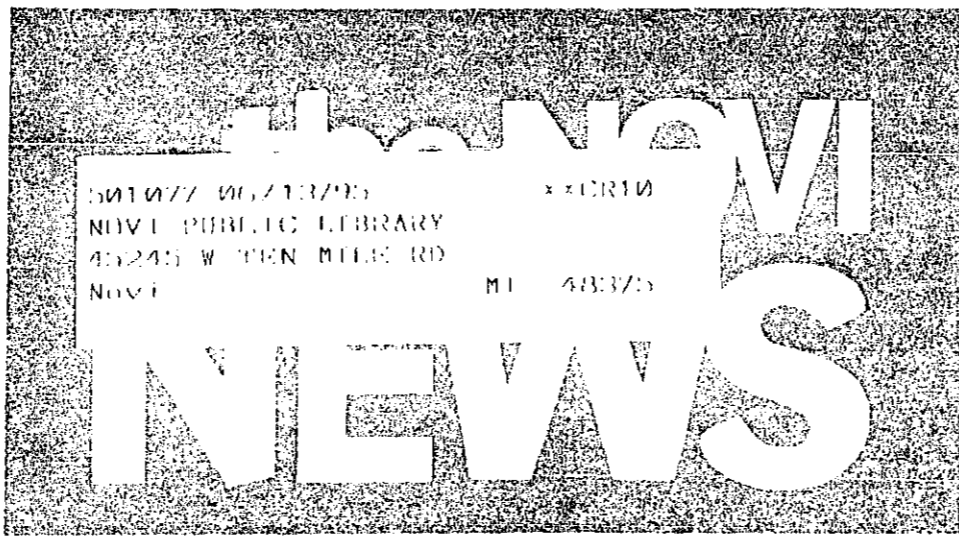


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## Students gear up with spirit week activities

BY SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

There was fierce competition between faculty, teachers and Novi High School students this week as the community rallied and readied for Homecoming Weekend.

The week was filled with events that fostered stiff competition and school spirit, according to Dan Crockett, the high school's activities coordinator.

"It's fierce competition over here," Crockett said Tuesday, minutes before running off to get a school-wide Euchre tournament underway.

But everyone is having fun in a competitive sort of way. On Monday, friends and foes faced off in a Sturpee drinking contest while sporting their favorite sunglasses. Tuesday, teams were back at it during lunch periods to see how they would fare in a "find the gum in the whipped cream" contest.

"That was hilarious. The teachers were really funny," he said.

On Wednesday, costume day, teachers and students ripped off their socks and shoes to see who could find the most marbles in a tub of jello. After school, it was survival of the fittest on the volleyball court, to see who had the better serve.

Crockett said, heading into Wednesday's activities, that the teachers were in third place.

"It has been fantastic," he said. "It really has been a super week so far."

But the games aren't over yet. Thursday was class color day and lunch time pitted students, faculty and teachers against each other in an orange passing contest.

Homecoming week activities will come to a close Friday with green-and-white day, to ensure students are true to their colors before they face off against Lakeland High that evening.

The game will follow the 4 p.m. Homecoming Parade. This year's parade will feature the Homecoming court and students' floats, which have all been designed to represent the event's large city theme.

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Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## The homecoming court

Just who will be this year's Homecoming King and Queen remains to be seen. The couple has been selected from the 1994 court, but Novi High School officials are keeping the news under lock and key until tomorrow's Homecoming football game. Among those in the running and pictured above are senior class representatives

Hunter Downey, Joe Meyer, Shawn Kelly, Jim Rose, Lisa Antuna, Jill Kellogg, Sara Cook, and Jenny Ryan. Underclassman on the court include juniors Daly Dickerson and Star Yeager; sophomores J.J. Bologna and Jessie Antuna; and freshmen Ryan Beach and Brook Albright.

## Buildings, subs looking good in Novi

It takes dirt under the fingernails and a drain on the checkbook to make a city beautiful.

But efforts at sprucing up Novi do not go unrecognized. For the seventh year in a row, the city honored those who have the loveliest entrance ways or front yard setbacks. The prizes, distributed on Sept. 26, focus on landscaping efforts done on buildings and subdivisions which front on major roadways, where every passerby on foot or in vehicle can be refreshed by the gardening.

So many prizes went to Haggerty Road and Grand River Avenue businesses that it makes you wonder if the heavy traffic there is caused by sightseers admiring the landscaping. A touch of self-congratulation went on, too. The Novi Civic Center won a special recognition award, presented to building supervisor Cindy Uglow and Sue Anglin. The Novi Public Library scored here, as well.

A committee of city officials chose the best and the greenest in the seven categories. The envelope, please. Here's the 1994 winners of the Novi Beautification Awards.

APARTMENT, CONDOMINIUM AND MOBILE HOME PARK ENTRANCE WAYS: EXCEPTIONAL. Saddle Creek Apartments on Novi Road and Arrowon Pines

