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Vistas wins thumbs up from council

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

White picket fences will be mandatory at The Vistas, an innovative redesign of the Sandstone project which won the approval of the Novi City Council Monday.

While the council majority found that the project, which reproduces an old-fashioned village, looks good on the drawing boards and slide show they saw, they wanted to make sure the reality matches the prospectus.

"I want to know those amenities you're now telling us about . . . in a down economy seven years from now, you pass that development on to someone else, then we want to know those amenities will be there," Council Member Tim Pope said. In offering 15 amendments to a resolution approving a revision of the planned unit development's (PUD) area plan.

"I learned from The Maples that if you don't have this spelled out, you don't get what you ask for."

But the approval isn't final. City Attorney David Fried is now drafting a contract which both parties must sign before the revised area plan is a go.

The Planning Commission re-

commended that the council OK the revamped area plan. And while six of the seven council members expressed varying degrees of approval of The Vistas, Council Member Robert Schmid let loose with both guns against the project. He called for a reduction of density in the 1,193 home-community, which averages four single-family homes per acre.

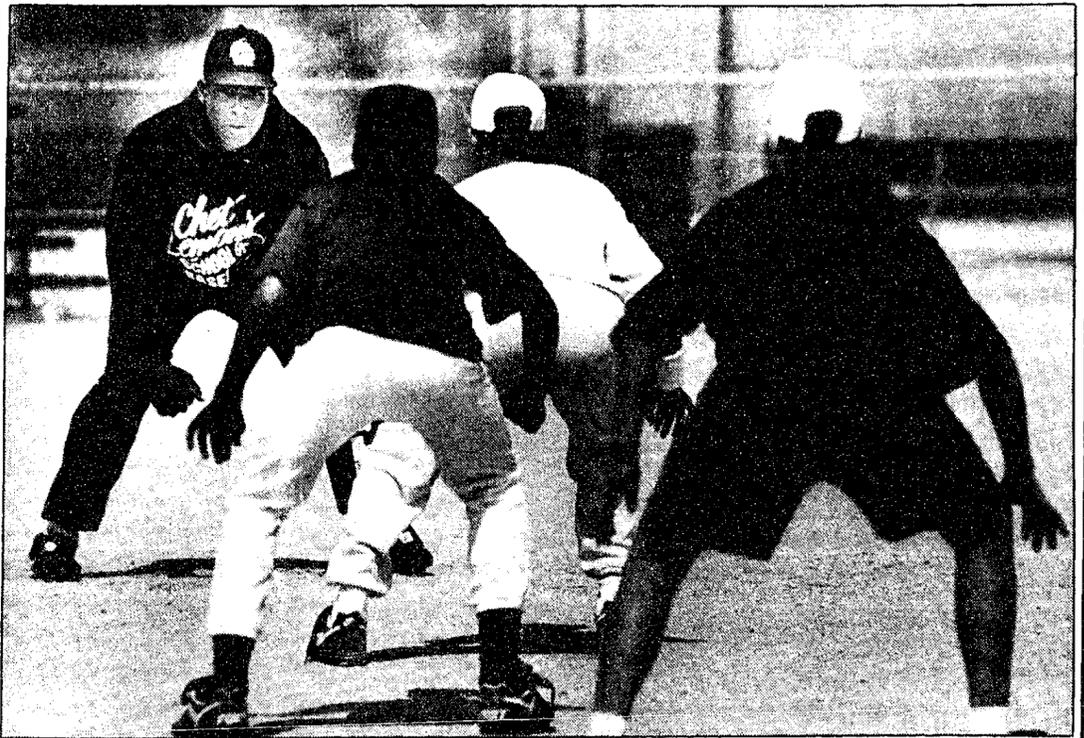
Schmid also blasted The Vistas because it will need 17 variances from Novi's Zoning Board of Appeals.

"This isn't Northville, this isn't Birmingham. It isn't it isn't a downtown Novi, it's a subdivision that's going to throw some commercial in to it," Schmid said.

"Where people live, where their children are supposed to play in the yard, where they're supposed to have a holdog roast, they aren't going to be able to do it. I'm thoroughly unhappy with you guys."

The city withdrew its PUD ordinance after council members were disappointed with The Maples and Sandstone. Planned since 1986, Sandstone, on 300 acres located south of Thirteen Mile Road and be-

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Photos by BRYAN MITCHELL

Power plays

Above, would-be Tigers polish their base-running techniques with help from former outfielder Chet Lemon. Below, Karley Abramson, 8, fires the ball home. Kids who love the game will be at the Chet Lemon Baseball Camp all this week at Power Park in Novi.



Novi's on 1950s savings time

Do you like Ike?
Are you sorry the Cold War is over, even though we won?
Do you watch re-runs of *The Lucy Show* and pine for the good old days, when women were women and men had Cuban accents?
If you answered yes to any of the above, you probably already know that the seventh annual Michigan '50s Festival hotrods into town next week from July 27 to July 31.
Just in case you've been asleep for the last 40 years, we'll fill you in. The action is now at the Novi Expo Center.

■ Our official guide to the Michigan '50s Festival appears in this issue. Comprehensive schedules and site maps make it an indispensable guide to the activities. See the special supplement.

■ 'Great balls of fire' will be seen in the skies over Novi at dusk Saturday, July 30, as the Twelve Oaks mall puts on its fireworks salute to the '50s Festival. The story is on page 5A.

■ Traffic, growth, property values. Those are the big issues in Novi . . . and they were the big issues 40 years ago. A look back at Novi in the '50s. The story is on page 6A.

The Roof" and "Under The Boardwalk," as well as "There Goes My Baby" and "This Magic Moment." Some original members carry on the act. The group had 10 Top Ten hits and sold over 20 million records.

Of course, by then you'll likely have sore feet. That's because the

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Schools debate expansion plans

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Novi school administrators were urged Monday to keep fourth-grade students in the lower elementarys at a public hearing on the district's future facility use.

If District Facilities Committee members honor that request Novi Community Schools may be asking voters to approve a bond sale for not one but two new schools.

Three proposed building options were presented Monday by James Koster, the district's assistant superintendent of operations, on behalf of the committee. Of the three, the only one that keeps fourth-graders in a K-4 school is the most expensive option of building a new middle and a K-4 elementary school.

The other two plans call for the construction of a new elementary school for fourth- and fifth-graders or a middle school for seventh- and eighth-graders. Construction of a building for seventh- and eighth-graders would bump fourth-graders into the current middle school complex. The four existing elementarys would then house preschool through third grade.

More than 20 people attended the first of two hearings on the proposed facilities use. More than half in attendance were district teachers or administrators. The few parents

who came were adamant about keeping fourth-graders in an elementary building.

"I don't like the idea of moving the fourth-graders out of the elementarys at all," said Meadowbrook Glens resident Jackie Kuhn. "It's too soon. I don't like it at all. Leave them where they are at."

There were several other parents of fourth-graders who shared Kuhn's concerns.

"I don't think the fourth-graders are old enough to take that kind of change," another fourth grade parent said.

But not everybody was in favor of building new schools with out first exploring other alternatives.

"Why can't we increase class sizes," Jerry LeBlanc asked. "And before we start building new schools maybe we should be looking at other concepts like charter schools."

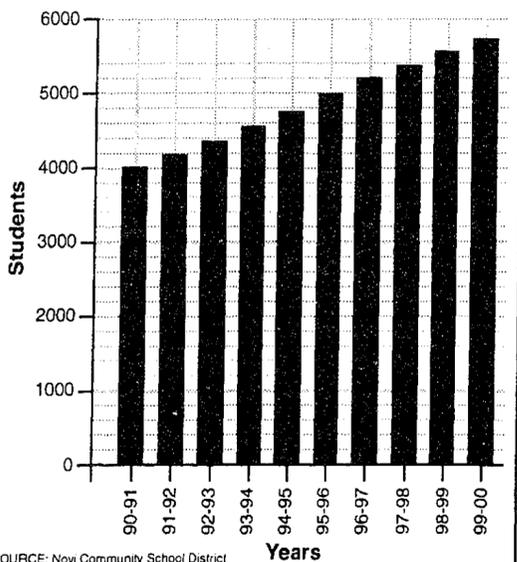
Committee members seemed to scoff at LeBlanc's suggestion until the question of other alternatives was raised again by resident Ruth Ann Jirasek.

"Were any other avenues pursued other than build a new school, build a new school, and build two schools?" she asked.

Koster volleyed the question by asking Jirasek what other kinds of alternatives there were to explore.

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Today, July 21

Summer Concert: Novi Sounds of Summer Concert Series presents pop favorites at 7 p.m. on the north lawn of the Novi Civic Center. Free Admission. Bring a picnic dinner, lawn chairs or a blanket and enjoy an evening of music.

Friday, July 22

Diabetes Class: Providence Hospital offers a diabetes education class, "Fridays at the Park" at Providence Park-Novi. For further information or to schedule an appointment, please call 424-3903.

Saturday, July 23

Car Wash: Boy Scout Troop 54 will hold a car wash at Novi Methodist Church, 10 Mile and Meadowbrook Rds., from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Monday, July 25

TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at Novi Middle School, Room 106. For more information, call 348-9691.

Breast Disease Support Group: Providence Medical Center's Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., hosts a monthly breast disease support group from 7:30-9 p.m. Anyone who has experienced breast disease is welcome to attend. Call 1-800-968-5595 for more information.

Bereavement Support Group: Dr. Michael Meyer, bereavement counselor, facilitates a monthly support group for anyone in the community who has experienced the death of someone they loved and is in need of help. The group meets 7:30-9 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile. For more information, call 348-1800.

City Council: The Novi City Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

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

Tuesday, July 26

Youth Assistance: Novi Youth Assistance board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

F.E.M.A.L.E.: The Novi area chapter of F.E.M.A.L.E. (Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge/Loose Ends) meets at 7:30 p.m. For more information, please call 684-6096.

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

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

L.A.R.A.: The Lakes Area Residents Association (L.A.R.A.) will meet at 7 p.m. at Lakeshore Park on South Lake Drive. There will be a presentation by the Lake Property Study Committee on the proposed use of the former "Landing" property, located at 13 Mile Rd. and East Lake Drive. The public is invited to attend.

Wednesday, July 27

Lions Club: The Novi Lions Club will meet at Kim's Gardens at 6:30 p.m. for dinner followed by a meeting.

Seniors business: The Novi Senior Social Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center for its regular monthly business meeting.

Business Network International: The Farmington Hills chapter of The Business Network International, made up of members from 10 neighboring communities, meets at 7 a.m. at the Tollgate 4-H Education Center, 12 Mile at Meadowbrook Rd. For chapter information or an invitation to one of the meetings, please call 642-7725.

Faith and Film Festival: Faith Community Presbyterian Church film festival features Grand Canyon at 7 p.m. Admission is free to the entire public, with free popcorn, pop and coffee. Child care is available if requested in advance. Robert Short, author, will introduce each film, provide a brief interpretation following the movie and lead a discussion. The church is located at 44400 W. Ten Mile Rd.

Saturday, July 30

Senior High Youth Group Dance: St. Matthew Lutheran Church Senior High Group is holding a dance from 7-11 p.m. under the big VBS tent behind the church located at 20410 South Commerce Rd. Walled Lake. The dance will feature Christian rock by D.J. "R" US. Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$5 at the door. All area youth are invited.

Sunday, July 31

St. Matthew Friends Day: St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 2040 South Commerce Rd., Walled Lake, friends day will begin with regular 8 a.m. service indoors and a special 10:45 a.m. outdoor service. Immediately following the service a pig roast, with hot dogs, hamburgers, side dishes and desserts will be held. Drinks and tableware will be provided, bring a blanket and chair. Games, pony rides, a moonwalk, and prizes will be available. Tickets for the games are 10 cents and a free-will donation will be accepted to assist with the expenses. For more information and/or directions call 624-7676.

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Judy Elvy takes a spin through her store, The Barn Antiques.

This barn is made for browsing

By JAN JEFFREES
Staff Writer

For years, Novi's been a shopping mecca for everyone except antique lovers.

Sure, there was the occasional antique show, but no actual store. Until last week.

Now, you can not only recover treasures from 100 years ago without leaving town, but step back in time to select them as well. The Barn Antiques on Eight Mile Road, which opened July 15, is an actual 65-year-old barn made from wood salvaged from an 1850s Northville hotel and saloon.

Judy and Russell Elvy purchased the former Meyer Berry Farm. Just over three years ago, with the goal of opening a bed and breakfast. They've since become members of Novi's Historic District Study Committee, which is researching Novi's most significant older properties.

Opening the antique store, Judy Elvy, a collector for 25 years, says is "a dream come true."

Over 20 dealers have rented space in the vast two-story barn. None of the dealers are from Novi, although two had from Northville. Many come from communities already well known for their antique stores, such as Romeo, Plymouth and Tecumseh. "We have a good group of people. Their goods are quality. They've been in the business a long time and know their stuff," Elvy said.

The Elvys trucked down the dealers through newspaper advertisements and word-of-mouth. The ads also brought in eager would-be cus-

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Judy Elvy

tomers, proving to Elvy that the market for antiques is out there in Novi.

"The very first day we put an ad in the paper we had the general public calling us," she said. "What they'll find, besides a full line of antiques including furniture, glass, china and lots of country primitives, is a setting equally old-fashioned. The Elvys live in a historic farm nestled in green fields. Along with the barn, their property includes a 1830s-era home, a fieldstone milk house, a guest house, two stable and a two-car garage. The house has a basement made of logs with the bark still on them, possibly remnants of the homestead's original 1820s log cabin.

The couple still plans to eventually open a bed and breakfast in their home. Elvy says the antique store will help raise the funds to open the second business.

Turning a barn into store or a house into a small hotel is more than business, though. It's a way to pre-

serve old buildings which might otherwise not be financially viable and could therefore be at risk of destruction.

"We wanted to get the property to help pay for itself," Elvy explains. "It was a major way to preserve a historical structure. For people who own historic houses with outbuildings that are dilapidated, allowing something like this to happen is a means to help upgrade and restore a building and make it cost effective for you."

Elvy is full of nothing but praise for Novi's building department and building official Don Saven, who helped the family go through the proper city procedures when they were renovating the shop. When the bulldozers of development rev up, barns seem to be particularly vulnerable, but the Elvys realized this one was special.

The couple had a new floor, windows, walls and insulation installed in the barn, but its rustic character still shines through. The structure is made of wood recycled from a Northville hotel which was destroyed by fire; the older beams are hand-hewn. A number of the beams are blackened from the decades-old fire.

The lumber was once the Amber Park House Hotel, which stood at the southwest corner of Main and Center streets in downtown Northville. In 1858, William Ambler built what late local historian Jack Hoffman described as the first balloon frame building in this part of the country. At the time, Hoffman wrote in Northville, the first 100 Years, everyone predicted the hotel would collapse. Instead, it became the headquarters for the stage routes from Northville to Detroit. The business changed hands several times before the fire. After the disaster, the hotel owner offered the remaining wood to anyone who wanted it. And so it became a barn.

The barn, when it was part of the Meyer Berry Farm, housed an antique store for about 25 years, Elvy said. "That closed about six to seven years ago. Both Elvy and her husband have experience in the retail field; she worked at the former Grandma Betty's Sweet Treats in Northville.

They've also accumulated a number of antiques for sale at the shop. Hours at the Antique Barn are Tuesday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday to 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, 12 to 5 p.m. The store is one-quarter mile west of Beck Road at 48120 West Eight Mile Road.

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A local case of sibling rivalry

A Detroit man was arrested at the Whitehall Condominium home after he allegedly tried to obstruct police from arresting his girlfriend, who is an employee there, on July 12. The man pulled into the home's parking lot and tried to obstruct officers about the arrest of his girlfriend at the home that day. Police said he became disorderly and was found to be driving on a suspended license. Police then arrested him.

The man's girlfriend was also arrested on an outstanding felony warrant charge after her sister tipped off the sister told police the suspect has been using her identification to cash bad checks and charge on credit cards.

The felony warrant was a charge for non-sufficient funds issued in Big Rapids. The sister also alleged that the man pointed a pistol at her on July 10, the day before she turned her sister into police.

FURNISHING ALCOHOL: A 31-year-old Novi woman was arrested in front of a local party store after she allegedly purchased a 22 ounce bottle

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of beer for a minor. Police were tipped off by her boyfriend that the woman was intoxicated and might be driving under the influence. He followed the woman to the store and then grabbed a cop from Dunkin' Donuts to detain her.

The officer, who was on break, arrested the woman and ticketed her for furnishing alcohol to a minor.

ATTEMPTED BREAK-IN: A woman was asleep in her Lakewood Park home when someone apparently tried to break into her home on July 9. A two-tier glass window in the woman's living room was broken when she awoke. Nothing inside the home was missing when police arrived to investigate.

DEAD BEAT DAD: A 28-year-old dead beat dad took the wrong turn July 8 and wound up in police custody.

NO INSURANCE: Police stopped a vehicle for speeding at Meadowbrook and I-96 and ended up arresting two suspects for driving an uninsured vehicle and possession of marijuana.

A 24-year-old Novi man was arrested for driving the vehicle, which also had expired plates. His 21-year-old Walled Lake passenger was arrested for possession of marijuana after police found some in the console of the vehicle. The woman told police she owned the vehicle but not the drugs.

LOUD PARTY: A Center Street resident was ticketed for hosting a loud party and serving alcohol to minors on July 14.

Police broke the party up and found that several minors at it were in possession of and had consumed alcohol.

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/Schools/Hospitals, etc. Start planting 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.

Novi Briefs

Shoreside views: Capping off over a year of researching possible uses for the former Landing site on Walled Lake, the Lakeshore Property Study Committee will unveil its recommendations for the city-owned property on July 26. The session is part of a Lakes Area Residents Association (LARA) meeting at Lakeshore Park on South Lake Drive at 7 p.m. All residents of Novi and Walled Lake are invited to attend. LARA president Harry Avagan said.

Sacred ground: Holy Family Church will hold a groundbreaking Sunday at 1 p.m. for the \$3.5 million expansion of the dedicated parish on July 26. The session is part of a Lakes Area Residents Association (LARA) meeting at Lakeshore Park on South Lake Drive at 7 p.m. All residents of Novi and Walled Lake are invited to attend. LARA president Harry Avagan said.

The church needs room for another chapel, larger administrative offices, more classrooms for religious education and a community center for its youth programming. Art Cervi, a member of the parish council said.

Holy Family has a congregation of 1,500.

"If you get there Sunday after 10:30 a.m., you have to stand," Cervi said.

Revising Curriculum: Walled Lake Schools is revising its K-12 Core Curriculum in the content areas of mathematics, science, language arts, social studies and foreign language. Interested citizens are encouraged to participate on these committees. Please call Mr. William Hamilton, Director of Curriculum, at 960-8315 to volunteer to serve on one of the above committees or for further information.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

A real swinger

Jessica Brisbin, 10, enjoys a summer day by taking her turn on a tire swing.

Fireworks show is big blast to '50s fun

If you somehow missed this year's Fourth of July fireworks, or if you're still craving more, stop by Twelve Oaks at dusk on Saturday, July 30. You'll find great balls of fire and a whole lot of shakin' going on in a spectacular fireworks salute to the seventh annual '50s Festival in Novi.

"So many people love fireworks, but I don't think they realize that they can still see a fabulous fireworks show after July 4," said Elaine Kah, Twelve Oaks marketing director.

"Our annual spectacular is the only fireworks display all year in Novi. It's also one of the best in the entire area."

The free show includes all magnesium-colored, custom-made fireworks from Sunset Limited in St. Louis. Each will be individually fired, with many of them more than twice the size of most shows, according to Chuck Tenge, nationally recognized fireworks consultant who is planning the show.

"There is no fireworks show of comparable color or effect in the whole State of Michigan," Tenge said.

No two fireworks are alike, and the magnesium colors are brilliant.

The best view of the fireworks will be from Twelve Oaks' southeast parking lot near Lord & Taylor.

"They're shot across a little lake in a wooded stretch," Kah said. "There's a grassy section for those who want to spread blankets or lawn chairs, and there's also a handicapped-accessible area."

Novi's '50s Festival, which runs from Wednesday, July 27, through Sunday, July 31, is the largest of its kind in Michigan. It provides five days of family entertainment from live rock 'n' roll and children's entertainment to vintage cars and street rods. This year, for the first time, the festival has moved from the Novi Town Center to the Novi Expo Center.

"The fireworks are the highlight of the entire festival," Kah said. "People tell us they wait all year for them, and cars all up and down I-96 pull over to watch."

Twelve Oaks Mall is located at Twelve Mile and Novi roads.

There's a whole lot of shakin' going on

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Sock Hop will be held at the Family Tent on Friday, July 29. Bobbi Sox and the Greasers will play the tunes.

For adults only, the Entertainment Tent is where the beer flows after 7 p.m. The Hubcaps perform the hits of the 1950s on stage every night. On July 31 from noon to 4 p.m., rock and roll will make way for C&W. New Hudson resident Tracey Lynne will bring her band Heartland to center stage.

The five-day festival will cram in a wide range of activities, including a fireworks show at Twelve Oaks Mall, athletic events, the lip sync contests, a five kilometer run/walk, an ice cream social, children's activities like pony rides and putt-putt golf and plenty of food.

On July 31, take your little dude coupe to the Novi Town Center parking lot for the festival's ever-popular car show, featuring 1,000 pre-1974 vehicles from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A shuttle service will run between the Expo Center and the

The Michigan '50s Festival may be centered at the Novi Expo Center, but nearby West Oaks and West Oaks II shopping centers will be in on the action again this year. Most games daily at 1 p.m. and runs through 4 p.m., from July 28-30.

Here's what's happening:

- The Kroger store will host the Ore Cookie Man along with an Ore Cookie stacking contest, as well as a hot dog wagon.
- "The Hits," a two-piece ensemble, will play the lively tunes of the 1950s.
- Someone will be sending in the clowns, as Scooter, Razzies, Peaches, Diddly, Popcorn, Chloe and others will paint faces, entertain and create balloon sculptures.
- An authentic circus callopie will be grinding out the tunes daily from noon to 4 p.m.

Pair accused of teen's murder

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

The Detroit pair accused of murdering Novi High schooler Rochelle Ebrahimi on Dec. 10 are facing first degree murder charges in Detroit Recorder's Court.

Calvin Williams, 18, was arrested and arraigned on a first degree murder charge in December alleging that he was the one who pulled the trigger of the borrowed gun.

He's being held on first and second degree murder charges and a \$2 mil-

lion bond. Williams' trial is scheduled for Nov. 21.

His accomplice, Aldo Punario is facing a July 22 pre-trial exam to determine whether he will stand trial for first degree murder and felonious assault with a firearm. He's being held on \$50,000 bond.

Punario allegedly owned the gun that killed Ebrahimi and police contend he lent it to Williams the night the girl was shot.

Ebrahimi's body was found laying near railroad tracks south of Joy Road near Abington in Detroit the morning after the shooting.

The 16-year-old died of a single gunshot wound to the head, police reports indicate.

Motions to reduce charges in the case have all failed according to court records. Defense attorneys had sought to reduce Williams' charges to second degree and Punario's charge to accessory after the fact.

But the motions were overruled and the initial charges are still pending.

First degree murder carries a life sentence without the possibility of parole. Second degree murder carries a penalty of life imprisonment, with possible parole.

Detroit Recorder's Court Judge Cynthia Hathaway is presiding over the case.

