establish a career and form relationships. A promising opportunity is offered Eugene elsewhere. He knows if he accepts the proposal, plenty of danger and a little piece of heart, but was not as genuine as the original.

City Slickers II gets a generous three stars (based on a five-star scale with five being the best). Lots of fun to watch, but lacks the qualities that the original introduced to the audience.

DAZED AND CONFUSED
By Dave Perrotta
Northville

"Dazed and Confused." That about says it all. This is the perfect cut for the summer, party movie.

As a prelude to the opening credits, there's this message: "You're about to see a movie which contains references to drugs, fun, loud music, parties, youth & sex."

There's a party in the works on the last day of school as a group of '77 high school juniors patiently await their ring of freedom. For some, this movie may be a total bore, while others will just sit back, take a "toch," off a joint and laugh because that's exactly what they're doing. To sum it up, here's a list of priorities according to the manager of kids in the movie.

Number one priority is to smoke pot anywhere, anytime and with anyone. Second includes partying (mainly drinking) anywhere, any-

time and again with anyone. Third is to beat the butts of incoming freshmen over the summer. And lastly, before there were smashing pumpkins, smashing mailboxes was a favorite pastime.

This movie couldn't have been released at a better time. It's summer, and kids want to party. This isn't only for kids, but you twenty- and thirtysomethings can also appreciate the humor and reminiscence. So why not get a few laughs and check out "Dazed and Confused," now on video.

THE FLINTSTONES
By Heather Wadowski
Northville

When 'The Flintstones' has first advertised, I thought the only people who would enjoy it would be four year olds. But the fact that John Goodman ("Roseanne") and Stephen "Spideck" created it got me to the movie theater on opening day.

And boy am I glad! "The Flintstones" was definitely not aimed for four year olds, in fact, the only people who were laughing in the movie theater were teenagers and adults. The humor in this movie anyone under six will not understand. It's just too advanced. In fact, most of it appears in the end as the credits go up.

The special effects in 'The Flintstones' were good, but most of it looked like "Jurassic Park" leftovers.

All in all, 'The Flintstones' was pretty good. I recommend it to anyone who wants a good laugh. As for Stephen "Spideck," he will definitely receive a pretty penny with 'The Flintstones.' And don't be surprised when it puts up a lot of Oscars next year.

Rick Moranis, Rosie O'Donnell, Elizabeth Perkins, Richard Moll, Jonathan Winters and Elizabeth Taylor also star in 'The Flintstones,' along with a special appearance by the BC-52s.

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Grigg, Serra make first all-area ball team Tom Grigg is named Player of the Year

It's always interesting to see just how much talent can be assembled on one all-star baseball team. This year's HomeTown Newspapers all-area baseball first team has outdone itself. There have been some talent-rich teams in years past, but this year's squad is stacked from top to bottom.

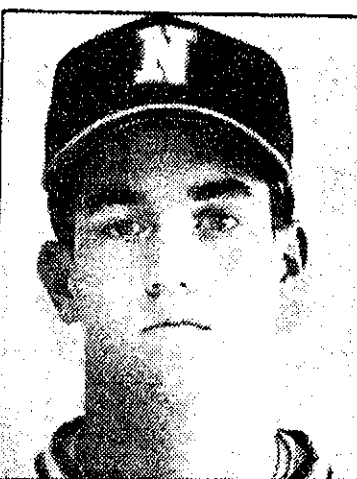
There are several members of the first team who could probably win Player of the Year honors in any other season. Standout performers like Lakeland's Tom Hartley and South Lyon's Jason Hoorn proved their value to their teams time and time again this season and their numbers are very impressive.

Novi's Tom Grigg also was a great value to his team and his tremendous skill in just about every area of his game, however, makes him the choice for 1994 Player of the Year.

Grigg batted .406 on the year and had an on-base percentage of .600. He also stole 36 bases and was an outstanding defensive player from his shortstop position. In addition, he was a leader in the Novi dugout and that sometimes meant more to the team than his timely hitting and clutch fielding.

Grigg has plenty of company when it came to talent on the first team. Here's a look at the all-area selections as made by the sports editors of *The Northville Record*, *Novi News*, *Milford Times* and *South Lyon Herald*.

