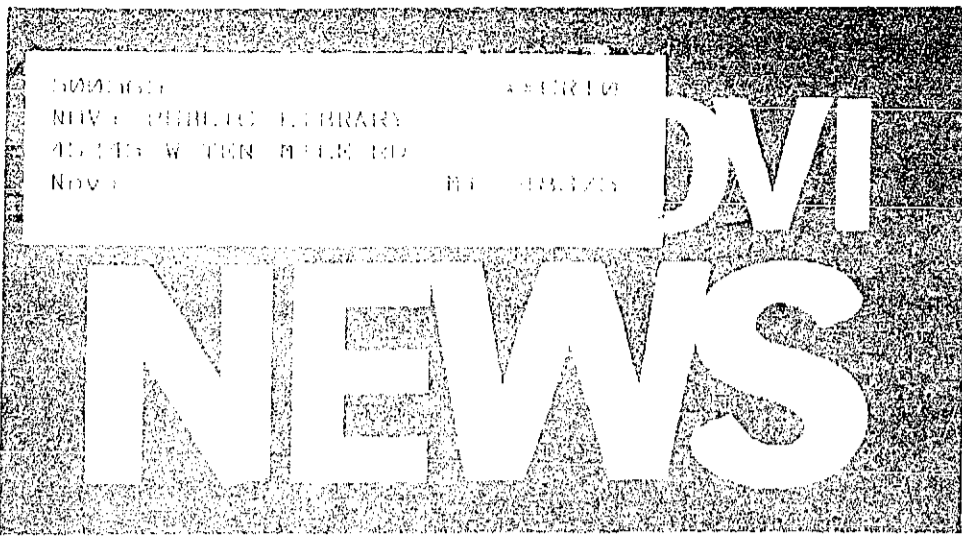


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Governor John Engler glad-hands former Chamber directors Janine Sturm and Linda Shapona after his speech Tuesday.

Guv gets rave reviews

Novi Chamber hears Engler's plan for the future

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Things were looking good Tuesday for Gov. John Engler.

Yes, he was running late. And he did have to launch his speech while the Novi Chamber of Commerce and their guests were still polishing off their Chicken Alfredo and lemon mist cake.

But he was also in the position of one who preaches to the already converted.

"I love him. I think he's great. I like his no-nonsense approach to things. He called the juvenile offenders 'punks.'" Ruth Ann Jirasek,

president of the City of Novi Homeowners Associations, enthused.

Judging by the standing ovation the crowd of 300 gave Engler, the lack of hostile questions and the glowing comments afterwards, the governor's platform of reducing taxes, lowering unemployment and locking up criminals played on chords dear to local hearts.

"He is very impressive because of the number of things he has accomplished, the number of promises he had made and actually kept," chamber member Kevin Crain said, adding that Engler will have his vote in November.

Engler came to the Novi Hilton with a 12-page action plan he calls "Making Michigan Number One: Continuing Our Mission of Change and Reform." The program contains 80 initiatives he says will make Michigan a world leader in the next century, ranging from charter public trade schools to keeping young fathers from playing in high school sports unless they pay their child support; from banning billboard advertising of alcohol and tobacco to reducing the number of state employees by five percent.

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District seeks \$116 million bond

By CAROL WORKENS
Special Writer

The passage of a \$116 million bond issue going before Walled Lake Consolidated School district voters Tuesday, Sept. 27 would mean an increase of 3.5 mills, or \$3.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for homes.

For example, if the market value of a home is \$250,000, the assessed value being \$125,000, the homeowner would pay an additional \$437.50 per year in taxes. A home with an assessed value of \$75,000, and a market value of \$150,000, the yearly cost would be \$262.50.

Even with the increased millage if the bond proposal passes, homeowners would pay 60 percent less than the 1993 property taxes.

The term of repayment is 25 years, but the interest rate of the bond is never known until the bond is sold, which is after the election, according to Lois Lange, director of personnel and community relations.

Unlike the 1989 bond issue, which was considered short term (three to five years), the

Walled Lake Central High School's renewal is scheduled to be completed in three stages. At a cost of \$42.5 million, it is the second largest portion of the bond package to appear on the ballot next Tuesday. The story appears on page 12A.

1994 bond issue is designed for a longer term. "We are not projecting coming back in the near future," said Lange. This will take us into the next century, she predicted.

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Council urged to go ahead with ice arena

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

While seeking assurances that they won't be skating on thin ice, the Novi City Council gave the parks and recreation commission the go-ahead to move ahead with a proposal to build a two-rink, 1,400 seat arena here.

"I think this thing has some merit to move forward with this. Take it to the next step. I am concerned about the costs," Council Member Joe Toth said.

In August, the council sought a further market analysis of the project, after Farmington Hills voters agreed to build a two-rink arena on Eight Mile Road in that city.

"There will be no room for Novi residents at the Farmington Hills rink," Council Member Tim Pope said.

"I'm one parent who would like to have his kid play hockey in this town ... I'm convinced by the numbers. I'm just trying to sell this council the best I can."

Terry Seyler, of Center Ice Management Inc., which proposes to

build the arena as a joint-venture with the city, said his research shows that skaters in the metro Detroit area could fill up to 11 more rinks, even after the Farmington Hills facility is built. Thirty-eight arenas presently dot the region.

Seyler presented a study marked confidential to the council, portions of which were released to *The Novi News* after a request was made under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

What is under consideration is a facility to be built on Twelve Mile Road on city land purchased with part of the \$9.9 million park bond money. The two ice rinks would be supplemented by a pro shop, a restaurant with views of the ice and locker rooms.

The plan under review calls for the city to upfront the land and \$100,000, while Center Ice Management Inc. would put up another \$100,000. Center Ice would manage the arena.

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Homeowners want tighter solicitor rules

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Tired of running to answer the doorbell only to find out it's someone from an organization you never heard of trying to drum up a donation?

Apparently many Novi residents are. The Novi Police Department has fielded 69 complaints on the topic this year to date.

One of the first jobs to be tackled by the new City of Novi Home-

owners Associations (CNHA), an umbrella organization for residents' groups, may be a campaign seeking a possible rewrite of the community's solicitation ordinance.

Currently, Novi's regulation permits door-to-door solicitors to be pounding the streets and sidewalks from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Ruth Ann Jirasek, president of the

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Photo by HAL GOULD

Bashing the press

Novi Chamber President Connie Mallett takes a shot at the press Saturday during the Country Festival at the Novi Expo Center. In fact, she took three, dedicating each in turn to Editor Mike Malott, Reporter Jan Jeffres and Executive Editor Phil Jerome while swinging a sledge hammer at The Novi News' old computer equipment. The event raised money for Civic Concern. More information on the Country Festival appears on page 12A.

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Still fighting to keep Kroger out

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Residents hoping to block a Kroger store at the corner of Ten Mile and Beck roads don't want to create an east versus west Novi conflict, according to a spokesman for the group.

Larry Czekaj, a Greenwood Oaks homeowner, said at a general meeting last week of the City of Novi Homeowners Associations that the group learned from the 1989 experience of older subdivisions near the intersection that development issues had to be addressed quickly.

"We want it (the site) to stay R-1 (single-family residential), if for no other reason than consistency and stability. We're hoping to nip it in the bud," he said.

Czekaj explained that he hoped residents who live and shop in east Novi will not feel pitted against residents who live in west Novi and drive to east Novi to shop.

"It would be unrealistic of us to believe that nobody wants a shopping center," he added.

Traffic, lighting, last night loading and other issues have been raised by those who do not favor a grocery store at the northwest corner, a property formerly occupied by a horse farm. Developer Max Sheldon owns the land.

The Kroger Company has yet to submit a site plan to the city, but the firm did give a blueprint of their proposed \$9 million store to

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Community Education

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

Thursday, September 22

Novi Newcomers and Neighbors: The Novi Newcomers and Neighbors presents its annual fall kickoff event "Mix and Match Fashion for Casual Living" at the Sheraton Hotel, 27000 Sheraton, Novi. Enjoy dinner and a fashion display by Casual Corner. The evening begins at 6:15 p.m. with a social hour followed by a business meeting and dinner. Cost is \$16. RSVP by Sept. 13. Call 380-1217 for further information.

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

Monday, September 26

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

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 1-800-968-5695 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 8 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

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

Tuesday, September 27

Village Oaks Roller Skating Party: V.O.I.C.E. is sponsoring a roller skating party for students and families of Village Oaks School from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Bonaventure Roller Skating Center on Halstead Rd. in Farmington Hills.

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 of the Leading Edge/Lose 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.

Action Committee for Catholic Education: The Action Committee for Catholic Educational School Systems will hold a meeting for parents from the Novi, Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Livonia areas who are having difficulty getting their children into Catholic school. The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. at St. Kenneth's Church, 14951 Haggerty Rd., Plymouth. For more information, call Kathryn or Mike at (313) 420-2784.

Chess Club: The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-9853 evenings after 6 p.m.

Wednesday, September 28

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, Twelve Mile at Meadowbrook Road. For chapter information or an invitation to one of the meetings, please call 642-7725.

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Residents ask for limits on business hours of operation

By JAY JEFFRES Staff Writer

The subdivision association representing Meadowbrook Lakes, where some 30 residents have recently sued the City of Novi for permitting the Interlock Corporation to move in next door, are hoping other homeowners will join them in a crusade to restrict hours of operation for businesses near private dwellings.

David Pylar, president of the association, spoke last week at a general meeting of the new City of Novi Homeowner Associations, asking that the representatives pass along a survey to residents of their subdivisions, condominium complexes and mobile home communities.

The Meadowbrook Lake Subdivision Association is proposing that the city revamp its current ordinance, which does not limit hours of operation for all commercial developments abutting residential districts, to cut these hours back

to 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. when businesses are adjacent to homes.

"All we're really trying to do is protect the quality of life in Novi. I wouldn't be here if I didn't feel very strongly about the current situation," Pylar said.

"It's not Meadowbrook Lake. A lot of other subdivisions are having problems with the current zoning and some of the ordinances."

The Meadowbrook Lake property owners are also seeking input from their fellow citizens on whether or not the city council should be asked to create an increased avenue of appeal of planning commission decisions.

With the lawsuit against the city, the planning commission and the city council, Meadowbrook Lake residents have asked the Oakland County Circuit Court to overturn the planning commission's Aug. 4 decision to give Interlock preliminary site plan approval and a special land use permit for a manufacturing facility in nearby

Hickory Corporate Park. Their concerns focus on the possible health hazards to their neighborhood should the plastic components plant catch fire and possibly emit toxins, as well as the everyday traffic, noise and light from the 24-hour plant.

A few homeowners group representatives at the Sept. 14 meeting questioned if the proposed setback in working hours would impact long-standing local businesses, including stores such as a 7-11.

"I imagine what has been done in the past will stay the way it is. What we want to do is protect the future," Pylar explained.

"I don't think Novi should come in and stop commercial. Maybe the ordinance is too loosey-goosey. I'd like to see it tightened up a little. I don't want to put somebody out of business who's been here 30 years."

If enough residents gets on the bandwagon, the request for a change would be submitted to the Novi City Council, which mandates all ordinances and revisions to them.

An additional component of their survey asks homeowners to sign off on which possible change in the appeals process they would review. At present, the planning commission has final review authority for some zoning and special and special land use approvals for commercial developments abutting residential districts.

The Meadowbrook Lake Homeowners Association survey asks residents if they would prefer to have the city council designated as the final review and approval body for all industrial development which abut residential districts or if it would be more desirable to have the Zoning Board of Appeals handle any such appeals.

The perfect punt
Paul Matter, 12, does his best to get a good long punt out of his kick during the Punt, Pass and Kick competition in Novi Sunday. The event is a qualifier for regional competition.

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Vandalism spree hits local hotel

Six guests of the Hotel Baromette returned to their cars after a restful night at the inn to find that someone had keyed each of their cars on Sept. 4. Police said the vandalism spree occurred in the east front parking lot. A Novi woman's 1994 Infiniti was among the cars victimized in the lot that evening. Her car had several scratches on the hood which matched the damage left on five others personal and rental vehicles that were also left in the same lot overnight.

A hotel manager said she received the reports from the guests but was unsure of any unruly guests who had been inside the hotel that evening.

Police believe the vandal or vandals used a key to scratch the cars and reportedly started with a hood ornament that was ripped off a Mercedes Benz and

DOG GONE COMPLAINT: Neighbors living near Eleven Mile and Whipple Road tangled after one woman's unleashed dog attacked two cyclists riding by the homes on Aug. 28. The dogs started barking at the cyclists as soon as they

Police News

passed. A next door neighbor saw the dogs chasing the bikers and ran after them with a long object in his hand. The woman tried to stop the man from pursuing her dogs, but wound up arguing with him instead. She told police the man threatened her in her yard but he said he never crossed his property line. The dispute was settled after several neighbors tried to intervene. Police told the woman to keep the dogs on their leashes.

HOME BREAK IN: A Novi couple's weekend in Chicago turned sour when they arrived home on Sept. 5 to their Saddle Creek Apartment and found that someone had stolen \$7,250 worth of jewelry and other personal items.

Police said thief or thieves gained entry to the home through a bedroom window. Inside, the unknown suspects ransacked the apartment before they left through the front door with a video cassette

recorder and several high priced jewelry items.

BUSINESS BREAK-IN: The east door of a Grand River business had been pried open just enough for someone to steal several wood working hand tools and a facsimile machine from inside on Sept. 5.

The business owner told police he believes the culprits may have been former employees because the general public would not have known the tools were stored in a locked tool crib inside the business. The fax machine was taken from the office.

FOOTBALL FOLLIES: Someone forced the security gate open at the Novi High School football concession and spilled three bags of Coca Cola syrup for the soda pop machine all over the floor. The mess was discovered by school officials on Sept. 6. Officials have estimated there was at least \$100

worth of damage done to the security gate.

MISSING AUDIO, VISUAL EQUIPMENT: Someone stole an estimated \$3,810.55 worth of audio, visual and computer equipment from Walled Lake's Hickory Woods Elementary School.

The theft was discovered missing after Aug. 30 when school opened. School officials told police the equipment which had been stored in the school's media center and production room was there when they completed their year end inventory in June. But the recorder's, computers, printers and video equipment all turned up missing in August.

There were no signs of forced entry into the building, media center or storage locations, the police report indicated. School officials did say, however, a set of keys to the building is missing.

Citizens with information about the above incidents are urged to call the Novi Police Department at 348-7100.

But city planning consultant Brandon Rogers advised the council to deny the split, saying it violated city ordinances.

"I think I see the motive in doing this. This at one time would be a \$1 million estate ... This is gerrymandering, this is extensive width to depth ratio. I think we've set precedents," Rogers advised.

A Garfield Road resident expressed concerns that the split would permit a subdivision to be built on the land.

We have a pretty straight ordi-

nance in the City of Novi regarding lots splits. I can't see any pressing reason to do this," Council Member Robert Schmid said.

Ash, Novi's first city clerk, died in May at age 88.

Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson told the council that one of the members of his firm, Louis Bugbee, who also represents Novi, was executor of Ash's will. Watson was prevented from advising the city on the Ash land split because the council deadlocked concerning the attorney's involvement.

Haunted House help wanted: The Novi Jaycees are "scaring up" assistance in the construction and operation of the 1994 Haunted House. Construction is already underway, and operation will begin in mid-October. If you are interested in joining in on this ghoulishly good time, contact Mike at 348-8352.

Novi Expos: The Novi Expos will be holding tryouts for 1995 travel baseball Sept. 10 at 4 p.m. The tryout, for 9 to 10-year-olds, will be at Powers Park on Ten Mile Road. Contact Mike Hart at 348-3246 for more information.

Tryouts for the Expos' 11- and 12-year-old team will be held Sept. 10 at Powers Park red diamond. For more information call call Tony Mellon at 348-7061.

The association is also considering a neighbor versus neighborhood outdoor decorating contest this December.

The Michigan Department of Transportation plans to take all

extension cuts through Novi, the city could be asked to contribute about \$50,000 to the road building costs.

At each of the upcoming meetings, MDOT and local government staff members will lead "concept teams" of interested residents to discuss the project. MDOT's objective is to conclude the first meeting with every issue identified and

designed on an aerial map showing the proposed right-of-way.

The second session is on Oct. 25 and will center on design concepts. The final meeting on Nov. 29 will summarize the results of the previous two sessions and lead into the preliminary engineering and design stages.

design stages.

Novi Briefs

Stepping on his lines: The Novi News officials made a muddle of one of Council Member Tim Pope's jokes, because a comment by city planning consultant Brandon Rogers was not heard. While discussing a veterinarian clinic proposed for Briarwood Plaza, Rogers said he did not recommend approval of the plan.

In a remark not picked up by the press, Rogers said he was "not Anti-veterinarianism."

Pope's quip without Roger's statement was printed in the Sept. 15 Novi News, but consequently lost some of its bite.

"Does that mean you don't eat meat?" Pope asked Rogers. "No, just not dogs." Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford joined in.

Eyes of an Outsider: When Gov. Engler's Michigan Farm and Agriculture Development Task Force met at the Novi city hall last week, it was a chance to hear what out state Michiganders feel about "our town"—or at least its taste in interior decorating.

"This is a really snazzy place," one task force member remarked as he plunked into the plum-upholstered chairs usually occupied by the Novi City Council.

The decor of the Novi Civic Center's atrium caught the eye of Jack LaRose, president of the Michigan Township Association.

LaRose, after taking a gander at the photo gallery of city officials, told the task force that: "The pictures of the Zoning Board of Appeals members are larger and more prominently placed than the city council. I think there's a reason. Those guys on the zoning board are on the front line."

Holiday present: Unlike the Grinch, the City of Novi Homeowners Association isn't exactly stealing Christmas; it's a gift, at least this aspect of the season. Novi's public relations director Cindy Stewart asked the group to take one job off her busy hands, selecting the winners of the city's annual holiday outdoor decorating contest.

The homeowners' group will do the legwork, or more likely driving around work, of selecting the finalists; association president Ruth Ann Jirasek said, while the awards, typically a City of Novi ornament, will still come from Mayor Kathy McLallen.

The association is also considering a neighbor versus neighborhood outdoor decorating contest this December.

Novi Expos: The Novi Expos will be holding tryouts for 1995 travel baseball Sept. 10 at 4 p.m. The tryout, for 9 to 10-year-olds, will be at Powers Park on Ten Mile Road. Contact Mike Hart at 348-3246 for more information.

Tryouts for the Expos' 11- and 12-year-old team will be held Sept. 10 at Powers Park red diamond. For more information call call Tony Mellon at 348-7061.

Haunted House help wanted: The Novi Jaycees are "scaring up" assistance in the construction and operation of the 1994 Haunted House. Construction is already underway, and operation will begin in mid-October. If you are interested in joining in on this ghoulishly good time, contact Mike at 348-8352.

The Log Book

The following is a complete list of the emergency calls of the Novi Fire Department for the last week. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the engine and station number which responded to the call.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
Truck fire, Hagerty and Eight Mile Road, 8:32 a.m., Engine 3.
Fire investigation, 43100 Westchester, 9:31 a.m., Engine 1, 3.

Injury accident, Beck Road north of 196, 12:40 p.m., Squad 1, Medical, 27500 Novi, 5:04 p.m., Squad 1.

Fire alarm, 45825 Eleven Mile Road, 10:23 p.m., Engine 1, 4.
Medical, 24633 Wyom., 11:23 p.m., Squad 4.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
Medical, 45736 Lakeview, 11:44 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 25627 Lincoln, 1:33 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 23771 Meadowbrook, 3:48 p.m., Squad 3.

Injury accident, Nine Mile and Novi Road, 4:11 p.m., Squad 3, 1.
Medical, Twelve Oaks Mall, 4:53 p.m., Squad 1.
Brush fire, Gen Mar and Novi Road, 8:34 p.m., Engine 1.