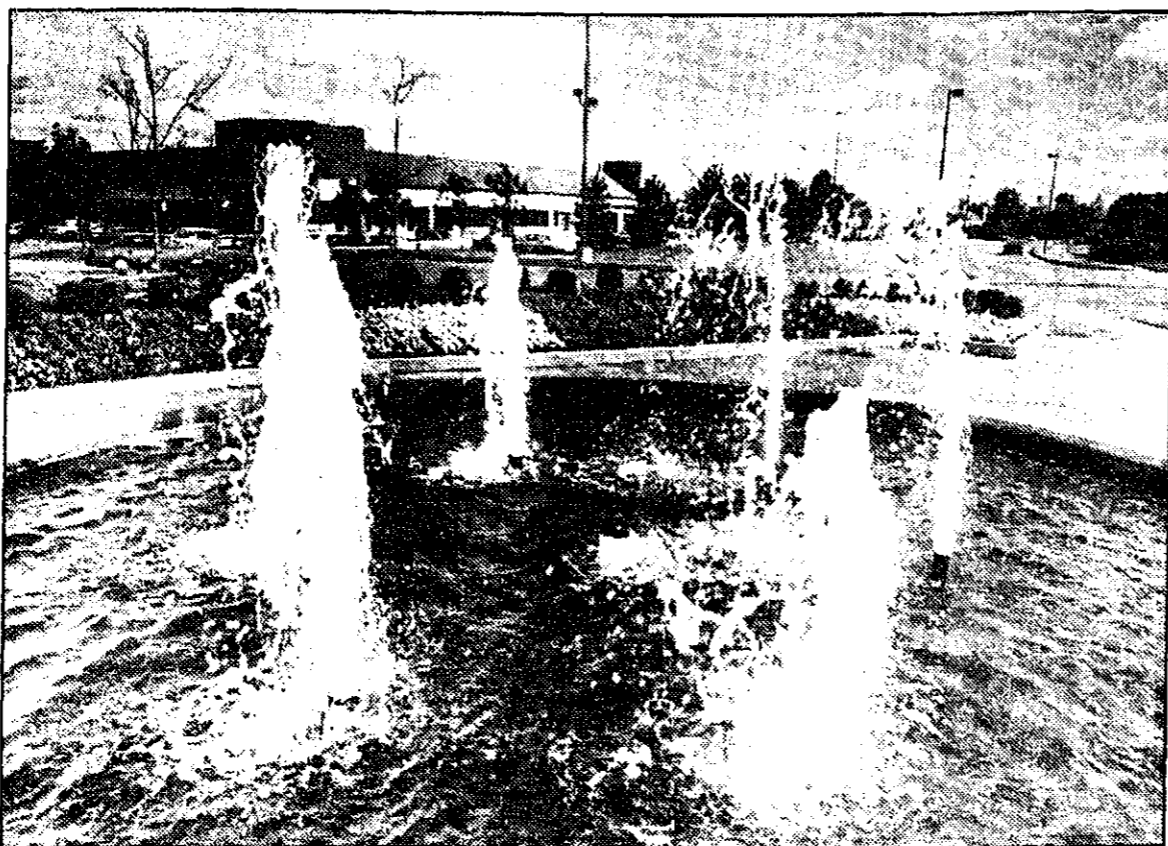


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The Novi Town Center, named "exceptional" among shopping centers.

Condominiums on Novi Road. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, Highline Club Apartments on Nine Mile Road.

HONORABLE MENTION, Applegate Condominiums on Ten Mile Road, Briarwood Condominiums on Beck Road, Crosswinds West Condominiums on Nine Mile Road, Fountain Park Apartments on Grand River Avenue, Old Orchard Condominiums on Ten Mile Road, River Oaks Apartments on Novi Road, TreeTop

Meadows Apartments on Ten Mile Road, Twelve Oak Town Houses on Haggerty Road, Weathervane Village on Ten Mile Road, and Woodland Glens Apartments on Eight Mile Road.

BUSINESSES: EXCEPTIONAL, Varsity Lincoln Mercury on Grand River Avenue, Knight's Auto Supply on Grand River Avenue, and Scott Shuptrine in West Oaks Shopping Center. SPECIAL RECOGNITION, Too

Chez Restaurant on East Sheraton Drive.

HONORABLE MENTIONS, Bob Evans Restaurant on Novi Road, Chili's Restaurant on Haggerty Road, Harmon's Marcus Glass on Novi Road, Hotel Baronette on Novi Road, Infinity of Farmington Hills on Haggerty Road, McDonald's on Haggerty Road, Mobil Oil on Grand River Avenue, Mobil Oil on Haggerty Road, and the

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## Main Street vote spurs recall petition

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Doug Erwin was a man with a mission when he drove off to Pontiac Tuesday.

He's campaigning for a recall election of five city council members-Mayor Kathleen McLallen, Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford, Rob Mitzel, Robert Schmid and Joseph Toth-due to their vote Monday to OK a contribution of \$28,000 worth of city-owned land to the Main Street project.

"You do not want to listen to the people. The people will get their say one way or another," Erwin told the Novi City Council Monday.

Erwin's not working alone. Besides the roughly 1,000 residents who have already signed a petition against "subsidies" to Main Street and who might be called upon to join the recall campaign, residents of Meadowbrook Lake subdivision have jumped on the bandwagon. Erwin posted the petition in his Novi Road store, Erwin Farms.

In Pontiac, he dropped off the

petition language, which must be first approved by the Oakland County Board of Election Commissioners before he can seek signatures in a recall campaign. The language says: "Over 1,000 people signed a petition against our city council giving land or money to a private developer. Five of the seven members did not listen to the electorate and did give city land to a developer. This recall is a way to get our city gov-

ern. The majority of people there said 'don't move the fourth graders.' The same was said at the second hearing.

"People at those hearings were not heard."

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## Process questioned in school bond vote

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

A decision to put a new middle school to a December bond vote may satisfy some but the process Novi school administrators and elected officials used to arrive at Thursday's conclusion leaves a vocal minority puzzled.

Four residents questioned the board's process Thursday after it seemed board members were planning on building a new facility or renovating an existing set of schools to pluck the fourth graders from their elementary schools and put them in an upper elementary level configuration.

Those opposed to the process said they left the meeting unsatisfied with the responses they got from district officials that night. They also left knowing the schools were going to ask voters to approve two bond issues totaling more than \$30 million in December.

Moving fourth graders from the elementary schools to a new or renovated facility is one parents at the meeting have voiced their opposition to at past public hearings.

"I went to the first public hearing," said Mary Bohme, an Orchard Hills parent of two chil-

■ In December, Novi school district residents will be asked to approve two bond proposals in excess of \$30 million for a new middle school building and renovation of the existing middle school complex. The story is on page 13A.

■ Novi schools have contracted with the architectural firm of Fanning & Howey to design the new middle school building. The firm was retained in a 5-1 vote of the Board of Education, although few board members knew the terms of the architect's employment. The story is on page 18A.

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## Community Calendar

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

### Thursday, October 6

**Novi schools:** The Novi schools Board of Education will meet in regular session in the Educational Services Building.

### Monday, October 10

**Library Board:** The Novi Library Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi library building.

**American Business Women's Assoc.:** The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will meet at Country Epicure Restaurant on Grand River. Social Hour is at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m., followed by a general membership meeting. Cost is \$15. All working women are invited. For reservations call Cynthia McKissack, 397-7708. For membership information, call 960-9559.

**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.

### Tuesday, October 11

**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.

**Chess Club:** The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-9833 evenings after 6 p.m.

**CHADD:** Children with Attention Deficit Disorders of South Western Oakland County, serving the Novi school district, will hold a support group meeting at the Spirit of Christ Lutheran Church, 40700 W. Ten Mile (between Meadowbrook and Haggerty roads). Registration begins at 6:45 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m. Parents, educators and health care professionals are welcome. There is a \$5 donation for non-members. For information call the hotline, 486-2876.

### Wednesday, October 12

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

**Seniors potluck:** The Novi Senior Social Club will gather at noon in the Novi Civic Center for their monthly potluck luncheon.

**AARP Meets:** The Walled Lake Area Chapter of the American Association of Retired People holds its monthly meeting at 1 p.m. at the Walled Lake Community Education Center, formerly Walled Lake Middle School, 615 N. Pontiac Trail. Any Lakes Area community member 50 or over is welcome to attend. Call 960-8444, or 669-6299 for more information.