JASON HOORN
South Lyon, Pitcher
Hoorn, a junior, was the unan-



Player of the Year Tom Grigg.

imous choice this season for Lions Most Valuable Player despite some other great performances on the team.

He proved his worth early in the season by getting off to a tremendous start at the plate that included a 17-game hitting streak. Although he cooled off a bit in mid-May, Hoorn never let his average drop below .400 and he remained a mainstay on defense at third base.

His pitching is what proved most valuable to the Lions later in the season, however, when he used his talents to shut down the opponent's best hitters en route to the Lions' impressive showing in the district playoffs.

Hoorn wound up batting .421 on the year with 27 RBI and went 5-3 as a pitcher with one save to his credit. He had a 2.83 ERA and also

struck out 80 batters while walking only 10 on the year. That plus 70 in the strikeouts-to-walks category is the best in school history, according to South Lyon coach Mark Thomas.

Jason's always a quiet player," said Thomas. "He does whatever is asked of him and he does it well. It doesn't look like he's giving much effort out there but he really is. He just lets his numbers speak for themselves," he added.

Hoorn made the all-KVC second team selection this year.

CHUCK AFLIGIAN
Northville, Infielder
Apligian played solid defense in a couple of positions for the Mustangs, alternating between catcher and third base. But it was his offensive prowess that made him such a valued addition to his team.

Chuck batted lead-off and got things going for us," said coach Mickey Newman. "He often started us off."

And he kept things going for Northville. The senior smacked six doubles and one homer, and scored 17 runs on his way to a .344 batting average. He also swiped 14 bases.

Apligian's outstanding play earned him W.A.A. All-League honors.

JASON RICE
Northville, Infielder
Like Apligian, Rice split his defensive duties between third base and catcher, turning in dependable performances at both positions.

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1994 All-Area BASEBALL

PLAYER	FIRST TEAM			SCHOOL
	GRADE	POSITION	SCHOOL	
JASON HOORN	JR	PITCHER	SOUTH LYON	
DAYNE COPELAND	SR	CATCHER	SOUTH LYON	
RANDY HORST	SR	INFIELD	MILFORD	
CHUCK AFLIGIAN	SR	INFIELD	NORTHVILLE	
KEVIN SERRA	SR	INFIELD	NOVI	
TOM GRIGG	SR	INFIELD	NORTHVILLE	
JASON RICE	SR	INFIELD	SOUTH LYON	
JOHN HATTON	SR	OUTFIELD	SOUTH LYON	
TOM HARTLEY	SR	OUTFIELD	LAKELAND	

SECOND TEAM			
JASON MAVEL	SR	PITCHER	NORTHVILLE
MITCH JABCZPNSKI	JR	INFIELD	NOVI
ERICHARDIN	FR	INFIELD	LAKELAND
NATHAN DIESCH	JR	INFIELD	LAKELAND
CORY SARGENT	SO	OUTFIELD	SOUTH LYON
JOHN WROE	JR	OUTFIELD	NORTHVILLE
DON LEVOSKA	JR	OUTFIELD	SOUTH LYON
JEREMY AGNE	SR	OUTFIELD	LAKELAND
CURT KAHNBER	SR	OUTFIELD	NORTHVILLE

HONORABLE MENTION
NOVI: Chuck Jozwiak, Andy Sill, Youichi Matsunaga
NORTHVILLE: David McCulloch, Fred Swarthout
LAKELAND: Steve Bubnes
SOUTH LYON: Bob Mason
MILFORD: Mike Sproule

ALL-AREA BASEBALL 1994

Jabczpnski, Wroe make second team

Usually, second team players on all-area teams are just a step below the players on the first team.

Several of the players who dot this year's second team are either former all-first team selections or were predicted to make all-first team honors this year but failed to do so only because of unexpected outstanding seasons from some unheralded players in the area.

This year's second team is therefore very experienced but there are also some younger players on board who give this team a unique blend of talent that would probably give the first-teams a real run for their money out on the diamond.

Here's a look at the players that make up the 1994 all-area second team, a squad that really deserves a

more appropriate title. (All selections are made by the sports editors of the *Milford Times*, *Northville Record*, *Novi News* and *South Lyon Herald*.)

JASON MAVEL
Pitcher, Northville
Mavel was the ace of the Mustang pitching staff this season, carrying the load for coach Mickey Newman whenever a pressure-packed contest was on tap.