Tree fire, Foxton and Huntington, 9 p.m., Engine 3.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
Medical, 22980 Mill Road, 6:05 a.m., Squad 3.
Public service, 39785 Village Wood, 12:25 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 26261 Kentucky, 12:55 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 44500 Louvert, 4:35 p.m., Squad 3.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
Medical, 45551 Violet, 7:38 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 220 Endwell, 10:14 a.m., Squad 2.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Injury Accident, Twelve Mile Road and Meadowbrook, 12:17 a.m., Squad 2, Engine 2.
Medical, 22740 Fireside Court, 8:27 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 20771 Woodland Glen, 12:06 p.m., Squad 3.
Electrical fire, 45679 Irvin, 7:14 p.m., Engine 3.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Community service, Town Center, 8:57 a.m., 507.
Medical, 22646 Woolsey, 10:16 a.m., Squad 3.
Injury accident, Grand River and Taft Road, 7:31 p.m., Squad 4, Engine 4.
Trash fire, East Lake and Fourteen Mile Road, 8:32 p.m., Engine 2.
Trash fire, 23640 Chipmunk Trail, 9:01 p.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 325 South Lake, 10:42 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 107 Iva, 11:10 p.m., Squad 2.

Injury accident, 1-96 east of Novi Road, 7:04 p.m., Squad 1, Engine 1.
Medical, 44720 Ten Mile Road, 8:34 p.m., Squad 1.

Smoke investigation, 24243 Jamestown, 6:16 a.m., Engine 1.
Assist citizen, Novi Town Center, 9:22 a.m., 507.
Medical, 21645 Center Street, 9:51 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 1-96 and I-275, 2:48 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 26999 Meadowbrook, 6:28 p.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, 1-96 east of Novi Road, 7:37 p.m., Squad 1, Engine 1.
Medical, 44720 Ten Mile Road, 8:34 p.m., Squad 1.

Council turns down Ash rezoning

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

The heirs of a former city clerk were unable to persuade the Novi City Council to grant a lot split of her farm, most of which is eyed by the state for wetlands mitigation of the Hagerty Connector.

Mabel Ash owned a 48-acre horse farm on the east side of Garfield Road.

The Michigan Department of Transportation plans to take all

extension cuts through Novi, the city could be asked to contribute about \$50,000 to the road building costs.

At each of the upcoming meetings, MDOT and local government staff members will lead "concept teams" of interested residents to discuss the project. MDOT's objective is to conclude the first meeting with every issue identified and

designed on an aerial map showing the proposed right-of-way.

The second session is on Oct. 25 and will center on design concepts. The final meeting on Nov. 29 will summarize the results of the previous two sessions and lead into the preliminary engineering and design stages.

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Bill would let cities extend contacts

City councils could make multi-year contracts with their hired managers under a bill awaiting state Senate action.

So could charter townships, general law townships, home-rule and general law villages which hire managers.

These people (professional managers) don't want to move without the assurance they will be in their jobs for a period of time," said the sponsor, Sen. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield.

His Senate Local Government Committee gave the bills 3-0 approval and sent them to the Senate floor.

Currently, a council cannot obligate the city beyond the current council members' terms of office. The Michigan Municipal League

complained that the restriction hampered the hiring of top people.

The employment contract would have to be written and specify the officer's compensation and other conditions of employment. It could also provide for severance pay and benefits if the council wanted to remove the manager.

The bills would apply only where home-rule cities and villages had charters allowing multi-term contracts. The bills could not grant powers where the charters didn't allow them.

In other business, Honigman canceled a plan to report out a bill limiting cities' residency rules for employees—a bill that Detroit, in particular, opposes vehemently.

It won't be taken up until November because of certain

agreements," said Honigman, admitting it was being vague about the "agreements."

"I've worked on this bill for four years. It has been a long, tough, uphill fight. I'm determined to pass it before I leave or die," said Honigman, sponsor of Senate Bill 597.

I am here. I am ready to vote in the affirmative," announced Sen. Jon Ciskiy, R-Saginaw.

As drafted, SB 597 would apply only to police and firefighters. It would supersede city charters, rules and collective bargaining contracts. It would apply to cities, counties, villages, townships and authorities but not institutions of higher education.

Detroit has had such residency rules for years, to assure jobs for

its residents. Mayor Dennis Archer was expected to make a strong pitch against the bill at Tuesday's session, drawing a crowd of onlookers and reporters. But Archer sent word he couldn't attend.

Honigman argues that residency rules are outdated because they work a hardship on married couples who work in different communities. Detroit's rules have reportedly forced married couples to set up fictitious second residences.

Refer to Senate Bills 1195 to 1199 when writing about the contract bills for your state senator. Refer to SB 597 when writing about the residency requirement bill. Legislators are in the State Capitol, Lansing 48909.

Education Notes

ACT Test Prep: Oakland Community College will offer ACT Test Preparation classes at its Orchard Ridge Campus this fall. Classes are designed for high school juniors and seniors who are planning to take the ACT on either Oct. 22 or Dec. 10. The workshops will meet for three Saturdays. Class meeting dates are:

Workshop I: Sept. 24 and Oct. 1, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Oct. 8, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Workshop II: Nov. 12 and Nov. 19, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Dec. 3, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

The classes are offered by the Orchard Ridge Continuing Education Department and Test Preparation Services, the largest college-affiliated preparation program in metro Detroit. For further information contact the Continuing Education department at (810) 471-7520.

The Orchard Ridge Campus is located at 27055 Orchard Lake Road, just south of I-696, in Farmington Hills.

Programs for Youth: From fencing to sign language, there's something for kids of all ages being offered this fall by the Continuing Education Department of Oakland Community College. The after school and weekend "Kids on Campus" programs are taught by well-qualified instructors and take place on the college's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills. Most classes meet once a week for seven weeks. Fees vary.

Classes include: Beginning Fencing (ages 11 and up); Gymnastics (grades 1-12); Karate (grades 3-8); Swimming (Parent & Tot, Preschool, ages 6-10); Baton Twirling (grades 1-12); Inline Skating (ages 7-17); Sign Language (ages 8-12); Fables, Folklore and Fantasy-Drama Class (all ages).

Desktop Publishing: Oakland Community College is offering non-credit courses in its new Digital Imaging and Design Lab at the Orchard Ridge Campus this fall.

All classes meet three hours weekly for four weeks. The fee for each class is \$300.

Proposal would assure open condo meetings

Co-owners in a condominium association would be guaranteed the right to attend board meetings and speak under a bill heading for the state Senate floor.

"It's kind of an Open Meetings Act for condominium associations," said the sponsor, Sen.

David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield.

A couple of my constituents complained that their condo boards were making decisions in secret. Those decisions can be more expensive than taxes," he said. "This lets co-owners be pre-

sented and talk about issues affecting their condo."

The Senate Local Government Committee, which he chairs, gave the measure 4-0 approval without debate or amendment. Full Senate action could come early next week.

The Open Meetings Act applies

to governmental bodies and lets all persons—including non-residents—attend. Honigman's bill would apply many of the same rules to condo associations on behalf of co-owners, not the general public.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Walkers will combat hunger

The Novi/Northville 1994 Crop Walk against world hunger is set for Sept. 25. Last year's effort involved 350 walkers who raised \$16,000. Co-chairpersons Dave Black and Chuck Jacobs have set a goal of raising \$20,000 this year. The walk will begin at 2 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center and will conclude at the Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville. The route is a total of

6.2 miles, 10 kilometers. Walkers raise money by soliciting pledges prior to the walk. Anyone interested can participate. Seven area churches will sponsor this, the third walk for both the Novi and Northville communities. Funds raised will go to local charities, as well as the Church World service to combat hunger worldwide.

Parking shortage raises ire

Northville High School has experienced a problem that area residents have been painfully aware of for years—too many cars, not enough parking spaces.

The solution, as high school students see it, is easy: park in the nearby neighborhoods. Area home owners, however, do not agree.

For a number of years, residents of neighborhoods surrounding the high school have expressed concern over lengthy queues of cars lining both sides of the streets and the safety hazards they might pose for drivers and pedestrians.

Last Friday David Bolitho, assistant superintendent for administrative services for Northville Public Schools, City Police Chief Rodney Cannon and City Manager Gary Wort met to discuss possible solutions to the problem after receiving repeated complaints from residents.

Unfortunately, officials from both sides say there is no quick and easy solution to the problem, which could get worse as the school district's student population grows with each new year.

"We're land locked," said high school Principal Thomas Johnson of the school which is perched high on top of a hill overlooking Eight Mile Road. "There is no other method in which we can expand parking unless we carve out some of the hill."

Two years ago, school officials dug out the original site plan for the building and met with an architect to examine whether there was room for additional parking on the campus.

Johnson said the only solution would have been to cut into the hill facing Center Street, an expensive and unattractive option. Bolitho said school officials also looked into terracing the hill in 1983 but deemed the idea too costly.

The city has responded to citizen complaints by erecting "No Parking" signs in the affected areas. However, placing parking signs is simply putting a band-aid on the problem and pushing students into other areas, Chief Cannon said.

Cannon said he has received complaints and concerns about student parking for a number of years; the complaints, however, were coming from both sides of the issue.

"Parents are concerned too because they say, 'Hey, our kids are citizens too and it is a public street,'" Cannon said. "So there really are multiple factors involved."

Currently, 212 of the high school's 268 seniors have parking permits. Assistant Principal Dennis Colligan said every student who requested a parking permit this year received one. The school has about 220 spaces available for students; the remaining spaces are reserved for special situations

or for students with medical needs.

During school registration, seniors submit a request for passes. School officials planned to conduct a lottery to dole out passes this year, but because of the number requesting them, it was unnecessary. In addition to seniors, there are 301 juniors and 325 sophomores, and many of these students become eligible to drive sometime during the year.

The city started taking measures to deter excessive student parking in residential areas in 1986 by posting "No Parking" signs Monday-Friday from 6-9 a.m. on Walnut Street. Then in 1990, parking control was expanded to include High, East and Elm streets.

The city council's most recent action was in July when it approved a 90-day trial period to post signs prohibiting morning parking on portions of Baseline Road and Grace Street south of Eight Mile.

In a letter to the council in June, Nancy Berg, president of the Cabbagetown Residents' Association, expressed the concerns of residents who live on Baseline, Carpenter and Grace roads. Her letter stated that the corridor of cars created by students poses a safety hazard because vehicles have difficulty maneuvering down the streets. The cars also present a hazard for pedestrians, especially small children, who cross the street.

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Market exists for arena, study says

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The building could be paid either by the city issuing revenue bonds or a non-profit corporation under the auspices of the Michigan Strategic Fund would be set up to issue bonds as a 501C corporation. The approximately \$65 million in bonds issued would reimburse the \$200,000 upfront money.

Seyler said that the private firm because it would need to spend \$1 million for the land and would have to settle for 9 percent financing, rather than the 7 percent available through public bond sales. The corporation would not pay property taxes.

If the business failed, Novi would own the arena.

Profits after the loan payments are made and management fees are disbursed would go to community projects designated by the non-profit corporation's board of directors.

Or, if the city opts for financing via revenue bonds, Novi and Center Ice would split the profits.

Project annual revenues for the arena's first year of operations, in 1995-96 were put by Seyler at \$1,347 million. The estimate rises to \$1.9 million in 1997-98.

The city council gave Novi's city attorney and its bonding attorneys the assignment of studying the details.

City Manager Edward Kriewall urged that Novi drag its toe picks on the line and let them demonstrate their ability to exist. It was pretty much agreed this was a regional facility," Kriewall said.

"I think we could do it eventually. What's wrong with waiting?"

Seyler said a delay would mean that Northville Township would build its municipal arena on Seven Mile Road. His firm is also working with the township.

The Novi ice arena would be dedicated primarily to youth and adult hockey, although Seyler said that figure skating was the single most popular spectator and participation sport with American women. The proposed winter schedule calls for four hours set aside for figure skating and ten hours for hockey daily.

On weekends, four two-hour sessions would be reserved for public free skating with the rest of the ice time allocated to hockey.

Ice time would retail at \$140 an hour, slightly below the going rate of \$150 to \$160 an hour, Seyler said.

"Many communities operate rinks and break even. Politics takes the income out of rinks by holding ice time unreasonably low. The whole concept behind this is to run it as a private operator, sell it at market rates," he explained.

Community Education

Halloween craft medley: Children in grades K-4 can get ready for Halloween by making a Halloween tree or decorate a broom. A black tree branch or broom will be decorated with ribbons and Halloween creatures. Specify your item choice on the registration form. A non-refundable \$7 material fee is included in the class fee.

The class will meet on Monday, Oct. 17 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Nov Woods Art Room. The fee is \$15.

Create a colorful Halloween bag: Children in grades 1 through 6 can create a colorful trick-or-treat bag by painting designs onto a pillow-case using a brush or sponge. Be creative. Bring a washed, white pillow-case, and wear an old shirt.

The class will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 19, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Parkview Art Room. The fee is \$10.

Babysitting clinic: Children in grades 5 through 8 receive instruction in basic babysitting skills, including safety, first aid, infant and child care, and more. All students will take a written test and receive a certificate after successful completion of the course requirements.

The class meets on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 19 and 20 from 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. in Novi Meadows Media Center. The fee is \$15.

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TUP94-035

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Keith Swan is requesting a temporary use permit to allow sale of pumpkins at 27220 Meadowbrook Road, for the period September 28, 1994, through October 31, 1994.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m., on Wednesday, September 28, 1994, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to September 28, 1994.

(9-22-94 NR/NN)

NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TUP94-037

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Marty Schmitt, representing Cougar Cutting Products & Supply, is requesting a temporary use permit to allow and open house tent sale at 46845 Twelve Mile Road, for the period October 7, 8 and 9, 1994.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:30 p.m., on Wednesday, September 28, 1994, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to September 28, 1994.

(9-22-94 NR/NN)

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CITY OF NOVI NOVI ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi, Department of Public Services, will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, October 27, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. in the multi-purpose room at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan. The purpose of this Public Hearing is to provide the opportunity for a public discussion of the alternative treatments under consideration for the proposed improvements of Novi Road from Twelve Mile Road to approximately 600 feet north of Twelve-and-a-half Mile Road. The proposed project includes the widening of Novi Road to five lanes and the construction of required storm drainage systems and non-motorized transportation facilities.

As required by Federal Regulations, an Environmental Assessment has been prepared evaluating the social, economic and environmental aspects of the project. The Environmental Assessment demonstrates that implementation of the proposed action will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Copies of the Environmental Assessment are available for public inspection or may be obtained at the office of the Director of Public Services, City of Novi Civic Center.

This Public Hearing is called in accordance with the most current Federal, State and Local Public Involvement/Public Hearing Procedures. A tentative schedule for the reconstruction of this project and information concerning the right of way acquisition and the relocation assistance program will be provided at the Public Hearing. This Public Hearing is held to here testimony of interested citizens regarding the economic, social and environmental impacts of the proposed alternatives on the area. Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements at the Public Hearing as well as requests for copies of the Environmental Assessment and/or the responses to the testimony received may be submitted to Anthony Nowicki, Director of Public Services, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48275 at any time up to ten days after the Public Hearing.

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(9-22, 10-13-94 NN/NR)

Candidates prep for regents races

Frank Garrison meant it as a compliment when he called Colleen McNamara "a beautiful young lady" whose chief political credential was "getting fired for trying to organize a union."

Garrison, president of the state AFL-CIO, announced the labor caucus endorsement of McNamara for the Michigan State University board at the Sept. 10-11 Democratic state convention in Flint.

McNamara, 44, of Plymouth and Lansing, prefers to run on her own credentials, never mentioning that she's the daughter of the Wayne County executive.

"Higher education should be accessible to everyone," she pledged as she spoke to district caucus members prior to the convention.

Michigan Democrats unanimously nominated her and incumbent MSU trustee Joel Ferguson, the East Lansing apartment owner who made a surprisingly strong bid for the U.S. Senate nomination.

McNamara said the story Garrison told was true. "I was a waitress when I was in college (at MSU) and tried to organize a union. The union lost. The NLRB (National Labor Relations Board) forced him (the owner) to take me back, and I got back wages."

For six years McNamara has been executive director of the Michigan Cable Television Association, a trade group. Her resume includes work in counseling low-income families with housing problems, five years on the state Senate staff and membership in the Democratic Women's Caucus.

Her platform: extending MSU's efforts into the community, helping non-traditional students and assisting students of all income levels.

As Ferguson's running mate, she will succeed Barbara Sawyer-Koch, who bowed out after two eight-year terms on the MSU board.

Although MSU has been the scene of bitter battles over the president versus the athletic director and closed meetings in hiring a new president, Ferguson candidly told Democratic delegates, "It's not the most important job on the ticket."

Ferguson, who is black, was interested in being gubernatorial nominee Howard Wolpe's running mate. But when Secretary of State Richard Austin, 81, opted for a sixth term, Wolpe turned to state Sen. Debbie Stabenow, the woman who ran second in the gubernatorial primary.

Democrats nominated Carol Thomas, a school union leader and Southfield resident, for the State Board of Education, succeeding Annetta Miller (see related story). They renominated incumbent State Board member Gemeindo Salas, MSU professor from East Lansing.

Completing the ticket, Democrats also renominated University of Michigan regents James Waters of Muskegon and Paul Brown of Mackinac Island, gave incumbent Supreme Court Justice Conrad Mallett Jr. a chance to run for a full term, and tapped Washtenaw Circuit Judge Don Shelton as his high court team mate.

Democrats spent much of the weekend discussing Gov. John Engler's efforts to curb the power of public employees unions.



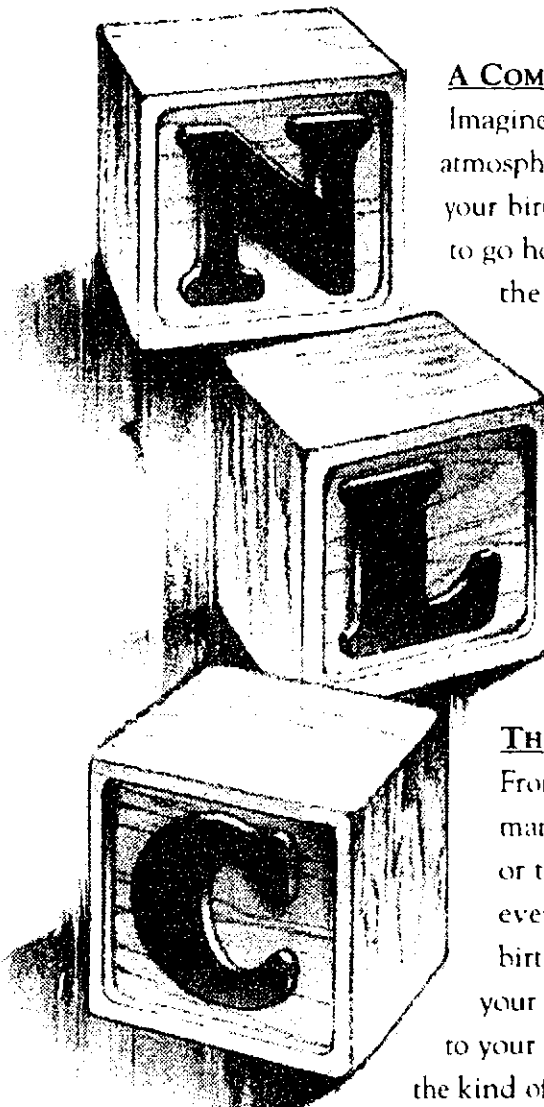
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Rain man

It can get a little damp for regular fans of the Novi Wildcats, but the diehard fans will be out there rain or shine. This scene was captured at a Wildcats soccer game recently. The precipitation didn't dampen the enthusiasm of the fans. They just put up their umbrellas and continued to enjoy the event.