Cheryl Young, Ebrahimi's mother said she was outraged by defense's motions to reduce the pair's charges. Young said evidence in the case suggests that the gun was put into the girl's mouth before it was fired.

"That's obviously first degree murder," Young said. "When you put a gun into someone's mouth, it shows an intent to murder. Intent doesn't have to be something you plan days, weeks or months in advance."

Revising Curriculum: Walled Lake Schools is revising its K-12 Core Curriculum in the content areas of mathematics, science, language arts, social studies and foreign language. Interested citizens are encouraged to participate on these committees. Please call Mr. William Hamilton, Director of Curriculum, at 960-8315 to volunteer to serve on one of the above committees or for further information.

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Schools talk expansion

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"Year round schooling or adding onto the existing facilities," she suggested with no reaction from the committee or Koster.

Jirasek came armed to the meeting with a list of questions she said afterwards she didn't feel were answered.

Among them was the notion that the proposed options include classroom space for Novis' growing preschool program.

"Is it Novis' responsibility to build new schools to accommodate preschool?" she asked.

The same question was posed twice before Koster and Rita Traynor, assistant superintendent of instruction, responded to it.

Traynor said providing classroom space for preschool education was not a state mandated now but could be in the near future. She oversees the program which is offered through Novis' Community Education.

Currently, Novis' preschool program has 220 students but demand for it continues to grow annually, Traynor said.

"There is constant growth," she said. "We have no room in the program now and many times we have to turn parents away."

Preschoolers are housed in three classrooms in the four elementary schools, but classes are jiggled around to accommodate classroom needs in the district's K-4 program. It is a self-sufficient program that is paid for by parents who use it.

"We keep the preschool program in the building but we take it out to give room to the K-4 program," Traynor said. "Preschool is becoming a national goal. It's a very vital and important area."

And since 85 percent of Novis' kindergartners have come through a preschool program, it is quickly becoming a part of public education. But is that a reason to alter grade configurations in Novis schools, Jirasek asked.

"Our responsibility is K-12, not preschool through 12," she said. But there are other programs like Community and Alternative Education that are affecting Novis' K-12 classroom space. Committee members have incorporated those programs into the three options that were presented Monday night.

The options were designed to address the school district needs for additional middle school space, Novis' elementary and its high school enrollments will suffice for at least the next 5 years, but middle school facilities

Recommended Options for Future School Facilities

Option 1 — Construct a new elementary school for fourth- and fifth-graders. Implications: All the current K-4 buildings would house preschool through third grade.

Option 2 — Construct a new middle school for seventh- and eighth-graders. Implications: All the current K-4 buildings would be preschool through third grade.

Option 3 — Construct a new middle school and a new K-4 building. Implications: All current K-4 buildings remain K-4 with room for preschool.

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Middle schools nearing capacity

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

There is enough capacity in Novi High School and four elementary buildings to accommodate student enrollment up to 1999. In fact, this year's additions at the high school will keep overcrowding at bay until well beyond 1999.

That, however, is not the case at the district's middle school complex. Current and projected enrollment figures released Monday indicate Novi Meadows and Novi Middle Schools will reach their combined 1,400 student capacity by the 1994-95 school year.

James Koster, Novi Schools' assistant superintendent of operations, released the figures as part of District Facilities Committee preliminary report of future facilities use.

The committee has been meeting under Koster's auspices since February. Members have met about a dozen times to review statistical information provided by the school district, the City of Novi and Michigan State University.

City zoning maps, current and future residential developments, and neighborhood comparisons all served to guide committee members in their deliberations to determine future facility use.

Vacant land in the City of Novi was not factored into the committee's equations, Koster said.

Present and projected student enrollments were averaged with statistics from MSU to determine the most likely future student headcounts.

According to Koster, the committee averaged their sources to keep estimates conservative.

"It's not too high and it's not too low," Koster said about the committee's best guess enrollment projections.

Koster said he encouraged the committee to keep estimates conservative to avoid overbuilding.

"We didn't want to be like other school districts that have built schools to house some students for awhile and then they close them down," he said.

"This district has never overbuilt. We've always kept ahead of the projections."

Committee members believe enrollment projections from researchers at MSU were too high to buy into, Koster said. Instead, the committee opted to average all of the projections with the MSU data.

"We didn't take the numbers and message them to cause a building to be built," he said. "We would take the numbers and message them to cause one not to be built."

After averaging the sums, the committee has determined that elementary enrollments won't be at the 2,100 student capacity for at least another five years. Capacity at the high school remains safe well beyond 1999 thanks to the additions put on the building last year.

Fifth-, sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade enrollments at Novi Meadows and Novi Middle schools will cross capacity lines in 1994-95. Enrollment at the two schools this year fell shy of the 1,400 student capacity.

And with at least 181 anticipated new students coming into the district next year, conditions could worsen.

Teachers who work in the middle school buildings and parents with children who are enrolled there describe it as a "crisis situation."

Because of the overcrowding conditions at the two middle schools, committee members have determined there is a need to either build a new elementary, middle school or high school.

Changing grade configurations might alleviate some of the strain.

But those at Monday's hearing seemed opposed to moving fourth-graders out of a K-4 building and into a fourth and fifth grade facility.

Either way construction of a new school appears to be inevitable.

Monday night committee members got a lukewarm reception to the three-building options they hung out for public scrutiny.

Few present at the first of two public hearings seemed overwhelmingly committed to any of the proposed plans. The only one that seemed most favorable was the option to build a new K-4 elementary and a new middle school.

Construction of two new schools would be a costly expense to compensate for the current conditions at the middle schools, said newly-elected Board of Education President Craig Foreback.

But Koster said there were few viable alternatives to building because few of the district's current facilities have enough land on site to add space to.

Committee members will be looking for additional community input both Monday (July 25) at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Middle School Media Center.

Obituaries

MARIE TRAVIS

Marie Travis died July 5 at Charter House in Novi. She was 93.

Mrs. Travis was born July 8, 1900 in Bowling Springs, Penn. to Edward and Alice Slower Shaeffer.

She was a homemaker who had spent over 70 years in this community. Mrs. Travis was a member of the First Baptist Church of Novi and was a nursing home volunteer.

Surviving is her daughter, Jeanne Clark of Novi; her son, Dr. James I. Travis of Mississippi; 13 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held July 8 at First Baptist Church of Novi. Dr. Gary Elmer officiated. Interment was at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Oakland.

The family would appreciate memorials to the church.

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Vistas will bring Northville's character to Novi

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Designers of one of Novi's biggest developments see it as a place where residents can live, work, play, shop and dine out without ever getting into their cars.

Robert Gibbs, an associate of the nationally-renowned planner Andres Duany, closely studied traditional downtowns such as Northville, Plymouth, Birmingham and Franklin as the groundwork for The Vistas of Novi, a 1,193-home Hughland Development Corporation community slated for the 300 acres between Novi and Meadowbrook roads and just south of Thirteen Mile Road.

"This will not be a subdivision. This will be a real community of different incomes and ages. It will be something very unique and special," Gibbs told the Novi City Council Monday.

"It's not for everybody. There's no option for a person who wants that lifestyle in this area."

"I think it will be wildly successful."

Novi has approved the new area plan, but a final contract between the city and developer has yet to be signed.

The planning ideals of Thomas Jefferson, widely adopted as cities and villages sprouted out of the Michigan frontier in the 1820s, will be closely followed in The Vistas, Gibbs says.

Six neighborhoods of single-family homes on small lots will center around a commercial downtown "with a Northville feel." What Gibbs and Hughland partner Ronald Hughes point to as the most unique feature of the plan is the promenade or village green, which will be anchored by a community meeting house on the south and a park and the village center on the north.

Hughes says the Novi promenade will be the largest one built since 1826, when the Jefferson-designed University of Virginia was under construction. The local walkway, which will be lined with homes, will be four football fields long and one football field wide. That's about as long as Twelve Oaks Mall from Penny's to Sears, Gibbs explained.

"We feel this will be one of the most significant public spaces built in the U.S. in a long time and it will be a real hallmark of the community," he added.

Gibbs says he also researched old 19th century plans of the communities, including old Novi maps showing what was once the Four Corners at Novi Road and Grand River Avenue.

The developers have commissioned architects Luckenbach/Zieglerman & Partners of Birmingham and Moorey/Gordon Associates of Royal Oak.

Hughland aims to build several public buildings in The Vistas, including a meeting house. The old Novi Methodist Church could be moved to the site, which will be peppered with nine parks for residents alike. If the firm is unable to acquire the now-endangered historic church,

they plan to reproduce it with a new church at the southwest corner of Grand River and Novi Road.

To enhance that ye old village look, the developers are contemplating a traditional cemetery with vintage-looking tombstones. No need to fear ghosts here, Gibbs says, as it is deemed impractical to operate an actual burial ground at The Vistas, a mock cemetery park patterned after the old Novi Road graveyard will be created.

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Vistas developer offers home to historical church

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Would be rescuers of the historic Novi Methodist Church are really saying their prayers now, because the developer has recently been issued a city permit to tear the late Victorian structure down.

Negotiations for a stay of execution continue this week. Kathy Mutch, a founder of Preservation Novi said Tuesday. The group hopes to move the church from its site at the south-west corner of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue.

"A contractor came in from George Keros (the owner of the building) de-

manding to demolish the church, about a week and a half ago," Mutch said Monday.

"Things are really kicking into high gear."

The Hughland Development Corporation, which is building The Vistas of Novi, says it would like to add the church to its neotraditional community planned for 300 acres at Novi and Thirteen Mile roads.

The hitch is getting it there. Preservation Novi has in hand a \$50,000 check from the Fretter Company to help save the church and has asked Detroit Edison about the feasibility of moving the building north of the freeway and under high-tension electri-

cal lines, Mutch says. So far, Edison has given the group a thumbs-up over the phone, but Mutch says she isn't getting her hopes up until the utility's crew has actually evaluated the area.

Preservation Novi won two moratoriums from the Novi City Council to delay the church's destruction, because the building is being eyed as a possible local historic site. That last moratorium has long expired.

When the demolition permit was requested early this month, Mutch said the Novi building department sued in the city's planning depart-

ment. A call then went in to Preservation Novi. The contractor has the permit but agreed to hold off. Mutch added, while the preservationists hustle to save the church.

"In a couple of weeks we will know if it's possible to do. There are a lot of questions that need to be answered. The big question is, can it really be done," she added.

"The whole thing could come to a dead-end real quick if Detroit Edison says you can't get by those high-tension wires."

A site plan for a store on the church's current site is expected to come into the city in September. The tenant wants in by February, Mutch added.

Mutch has a \$5,000 quote for the task of moving the electrical wires as the church passes underneath. The actual transporting of the church itself is estimated to cost between \$25,000 and \$45,000.

If it all works out, it'll be a coup for Preservation Novi, which aims in the future to save other endangered buildings besides the church.

"This can be a successful example of local government, the local community organizations, local business and the development community working together. If it can be done well, it would pave the way for other joint efforts where other buildings are threatened," Mutch predicts.

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As We See It

District wants to raid the preschool market

We hope the Novi Community School District has done a good job of teaching critical thinking skills to its residents, because if it has residents are likely catch a few logic errors on the part of the administration from Monday night's public hearing.



Education

The hearing was called to take input on a number of options outlined by the District Facilities Committee for the construction of one or two new school buildings. Briefly stated, the options include construction of a middle school for fourth- and fifth-graders, or a new middle school for seventh- and eighth-graders, or both a new middle school and a new elementary school.

Now, Novi's population is growing, as is the number of students in the district, creating part of the need for the additional school space.

But also increasing the pressure for classroom space is the district's desire to expand its current preschool program. The district now has space for 220 preschool students, but as Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Rita Traynor said, "We have no room in the program now and many times we have to turn parents away."

This is where the logic starts to get tangled . . . to the point of being self-contradictory.

Preschool is becoming a vital part of public education. Eighty-five percent of Novi's kindergartners have come through a preschool program.

If that's true, then Novi's preschool needs are largely being met already. All but 15 percent of students are apparently getting the preschool programming they need.

Now, if the school district's not the one doing all that preschool programming, who is? Perhaps it is the 10 private preschools already in operation in the City of Novi. That's right, there are 10 of them. No, we are not counting the 15 other day care operations in the city which may or may not provide some degree of education to their youngsters. We are counting only those facilities specifically licensed by the state to provide preschool services. Many are operated as businesses, but others are church-sponsored programs or non-profit preschools.

If there is a need for still more preschooling, private business is probably already working to meet the demand. By expanding its preschool program, the Novi school district would be mounting a campaign to compete with private enterprises that are already full-

Hi-tech era about to dawn



Lee Snider

The stream of consciousness of an absentee editor who's miles away (seven to be exact) on a glorious mid-summer vacation.

The Macs are coming! All right, so it won't earn a place in the history books alongside that bit about the invading British, but to us here at the office it's a major piece of good news.

In only a few short weeks now we'll take a quantum leap into the 20th century (just as it's about the end) with a brand new high-tech, fancy-schmancy, state-of-the-art, fly-me-to-the-moon computer system. The upgrade is happening company wide and, in fact, our counterparts at our sister publications have already made the conversion. It becomes our turn early next month.

Our readers should notice little immediate change in our product, though down the road we hope to use our greater graphics capability to jazz up the appearance of the paper a little.

The thing that's got me in a constant state of ecstasy is that the new machines come complete with spell check. I mean spell check. That's right, software that will relieve me of the burden of having to remember those tedious spelling rules, like: "i before e" except after "c" (or is it the other way around?)

Attentive readers and our resident grammar police (anonymous linguistic sticklers who send us corrections through the mail) know only too well that the subtlety of the newspaper is sometimes marred by a typographical goof. Spell check won't solve all our problems, but it sure will help.

I'll still have to make sure we don't write "plague" when we mean "plaque," but this new feature will at least keep me from forgetting the silent "e" in some words (like in gaffe, for instance, which I committed once when I spelled it "gaff").

Hail the arrival of the PCs from heaven.

Nice journalists finish . . . We were nice enough to respect the wishes of ex-veep Dan Quayle last week who didn't want to field questions from the press when he came to Borders Nov! to sign copies of his book.

Someone from Borders told us Quayle's advance people were allowing cameras but no reporters near their guy, so we sent photographer Bryan Richard but didn't assign a writer.

What happened? We got burned.

Other publications and the Detroit TV sounds converged on the store and got gobs of quotes from the former Hillary wanna be. We, on the other hand, got only pictures.

The maddening incident serves as a reminder that this is an aggressive business that won't tolerate attempts at politeness. We want to pay heed to frequent complaints about the insensitivity of reporters, but professional embarrassment is often the price we pay for trying to be cooperative.

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Moments By Bryan Mitchell



Lovely lilies
Flowers provide a vision of summertime in the Novi area.

Suburbs will slant primary



Phil Power

Facing an Aug. 2 election date, Michigan's most crowded and complex primary elections since 1918 are beginning to build up some steam.

Yoters will select both Democratic and Republican nominees for the U.S. Senate seat being vacated by retiring Sen. Don Riegle. Democrats will nominate a candidate to run against incumbent Gov. John Engler.

Whether it's Spencer Abraham or Ronna Romney, whether it's Bill Brodhead or Bob Carr or Joel Ferguson or John Kelly or Lana Pollack, whether it's Lynn Jondahl or Larry Owen or Debbie Stabenow or Howard Wolfe—all of them are facing one fundamental electoral fact this year: the suburbanization of Michigan politics.

More Michiganders live in the suburbs—today nearly 40 percent, and still growing—than in the state's central cities, small town or rural areas.

Suburban growth has been explosive, more than doubling since 1950 when only 16 percent listed suburban residence.

Driving part of this growth has been the enormous out-migration from Detroit. Over 35 years, close to 1 million people have left Detroit, one of the largest voluntary population movements in human history.

But it is not unique. Throughout Michigan, a dominant demographic and political fact is the decline in central cities, whether Detroit or Flint, Lansing or Grand Rapids.

In 1960, the 11 largest cities in Michigan cast 35 percent of the vote for governor. In 1990 they represented 16 percent. In Ingham County, for example, the votes coming from Lansing dropped from 57 percent in 1960 to 40 percent in 1990.

Indeed, according to Public Sector Consultants, "It is conceivable that by the end of the decade people in Oakland County will cast more votes than all the residents of our largest 11 traditional cities.

Open lakes, but set speed limits



Tim Richard

By now, state Sens. Mat Dumas, David Honigman and Chris Dingell know what should be done.

The question is whether they'll admit it and do it.

Those three worthies make up a Senate subcommittee investigating (beating up on) the Department of Natural Resources' plans to acquire public boat launch sites on inland lakes.

Republicans Dumas and Honigman are under special pressure. They hail from Oakland County, where lots of politically sophisticated and well-to-do lakefront property owners pressure them to exclude the great unwashed public.

The theory is that the lakes are "crowded." The notion is childish.

"Crowded" is a function of two things: the number of units and the speed at which they are traveling.

Consider your favorite Main Street or shopping mall at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Count the number of people. They are traveling at walking speed, rarely more than 3 mph. No one bumps into anyone else.

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Dozens or hundreds of boats will fit onto a lake when the boats are propelled by oars and paddles. But let a few guys roar around in 100-hp craft, throw in a few jet-skis buzzing the swimming areas and mucking up the fish spawning grounds, and you have a "crowd."

The lakefront owners' solution is to exclude all boats except theirs—and of course their brothers' and cousins' and bosses' which are docked at their lots.

Well, Dumas, Honigman and Dingell now know better. Replying to Honigman's question, a DNR official said townships can:

- Impose speed limits.
- Set shut-out time rules—e.g., allow water skiing from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Establish "no wake" zones—to control erosion, allow anglers to fish and let kids swim in peace.

The harsh truth is that most townships lack the gumption to use those tools. Even where there aren't DNR access sites for the grubby public, townships won't use those tools.

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As these digital transmissions are used all the way from the Denver, Colorado DMX to DMX service subscribers' homes, the music the subscriber receives is virtually identical to the original CD recording. This applies even if you have less than a top of the line stereo system. In the case of reception, the DMX signal is able to deliver the highest quality available from the best master.

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With its multi-channel capacity, DMX is to music what cable is to television. Do you remember when TV viewing choices were limited to three networks? Once again, the information superhighway, expands our horizons.

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Mary Linda Calderone is the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Southeast Oakland Cable Commission, which oversees the operations of MetroVision cable services.

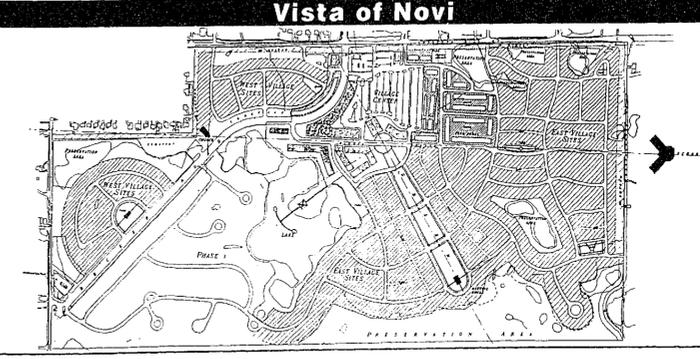
Consumers should heed warnings

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The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has designated this a high risk erosion area.

In the face of all these facts, Consumers Power Co.'s action must be seen as not only misguided, but arrogant, and indifferent to the public. But it is the rate-paying public that will be asked to pay for this assault on the Great Lakes.

Mary P. Sinclair, Ph.D.
Co-Chair, Don't Waste Michigan



The Vistas wins tentative approval

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between Meadowbrook and Novi roads, was to have been 740 multiple family units and attached condominiums and 453 houses, along with 80,000 square feet of shopping.

Sandstone was grandfathered in under the defunct PUD ordinance, which requires a contract between the city and the developer.

Then, in February, the Bingham Farms-based Hughtan Development Company publicly unveiled The Vistas, designed by Robert Gibbs.

The Vistas includes nine parks, 750 single family homes, 250 "live-work" (or home-office) townhouses, 193 multiple units and 100,000 square feet of commercial. City Attorney David Fried ruled that the project would have to go through the standard PUD approval process.

This is very significant factor in the future of our city . . . This group of current owners has listened very hard to what the city evidently will help us acquire that vision," Mayor Kathleen McAllen said.

The Army Corps of Engineers in recent years completed an in-depth study of the shoreline of all of the Great Lakes at the request of the International Joint Commission. The Corps designated the southwest shoreline of Michigan as a high risk erosion area, stating "Erosion and bluff recession will continue, regardless of lake level controls or structural shore protection measures."

This concerned some council members.

"If you're telling us you're building a village, you're going to have a sore thumb in your village," Pope said.

The planning commission had included the live-work townhouses in the 100,000 square foot commercial maximum, but at the request of the developers the city council did not.

Hughtan partner Ronald Hughes argued that the concept is vital to the plan.

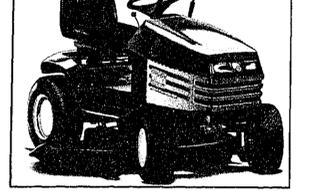
Provisions attached to the area plan by the council include: adding wetlands buffer zones; permitting the developer no more than a ten percent increase in either of the two types of housing; adding architectural guidelines in the contract; Hughtan should attempt to convince the Phase One buyers to follow The Vistas architectural guidelines; the city attorney should negotiate with the developer about how a proposed police and fire mini-station and library would be financed at the site; working out a snow removal contract for the main street; and requiring the developer to build the amenities proposed for each phase.

The council was uncertain how to take the provision, tucked on by the planning commission, for an under-road wildlife culvert to provide safe crossings for small mammals.

This was left for further research. "The wildlife don't use them. They just run across the road and go where they want to go," Council Member Joseph Told said.

Dropped from The Vistas were plans for "in-law flats" or smaller secondary homes adjacent to the main house and for a gas station at the southwest corner, where the Decker Road extension meets Novi Road.