"He pitched a lot of big ball games for us. He had a real good year," Newman said.

Mitch Jabczpnski had opposing batters swinging at nothing all year long. His blazing fastball



Pitcher Mitch Jabczpnski. File photo by SCOTT PIPER

Grigg picks college over major league

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

The 17-year-old said he's confident of making the final cut. Should Grigg make it, it would be quite an experience.

After the Olympic Festival, he would travel to Texas to train with his beginning.

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Talent abounds on first all area team

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Also like his platoon partner, Rice was an offensive standout for the Mustangs, batting a sensational .491 and knocking in 20 runs. He clubbed four home runs and banged out six doubles.

In addition, the speedy junior scored 21 runs and stole 14 bases without being thrown out.

"As good as he is now, he has the potential to be even better," coach Mickey Newman said.

Rice was the only junior named to the WIAA All-League unit.

TOM GRIGG
Novi, Infielder

Novi coach Brian Howard feels there was only one thing wrong with Grigg's spectacular career as a Wildcat: it had to end.

"So much has been written about him and it's all true," Howard said.

Grigg recorded some unbelievable statistics over his four years of playing time with Novi, amassing an incredible .432 batting average and stealing 136 bases out of 141 attempts.

The standout was all-encompassing in his senior year, including statewide Class A First Team honoree. He also was named to the all-class Dream Team, razing him as one of the four top infielders in the state.

Knowing a good thing when they saw one, Michigan State University scouts made him their most sought-after recruit, and Grigg will attend the East Lansing school on a full scholarship.

"They don't come any better," Howard added.

KEVIN SERRA
Novi, Infielder

Serra was a top offensive producer for the Wildcats in 1994, hitting for a stellar .459 batting average.

"He was the best hitter on the team," Howard said. "He was even better than Tom (Grigg) this year. He's an excellent leader."

Howard credited Serra with being responsible for much of the Wildcats' success in the team's 16-11 season.

RANDY HORST
Milford, Infielder

Horst was one of the bright spots on what was basically a dismal year for the Redskins.

The senior first baseman had another outstanding year in his third season at the varsity level. Performing well in sports is nothing new to Horst, though, as he showed that being one of the top players in the area in football, basketball and baseball isn't impossible, just rare.

"The kids definitely respect him because he's a three-sport star," said Milford coach Mike Shearer.

Hitting number three in the Redskins' lineup meant that Horst would get his opportunity to shine for the team at the plate and he certainly filled that order. He batted .379 for the year and had 27 RBI, eight doubles, and two tri-

ples. He led the Milford team in each of those categories.

"You could count on him to hit anybody whether they were a hard thrower or a junker," said Shearer.

Horst hopes to continue to flourish athletically and academically as well in the fall as he plans to attend prestigious Carnegie-Mellon College near Pittsburgh where he'll play football.

Horst was named to the all-KVC second team this season.

TOM HARTLEY
Lakeland, Outfielder

The 1994 spring baseball season had to be particularly satisfying for Hartley, a junior outfielder. Hartley was one of the top players in the area this year and although his Eagles didn't do quite as well as he would've hoped in the playoffs, the team did make it to the district finals before being knocked out and, personally, had a monster year after suffering through a series of injuries in his first two years on the varsity level.

Hartley had the top batting average in the area swinging at a .500 clip for the season. He also drove in 34 runs and scored 32 times for Lakeland.

"He did everything that was asked of him and more," said Ganzel. "If he can duplicate this or do even better next season, it will be one heckuva senior year."

In his freshman year, Hartley was forced to sit out with an injury and his performance was hampered by last year with a sore foot. He broke the foot while playing basketball, another sport that Hartley has been known to dominate in the Lakeland uniform.

Hartley made all-KVC first team in '94.

JOHN HATTON
South Lyon, Outfielder

The senior rebounded to have a great season after a poor start offensively.

Hatton struggled at the plate during the first few weeks of the spring and that's probably the main reason why he didn't crack the .400 mark this year. He wound up batting .367 for the season with 24 RBI and four home runs.

Thomas said that Hatton was forced to move to the left field after playing mainly in the infield in '93 and he handled the switch amazingly well. "He played very well this year," said Thomas. "He accepted his position and he got better as the season went on. Whatever the team needs, he'll do it," added the coach.