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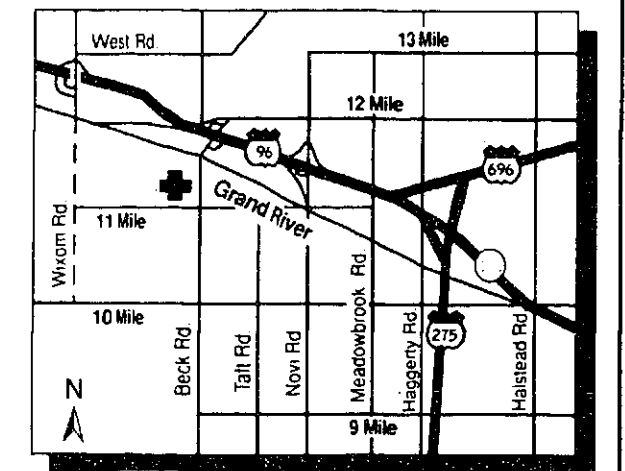


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School move upsets parents

The Northville Board of Education's meeting room was filled with concerned parents expressing displeasure over the beginning of the school year was handled for American elementary students.

Parents of kindergarten and 1st- and 5th-grade students received a letter dated Aug. 26 giving them the option of moving their children to Moraine elementary, where class sizes were smaller. The letter, which some parents say they didn't receive until two days before school was to start, was an unacceptable way to deal with an overcrowding problem at American.

Parents stood up questioning board and administration members whether they were acting in the best interest of the district's students, raising questions regarding growing class size and how to deal with it.

"We have heard a lot of lip service about quality education for our children," said American parent Tim Watkins. "But I haven't seen much action."

Trustee Jean Hansen said parents need to look at the big picture when it comes to enhancing learning opportunities for the district's students. When the board makes decisions, she said, it must concern itself with the entire district, not just a small segment of it.

"People are not looking at the whole picture," she said. "This is a public education system and there is going to be places here and there that you are not satisfied with. I have been on this board for 14 years, and almost every year there is a bubble somewhere."

Watkins said he is concerned with large class sizes in the lower grade levels, but believes, along with many other parents, that adding teachers should be the method to alleviate the problem, not sending letters out to parents giving them the option to switch schools.

Board President Bob McMahon said adding teachers is not as easy as it sounds, because the district is facing uncertain financial times with revamped state funding.

"To consider making smaller classes with more teachers, this board would have to look at cutting other programs," McMahon said.

David Bultho, assistant superintendent for administrative services, said that giving parents an option to switch schools has occurred in past years with Silver Springs and with kindergartners at American. The administration had been closely monitoring enrollment trends. Bultho said,

Obituaries

DOLORES LILLIAN (CAWLEY) TAYLOR

Dolores Lillian (Cawley) Taylor died Aug. 29, 1994. She was 68. Mrs. Taylor had been employed in sales.

Surviving Mrs. Taylor is her husband, Noel; her sons, Kurt and Scott; her grandchildren, Colin, Kevin and Stefanie; her sister, Valerie Spradler; and her brothers, Jay and Rex Cawley.

Funeral services were held at the O'Brien Chapel/Teed C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi. Burial was at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Hospice of Southeastern Michigan, 16250 Northland Drive, Suite 212, Southfield, MI 48075-6200.

ROSE (LAMARCHE) VALADE MARLOW

Rose (LaMarche)Valade Marlow died Sept. 14 at Botsford Continuing Health Care. She was 87.

Mrs. Marlow was a homemaker. She is survived by her son, Victor (Ludy) Valade; grandsons, John and David Valade; and great-grandson, Jeffrey.

Mr. Cairns attended schools in Farmington Twp. and Farmington. Surviving is his wife of 56 years, Leola; his daughter, Ginny (Jack) Steele of Troy; his son, Richard (Audrey) of Novi; 11 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren; and one niece and nephew.

Funeral services were held Aug. 19 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington. Rev. Alan Rogers of the First Baptist Church of Walled Lake officiated. Interment was in North Farmington.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Michigan Heart and the First Baptist Church, 309 Market Street, Walled Lake, MI 48390.

FLOYD A. CAIRNS

Floyd A. Cairns died Aug. 16, 1994, at St. Mary Hospital. He was 79.

Mr. Cairns was born Nov. 5, 1914, in Farmington Twp. on a farm. He started hauling milk to Wilson's Dairy at the age of 17 and became a self-employed milk hauler for 25 years. He was a life long resident of the area.

Mr. Cairns was the Farmington Hills City Clerk for 29 years. He was also a member of the Farmington YMCA, Farmington/Farmington Hills Exchange Club, Farmington Economic Development, Past Master of the Farmington Masonic Lodge, and a member of the Walled Lake First Baptist Church.

DAVID BULTHO

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

10:00 a.m.—Travels with Kay: Turkey

10:30 a.m.—Women on the Move: Maple Grove

11:00 a.m.—Coffee and Conversation

11:30 a.m.—(cont'd)

12:00 p.m.—F.H. Police Journal

12:30 p.m.—Dollars and Sense: with J.R. Ellen Reed

1:00 p.m.—Seniors on the Move: Joseph Shulman

1:30 p.m.—The Word of Life: Falsely Accused

2:00 p.m.—Dickerman Dance: Steppin' Out

2:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

3:00 p.m.—(cont'd)

3:30 p.m.—Home for Life: Windows and Gutters

4:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Fear of Flying

4:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

5:00 p.m.—Mini Prix

5:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

6:00 p.m.—Travelin' On: The Southwest

6:30 p.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil

7:00 p.m.—Performance

7:30 p.m.—Chi-Aerobics: Lesson 26

8:00 p.m.—Know Your Rights: The Lease Agreement

8:30 p.m.—Music Box: Chain

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

9:00 a.m.—Farmington Focus: Road Improvement Plan

9:30 p.m.—Groove Session

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

10:00 a.m.—Summit University

10:30 a.m.—Madonna Magazine

11:00 a.m.—Study in Scripture

11:30 a.m.—Arts

12:00 p.m.—The Way, The Truth and The Life

12:30 p.m.—That's Italian

1:00 p.m.—Rising Tide

1:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

2:00 p.m.—Farmington Dance Recital: Take Five

2:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

3:00 p.m.—(cont'd)

3:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

4:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family: Retirement

4:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

5:00 p.m.—Impact Video

5:30 p.m.—Groove Session

6:00 p.m.—Senior Messenger

6:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

7:00 p.m.—The Word of Life: Falsely Accused

7:30 p.m.—A Culinary Adventure: Novi Hilton

8:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts

8:30 p.m.—Lansing Connection

9:00 p.m.—Speakers Row

9:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

10:00 a.m.—Senior Messenger

10:30 a.m.—(cont'd)

11:00 a.m.—Positively: Recovery

Acrylics and Sculptured Nails

8:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

9:00 p.m.—Let's Talk with Ben Marks

9:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

11:30 a.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil

12:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Governor John Engler

12:30 p.m.—Prescription for Your Health: Sleep Disorder

1:00 p.m.—Seniors on Parade

1:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

2:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts

2:30 p.m.—Chi-Aerobics: Lesson 26

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

3:30 p.m.—Viewpoint

4:00 p.m.—Law Talk: Estate Planning

4:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

5:00 p.m.—Shaary Zedek Productions

5:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

6:00 p.m.—Travel the Movie Trail

6:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

7:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family: Retirement

7:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

8:00 p.m.—Novi News Week

8:30 p.m.—Your Money Matters

9:00 p.m.—Exotic Evening: Dances and Tales of India

9:30 p.m.—(cont'd)

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A bird hike at 8 a.m. on Oct. 8 will begin at the Riding Stable parking lot off Beek Road south of Eight Mile. This hike will focus on birds in and around the fishing pond area.

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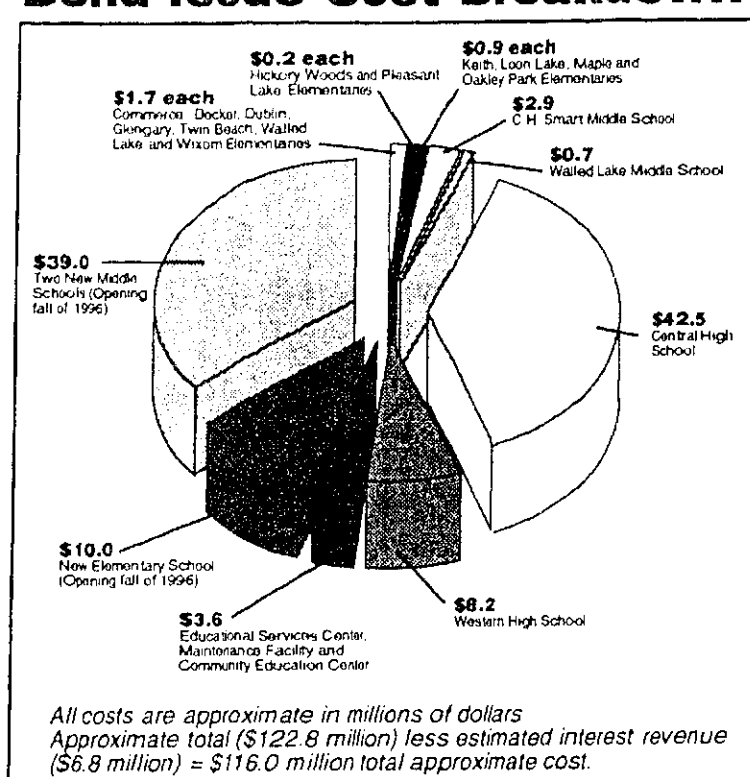
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Walled Lake asks voters to approve \$116 million bond

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 spent on Central High School to add new classrooms, parking areas, a pool, technology, and complete building renewal.
 A district-wide technology conversion will account for \$16 million. Upgrading technology in the near future will be in small amounts, according to Lange, and may come out of future operating budgets.
 The last portion is the renovations which will account for \$9 million. The Citizens Review Committee set a standard that the older school had to meet in order to be equal to the newer schools. Renovations will include mecha-

Walled Lake Schools Bond Issue Cost Breakdown



Technology upgrades are a part of package

District-wide technology conversion accounts for \$16 million of the \$116 million bond package to appear on the ballot before Walled Lake Consolidated School District voters next Tuesday.
 Included in the upgrade is one networked computer per classroom, new computers in existing labs and interactive video capability in all classrooms.
 The computers will be networked to allow the sharing of resources in the district, county, state and around the world.
 The dollar amounts for technology upgrades for most of the schools are included in the total sums being allocated to each school.
 Approximately \$200,000 each in technology for Hickory Woods and Pleasant Lake Elementary Schools.
 Approximately \$700,000 in technology for Walled Lake Middle School.
 Technology upgrades for Keith, Loon Lake, Maple and Oakley Park Elementary Schools are part of the \$900,000 package each school will receive. Renovations are also part of the package.
 C.H. Smart Middle School's technology upgrades are figured

Central High School renovation project a major part of bond

Walled Lake Central High School's renewal is scheduled to be completed in three stages. At a cost of \$42.5 million, it is the second largest portion of the \$116 million bond package to appear on the ballot before Walled Lake Consolidated School District voters Tuesday.
 Central High School will stay at its present location and will be redeveloped for the cafeteria and media center, which was completed as a result of the 1989 bond issue.
 Some of the changes included in phase one would be: moving the paying fields for better organization of the site, new music and performing arts center, new competition gym, new two-story academic classroom cluster, addition of a pool, and the addition of 850 parking spaces. The administrative/counseling offices would be relocated to the new front entrance planned for the north side of the building. The auxiliary gym would be renovated into a training room, with physical education areas, and locker rooms. The existing competition gym would become the auxiliary gym. The 500 wing and a section of existing classrooms would be removed.
 Phase two would include adding a second two-story academic classroom cluster, finishing the expansion and renovation of the media center and converting the auditorium into two large-group instructional areas. Another section of classroom would be removed.
 The final phase would add a third two-story academic classroom cluster, remove existing classrooms and add remaining needed parking spaces.

Polling places set for bond election

Halls will be open for the Walled Lake Consolidated Schools bond election Tuesday, Sept. 27 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the following precincts:
 Precinct 1—Community Education Center, 615 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake.
 Precinct 2—Keith Elementary, 2800 Keith Road, West Bloomfield.
 Precinct 3—Commerce Elementary, 520 Farr Street, Commerce Township.
 Precinct 4—Wixom Elementary, 301 N. Wixom Road, Wixom.
 Precinct 5—Glenary Elementary, 3070 Woodbury, Commerce Township.
 Precinct 6—Twin Beach Elementary, 7149 Oakley Park Road, West Bloomfield.
 Precinct 7—Dublin Elementary, 9260 Sandyside, White Lake.
 Precinct 8—Oakley Park Elementary, 2015 Oakley Park Road, Walled Lake.
 Precinct 9—Maple Elementary, 7389 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield.
 Absentee ballots are available at the Educational Services Center, 850 Ladd Road, Building D, Walled Lake or by calling voter registration at 960-8379 or 960-8384.

Reaction positive to first Country fest

Reactions to Nov's first Country Festival, sponsored by the Novi Chamber of Commerce, have been encouraging, according to President Connie Mallett, even if attendance was lower than hoped for.
 "Everybody that came had a good time," she said. "It was interesting to see the people who came dressed for the theme, with hats and boots."
 "For those people who attended, the reaction was positive. I received a lot of encouragement to plan for a second by people who were saying, 'Do you remember what we went through with the first 50s Festival? Do you remember the pains and stress and rain?'"
 Mallett said that while final numbers are not set in, she does not believe the festival drew the 25,000 people required to break even. Not all bills are in yet either.
 "Two factors will determine whether the Country Festival does indeed become an annual event for the city. One is the overall reaction and the degree of encouragement the Chamber receives. The second is financial. She's willing to accept a loss the first year or two, if the reaction is indeed encouraging.
 "That's how it went with the Michigan 50s Festival. The first year, heavy weather cancelled the main show and festival took heavy loss. But festival sponsors were willing to try again because festival-goers said they believed the event would be a popular one. Eventually, the 50s fest became profitable.
 Mallett said she believed the country theme will indeed be a good one to serve as the basis for an annual festival because country-western music is seen a good family entertainment. She said she saw many families at the event, with both parents and children dressed western style.
 One "challenge" to face before the coming year, Mallett said, would be to find some way of getting rid of the requirement to separate drinking-age adults from those under 21 in the entertainment tent. That separation was the source of complaints from some parents, who wanted to have a drink while being with their children.
 "I'm not interested in doing this again unless we can find some way for people to have fun with their families, to have a glass of beer or wine, and to do it responsibly," she said. "So that is my challenge for the coming year."
 Off-site events, such as the Oaks Mall and the Great Train Robbery at Coe Rail in Walled Lake, reportedly received good attendance.
 "They don't contribute to the bottom line here for this event," Mallett said, "but they indicate the reaction to the festival. So that is encouraging."

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Residents ask for tighter solicitor rules

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 CNHA, said the group may ask the Novi's ordinance review committee to consider new hours of 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. or dusk. They'd also like the rules altered to bar anyone from under age 18 to be out soliciting for whatever cause unless he or she is accompanied by an adult.
 Another change the association may request would require solicitors to register based on what neighborhood they plan to pound the pavement in.
 All rewrites of city ordinances are authored by the Novi City Council, typically after mulling over recommendations from the Ordinance Review Committee.
 No request for a revamp will be made until the City of Novi Homeowners Associations' general meeting in January, which will give representatives of each member group time to talk about the proposal to their respective associations.
 The association targeted its causes based on complaints heard from participants in initial

'We're right on track'—Engler

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 "I think there's a sense we're back on the right track and on to a track we ought to stay on," Engler said.
 "It's an ambitious plan and vision. It certainly isn't less daunting than the challenges that faced us in January 1991."
 Engler in his speech portrayed the rejuvenation of a Rust Belt state under his leadership, pointing to the \$1 billion deficit when he took office in January 1991. Estimates now predict to a \$400 million cash reserve for the state, he said.
 Michigan's property tax was 34 percent above the national average and is now, following Proposal A, ten percent below, Engler added.
 "The governor says his job of cutting taxes is only half done. Next on the agenda would be a reform of the single business tax, the creation of a Michigan Economic Growth Authority to create enterprise zones in all counties and job retraining."
 One of his top priorities if elected, Engler vowed, will be a multi-front war against crime and domestic violence. This would include pushing for abolishing parole for murder and rapists and

"Your sons and daughters can go off to college ... and live two and three to a dorm room and yet we have trouble getting two prisoners to a cell."
 John Engler, Governor

"I will build a new prison for young punks who commit violent crimes to make sure that committing an adult crime will result in doing adult time," he says in his action plan.
 Engler grieved about the difficulty his administration has had in getting prisoners incarcerated two to a cell.
 "Your sons and daughters can go off to college in Michigan's universities and live two and three to a dorm room and yet we have trouble getting two prisoners to a cell," he said.
 Engler is currently pushing for the passage of a bipartisan task force's recommendations for legislation intended to cut down on domestic violence and protect the victims. The initiative was inspired by the beating death in a Farmington dentist's office of Jacqueline Ponke. Her estranged husband is now on trial for the crime.
 "The proposed bills include making restraining orders effective when a judge signs them, rather than when they are served.
 "That's a death that could have been avoided. We want to change the legislation ... You've got the law enforcement agency looking for the victimizer while the victimizer is

Kroger still facing fight from residents

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 the homeowners group president Ruth Ann Jirasek. The schematics show a 63,000 square foot Kroger on about eight acres, with 240 parking spaces and a freestanding daycare center across the lot from the proposed grocery store. Eighteen acres of the site remained zoned for residential on the plan.
 Planning Commissioner Kathy Mulch, present at the meeting, said it doesn't seem likely Kroger will win the necessary zoning change. "I can't think of anybody

on the city council who would support rezoning of that corner."
 Kroger also plans to close in early 1995 its 30,000 square foot store at West Oaks Shopping Center on Novi Road, with store planners noting at a July meeting with local residents that traffic congestion in the area kept away shoppers. The grocery chain is instead opening a new 60,000 square foot store at Pontiac Trail and Beck Road, part of its plan of closing or expanding its smaller stores.
 Another new Kroger is at Twelve and Halsted roads in Farmington Hills.

called for a convenience center at Ten Mile and Beck road and that Briarwood Plaza did not meet the homeowners' needs. Kroger needs a rezoning to build the store. Others interested in the property have included a movie theater, the U.S. Post office, restaurants and residential developers.
 Kroger, which has 79 grocery stores-18 in Oakland County alone-aims to build or expand stores to create 60,000 square foot facilities complete with a drug store and bank under one roof.
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As We See It

It's public land, so report should be made public

The proposal is to take land you bought when you agreed at the ballot box to pay more taxes for City of Novi park purchases and let a private firm develop an indoor ice arena on it. The company would lease it back to the city, and operate it on the city's behalf.

The Novi City Council has a document in its hands that says there is still a market demand for such an arena. That's an important document because Farmington Hills voters just approved in August a \$6 million bond proposal to build an ice arena there. It's significant because such arenas generally draw their patrons from across the surrounding region, which would put Novi in Farmington Hills' market.

But while they want your land, they don't want you to see the document. The market study is being held, in part, confidential by the city.

And that's wrong. Novi is among several communities locally which have been pursuing the idea of building an ice arena. When the Farmington Hills vote passed, the proximity of that arena called into question the advisability of proceeding with the project here in Novi.

So Terry Seyler, president of Center Ice Management—the firm chosen by the parks commission in a request-for-proposals process to pursue development of the facility—conducted a market study to see if it could still draw enough customers. Having put a great deal of effort into the analysis, Seyler understandably didn't want his proprietary information falling into the hands of competitors, so he asked that it be held in confidence by the city. Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis, rather inadvisably, agreed.

On Monday, arena proponents made a presentation to the council about what the study showed. References were made to the document and slides from the study were shown. But when reporters sought a copy of the document, they were denied. Davis said it would not be made public.