**Taste of Novi:** The Novi Chamber of Commerce presents the ninth annual Taste of Novi from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Novi Hilton, 21111 Haggerty Rd. Enjoy samples of gourmet dishes from local restaurants and a cash bar. Admission is \$14. Tickets are available at the Novi Chamber of Commerce, 43700 Expo Center Drive, or call 347-3743.

**SPARK:** The Society for the Preservation of American Racing Knowledge, the all-volunteer support organization for the Motorsports Hall of Fame of America, meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center. The meeting is open to anyone interested in supporting the Hall of Fame and Museum.

**Youth baseball:** The Board of Directors of Novi Youth Baseball meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting is open to the public.

**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.

### Friday, October 14

**Rummage Sale:** The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will hold a rummage sale from 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

The church is located on Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads.

### Saturday, October 15

**Rummage Sale:** The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will hold a rummage sale from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The church is located on Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads.

### Monday, October 17

**Cholesterol Screening:** Total cholesterol screening by the fingerstick method, will be offered 1-4 p.m., at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. Cost is \$5 fee. For more information call 477-6100.

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

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



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### Getting a jump on the competition

Nicole Miller, age 4-and-a-half, gets ready to jump over the vault during instructor Kathy Black's gymnastics class at the Novi Recreation Center. Starting out in the sport that young, Nicole might just become a top gymnast in a few years. Certainly, she's concentrating hard enough.

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## Byers speaks to Congress

BY SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

On behalf of the Novi Community School District and public education in Michigan, Ray Byers made a pitch to a subcommittee of Congress last week to get catalog sales in Michigan taxed and have those revenues earmarked for education.

Byers spoke at the request of the National School Boards Association, The National Education Association and the American Association of School Administrators in Washington D.C. on Sept. 27.

In his prepared statement, Byers contended that if Congress enacts a mail order sales tax collection

law, public schools across the country would see a \$3.9 billion increase in their revenues. In Michigan, catalog sales could generate an estimated \$60 million for public education.

"These new taxes will increase the pot of money that already has been dedicated to education," he stated.

The pending legislation is a concept endorsed by Gov. John Engler and Senator Joe Knollberg, who represents Novi and sits on the Small Business Committee which is working to get the bill passed.

"Schools will also benefit generally from the equity put back into local business," Byers wrote in his

speech. "Local small businesses no longer will be in competition with an out-of-state mail order goliath with a tax break."

"They will have a fighting chance to prosper and their prosperity will be felt in the community, in the property values, in the tax base and, therefore, in the schools."

Several states rely heavily on sales taxes to fund education. In Michigan, Byers estimates 37 percent of school funding is generated from sales revenues.

"While not as large as other states, it is the highest single source of revenue for schools in Michigan," Byers said.

## Chamber sets 9th Taste of Novi

The Novi Chamber of Commerce will present the Ninth Annual Taste of Novi Wednesday, Oct. 12 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Novi Hilton Hotel.

The Taste of Novi features some of the best restaurants in the area. Samplings of dishes are served up; some are cooked to order.

An example of what participants can expect at this year's Taste of Novi is:

• A pasta station with several pastas and sauces from the Wyndham Garden Hotel

• Italian Sausage and Chicken Cacciatore prepared by Maisano's Italian Restaurant

• Broccoli/Crete soup by the Michigan Star Clipper Dinner Train

• Roasted Chateau Filet and Flower Pot Pudding by Mountain Jacks

• Barbequed Pork and Beef, and Spinach Dip from Mr. B's Farm

• Periwinkles from the Radisson Suites Hotel will feature Southwest Smoked Chicken Caesar Salad and Virgin Strawberry Daiquiris

Tickets for the event are \$14 per person and can be purchased from the Chamber office, located in the Novi Expo Center. The event is sponsored by the area restaurants and hotels which participate.

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# Office hit with string of burglaries

Police are investigating a string of burglaries at Orchard Hills Place, an office building on Eight Mile west of Haggerty Road. The doors of six office suites were pried open. Abbot Diagnostics Division was the only business to report a loss. Some \$13,800 worth of computer equipment was reported missing from that office. The rest of the businesses which were burglarized reported nothing missing. Most police reports indicated that company employees said they had stored or locked their computer equipment behind closed doors before they left that weekend.

## Police News

teacher had filed the complaint as a matter of record. The student's mother said she was aware that her son had threatened the teacher but assured police he would never make good on it.

**SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES:** Novi police assisted Farmington Hills officers when a black male from Detroit claimed he was the victim of racial intimidation on Sept. 21. The man told police he had offered to help a woman from Howell move to Detroit on that day. But when he got into the car with an unidentified driver, the woman and driver began to threaten him because he was black. The man, fearing something was going to happen to him jumped out of the car on west bound I-96 near Haggerty Road and the M-5 interchange. They followed the man to the embankment and then called

**THREAT/HARASSMENT:** A Novi High School teacher said a student threatened to damage her vehicle after the two had a verbal altercation at school on Sept. 21. Police talked with the student and his mother to inform them that the

police to report the incident.

**POSSESSION:** A 36-year-old Milford woman was arrested and ticketed for possession of marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia they found in her purse on Sept. 26.

The woman ran a red light when police stopped her near Kim's Gardens restaurant in the Novi Town Center.

A search of the car and her purse netted police three grams of the narcotic, a pipe and rolling papers.

**OUIL:** A 22-year-old Novi man with five outstanding warrants was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor on Tuesday, Sept. 27. Police were dispatched to settle a disturbance at Denny's Restaurant but en route they spotted the subject's car leaving the scene. They followed the man to the Big Boy's restaurant, when

they realized the man's identity and knew they had confronted him before, the report indicated. The vehicle driven by the suspect pulled out of the lot and into the Mobil Gas Station, nearly striking an officer's vehicle head-on. The suspect and his passenger exited the car and then fled on foot to a wooded area behind the station. He was captured and held on two Novi warrants. He was also being held for pick up by Farmington Hills and Livonia officers on outstanding warrants there.

**MOOP:** Three Novi residents said they were the victims of malicious destruction of property when they found their cars had been spray painted with gang-like symbols and obscenities on Sept. 26.

According to police reports, two of the three victims lived in the Woodland Glen apartment complex, a third lived in Country Place Condominiums.

Police described the someone had spray painted the word "folk" and symbols that resembled pitchforks and a star on the sides and hood of the three cars.

## Novi Briefs

**Filling vacancies:** The City of Novi will soon be filling vacancies on the Beautification Commission, the Hazardous Chemical Committee, the Historical Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. Applications can be obtained by calling the City Clerk's office at 347-0456. The deadline for applications is Monday, Oct. 17. Anyone wishing to apply who cannot meet the deadline should contact the clerk's office for further instructions.