Thomas also counted on Hatton for his leadership ability this season. Hatton, who was a stand-out quarterback for the South Lyon football team last year, was one of the team's co-captains along with Copeland so he was also a vocal leader for the Lions.

Hatton was an all-KVC second team selection this year.

Grigg named Player of the Year

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Grigg will have to wait awhile to start his professional career.

No major league team selected him in the amateur draft earlier this month. Not because he doesn't have the talent, but because of his status with MSU.

"With me signing so early," Grigg said, "a lot of teams didn't want to waste a pick on me because they figured I would go to college."

Major league clubs like to draft players they can "sign on the spot," he added. Grigg will have to wait until after his junior year with the Spartans before being eligible for the draft again.

"I'm going to go to school for three years and then test the waters again," he said.

Michigan State has given Grigg a

baseball scholarship that will cover his academic expenses. On the diamond, he'll likely start for the Spartans next spring as well.

"It's a better choice than trying to survive on my own," he commented.

Chances are, the former Wildcat would've started off in the low minor leagues and had a long climb up to the majors.

"I didn't want to be a fill-in Rookie League or Class A," he added.

Many players that go the college route start off much closer to the majors after being drafted. Instead of being five or six rungs down, college players are often only one or two.

"I'm pretty sure I'll be higher on somebody's draft list," Grigg said. "I've got a better chance after three years."

Paper names its second area team

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Lions as he stole eight bases and led the team in runs scored with 24. Levoska batted .321 for the year and Thomas said he made him the leadoff hitter in the potent South Lyon offense because he knew that Levoska would always make contact with the ball. Levoska backed up that concept by striking out only six times all season.

This year Levoska was an all-KVC honorable mention selection.

CORY SARGENT
South Lyon, Outfielder

The sophomore centerfielder was definitely a key performer for South Lyon in his second year at the varsity level.

He was among the team leaders in batting with a .340 average and he also drove in 22 runs during the season.

Sargent was another player in Thomas' lineup that almost always made contact against opposing pitchers. He struck out only seven times in 100 at-bats this year.

He also used his great speed to make some spectacular plays in the outfield, said Thomas, who added that Sargent has been able to succeed at South Lyon because of a great work ethic.

"He's an excellent athlete but he also tries very hard at the game," said Thomas.

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NATHAN DIESCH
Lakeland, Infielder

Diesch, a junior, had an excellent season for someone who played injured and out of his normal position for most of the season.

After injuring his shoulder playing hockey, Diesch was forced to move from his normal positions of either pitcher or catcher in the Eagle lineup to first base.

Lakeland coach Jerry Ganzel said the injury hurt Diesch a little at the beginning of the year but he rebounded and made a smooth transition to first. Diesch was 2-3 as a starting pitcher in '93 for Lakeland but he didn't pitch at all this spring and Ganzel said that probably hurt the team down the stretch.

Diesch batted .329 for the Eagles and led the team in home runs with three. He also drove in 22 runs which was second best on the squad.

Defensively, he was very reliable committing only two errors all season long at first.

Diesch was an all-KVC honorable mention selection this year.

ERIC HARDIN
Lakeland, Infielder

The freshman shortstop was just what Ganzel's Eagles needed at the beginning of the season.

There was a hole to fill at short at the start of the year when Hardin stepped in and took hold of the position. He made an immediate impact on the club coming up with four game-winning RBIs in the first month of the action.

Hardin cooled off a bit but he still was a big asset to the team both offensively and defensively and he was an effective pitcher as well going 3-4 on the year.

He batted .319 and had 18 RBIs for the year. Hardin also was one of the most durable players on the Lakeland team as he led the Eagles in total innings played with 190.

For a freshman, Eric did more than I ever expected," said Ganzel who has seen his share of talented Lakeland first year players in the past.

Hardin was named all-KVC honorable mention for his performance this spring.



Outfielder Jon Wroos. File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

JEREMY AGNE
Lakeland, Outfielder

Agne, a senior, may have felt a little pressure to do too much for the team at the beginning of the season and it hurt him at the plate.

He batted under .200 for the first month of the year but the other facets of his game were still strong. He turned it around in the second half of the season going on a tear that saw him raise his average more than 100 points.