The Novi News challenged that determination Tuesday and city attorney David Fried concluded that while the overall 50-plus page document would be withheld, those dozen or so pages referred to or shown in the council meeting would be released.

We can understand Seyler's point of



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view. Had he not been promised confidentiality, he could have looked over the report to see what information he was willing to give out to council and the public. Our argument is not with him.

And we can appreciate the position taken by Fried. His determination may comply with the wording of the state Freedom of Information Act, although it does not comply with the spirit of the law. In our opinion.

The purpose of the state's FOI and Open Meetings Act laws are to assure that the public can view the deliberations of government to see how those determinations are made.

The market study was submitted to council, clearly, with the intent that the information contained in it would sway council members to go ahead with the project.

It is difficult to believe that council members will be able to read that document and not consider all the facts contained in it when they decide the issue, regardless of whether they make specific references to that information or not.

Our biggest beef is with Davis. He's the one who gave his word to Seyler the document would be withheld. He clearly didn't consult with the city attorney at the time, because the issue was obviously new to Fried Tuesday.

So, he is the one who apparently thinks so little of the public that he'll let his salary that he's concluded its alright to withhold this information.

Just as bothersome, although it is not a legal question, is the matter of promises. Back in August, when Davis first revealed that the report existed, he said the report would be released to the public at the ice arena meeting Sept. 19. Then he turns around and promises confidentiality to Center Ice Management.

Which promise are you going to keep and which are you going to break, Dan?

We can't endorse bond

Without a doubt, the student population of the Walled Lake Consolidated School district is growing, and it's going to grow more. And much of that growth will be in the northern Novi portion of the district.

There are definitely legitimate needs for more classroom space in the district. Unfortunately, we can't endorse the bond issue on the ballot next week.

The district will be asking voters for approval to float \$116 million in bonds to renovate and add on to its existing school buildings; build a new elementary building in the vicinity of Thirteen Mile and Meadowbrook roads in Novi; build two middle schools, one of which will be located in Wixom; add new technology to all its schools; and add athletic and physical education facilities at selected buildings around the school district.

A bond issue of that size requires voters to commit to a 3.5 mill levy for 25 years. That's no small chunk of change for homeowners. It works out to \$175 per year for the owner of a \$100,000 home. Proponents like to point out that there still will be a reduction in property taxes due to the passage last year of Proposal A, but remember that Michigan voters traded that property tax cut for a sales tax increase.

Our problem however has to do with the fact so many items were lumped together in a single ballot question. Voters may see some legitimate needs in the district's proposal without agreeing to all of them. Now it is an all or nothing proposition.

Take the district's building needs. More space is needed, clearly. Enrollments will be going up from the current school year's numbers of 11,666 to 12,825 in 1996-97. Be it additions to old buildings or construction of new building, coming up with plain old classroom space is a must.

Lumped in with the proposal however are numerous renovation projects, equipment purchases, furniture costs, and remodeling efforts. Many voters feel that these types of costs should be budgeted for annually as a part of operations. Keeping up the facilities is a part of running the school district. Regardless of how you feel about using a bond for these types of projects, voters should be able to make the determination. So such items should be in a separate ballot question.

Some \$16 million of the proposal would go to technology upgrades in all the buildings. The plans call for new computers in the school building media centers, the purchase of one networked computer for each classroom in every building and for hooking every classroom up to interactive video.

No doubt about it, Walled Lake schools needs to be preparing its students for living and working in a high tech world. And to do that, they will need to have the technology so youngsters can get experience using it. But again, this proposal leaves no room for voters to differ. It's all or nothing.

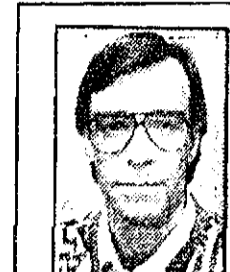
Voters might also have strong feelings that, again, this is the type of expense that should come from the regular school operations budget. And they should have the right to pick and choose what and how much technology they want added in the schools and whether it should be added all at one time or phased in little by little.

The technology portion of the package should be a separate question unto itself.

We'd urge the Walled Lake school board to come back with another bond issue, with the questions separated so that voters can pick and choose what and how much they are willing to spend to upgrade the district's buildings.

The closest I've ever been near to a Nashville star was at the Country Festival last Saturday, when Sean Camp and company were performing. Sitting in the back of the Entertainment Tent, I got a paper

Didn't bash you guys enough



Michael Malott

"It's a good way to relieve your frustrations. You know, psychologists recommend this once a year," I said at least a hundred times Saturday evening at our "Bash the Press" event at the Country Festival, standing in front of a handful of shattered computer terminals with a sledgehammer slung over my shoulder and doing my best to entice passersby to participate.

"Take a shot at the press for a buck. You can dedicate your swing to an individual journalist. If you like. All proceeds to a good cause."

Lee Snider proved to be an even more effective hawker.

"Cream a computer," he'd say, spinning off one alliteration after another while doing a balancing act with the very implement of destruction itself. "Terminate a terminal. Kill a keyboard..."

We got some interesting responses, even from those who kept on passing by. One man said the computers were being busted up were-or at least had been-in better shape than the ones that were still in use at his business. He offered to bring them down so we'd have extras. But we figured he probably still needed them.

"I can go home and break things," said one lady. We tried unsuccessfully to convince her that she'd be better off to, for a small fee, destroy our stuff instead of her own.

"No thanks," said one gentleman who happened by rather often. "I'll just go home and beat my wife." Finally I figured I'd do what I could to put an end to the cycle of domestic violence and offered the guy the hammer. "Why don't you give the ol' lady a break tonight and take your frustrations out here?"

His joviality on the topic was frequent enough raise some speculation among the bystanders. "Naa," I heard one female voice say, "his wife probably beats him."

But those who paid up to take a swipe made the day.

Expo Center President Blair Bowman showed up with a wad of bills and wanted to know "which one wrote the traffic article?" Instead, I offered him, yet untouched, the very terminal I had written on for years. He made his dedications silently and, then, swinging the thing like a railroad worker, brought the sledgehammer down so hard the computer terminal bounced into the air. (Gulp.) Then he turned to the controller and whacked it so hard he raised a cloud of dust. (Was that a mushroom cloud?) "I had a thought for each one of those swings," he said as he departed. (I'll bet he did.)

Chamber of Commerce President Connie Mallett stopped and gleefully pronounced her dedications before each swing. The first was for Managing Editor Mike Malott. (Hey! That's me.) Staff Writer Jan Jeffres got the next dedication. "Saving the best for last," Connie dedicated her final swing to Executive Editor Phil Jerome. (There you go.)

Jan took up the hammer herself at one point and made a silent dedication. (Huh, I wonder...)

So you don't think I'm the only paranoid one, Typist and Special Writer Carol Workens got pretty bent out of shape when her three children kept signing up and making silent dedications.

Planning Commissioner Bob Taub had to be convinced. Said he, "I can't bash The Novi News. It's my favorite paper," he said. (Brownnose.)

Finally, Blair came back as we were cleaning things up, carting away the crumpled hulks and the shatter remnants. "They didn't bash you guys enough if you ask me," he said. (Hm-mm.)

Michael Malott is the Managing Editor of The Novi News.

Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



Kelly Lutes, Alicia Lin and Brenda Shah ham it up courtside during Wildcat tennis

Love Tennis

A little bit country, a bit opera



Jan Jeffres

"Keep your fingers off my radio dial," my friend warned me.

"I just want you to hear this new country station," I tried to explain.

"You like country music?"

"You can't be serious. You listen to classical music," she cut me off.

"Yup. I'm a little bit country, a little bit opera. Besides, there's this little matter of Dec. 24, 1979..."

Because of that date, I think I'm entitled to a percentage of all profits made by Nashville recording artists. And they're making a lot these days.

When even upscale, suburban Novi throws a Country Festival, you know the sound has gone mainstream. The attraction's there for those of us who grew up with rock and roll, are burnt out on Oldies and unimpressed with what Top 40 stations are cranking out.

The new country sound is mostly rock with a Southern twang. Much like traditional folk music, many of the lyrics tell a story. Sometimes, the words are downright funny.

"Yes, I do and so should you. Because of Dec. 24, 1979, that's the day the City of Nashville, Tennessee was founded."

She's a little dense, so I had to explain it. Our great-great-great-grand daddy, then a 20-year-old Revolutionary War veteran, was a member of the founding party. If it weren't for these original Nashville cats, there wouldn't be any Grand Ole Opry, there wouldn't be the Nashville sound.

The way I figure it, as genuine, legitimate descendants, we ought to get a cut on every Nashville hit record. Money, my sister understands.

"Come to think of it, I did once hear this Garth Brooks song that wasn't so bad. It was called 'I've Got High Friends in Places,' or something like that," she said.

Jan Jeffres is a Staff Writer for The Novi News.

Webster gives whiff of charters



Phil Power

How would you like your tax dollars to pay for a school that:

- Does not employ certified teachers?
- Teaches children in their homes, not in school with other kids?
- Has a science teacher who says he can't teach evolution because he believes in creationism?

Recruited many of its students at Christian home school meetings and offers the Accelerated Christian Education Plus curriculum?

- Leases its headquarters for \$1 per year from a conservative Bible institute in Oak Brook, Ill.?

Not much, you say? That's what will happen if the folks running the Noah Webster Academy have their way.

Noah Webster is an enterprise with religious ties that proposes to link kids being taught at home by computer to teachers hanging out in an old log cabin near Ionia. That's fine, as far as it goes. The constitution says parents have a perfect right to educate their kids in whatever way they see fit—as long as they don't expect the rest of us taxpayers to foot the bill.

But when we adopted Proposal A, we also adopted some lousy language that authorized "charter schools" to receive \$5,000 or more per

pupil direct funding from the state of Michigan. So last April, the Berlin Orange Fractional School No. 3 in Ionia County—a nearly-broke appendix of a school district with one elementary school, 20 students and one teacher—granted Noah Webster a 99-year "charter school" designation. That could run the public tab as high as \$11 million per year, if Noah Webster's most optimistic enrollment projections turn out.

There is a whiff of a fix here: Could the charter designation be a quid pro quo for a downtown Slice of public money for Berlin Orange Fractional School No. 3?

Not surprisingly, a whole lot of people sued on the grounds that Noah Webster looks very much like a private school trying to get public dollars for free. Last week, Ingham Circuit Judge William E. Collette refused to enjoin public money from going to the academy. Now state superintendent of public instruction Robert E. Schiller has to investigate to see if Noah Webster is really a private school trying to wear public sheep's clothing.

If he does, the academy will sue, evidently with forethought and pleasure. The Noah Webster case will go all the way to the Supreme Court "without a doubt," said David A. Kallman, the academy's founder and a lawyer who has spent much of his career trying to overcome the constitutional separation of church and state. "We are intentionally doing this to test the issue," he said.

What is very sad about this whole situation is that the Noah Webster ripoff puts at risk the

great potential for school reform represented by other charter schools. So far, six other schools have been chartered in Michigan on the idea that non-monopolistic schools might produce innovation and improvement without threatening the rest of the other public schools in Michigan.

"If someone wanted to design a charter-school proposal to make the law look bad, this is the sort of thing one might do," Ted Kolderie, a Minnesota charter school advocate, told the Wall Street Journal. I know Kolderie. He's sensible, and he's right.

State Sen. Dan DeGrow, R-Port Huron, whose committee wrote the charter school provision into Proposal A, was also quoted in The Journal. "The enemies of charter schools are going to say, 'See, we told you so.' And there are a whole lot of people out there just waiting to trip this whole movement up."

Innovation is one thing. Trying to twist the constitution into getting the public to pay for religious schools is another.

If you feel strongly about what's going on, I suggest you write to Robert E. Schiller, superintendent of public instruction, at Department of Education, P.O. Box 30008, Lansing 48909. He's facing a complicated legal and political situation, and I know he'd like to hear from you.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper, His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (313) 953-2047 Ext. 1880.

When press is a purveyor of fear

Letters

To the Editor:
I am not sure if I am the one, or just one of the Pinckney school board members who Tim Richard referred to last week, but I am sure that Mr. Richard wrote a column that was unprofessional in its bias, inaccurate in its content, and unfortunate in its effect.

Mr. Richard, what can you claim to know about the Pinckney school board? To my knowledge, you have never bothered to talk with a board member or attend any school board meetings. How were you able to come to your conclusions without doing either of these? You charge that one or more of us are ideologues and "obviously wired into the Mackinac Center." If you mean by being an ideologue, one who espouses certain ideas and actions that will achieve those ideals, I plead me culpa, Mr. Richard.

I am honored to be mentioned as being "wired" to any organization that supports the ideas of freedom, responsibility, and integrity. For you to say that one or more of our board members advocates "privatization for the sake of privatization" was irresponsible and inaccurate. For the record, Mr. Richard, I have stated that Thomas Jefferson was right when he proclaimed "that government is best which governs least." Mr. Richard, limited government does not mean no government.

While I firmly believe that the principals of a free-market system will achieve the goal of obtaining the best quality at the best price, I would never privatize just for the sake of privatization. Myself and three colleagues were elected on platforms to contain costs while maintaining or improving our educational quality. I am trying to do what I said I would do when I ran for the office. Privatization is one tool to be considered.

For the record, Mr. Richard, the Pinckney school board has never been found in violation of the Open Meetings Act, or any other allegation contained in the numerous lawsuits brought against us by a disgruntled MEA leadership and their sympathizers. Please

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note, that I draw a distinction between the MEA leadership and its membership. I believe that most teachers and employees in the Pinckney school system are superior in every way, and deserve respect and appreciation. The problem is the system, not its people. A system of compulsory taxation that simultaneously imposes limitations without doing either of these? You charge that one or more of us are ideologues and "obviously wired into the Mackinac Center." If you mean by being an ideologue, one who espouses certain ideas and actions that will achieve those ideals, I plead me culpa, Mr. Richard.

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respond to the opportunities pre-

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sent by the Fuerst property and the potential for its development will provide a clue about the kind of future its members envision.

In our headlong rush into the 21st century do we really want to eliminate all that remains of our community's past invoking the magic words "progress" and "experience" to justify acts of destruction?

Is our legacy to our children a disposable society that devalues all which has preceded it and dismisses those who have lived before us?

Are local landmarks to be defined as insignificant because they're thought to be not old enough or connected enough to the lives of those who want to see them gone? As a community, we have a lot to learn about ourselves.

You and I may not have descended from the farm families that settled Novi in its early years or from the merchants and laborers who built the roads that brought the development that brought us all here. But as a community, their history is our history.

If we are unable to recognize their vision or admire their efforts or take pride in their accomplishments, then perhaps we are much too focused in a single direction. The Fuerst property is a reminder to us all of what has preceded us in this place, a symbol of the many others forgotten or never known.

In this time of diminished funding for education, I could understand a resistance to recreate, Disney-like, that which has already been lost, but why destroy a community landmark which is still in place?

There is no reason to suppose that those who serve to represent us, whether on the Novi school board or the Novi City Council, can know what we would like them to do if we don't tell them. They

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need to know if you support preserving this property.

On Thursday, Sept. 22, the Novi school board will discuss the future of the Fuerst property. If you cannot be there, please consider writing a letter to the school board or calling individual board members.

When the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m., our efforts will have just begun.

Keith M. Mutch

Evening set for Harding's 25th

To the Editor:
On Friday evening, Sept. 30, members of the Novi community are invited to join the congregation of Holy Cross Episcopal Church in a celebration of Fr. Leslie Harding's 25 years of service.

A special evening of recognition will take place at the Novi Hilton beginning at 6:30 p.m. Dinner is at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person and are available from the Church office by calling 349-1175.

As members of the parish, we're proud of the contribution Fr. Harding has made to the Novi community and look forward to sharing an evening of celebration together.

Ann Willis

Quit bellyaching about roads

Mr. (Tim) Pope:
Just put up with Ten Mile Road. Quit your belly-aching. Novi is no longer a one horse town. Thousands put up with it every day. You are no different. I have to put up with Haggerty Road. This is no picnic.

Marvin Auberlin

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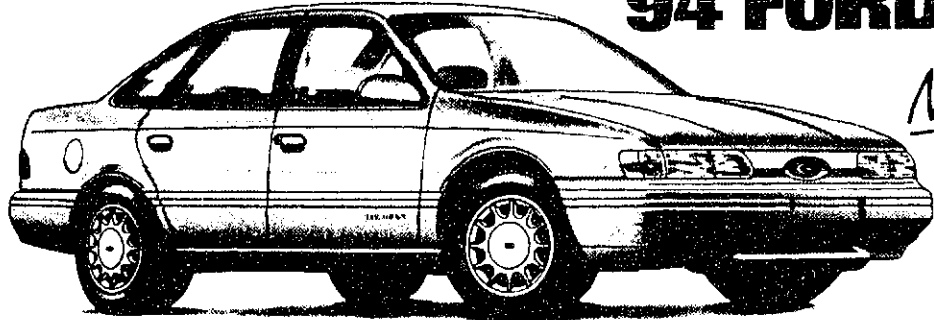
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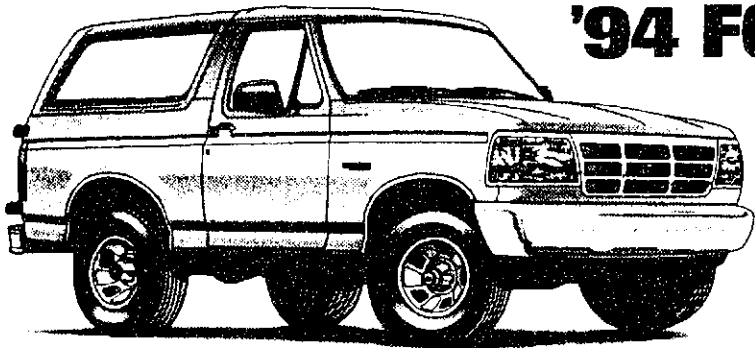
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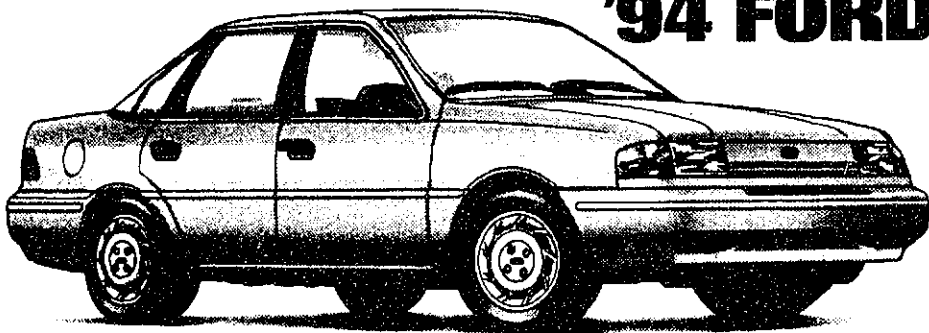


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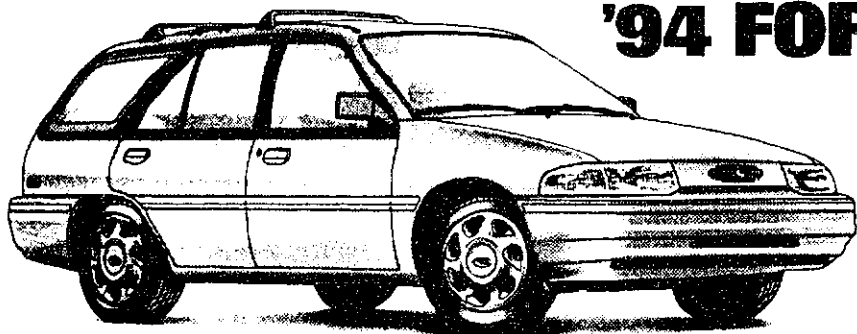


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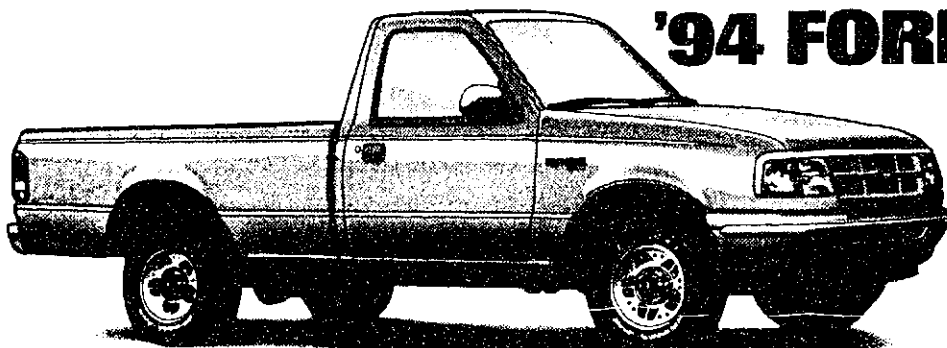


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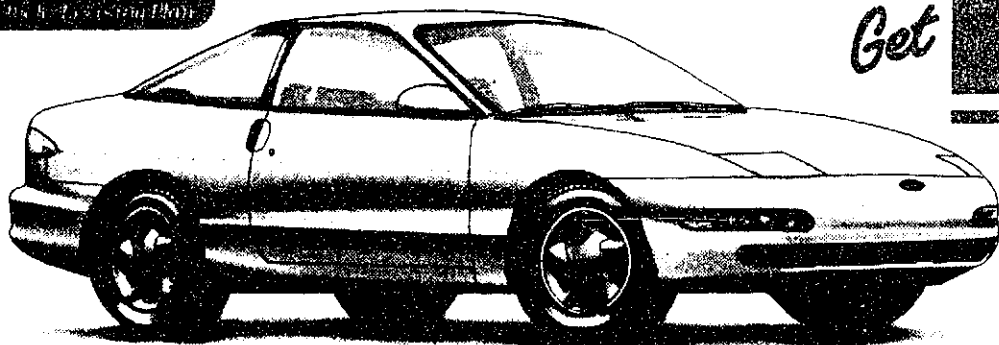
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Jade Scott and Laura Ruby, natives of the Northville and Novi area, are the core members of the Oriental Spas. The brother and sister singing sensation describe their latest album, *Pain*, as personal and intimate. "It's the perfect album to throw on if you just broke up with somebody," Ruby says.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Musical talent proves to be a family affair

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer

Jade Scott of the hit rock group Oriental Spas first started demonstrating his musical abilities at around the age of 2 by banging on the family piano.