**Breaking ground:** Groundbreaking ceremonies for improvements to Power Park were held Monday in Novi. The amenities, including playing fields, will be paid for by a \$300,000 bequest from the late Iva Fuerst, who lived at the former farm at the southeast corner of Taft and Ten Mile roads.

**Haunted House help:** The Novi Jaycees want to "scare up" some help with construction and operation of the 1994 Haunted House at Tollgate Farm, at Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook roads. Construction is underway now through Oct. 11 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays beginning at noon. Anyone interested in lending a hand is encouraged to join. The Haunted House will be open six nights a week from Oct. 14 to Oct. 31. For more information, contact Mike Murphy at 348-8352. Michigan Supreme Court Justice Conrad Mallett will be the guest speaker at the Novi Youth Assistance Annual Breakfast Meeting Wednesday, Oct. 12 in the cafeteria of Novi Middle School. The purpose of the breakfast is to show its thanks to all those who have contributed to the betterment of Novi youth.

**Instant Mastery:** Get a grasp on how the City of Novi envisions its future by picking up a copy of the shiny new "Master Plan For Land Use" brochure. The full color document, with a fold-out map, explains in a compact and readable form the nitty-gritty on Novi planning, including local demographics, future city goals and the parks and recreation master plan. Ten thousand brochures have been printed.

You can pick up a copy at the Novi Civic Center. Copies are also being mailed to homeowners associations and placed in packets given to new Novi residents.

**Applemania III:** An outdoor and nature event, sponsored by the Western Wayne Alliance for Gifted Education, will take place at Maybury State Park Sunday, Sept. 25.

On display at the event, which runs from 1:30-6 p.m. at the day camp shelter, will be birds of prey, as presented by Joe Rogers, and other wild animals. Other activities will include a pond exploration, leaf collecting, scavenger hunt, and S'mores by a campfire.

For more information, call Kris Broderick at (313) 464-3616.

# Community police nets award for Novi

The Novi Police Department's Community Oriented Policing Program was awarded an honorable mention in the 11th annual Municipal Achievement Awards Competition.

The award was bestowed on the department Oct. 5 at the Michigan Municipal League's 96th annual convention at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dearborn. The achievement awards are given each year to local governments that find some innovative way to solve a problem. This year's program included a special category for

public safety innovation, which is the category that recognized the department's newest program.

Novi's Public Information Director Cindy Stewart said community oriented policing is a relatively new concept that encourages cooperation between the community and

police department. "It is a method of policing which encourages proactive partnerships. Identifies community crime and safety issues, determines resources, and applies innovative strategies designed to... sustain a health, vital city," Stewart said.

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### The Log Book

The following is a complete list of the emergency runs 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 26**  
Medical, 41839 Chakel, 5:31 a.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 25757 Meadowbrook, 6:10 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 27575 Wixom, 7:57 a.m., Squad 4.  
Medical, 150 North Haven, 12:31 p.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 24557 Old Orchard, 12:43 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 29888 Pierre, 10:09 p.m., Squad 2.  
Injury Accident, 41080 Ten Mile Road, 10:14 p.m., Squad 1, Engine 1.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**  
Injury Accident, Eight Mile and Orchard Hill, 2:52 p.m., Squad 3.

Injury Accident, Grand River and Meadowbrook Road, 6:42 p.m., Squad 1, Engine 1.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**  
Medical, 29819 Roussseau, 1:06 a.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 42308 Fountain Park, 7:20 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 39750 Grand River Avenue, 8:26 a.m., Squad 1.  
Investigation, 45555 Timberlane, 12:37 p.m., Engine 2.  
Medical, 45182 West Road, 6:02 p.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, Twelve Oaks Mall parking lot, 7:56 p.m., Squad 1.  
Injury accident, Haggerty and Fourteen Mile Road, 11:27 p.m., Squad 2, Engine 2.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**  
Injury accident, Novi Road and I-96, 7 a.m., Squad 1.  
Fire alarm, 45445 Ten Mile Road, 10:38 p.m., Engines 1, 3 and 4.

### Guv's B-day bash held in Novi

More than 1,000 are expected to attend Gov. John Engler's Birthday Bash at the Novi Expo Center tonight (Thursday, Oct. 6) from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

four scheduled throughout the state to commemorate the 46th birthday of the governor and to raise a little cash for his reelection effort this fall.

The three other parties will be held Oct. 11 in Rockford, Oct. 13 in Marquette and Oct. 14 in Mt. Pleasant.

### Lake panel gets more time

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Interest in building on the shores of Walled Lake, where the Big Bands once played moonlight melodies, is far from ebbing at city hall.

The Novi City Council agreed Monday to extend the Lake Property Study Committee's term of office from December 31, 1994 to June 30, 1995, to allow more time for tuning up plans for a \$2.6 million community center on the former Walled Lake Casino site at Thirteen Mile and Novi roads.

"Voters could be asked to OK the sale of general obligation bonds, which are paid off in a millage, in order to construct the 28,000 square foot banquet hall, as well as a fishing pier," said Council Member Mark Adams.

"I was trying to come up with an analogy for people who would say take the money and run. I look at it as the jewel of the community, the diamond ring you give your wife. I can't justify saying I need a new lawn mower, can't we sell your ring?" Adams said.

While council hasn't given their seal of approval to the project, they have given the committee the time it needs to finalize its proposal with the assistance of Novi's Community Development Department and the Oakland County Planning Department. The majority have also endorsed the concept. But Mayor Kathleen McLallen and Council Member Tim Pope say they are unlikely to go along with

the idea. McLallen called the plans "too intense."

"I'm not thrilled with mucking up our most significant public area with a parking lot in front of it," she explained.

"Anytime we're talking about a piece of property worth over \$3.5 million and do not provide people the opportunity for some input, I find that amazing," he said.

"The public is 'welcome' to be very apprehensive about bringing the public in and showing them anything until all the 'i's are crossed.'"

More than the process should matter, he said. Mitzel said, saying that with the city to run the operation would need a staff of up to 75. Profits are expected to be in the 8 to 12 percent range.

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### Police looking for exposure suspect

By RANDY COBLE Staff Writer



Northville Township police are looking for a man suspected of indecent exposure near a group of children recently and they need help.

A Novi woman, her husband and their two children were one of many families who went to Beck Road Park Sept. 21. She had brought her kids to the park to have their soccer league pictures taken.

As they returned to their car, however, the woman told township police they passed a mini-van with a lone male inside.

The man was sitting in the driver's seat with his pants down, the woman said, watching the children getting their pictures taken.