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Monday July 25, 1994

- 10:00 a.m.—Travels with Kay: Costa Rica III
- 10:30 a.m.—Women on the Move: Maple Grove
- 11:00 a.m.—Coffee and Conversation
- 11:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
- 12:00 p.m.—F.H. Police Journal
- 12:30 p.m.—Dollars and Sense with J.R.: Bob Metzger
- 1:00 p.m.—Seniors on the Move: Joseph Shulman
- 1:30 p.m.—The Word of Life: Seven Sermons of Sin
- 2:00 p.m.—Novi Motorsports: Michael Kollins
- 2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
- 3:00 p.m.—North American Indian Journal
- 3:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
- 4:00 p.m.—Founders Festival Parade
- 4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
- 5:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
- 5:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
- 6:00 p.m.—Good Health: Antioxidants
- 6:30 p.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil
- 7:00 p.m.—City of Farmington Public Safety
- 7:30 p.m.—Adventures with Pirate Pete
- 8:00 p.m.—Impact Video
- 8:30 p.m.—Black Tie Optional
- 9:00 p.m.—Republican Club State Rep Night
- 9:30 p.m.—Groove Session

Tuesday July 26, 1994

- 10:00 a.m.—Drawing Men to Christ
- 10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)
- 11:00 a.m.—Happiest People Alive
- 11:30 a.m.—Money Talks
- 12:00 p.m.—Adventures with Pirate Pete
- 12:30 p.m.—Spontaneous Seniors
- 1:00 p.m.—(cont'l)
- 1:30 p.m.—Senior Spotlight: Dental Tips
- 2:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: New Trends in Makeovers
- 2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
- 3:00 p.m.—Cosmet Connection
- 3:30 p.m.—(cont'l)
- 4:00 p.m.—Defining Multiple Sclerosis
- 4:30 p.m.—Composting with Joe Derek
- 5:00 p.m.—Lansing Connection
- 5:30 p.m.—Living with Your Addictions
- 6:00 p.m.—Jr. Japanese: Lesson 34
- 6:30 p.m.—Business and Residential
- 7:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Ronna Romney
- 7:30 p.m.—F.H. Police Journal
- 8:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: New Trends in

12:30 p.m.—Abundant Life Arabic Ministries

1:00 p.m.—Novi Sights-O-Frontics

1:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

2:00 p.m.—(cont'l)

2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

3:00 p.m.—See It On Two Wheels

3:30 p.m.—Police Memorial Day

4:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family: Children of the Dream

4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

5:00 p.m.—Legally Speaking

5:30 p.m.—Groove Session

6:00 p.m.—Spontaneous Seniors

6:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

7:00 p.m.—U.S. Senate Candidates

7:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

8:00 p.m.—North American Indian Journal

8:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

9:00 p.m.—Novi Talkin' History

9:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

10:00 a.m.—Senior Messenger

10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)

11:00 a.m.—(cont'l)

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1:00 p.m.—(cont'l)

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2:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts

2:30 p.m.—Chi-aerobics

3:00 p.m.—Business and Residential News

3:30 p.m.—Viewpoint

4:00 p.m.—Founders Festival Pet Show

4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

5:00 p.m.—Night Life

5:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

6:00 p.m.—Coffee and Conversation

6:30 p.m.—Travels with Kay: Costa Rica III

7:00 p.m.—Dollars and Sense with J.R.: Bob Metzger

7:30 p.m.—Novi News Week

8:00 p.m.—Home for Life: Basic Plumbing

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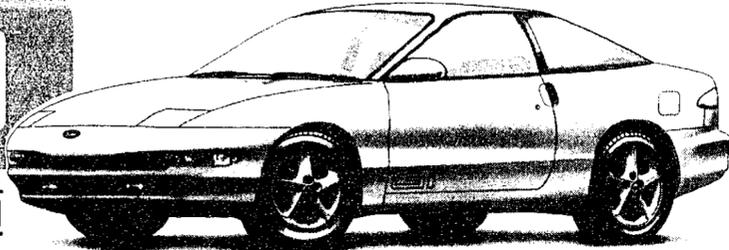
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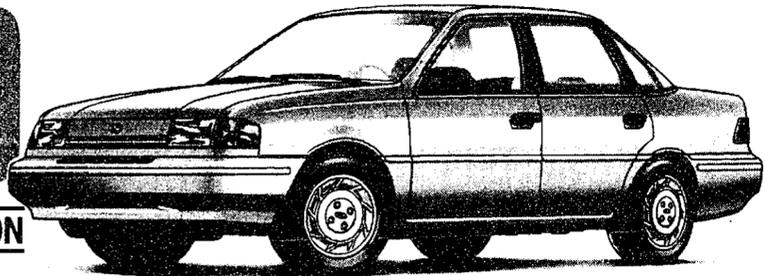
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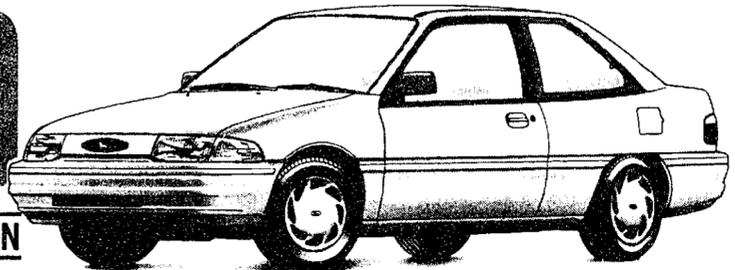
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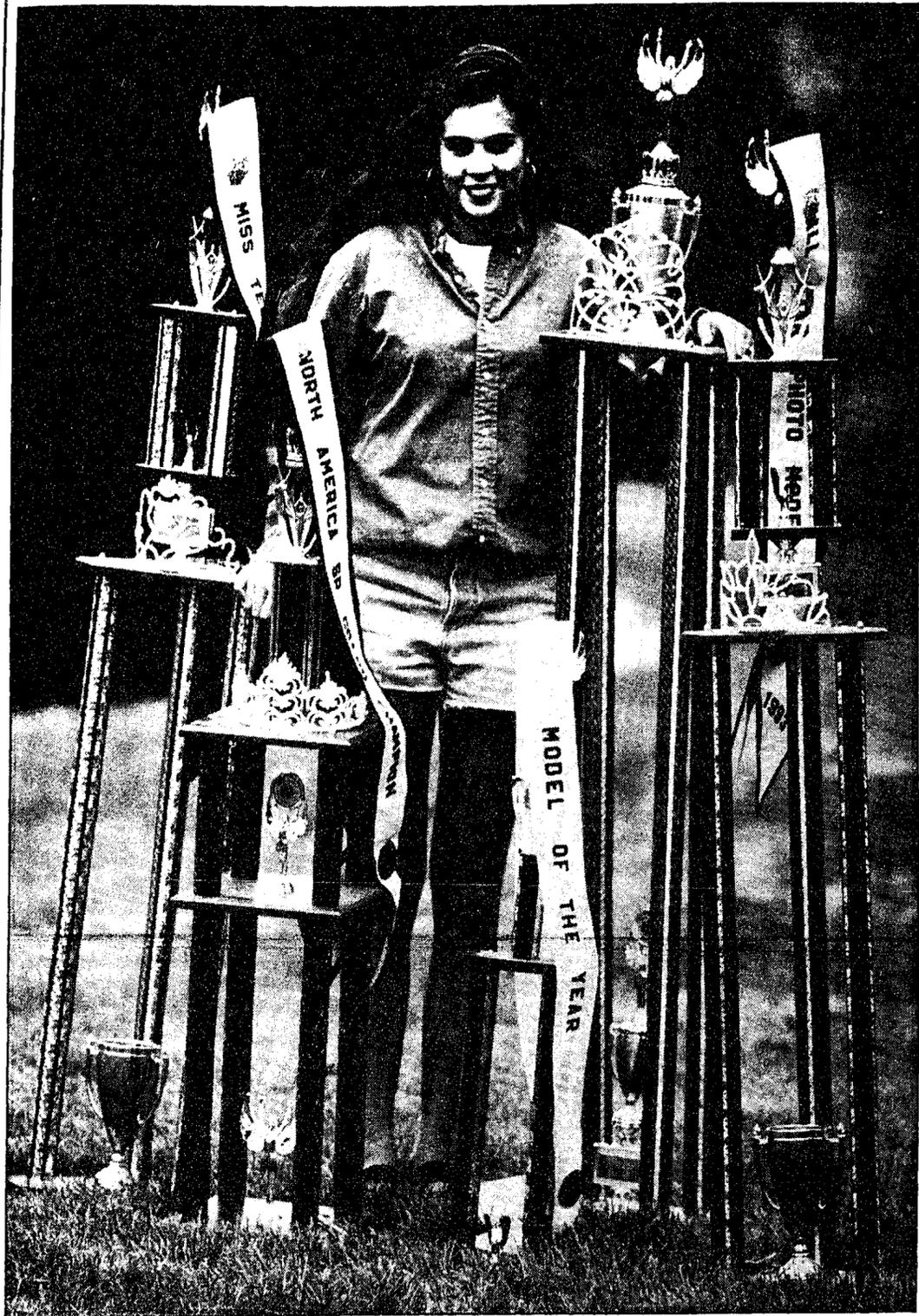
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At 5-foot-9, Melissa Jackson stands as tall as some of the trophies she's collected since appearing in her first pageant at the age of 13. She will compete for Miss Teen U.S.A. in August.

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TEEN QUEEN

Local girl pursues dream

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer



A few years ago, teen beauty queen Melissa Jackson was more interested in getting a home run than putting on makeup. "I was a tomboy when I was little," the 5-foot-9, tanned Jackson said. "I had short hair and I was playing softball. I wasn't into all that (beauty) stuff. Things change, I guess."

And they have. Today, the 17-year-old Walled Lake Western High School senior is the reigning Miss Teen North America and recently crowned Miss Teen Michigan. Having recently signed with two New York modeling agencies—Ford and Wilhelmina—Jackson will embark upon a full-time modeling career after graduation next year.

But for now, Jackson is preparing for the most important pageant of her life—Miss Teen U.S.A. She has little more than a week before the 17-day competition begins Aug. 1 in Biloxi, Miss. "I'm not nervous right now, but I will be the week before (the pageant)," she said last week. "You have to be confident, but you can't be overconfident."

It's been a long road for the Wixom teen. She won her first pageant on her 13th birthday, after entering the STARS competition half-willingly.

"STARS stands for Striving Toward Achievement, Recognition and Success," Jackson explained. "I'm a dancer and I was at a dance competition when a judge there told me I should enter. I thought, 'yeah, right, I'm not going to enter a pageant.'"

But she did, and ended up not only winning the Michigan title, but taking home national honors, too.

Her most recent pageant, the Miss Teen Michigan competition held earlier this month, has brought Jackson one step closer to becoming Miss Teen U.S.A.

"I'm halfway to a dream," she said. "I'm almost there. I know you have to work hard to get to the top."

The state pageant helped prepare Jackson for what's in store at

"I'm halfway to a dream," says Melissa Jackson of her upcoming competition in the Miss Teen U.S.A. pageant.

the national level—evening gown and swimsuit competitions, interviews with judges and answering impromptu questions on stage.

It was nerve-racking, waiting for her name to be called as finalists were named not once, but twice, in the competition held in Ypsilanti.

"You had to wait for all the girls to walk down the runway and get their flowers (before another finalist was named)," Jackson said.

But Jackson remained patient. She said she answered truthfully when asked questions by the judges. They asked her for her views on racial diversity, and why she would be qualified to serve as Miss Teen Michigan.

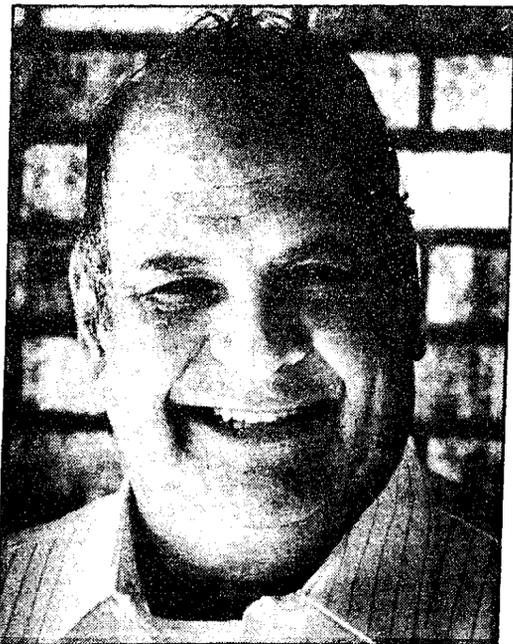
She smiled as she walked around the stage in a swimsuit and evening gown. She even laughed at herself when she walked off the stage when she wasn't supposed to.

Too bad she doesn't remember the finale of the pageant.

"I don't even remember them calling my name," she said. "I remember them calling my number and I could hear my friends screaming."

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Volunteer



Donald Miner

No hazard in serving on chemical appeal board

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

"We're like a Supreme Court," is the way Donald Miner described the Novi Hazardous Chemicals Appeal Board, on which he, three other men, and a woman are members—each knowledgeable on the subject of chemicals.

In 1988 the Novi City Council passed the Hazardous Chemicals Ordinance to regulate the use, storage, disposal of hazardous and toxic chemicals within the city limits.

The fire chief and his department were given authority to inspect the construction of new businesses going up to determine whether safety rules and regulations regarding chemicals were being obeyed. If they weren't the Fire Department suggested ways to correct the situation.

The builder, however, didn't always agree. He could say the changes would be too costly, even unnecessary. So he could make an application to the Hazardous Chemicals Ap-

peal Board, which the city council had set up.

As a member, Miner said, he has gone to a site two or three times "to see first hand" what the problem was about.

Having been with a chemical company for 30 years—Gage Products Co. in Ferndale—he is knowledgeable on the subject of chemical solvents, and in retirement he's still much interested in it.

"We don't want to chase business away. We try to work with the builder, be reasonable," he said.

And, he added "The board can overrule the Fire Department," but "we usually agree because the Fire Department has a good program and the chief does an excellent job."

In fact the Fire Department inspects new construction so well that, Miner said, the Appeal Board is almost "out of business." Members meet only as needed, and if that is too rarely, Miner said, "we meet just to see everybody is still live."

It's A Fact

MDOT QUIZ

Michigan's 1241-mile portion of the national Interstate system is equivalent to driving from Detroit to what major city?

- a. St. Louis b. Denver c. Santa Fe

On the state transportation map, what is the symbol used to designate a roadside park?

- a. (red) open triangle
b. (green) open triangle
c. (black) solid triangle

Tourism is one of Michigan's largest industries. Supporting this industry requires appropriate transportation services. Motorists can take scenic tours along the Great Lakes by following routes marked by distinctive green and white signs displaying a different design for each of the five lakes. What are the routes called?

- a. Great Lake Scenic Tours
b. Great Lakes Circle Tours
c. Great Lakes Wonder Tours

SOURCE: Michigan Department of Transportation

More than 100 turn out for Lions golfing event

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

The first Annual Novi Lions Golf Outing at the Links of Novi was a great success. More than 100 golfers participated in the event. Kevin Ribes was the chairman of the event this year with over 24 Novi Lions assisting. Three Lionsess working the entire day.

The outing started at 9 a.m. Although two cars, one from Marty Feldman and one from Bob Sellers, were offered for a hole-in-one on two of the holes, no one was able to win them. Following the game, dinner was served at the South Lyon Hotel. After dinner, a sports memorabilia auction was held. A South Lyon auto auction ran the event, and helped the Lions earn \$4,000 on this portion of the day.

The chairman of a Red Wings Jersey was Karin Orlino, owner of the "One Cut Above" hair salon in Walled Lake. Plans are already being made for next year's outing, set for the second Wednesday of June. Lion Paul Falkner will chair the 1995 golf outing, assisted by co-chairman Kevin Ribes. Ribes was honored by the Lions for his work on the golf outing at the meeting held June 22. He was awarded a Lion vest with pins donated by many of the members. Kevin was assisted by members of his family, including his dad, Eddie, and brothers, Daryl and Steve.

South Lyon Hotel owner Paul Baker was also presented with a plaque of appreciation at the meeting for his assistance, donations and guidance.

The Annual Pig Roast will not be held this year due to increased reg-

ulations and rules, however, plans are being made to have an outing on that day at the Weller Pavilion. New officers for the coming year include President Tim Napier, First Vice President Eddie Rhea, Second Vice President Jim Barnett, Third Vice President Manuel Barbosa, Secretary Les Sietzer, Treasurer Jim Cooper, Tail Twister John Fundukian, Lion Turner George Green and directors Dick Stupitzyk, Dick Paulkner, Pete Hoadley and Mark Hubbard. Jerry Coonce is the Lions' past president.

NOVI COMMUNITY EDUCATION
The Advisory Board of Novi Community Education, led by Director Charles Porter, has developed a program that has something for every youngster in the Novi area, starting with the Summer Educational and Recreation Fair. The fair was held prior to the summer season. The event was an opportunity for children and parents to learn about the program's offerings, set for these three years and up.

For older children there courses in Making Hair Ornaments, Rocketry, The World of Flight, Movie Star Camp, All Sports Camp, and a Cheerleading/Pom-pom Clinic. Call 344-8330 for information.

NOVI SENIOR CENTER
The Center for Seniors reminder of the many many activities going on in the area. Among them are the special menus planned Monday through Friday by Site Hostess Camille Kelly. While at the center, be sure to pick up information on the special activities being planned by Special Recreation coordinator Kathy Crawford. Each month she has a special travel program, complete with refreshments and door prizes. The next travel program is coming up Thursday Aug. 18, at 9:30 a.m. on Historic South Florida. Las Vegas and Upper Peninsula Fall travel.

Coming up Tuesday, July 26, will be the monthly senior dance complete with live band and refreshments. The cost will be \$2 at the door and the event will run from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. This week, the Skits-O-Frantic Players will hold a meeting to make plans for their performance Sept. 16

Novi Highlights

at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring a passing dish. Everything else will be provided for the cost of a \$1 donation.

Call 347-0414 for more information.

AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 19
The Post and Auxiliary are busy making plans to be at the Novi '50s Festival July 28-July 31. Members will be giving out information on the many advantages of joining the post at a booth at the festival. In addition, post members they will be having a raffle with prizes of television, a 17 foot flag pole and kil, and a 3 x 5 nylon bag.

Members will also be selling flags for personal use. The post will be joined by other members of the Veterans Alliance at the booth. Live members have also been joining the other veterans groups for a polluck on the last Saturday of each month at the Novi Chamber of Commerce's County Fair and several members will be assisting with this program.

The Auxiliary will not be meeting in July and August but are looking forward to the social events.

On Sept. 27, a Social Nite will be scheduled. The three young ladies will be at the Novi Chamber of Commerce's County Fair and several members will be assisting with this program.

The Auxiliary will not be meeting in July and August but are looking forward to the social events.

In addition, three members of Post No. 19 have been elected to positions in the 17th District Association. They include Vice Commander Ed Sysma, Finance Officer Bob Sale and Executive Board Member at Large Norm Schollett.

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
New summer hours are in effect as of this month and continuing through the Labor Day weekend, Sept. 4. Only one service will be held each week at 10 a.m.

This week, the children of the church will be finishing up their Vacation Bible School. In the class, the youngsters they "traveled back in time" to the 1st century and went with Apostle Paul on his missions. The theme was Code J.E.S.U.S. and the children played the part of secret agents and junior detectives complete with camera, phone and decoder watches.

The following seniors were recognized by the church family during a special service: Karl Dave, Julie Fahrner, Kristopher Jones, Nate Kushman, Jeff Miller, Mark Miller, Jeff Paul, Anna Schmidt, Andy Sill, A.J. Yil, Stephanie Watson and Jennifer Wroe.

A new program has been started on Wednesday at 7 p.m. called Faith and Film. Everyone is invited to come for free movies and snacks. Babysitting can be arranged by calling the church before noon on Monday.

This program will continue through Aug. 31. The movie playing July 27 will be Grand Canyon. Following each film, Robert Short, author of The Gospel According to Paul, will interpret the films and lead group discussions about them.

Novi teen earns Boy Scout's top honor for repairing old church

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer

It was an Eagle Scout project Gary Finzer thought he could finish in three Saturdays.

But just after one weekend of work, Finzer realized he underestimated the time it was going to take to renovate several rooms and a hallway of the First Presbyterian Church on Woodward Avenue in Detroit.

"I didn't think (the project) was that big at all," Finzer, a Novi High School sophomore, said. "But after that first Saturday we worked..."

The 15-year-old got the idea of renovating the church from his father, Fred, who attends ministry classes at the church.

With 15 ladders, a borrowed pickup truck and a scaffold donated by Scafield Inc. of Detroit, it took Finzer and his crew from June 11 to the 30th to finish the project. Mercury Paints supplied the paint for the venture.

Finzer joined the Boy Scouts at the age of 8, becoming a Cub Scout with Village Oaks Park 239. When he became old enough, he advanced to Boy Scout status with Troop 54.

The Nov teen is following in the scouting footsteps of his father and his maternal grandfather, Cloud Conlin, who also attained the rank of Eagle Scout.

"It teaches you organizational skills," Finzer said of Boy Scouting. "How to get things done on your own instead of depending on other people to help you."

Finzer will now work to obtain his



Gary Finzer recently completed his Eagle Scout project. The Novi teen renovated several rooms at the First Presbyterian Church in Detroit.

Although he just achieved Eagle Scout ranking, Finzer is already a role model to at least one young person in his life. His brother Brian, 11, just joined a Boy Scout troop.

"We want to be an Eagle Scout, too," Lois Finzer, Gary's mother, said. "He wants to be like his brother."

Church

Grand Canyon will be the next movie to be shown as part of FAITH and FILM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NOVI'S "Faith and Film Festival."

The 11-week festival will have showings of box office hits at 7 p.m. each Wednesday at the church, located on Ten Mile Road. Author Robert Short will introduce each film, provide a brief interpretation following the movie and lead the audience in a discussion about it. Admission is free and open to the public.

For more information, call the church at 349-5668.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi, has four new parish pastoral council members beginning terms this month. They are: Dottie Alban, Mike Kelly, Mary Ann Schmelzer and Paul Stullgrove. They will serve as parish representatives for three years.

Selected as alternates were Charles Shifflet, Kathy Foster, Ruth Lorenz, Terry Whitfield, Susan Sicks and Tom Kinderman.

The Holy Family Criminal Justice Team Festival, July 27-31. It is a major activity for the church. The team will be writing and more.

Pre-register by July 24. The cost is \$10 per child or \$18 per family.

The United Methodist Women still need volunteers to help with the fall craft and quilt show scheduled for NOV 11 and 12.

Sunday worship hours from now until Sept. 11 will be 8:30 and 10 a.m. On Sunday, Sept. 11, regular service times of 9 and 11 a.m. will resume.

John Becker will be the guest orator for this Sunday's services while Lois Gibbons and Lynn Ryan will perform as a duet.

The congregation will be preparing lunch for 400 and needs some help. The lunch will be for the homeless. Preparation will begin at 7 p.m. July 22.

Volunteers will meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. July 23 to caravan to 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 Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi, welcomed five new members June 5. They include: Geraldine Beasler, Scott Taylor, Shirley Tyler and Muriel and John Martin. The Recreation Committee has set two events for the summer. A canoe trip will begin at 1 p.m. July 24 at Island Lake Recreation area. The seven-mile trip will take approximately two hours to complete.

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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) 380-6100.

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

NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL: Class of 1984: Saturday, Nov. 5 at Laurel Manor? 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.; contact Sharon Latta. 348-2982, for more information.

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, MI 48376-7011.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

For information regarding rates for church listings call The Northville Record or Novi News 349-1700

WALLED LAKE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH 328 Monroe St., Wall Lake, MI 48090 Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 2001 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167 Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson
ST. JOHN LUTHERAN FARMINGTON HILLS 23275 Oak Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48334 Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	SPIRIT OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH - E.L.C.A. 40700 W. 10 Mile (W. of Haggerty) St., Farmington Hills, MI 48334 Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson
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FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST 1100 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167 Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH 2025 Haggerty Road at 11 Mile Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson
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NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 4171 W. Ten Mile - Meadowbrook Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 3470-1144 8 Mile & Toll Road Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson
MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 21355 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi at 8 Mile Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH, SBC 23455 W. 10 Mile (W. of Haggerty) St., Farmington Hills, MI 48334 Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson
CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL 10 Mile between 1st & Beck, Novi Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NOVI Home of Christ School Grades 2-12 Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson
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ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI 4430 W. 10 Mile Novi, MI 48066 Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson
CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi at 8 Mile Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 217 N. West Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson
VICTORY LUTHERAN CHURCH (MISSOURI SYNOD) NOVI MEADOWS SCHOOL On Toll Rd near 11 Mile Road Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson	FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 21200 Haggerty Farmington Sundays 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Wayne W. Johnson

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On campus

JEFFREY M. PARK, and **BRUCE P. BEKKALA** were among 1,270 students placed on the spring quarter Dean's List at Michigan Technological University by earning a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

A total of 1,093 students completed the requirements for certificates, associates, bachelor's and doctoral degrees at Ferris State University during the winter quarter, which ended May 9, 1994. Students from Novi are: bachelor of science—MICHAEL A. YANKOWSKI, criminal justice; KEVIN MARTIN SMITH, marketing.