Agne finished with a .316 average to go along with 29 RBI and Ganzel said that his leadership in the Eagle clubhouse was immeasurable.

At the beginning of the year Ganzel chose to move Agne's spot in the batting order from first to third so that he would have some other good hitters both in front and behind him. Ganzel said the move may have hurt Agne initially but he adapted and got better as the season progressed.

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CURT KAISNER
Outfield, Northville

Senior outfielder Curt Kaisner was an excellent contact hitter for the Mustangs, getting his bat on the ball a lot.

"He batted second for us and put the ball in play," coach Mickey Newman said. "He was a steady all-around player."

But putting the ball in play isn't all he did—he also found a lot of holes in the defensive alignments of the opposing teams. He hit .340 on the year, clubbing five doubles and one home run.

"He continued to improve all year long," Newman added.

DON LEVOSKA
South Lyon, Outfielder

Levoska was one of the leaders of the Lions despite only being a junior. He had to learn to play a new position this year after coach Mark Thomas switched him from center to rightfield at the beginning of the year. Thomas said that rightfield was the toughest outfield position for the team this year because of the position of the sun in the 4 p.m. games and Levoska made the switch without ever complaining.

"He continued to improve all year long," Newman added.



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Teen Center opens for summer

Well school's out and it's the first week of summer vacation. How many times have you heard, "I'm bored, there's nothing to do?" How many days can you handle the kids watching talk shows or re-runs on TV, playing Nintendo or fighting with one another?

How do you spell relief? NYA Teen Center.

The 1994 Novi Youth Assistance Teen Center got underway this past Monday, June 20. It's different from past years because there is no home base—it's strictly a field trip program. The construction at Novi High School took away the area the Teen Center usually used for its home base. It may not be the same, but basically the center still provides fun, recreational activities for youth ages 11 and up.

"There's no reason for your kids to sit around this summer, being bored and driving parents crazy," said Jeff Stewart, Teen Center Supervisor. "We have trips leaving the Novi Civic Center, Monday through Thursday, now until August 11. There's something for everyone!"

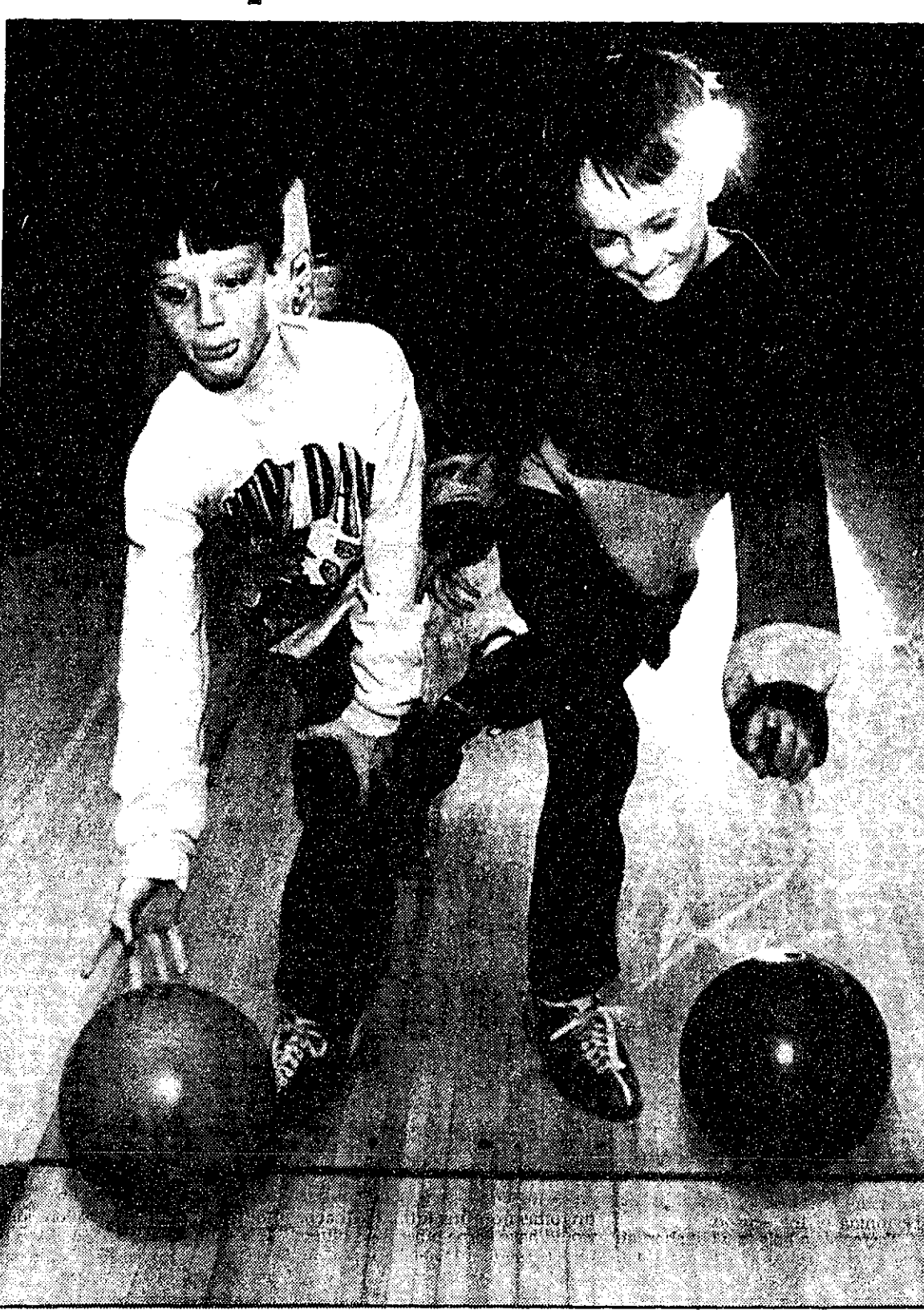
You can pick up a calendar of events at the Novi Youth Assistance Office in the Civic Center (down the hall from Parks and Recreation) or call 347-0410. Some of the field trips include U.S. Blades roller blading and skating, Novi Bowl, Whirly Ball, Detroit Zoo, Red Oaks Ware Pool and Four Bears Water Park.