It took his younger sister, Laura Ruby, a little longer, though, to display her musical talent. She was 4 when she made her debut as the little girl who sang "I wish I was an Oscar Meyer Weiner..." "It was a commercial my Dad lined me up to do," Ruby said.

Dad is Larry Santos, a well-known commercial singer and vocalist in his own right. In fact, he recently released his latest album, *Larry Santos-Viva Arriva*, on Overture Records.

The Santos call the Novi/Northville area home. Their company—Overture Music Productions, Recording, Records and Film—is nestled among the trees on Beck Road in Novi.

The Oriental Spas has been around for about six years. It's outgrown some of its members, but Scott and Ruby remain its core. Other members include Tim Patalin, bass guitar; and Jody Cortez, drummer, who played in the studio with Scott and Ruby; and Dave Devore, drummer; Will Castratti, rhythm guitar; and Scott Stern, keyboards, play during live perfor-

mances.

Ruby is the group's lead singer while Scott plays most of the instruments and writes the songs.

"We've written all of our stuff," Scott said.

They have just released their fourth album entitled *Pain*. It's receiving radio play across the country on stations in Miami, Fla.; Jacksonville, Springfield and Urbana, Ill.; Baton Rouge, La.; Boston, Mass.; Ft. Collins, Colo.; Poplar Bluff, Mo.; Ft. Dodge and St. Louis, Iowa; and Lexington, Ky. Both Scott and Ruby were also guests on Detroit's ZRock in July where their new album was previewed.

Scott describes the group's music as a mix between groove and rock.

"I start with a rhythm and build on a pulse until it begins to feel good to play," Scott explained.

He admits to being "very influenced" by the blues and names the Beatles, Elton John and Kate Bush as his favorites in the business.

Oriental Spas plans to begin touring this fall. They could be on the road for as little as two weeks or as long as six months.

"At our level, we're obviously on an independent label—we're a growing band," Ruby said. "It's very expensive and cost-

prohibitive when you're on the road."

Sometimes the band can travel from one gig to the other, driving all night to make it to the next show.

"You play to as many people as you can get to," Ruby said. "... it can be rough (especially) being a woman, just the balance of a woman's hormones in that they're differently set up than a man's. A man's body is set up for grueling (work)."

Scott admitted that men do have it a bit easier being on the road.

"Things like even going to the bathroom (can be difficult for a woman)," he said. "We've played some pretty crummy clubs."

But both brother and sister are willing to pay their dues.

"It's most definitely worth it if we can shed our own music on everybody," Ruby said.

"You have to do the necessary evils in rock 'n' roll," Scott admitted.

On past tours, Oriental Spas have opened up for such popular bands as Bad Company, Concrete Blonde, Night Ranger, Jackyl and Blue Oyster Cult.

Although they have cut four albums in the studio, both Ruby and Scott perform live.

"It's sad, a lot of kids don't listen to live

music anymore," Scott said. "A lot of good music is not being heard because MTV practically rules the roost of what is played."

"(Performing live) is like no other thing at all," Ruby said. "It's completely gratifying. It's a lot different than being in the studio."

"In the studio you can get out every little whisper or growl. Out on stage, you have more energy for the people, more energy for you."

Scott said performing live is pure euphoria.

"It's pure, pure energy," he described. "It's the most high you can be. No drug or alcohol can compare to how high you can get when things are really going great on stage... I lose my mind. I don't think of what I'm doing."

One of the group's favorite playing spots is a club called Under the Rail in Seattle, Wash.

"The people there have an entirely different attitude," Ruby said. "And an attitude of an audience can usually make or break you. Even the tough ones can be fun, too, because they're really challenging."

Also on their list of top places to play are Medford, Ore.; Salt Lake City, Utah; and the State Theater here at home.

The goal of the group is to keep making records and build on its fan base. Currently, there are approximately 600 members belonging to the Oriental Spas' fan club.

"We hope to sell enough records to keep on making records," Scott said.

In their latest effort, the title truly reflects what the album is all about.

"A lot of feeling went into it, all stemming completely from Jade," Ruby said.

Anyone who has endured the pain of breaking off a relationship will relate to *Pain*, according to Scott.

"It's the most personal and intimate recording we've ever made," he said. "It was difficult in ways because it was so personal."

Scott said sometimes he would get a thought at 2 or 3 a.m. while composing the songs for the album.

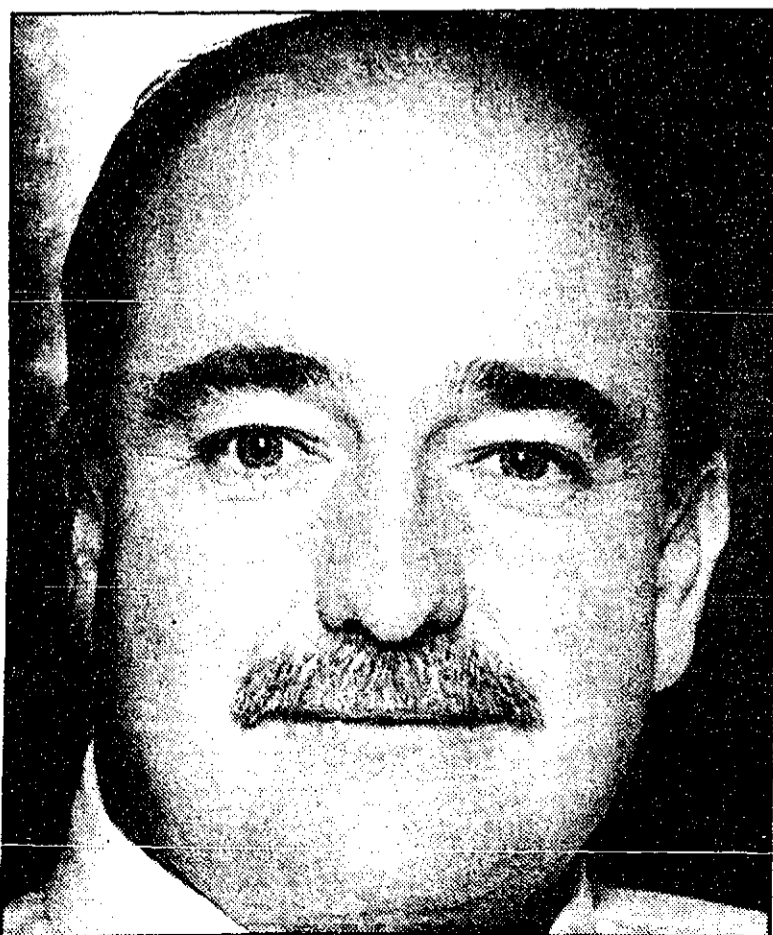
"It was fairly easy due to my state of mind," he admitted.

"It's the perfect album to throw on if you've just broken up with somebody," Ruby said.

The album's theme is different compared to past records by the group. *Telling Tree* was more of a social, politically-based album.

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Volunteer



DENNIS COLLIGAN

Colligan works through parks to keep kids busy

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

"We need to keep our youth active, keep things available for them."

This was uppermost in his mind when Dennis Colligan, vice principal of Northville High School, talked about his activity as a member of the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission.

And he spoke, not just as a parent but as a man who has had experience in youth activities—as former athletic director of Northville High and as coach in youth basketball, soccer, and baseball.

"We're building a Youth Sports Center at Eight Mile and Napier Road. We'll break ground next spring, and it should be available in the spring of 1996."

But that won't be enough, he thinks, because the Novi community is growing, and "we'll have a population well over 50,000 in the near future."

"The new fields will help a lot," Colligan said, "but we'll continue

to use the school facilities, the school fields."

Parks and Recreation is concerned with other things, too, he said. "We need to continue to see what the needs of the citizens are," and that includes citizens of all ages and interests.

And that means, Colligan said, "we have to keep our eyes open to see what other communities are doing."

Meetings of the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission are held the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers. The public is invited.

Not surprisingly, Colligan said, that as members of the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission, they work with staff in areas of programming, budget, facilities, planning, and public relations, and they often find that "needs out weight means."

But "Novi is a great place to live," he continued. Back to his big interest, "our kids, "the more we have to offer them, the better."

It's A Fact

MDOT QUIZ

The ability to move goods and services in and out of Michigan greatly contributes to our economy through job creation and retention. Approximately how many tons of cargo were hauled by air each year?

- a. 445,000 tons
- b. 265,000 tons
- c. 275,500 tons

Charles Lindbergh was born in what Michigan City?

- a. Detroit
- b. Grand Rapids
- c. Traverse City

SOURCE: Michigan Department of Transportation

Junior Choristers launch 12th year at Holy Family

Several fall programs are starting back up at the Church of the Holy Family. Registrations have started for the youngsters, with the Junior Choristers under the direction of Beth Kamish. Boys and girls in grades three through six who are interested in being a part of the music at one Sunday liturgy per month and for some special feasts can register now.

This will be the Junior Choristers' 12th year. Rehearsals start Oct. 12 and will be held three times a month on Wednesdays from 4-4:45 p.m. For more information, call 349-8837.

The Youth Group Kick Off was held last Sunday evening. Members will continue to meet on Sundays at that time, however, there may be times when not all young people can attend because of other commitments. So calendars will be available each month with information on outings and trips. For more information, call 349-8837.

Accent on Women will meet tonight (Thursday, Sept. 22). Maria Koncius will be the guest speaker. Koncius has been at Holy Family for 13 years. She has many educational degrees and will be starting her doctorate at Catholic University. All guests are welcome. Refreshments will be served at 7:30 p.m. The program begins at 8 p.m.

The Christian Service Department, under the direction of Carol Ann Donnelly, is announcing some changes in the Clothes Closet. Donations are now being accepted every Monday from 9 a.m. until noon and from 7 to 9 p.m. on the first and second Thursdays of the

Novi Highlights

month, donations will be accepted from 9 a.m. to noon, and on the third and fourth Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Shopping will be by appointment only.

Other upcoming dates include the Weekend Retreat on Oct. 7 through 9; the Road Rally on Oct. 22; the Crop Walk on Sept. 25; and the Octoberfest on Oct. 23.

CIVIL AIR PATROL
The Civil Air Patrol has been very busy this summer. Several cadets attended a summer encampment at Phelps Collins Base in Alpena. The cadets were Anderson, Foster, Green and Vukobrat. Later in July, the Six-Grade Composite Squadron hosted the Phoenix Squadron at the home of the Lamoreaux's. The cadets as well as the senior members learned first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

The Civil Air Patrol is now getting a flying program together. The cadets pay a fee to fly for one hour at Willow Run Airport once a month.

The cadets are getting ready to go to their favorite activity, the ropes course in Howell. Later in October, members will be at the Pumpkinfest in South Lyon. On Oct. 8, the squadron will be leading the parade off at 10 a.m. with a live person color guard and marching unit of cadets and

seniors.

The squadron meets at Novi Middle School every Tuesday from 7-9:30 a.m. and is open to boys and girls age 13 years old through adults. For more information, contact Captain Lamoreaux at 437-1524.

One of the senior members, Maj. Sue Ann F'Geppart has returned from New Orleans, La. where she was awarded the honor of being Wing Historian of the Year. Her record indicates she is a 10-year veteran of the Cadet Air Patrol and is a national staff college graduate. In addition to serving as Wing Historian, she is the Aerospace Education Officer for the Six-Grade Composite Squadron. The work she has done recording the history of the Michigan Wing was judged to be outstanding with many innovative approaches in the manner in which the history was illustrated with color photographs.

NOVI JATCEES
It's the time of year again for the Novi Jaycees' Haunted House. This year, the Haunted House will be at Tollgate Farm located at Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook. Work is already starting and will continue through Oct. 11 twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. and again on Saturday and Sunday beginning at noon. The organization is looking for volunteers, not only among the Jaycee membership, but including anyone in the community who would like to help get this project underway.

The Haunted House will be open from Oct. 14 through Oct. 31 six nights a week.

More information, call 348-8352.

This has also been a busy summer for the Jaycees. Reports were filed at the August meeting about the Downtown Merchants' Ice Cream Social, the summer reading program, scholarships, the '50s Festival, the Trout Outing, the self-defense class, Michigan Jaycee Tiger Game, Gameco, the Jaycee Softball Challenge with Windsor Chapter, and the family fun day at the Toledo Zoo scheduled for last Saturday. The Road Rally will be different this year with the new name of Polaroid Panic Road Rally with each team getting a list of items they needed to photograph in addition to the rally.

Coming up is a trip to Cedar Point with the Farmington Jaycees. There is also a softball

team for those interested in playing. Coming up will be a bowling team. The team will be bowling every other Sunday at Novi Bowl from September through April. There will also be an "I Scream Social" at the Haunted House, as well as a holiday arts and craft show, a Choralaires concert, Breakfast with Santa, the Needy Family Christmas and the Christmas Gift Wrap, etc.

Invitations have been extended to several dignitaries, both locally and statewide. Some of the speakers will include City Manager Ed Kriewall, Chief Lee Gole, Chamber President Connie Mallett and others.

Father Harding is being recognized not only for his years of service at the church but also for his commitment and dedication to the City of Novi through his work on the Civic Center Planning Committee, his work with youth in the Civil Air Patrol, and his years of service in the Novi Police Chaplain Corps.

The church family is also working as Christian Education Walk to be held next Sunday, Sept. 25. Registration is at 1:30 p.m. The walk begins at 2 p.m. at the Civic Center and will end in the parking lot of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville. The 10-kilometer walk raises funds for charitable work not only locally but all over the world.

The residents of Novi are encouraged to join them in the walk to help raise money for the Novi Emergency Fund, along with other local charities.

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The church family has been very busy for several months along with the Bishop's Committee in planning the event of the year for them. They will be sponsoring a party honoring Father Les Harding's 25th Year at Holy Cross. The party will be Friday, Sept. 30, at the Novi Hilton Hotel with dinner at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the church office Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until noon or see any member of the Bishop's committee.

On the committee are Dick Osterberg, Ed Brunner, Derek Hendy, Ann Willis, Lawson Letzinger, Jeff Wilmouth, Jim Jamison, Dave Kuznicki and Marjorie Armstrong.

For reservations, call the church office at 349-1175 or Ann Willis at 347-0741. The public is invited.

NOVI HIGHLIGHTS is written by Jeane Clarke. Should you wish to contact her with information for this column, please call 624-0173.

Weddings



Kristen and Spencer Sellas

Kristen Lee Whitney and Spencer Nicholas Sellas, formerly of Northville, were united in Holy Matrimony on July 30, 1994, at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Clearwater, Fla. The bride is the daughter of James Whitney of Bartow, Fla., and Rose Whitney of Hawkins, Texas. The bridegroom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Nicholas Sellas of Northville.

The double-ring ceremony was performed by Rev. James Stathakos of Mr. Sellas' home parish of Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church of Westland and the Rev. James Rousakes of the Holy Trinity Church of Clearwater, Fla.

The wedding cake was a five-tier chesapeake with burgundy ribbon streaming from a bow at the top. Each guest received a wedding favor of a Greek column candlestick done in ivory, with sugar coated almonds in netting and pearls.

The couple honeymooned in stargazer hills and ivy, held together by netting, ribbon and strings of pearls. The bride is a graduate of the University of South Florida and is completing her last semester at the University of Florida Law School.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father wearing a white silk shantung sheath, draped over the shoulder with silk chiffon. The cathedral train was held by roses.

The rosettes were repeated in her headpiece and veil. She carried a large bouquet of white lilies and ivy. The maid of honor was Laraine Sellas, sister of the groom, who wore a navy silk ankle length gown and matching shoes. She and the bridesmaids carried bouquets of stargazer lilies and ivy, encrusted with string of pearls.

The best man was Steven Sellas, brother of the bridegroom. Local ushers were Dr. Stephen Tsoucaris, cousin of the bridegroom, Michael Nader of Northville, friend of the bridegroom, and Christopher Manders, Godson of the bridegroom.

Following the Greek ancient rite, the bride and groom were joined in the Holy Matrimony. The priest read the Holy Scriptures and the Holy Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist was celebrated with the Holy Communion. The Holy Eucharist was celebrated with the Holy Communion.

Time again for Ideas-Ink poetry

Once again, local poets are invited to submit poetry to be published in the Ideas-Ink poetry calendar. Last year's edition, "Plymouth Poets 1994 Engagement Calendar" was well received in the Plymouth community, and Ideas-Ink hopes to repeat that success with its 1995 edition, "Poems from Home." This year's theme is being expanded to include submissions from students of area schools and

Community Education

Sunday, Sept. 25, will be celebrated as Christian Education Sunday at **NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, 41671 W. 7th Ave., Northville. The church school staff will be presented and a service of dedication will be conducted. The third grade students will also receive Bibles.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 777 W. Eight Mile Road, will begin a new Disciple I class at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22. The class will be taught by Jane and Greg Michael. To reserve a spot, or for more information, call the church office at 349-1144.

The 1994 Stewardship campaign will include a 24-hour prayer vigil this year beginning at 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, and concluding at 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8. Prayer requests are being taken now.

All women of the church are invited to a Women's Social. Two meetings are scheduled, one at 9:30 a.m. and the other at 7:30 p.m., both on Sept. 26. The following people helped out during the month of August: Readers—Julie Wolke, Lois Gibbons, Lois Finzer, Mike Ryan, Dave Laycock, Mary Louise Culler, Jacque Hodges and Dennis Williams.