The Dean's List for Northern Michigan University's winter semester, which ended April 29, including ALEXIS A. JOHNSON, one of 1,457 undergraduates, who earned high academic honors.

A total of 2,151 persons are on the official list of those who received degrees from Western Michigan University at the end of the winter semester, including 29, including ROBERT J. BATES, bachelors of business administration in marketing; PAULA BECKMAN, bachelors of arts in elementary education majors, magna cum laude; PAMELA J. BUTLER, bachelors of music, music performance, cum laude; DULGIE COOLEY, bachelors of business administration in accounting; JAY R.

EDWARD SUMEC, MICHELLE L. TIMRECK, DELVANE ANNE VAIL, GWYNNE E. VECK, NASHA VIDA, and AMY K. ZYCZYNSKI.

Miami University has announced that STEFANY A. DROZDA achieved a 3.5 or better grade point average for second semester 1993-94 and has been named to the Dean's List, recognizing academic performance.

JENNIFER ANDES, daughter of Mary Anides and Bruce Anides of Farmington Hills, was among 67 seniors honored at Kalamazoo College's award ceremony held in Dalton Theatre recently. Anides received the Robert Budy Prize in Marine Biology, which is awarded to one or more students with demonstrated interest and ability in marine biology or related fields.

ALEXIS JOHNSON, a freshman in biochemistry, has been selected to be one of 56 students to participate in Northern Michigan University's Student Leader Fellowship Program which begins with the Fall Semester.

The chosen students will receive a scholarship in the Leadership Theory and Practice Course and attend a number of workshops and seminars over a two-year period. In addition, each student is matched with a mentor—a community leader who acts as a leadership guide and role model.

COLLEEN CAVANAGH-KOSUTH has received her master's degree in health care administration from the University of Detroit Mercy and an award honor from Mercy Women in Management. She is the daughter of Harold and Betty Cavanaugh.

ANDREA J. SCHWANDT was among 67 seniors honored at a Kalamazoo College awards ceremony in Dalton Theatre.

Schwandt received the Diebold Scholar Award given to one or more seniors in recognition of excellence in the oral and poster presentation of the SIP at the Diebold Symposium, and the William E. Prager Prize established by the faculty in the Biology Department and awarded to the most outstanding senior majoring in biology based on academic achievement in the discipline.

Schwandt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Schwandt of Northville. She is a graduate of Novi High School.

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Melissa Jackson gets a little help with curling her tresses from friend Bridget Byrne. Jackson said her friends have been very supportive and have attended most of her pageants.

Teen queen reaching for dream

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As most other states hold their Miss Teen pageants earlier in the year, Jackson is desperately trying to make up for lost time. She works with a personal trainer two times a week, and visits the health club to keep in shape.

Jackson is also working on her interviewing skills with an area TV newscaster. "A lot of the other (contestants) have six, eight, 10 months to prepare," she said. "You just have to be-

lieve in yourself and you can do it." The high school senior realizes she has to make sacrifices to fulfill her dream. Her days are packed with modeling assignments—like the ones she's done for K mart, Meljer, Chiquita Bananas, runway work for design shows, TV commercials and serving as Miss Teen Michigan's pageant representative. "Yeah, sometimes I get a headache—get stressed out," she said. "But I do have some free time, not that much. When I do... I like to spend it with my friends."

Jackson credits the support of her mother and friends for helping her get through it all. Her mother also schedules and keeps track of the harried teen's day-to-day appointments. "This is a whole different type of life than my mother is used to," Jackson said. "When she was in high school, she played the flute, she's a teacher. She can help me in certain ways and in certain ways she can't. But she does support me." The Miss Teen U.S.A. pageant is scheduled to air at 8 p.m. Aug. 16 on CBS.

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.

Learn four line dances with Betty Byrd. There will be five Thursday evening classes and two outings, July 21 and 28 and Aug. 4, 11 and 18. The cost is \$32.

Several special 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.

Single Place members will go to a Detroit Tiger game July 23. The cost is \$14.

Summer volleyball will be played at 6:30 every Sunday evening at Park Place Apartments, Eight Mile Road between Meadows and Gristlewood, and at 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday on the back lawn at First Presbyterian Church. 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.

"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 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. (PWPI) is an international, non-profit, non-sectarian educational organization devoted to the welfare and interest of single parents and their children.

For information, call Dan Platz, 651-3511.

Send Singles information to The Northville Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

Club news

NOVI NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS

The annual Bunko dinner will be held at 7 p.m. July 26 at the Macaroni Grill, at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads in Livonia. RSVP to BETH HOGAN by July 25. All regulars and subs are welcome.

The Couples Games group will meet this month. Also, there will be no poker game in July for the Men's Night Out group.

The Mens and Tots group will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, July 21, at the Village Oaks Subdivision Park. Lunch will be from 11:30 until noon and children can play in the park or swim until 1:30 p.m. The fee is \$1 per person for guest swimming passes, due that day. RSVP to JO OZIMEK by July 18.

Babysitting Co-op I will meet at JOYCE ENGELMAN'S home at 10 a.m. July 19 to vote on by-law changes.

The Bookclub will not meet this month, but will get together Aug. 16 at Borders to discuss Moby Dick by Herman Melville. RSVP to DEBY MORRIS by Aug. 15.

NOVI ROTARY CLUB At the Novi Rotary Club's installation banquet, PEGGY HAYMAN was

installed as the club's first woman president.

Hayman has been an active Rotarian since joining the club in 1989 and has held other officer positions in the club.

A resident of Novi since 1983, Hayman lives with her husband Oliver and daughter Kaley. She previously served as president of Novi Middle School's PTO, receiving commendations from Novi's Board of Education.

Other officers installed at the banquet were LEE MAMOLA, president elect; BOB UMBRIGHT, vice president; TOM FRY, foundation treasurer; BOB NIEMTZ, club treasurer; GERRY STIPP, secretary; and STEVE MYERS, newsletter editor/secretary.

Board members installed were GINGER BARRONS, BAL PATEL, KEITH WILSON, DON RHODDA, ED LEININGER, VIC MERRITT and DEAN KING.

The Rotary Club is interviewing families who are interested in hosting international students in their homes. As a host family you would:

Select a three- or four-month period to welcome a 17- or 18-year-old high school student into your family. The students will be given an opportunity to become acquainted and live with three or four different families during their stay in America.



Let your family learn first-hand about the culture differences of another country. There are 7,000 young people from 62 nations who take part in the program each year. The student is responsible for airfare, clothing, health insurance and incidentals. The Novi Rotary Club provides \$50 per month to the student for incidentals. For more information, call Kathleen Mutch, 349-6774.

Diversions

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THURSDAY July 21, 1994

Northville actress appearing in play

Northville resident Jennifer Bacon is starring in Attic Theatre's production of *Angry Housewives*.

The play follows the path of four frustrated suburban women on a precarious voyage of self discovery that leads them to enter a talent contest in a park rock club. Together, as the *Angry Housewives*, they release years of frustration with an outrageous number. By the end of the evening, the audience knows each of the women as deeply as if they'd gone through her refrigerator and medicine cabinet and spent the day together chaperoning a class trip.

Bacon plays Wendy, one of the housewives in the musical comedy by A.M. Collins and Chad Henry. Bacon comes from a long line of theater people. Her grandfather was Lloyd Bacon, director of such classic films as *42nd Street* and *Kismet*. Her great-grandfather was Frank Bacon, an actor on Broadway who wrote, directed and starred in *Lightnin'*, which ran for seven years.

Bacon recently moved to Northville from New York City, where she has several regional credits of her own.

Angry Housewives is directed by Rick Frederick, with musical direction by Steve Dedoes and choreography by Valerie Mould. Performances run Thursdays through Sundays, through Aug. 14, at the Strand Theatre, 12 N. Saginaw in Pontiac.

"Talk-back" with the actors and the director follows every Thursday evening performance.

Tickets are available at the Strand Theatre box office, (810) 335-8100; the Attic Theatre box office, (313) 875-8284; or any Ticketmaster outlet.



Submitted photo Jennifer Bacon of Northville stars as Wendy in Attic Theatre's production of *Angry Housewives*.

Intown

Submit items for the entertainment listings to The Northville Record, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167; or fax to 349-1050.

Special events

LOCAL TALENT SHOWCASED: West Bloomfield Youth Theatre's production of *Once Upon a Mattress*, the musical retelling of the classic fairy tale, *The Princess and the Pea*, will feature 50 performers, ages 5-15, from West Bloomfield, Orchard Lake, Northville, Walled Lake, Pleasant Ridge, Ferndale, Bloomfield Hills, Wixom, Beverly Hills, Southfield and Royal Oak.

Performance times are 7:30 p.m. July 21, 22 and 23 and 2 p.m. July 24 at West Bloomfield High School, located on Orchard Lake Road, north of Walnut Lake Road.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3.50 for students and are available at the door. For more information, call 1-800-824-8314.

COLLECTIBLES SHOW: Race fans and motorsports enthusiasts are welcomed to the Motorsports Memorabilia and Collectibles Show hosted by the Motorsports Hall of Fame in Novi Aug. 7.

NASCAR, drag racing, Indy car, Formula 1 and hydroplane memorabilia will be available, including die-cast collectibles, trading cards and autographed items.

The show is located at the Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame in the Novi Expo Center at I-96 and Novi Road. Admission is \$4 for adults; \$2 for seniors and children under 12; and free for children under 6. Admission includes entry to the show, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the Motorsports Museum. For more information, or to reserve tables, call 349-9492.

PERFORMER'S SHOWCASE: The Novi Arts Council wishes to showcase the talents of area performers. Performances will be held in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center prior to selected city council meetings, on occasion, performances may be taped by MetroVision and broadcast to residents.

Musicians, actors, poets, dancers, etc., are invited to submit application forms and audition tapes, if available, to the Novi Arts Council.

The next scheduled performance is Aug. 8 with guitarist Dan Kuczek. For further information, contact the arts council, 347-0400.

FRIGATES INN: Dance with The Globe from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays at Frigates Inn, 1103 East Lake Drive, Novi.

JAZZ IN THE PARK: Laurel Park Place ignites with the hot sounds of jazz and the latest in fashions featured during the "Jazz in the Park"

restaurant, the murder mystery and a tenderloin and salmon dinner are \$25.95 per person.

Diners are given clues—and sometimes speaking roles in the action—to help them figure out who dunnit. Prizes are given out to the best guessers.

Home Sweet Home is located at 43180 Nine Mile Road just east of Novi Road.

Also, comedy night returns on Thursdays with 8 p.m. shows.

For information and reservations, call 347-0095.

GENITTI'S: Genitti's Hole-in-The-Wall Restaurant presents *The Not-so-G.K. Cornell*, a murder mystery comedy with music beginning Aug. 6 through Nov. 13.

Nautical Nonsense will continue playing through July.

Featured is Genitti's famous seven course family-style Italian dinner which includes homemade soup, garlic bread, pasta, antipasto salad, baked chicken, Italian sausage and steak and dessert.

Admission to the performance and dinner is \$12 to midnight every week. Local artists get together for impromptu jams.

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Golf

Oasis provides fun for golfers, entire family

By MERRILL CAIN
Sports Editor

Learning to play golf is certainly a painstaking task, but it's even more difficult if the new linkster is trying to get adapted to the game on a full-length course.

There are only a few short or executive golf courses in the area but one of the premier par 3 courses is just a short one wood drive away in Plymouth.

The Oasis Golf Club is located at 39500 Five Mile Road near Haggerty Road and the course provides a definite challenge for the beginner. It's also an ideal place for polished golfers to refine their skills and practice some of the finer points of the game.

The 2,665-yard par 3 course is well-maintained and the unique features and hazards of the links make it an enjoyable experience to play.

Owner of Oasis, Brian Ashley, said the superior quality of the greens is the main attraction of the course. "There aren't too many par 3 courses around anymore," said Ashley. "This course has a real feel for top quality greens. These are as good as greens as you'll find for 50 miles around at any course."

Ashley purchased Oasis in 1992 and there have been some major changes made at the facility since that time. A top level driving range is still a big draw at the site and there is a golf dome set up at Oasis in the winter months. The practice green has doubled in size since Ashley took over the operation and now target greens were also added this year. The entire "clubhouse" area of the

facility was recently renovated and the pro shop necessities were done away with as part of the changes. "It was just too hard to compete with other large companies in the area," said Mike Ashley, one of the course managers.

There is also a putt-putt course on site, as well as baseball batting cages. All new batting machines were purchased and installed this year. The golf course itself, however, is still the main attraction at Oasis. Brian Ashley said that the links definitely have their niche. "The course is very challenging for the experienced player but it's still basically a beginner's and short game course," he said.

One local golfer agreed with Ashley as he got set to tee-off on the first hole at Oasis. "It's fun to play here because there's a good chance for a hole-in-one," said 15-year-old Jon Kobylarek of Novi. "It's also a real nice course to practice your short game."

Most of the holes at Oasis are between 100-140 yards with the exception of the ninth hole that carries a length of 185 yards. For much of the course, most avid golfers will consistently use a seven, eight or nine iron. Pitching and sand wedges will also come in handy on some of the course hazards.

On the front nine, the 145 yard third hole presents a bit of a challenge. The surface dips about 15 feet in front of the tee and a ditch running along the right side of the fairway could pose some problems. There's a fence just in back of the hole and a long tee shot could wind up on Haggerty Road if the golfer isn't careful. No. 4 provides a very picturesque

backdrop. With a fence and the road immediately to the left of the tee, a classic red barn sits in the background. The green on the hole plays a little rough as putt marks show where the cup was moved recently. No. 8 is one of the shorter holes at the course at 105 yards, but it still provides a challenge.

The tee sits right in back of a pond and a big hill is positioned to the right of the green. This hole also features a bigger green that undulates around the edges.

The longest hole (185 yards) is at No. 9 with another pond to the right of the tee and a hill to the left of the hole, a straight approach is the best option.

On the back nine, the 135 yard 17th hole provides the toughest test. There's an odd tee angle on the hole and the cup is positioned to the right side where several hazards are also lying in wait. A short tee shot and a cautious approach are the easiest ways to tackle the hole.

Prices at Oasis include: \$10 for 18 holes or \$8 for juniors and seniors during the week; \$8 for nine holes or \$6 for juniors and seniors on weekdays; \$12 for 18 holes on the weekend or on holidays and juniors play 18 for just \$3 if accompanied by an adult before 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

For more information contact Oasis at (810)420-4653.

Merrill Cain is the sports editor for the *Milford Times* and *South Lyon Herald*.



The first green at Oasis. Most holes at the course are under 150 yards.

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Second Opinion set to perform

By CINDY STEWART
Special Writer

The cloudy skies didn't stop the Rhinelanders from shaking the walls inside the Novi Civic Center. The largest crowd yet at the Novi Summer Sounds clapped and sang along as the Rhinelanders rolled out the barrels and had a barrel of fun with the very young to the very old. People sang and danced along with all of those favorite old German polkas and sing-a-long tunes.

While sunny, blue skies can't be promised for this week's concert, but a fresh, energetic performance from Second Opinion can be. The group is described as a folk lovers' paradise.

When you see them on stage it doesn't look like it's going to work. One of them is clearly too short. If you know their backgrounds it doesn't seem like its going to work. One is a children's musician with a penchant for "oldies," one is a contemporary singer/songwriter with a weakness for "causes" and the other is an old-time banjo player who owns a sport-

ing music store. Elderly instruments, nothing else matters. It works. Second Opinion is made up of three musicians living in Lansing, a thriving community of folks who have forgotten what folk is. They have concerts, festivals, workshops, dances, pick-up bands, a supportive public radio station and a world renowned music store. Elderly instruments, Joel Mabius, Kitty Donohue, Sally Rogers and Ray Kamaly are among those who call Lansing home. Their commitment to the music is deep.

This commitment describes Betsy Clinton, Pat Madden-Roth and Sally Potter who formed Second Opinion in 1988. Their three very different and wonderfully strong voices formed a textured weaving of sound that is a thrill to hear. Their sound is honest. Their harmony is extravagant. Their songs are compelling.

What makes them so unique? The three women trade off leads and harmony parts, which is unusual for most vocal groups. A lot of a capella singing marks their performances and recordings. Minimal instrumentation (usually Pat's solo guitar, or a few spunky banjo and guitar duets from Sally and Betsy) offers a simple framework for their vocal magic.

Second Opinion performs at festivals, clubs and coffeehouses throughout Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Ontario. Tom Paxton's "There Goes the Mountain," Holly Near's "Voices," and Madden-Roth's "Inner Dancer" showcase this group's ability to use and intertwine harmony with emotion. They have been called "the newest vocal equivalents to the Chellen Sisters." They produced two albums in a little over four years and built a very significant following in the process.

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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 seven. There is no concert next week due to the Michigan 50's Festival. Stop by the Novi Expo Center, Wednesday, July 27 through Sunday, July 31st for live music every evening in the Entertainment Tent. Call 349-1950 for information. The next Sounds of Summer Concert is August 4 and features "Schunk, Starr Oyden featuring Mark Kaine," jazz at its best highlighting the area's finest performers.

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

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Sun can cause eye damage, too

By TIM KIRK
Special Writer

Most people are aware that too much sun leads to premature aging of the skin and skin cancer. Modern eye research now shows similar effects on the eyes. The good news is that protecting your eyes is relatively easy.

To understand the problem, let's first look at the culprit—sunlight, or more specifically, invisible ultraviolet (UV) radiation. We divide UV into three groups:

1. UV-C—the shortest wavelength generally absorbed by the ozone
2. UV-B—causes sunburn and damage to the front half of your eyes
3. UV-A—closest to visible violet-colored light and the most important to protect your eyes from

For years we suspected that too much UV radiation harmed the eyes. Research now confirms that at least three forms of eye disease are related to lifelong exposure. The more time you spend in the sun, especially on snow or water, the higher your risks.

First, cancer of the eyelids and skin around the eyes is one possibility. In addition, benign growths on the whites of adults' eyes are observed more often in farmers and people who spend increased time outdoors.

Second, the lens located behind the pupil helps absorb UV-B light, but in doing so is subject to pre-

Health tips

maturing cataract formation. The cornea, the clear front dome of the eye, also absorbs some UV-B light and can be subject to the equivalent of a sunburn from extreme conditions like sunlamps, welder's flash or high-altitude, snowy areas.

Our third and final concern, the retina, is the most important. Since UV-A light is not blocked by the ozone, the cornea or lens of the eye, it reaches the retina, the delicate nerve tissue, that lines the back of the eye. The retina is like the film in a camera and is what allows us to see. It is believed that cumulative, long-term exposure to UV-A contributes to retinal breakdown known as macular degeneration, a common cause of blindness in older adults.

Now for the good news. Wearing prescription plastic lenses protects you from nearly all the UV-B rays. If you wear a visor or wide-brimmed hat, you cut down the overall UV exposure by 50 percent as well.

Our last and most crucial concern is shielding the eye from UV-A rays. This can be done with a nearly colorless coating on eyeglasses that blocks 95 percent to 100 percent of UV-A light. The cost of this coating is around \$20. Your family's clear

glasses and sunglasses should have this UV coating.

The consumer challenge comes with labeling on nonprescription sunglasses. You'll find sunwear labeled "UV 400," "UV protection," or not labeled at all. You want to be sure your sunglasses are protecting you from 95 percent to 100 percent of UV-A and B light.

Recent findings show that dark sunglasses without full UV protection allow the pupil to dilate and let more UV light into the eye than wearing nothing at all. These lenses are literally doing more damage than good.

Ophthalmologists can recommend quality sunglasses and coatings for your specific job and recreation needs. They should also have an instrument to measure the UV transmission on your glasses and answer any questions you have about labeling.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is developing regulations to assure accurate UV labeling. Recently, Accuweather, a national weather forecast service, began reporting the daily UV risk. This information will be increasingly important since our ozone layer is letting more and more UV light reach Earth.

Dr. Tim Kirk is in private practice at Town & Country Eye Associates, but I wonder when he gets old and settles down, will the muscle turn to fat?

Warming up before exercising



Barry Franklin

Everyone should warm up before strenuous exercise. A warmup is especially important for athletes and persons with heart disease.

Many physiologists believe that cardiovascular warm-up exercises prevent muscle and tendon injuries which sometimes occur with abrupt strenuous activity.

Several years ago, scientists at UCLA Medical Center demonstrated that warmup exercise may also be beneficial to the heart—possibly preventing serious cardiovascular complications.

Researchers studied young and middle-aged men. None showed any signs of symptoms of heart disease as judged by an electrocardiographic (ECG) exercise stress test. Following this evaluation, each subject underwent two separate bouts of strenuous exercise, one with and one without prior warmup.

With no warmup, they were subjected to a sudden intense period of running on a tread-

mill. More than two-thirds showed abnormal ECG changes, suggesting inadequate blood flow to the heart muscle.

But when a warmup period of easy jogging in place preceded the strenuous exercise, the abnormal ECG changes were often eliminated or reduced in severity.

Results of the study suggest that sudden strenuous exertion may place demands on the heart that cannot be matched immediately by its circulation. Without a gradual warmup, the heart may not get enough oxygen. The result may be a potentially dangerous ECG pattern, called ST-segment depression, heart rhythm disturbances, or both.

These findings may explain why sudden death or heart attack sometimes occurs during abrupt strenuous efforts—for example, running to catch a bus. It appears the body takes time to make some of its complex physiological adjustments, and one such example is the increase of blood to the heart muscle.

Q: Without going through an elaborate test, is there a relatively safe, easy and accurate test to determine my level of heart-lung fitness?

A: Yes. Walk one mile as fast as you can and immediately note your time and pulse rate. For a copy of a test booklet and scorecard, send a postcard with your name and address to The Rockport Walking Institute, P.O. Box 480, Marlboro, MA 01752.

Q: A "normal" heart rate is supposed to be about 72. What kind of heart rate do athletes have?

A: Many well-trained endurance athletes have low resting heart rates. Dr. Kenneth Cooper, who is regarded as the "father of aerobics," has reported examining one distance runner with a rate of 28 beats per minute.

Q: My son, a high school football player, is very muscular, but I wonder when he gets older and settles down, will the muscle turn to fat?

A: No. Unused muscle does not gradually turn to fat. Muscle and fat are two distinctly different types of tissue. One is incapable of converting to the other. Unused muscles simply decrease in size.

Barry Franklin, Ph.D., is director of Cardiac Rehabilitation and Exercise Laboratories at William Beaumont Hospital. His new book, "Making Healthy Tomorrow's," is available by calling 1-800-289-4843.

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PONY LEAGUE

Jettie Chiropractic beat Adray Appliance No.2 by a 5-1 score on July 12. Chris Jettie pitched a one-hitter for the winners in going all seven innings. Craig Demere was the losing pitcher for Adray.