They also have two trips planned for Kensington Park with a picnic and swimming. The second picnic on July 11 you can bring bikes and roller blades, a truck will load them in and follow the bus to Kensington for a great afternoon.

There is a special all day trip to Cedar Point, Thursday, June 30, from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. Two afternoon Tiger Games are on the calendar for July 28 against Seattle and August 11 against the Brewers.

There's definitely something for everyone. Call the NYA now at 347-0410 and get registered now. Times vary and there are minimal costs for all trips except Kensington Park. The Expo Center (a variety of indoor activities), District Court and Novi Police Detroit Tour and the Lakeshore Park Trip.

Don't waste another minute... call 347-0410 for your Teen Center calendar of events.



File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Bowling is just one of the many activities available through the NYA Teen Center.

Novi band plays in summer series

By CINDY STEWART
Special Writer

The Chisel Bros. and Thometta Davis were spectacular last Thursday and appropriately ended their indoor performance with "I Can Stand the Rain."

For your listening pleasure, tonight's feature at the Novi Parks and Recreation Sounds of Summer Concert Series is Wild Orchid, a Novi band blending Nashville, Texas blues and rock 'n' roll at 7 p.m. on the north lawn of the Novi Civic Center.

Wild Orchid was formed in 1991, playing occasional private parties only. They used this time to carve out their sound, and built up a small but loyal following. They bring the band

around vocalist Connie Vee and what she could do. In 1992, the band began testing the waters of the local club scene. By late 1993, Wild Orchid's sound had revealed raw, straight from the heart vocals, totally uncompromising and full of raunchy, gritty guitar work.

The rhythm section is very tight, experienced and diversified, featuring former members of Norma Jean, Belts Alistair and the rock band Silk. The band consists of Marvin Conrad, bass guitar; Connie Vee, vocals; Paul Bendersky, drums; and Tommy D., guitar and vocals.

Their repertoire includes a blend of originals and cover tunes by The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Patty Loveless, Bonnie Raitt and Stevie Ray

Vaughn. The Wild Orchard sound is simple—enjoyable listening and very danceable music. It's a pop/rock of Nashville, Texas blues and old style rock 'n' roll.