The woman left the area without calling police. The next day, however, she filed a report at police headquarters. Township investigators are asking anyone with information to call 313-383-3600.

### Inspections offered by Davis Auto

When maintaining your car fun and free? When you attend Davis Auto Care's "Car Care Fair" Saturday, Oct. 8.

In recognition of National Car Care Month, Davis Auto Care will be sponsoring its Third Annual Car Care Fair at its facility on Doherty Drive in the Northville Industrial Park. The building will be set up for the fair and the staff will be offering refreshments.

Those in attendance can enter a drawing to win prizes, which will include a \$50 gift certificate for MacKinnon's Restaurant.

With another Michigan winter approaching, there's no better time to make sure your vehicle is ready for the cold.

In addition to checking many important "under the hood" items, such as engine oil, anti-freeze, batteries, air filters and belts and hoses, technicians will also be checking tires, lights and windshield wipers.

"With the virtual elimination of full-service gasoline stations, it's becoming more difficult for our customers to get these items inspected on a regular basis," said owner Jim Davis.

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"It isn't often that we can make car maintenance a fun-filled experience. We pride ourselves on our professionalism, and we know that we provide a necessary service. But we're looking forward to thanking our customers with a festival atmosphere, tasty refreshments and some very nice prizes."

The fair will run Saturday, Oct. 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For further information, call (810) 349-5115.

which now houses 15 repair bays. The technical staff, all certified by the National Institute of Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), can boast of nearly 100 years of automotive diagnostic and repair experience.

For further information, contact Lynn Katsish, Student Services teacher, Central High School, at 960-8611.

### Violence addressed in Walled Lake seminar

Walled Lake Schools invites the community to "Youth Violence: The Drug of the 90's" Wednesday, Oct. 12 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Central High School Auditorium, 2375 South Commerce Road. Admission is free.

Nationally renowned speaker on parent and community awareness training, Dr. Louis Gonzales, will talk about:

- Strategies to turn your home from chaos to calm.
- Factors that place youth at risk of being the victims or perpetrators of violence.
- Early identification of potential problems.

### Okay given to disputed sub

Now that the lawyers have given their OK, Northville Township's board of trustees has given its stamp of approval to a revised agreement concerning the proposed Woods of Edenderry subdivision.

At their Sept. 22 meeting, trustees voted 7-0 to approve an amended version of the agreement, one that is almost exactly like the Aug. 25 deal that the board approved then rescheduled at Sept. 8 meeting. Both chart the same course for the controversial subdivision plan through Wayne County.

Woods developer Mark Gudobono and the residents of the nearby Edenderry Hills subdivision now have the chance to convince county road officials to OK a plan that doesn't include the much-discussed road connections between the two subdivisions. If the county doesn't buy that, the township board could sue them, it could also open the way for Gudobono to seek board approval of an earlier version of the subdivision plan, one which includes the street links.

Whatever happens isn't going to happen quickly. The county is expected to take as much as four months to make a final decision.

The Woods of Edenderry plan was first presented to the township's planning commission in April. It calls for a 101-lot sub on 70-odd acres south of the Hills subdivision. The Hills neighborhood lies south of Seven Mile and west of Shelton.

Residents there have raised a number of objections to the plan, especially the fact that it calls for the streets in the Woods sub to be connected to those in the Hills. Those links, Hills residents say, mean more traffic and crime for their quiet neighborhood.

The township's Department of Public Safety, planning consultants and the commission do not agree, however. They maintain that the road connections are necessary for better emergency vehicle access to the Hills and to ensure proper traffic flow in the area. Wayne County road officials agree as well.

On June 28, the commission on a 3-2 vote recommended to the board that it approve the Woods plan with the street links intact. Commissioners voting for the plan said that the trustees had to be the ones to make the decision to take on the county.

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## Ceremonial gunfire legalized by council

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

If you want to get a change out of Police Memorial Day celebrations and a bang out of historical reenactments, you'll probably appreciate a new ordinance adopted in Novi.

The Novi City Council unanimously approved Monday the second reading of a regulation which would permit the firing of weapons at special events.

"We're going to have some interesting things with historical and memorial events," Mayor Kathleen McAllen predicted when the council OK'd the first reading of the regulation on Sept. 26.

Not to worry, though. The

request for the ordinance change came from Lt. Gerald Burnham of the Novi Police Department, to ensure that these special events do not violate the city's current regulations.

"Needless to say, only blanks will be discharged," Burnham advised the city council.

Now that the council's found the revision on target, historical reenactors and others will need a permit from the police chief before they load up these blanks.

Other already approved ways to let off a gun in Novi are at a licensed shooting range or while hunting with a shotgun, with a local license.

## NFL player to address church

George Lija, former NFL player for the Los Angeles Rams, will be the guest speaker at New Horizon Community Church on Sunday, Oct. 9, at 10 a.m.

New Horizon Community Church meets at the Novi Town Center General Cinema Theaters.

Through eight NFL seasons from 1981-88, Lija played for the Rams, the New York Jets, the Cleveland Browns and the Dallas Cowboys.

He was both an All-American

and an All-Big Ten player. Lija was a center for the University of Michigan who, as co-captain, led his 1981 team to a Rose Bowl victory.

So Schenbeckler calls Lija positive role model for today's youth. George has a powerful message for young people about setting and achieving goals and how he avoided goal destroyers, such as alcohol and drugs.

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## Sounds of the season

One hundred sixty members of the Novi High School choir worked to record a holiday CD and tape that will go on sale this holiday season as a fundraiser for the groups. This is the second time the choir has recorded a holiday tape. This time, the music will feature back up music, including bells, percussion, synthesizers and more. Novi's music students worked for two days, a total of 22 hours, sometimes recording songs up to 15 times to get the sound "just right." The tape and CD will go on sale after Thanksgiving and can be purchased through any choir student, at concerts, craft shows, or by calling 348-8329.

Submitted photo

## Music boosters run bottle drive

Neither rain, wind nor hail will keep the dedicated music students and parent volunteers from their appointed rounds this Saturday, Oct. 8, as the second annual Northville High School Music Boosters pop can and bottle collection takes place throughout the Northville school district.

Members of the community are asked to place any empty refundable cans and bottles in a bag at

the curb for pick-up. Included in this edition is a brightly colored flyer to be attached to the bag, designating the contents for the Music Boosters.

The groups' co-chair Tina Howie says: "This is win-win situation. We save people the hassle of returning their empty cans and bottles and the NHS music program benefits from the funds raised with the refunds."

Howie also commends the management at the Northville A&P for allowing the group to again use the store's parking lot to collect and sort the returns and to accept them for refunds.