MUSTANG LEAGUE

Botsford beat Elon Hair and Nail Salon 7-5 on June 27. Jeff Gdowski and Mike Ward pitched for Botsford while John Stadrowski, Matt Gorman and Steve Wassil pitched for Elon Hair. Dan St. Clair had a triple and three RBIs for Botsford while Gdowski contributed two hits. Gorman had two hits and an RBI for the losers.

Domino's Pizza beat Spillane Bracers 7-5 on June 16. Rob Harrell had three hits for Domino's and Nick Mainella, James Wolter and Brandon Pratt each had two hits. Jeff Dunwell had three hits for Spillane as well as two RBIs. Kirk Safford and Casey Kreutzberg had two and one hit respectively.

Domino's Pizza beat Oakland Physical Therapy 12-10 on June 21. Mike Crawford pitched three innings for the win and struck out eight. Robbie Harrell and John Murray each had a hit for Domino's while Jake Ray had

three for Oakland. Brandon Cocks and Mark Batchik had two hits each for Oakland, too.

Domino's beat Analog Devices 17-15 on June 29. Ty Frantz pitched three innings for Domino's allowing no hits, no runs and striking out eight. Nick Mainella had two hits and two RBIs for the winners while James Wolter added four RBIs. Andy Cash had two hits for Analog.

Domino's beat Botsford 14-4 on July 6. Mike Crawford got the win in relief of Ty Frantz and allowed only one hit. Brandon Pratt had two hits for the winners.

Domino's beat Elon Hair and Nail Salon 14-6 on July 8. Kevin Potock pitched three innings and Mike Crawford relieved. James Wolter had two hits for Domino's and Crawford had four RBIs.

PINTO LEAGUE

Harrington Law beat Olivet College 21-17 on July 5. Rick Knuth had three hits including a three-run homer while Mark Eberline had four hits and R.J. Makoski added three for Harrington. Matt Haggerty had five hits for Olivet.

Harrington Law beat Subway 17-10 on July 6.

Legion team falls to Pontiac

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

If American Legion Post 346 doesn't make the playoffs this summer, Sunday will be remembered as the day that did them in.

The Post dropped a doubleheader to Pontiac and fell to 14-6 overall—on the playoff bubble, according to team spokesperson Paul Pintar.

"We were in the driver's seat," he said. "We had it. It was ours."

The top three teams in American Legion league get playoff bids. Farmington, which is comprised mainly of Novi players, will now vie with Royal Oak, Ferndale and Oxford for a spot. Berkley gets an automatic bid as tournament host.

"We've still got a chance," said Pintar. "We've got to win the rest of our games."

The season concludes Sunday with a doubleheader against

Ferndale.

At any rate, the losses to Pontiac were tough to take for several reasons. Post 346 had to forfeit the opener because only eight team members were on hand at game time.

Game two didn't go much better as Farmington fell 6-1.

"When we forfeited the boys were very upset," Pintar said. "It was a dead afternoon."

TROY DOUBLEHEADER

Farmington managed a split in Saturday's home doubleheader.

Troy took game one 12-6 by roughing up Novi High graduate Mike Samolin for nine runs. The game was tied at five until the third inning.

Aaron Cagnon was one of the few bright spots in the opener. He had three hits, including a pair of triples, and three runs batted in. Jim Rose, Dale Domas, Ron Salomonson, Ed Kennedy and John Wroe also had hits.

Novi High hurler Joe Harmon did a good job in relief of Samolin. He pitched five innings and allowed three runs.

Game two turned out better as the Post won 9-6.

Tied at six after five innings, Farmington rallied for the winning runs in the sixth. Bryon Groom doubled with two outs to get things going. Rose doubled him home and scored on a Cagnon double.

Pintar said Rose has been hitting the ball hard of late.

"It's going real good for him," he added.

Wroe started the game and was knocked out, literally, in the first. He took a line drive off the cheek after only partially deflecting it with his glove.

The Wildcat star was unable to continue pitching but did stay in the game in the outfield. He had two hits. Harmon relived again and once

again did a solid job for four innings. **FARMINGTON 7, SOUTHFIELD 6**

Rose was the hero of Friday's home game. Trailing 6-5 going into the bottom of the seventh, he smashed a line drive into right field to score two runs.

Salomonson was the other hitting star. He had two hits, including a grand slam in the third inning that tied the score at four.

Jake Lawson got the win in relief of Kennedy. He pitched two innings and struck out four.

FARMINGTON 12, AUBURN HILLS 8
Post 346 won a hitting-fest July 13 at home.

Farmington pounded out a dozen hits. The Post scored six runs in the fifth inning to put the game away.

Matt Woolf, Cagnon and Wroe each had two hits to pace the team. Wroe also had four runs batted in.

Expos finish 11-7 in Reese league

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final 15 to complete an excellent year.

"Our toughest competition was early in the season," Shaw said of those first three contests. "The kids really came together after that. We were very happy with the season."

The Expos were an offensive machine.

Outscoring rivals 153-100, Novi averaged better than eight runs per game and had a team batting average

of .396. The Expos also stole nearly a dozen bases every game.

Jeremy Plass and Mitch Maier led the way with batting averages well over .500. A.J. Rowe notched 18 RBIs to lead the Expos while Maier stole 41 bases and scored 26 runs.

"We outscored everyone handily with a few exceptions," said Shaw.

The coach said a lot of hard work went into his team's accomplishments. The Expos took lots and lots

of batting practice.

"Offense is very important," Shaw said, "but the caliber of pitching is just as important."

Novi was solid on the mound, too.

The Expos used a five-man rotation. Jeff Poulos went 2-0 with a 4.44 ERA. Rowe was 4-4 with a 3.50 ERA and two saves. Justin Shaw went 3-0 with a 4.56 ERA. Chad Nadolni was 2-3 and Mark McPherson 0-0.

The Expos battled hard in every

game. Two of Novi's best efforts, despite being losses, came against Northville.

"They were the highlight of the season," said Shaw. "They were excellent ballgames that went down to the wire."

Expo team members included: Dan Kittle, Jeremy Plass, Brent Pawlak, Chad Nadolni, Justin Shaw, Brendan Watson, Mitch Maier, Mark McPherson, Scott Barrett, Jeff Poulos, Craig Karpalis and A.J. Rowe.

Rec Briefs

Coaches needed: Manager and coaches for travel baseball teams are being sought by the Novi Baseball Alliance. The NBA currently coordinates three teams of Novi youth playing in metropolitan Detroit travel baseball leagues, and is looking to expand for 1995. Several age brackets are offered by the NBA. For further information or to apply for a position, contact Brad Krause, NBA Administrative Manager at (810) 347-4782.

Fitness Factory: New Fitness Factory water aerobics class will be offered at the Village Oaks Clubhouse Pool (north of Nine Mile Road, between Meadowbrook and Haggerty) starting the week of July 18. Classes will run for six weeks every Monday and Wednesday from 10:30-11:30 a.m. with babysitting available. This is a great low impact workout. Come give it a try. Bring a towel and water shoes to class. For more information call 349-0510 or 349-7928.



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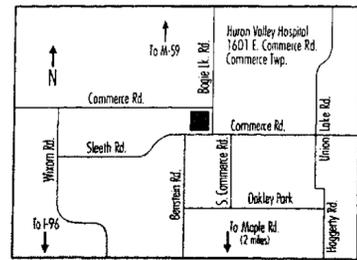
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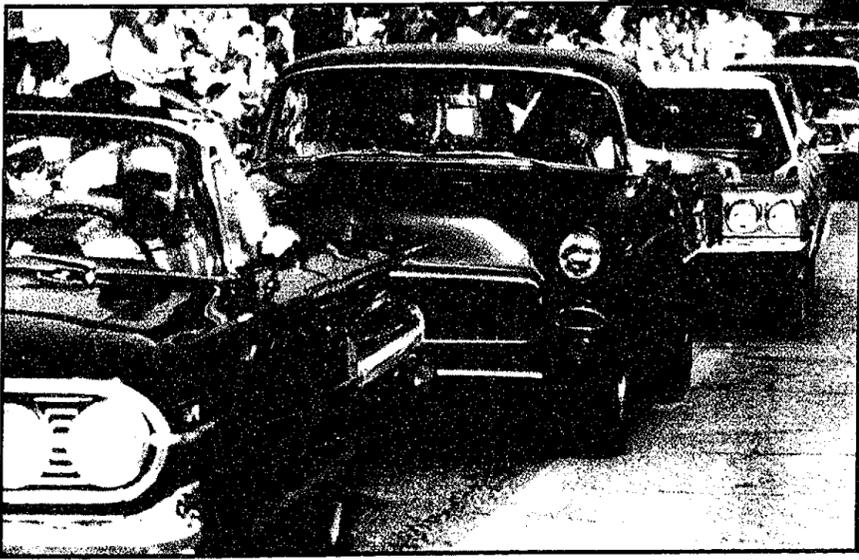
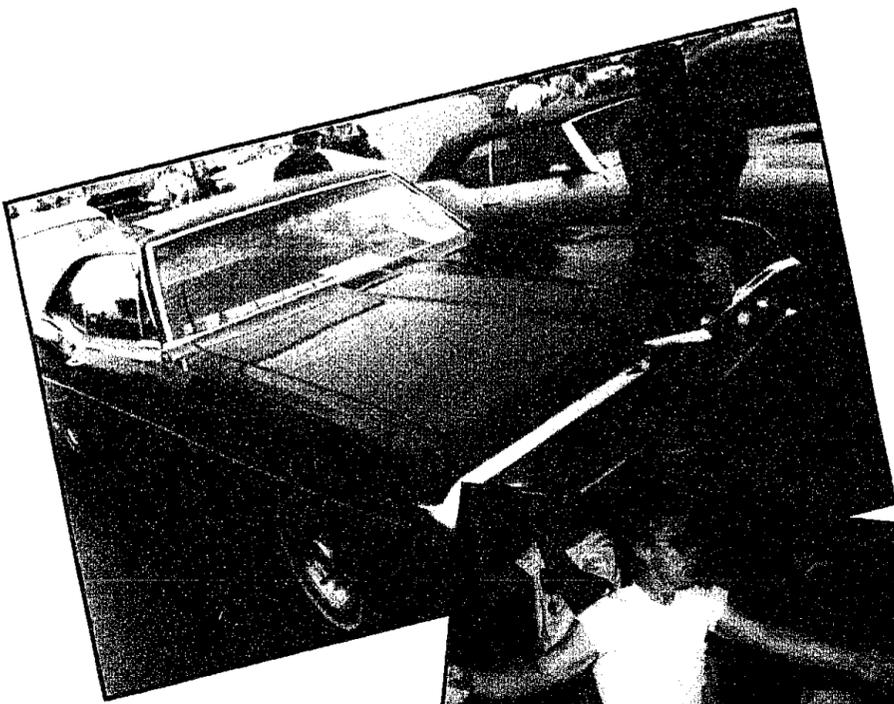
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The Blues Brothers make an appearance at the '50s Festival.

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Return to the Fifties

Seventh annual Michigan '50s Festival moves to Expo Center

By YVONNE BEEBE
Staff Writer

Grease up that pompadour and put on your poodle skirt because it's time to rock around the clock in Novi.

The seventh annual Michigan '50s Festival will transport visitors back to the time when Hula-Hoops were the newest recreation craze and Elvis Presley's sneering lips and gyrating hips sent teenage girls swooning.

The City of Novi will celebrate the fabulous fifties in a five-day celebration from July 27-31 at the Novi Expo Center. The festival promises to have something for everyone, including those youngsters who might only associate the '50s with reruns of *Happy Days*.

The festival's five days will be jam-packed with musical shows, classic car exhibits, a fireworks show, athletic events, children's activities, dancing and singing contests, a sock hop, and of course lots of food. Parking is free for all events.

Cindy Stewart, president of the '50s Festival board of directors, said she is confident this year's festivities will be a hit, with spectators, vendors and performers flooding in from around the country.

"Every year we get more and more

people," said Stewart, who estimates about 65,000 to 100,000 people attend. "People come and then they say, 'How can I get involved next year? They just keep coming back.'"

This is the first year the '50s celebration will be held at the Novi Expo Center, however, Stewart stresses the festival will maintain its outdoor flavor with the Family and Entertainment tents, which house most of the main events, outside in the center's parking lot. Arts and crafts displays and commercial vendors will set up camp inside the Expo Center Friday through Sunday and the classic car exhibition will be held across the street in the Novi Town Center.

In addition to the festival providing a plain old good time for people who attend, it lends a helping hand to the community.

Last year, the '50s Festival made a contribution of \$10,000 to the Novi Parks and Recreation Department to help fund the purchase of a \$75,000 portable stage and donated \$10,000 to various Novi non-profit organizations.

Festival Manager Rhonda Gage said she hopes to double the contribution to Parks and Recreation this year with \$20,000. She believes the

contribution will be possible because she was able to cut some of the costs in producing the festival this year.

One of the great attractions of the festival, Gage said, is that there is something for everyone.

For parents who are looking to entertain their children and give them a small taste of what the '50s might have been like, the Family Tent is the place to be.

Friday, June 29, will feature appearances from Rosco the Clown, ventriloquist Richard Paul, performances from Sheryl's Dance Studio and Dance Dynamics, and a family sock hop with Bobbi Sox and the Greasers.

Saturday and Sunday will feature putt-putt golf, pony rides, performances from Elvis impersonator Danny Vann with his "Salute to Elvis" (\$3 admission), Rick's puppet theater, the Amazing Clark Magic Show and much more.

For those who are looking for more adult entertainment, the Entertainment Tent offers music every night and alcoholic beverages are available. Attendants must be 21 years or older for admittance after 7 p.m.

The highlight of musical events will be on Saturday with performances

from the Drifters and the Great Pretenders.

The Drifters, who have had 10 songs climb to *Billboard* magazine's top ten charts in the '50s and have sold nearly 20 million albums, will bring their choreographed act to the Entertainment Tent at 8 p.m.

Following the Drifters, the Great Pretenders, a slightly newer group who formed in 1962 and specialize in music from 1953 to 1973 while adding a flavor of contemporary music to all the favorites, will take the stage at 9:30 p.m.

Thursday, Friday and Sunday will feature The Hubcaps, who's repertoire includes songs ranging from the Everly Brothers, to the Platters and Buddy Holly. Also on Sunday, Tracey Lynne & Heartland will be performing from noon to 4 p.m. before the Hubcaps hit the stage at 7 p.m.

To kick off the festivities, the Entertainment Tent will open with a performance for the Teen Angels.

July 31 at the Novi Town Center parking lots, will feature another popular attraction: the classic car show and cruise, which will feature about 1,000 cars this year that date 1974

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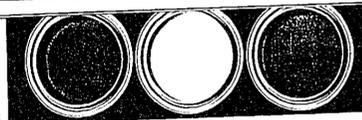
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There is something for everyone at festival

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and older.

Novi resident Gary Flummerfelt, a car collector who owns a 1957 coral sand Thunderbird and a 1966 black Corvette Stingray, said he looks forward to participating in the 50s fest each year.

"It's a nice relaxing day and you get to talk about cars," said Flummerfelt, whose T-bird was originally made for the president of Venezuela, and marks kilometers instead of miles. "What could be better?"

Flummerfelt enjoys cars and the 1950-60s so much that he is working on a project to decorate his living room in a '50s motif. In addition to an authentic jukebox, Flummerfelt constructed a couch made from the back-end of a '57 Thunderbird to match his car and plans to install black and white tile to the floor soon.

"Quite a few guys (who collect cars) have couches that match their cars," he said, estimating that the couches are worth about \$13,000 an higher.

The car show starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. and the car cruise, tail fins and all, will run from 6-9 p.m. on Grand River and Meadowbrook roads.

For those who didn't get a chance to see the Detroit fireworks display, or if you just can't get enough of the pyrotechnics, the Twelve Oaks Mall will host a fireworks show June 30. The best view will be from the parking lot closest to the Lord & Taylor department store.

Traditionally, the festival has featured a sock hop express that traveled from hotel to hotel, but this year the Friday night will be sock hop night under the Family Tent.

"This year we thought 'lets just have it all under one roof,'" said Cindy Kopezynski, who serves on the board of directors.

Gage said this year's festival will feature more arts and crafts displays than ever. Some of the highlighted vendors will include Mauro Possobon the "sculptor of the stars" from Florida and DoWop, a company from Dayton, Tennessee that sells 50s wear, from Elvis to James Dean styles. Paintings, hand-made dolls, wood carvings, photography, stained glass, sand art among other arts and crafts will be available.

For those who prefer a little friendly athletic competition, there is a men's and women's double-



Danny Vann does Elvis.

Photo by HAL GOULD

elimination softball tournament July 29, 30 and 31 and a five kilometer run/walk June 28.

The deadline to register for the softball tournament is 5 p.m. July 21 or until 24 teams are registered. Registration fee is \$130 per team. All

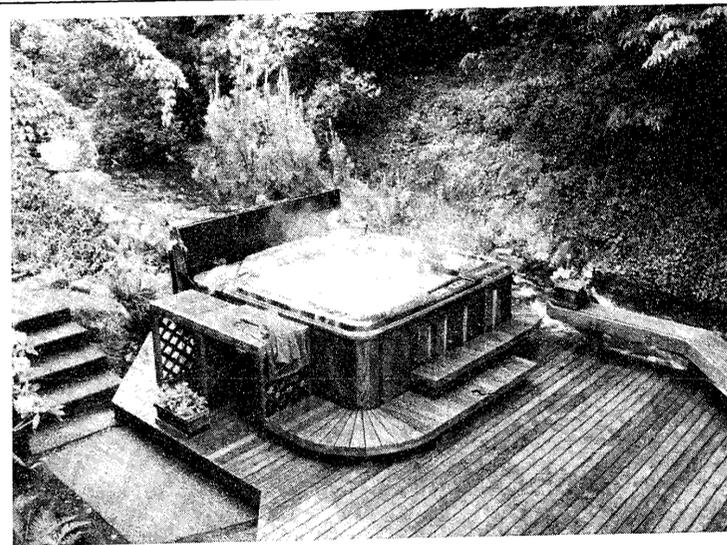
players must be 18 years old and a copy of the roster must be turned in with registration payment. Games will be played at Power Park on Ten Mile Road.

Other attractions include a pan-

cake breakfast July 30 and 31 from 8 a.m. to noon with music by the Huntington Banks band Organ. Sunday, a shuttle service will be provided to and from the '50s car show site. An ice cream social will also be happening Friday from noon to 3 p.m.

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It's a hot rod heaven

Enthusiasts get to show off their best machines

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Last year's Classic Car Show at the Michigan '50s Festival drew more than 1,300 antique car enthusiasts to Novi.

This year's version of the same show, scheduled for Sunday, July 31, is expected to draw at least that many from all over Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Canada, festival officials said.

Novi resident and business owner Cary Flummerfelt will be behind the wheels of his two prize-winning possessions when the seventh annual car show opens at 10 a.m.

Flummerfelt's 1966 Corvette Stingray and 1967 Ford Thunderbird have been Novi show stoppers in the past.

"They've both been restored and have been show winners many times over," he said Thursday.

Flummerfelt has been bringing his vintage autos to the Novi event since it started seven years ago. In addition, he trailers the autos to other shows around the greater Detroit area.

"We just like it," he said about his attraction to old car shows. "We like car people in general. We always go and have a good time and talk cars."

Flummerfelt's autos will be among hundreds lined up at the Novi Town Center parking lot. The car show, which features autos from 1974 and older, is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Entrants will be charged \$10 in pre-registration, \$12 the day of the show. All cars arriving before 11 a.m. will be judged.

Trophies will be presented in 24 different categories at 4 p.m. The categories include Best of Show, Mayor's Choice, Ladies Choice, Best Street Rod, Best Muscle, Best Truck and Best Mustang, Classic Chevy and Stock Corvette.

Best of Show ballots must be turned in by 2 p.m.

The annual car cruise will follow the car show from 6-9 p.m.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Car buffs will spend much of their time buffing cars at the '50s Festival.

Cruise highlights festival

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

The Michigan '50s Festival may have a new location but the Classic Car Show and the Grand River Cruise route remain the same—the same time and the same place—this year.

The Classic Car Show, reserved for vehicles 1974 and older, will feature more than 500 cars competing in 24 different classes. Twenty-six trophies will be awarded in categories for the Best Street Rod, Best Truck, and Best Mustang and Muscle Car, along with Best of Show, Mayor's Choice and Ladies' Choice.

Registration for the competition will begin at 7:30 a.m. The show will be open in the Novi Town Center Office Building Parking lot from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All entrants must arrive by 11 a.m.

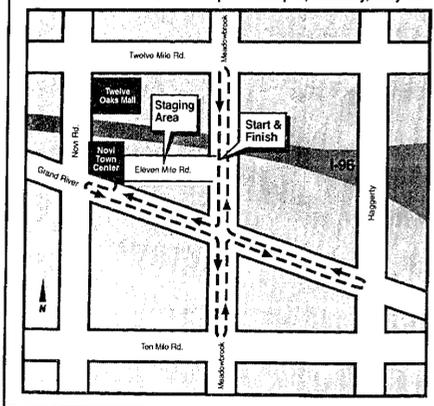
Festival organizers said 1,300 cars took part in the Grand River Cruise last year. They expect to see even more this year knowing that the seventh annual show draws car buffs from Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Canada.

"We draw cars from all over but there are still a lot in it from Novi," Festival Manager Rhonday Gage said.

When asked why the car show and cruise were such a big draw for festivalgoers, Gage said, "Everybody likes

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to see a parade. The car show is a parade.

"And the cruise is a one-time a year, fun time event when people can get out in Novi," she said. "They love it."

Pre-registration for the Classic Car Show is \$10, \$12 at the door. Cruisers are charged \$3.

Novi Police will not tolerate any reckless driving in this year's cruise. Violators will be ticketed, police said. In conjunction with the festival, the Novi Rotary Club will raffle off a 1969 Chevrolet Camaro Z-28 (302). The drawing for the vintage auto will be held after the cruise, at 9 p.m., in the '50s Festival tent.

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Brighter colors on tap for fireworks

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

If you enjoyed last year's fireworks at the Michigan '50s Festival, this year's explosives are bound to make your eyes sparkle.

On Saturday, July 30, it'll be more of the same—but with two new, improved colors. The finale will still feature a barrage of whiter whites, but the brighter brights, according to pyrotechnician Chuck Tenge, will definitely bring out the ooohs and aahs.

"It's aqua metallic, just incredible. Damn, it's beautiful. And wild canary. A vivid lime yellow. All the colors are magnesium. You aren't going to a show where you see red, green, red, green," Tenge said.

As in the three previous Michigan '50s Festivals, Twelve Oaks has contracted with Sunset Fireworks Limited, a St. Louis, Missouri firm, to do the job. The firm also puts on fireworks shows for Disney World, the MGM Theme Park and the Six Flags amusement parks.

"We haven't discussed it yet but they always do something really different. We really try to make each year special," Twelve Oaks Marketing Director Elaine Kah said.

"They shoot them off by hand rather than by computers. The shells are huge. We order the big ones."

The magnesium shells burn at a high temperature to create the brilliant shades. This type of firework is typically used in Europe. Sunset is one of only three U.S. firms to use magnesium shells, said Tenge, a self-educated pyrotechnician who's been in the field 27 years.

And you can find the "Made in the USA" label on almost every shell.

"It's expensive as hell, but the colors are mad," he said.

"The red is just like blood. The white is blinding."

The finale features 60 shells with 500 reports.