Wild Orchid works out of Metro Detroit area. They have appeared on Groove Session, a local program on MetroVision Cable, numerous times. Their favorite is private parties and summertime concert series.

The 1994 Sounds of Summer Concert Series is presented by Novi Parks and Recreation, Providence Medical Center-Nov, Ford Motor Company Foundation and Charter House of Novi. When you come out and enjoy

the concerts, you are also eligible to win lunch for two from either Border Cantina, Olive Garden Italian Restaurant, Ruby Tuesdays, Salvatore Scalloppi and Shields. There is also free lemonade and munchies and novelties for the kids.

Why not make every Thursday evening a special night for you and your family? Bring lawn chairs or blankets and even a picnic supper. Concerts are held inside the Civic Center in case of rain. See you at 7 p.m. Next week's concert is North Wind, a hard-driving pop/rock band playing songs from the '50s, '60s and '70s.

Cindy Stewart is the Director of Public Information for the City of Novi.

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Jaguars: For the second consecutive year, the 79 Novi Jaguars captured the Blue Division Championship at the 12th Annual Canton Soccer Invitational this past Memorial weekend.

The under 15 boys team recorded four shut-outs and outscored their opponents 12-1 in five games. Novi beat the Livonia Wings 2-0 in the championship game.

Team members included: Skip Becker, Neal Bhatnagar, Jeff Dogorski, Billy Galloway, Andy Gatt, Dan Haffey, Adam Kramer, Scott Lewis, J.R. Longolis, John McShane, James Phillips, Matt Poniatowski, Nick Sitko, Greg Smith, Dave Terakedis, Taka Watanabe and Dave Hart.

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Lakeshore Park: Sign-ups for the 1994 season Lakeshore Park Picnic Shelters and Tent Rentals has begun for Novi residents. All reservations must be made in person at the Novi Parks and Recreation office.

Novi Trackers: The Novi Trackers is a running club whose members range from the casual jogger to serious competitor. The Trackers meet twice weekly and all runners are invited to join any of the club runs. Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at Novi High School and Saturdays at 8 a.m. at the Sundowner Restaurant parking lot across the street from the Northville Post Office. For more information, please call Hub Copp, Club President at 348-7773.

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Northville, Novi combine to form gymnastics team

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

For the first time ever, Novi High athletes will be able to compete in gymnastics.

The Wildcats are joining Northville High in forming a combined team for the 1994-95 season. The two school districts have entered into a cooperative agreement to form a squad for two years starting this November.

"It allows us to offer another opportunity," said Novi Athletic Director John Fundukian.

"There's a lot of this going on," said Northville Athletic Director Dennis Colligan. "It's a flexible way to offer the sport."

Northville High had offered gymnastics for 15 years before student apathy nixed it last season. Colligan said he didn't want another year to slip by without the sport in the school's program.

"I made a commitment to restore it for 1994-95," he commented.

Michigan High School Athletic Association rules allow for cooperative agreements in sports sponsored by less than 250 or fewer schools in the state. Just 75 schools sponsored gymnastics this past year.

Colligan said he began discussing the possibility of a cooperative effort with Fundukian in March.

"We've had sporadic interest of the last several years," Fundukian said.

After filing with the MHSAA, the Novi Community Schools Board of Education approved a resolution for the agreement on May 19. Northville past a similar measure June 13.

The cooperative team will carry Northville's name. Novi will contribute athletes and partial funding to the program.

Fundukian said all the funding questions haven't been worked out yet. The AD said three to six or more Novi students might compete next winter.

Athletes will be able to earn a varsity letter

in gymnastics. Fundukian said it's unclear whether this cooperative team could lead to a separate squad for Novi in the future.

Only four Northville students committed to gymnastics last year forcing Colligan to cancel the season. He said the cooperative should increase numbers to an acceptable participation level—eight to 12 students.

The Northville-Novi alliance won't be the only one on the Western Lakes gymnastics scene. Farmington Hills Harrison and Farmington High, Walled Lake Western and Walled Lake Central also have cooperative agreements.

All but two of the WLAA's 12 schools will

compete in gymnastics next season. In Novi's league, the Kensington Valley Conference, Hartland and Brighton field squads.

The agreement carries another significance.

The WLAA and KVC began talks of merging early this year. It's a move that could involve some 19 schools over three counties.