Prayerful Concerns—Burd-Sue McDougal, Joan Henson, Carol Radford and Rae Campbell. Ushers—Cherie Skeene, Myriam Menke, Jean Angel and Ken Harper. Robert Nix, Mary Lou and Lee Laruwie, Dick Norton, Doris Cloe, and Connie and Dave Carr.

Ushers—Marian Shokakul, Neal Greenfield, Todd Knickerbocker, Don Kimery and John Kohl.

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 24505 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, will host a Red Cross Blood Drive from 2 to 8 p.m. Appointments are scheduled every 15 minutes and can be made by calling the church office.

The annual M.A.S.H. road rally will be held Saturday, Oct. 8. Sign up in Fellowship Hall after worship. The cost is \$15 per person, payable by Oct. 2.

A prospective members class will be held 7:30 p.m. Sept. 26. Sign up in the Fellowship hall.

The WCS (Women's Christian Service) will hold its fall rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 14 and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 15.

Schoolcraft College, as well as adult residents of Novi, Canton, Northville and Livonia. Poetry will be selected in each of three categories: Young Poets—Elementary middle school students, Young Adults—High school and college up to age 18, and Adult—19 and up.

Because of space limitations, poems can be no longer than 32 lines and spaces. The calendar will be a 5 1/2 inch by 8 inch wire-bound with the author's real name should appear in the upper left corner. Students should also include their grade or age, school, and the name of their teacher in the upper left corner. Submissions should include the author's name, address, art phone number in the upper left corner. At the bottom of the poem, please indicate how the author's name should appear for publication. (Pen names may be used, however, the author's real name should appear in the upper left corner.) Students should also include their grade or age, school, and the name of their teacher in the upper left corner. Submissions should include the author's name, address, art phone number in the upper left corner. At the bottom of the poem, please indicate how the author's name should appear for publication.

Comment cards are located in the pew racks for those who may have a comment or idea they may not have the opportunity to express after the service.

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH, 46235 Ten Mile Road in Novi, will add a Mass to the Sunday schedule beginning the first weekend in October. The new schedule will be 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

An adult convert class for non-Catholics interested in becoming Catholic, or for those Catholics interested in learning more about their faith, is scheduled to meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11. No preregistration is necessary.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, 46200 W. Ten Mile in Novi, will host a dinner to honor Fr. Leslie Haring's 25th year at Holy Cross Friday, Sept. 30, at the Novi Hilton Hotel. Tickets are \$25 per person and are available at the church office.

George Ilija, a former NFL player for the Los Angeles Rams, will be the guest speaker at **NEW HORIZON COMMUNITY CHURCH**, Novi, at 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 9.

New Horizons meets at the Novi Town Center General Cinema Theaters.

Through eight NFL seasons from 1981-88, Ilija played for the Rams, New York Jets, Cleveland Browns and the Dallas Cowboys. He was both an All-American and All-Big Ten football player. He was a center for the University of Michigan, who, as co-captain, led

his 1981 team to a Rose Bowl victory. Ilija has a powerful message for young people about setting and achieving goals and how to avoid goal destroyers such as alcohol and drugs. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a football to be autographed.

For additional information, call the church office at (810) 305-8700.

Tom Harmon, a former Michigan State Police officer and noted men's speaker, will be presenting a Men's Seminar on Christian living at **FIRST BAPTIST NORTHVILLE**, 217 N. Wing St., Saturday, Sept. 24. The seminar will start at 9 a.m. and end at 1 p.m. with refreshments furnished.

The seminar is sponsored by First Baptist. Admission is free and open to men of all ages.

Harmon worked as a Michigan State Police trooper for 11 years after graduating from Northern Michigan University. While at Northern, Harmon played football for four years, graduating with a bachelor's of science degree.

In 1984, Harmon entered the ministry, pastoring a small Bible church north of Lansing for four years. Since 1988 he has traveled in Michigan and adjoining states speaking in churches, camps, Bible conferences and seminars.

Baptized recently at **CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY**, 24505 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, were Paul Anthony Kupke, the son of Richard and Nora Kupke; Joseph Vincent Nemes, the son of Michael and Elaine Nemes; Patrick James Bullock, the son of Thomas and Marianne Bullock; Lucas Vella Dzwonkowski, the son of John and Cynthia Dzwonkowski; Amanda Quinn Ely, the daughter of Douglas and Sharon Ely; Alexandra Elizabeth Farrand, the daughter of William and Rebecca Farrand; Robert Peter Park and Christopher Maitland Park, the sons of Kevin and Cathryn Park.

Mary Lee Suchyta is the new coordinator of volunteers and hospitality director. She will oversee all social functions, hall rentals and funeral luncheons. In addition, she will be responsible for directing volunteers to appropriate committees and commissions and for parish reach-out to individual family members. Suchyta will continue to volunteer her time in preparing the parish bulletin twice a month.

Kathleen Sturgis is the church's new preschool coordinator. She will recruit and assist the preschool religious education and administer the Sunday morning program.

The church also welcomes back Michelle Mullett. She will work as a part-time receptionist and secretary.

A Mass of the Anointing is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2, in the family center. Call Fr. Drew at 349-8847 if transportation or child care is needed.

New Horizons, an outreach of **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**, 300 E. Main St. in Northville, is organized for the purpose of providing stimulating, informative programs, caring and Christian fellowship to people 50 and over.

After the New Horizons meeting, members go to Crawford's Restaurant for lunch.

A \$3 donation is requested. For further information, call the church at 349-0911.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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

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NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY 4155 State Street Northville, Michigan 48161 Sunday School: 9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Worship: 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Dr. J. Buchanan Sr. Northville Christian School Reception: 8-8	ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD High & Elm Streets, Northville Lutwick, Michigan Church: 349-3142 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Wednesday School: 7:30 p.m.
NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 41671 W. Ten Mile - Meadowbrook 369-2632 (24 hrs.) Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Nursery Care Available Children: 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Church School: 9:15 a.m.	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 340-1144, 7th Mile & Tipton Road Worship: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Nursery: 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Pastor: Rev. Arthur L. Spatoro
MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. Novi at 8th Mile Morning Worship: 10 a.m. Church School: 9:30 a.m. 348-7757 Minister: Rev. & Mrs. Hunt Minister of Music: Ray Ferguson	ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH, SBC 23455 Novi Rd. (between 9 & 10 Mile) 2424 Study St., 9:45 a.m. Worship: 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m. Dr. Charles D. Miller, Pastor - 349-6665 We Will Love You With The Love Of The Lord
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WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 17400 Farmington Urbana 421-1150 Services: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. Sunday School & Nursery Available 10:30 a.m. morning service A new church with a fresh approach	NEW HORIZON COMMUNITY CHURCH Meets at General Cinema Theaters Northville Center Sunday Service: 10:10 to 11 A.M. Mia Heuser, Pastor 305-8700 A new church with a fresh approach
ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI 46235 Ten Mile Rd. 10:00 a.m. Mass Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Reverend James F. Cronin, Pastor Phone: 347-7778	FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 44400 W. 10 Mile Novi, Novi 48166 12 Mile west of Novi Rd. Richard J. Henderson, Pastor C. Gina Smith, Associate Pastor Worship & Church School: 9 & 10:30 a.m.
CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, MI 48175 Morn. 8:30 a.m., Sun. 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 10:30 a.m. Holy Days: 9 a.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Pastor: 349-8837 Father Andrew Tomazic, Assoc. Pastor Phone: 349-8837	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 217 W. 10 Mile Rev. Stephen Scott, Pastor Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study: 7 p.m., 8:30 p.m. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

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Reaching for success without losing focus

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"In the past, we've made statements," Ruby said about the group's music. But with this album being so emotional, Ruby found the songs felt natural to her as she belted them out on the latest album.

Besides pursuing their dream to someday make it big, Ruby and Scott are also partial owners in the recording studio. There are about a half dozen artists on the Overturn Records label. The label attempts to produce six records a year.

"We're looking to develop young talent in the metropolitan area," Scott said, adding it would be great to bring Detroit back to the days of Motown.

"It could happen," he said. "We have a lot of talent here."

Both Ruby and Scott still live in the area. Ruby rents out an apartment in Novi while Scott lives in Walled Lake. Pursuing their musical interests is a full-time job and both are determined to be persistent in realizing their dream despite the long hours and expenses.

"Don't think that somebody's just going to drop by your door (and give you a break)," Ruby said.

"You have to get a joy out of it whether or not you're successful. Sometimes people get so out of focus in order to get successful that they lose sight of what they're doing it for."

Jade Scott

"It costs so much money to compete the equipment, photos, flying to meet with people in the record industry. It costs hundreds of thousands of dollars."

"You have to believe in yourself no matter what," Scott added. "Put your nose to the ground. You have to get a joy out of it whether or not you're successful."

"Sometimes people get so out of focus in order to get successful that they lose sight of what they're doing it for. It's a constant struggle and balance."



Running the mixing board at Overturn Records in Novi.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Club news

WIXOM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Wixom Historical Society began its 1994-95 season of programs Monday, Sept. 19, with guest speaker Scott Kuntz, a professional landscape architect. He gave a slide lecture on antique bulbs for gardens old and new.

All meetings of the Wixom Historical Society are open to the public and free of charge. Refreshments are served after the meetings.

The Society meets at the old Wixom City Hall, 49045 Pontiac Trail, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Hostesses for the meeting were LILLIAN SPENCER, ELEANOR SHERIKO and RUTH and FORBES SIBLEY.

NOVI JAYCEES

The 1994-95 board of directors include BILL LANN, president; KAREN MURPHY, chairman of the board; MIKE MURPHY, director; BRIEN FULTON, director; AMY DICK, individual development vice president; NETH MURPHY, director; MIKE MATINGLY, membership development vice president; DIANE MORRISON, treasurer; and KAREN LEPPANEN, secretary.

The Novi Jaycees was founded on Nov. 17 at Novi Meadows, its 27th year as a chapter with the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce.

DEBORAH KIDD was named June Jaycee of the Month and LISA SIMMS was selected as July's Jaycee of the Month.

NOVI NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS

New members are TERRI and GORDON BALLARD of Novi; JULIE and BRIAN HAYES, also of Novi; and BARBARA and DON SOBCEK of Farmington Hills. Membership is currently at 212 members.

The club's fall kickoff event is a fashion show and dinner Thursday, Sept. 22, at the Novi Sheraton. The first general meeting with a guest speaker will be Oct. 20 at the Novi Civic Center. A representative from Frank's Supercenter Store will bring craft items and ideas to the meeting.

A craft auction has been scheduled for Nov. 17 at Novi Meadows. All of the money raised at the auction is given to charitable causes.

Upcoming interest group meetings:

Bridge (Couples)—potluck at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 24 followed by bridge at 7:30 p.m. at Pat and Kevin McKenna's residence.

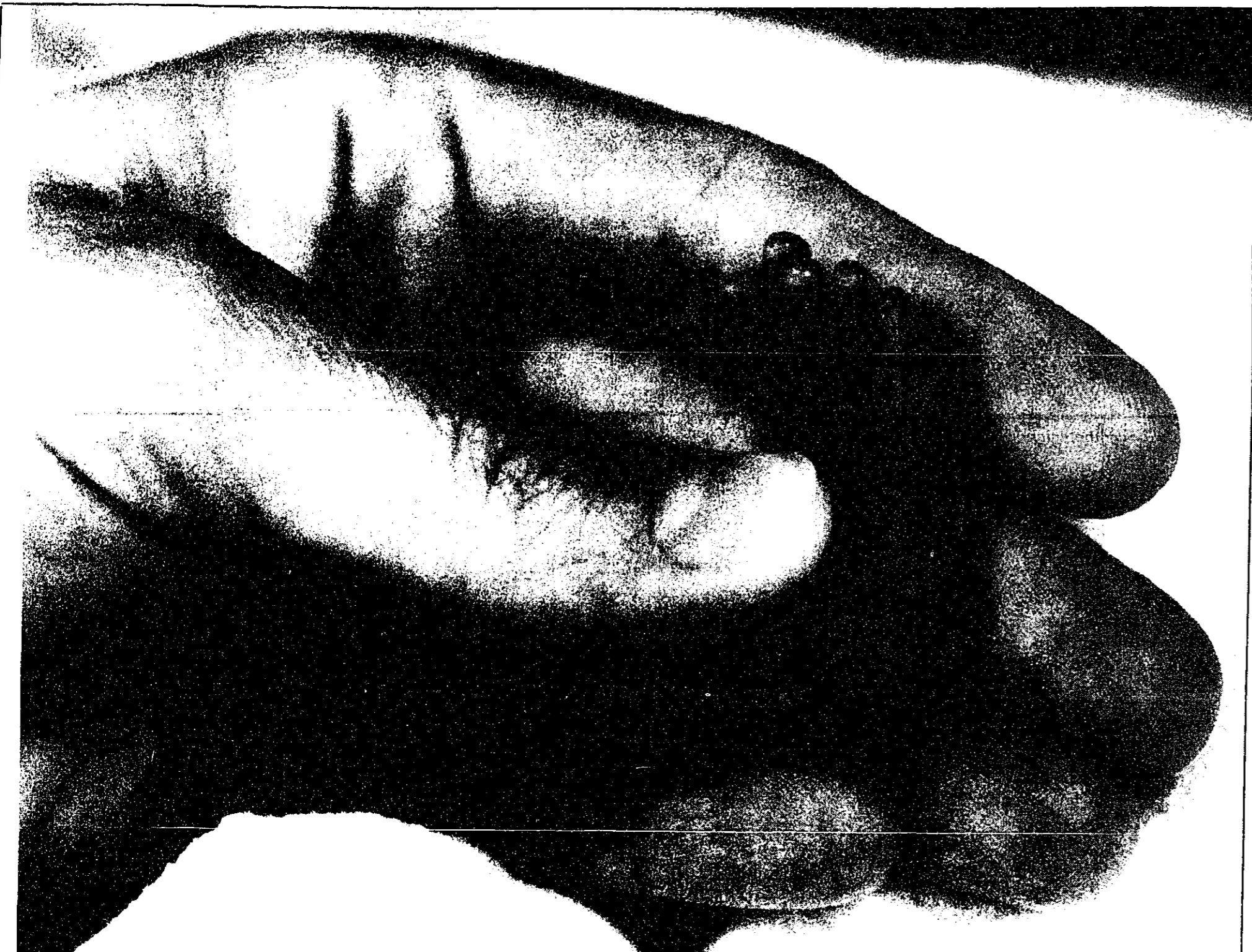
Burko—12:30 p.m. Sept. 28 at the home of Paula Kovalsky.

The Culture Club—noon, Sept. 29 at Cherry Blossom Restaurant in West Oaks II. R.S.V.P. by Sept. 23.

NOVI AMERICAN LEGION POST 19

Winners of the Post's raffie are AMY BLACKBURN, first place (20-inch TV); DON MUNSON, second place (17-foot flag pole kit); and RUDY JOHNSON, third place (nylon flag).

Working at the '50s Festival were members TOM GREAVES, BOB SALE, ARLIN KRUEGER, BOB SCHOLLETT, JIM PETERSEN, ED SYTSMAN and BOB FOHLMAN. DUANE BELL and TONY LOLLI handled the Amvets Post 76.



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Touring theater back on the road



Scott Peerbolt and Rhonda Self in September Productions' "The Frog Prince." Throughout the past four years, the troupe has performed for preschoolers to grandparents.

September Productions will open its fourth season of theater for children at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia with a lively adaptation of *The Frog Prince*.

In this original musical written by Theresa Weiss, a prince who has been turned into a frog meets a princess who not only dislikes kissing frogs, but also has a low opinion of princes. Between run-ins with a scary witch and a couple of bumbling pirates, they both become friends and learn "you can't judge a book by its cover."

Performances are scheduled for 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24; and at 12:30 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25. Tickets are \$5 for children and adults. The Trinity House Theatre is located at 38840 W. Six Mile Road, between I-275 and Haggerty Road.

September Productions is a Michigan-based touring theater company of adult professional performers. All actors, directors and technical staff are from the metro-Detroit area.

Throughout the past four years, the troupe has performed for preschoolers to grandparents. Its goal is to make its productions artistic, educational, entertaining and affordable for all.

Coming in the winter and spring are *Charlotte's Web* and a readers theater version of *The Secret Garden*.

For reservations to *The Frog Prince*, call (810) 615-0414.

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

THE SPIRIT OF BROADWAY: *The Spirit of Broadway* will be presented by the Plymouth Theatre Guild at 8 p.m. Sept. 23, 24, 30 and Oct. 1, 7 and 8 and at 6 p.m. Oct. 2 at the Water Tower Theatre, located on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital. Enjoy blockbuster songs from hits such as *Miss Saigon*, *Les Miserables*, *Evita*, *West Side Story*, *Gypsy*, *Grease*, *Cabaret* and many more blended into one show.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$9 for seniors and youth. Tickets are also \$1 cheaper if purchased in advance. They're available at Heavenly Bakery in Northville or by calling 349-7110.

FALL SEASON BEGINS: The Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville will begin its fall season Oct. 1 with the captivating and longest running musical comedy in theater history, *The Fantastiks* by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt.

This moonstruck musical is about a boy and girl in love, and is told with the sweetness and dry wit of its musical score.

A champagne, wine and cheese opening will be held Oct. 1.

Performance dates and times are Fridays, Oct. 7, 14 and 21 at 8 p.m. (tickets \$10); Saturdays, Oct. 1, 8, 15 and 22 at 8 p.m. (tickets \$10); and Sundays, Oct. 2, 9 and 16 and Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 2:30 p.m. (tickets \$8).

For group rates or senior citizen discounts, call (810) 349-8110. Tickets are available by phone or can be purchased at the door.

EXTENDED PLAY: A musical version of the classic tale *Rumpelstiltskin* continues to spin its magic at downtown Northville's historic Marquis Theatre. Due to the popularity of the show and demand for additional performances, the Marquis Theatre will extend its run for two more weeks in September. Performances are scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Sept. 23 and 25 and 7:30 p.m. Sept. 23.

Tickets are \$5. Children under three will not be admitted. For information, call 349-8110.

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 cablecast to residents.

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

Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, in Plymouth. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children under 12.

For further information, call (313) 455-2110.

WEEKEND ART: A weekend art gallery will be held downtown from 7 to 10 p.m. Sept. 30, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2. Guest artists and creative displays will be on hand at each of Plymouth's art galleries and shops. A portion of the proceeds from a silent auction will benefit the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

For more information, call Annette Horn at Native West Gallery, (313) 455-8838.

EXHIBITION ART: Entry forms will be accepted through Sept. 23 for First Presbyterian Church of Northville's second annual juried art exhibition. The Oct. 8-15 multi-media event will feature Michigan artists and juror James Nawara from Wayne State University.

Awards will range from \$50 to \$250. For information, write to Visual Arts Committee, 200 E. Main St., Northville, MI 48167. Call (810) 349-0911.

RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED: Reservations are now being accepted for Schoolcraft College's 18th annual Christmas Madrigal Dinners to be held at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 8, 9 and 10 in the college's Waterman Center.

The Madrigal Singers, under the direction of conductor Steve SeGraves, will enter the hall in full costume to present the Wassail and toast the Christmas season.

Each course of this year's prime rib feast will be presented to the court with trumpet fanfare and ceremony, including the presentation of the Boar's Head. The nationally-recognized Culinary Arts Department will have holiday treats available for sale those evenings.

Tickets are \$35 per person, tables seat eight. To make reservations, call (313) 462-4417.

CAFFE BRAVO: Caffe Bravo features the talents of many artists performing everything from classical guitar, jazz and blues to contemporary and folk music every Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The cafe is located at 110 Main Centre in downtown Northville.

Sept. 23: Michael Fracassi, jazz/blues, 8:30 to 11 p.m.