"It's just like a lightning storm. All you see are blinding lights. When the people like it, I don't change it," Tenge added.

"It's a hell of a show."

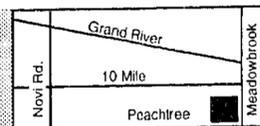
The 10 p.m. event is held on the southeast side of the mall's parking lot, near Lord & Taylor. There's a grassy section for those who want to spread blankets or lawn chairs and an area which is accessible to the handicapped.



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The Twelve Oaks fireworks display heats up the '50s Festival.

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THE MICHIGAN '50s FESTIVAL

Vendors serve up the munchies

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

If you plan on attending the Michigan '50s Festival this year, plan on heading over to the Novi Expo Center. Festival organizers have picked up and moved the festival from the Novi Town Center parking lot to the Expo Center on Novi Road.

The move was made because construction of Fuddrucker's Restaurant is underway in the Town Center. But Rhonda Gage, Michigan '50s Festival chairperson, said the festival also outgrew its briches at the former site.

"We outgrew the Town Center," she said. "And we were having parking problems. At the Expo Center we'll have comparable parking."

Festival officials and Blair Bowman, Expo Center president, said Wednesday the move would be advantageous for festival participants and attendees.

The site offers ample parking, tighter security and inside facilities for a larger arts and crafts show.

"The Expo Center is a different venue than they have used in the past," Bowman said. "We also don't have anything else go on during that time. So it seemed to be a good fit."

"We have a lot of parking that can be utilized and the ability to do things inside," he continued. "So we do offer some advantages. We also provide them with a strong location and some visibility to the expressway and Novi Road. That could help attract more people."

Bowman said this year's festival will be a trial run at the Expo Center but city and festival officials hope the center will become a permanent location.

Gage said the new site could be a win-win situation for everyone involved because it offers both inside and outside facilities.

There should be no real differences because of the physical move. Festival goers will still experience the outdoor festival atmosphere while artists and crafters will enjoy the security and climate of the indoor facilities.

"We have about 60-70 commercial people coming in from out of state and they like to be able to set up inside," she said. "We'll put all the arts and crafts inside which is a big draw for people."

The entertainment tent, known by many as the "beer tent," will also be better secured from minors.

The other advantage is that the new site offers room for future expansion. Plans to construct a five-lane boulevard ring road around the center this year will help facilitate festival traffic next year, Bowman said.



The food is one of the main attractions of the festival.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

The festival and more

Activities going on at sites all around town

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

When you get to the Novi Expo Center for all the fun this year's Michigan '50s Festival has to offer, don't forget that there's a gaggle of related events going on all over town.

It seems like everyone wants to join in the celebration. You can run, walk, eat, watch, buy, listen and join in yourself in everything that's offered. WOMC-104.3 on your FM dial will have its own tent, ready for live broadcasts throughout the Festival. Be sure to buy a ticket for its raffle—the grand prize is a jukebox.

Friday night in the Festival's entertainment tent—you must be 21 or older to attend—will be a Las Vegas style casino night hosted by the Tollgate Equestrian Center. While those in the family tent are enjoying a sock hop, the entertainment tent will have one of its own as well. Come dressed in your best '50s attire. There'll be plenty of games and prizes to be had.

The Mighty Morphin Power Rangers will be at West Oaks on Saturday

from 2-4 p.m. Aladdin will appear on Friday from 2-4 p.m. It's all courtesy of Mailboxes, Etc. Toys R Us has invited Geoffrey, Gee Gee and Baby Gee. Kroger will have the Oreo Cookie Man and an Oreo stacking contest complete with free hotdogs, chips and Coke for all. Added to it all is a fun and exciting sidewalk sale. 1950s-style band The Hits will be playing near K-Mart all Festival long. There'll be street clowns as well and a circus calliope band organ.

A five-kilometer run/walk will be held Thursday, beginning at Running Fit in the Novi Town Center, sponsored by MetroVision.

Marcus Glass in combination with the Downtown Merchants Association, located on Novi Road, offers old-fashioned family fun on Friday from noon to 3 p.m. with an ice cream social. Delicious hot dogs and the frozen delicacy will be free. There'll be a petting farm and pony rides at the social.

Don't miss the spectacular fireworks show at Twelve Oaks on Saturday, beginning at 10 p.m., courtesy of the mall.

There will be a commercial exhibit held Thursday from 5-9 p.m. and Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. A very special fine arts and crafts show will be held as well. That show will go Friday through Sunday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Half will be inside the Expo Center and half outside. Getting from inside to out will be a blast, however, as the walkway between the two areas will be lined with new cars and recreational vehicles from area dealers.

Speaking of cars, the Motorsports Hall of Fame will be open daily. Come and experience auto, cycle, air and boat racing history while visiting the festival. The vehicles shown will change as the Festival goes on—don't miss a one.

If all that weren't enough, Novi Parks & Recreation will host a special softball tournament in Power Park, located on Ten Mile behind the Novi Civic Center. Games will be played Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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The Drifters

Top acts to perform at '50s Festival

Rock 'n' roll is here to stay, it will never die. It was meant to be that way, though I don't know why."
—Danny & The Juniors

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Does the question even need to be asked? Because rock 'n' roll is wedded to the memories of an entire generation, memories that parents have passed on to their children.

"Hound Dog," "That'll Be The Day," "Rock Around the Clock." The music of the America's middle decade is a part of all of us.

It's also a part of the Michigan '50s Festival. Bands of many different styles will carry you back to the age of ducktail, when we liked Ike, loved Elvis and danced a decade away in front of a shiny Wurlitzer jukebox.

Bands will perform in the entertainment tent and family tent at the festival site. Admission will be charged to the nightly entertainment tent show and you must be 21 or over

to attend. Among the exciting musical artists that will perform at the '50s Festival are:

■ The Drifters, truly an American legend. Including original members of the group, this is a band that's had no less than 29 charted singles in its illustrious 25-year career. Get ready to hear classics like "There Goes My Baby," "This Magic Moment," "Up on the Roof" and "Under the Boardwalk."

■ Ohio rockers The Great Pretenders, who specialize in the music that rocked America from 1953 to 1973. They combine the original artists' flavor with a strong '90s sound. The Great Pretenders will sing all your favorites, from the Righteous Brothers to The Beach Boys to The Moody Blues.

■ Country-western entertainers Tracey Lynne & Heartland will perform. A native of nearby New Hudson, Lynn is an area legend and is making a name for herself in country music's capital, Nashville. Enjoy Lynn &

Heartland do top 40 country in their own unique style.

■ When you talk the tops of '50s and '60s rock shows, you're talking about The Hubcaps. Out of Delaware, the band has played all over the nation, bringing classic do-wop back as the art form it is. The Hubcaps specialize in doing your favorite songs like the original artists, as well as their own medley tributes to them.

■ Area band The Teen Angels. If you're looking for family fun and music, don't miss the goings-on in the family tent, which are open to all. There you'll find:

■ Have a great time—without your shoes—at the Friday night family sock hop. It's free of charge and open to all. Rocking the house will be Bobby Sox & The Greasers.

■ Danny Vann, the man who brings Elvis to life, will present his classic salute to the King as well. Viva Las Vegas—and Vann!

Here's the schedule:

ENTERTAINMENT TENT:
Wednesday (8 p.m.-midnight): The Teen Angels.

Thursday (7:30-11:30 p.m.): The Hubcaps (hosted by the Sixth Gate Cloggers).

Friday (9 p.m.-1 a.m.): The Hubcaps (hosted by the Novi Chamber of Commerce).

Saturday (8-9:30 p.m.): The Drifters (hosted by the Novi Lions Club and the Novi Newcomers and Neighbors).

Saturday (9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m.): The Great Pretenders.
Sunday (Noon-4 p.m.): Tracey Lynne & Heartland (hosted by The Ambassadors and The Choralaires).

Sunday (7-11 p.m.): The Hubcaps.

FAMILY TENT:

Friday (6:30-10:30 p.m.): Bobby Sox & The Greasers Family Sock Hop (no cover charge).

Saturday (7 and 9 p.m.): Danny Vann's Salute to Elvis.



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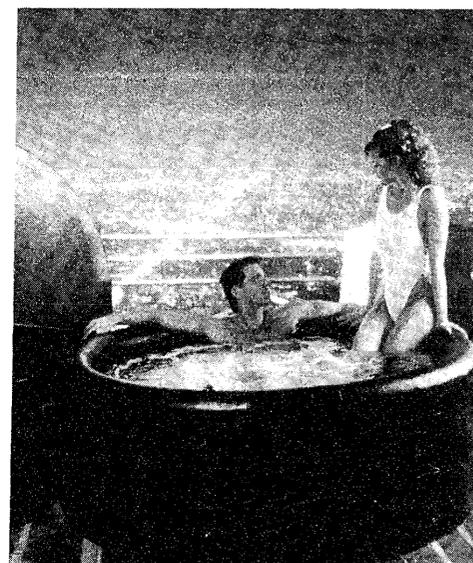
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The hits that made the '50s great

As is typical, the events we generally think of as "defining" an era or a decade don't necessarily correspond to the actual dates of that decade. So it was with "The Fifties," the decade most of us equate with the birth of Rock 'n' Roll.

The very first rock 'n' roll hit didn't actually break into *Billboard* magazine's record charts until 1955.

And some of the truly great Fifties-era rock 'n' roll hits were still being recorded as late as 1964—CHAPEL OF LOVE, by The Dixie Cups; RAG DOLL, by The Four Seasons; PRETTY WOMAN, by Roy Orbison; and LEADER OF THE PACK, by The Shangri-Las.

But by that time, the British were already invading, surf tunes were coming in waves and Motown was revving up, all working together to usher in an entirely new decade which would come to be known, sure enough, as "The Sixties."

What follows is a chronology of the records (45 rpm singles) that reached the number one position on the charts during "The Fifties" (1955-63), not all of which were rock 'n' roll.

The hits are listed by record title, the artist who recorded them, the date they first hit the number one position, and the number of weeks they stayed there. For '55 through '58, the list is a combination of four charts used by *Billboard* until the magazine consolidated them into a single list in '59.

(Source: "The Billboard Book of Top 40 Hits," by Joel Whitburn.)

1955

LET ME GO LOVER / Joan Weber, Jan. 1, 4 wks.
HEARTS OF STONE / The Fontane Sisters, Feb. 5, 3 wks.
SINCERELY / The McGuire Sisters, Feb. 12, 10 wks.
THE BALLAD OF DAVY CROCKETT / Bill Hayes, Mar. 26, 5 wks.
CHERRY PINK AND APPLE BLOSSOM WHITE / Perez Prado, Apr. 30, 10 wks.
DANCE WITH ME HENRY / Georgia Gibbs, May 14, 3 wks.
UNCHAINED MELODY / Les Baxter, May 14, 2 wks.
ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK / Bill Haley & His Comets, July 9, 8 wks.
LEARNIN' THE BLUES / Frank Sinatra, July 9, 2 wks.
THE YELLOW ROSE OF TEXAS / Mitch Miller, Sept. 3, 6 wks.
AINT THAT A SHAME / Pat Boone, Sept. 17, 2 wks.
LOVE IS A MANY SPLENDORED THING / The Four Aces, Oct. 8, 6 wks.
AUTUMN LEAVES / Roger Williams, Oct. 29, 4 wks.
SIXTEENTONS / Tennessee Ernie Ford, Nov. 26, 8 wks.



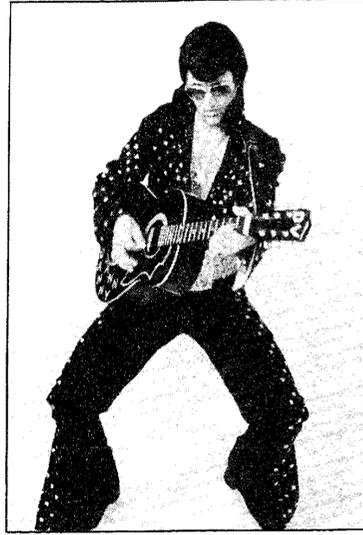
Tracey Lynne

1956

MEMORIES ARE MADE OF THIS / Dean Martin, Jan. 7, 6 wks.
ROCK AND ROLL WALTZ / Kay Starr, Feb. 18, 6 wks.
THE GREAT PRETENDER / The Platters, Feb. 18, 2 wks.
LISBON ANTIGUA / Nelson Riddle, Feb. 25, 4 wks.
THE POOR PEOPLE OF PARIS / Les Baxter, Mar. 17, 6 wks.
HEARTBREAK HOTEL / Elvis Presley, Apr. 21, 8 wks.
HOT DIGGITY / Perry Como, May 5, 1 wk.
MOONGLOW AND THE THEME FROM "PICNIC" / Morris Stoloff, June 2, 3 wks.
THE WAYWARD WIND / Gogi Grant, June 16, 8 wks.
I ALMOST LOST MY MIND / Pat Boone, July 28, 4 wks.
I WANT YOU, I NEED YOU, I LOVE YOU / Elvis Presley, July 28, 3 wks.
MY PRAYER / The Platters, Aug. 18, 5 wks.
DON'T BE CRUEL/HOUND DOG / Elvis Presley, Aug. 18, 11 wks.
LOVE ME TENDER / Elvis Presley, Nov. 3, 5 wks.
THE GREEN DOOR / Jim Lowe, Nov. 3, 3 wks.
SINGING THE BLUES / Guy Mitchell, Dec. 8, 10 wks.

1957

TOO MUCH / Elvis Presley, Feb. 9, 3



Danny Vann

1958

DON'T FORBID ME / Pat Boone, Feb. 9, 1 wk.
YOUNG LOVE / Sonny James, Feb. 9, 1 wk.
YOUNG LOVE / Tab Hunter, Feb. 16, 6 wks.
BUTTERFLY / Andy Williams, Mar. 30, 3 wks.
PARTY DOLL / Buddy Knox, Mar. 30, 1 wk.
ROUND AND ROUND / Perry Como, Apr. 6, 2 wks.
BUTTERFLY / Charlie Grace, Apr. 6, 2 wks.
ALL SHOOK UP / Elvis Presley, Apr. 13, 9 wks.
LOVE LETTERS IN THE SAND / Pat Boone, June 3, 7 wks.
(LET ME BE YOUR) TEDDY BEAR / Elvis Presley, July 8, 7 wks.
TAMMY / Debbie Reynolds, Aug. 19, 5 wks.
DIANA / Paul Anka, Sept. 9, 1 wk.
HONEYCOMB / Jimmie Rodgers, Sept. 23, 4 wks.
THAT'LL BE THE DAY / The Crickets, Sept. 23, 1 wk.
WAKE UP LITTLE SUSIE / The Everly Brothers, Oct. 14, 4 wks.
JAILHOUSE ROCK / Elvis Presley, Oct. 21, 7 wks.
CHANCES ARE / Johnny Mathis, Oct. 21, 1 wk.
YOU SEND ME / Sam Cooke, Dec. 2, 3 wks.
APRIL LOVE / Pat Boone, Dec. 16, 6 wks.

1958

AT THE HOP / Danny & The Juniors, Jan. 6, 7 wks.
DONT / Elvis Presley, Feb. 10, 5 wks.
SUGARTIME / The McGuire Sisters, Feb. 17, 4 wks.
GET A JOB / The Silhouettes, Feb. 24, 2 wks.
TEQUILA / The Champs, Mar. 17, 5 wks.
CATCH A FALLING STAR / Perry Como, Mar. 24, 1 wk.
HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD (IN HIS HANDS) / Laurie London, Apr. 14, 4 wks.
TWILIGHT TIME / The Platters, Apr. 21, 1 wk.
WITCH DOCTOR / David Seville, Apr. 28, 3 wks.
ALL I HAVE TO DO IS DREAM / The Everly Brothers, May 12, 5 wks.
THE PURPLE PEOPLE EATER / Sheb Wooley, June 9, 6 wks.
HARD HEADED WOMAN / Elvis Presley, July 21, 2 wks.
YAKETY YAK / The Coasters, July 21, 1 wk.
THAT'LL BE THE DAY / The Crickets, Sept. 23, 1 wk.
POOR LITTLE FOOL / Ricky Nelson, Aug. 4, 2 wks.
NEL BLU DIPINTO DIBLU (VOL-ARE) / Domenico Modugno, Aug. 18, 5 wks.
LITTLE STAR / The Elegants, Aug. 25, 1 wk.
BIRD DOG / The Everly Brothers, Aug. 25, 1 wk.

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IT'S ONLY MAKE BELIEVE / Conway Twitty, Nov. 10, 2 wks.
TOM DOOLEY / The Kingston Trio, 1/17, 1 wk.
TO KNOW HIM IS TO LOVE HIM / The Teddy Bears, Dec. 1, 3 wks.
THE CHIPMUNK SONG / The Chipmunks, Dec. 22, 4 wks.

1959

SMOKE GETS IN YOUR EYES / The Platters, Jan. 19, 3 wks.
STAGGER LEE / Lloyd Price, Feb. 9, 4 wks.
VENUS / Frankie Avalon, Mar. 9, 5 wks.
COME SOFTLY TO ME / The Fleetwoods, Apr. 13, 4 wks.
THE HAPPY ORGAN / Dave 'Baby' Cortez, May 11, 1 wk.
KANSIS CITY / Wilbert Harrison, May 18, 2 wks.
THE BATTLE OF NEW ORLEANS / Johnny Horton, June 1, 6 wks.
LONELY BOY / Paul Anka, July 13, 4 wks.
A BIG HUNK O' LOVE / Elvis Presley, Aug. 10, 2 wks.
THE THREE BELLS / The Browns, Aug. 24, 4 wks.
SLEEP WALK / Santo & Johnny, Sept. 21, 2 wks.
MACK THE KNIFE / Bobby Darin, Oct. 5, 9 wks.
MR. BLUE / The Fleetwoods, Nov. 16, 1 wk.
HEARTACHES BY THE NUMBER / Guy Mitchell, Dec. 14, 2 wks.
WHY / Frankie Avalon, Dec. 28, 1 wk.

1960

EL PASO / Marty Robbins, Jan. 4, 2 wks.
RUNNING BEAR / Johnny Preston, Jan. 18, 3 wks.
TEEN ANGEL / Mark Dinning, Feb. 8, 2 wks.
THE THEME FROM "A SUMMER PLACE" / Percy Faith, Feb. 22, 9 wks.
STUCK ON YOU / Elvis Presley, Apr. 25, 4 wks.
CATHY'S CLOWN / The Everly Brothers, May 23, 5 wks.
EVERYBODY'S SOMEBODY'S FOOL / Connie Francis, June 27, 2 wks.
ALLEY-OOP / The Hollywood Argyles, July 11, 1 wk.
I'M SORRY / Brenda Lee, July 18, 3 wks.
ITSY BITSEY TEENIE WEENIE YELLOW POLKADOT BIKINI / Brian Hyland, Aug. 8, 1 wk.
IT'S NOW OR NEVER / Elvis Presley,



Teen Angels

Aug. 15, 5 wks.
THE TWIST / Chubby Checker, Sept. 19, 1 wk.
MY HEART HAS A MIND OF ITS OWN / Connie Francis, Sept. 26, 2 wks.
MR. CUSTER / Larry Verne, Oct. 10, 1 wk.
SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME / The Drifters, Oct. 17, 3 wks.
I WANT TO BE WANTED / Brenda Lee, Oct. 24, 1 wk.
GEORGIA ON MY MIND / Ray Charles, 11/14, 1 wk.
STAY / Maurice Williams & The Zodiacs, Nov. 21, 1 wk.
ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT? / Elvis Presley, Nov. 28, 6 wks.

1961

WONDERLAND BY NIGHT / Bert Kaempfert, Jan. 9, 3 wks.
WILL YOU LOVE ME TOMORROW / The Shirelles, Jan. 30, 2 wks.
CALCUTTA / Lawrence Welk, Feb. 13, 2 wks.
PONY TIME / Chubby Checker, Feb. 27, 3 wks.
SURRENDER / Elvis Presley, Mar. 20, 2 wks.
BLUE MOON / The Marceles, Apr. 30, 3 wks.
RUNAWAY / Del Shannon, Apr. 24, 4 wks.
MOTHER-IN-LAW / Ernie K-Doe, May 22, 1 wk.
TRAVELIN' MAN / Ricky Nelson, May 29, 2 wks.
RUNNING SCARED / Roy Orbison, June 5, 1 wk.
MOODY RIVER / Pat Boone, June 19, 1 wk.
QUARTER TO THREE / Gary U.S. Bonds, June 26, 2 wks.
TOSSIN' AND TURNIN' / Bobby Lewis, July 10, 7 wks.
WOODEN HEART / Joe Dowell, Aug. 28, 1 wk.
MICHAEL / The Highwaymen, Sept. 4, 2

wks.
TAKE GOOD CARE OF MY BABY / Bobby Vee, Sept. 18, 3 wks.
HIT THE ROAD JACK / Ray Charles, Oct. 9, 2 wks.
RUNAROUND SUE / Dion, Oct. 23, 2 wks.
BIG BAD JOHN / Jimmy Dean, Nov. 6, 5 wks.
PLEASE MR. POSTMAN / The Marvelettes, Dec. 11, 1 wk.
THE LION SLEEPS TONIGHT / The Tokens, Dec. 18, 3 wks.

1962

THE TWIST / Chubby Checker, Jan. 13, 2 wks. (The Twist re-entered the number one position, having first appeared there in 1960.)
PEPPERMINT TWIST / Joey Dee & The Starlites, Jan. 27, 3 wks.
DUKE OF EARL / Gene Chandler, Feb. 17, 3 wks.
HEY! BABY / Bruce Channel, Mar. 10, 3 wks.
DON'T BREAK THE HEART THAT LOVES YOU / Connie Francis, Mar. 31, 1 wk.
JOHNNY ANGEL / Shelley Fabares, Apr. 7, 2 wks.
GOOD LUCK CHARM / Elvis Presley, Apr. 21, 2 wks.
SOLDIER BOY / The Shirelles, May 5, 3 wks.
STRANGER ON THE SHORE / Mr. Acker Bilk, May 26, 1 wk.
I CAN'T STOP LOVING YOU / Ray Charles, June 2, 5 wks.
THE STRIPPER / David Rose, June 7, 1 wk.
ROSES ARE RED (MY LOVE) / Bobby Vinton, June 14, 4 wks.
BREAKING UP IS HARD TO DO / Neil Sedaka, Aug. 11, 2 wks.
THE LOCO-MOTION / Little Eva, Aug. 25, 1 wk.
SHELLA / Tommy Roe, Sept. 1, 2 wks.
SHERRY / The Four Seasons, Sept. 15, 5 wks.

MONSTER MASH / Bobby "Boris" Pickett, Oct. 20, 2 wks.
HE'S A REBEL / The Crystals, Nov. 3, 2 wks.
BIG GIRLS DON'T CRY / The Four Seasons, Nov. 17, 5 wks.
TELSTAR / The Tornadoes, Dec. 22, 3 wks.