"We were all a bit unprepared for the generosity of the community the first time," Howie said. "The store actually ran out of money. This year everyone has all their



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## Loss of farmland is subject of Novi hearing

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

How are you going to keep them down on the farm, when corn prices are falling, property taxes are rising and a developer is waiting a checkbook in the air?

That's the issue a task force appointed by Gov. John Engler is exploring, the loss of Michigan's prime farmland to development. Nowhere is the outcome of that collision more apparent than in Novi, described as a "1980s suburb" by one planning expert.

The Michigan Farmland and Agriculture Development Task Force, led by chair Bill Schuette, held the last of three public hearings at the Novi Civic Center on Sept. 16. The 14-member task force's job is to report on the nature and extent of Michigan's loss of farmland, as well as make recommendations on how land can be kept in agricultural production and how to keep farming, the state's second largest industry, strong.

"Every farmer I know wants the right to sell their land to somebody who wants to pay more than they're making in agriculture. Almost everybody in agriculture sees that as an opportunity for retirement."

Howard Wetters  
State Representative  
D-Say City

Farm subdivision and still another farm on Garfield Road may become a moonlithe policy.

A spokesman from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG), on the other hand, argued in favor of shifting public funds towards urban redevelopment, thereby curbing sprawl.

Between 1982 and 1992, Oakland County lost 30 percent of its farm land to development, while to the west, Livingston County lost up to 16 percent. As of 1992, 500 farms with an average of 100 acres were still in production in Oakland County.

Pressure is on Oakland County farmers, said Terry Gibbons of West Bloomfield.

"People move out and they like

to see a little horse farm out there and then they move out and say 'we don't like that any more.' The agricultural property owner is finding him or herself up against the local government. That's very intimidating and it's very expensive," Gibbons said, calling for more state protection for the right to own and operate a horse farm.

From 1950 to 1980, the population in southeast Michigan grew by 40 percent while the land converted to urban use grew by 100 percent, according to James Rogers, manager of SEMCOG's DataCenter. By 2010, a six percent growth in the population is expected to be offset by a whopping 40 percent growth in land converted to urban use. Over the next 25 years, 500,000 new homes are expected to be built in southeast Michigan.

"That's a tremendous pressure

on farmland," Rogers said.

Farm fields on the fringes of growth areas are expensive to cultivate. Property taxes on farms in Oakland County average \$3,000 per acre, as opposed to \$1,160 per acre in Monroe County, while the price of crops remains the same, no matter where they're planted.

Rogers suggests new subdivisions need to be more compact. Without adopting the goal of increasing the density of new development, we are not going to conquer the forces of new development spreading over southeast Michigan," he said.

SEMCOG's experts are calling tax abatements to redevelop urban areas, diversion of state and federal funds to rebuild older cities,

including the task of making urban schools better and reducing crime rates.

Kaczmarek urged the task force to focus their energies on agricultural production and to "stay away from growth management issues."

"It's market forces that drive where people live and work and communities must recognize this and be realistic when it comes to land use and zoning."

As a farmer, State Representative Howard Wetters, D-Bay City, reminded the task force that farmers also want to reserve the right to make a profit off their land.

"Every farmer I know wants the right to sell their land to somebody who wants to pay more than they're making in agriculture. Almost everybody in agriculture sees that as an opportunity for retirement," he said.

What the task force is not likely to recommend, Schuette says, is turning the decisions over to "centralized planners with green eyeshades in windowless, odorless rooms Lansing saying you can grow corn in that place and build condominiums in this place."

But one expert who testified suggested that it's large lot zoning, such as Novi has scheduled for its relatively undeveloped west side, which is eating up farmland and contributing to urban sprawl. Others point to market forces.

In Novi, a Kroger Store is now eyeing one former horse farm on Ten Mile Road and another horse farm on Fourteen Mile Road has sold much of its land for Haverhill

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Novi woman selected as Columbus Day queen

Gina Terese Franchi, a 23-year-old Novi resident, has been chosen as the 1994 Columbus Day Queen in Detroit. Franchi will reign over a weekend of activities Oct. 8-9 including a parade in Warren, a mass at Holy Family Church in Detroit, a wreath ceremony to honor Columbus at the Omni Hotel in Detroit, and a banquet at the Fern Hill Country Club in Clinton Township.

Franchi is a social worker at Our Lady of Providence Center, a residential facility for mentally impaired women. She graduated from Ladywood High School and Central Michigan University and is the daughter of Gerald and Frances Franchi.

AAUW sets meeting in Thornton school

The October meeting of the Northville-Novis Branch of the American Association of University Women takes place in the cafeteria at their new meeting place, Thornton Creek Elementary School on Nine Mile Road between Taft and Beck in Novi.

Nancy Reame, Ph.D. RN, FAAN, is an associate professor at the University of Michigan and will share again this year more results of her current research on women's health issues. Dr. Reame serves on the Michigan Initiative for Women's Health. She will talk about her most recent work on PMS and will welcome questions concerning the many fascinating aspects of setting up a research project for women.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11. The public is welcome.

**AARP meeting set**

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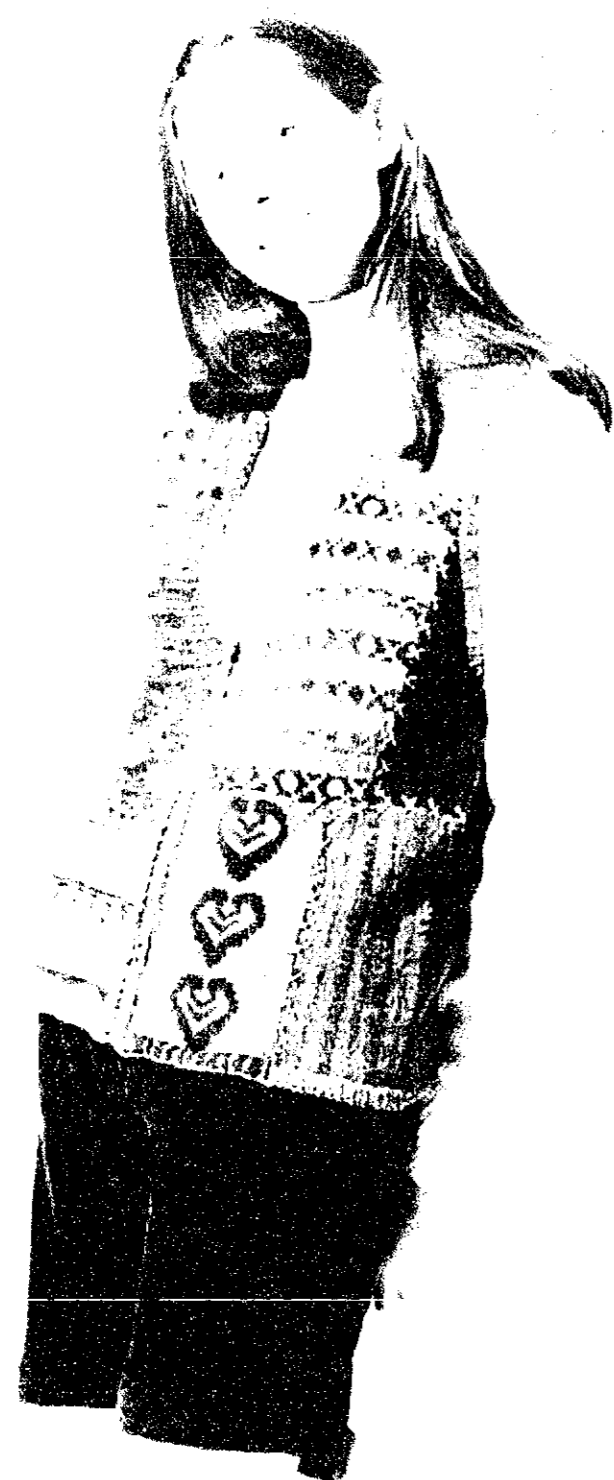