Sept. 24: Carol Smallwood, classical guitar, 3 to 5 p.m.; Hugh Duncan, folk singer, 8:30 to 11 p.m.

Sept. 30: Michael Fracassi, 8:30 to 11 p.m.

Oct. 1: Carol Smallwood, 3 to 5 p.m.; Color Wheel, 8:30 to 11 p.m. Call 344-0220 for additional

information. For further information, contact the arts council, 347-0400.

THEATER

HOME SWEET HOME: A dinner theater program will continue with scheduled Saturday performances at the 1920s-era Novi mansion which now houses Home Sweet Home 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 O.K. Corral*, a murder mystery comedy with music, through Nov. 13.

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 by reservation only. Call (810) 349-0522 for reservations.

Genitti's "Hole-in-the-Wall" restaurant is located in downtown Northville at 108 E. Main St., just east of Center Street.

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SHERATON OAKS: It's live entertainment on Friday and Saturday at Eli & Denny's. Taylor Made will perform from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

The hotel is at 27000 Sheraton Drive in Novi, across from Twelve Oaks Mall. For information, call 348-5000.

SPORTS EDITION: Every weekend guests can enjoy live entertainment at the Sports Edition Bar, located inside the Novi Hilton Hotel, 21111 Haggerty Road, Novi. The Sports Edition is home to Intrigue and other high-powered-hits groups every weekend. A cover charge begins at 8 p.m.

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" concert series.

The free monthly series will begin at 1 p.m. and end at 2:30 in the Parisian court. Fashions from mall stores will be modeled informally during the concerts.

For further information, call 462-1100.

MORE JAZZ: Outback Cappuccino Bar, 370 S. Main St., Plymouth, presents live jazz from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays featuring the work of jazz artists Gary Cooper of Northville and Terrence Lester of Southfield.

Cooper is a versatile musician, playing flute, trumpet, sax and fiddle while Lester plays keyboards with midl bass and rhythms.

Call 455-0445 for more information.

MR. B'S FARM: Mr. B's Farm, on Novi Road north of Ten Mile, presents live music all week with no cover charge.

Sunday is a "Strings N' Things Jam" from 9 p.m. to midnight every week. Local artists get together for impromptu jams.

Music starts at 9 p.m. For more information call 349-7038.

RIFFLES: Fridays and Saturdays at 10 p.m., Riffles of Northville becomes a live rhythm and blues cafe.

Riffles is at 18730 Northville Road. For information, call 348-3490.

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Idealistic convictions on trial

Single mother clings to old-fashioned values in a world of corruption in 'Trial by Jury'

In this contemporary thriller, a young, single mother's strength and idealistic convictions are put to the test when she is selected to serve as a juror—and terrifyingly manipulated—in the trial of a notorious New York mob boss.

Joanne Whalley-Kilmer, Armand Assante, Gabriel Byrne and William Hurt head an all-star cast in this psychological courtroom thriller directed by Heywood Gould through Morgan Creek Productions.

Valerie Alston (Whalley-Kilmer) is a young divorced mother, raising a seven-year-old son and running her own business in New York City. She's successful in a world where success is hard to come by, yet she is still an idealist. She believes in truth, justice and the American way. She believes in setting an example for her son and doing her civic duty.

So when jury duty calls, Valerie rearranges her schedule to comply.

Ruthless mob boss Rusty Pirone (Assante) is on trial for a host of crimes, including the brutal murders of 11 people. Public opinion against him is overwhelming, yet he exudes charm, confidence and the unmistakable swagger of a man in control.

Pirone and his men murder the star witness in his prosecution on the eve of his trial. Now U.S. Attorney Daniel Graham (Byrne), obsessed with convicting his nemesis, will try the case on little more than circumstantial evidence. Nevertheless, Pirone knows every member of the jury will believe he is guilty.

When Rusty Pirone's eyes meet Valerie Alston across the crowded courtroom, he formulates a new plan to win his freedom. And for Valerie, his plan is the start of her imprisonment.

Ex-cop Tommy Vesey (Hurt), now on Pirone's payroll, uses the tools of his trade—intimidation and threats—to coerce Valerie into voting for Pirone's acquittal, and even more, to swaying the beliefs of the other jurors.

With no option but to cooperate,

Valerie soon learns to lie and manipulate, and she gets the taste of power that comes with it. And she can never go back to the life she once knew.

Heywood Gould, who both wrote and directed "Trial by Jury," said the film is a story about a very honest, very moral woman who believes in truth, fair play, justice and the jury system. "She believes in all the values she was taught in school, in church and by her parents," he said. "And, in truth, none of those values apply... to her, or to our lives."

Gould's choice for the role of the idealistic Valerie was Joanne Whalley-Kilmer. "What immediately struck me about Joanne is that one look at her and you feel the sincerity and vulnerability of the virtuous person," he said. "Because this movie is about someone who travels into another world, a world that in her innocence she didn't imagine even existed, the actress portraying Valerie had to possess not only vulnerability, but the idealism and fire necessary to make her character believable."

For Whalley-Kilmer, the attraction to the role of Valerie was based on the changes the character goes through. "I don't think Valerie really knows who she is until she's tested," she said. "When we meet her, she's an old-fashioned person with old-fashioned values who's just trying to keep it together. You know, she works hard; she's trying to raise her kid right; she hasn't the time or reason to find out what she really believes in."

"Valerie is most interesting to me at the point where she realizes that the values she was brought up on will not serve her, that she must become a different person in order to survive."

Using New York City as a back-



Juror Valerie Alston (Deborah Whalley Kilmer) and mob boss Rusty Pirone (Armand Assante) content in 'Trial by Jury.'

drop, the filmmakers set out to create a world of contrasts—the dark and threatening world of Pirone, Graham and Vesey, and the light and comfortable world of Valerie.

"We've employed light and shadow to move the drama along," said Frederick Elmes, director of photography. "Each character has a color assigned to them; each scene has a specific visual feel. For instance, we have moments where the gangsters are in a seedy bar in Brooklyn—it's very red and it's

very dark. It's their world, it's where they live; our leading lady would never go there."

"The film noir aspect of 'Trial by Jury' is also reflected in Valerie's wardrobe. Said costume designer Mary Mallin: "Having Valerie own a vintage clothing store became a handy device for being able to create a period look within a contem-

porary context. We made her favorite period, the '30s and '40s—a time when women dressed in very glamorous fashion—and gave Valerie first crack at all the garments that came into her store. And because the retro look is very popular in fashion these days, we were able to create a wardrobe for Valerie that mixed the old with the new."

"We pulled it out of the archives," Osborne said of the option. "We were looking for plays and it was working."

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The Lions took the lead right

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Novi pulls 22-21 upset of Lions behind Wroe

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Jon Wroe kicked a 31-yard field goal with 10 seconds left in the fourth quarter Friday to give Novi a huge 22-21 upset of South Lyon at home.

"It was our first field goal since 1987," coach John Osborne said of Wroe's kick. "I told him we're never kicking one again."

The senior said he wasn't nervous about the kick and had "zip" running through his mind before he made it.

"I just didn't feel anything," Wroe said.

The Wildcats came from behind to beat South Lyon, which went into the game rated No. 8 in class A. The Lions led 14-0 midway through the second quarter.

Osborne scrapped the Wing T offense midway through that period in favor of the option. It made all the difference as the Wildcats were able to control the football behind the running of Jason Witherspoon and Wroe.

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back and scored on a four-yard run by Mike Watson with 58 seconds left to make it 21-19. Novi then took the kickoff and started the game-winning drive on its own 38-yard line.

Chad Dicken came into quarterback on first down and hit Wroe for a 42-yard pass over the middle. After an incomplete pass and a delay of game call on Novi, South Lyon made a critical mistake.

With just 19 seconds left, Wroe kept the ball on an option. He just made it out of bounds when a Lion player blocked him. South Lyon was called for a late hit—moving the ball all the way to the 14-yard line.

With no timeouts remaining, Osborne elected to try the field goal.

"How 'bout them Wildcats," the coach said several times after the game as he shook hands with players and parents.

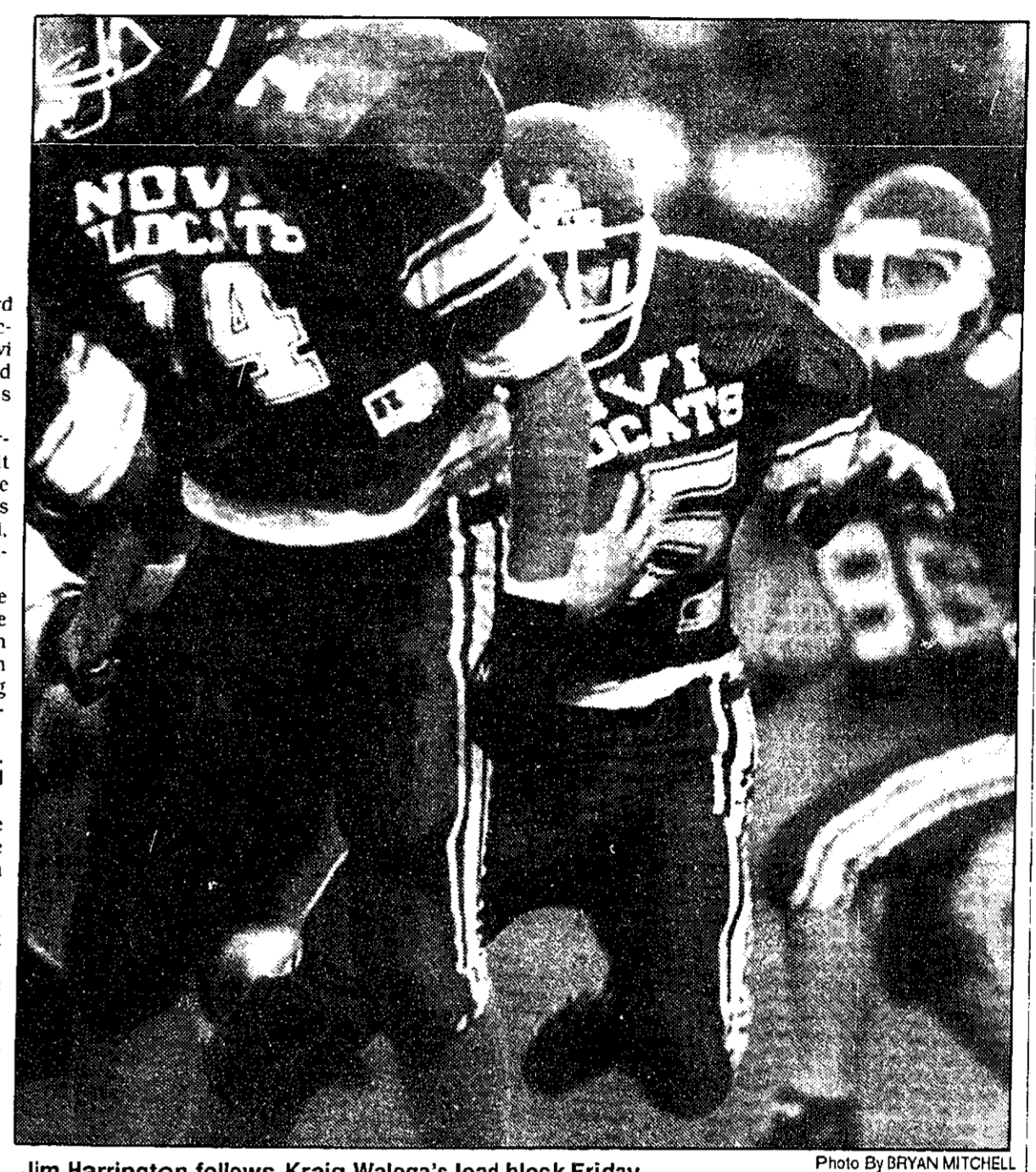
Wroe said he and his teammates believed they could beat South Lyon all along.

"We knew we could do it," he said. "We just had that mind-set."

Anybody that watched the first quarter-and-a-half of Friday night's game wouldn't have believed Novi could comeback. It was pretty ugly, folks.

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South Lyon took the opening



Jim Harrington follows Kraig Walega's lead block Friday.

Photo By BRYAN MITCHELL

Cross country teams win

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Bob Smith got the better of his brother last week.

His Wildcat boys cross country team beat South Lyon, which is coached by Scott Smith, 23-37. The older Smith got a little fun at his brother.

"That's a resounding pound I think," he joked. "It wasn't close at all."

It was a bit of revenge for the Wildcats. Although Novi beat the Lions in their dual meet last year, South Lyon edged the Cats at the league meet.

"Our kids really wanted it," Smith said.

It was an impressive win for Novi in several ways. The Wildcats were running their third meet in less than a week.

"That's really rugged," said Smith, who also noted that temperatures were near 90 on Sept. 13. "It was rough."

Rough or not, Adam Hagfors ran an excellent race. He placed first overall with a time of 17:54.

"He really ran a nice race," Smith said. "You could tell that Adam had a lot of experience."

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Tankers continue fast start by crushing Fenton

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

The Wildcat swim continued their hot start to the '94 season last week by destroying Fenton, 122-60. Novi High won all but two events Sept. 13 and avenged a one-point loss to the Tigers last year.

Coach Andrea Johnson, now in her second season, attributed her team's success to a couple of things.

"We have a big team," she said, "and a good mental attitude."

The Wildcats are carrying 45 swimmers and divers this fall. Many of them came in to camp in excellent shape. Johnson added that the squad new what to expect from her going into the season.

"There's that comfort having the same coach back," she said.

The coach has also got some help in instructing the girls this fall. Madeline Flint is working with the

"We have a big team and a good mental attitude."

Andrea Johnson
Swimming coach

divers and Kris Shaw with the swimmers on a volunteer basis.

Whatever the reasons, Novi had no trouble at all with Fenton. The Wildcats won nearly everything.

That streak began in the 200-yard medley relay. Jamie Vandermass, Katy Nicol, Michelle Pantaleo and Michelle Svelter were first in 2:06.39 while Heidi Zimmerman, Lisa Newkirk, A. J. Utz and Erin

Stevens were third in 2:20.40.

Meghan Mitch placed first in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:12.14. Roxanne Warner was third in 2:29.01.

In the 200 IM, Nicol was first in 2:31.68, Pantaleo second in 2:36.63 and Stevens fourth in 2:50.44. Novi won the 500-yard freestyle behind Vandermass 26:25 while Svelter was third in 27:59 and Newkirk was fourth in 30:49.

The Wildcats swept diving. Mona Benton was first overall with 118.75 points, Audra Wolowicz second with 108.75 and Dawn Kukuzke third with 107.45.

In the 100 butterfly, Vandermass took first, Utz third and Shelly Williams fourth. Svelter was second in the 100-yard freestyle in 1:01.32 while Tammy Voit was third in 1:08.77 and Emily McCueckin was fourth in 1:11.49.

In the 500 freestyle, Mutch was first in 5:58.97.

Warner third in 6:36.27 and Jeannie Smith fourth in 6:54.76.

The Wildcats went first third and fourth in the 200-yard freestyle relay. Newkirk, Nicol, Warner and Mutch were first in 1:55.79, Utz, Viet, Heather Kortlandt and Carl Kokko were third in 2:07.85 and the team of Beth Leib, Jenny Solomon, Sujaya Nath and Corey Wolowicz were fourth in 2:29.38.

Pantaleo's 1:09.36 was good for first in the 100-yard backstroke. Stevens and Zimmerman were third and fourth, respectively.

Nicol, a freshman, won the 100 breaststroke in 1:18.89. Newkirk was third in 1:20.69 and Nath fourth in 1:30.61. Novi closed the meet by taking second, third and fifth in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Captains Newkirk and Zimmerman lead the Wildcats into action today at home against Walled Lake.

Netters split with Hartland, Milford

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Move over big two, here comes Hartland. The Kensington Valley Conference tennis race found a new contender Thursday as the Eagles beat defending champ Novi, 6-1.

For years the league race has come down to the Wildcats and Brighton. But with parity growing in the KVC, coach Jim Hanson wasn't surprised by his team's setback at home.

"I was expecting a tough match," he said. "They are good from top to bottom. They're not weak at any spot."

The coach admitted the Wildcats had a bit of an off day.

"We didn't play up to our potential against Hartland," said Hanson. "But I'm not down on the kids. If we play like we're capable of we can beat anybody."

The only success Novi found was at top singles. Emily Pipas beat Nina Busch 6-2, 6-1.

Susan Lemay and Amy Morgan were unable to complete their match. Morgan was up 5-0 in the third set when play was called.

Hartland's Jessica Mankille beat Cassie Lewis 6-1, 6-4. Jill Kellogg fell at No. 4 singles to Holly Colgrove 6-2, 6-4.

The Wildcats fought hard in doubles but came up short. Jackie Gabriel and Akko Shiratori dropped a three-setter to Sara Schilling and Heather Phinney 4-6, 7-6, 6-2. Kristin Martell and Sarah Ritten lost in two sets.

At third doubles, Jenny Diedzic and Beth Crowley lost 6-2, 7-6 to Melissa Broski and Beth Walaorski. Alice Lin and Jenny Crowley lost 6-4, 6-3 to close the match.

Milford has the youngest team in the league," he added. "They gave us a good match."



Jill Kellogg stretches to return a shot in a recent match.

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Kickers whip Eagles 7-1

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

When a team wins by more than a couple of goals in soccer the game is considered to be a blow out.

So when Novi High beat Lakeland 7-1 Thursday at home, well, you figure it out. Keith Barber scored a pair of goals in leading the Wildcats to the rout.

"It was a case where our bench came on strong at the end," said coach Larry Christoff.

Novi led 2-0 at the end of the first half. Three goals in the final 15 minutes made the game even more lopsided.

"I thought they had a very good team," Christoff said of Lakeland. "They're an aggressive team. But, basically it was our good play (that led to the rout)."

The win moved Novi to 4-0 in the Kensington Valley Conference. The Wildcats were scheduled to take a highly touted conference rival Brighton Tuesday.

Novi started Thursday's game off quickly. Less than a minute into the contest, Kevin Ansara scored on a header from an Adam Hagfors kick.

Lakeland tightened up after that. The Wildcats, in fact, were not able to get their second goal until the 33 minute mark when Barber got his first of the game.

The Wildcats did all of their second half scoring in the final 20 minutes.

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Sports Shorts

WILDCAT GOLF: Novi High beat Milford Sept. 13 on its home course at the Links of Novi, 170-177. Rich Vandermass led Novi with a 38 while Mu Naruse had a 43. Taka Watanabe shot a 44 and Chris Chrwign a 45.

Coach John Peace said his team definitely had the home course advantage. "Milford had a lot of trouble with the course," he said. Novi plays at home today against Brighton.

JUNIOR VARSITY SOCCER: The Wildcat JV soccer team won the Ann Arbor Huron River Rat tournament for the third year in a row Sept. 9-10.

In the opening game, Novi defeated class B power Mason 2-1. Eric Hawn scored both goals for the Wildcats and got help from Greg Smith and Mark Churella. Bill Collins, Paul Tyl and Pat Lyskawa led the defense.

In the championship game, Novi defeated Ann Arbor Huron 1-0 on a goal by Churella (Miles Olsen assisted). Andy Gatt, and David Fasano played well in the game. Tom Perkins got the shutout in goal. Novi has a 6-1 record on the season.

NOVI YOUTH BASEBALL: Novi Youth Baseball will hold travel team tryouts at Power Park on Sept. 24. Here are the times: 11-year-olds will tryout on the red field with sign up at 1 p.m. and the tryout until 4 p.m.; 13-year-olds will be on the blue field with a 1:15 p.m. sign up and tryout until 4 p.m.; 12-year-olds will be on the red field from 8:30-9:30 p.m. and 14-year-olds on the blue field from 3:45 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. All questions and coaching applications should be directed to John Willis, 349-3084.