1963

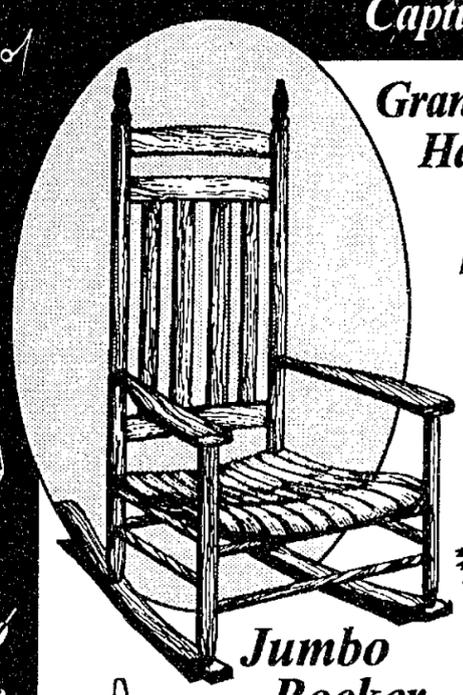
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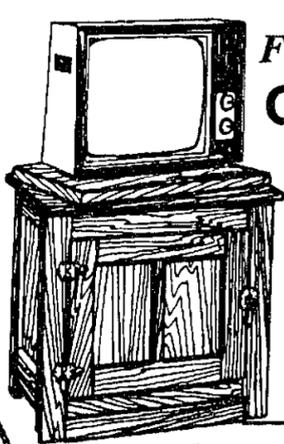
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8:00 p.m. TEEN ANGELS
Live entertainment and dancing. Refreshment service hosted by The Cruisers. Free Admission. Must be 21 or older to enter.
TENT CLOSES

THURSDAY, JULY 28TH

9:00 a.m. FESTIVAL OFFICE AND INFORMATION BOOTHS OPEN
MOTORSPORTS HALL OF FAME MUSEUM (Novi Expo Ctr.)

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. \$4 Admission, \$2 Seniors & Kids
WEST OAKS ACTIVITIES
Clowns, Authentic Antique Circus Calliope, "The Hits" - two-piece 50's band, caricature artists, Toys 'R Us: huge sidewalk sale & characters including Geoffrey Giraffe, Gee Gee & Baby Gee, Kroger, Oreo Cookie Man & Oreo Cookie Stacking Contest, Hot Dog Wagon.

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until 9:00 pm Friday
Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. BINGO
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5:00 p.m. ENTERTAINMENT TENT OPENS
Refreshment service hosted by Novi Sixth Gate Cloggers.

6:30 p.m. SK RUN/WALK
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ENTERTAINMENT TENT

7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. "THE HUBCAPS"
Live entertainment and dancing. Admission \$5.00, age 21 & older. Refreshment service hosted by Novi Sixth Gate Cloggers.
TENT CLOSES

FRIDAY, JULY 29TH

9:00 a.m. FESTIVAL OFFICE & INFORMATION BOOTH OPEN
ARTS & CRAFTS & EXHIBIT TENTS OPEN

9:00 p.m. (Arts & Crafts is a juried show - featuring fine artists & crafters from all over the U.S.)
FOOD CONCESSIONS
MOTORSPORTS HALL OF FAME MUSEUM (Novi Expo Ctr.)

12 noon ICE CREAM SOCIAL
Sponsored by The Downtown Merchants at Marcus Glass on Novi Road (free hot dogs, pop, ice cream, music, entertainment, petting zoo & pony rides).

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. WEST OAKS ACTIVITIES
Clowns, Authentic Antique Circus Calliope, "The Hits" - two-piece 50's band, caricature artists, Toys 'R Us: huge sidewalk sale & characters including Geoffrey Giraffe, Gee Gee & Baby Gee, Kroger, Oreo Cookie Man & Oreo Cookie Stacking Contest, Hot Dog Wagon, Mail Boxes, Etc.: Aladdin (2-4 pm) Balloons &

7:00 p.m. POPCORN FOR KIDS, GIFTS FOR ADULTS
MEN'S & WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

10:00 p.m. Located at Power Park, Novi Civic Center. Sponsored by Novi Parks & Recreation
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ENTERTAINMENT TENT

1:00 p.m. BINGO
Hosted by St. James Church

4:00 p.m. REFRESHMENT SERVICE OPENS
CASINO NIGHT 50'S STYLE sponsored by Tollgate Exceptional Equestrian (21 & over only)
SOCK HOP NIGHT IN THE ENTERTAINMENT TENT Dance Contests, 50's Costume Contests sponsored by Kosch's Tavern & Eatery & Oldies 104.3 WOMC.

HUBCAPS
Live entertainment. Admission: \$5.00, age 21 & up. Refreshment service hosted by Novi Chamber of Commerce.
TENT CLOSES

FAMILY TENT

11:00 a.m. FAMILY TENT OPENS Concessions: Hotdogs, corn dogs, elephant ears, ice cream, Slushes by Sheraton Oaks, Desserts by Elias, Big Boy.

11:30 a.m. Performing Arts Dance Studio

1:00 p.m. Irene's Dance Electric

1:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Dance Dynamics

2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Rosco the Clown (walk-around)

3:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. Richard Paul Ventriloquist

3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Sheryl's Dance Studio

4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Richard Paul Ventriloquist (walk-around)

5:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Roscoe the Clown

5:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. BOBBY SOX & THE GREASERS
"Sock Hop for the Family"
TENT CLOSES

SATURDAY, JULY 30TH

9:00 a.m. FESTIVAL OFFICE & INFORMATION BOOTH OPEN
MEN'S & WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Located at Power Park, Novi Civic Center. Sponsored by Novi Parks & Recreation

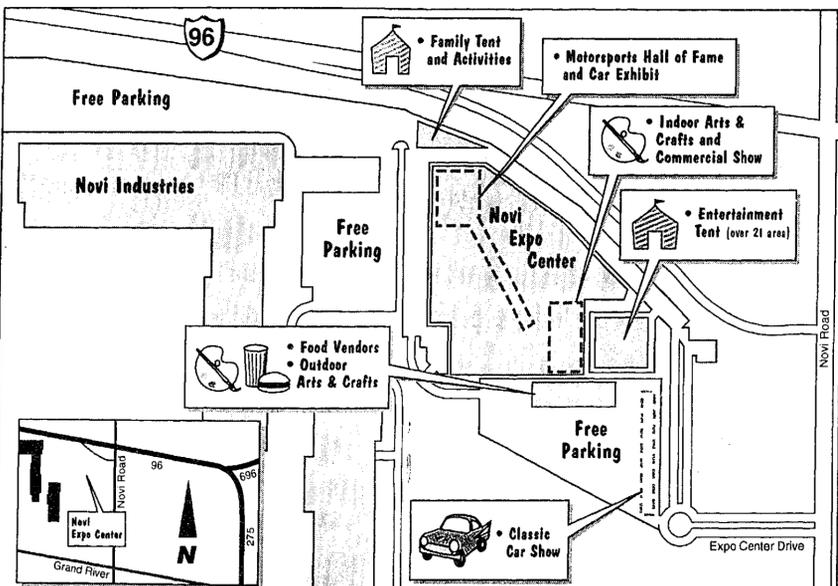
10:00 a.m. ARTS & CRAFTS & EXHIBITS OPEN
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10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. FOOD CONCESSIONS
MOTORSPORTS HALL OF FAME MUSEUM (Novi Expo Ctr.)

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. \$4 Admission, \$2 Seniors & Kids
MOONWALK, PUTT-PUTT GOLF, PONY RIDES (free)

11:00 a.m. Located near Family Show Tent "Limited, Reserved Parking for Classic Cars at Expo Center"

6:00 p.m. WEST OAKS ACTIVITIES
Clowns, Authentic Antique Circus Calliope, "The Hits" - two-piece 50's band, caricature artists, WOMC's Tom Ryan Trivia Contest (1-3 pm), Toys 'R Us: huge sidewalk sale & characters including Geoffrey Giraffe, Gee Gee & Baby Gee, Kroger, Oreo Cookie Man & Oreo Cookie Stacking Contest, Hot Dog



10:00 p.m. Wagon, Mail Boxes, Etc.: Mighty Morphin Power Ranger (2-4 pm) Balloons & Popcorn for kids, gifts for adults.

8:00 p.m. FIREWORKS
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ENTERTAINMENT TENT

8:00 a.m. PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Noon Hosted by Novi Optimists and Novi Firefighters. The Huntington Banks Band Organ will be featuring music during the Pancake Breakfast

10:00 a.m. FOOD CONCESSIONS
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OPENS

1:00 p.m. Hosted by Novi Lions Club
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Hosted by Novi High School Band Boosters

8:00 p.m. FEATURE PERFORMANCE - THE DRIFTERS
Live entertainment and dancing. Admission: \$10.00 age 21 & up. Refreshment service hosted by Novi Newcomers & Neighbors.

9:30 p.m. THE GREAT PRETENDERS - Live entertainment and dancing.
TENT CLOSES

FAMILY TENT

10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. GAYLE'S DANCE SHOW

11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. RICK'S PUPPET THEATRE (Outside)

12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. AMAZING CLARK MAGIC SHOW

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. LIP SYNC SHOW - DJ Music provided by Blue Rhino Productions

3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. PUNCH & JUDY

3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. SHERYL'S SCHOOL OF DANCE

4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. AMAZING CLARK MAGIC SHOW

5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. RICK'S PUPPET THEATRE (outside)

6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. DANNY VANN & HIS "SALUTE TO ELVIS" SHOW
Admission: \$3.00 age 13 & up, age 12 & under enter FREE.

9:00 p.m. DANNY VANN & HIS "SALUTE TO ELVIS" SHOW
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TENT CLOSES

SUNDAY, JULY 31ST

7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. SWAP MEET
Sponsored by and located at Marty Feldman Chevrolet on Grand River. Admission \$1. Shuttles from Car Show Site to Swap Meet compliments of Marty Feldman Chevrolet.

8:00 a.m. PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Noon Hosted by Novi Optimists and Novi Firefighters. The Huntington Banks Band Organ will be featuring music during the Pancake Breakfast

9:00 a.m. FESTIVAL OFFICE & INFORMATION BOOTH OPEN
Souvenir sales plus register to win 2 tickets anywhere in the continental U.S. compliments of Northwest Airlines

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. OLDIES CAR SHOW
Music provided by Blue Rhino Productions. Located in the Lakepointe Office Building, Town Center Drive. Shuttle Service provided from Car Show site to Pancake Breakfast.

10:00 a.m. MOTORSPORTS HALL OF FAME MUSEUM (Novi Expo Ctr.)

5:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. \$4 Admission, \$2 Seniors & Kids
OPEN

8:00 p.m. (Arts & Crafts is a juried show - featuring fine artists & crafters from all over the U.S.)
MEN'S & WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Located at Power Park - Novi Civic Center. Sponsored by Novi Parks & Recreation

12:00 p.m. MOONWALK FOR KIDS, PUTT-PUTT GOLF & PONY RIDES

7:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. WEST OAKS ACTIVITIES
Clowns, Authentic Antique Circus Calliope, "The Hits" - two-piece 50's band, caricature artists, Toys 'R Us: huge sidewalk sale & characters including Geoffrey Giraffe, Gee Gee & Baby Gee, Kroger, Oreo Cookie Man & Oreo Cookie Stacking Contest, Hot Dog Wagon, Mail Boxes, Etc.: Balloons & Popcorn for kids, gifts for adults.

6:00 p.m. CRUISE GRAND RIVER
Starts on Town Center Dr. and continues east on Eleven Mile Rd to Meadowbrook.

ENTERTAINMENT TENT

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Hosted by Novi Optimists and Novi Firefighters. Sunday shuttle service will be provided to & from the Classic Car Show Site for the Pancake Breakfast

12:00 p.m. REFRESHMENT SERVICE OPEN
Hosted by Novi Ambassadors

12:00 p.m. TRACEY LYNNE AND HEARTLAND COUNTRY SHOW

4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. THE HUBCAPS - Live entertainment and dancing. Admission: \$2.00 age 21 & up. Refreshment service hosted by Novi Choralesaires.

10:00 p.m. ROTARY RAFFLE & OTHER PRIZE DRAWINGS
ENTERTAINMENT TENT CLOSES

FAMILY TENT

10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. MOONWALK, PUTT-PUTT GOLF, PONY RIDES

12:45 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. JUGGLER STEVE (walk-arounds)

5:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. ROSCO THE CLOWN (walk-arounds)

6:15 p.m. to 10:30 a.m. SHERYL'S SCHOOL OF DANCE

11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. RICK'S PUPPET THEATRE (Outside)

12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. JUGGLER STEVE

12:45 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. DANCE FORCE

1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. MARK THOMAS & MAX THE MOOSE

2:15 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. RICK'S PUPPET THEATRE

3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. JUGGLER STEVE

3:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. MARK THOMAS & MAX THE MOOSE

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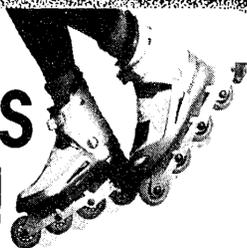
5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. GAYLE'S DANCE

5:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. VENTRILQUIST RICHARD PAUL

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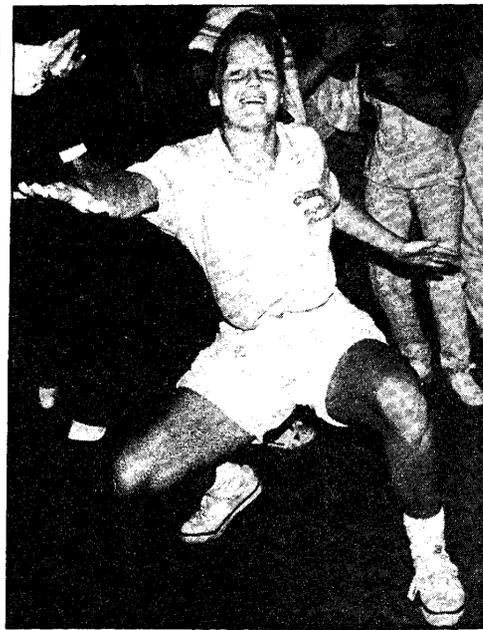


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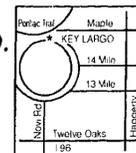
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The Golden Years of Television

By CAROL WORKENS
Special Writer

As the lights began to dim in the radio studios, the curtain was going up in the television studios.

"In the late 1940s and early '50s, television almost killed radio," said Mel Wasserman, adjunct professor at Schoolcraft College. "Too many people thought television was a fad." Television was given till 1956 when the fad was expected to burn out.

But television began to move into the forefront. There were just over 3 million television sets in use, compared to 50 million radio sets. The audience was spending equal time with the radio as the television. By 1955, 31 million homes had televisions. The pendulum swung in favor of television by 1960, with individuals viewing five hours of television a day compared to only two hours of listening to the radio. The number of radio sets was not declining but slowly moving out of the living rooms and into the bedrooms, kitchens and workshops of America.

In 1950, radio offered a tremendous selection of programs from comedy to drama, from music to news, and contemporary discussions. Television was using the same format that had proved successful for radio for years, but with the integration of sight, sound, motion and immediacy, television had a decided advantage over radio.

Sponsors began pulling out of radio and shows were canceled.

Many actors were able to make the transition to the new medium in those early years. The move from radio to television could be compared to the move from silent movies to the talkies, and there were those that could not make the switch.

There were actors that made it to television, and actors that didn't. Lou Costello, George Burns, Jack Webb, Sid Caesar, Imogene Coca, Red Skelton, Milton Berle, Arthur Godfrey, Jimmy Durante, Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, Jack Benny, George Burns, Dinah Shore are some that were able to adapt from radio to the new medium. Some had regular shows and others appeared frequently.

There were comedy shows, name shows, and quiz shows. Some of the most popular were *Texas Star Theatre* with Milton Berle, *Toast of the Town* with Ed Sullivan, *What's My Line*, *The Jackie Gleason Show*, *Your Show of Shows*, *Howdy Doody*, *The Mickey Mouse Club*, *Lassie*, *Ted Mack's Amateur Hour* and *Walt Disney Presents*. Ed Murrow had the first interview and commentary program. There were wrestling matches and roller-skating derbies.

There were radio shows that adapted to television. *Amos 'n' Andy*



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Cruiser coordinator Cindy Kopczynski proves that running the '50s Festival isn't all work and no play.

moved to television in 1951 from radio where it had been a successful show since 1928. However, with the growing anger over black stereotyping, the show was off the air by 1966.

Another popular radio show, *Guns, Smoke*, moved to television in 1955, triggering more than 30 western spinoffs by 1959.

"Programming runs in cycles," said Wasserman. There have been doctor shows, lawyer shows, and cop shows.

Jack Webb had been playing private detectives on the radio and when he moved to television, he developed *Sgt. Joe Friday* and *Dragnet*.

"Television eats up material rapidly," said Wasserman. Theater programs ran through the existing plays and short stories in no time and had to turn to script writers.

The successful *Dragnet* program used case histories from the Los

Angeles police files from which to write scripts. Webb had once been quoted as saying "there never will be anything in *Dragnet* I wouldn't want my own kids to see."

"Television is the most influential medium we have with youngsters today," Wasserman said of the need to monitor what programs are viewed.

"Milton Berle had the first successful show," said Wasserman of the former vaudeville performer. "Shops would close so people could watch his show." Then *I Love Lucy* came along in 1951 and topped all other programs in the ratings, including Berle's.

Another popular show was *The \$64,000 Question*. A show whose phenomenal rise was unpredicted. People would stay home to follow a contestant's progress.

"There was the impact of television to make heroes out of individuals that radio could not do," Wasserman said.

"There is a psychological impact of having it (the individual) in your own home."

Some of the very successful programs such as *I Love Lucy*, which ran weekly for 23 years; *The Guiding Light*, which has been on for more than 40 years, *Captain Kangaroo* which began in 1955, all have the basic premise—the actors must convince the audience to empathize with and care about the characters they are portraying. There must be a sense of family and the characters must have habits, foibles and responses to similar situations we know, just as we know those of our own friends and family. Characters do not deviate from their habits, unlike real people.

"On the local channels in Detroit, there was *Lady of Charm*, a cooking program; *George Perrot*; *Soupy Sales*; and *Johnny Ginger*," Wasserman said.

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Festival is making its own memories

The '50s generated a lot of memories for those who were there, but these days the Michigan '50s Festival is generating memories of its own.

"I was in the Lip Sync talent show at the first festival. I did 'Where the Boys Are' in a dress, like Connie Francis. I wore a flowery mumu, a brown wig and long yellow knee socks and combat boots. I had balloons in and I made them pop during the song. It was something I did during college, too."

"I got to kiss Ed Kriewall. It was Sadie Hawkins Day and I wanted him in front row, center. I did this whole routine. The song says 'Where the boys are, someone waits for me.' I grabbed him and gave him a big smack on the lips."

"I grabbed Ed Kriewall because (then-mayor) Matt Quinn wasn't there."

David Ruyle
Commissioner
Novi Parks and Recreation

Crawford was on the committee which put together the first Michigan '50s Festival in 1988.

"That was the first major festival to come into the city. It was a bad accident ready to happen. We had these great ideas. We booked Sha-Na-Na. We thought we had it all planned out. We didn't realize that these headliner bands want special foods, they want a trailer by their dressing room for them to use. We had the expense of flying them in."

"Then came the big rains. Because of a tornado warning, we lost our walk-in audience. The band's equipment was damaged. Someone was almost electrocuted. People were irate that they didn't get to see the show. It was horrible."

"We really stuck our necks out on that one and almost got them chopped off. Other people might have been totally defeated after the first year. This group persevered and the festival's been wildly successful."

Kathy Crawford
Special Coordinator
Novi Parks and Recreation

"The toughest time we had was the first festival. We had to close the beer tent, the wind was so high. We had almost gale force winds and heavy rains. Inside the tent, the poles raised a foot off the ground. That was at the original site, Novi Town Center."

"We evacuated the tent. Those of us who stayed, the workers, were all sitting on the tables. There was one-and-a-half feet of water in the tent."

Lee Begole
Novi Police Chief, Retired



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THE MICHIGAN '50s FESTIVAL



A visit to the festival would make for a hot date.

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Dating styles have changed since '50s

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer

If you were going steady with someone in the 1950s, you probably wore one another's class rings or ID bracelets.

Chances are, you probably even wore matching shirts, sweaters or blazers.

"If you worked yourself up to going steady with someone, it was a big commitment," said Kathy Crawford, special recreation coordinator for the Novi Parks and Recreation. "It would be like being engaged now."

DATING

Today, dating principles remain the same, Crawford said. Teenagers just aren't hanging out at sock hops and soda shops anymore.

"We grew up in Novi," said Crawford, who dated her now husband Hugh during the 1950s. "Dating in Novi was pretty uneventful."

Crawford did recall the square dances that were held at old Rebecah Hall located where the Novi Town Center is now located.

"They had a square dance there every week," she said. "When you turned 15 or 16 it was a big thing to get to go to the dances."

Teenagers of the '50s would also go

on dates to Walled Lake Amusement Park or meet other teens through church youth groups.

"Rollerskating was something a lot of people did when they went on dates," Crawford said. "It seemed like everything evolved around school or the church."

Of course, like today, there's always the old standby for a date—going to a movie.

In the 1950s, the only theaters around were the Civic in Farmington and the P & A (now the Marquis) Theater in Northville.

Or, teens would hop into their hot rods and cruise the Bel-Nor Drive-in theater, once located at Seven Mile and Northville roads in Northville, or the A & W in Farmington Hills.

Dating was more monogamous back in the times of James Dean and Ricky Nelson. If you had a boyfriend, you usually stuck with him for a while, according to Crawford.

"People who jumped around from boyfriend to boyfriend or girlfriend to girlfriend got a bad reputation," she said.

WHAT THEY WERE WEARING

Pink was the in color—not for girls, but for guys—in the 50s. Pink shirts and pink striped and polka-dotted

ties were the rage.

The "greasers" didn't think pink, however, and sported T-shirts, leather jackets and jeans.

For the boys, it was "in" to wear denim jeans with rolled up cuffs, slacks with buckles in the back, V-neck sweaters and button-down striped shirts. Loafers completed the look.

The girls experimented with their feminine and tom-boy sides during the fashion era of the '50s, dressing up in full dresses with crinoline and dressing down to rolled up denim jeans topped with a man's shirt. Of course, there was the ever popular poodle skirt and sweater style. Footwear fashion included brown and white saddle shoes and loafers.

HAIR TODAY, GONE TOMORROW

The flat top, or crew cut, was one of the most popular hair styles for the boys. Greasers rebelled, however, growing their hair long enough to style it into a ducktail. Some high schools even banned boys from sporting the ducktail.

It was ponytails, bound with colorful scarves, and a hairstyle called "the poodle" that were the rave of dos for girls in the '50s.

IT'S HIP, MAN

If you were a hip cat, you might

have used the following slang:

You're car was a set of *wheels*, its tires were *skins* and the bumper was a *nerf-bar*.

If you told you mom and dad you were going to the drive-in, you really meant to say you were headed for the *passion pit*.

Your date's a bore, so he's a *square* or a *nose-bleed*.

Girls were *chicks*, guys were cool, *neat* or *smooth*.

If you faked a laugh you might say *hardeeharhar*.

TODAY

Crawford may be right when she says the principles of dating remain the same as when she was a teenager. But the rules have changed.

"A very serious dating tip . . . is that people ought to get to know each other . . . before they even start dating," the Rev. Jim Russell, a singles pastor of Northville Presbyterian Church's Single Place, advised. "I've seen it in both younger and older people, they do not become friends. They go straight to dating to being intimate."

Some information taken from God's Country: America in the Fifties by J. Ronald Oakley.