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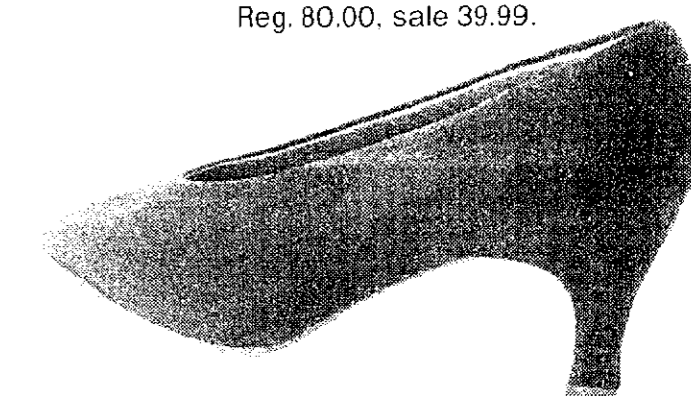


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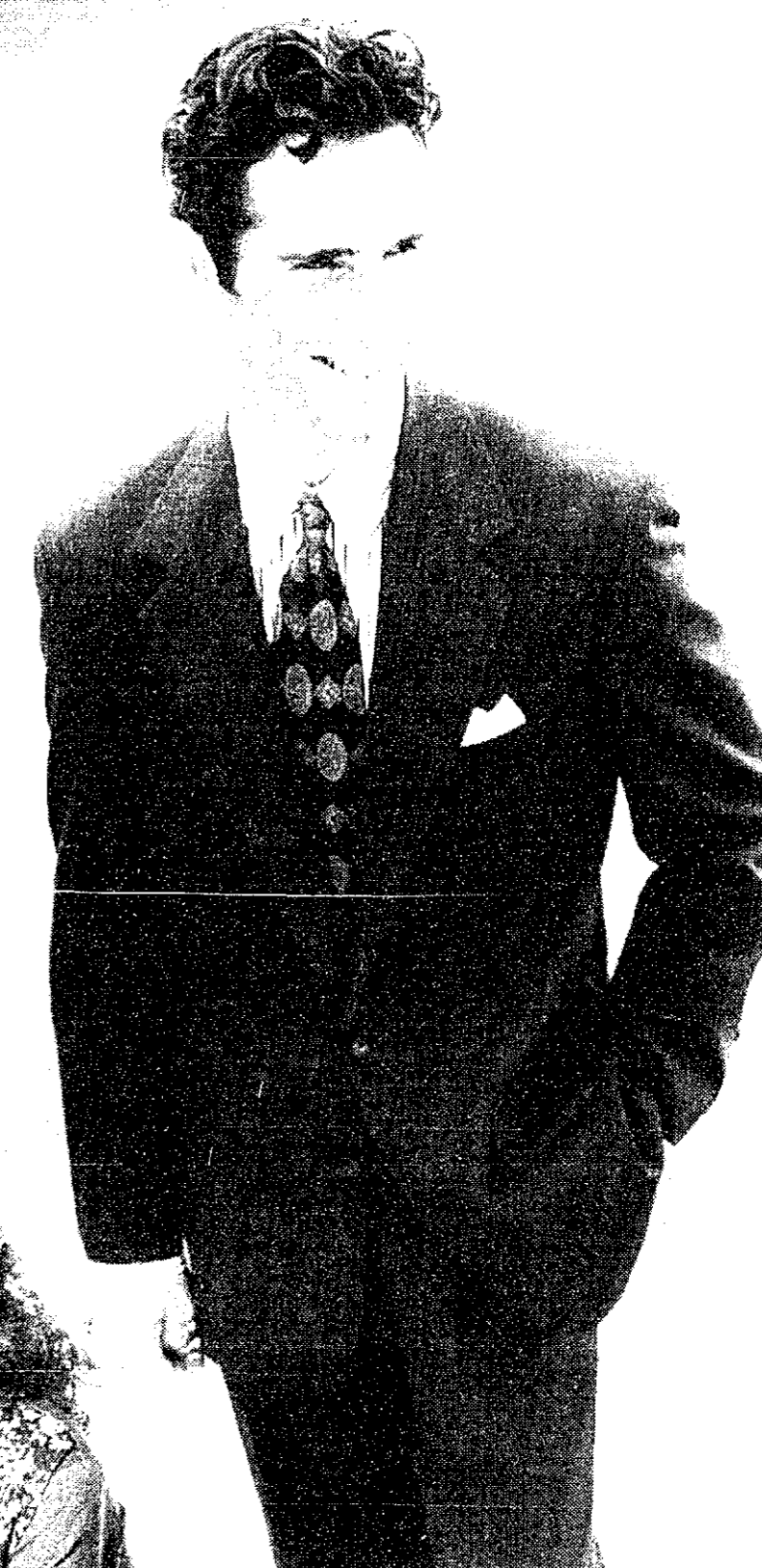
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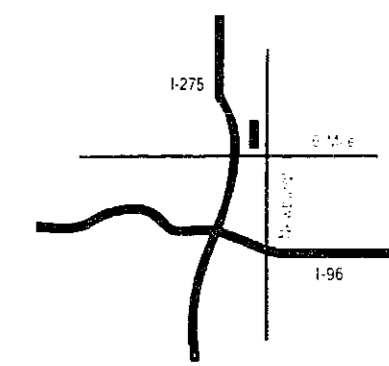
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# City objects to supplying guards

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer  
Thornton Creek Elementary School students will be under the care of a crossing guard when they skip to class across Nine Mile Road.