FALL RUN: Running Fit has announced sponsorship of the Running Fit 50 Mile Training Run to be held on Oct. 1, starting at 8 a.m. The run will start at the Running Fit location within the Novi Town Center, 26064 Ingersoll Drive, next to Mervyn's on the southeast corner of I-96 and Novi Road. Entry will be free to all pre-registered runners. The entry fee on the day of the run will be \$5. For more information call (810) 347-4949.

FITNESS FACTORY: Fitness Factory classes registration begins the week of Sept. 12 and will run for 10 weeks. Combination classes will run Monday through Friday at Village Oaks Clubhouse (22859 Brookforest, between Meadowbrook and Haggerty roads) from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Also starting new for Fall season will be a combination step class at Novi Civic Center from 10:15-11:15 a.m. Babysitting available for all classes at \$1.50 per child. Call (810) 349-7928 between 9 a.m.-9 p.m. for additional information.

COACHES NEEDED: Manager and coaches for travel baseball teams are being sought by the Novi Baseball Alliance. The NBA currently coordinates three teams of 11 and all runners are invited to join any of the club 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.

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AEROBIC EXERCISE: Designed for men and women, this aerobic exercise program stresses an individual workout at your own pace. The class, sponsored by Novi Community Education, meets at Novi Meadows Gym Monday through Thursday from 7-8 p.m. For more information, call 344-8330.

Hartland dump cagers 52-40

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Getting over the hump isn't easy. But that's the struggle the Novi High basketball team has had the early part of this fall season. While the Wildcats have been able to take care of business against lesser teams, they're still looking for a way to beat the better ones.

Such was the case Thursday night at Hartland. While the Cats played well in spurts, they didn't have enough to get by the Eagles and fell 52-40.

"I thought we were well prepared," said coach Dennis Cichonksi. "Our girls played with a lot of intensity."

"It was our best all-around team play."

Novi trailed much of the game. About midway through the final period, the Wildcats cut the Hartland lead to seven.

Cichonksi called for an isolation play with Christine Edwards going for a drive to the hoop. The senior was called for a charge. The Eagles followed with two straight baskets to put the game out of reach. "This was the chance to make a run," said Cichonksi. "She beat her player but they had a good defensive rotation to the basket."

Novi trailed 13-12 at the end of the first quarter. Hartland went into halftime up by four, however. The Eagles increased their lead in final two quarters.

Cichonksi said Hartland had good balance.

"They could go inside and outside," he added.

Kelly Kearney led Novi with 21 points. Edwards finished with nine.

Cichonksi complimented the work of his two post players, Mandy McGlinnen and Michelle Gray.

"They did a good job on defense and got a lot of key rebounds," he said.

NOVI 36, FARMINGTON 33
Megan Barton was the story of



File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Megan Barton sank the big free throws in Novi's win over Farmington last week.

Novi's road victory on Sept. 13. She drilled six of seven free throws and scored 11 points in the final period.

"She was our spark in the fourth quarter," said Cichonksi. "Not led in the fourth by seven points when the coach told his team to slow the offense down and make Farmington foul. The strate-

gy worked as Barton was able to convert on the free throws and keep the Falcons at bay.

"That was her best offensive night," Cichonksi said. "No question."

Cichonksi said he had another reason he wanted to slow the game down.

"I wasn't real confident we would

be able to score more points," he said.

The Wildcats led most of the way. Novi had a 14-12 lead at halftime but fell behind by a point after three quarters.

Barton finished with 16 points to lead the Wildcats and Kearney added 15.

Kickers down Lakeland, Milford

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Barber scored at the 60 minute mark on a penalty shot. Wildcat forward Chris Young was clumped in front of the Lakeland net, which warranted the penalty shot.

Seconds later, Matt Butler scored on an assist from Barber. Other goals came from Brian Mitchell, John McShane and Ryan Bush.

Joe Meyer got the win in goal. Christoff said his team has been playing good defense to help out goal keepers.

"I think we're playing very well in front of them," he said.

The only negative aspect to the

game was that Ansara was given a red card for fighting. Christoff said a Lakeland player punched Ansara and the Wildcat responded by putting him in a head lock. Ansara will receive an automatic one game suspension for the red card.

NOVI 3, MILFORD 0
The Wildcats played on the road Sept. 13, but took an easy victory nonetheless.

"It was one of our better games in terms of not having any lapses," said Christoff.

The coach added that his team was smooth all game in its transition from offense to defense.

"We pretty much dominated the game," Christoff said.

Novi scored early in this game, too. Ansara got a goal with just 90 seconds gone on an assist from

Joe Schimizzi.

The Wildcats added a pair in the second half. Mark Schafer scored with 12 minutes left in the game and McShane got the final goal about 10 minutes later.

Unlike many of Novi's games this year, Christoff said this one was well officiated. He said refs have been very inconsistent this season in making calls.

Gridders upset South Lyon with last second FG

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kickoff and marched 74 yards in eight plays to take a 7-0 lead. Watson, Greg McGuire and Greg Smith ran right through the Wildcats who were being dominated by the Lion line.

Novi did nothing on its first possession and punted after three downs. South Lyon moved right down the field again and appeared ready to add to its lead.

As the second quarter got under way, the Lions had the ball on Novi's eight yard line. But the visitors failed to capitalize and turned the ball over on downs.

The Wildcats weren't so lucky on South Lyon's next possession, though.

The Lions took the ball on Novi's 27 after forcing the home team to punt from the back of its end zone. Four plays later, McGuire scored on an eight-yard run.

Osborne made his big switch after Novi got the ball back. Starting on their own 47-yard line, the Wildcats went right to the option as Witherspoon picked up 15.

Wroe then made two nice runs on keepers for about 15 yards each. Jim Harrington capped the drive with a five-yard run up the middle to make it 14-7 at the 4:16

mark.

"It came to me like a vision," Osborne said of making the switch to the option.

Novi dodged a big bullet before halftime. South Lyon made all the way to the Wildcat one-yard line before Sev Martin recovered a fumble with 1:03 left.

The second half was all Novi. The Wildcats took the kickoff to start the third quarter. Some 16 plays later they cut South Lyon's lead to one as Wroe hurdled into the end zone.

He got his second touchdown in the fourth quarter. Wroe sprinted 24 yards to finish off a 14-play drive at the 4:52 mark.

South Lyon scored on its final drive of the game to set up Wroe's final-second heroics.

Novi will try to continue its momentum tomorrow night on the road against Mt. Morris. Osborne said he's likely to keep the option in the offense.

"We like what we saw of it tonight," he said.

For the game, Witherspoon had 107 yards rushing and Wroe had 76. Mark Lesperance and Mike Sill led the defense with 17 and 16 tackles, respectively.



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Quarterback Jon Wroe found room to run on the option play.

Friends recall 'Mr. Softball,' Carl Schwartz

By Merrill Cain

By now almost everyone knows how Major League baseball was brought to a screeching halt last week with the cancellation of the 1994 season. It was a crushing blow dealt to baseball fans all over the world, but the core members of the Novi Softball League couldn't resolve their differences in time to salvage the strike-shortened season.

An equally harsh blow was dealt to fans, players, coaches and even umpires of the local area baseball and softball teams recently with the passing of one of the greatest sports fans in the community, 80-year-old Carl Schwartz.

Schwartz was known as "Mr. Softball" around the South Lyon and Novi areas for his dedicated attendance at community education softball games throughout both communities. If there was a game scheduled and there were players on the field, you can bet that "Mr. Softball" was somewhere in the stands.

"He would sit in the stands for hours," said Dave Pusz, a local softball player and umpire that grew to be one of Schwartz' closest friends over the last several years. "The only time he left his seat was to go to the bathroom or to get something to eat."

Pusz, 54, said it wasn't unusual for Schwartz to spend about four hours watching three consecutive games played at the Bartlett Elementary School field on the average of two nights a week during the summer months.

Schwartz moved from Detroit to South Lyon in 1974, just three years after retiring from his job as an inspector for General Motors Detroit Diesel. He immediately took an interest in watching the South Lyon Community Education Softball teams and

Pusz said he met Schwartz while he was playing for the South Lyon Businessmen team a number of years ago.

"He took a liking to us and started following our team," said Pusz. The team changed names several times over the years, but the core members of the squad remained the same. When Quigley Building Company of Brighton agreed to sponsor the team about 10 years ago, the squad sort of adopted Schwartz as its mascot, said Pusz.

Schwartz would follow the team when it played in tournaments in all different areas of the state and Pusz said that all of the members of the squad grew to love Schwartz and would listen to his advice and counseling as if he were another coach.

Over the past several years Schwartz had trouble getting around because of his age but Pusz made sure that he didn't miss any action.

"It got to the point later in his years where he couldn't drive at night so I'd pick him up and take him to the ball park," said Pusz.

During the past few seasons the team would make sure that Schwartz was set up in his own chair next to the field at Powers Park in Novi where Quigley Building Co. would play most of its games.

"Everybody would stop by and say 'hi' to him," said Pusz. "Even the members of the other teams."

Pusz said he knew something was wrong with his friend, though, when he told him he didn't want to go to a game on Sept. 7. Schwartz said he was just suffering from a cold, but Pusz said he knew it would take more than a cold to keep "Mr. Softball" away from the diamonds. He said he came back to check on Schwartz at his South Lyon home three days later and he still appeared ill. Eventually Schwartz was taken to Botsford Hospital but later that weekend he suffered a massive stroke. On Sept. 12 Schwartz had his final at bat leaving an empty seat at softball parks throughout the area and everyone who knew him said he will indeed be sorely missed.

"Carl always had words of encouragement for everybody," said Frank Quigley, owner of Quigley Building Co. "It didn't matter if you were getting beat 30-0 or you were winning. It's going to be strange without him being there (at the games). He was just like a fixture, a part of our team. But I guess I figure that his spirit will always be there."

Schwartz not only followed community softball but he also liked to attend some of the other high school sporting events in South Lyon and he was known for showing up at community projects. He helped assemble some of the light fixtures that were installed at Bartlett Elementary School in the early 80s and he also served on an advisory committee that helped

revise some rules and regulations of the community education softball leagues.

Geraldine Kasavage, Schwartz' sister, said that her brother never played very much competitive softball or baseball when he was younger, but he always had a love for the game.

"He loved helping people and he especially loved being around the younger people. He really loved going to the ball games," said Kasavage.

Pusz said that although Schwartz passing came rather suddenly, he did get to celebrate his eighty years with his closest friends and his family at a surprise birthday party held at the South Lyon Hotel back in March. Over 150 people showed up for the celebration and Pusz said the event really touched Schwartz.

"He really enjoyed himself," said Pusz. "It seemed to be one of the highlights of his life."

So while the so-called "professionals" of baseball try to work out their financial differences and try to get that sport back on its feet, fans in South Lyon mourn the loss of Carl Schwartz, perhaps the greatest fan that softball and baseball the community has ever seen.

Even in his passing maybe there's one final lesson that "Mr. Softball" can teach. The love of the game will never die and that's the real bottom line.

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Runners beat Lions

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Scott Shepley was fourth in 18:26 while Jukes Namm was fifth in 18:32. Novi took sixth, seventh and eighth with Cameron Chipponeri (18:57), Chris Duprey (18:59) and Mike Girard (19:12).

Rob Mutch was Novi seventh man and he took 10th in 19:43. Novi will be back in action Saturday at the Walled Lake Western Invitational.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
The girls had quite a resounding victory over the Lions as well last week, 21-38.

Coach Norm Norgren said times were a little slower. He said the heat took its toll and he had been working them hard in practice, too.

"It's kind of a bumpy course," Norgren said about South Lyon's course. "It's hard to get a rhythm."

Jenny Hampton was first overall in 20:38 while Lorna Case was third in 21:20. Angela Pelletier was fourth in 21:53 and Michelle Harrison was sixth in 22:24.

Angel Root finished seventh in 22:47 while Megan Kranyak ninth in 23:26. Jenny Bovar closed the Wildcats day by taking 10th in 23:27.

A couple of regulars were out of the lineup. Katie Zimmerman and Lauren Rice missed the meet with various ailments.

Novi is now 2-0 in the Kensington Valley Conference.

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Tips for preparing kids for school

Planning and encouragement goes a long way in helping your child view school as a stimulating, satisfying experience. The following ideas can be supportive in promoting good attitudes and practices in your child.

HELP YOUR CHILD UNWIND

Give your child focused attention every day. Talk about the school experience. Listen for underlying feelings of anger or fear along with positive feelings of excitement and satisfaction.

Because your child's time at school is quite structured, plan time at the end of the school day for unstructured activities. Allow your child to release energy through outdoor play or sports.

While one or two after-school commitments such as piano or soccer lessons are beneficial, be careful not to over-program your child. This will inevitably result in stress-overload—for you as well as your child.

HELP CHILD GET ORGANIZED

Arrange study space. Reserve one corner somewhere in your home for your child's quiet concentration. Provide a table or desk, good lighting, reference materials and school supplies.

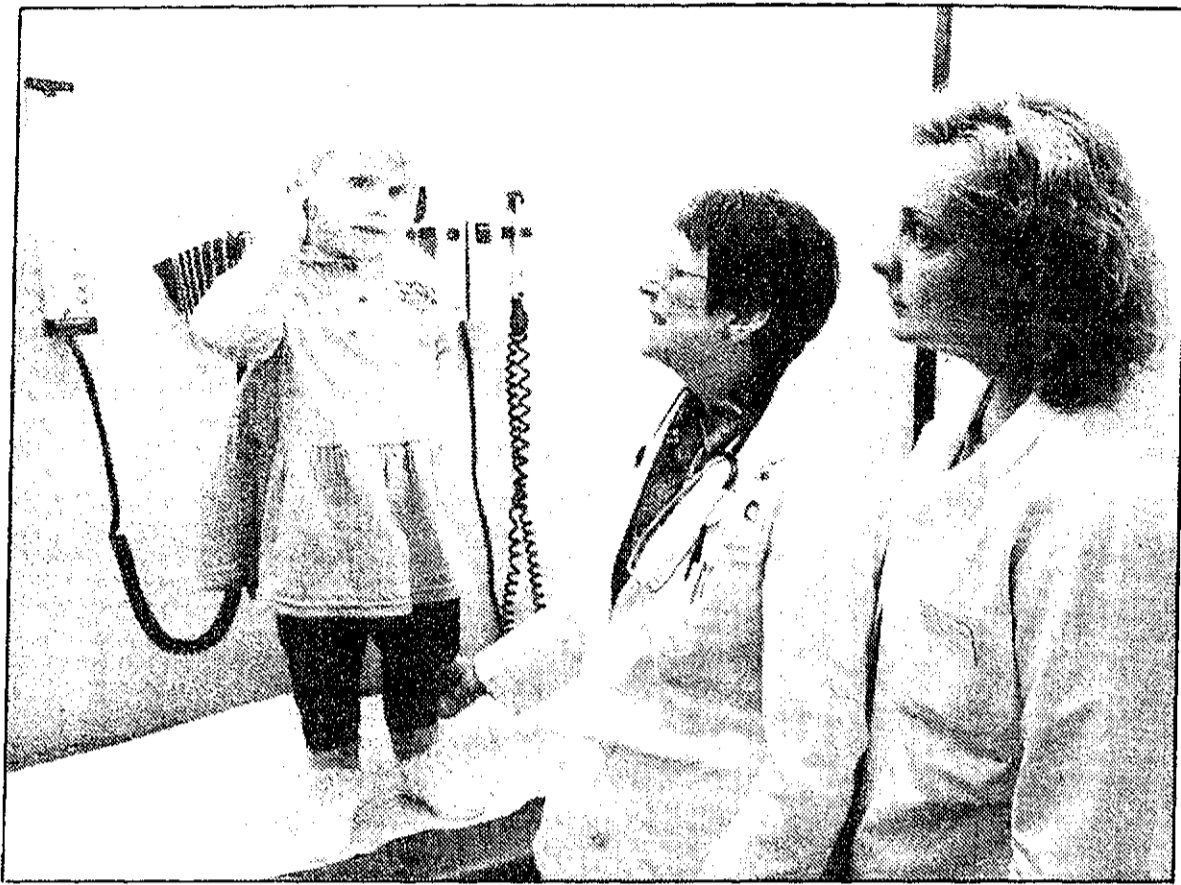
If possible, keep the study area away from tempting distractions such as the television.

Plan for the next day. Help your child get into the habit of organizing such things as clothing, lunch money, permission slips and homework the night before. Nerves are bound to be less frazzled in the morning.

Note important dates. Buy a large wall calendar with large boxes. If your youngster is too young to read or write, draw pictures symbolizing important school activities. Help an older child jot down dates of exams, reports, field trips, after-school events and other upcoming commitments.

ESTABLISH A HOMEWORK ROUTINE

Daily attention to school work for short periods of time is much



Dr. Intra Ertel, pediatrician, and Mary Ann Komarynski, pediatric nurse practitioner, listen to their patients.

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better than panicking and agonizing the night before a project or examination. While maintaining some flexibility, set a fixed time each afternoon or evening for school assignments. Your child's homework schedule should synchronize with other extracurricular activities. Depending on age, 15 minutes to an hour before or after dinner is usually sufficient.

ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD

Show your interest by being consistently available at predictable times each day. Do not, however, play the role of teacher by attempting to teach your child specific skills. Your time together is apt to be frustrating. If your child is having problems with a subject, talk to the teacher about supplementary activities you could do together at home as well as

tutoring or other special attention at school.

In addition, do not attempt to protect your child from negative consequences by actually doing the homework assignment yourself. This seriously detracts from your child's confidence to cope successfully with future school demands.

DISPLAY A LOVE OF LEARNING

Celebrating learning fuels your child's natural interest and curiosity. Ask questions, exchange ideas and allow your child to arrive at personal conclusions. Provide an environment rich in books, games and projects. Complement your child's school experiences with excursions for the entire family. Above all, let your child see you enjoying new challenges and activ-

ities.

BE INVOLVED

By joining a parent-teacher organization or volunteering your time allows you to share more of your child's world. You are also in a better position to understand and make suggestions for improvement.

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Fat is fat; here's how to shed it

Most medical and nutrition authorities say there is no such thing as cellulite—it's just plain fat tissue of a different consistency.

The cosmetics industry insists that cellulite does indeed exist.

"Cellulite" describes a peculiar type of fatty tissue causing the overlying skin to appear dimpled like an orange peel. Proponents claim it's "trapped fat" in the connective tissue, a major layer of the skin, that creates the unsightly bulges.

Cellulite is believed to be different from normal fat storage in that, if pinched, the squeezed tissue produces lumps and bumps rather than a smooth surface.

Cosmeticians estimate that more than two-thirds of all women have some cellulite deposits, most often in the thighs, buttocks

and knees.

Whether this cosmetic condition can be treated effectively is doubtful. Exorbitant fees often are charged for unfounded "cures" based on a variety of prescriptions for treatment. Unfortunately, the primary reduction often occurs in the subscriber's billfold.

Vigorous exercise and caloric restriction will cause a general reduction in body fat stores. But there is no conclusive scientific evidence that massage, sauna, special skin creams, body wrappings or pseudo-electric devices will break up or reduce cellulite deposits.

Q. If I abandon my lazy ways and take up walking or running, what's the most common possible injury?

A. Shin splints are a common problem for previously inactive people who begin walking or jogging programs. Although there are many treatments, simply stopping the activity—generally for a week—seems to work best. Then resume training, but at half the initial intensity level, and gradually work up to the desired exercise dosage over the next three to six

weeks.

Q. How about death rates during sports?

A. Scuba diving has one of the highest death rates of any sport—similar to the risk of skydiving and professional car racing. The activity places a considerable strain on the heart, much more so than regular swimming.

Q. More and more Americans are living to retirement age and even exceeding 85. Are they doomed to being physically weak?

A. No. A 1990 study showed that a weight training program could promote dramatic increases in muscle strength in very old men and women—up to 96 years of age. Many showed a three to fourfold increase in strength in just eight weeks.

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