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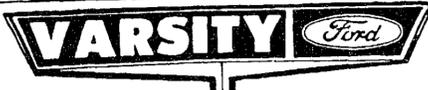
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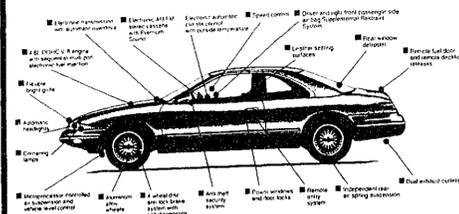


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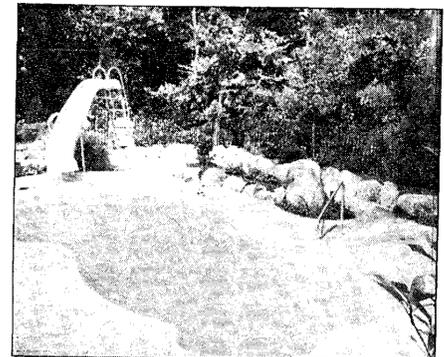
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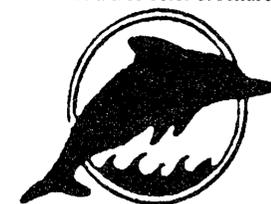
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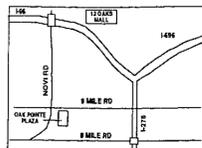
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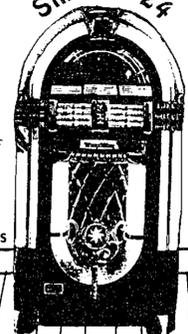


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It was the 1950s—and these Novi residents were there. Here's a few fond memories recently shared with the Novi News.

ED KRIEWALL: Novi's city manager (and founder of the Michigan '50s Festival) grew up in Bay City, where he scaled the community's water tower to leave his high school's mark in big painted letters, "Class of 1959."
"It was kind of scary crawling up there. I think that was a tradition every year, they didn't seem to care..."

"I was busy going to high school and having a good time. I was probably your average student. I played in the band. The trumpet. I was one of the crew cut and jeans kind of guy."

The big thing in Bay City was cruising the drive-in restaurants. We had a strip with seven or eight drive-ins within a half mile...The drive-ins were taken over pretty much by the high school and college kids. There were no adults on site. We'd sit in the car and watch everybody drive by...It was common for the police, the state police post was next to the drive-ins, they spent a lot of time quieting everybody down. Surprisingly, everybody was well-behaved. There wasn't much drinking going on. I was pretty well-behaved, but I enjoyed myself.

"I had a '52 Mercury, maroon, hood and trunk leaded in with fender skirts and spinner hubcaps. It was lowered. It did look good. We used to glass pack the mufflers and the police had a field day writing me tickets. It was a pretty little car. I paid \$500 for it with money I earned myself by pumping gas at my father's marina."

KEITH TAPPAN, SR: The 1991 president of the Novi Chamber of Commerce had a flair for organization early on. A Detroit's Cooley High School Class of '56 graduate, Tappan was a charter member of the Ty-Rods, 25 guys who liked to get together and cruise the avenues—woodward and Grand River. They patronized the drive-in restaurants like Ted's on Long Lake Road and the Totem Pole between Ten and Eleven Mile Road—the kind of hotspots where the car hops rode roller skates and the kids were cool.

Tappan favored pulled up shirt collars and Levis with his Ty-Rod jacket. His car of choice—a 1957 Chevy V8, two-door hardtop, black with white top and black and silver interior.

"I started driving when I was 15 and I was immediately souping up the cars that were technically my mother's, but I drove them all the time. She didn't know I was souping them...I cut the coils from the front wheels. It was called a rake. The front end raked the street. She always wondered about that, why it rode so rough."

"A bunch of guys got together and worked on cars and went drag racing and actually didn't get into trouble. Beer was the worst thing and that was so rare, it was almost never seen. The next worst thing was we had a couple guys that smoked cigarettes. (Tappan says he didn't indulge in either.)"

"I wore my hair in a Hollywood. Long on the sides and back and a brush on the top. The front was long. The guys would do that swirl in the front. There weren't any blow dryers back then. Everybody had the slicked

back hair look."
"Girls were not a big thing. We had the cars. The cars took precedence. If the girls wanted to go along, they could go. We had a couple of gals who would tag along."

MARTY FELDMAN: The owner of Mary Feldman Chevrolet started in business at an early age. Feldman said he lived for baseball in the 1950s.

"I was cleaning the seats at Tiger Stadium, it used to be the Briggs park. That was the biggest thing in my life. That was the only thing, I could get in the ball park. I just had my palms out for my tips as I cleaned the seats. Then I cleaned the seats."

MATTHEW QUINN: A Kalamazoo native, Former Mayor Matt Quinn spend ages 3 to 13 in the 1950s. In an era where the celebrities included the likes of Mickey Mantle, Al Kaline, Willie Mays and Hank Aaron, Novi's future mayor dedicated most of his free time to sports, particularly baseball.

"We used to collect baseball cards. If my mom hadn't thrown them out, I'd be rich right now."

"Davy Crockett was a hero. I can remember getting up early in the morning—we lived upstairs above my grandmother, she had the first black and white TV in the neighborhood—I used to sneak down to the first thing in the morning and watch the test pattern until the TV shows came on. Captain Midnight, Buck Rodgers, Howdy Doody was one of my favorites. And Kukla, Fran and Ollie... I can remember having a riding horse,

and a cowboy hat and a pair of guns. Hopalong Cassidy, Gene Autry and Roy Rogers were on. A lot of TV was watched on Saturdays."

MARTHA HOYER: Former City Council Member Martha Hoyer, a member of the Cass Tech High School's Class of '56, the 1950s were a time for pajama parties, bobby sox, saddle shoes and pony tales—when she wasn't setting her hair in pin curls.

"I never had a poodle skirt but I had a taffeta dress with three-inch heels. You made noise when you walked because taffeta is so stiff. I must have had around 12 crinolines. You usually wore about six or seven (at a time). You'd starch them stiff so they stood alone. They were scratchy. You put a nice nylon slip underneath so you didn't feel it so badly."

KATHY MUTCH: President of the Novi Historical Society, was born in 1948, just in time to spend some of her favorite years in the 1950s—the golden age of television cowboy shows. As a kid in Denver, Colorado, Sky King and Davy Crockett seemed like the kind of folks who'd fit right in.

"I can remember we used to have air raid drills, the way people have tornado drills now. In some cases, you'd have to go under a desk or go out into the hallway and put your head between your knees. They were called air raid drills—everybody knew what they were about. It was just part of school. We never were a family that stocked food in the basement. People didn't really think about the effects of nuclear war. They had these unreal expectations that somehow it was survivable."

Novi was just so much farm land back then

By RICK BYRNE
Staff Writer

When post-war prosperity swept America in a wave of automobiles, rock 'n' roll and little pink houses, the Township of Novi rode the crest as well.

The Novi of the early '50s was not much different from what it had been when it was founded: a crossroads on the way to someplace else.

But as Progress with the capital "P" rolled across the country, it was not long before the apple orchards gave way to subdivisions.

During the decade of the 1950s, Novi's population nearly doubled. From a township of 3,500 people in 1950, Novi's population grew to 6,490 in 1960. At the time of its incorporation in 1958, it was Michigan's

largest village.

"It was real country then," said George McCollum, who grew up in Novi and currently owns Novi Drug.

"The 'Four Corners' (as locals called the then-town center) was Novi Road and Grand River," he said, and likened Novi of the '50s to New Hudson as it stands today.

At the intersection was a farm-implement dealer with a large barn just east on Grand River, a few gas stations, a confectionary and Matt Moeren's general store. There one could purchase everything from penny candy to horse collars.

"They'd show free movies at the barn for the kids," McCollum recalled. "The parents would go across the street to Ben's Bar where they held wrestling matches right there in

the front window. It was pretty wild."

Summer weekends were a busy time in Novi as cars rolled up and down Grand River and Novi Road on their way to vacation cottages in Walled Lake and the Brighton area. Walled Lake also drew huge crowds for the Walled Lake Amusement Park with its roller coaster and other rides.

One could ride the lake in Chris Craft speedboats or snack on french fries dipped in vinegar. Adults flocked to the lakeshore for the New Casino dance hall, which played host to Glenn Miller, the Dorsey brothers—all the big-name acts.

"Traffic backed up Novi Road at Grand River for a mile-and-a-half," said McCollum. "People were heading home from Walled Lake, and every Sunday we'd watch 'em. Cars would

come over the top of the hill and smash into the rear end of each other."

The congestion ended in the late '50s with the building of the Farmington-Brighton Expressway, now known as I-96.

"Everyone thought it would kill the town," said McCollum, "but it just made it expand."

Though subdivisions dominate the Novi landscape today, they were only just starting to encroach on the township in the latter part of the decade. Willowbrook Estates, Oakwood and Yerkes were among the earliest developments.

Duane Bell ran a retail sporting goods store at the time, and outfitted

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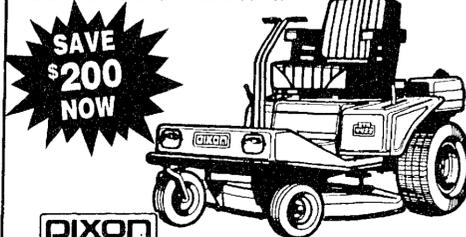
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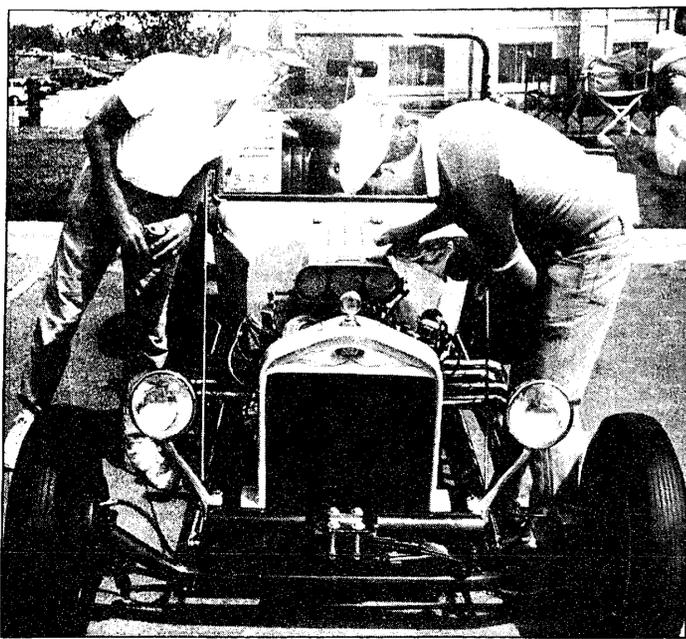
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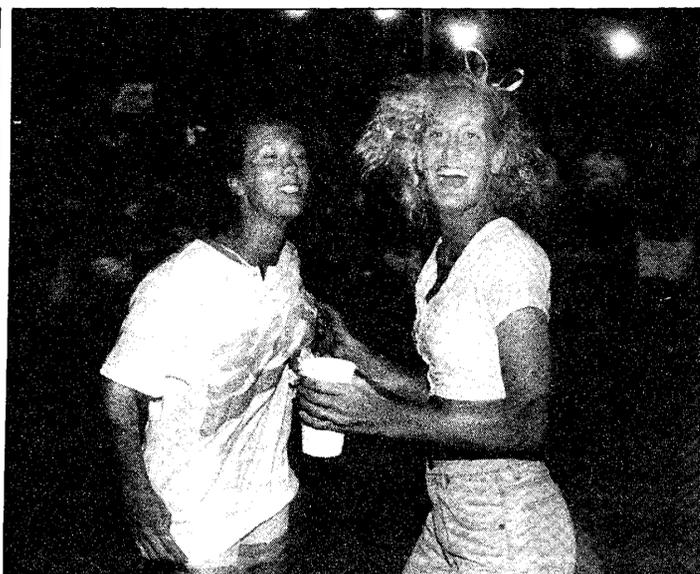


Lip syncing an Elvis tune.



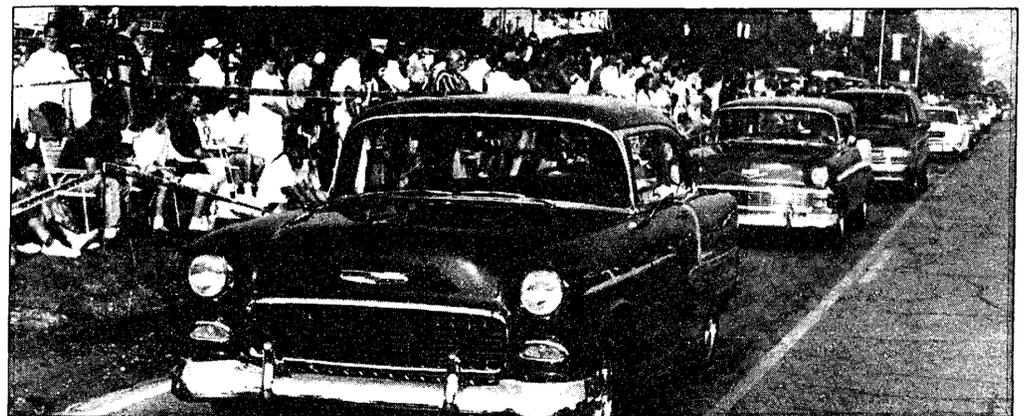
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Classic cars gather for the Grand River Cruise.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Test your knowledge of the Fifties

Do you remember the 1950s?

The Novi News has set out to devise the ultimate '50s trivia test. If you can ace this test, you're a regular '50s historian.

Well, maybe not. But you are eligible for drawings of tickets to evening shows in the entertainment and family show tents at the '50s Festival. Just drop by our booth at the '50s Festival site and we'll grade your test. If you pass, you get your name in the drawing for tickets for that night's concert.

- 1950 was the year the first Black American won a Nobel Peace Prize. He was?
 - Martin Luther King.
 - Ralph Bunche.
 - Nat King Cole.
 - Tim Moore.
2. In 1951, the author of "Complete Poems" won a Nobel Prize. He was?
 - Ernest Hemingway.
 - Ray Bradbury.
 - Dr. Seuss.
 - Carl Sandberg.
3. The 1952 Olympics were held in?
 - Los Angeles, Calif.
 - Seoul, Korea.
 - Helsinki, Finland.
 - Oslo, Norway.
3. The 1954 rock 'n' roll hit "Rock Around the Clock" was by?
 - Bill Haley.
 - Little Richard.
 - Bo Diddley.
 - Chuck Berry.
4. Which Major League Baseball Team won eight pennants and six world series victories in the 10 years between 1950-1959?
 - Baltimore Colts.
 - Milwaukee Braves.
 - Brooklyn Dodgers.
 - New York Yankees.
5. The Barbie Doll was introduced in?
 - 1953.
 - 1955.
 - 1957.
 - 1959.
6. Which book was on the best seller list for non-fiction three times during the 1950s?
 - The Holy Bible.
 - Kids Say the Darndest Things.
 - Betty Crocker's Picture Cookbook.
 - Gift from the Sea.
7. The first album to go platinum was in 1956. The album, *Calypso*, was by?
 - Harry Belafonte.
 - Elvis Presley.
 - Frank Sinatra.
 - Liberace.
8. The actor to receive an Academy Award for his role in the 1951 movie *The African Queen* was?
 - Humphrey Bogart.
 - Spencer Tracey.
 - Burt Lancaster.
 - Montgomery Clift.
9. What did Pat Boone lose in his song "I Lost My --"?
 - Girl.
 - Mind.
 - Heart.
 - Socks.
10. "Tequila" by the Champs was the No. 1 song on the *Billboard* charts for five weeks in 1958. The title was named for?
 - A liquor.
 - A plant.
 - A region.
 - A dance.
11. The name of Buddy Holly's band was?
 - The Crickets.
 - The Comets.
 - The Juniors.
 - The Four Aces.
12. The Chevrolet Corvette was the first plastic laminated fiberglass body sports car. What year did this car make its debut?
 - 1952.
 - 1953.
 - 1955.
 - 1956.
13. The homeowner could now purchase this appliance which had generated unprecedented enthusiasm at houseware shows throughout the 1950s?
 - Pop-up Toaster.
 - Microwave.
 - Dishwasher.
 - Television.
14. Who played Alice Kramden in *The Honeymooners*?
 - Jayne Meadows.
 - Gracie Allen.
 - Eve Arden.
 - Audrey Meadows.
15. Unidentified flying objects in the sky were?
 - Frisbees.
 - Hula Hoops.
 - UFOs.
 - Old 45s.
16. The first color television broadcast was by?
 - NBC.
 - ABC.
 - RCA.
 - CBS.
17. What is a passion pit?
 - A nightclub.
 - A seed in a fruit.
 - A drive-in.
 - A car.
18. What color was *The Green Door* by Jim Lowe in 1956?
 - Purple.
 - Blue.
 - Green.
 - Pink.
19. Who played Sgt. Joe Friday in *Dragnet*?
 - Robert Montgomery.
 - Jack Webb.
 - James Garner.
 - Ben Alexander.
20. What were the Platters?
 - A dinner plate.
 - A singing group.
 - A diner.
 - Subdivision surveyors.

—Compiled by Special Writer Carol Workens

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Fifties Fest making modern memories

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"The Lip Sync. When we did 'Hit the Road, Jack.' That was the first one. We (city staff) also did one about the Novi City Council—'Day O, Day O. Daylight comes and we want to go home.'"

"That was when the council meetings were going so late. I was Hugh Crawford. I wore glasses and a hat. I had a good time doing that."

"My Lip Sync days are over. I did three of them."

Denise Holmes
Receptionist
Novi City Manager's office

"One of the Cruisers was there on the very last day when they invite everybody up on stage to dance. So everybody got up. A little bit later, her son came into the tent looking for her. I said, 'The last time I saw your mother

she was dancing on the stage.'"
"He said, 'My mother? By herself?' I said, 'Yeah, sure.' He was totally embarrassed."

Cindy Stewart
Novi's Director of Public Information
President of the Michigan '50s Festival

A few years ago, Sosynski put up an exhibit of 1950s clothing at the festival, with many of the items pulled from her own closets.

"When my mother went to look at it, half the stuff was hers and she'd given it to me a long time ago and couldn't remember it all. She complimented a bracelet and said 'I had a bracelet just like that.' I said, 'That is your bracelet.'"

"My aunt loved seeing her wedding gown in the exhibit. It was a change for me to work on the 1950s rather

than the 1850s."

Jo Marie Sosynski
Novi Historical Commissioner

"The thrill of the Sock Hop and seeing people arrive in their costumes, that was kinda cool. Everybody was really upbeat and extraordinarily friendly on the bus going from hotel-to-hotel. You got to meet different people."

"I had fun dancing The Twist with Ed Kriewall, the city manager. Here's to stepping out again this year."

Gina Mathews
From the front desk
of The Novi News

"I was sloshing beers for the Chamber of Commerce in the Entertainment Tent during the big Friday night concert. Of course, we poured a few badly and—well—we had to get rid of them somehow. By the end of the night, I

was playing an air guitar duet with Phil Morosco, the general manager of Twelvet Oaks Mall."

Mike Malott
Managing Editor
The Novi News

"Nothing usually terribly amusing happens at the information booth. We usually have time to talk to people and find out where they're from. One couple came from Ohio. The husband had been here on a business trip the year before and came to the festival. He enjoyed it so much he came back the next year with his wife."

"I enjoy seeing the little kids who dress up. My daughter is giving me a fit because she wants a new poodle skirt."

Kathy McLallen
Mayor of Novi
Festival information booth volunteer

—Compiled by Staff writer Jan Jeffries

Fast forward back to the '50s

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hunters who came to the area to take pheasants, or fishers who pulled suckers and pike from area rivers.

"It wasn't anything you would call suburban then," said Bell, a recently retired postal worker. "There were some bigger orchards around then, like Erwin's up there on Ten Mile."

One thing was the same in the '50s as it is now, though. Lee BeGole was still the police chief. In fact, he was chief, cook and bottle-washer for the one-man force, which was housed at a single desk in the back of the township fire hall, now abandoned on Novi

Road south of Grand River.

"We had one squad car, and I owned it," BeGole said. "Then later we had a 1955 Chevy two-door, which the township bought."

Officially known as Novi Township Director of Public Safety, BeGole answered the phone—Northville 705 was the number under the old system—and sounded the alarm for the all-volunteer fire force in the event of a blaze. He was the township's only full-time employee.

While on patrol, BeGole would keep an eye on several drive-ins that dotted Grand River. Another popular stop for passers-through was the di-

ner, fashioned from an old trolley car, which used to be at the site of the current Rosewood.

For citizens of Novi, shopping needs required a trip to one of the larger nearby towns.

"My wife, she used to go to Northville or Farmington," said Bell. "There was no A & P or Kroger's out here then. Almost anything you had to shop for, you had to go out of town."

One thing that brought people into town, often from as far away as Detroit, was Jansen's Buttermilk. The dairy off Grand River west of Haggerty was as much of a draw for buttermilk then as Guernsey is for ice cream today.

Local groups add flourish to '50s fest

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CHURCH will be selling its famous baked potatoes to raise money while REMAX will raise money for a children's foundation. The TOLLGATE EQUESTRIAN CENTER will raise money for its handicapped horseback riding program by operating a casino in the entertainment tent Friday night

NOVI BOY SCOUT TROOP 407 and NOVI GIRL SCOUTS, as well as teens from the NOVI TEEN CENTER will earn money from '50 Festival organizers by folding up chairs and tables and performing other miscellaneous duties.

Helping out in the entertainment tent this year will be the NOVI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, NOVI SOUTHGATE CLOGGERS, NOVI NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS, NOVI AMBASSADORS, NOVI LIONS CLUB, CRUISERS and NOVI CHORALAIRES. Representatives of Novi's Baseball Alliance and the Band Boosters will help direct parking.

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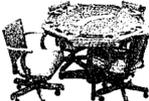
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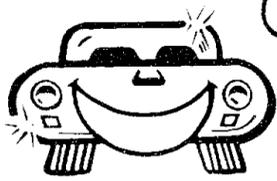


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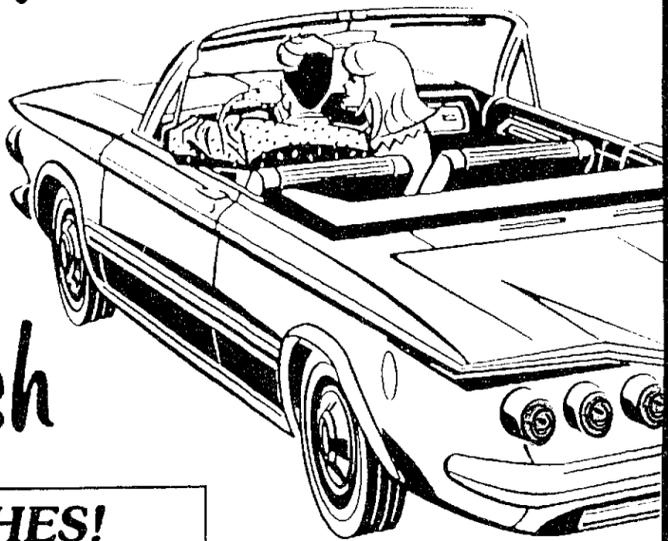
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