Colligan said the cooperative agreement with Novi is a move toward that merger.

"It's a step closer in my opinion," he said. "I'm optimistic about it. I feel very strongly about it."

It's expected that a final decision on a merger will be made in September. Thus far, Livonia schools have voiced the strongest opposition to the merger.

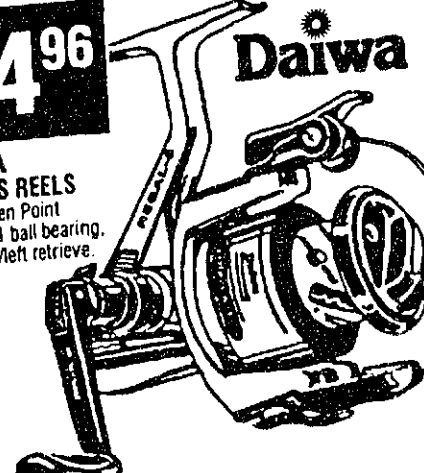
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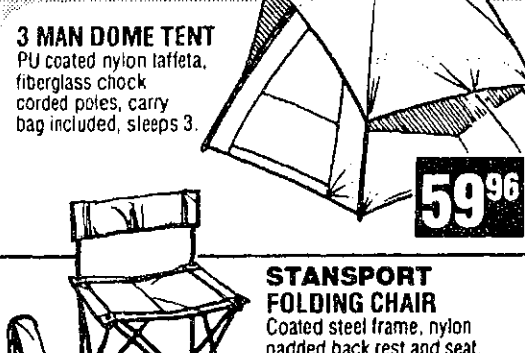
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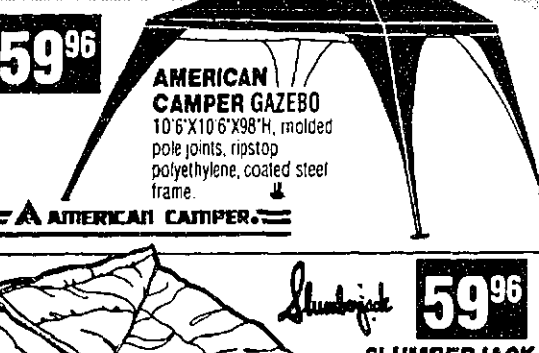
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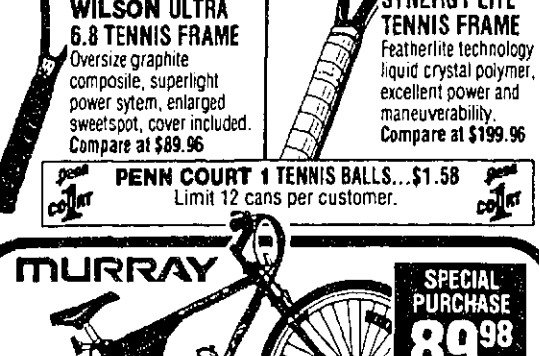
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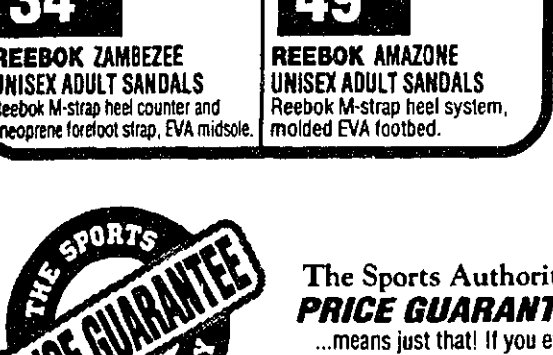
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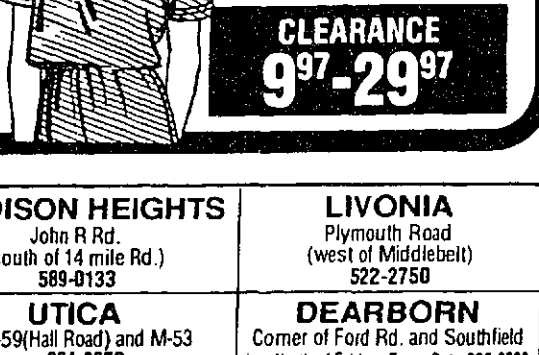
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