But the Novi City Council isn't sure they like the safety guard training guidelines mandated by the state, which require the local police department rather than the school district—in this case Northville—to hire and pay the

employees. In this case, the annual draw from the budget is about \$4,000.  
City Attorney Edward Krenwill was drafting a resolution for council approval which would ask the state to revise its funding guidelines and shift this burden to the school district.

City Attorney David Fried said it is purely "discretionary" if Novi wants to provide the guards or not. That was not the real question with the council.

# Ousted commissioner responds to council

Nick Valenti, who was not reappointed to the Novi Park and Recreation Commission last week, told the Novi City Council Monday that he missed his Sept. 12 interview for the position because he was not informed of the appointment by the city clerk's office. Valenti felt one vote short of reappointment.

"Frankly, I'm surprised anybody voted for me, after my not appearing before you and interviewing. It was not an action on my part that I was making light of the process," he told the council Monday.

# Northville gets set for homecoming weekend

By YVONNE BEEBE  
Staff Writer  
Anticipation hung heavy in the air in the high school gymnasium Friday as drum rolls thundered, serving as a fitting introduction for the 1994 senior homecoming queen and king in Northville.

A student fanatically lingered over each of the four senior candidates' heads with the queen's tiara while the students who packed the gymnasium for the annual Homecoming pep rally held their breaths for a moment.

Finally, senior Sandy Morante was crowned followed by a roar of approval from students and a shower of hugs from friends.  
Senior Dave Leavitt was also subject to nail-biting anticipation before he was crowned with the majestic red velvet crown as Homecoming king.

"I am really surprised but grateful," said Morante through a gush of joyful tears.  
Leavitt, who was practically bowled over by a wave of enthusiastic supporters rushing from the bleachers to congratulate him, said he was excited the students voted him in as king.

"This is great," he said. "All my friends got me here."  
And thus the pep rally marked the end of a week of festive activities during "Homecoming Around the World," this year's event theme. It also marked the beginning of a fun-filled weekend of football, a parade and dancing.

The senior Homecoming couple was surrounded by his court consisting of Freshman King and queen Andy Davis and Liz Saint, sophomores Andy Fee and Theresa Marek and juniors Justin Lee and Carissy Kapusky.

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# Schools will take two bond issues to ballot

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer  
In December, Novi school district residents will be asked to approve two bond proposals in excess of \$30 million for a new middle school building and renovation of the existing middle school complex.

The bond proposals were backed by the Novi Board of Education Thursday, but reflected a compromise between what district administrators wanted and what residents wanted to be built into a new facility. Thursday's lively debate produced two bond proposals which will be separately on the December ballot.

More than \$23 million of the total bond package will fund a new middle school for seventh and eighth graders. The balance, or \$7.5 million, will be used to renovate Novi Meadows, Novi Middle School and the Instruction Technology Center to accommodate fourth, fifth and sixth graders' use in future years.

"We need facilities for fifth through eighth graders," Superintendent Emmett Lippe said. "The board has the responsibility to address facilities for students of all ages. It would be a disservice to put fourth, fifth and sixth grades in a school without any renovations. The existing facility is not appropriate for those youngsters."

"I don't think we are going to get resolution of the fourth grade in and out from the community. I also don't think I want to put a bond issue out that is doom to fail."

Renovation costs also differed significantly between the two proposals. In the end, the administration's bond request was trimmed by more than \$10 million before being approved. Deleted from the request was \$1.9 million for a large auditorium and \$5,965 million for district-wide improvements, including \$2.2 million in renovations and site improvements at Novi High School.

Board members didn't buy into the administration's wish list. Instead, they trimmed all the extras and passed a bare bones, scaled-down bond package that will do little more than build the new middle school and allow for the renovations at the middle school complex.

"Let's go for the straight hard line. No frills. No extras," said Board Vice President Ray Byers who made the motion to build the middle school after sitting mum through more than two hours of debate.

Byers has been a strong proponent of the December bond sale. Unlike Board Treasurer Stephen Hitchcock, who preferred a February election, Hitchcock tried to sway board members to postpone the special election until February, but his intentions were overruled by the majority of the board.

"I still think this should be a February bond," he said, "because I want to spend October cutting the budget. I wonder, if we rush to bond, will we be up the administration and there won't be enough time to consider it and inform the public in time for a vote."

"I think we would be in a better position to (get) public support if we waited until February," he added. Hitchcock eventually supported the December election, but voted against the \$7.5 million proposal for renovation work.

"The only thing I could support in December is the seven-eight building," he said. "If you waited until February I could support more."  
Secretary Julie Abrams echoed some of Hitchcock's ideas. "We need to meet the needs of all students," she said. "Mr. Byers' motion causes more turmoil. I can't support it."  
... I would support the February election to add more on to it. But I am not in support of the seven-eight building at this time," she said.

Architect Mike Hall, of Fanning & Howe Associates, who was appointed by the board Thursday night to oversee preliminary design work of the construction project, said a February bond election would delay design and construction schedules well beyond the date the district needed to open the new and renovated facilities next fall.

"That type of delay would delay the opening until mid-term," he said. "Or you would have to leave the building idle for a year or pay overtime to the contractors to get it done in time."  
Byers pushed for the December vote because he said he doubted the community was going to succumb to the idea of relocating the fourth graders in time for a February vote.

"I don't think we are going to get resolution of the fourth grade in and out from the community," he said. "I also don't think I want to put a bond issue out that is doom to fail."  
Some board members fear the elementary plan would be rejected by voters if the majority of the community puts stuck into what the minority had to say about the issue Thursday.

Mary Bohne, an Orchard Hills parent, was one of those parents opposed to the elementary plan. But Thursday's compromise at the board table turned her from an opponent to a proponent by the meeting's end.

"I will back and fight tooth and nail to get this building built," she said after the board's 4-2 vote on the middle school proposal. "I'll back it 100 percent."

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## Northville schools adopting new grading system

By YVONNE BEEBE  
Staff Writer

When parents of Northville elementary students receive their children's report cards during the first week in November this year, they should not expect to see the usual grading system.

This year Northville Public Schools will be using a brand-new report card system that came as a result of in-depth participation from at least 90 of the district's teachers and 1,500 hours of work.

Last Wednesday Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Services Dolly McMaster held two informational meetings to inform parents of how to interpret the new report cards and to discuss the direction of education at Northville Public Schools.

McMaster said the new cards examine a student's academic achievement and behavior in much more depth than before, providing parents with a more precise tool to gauge their children's academic performance.

The kindergarten through fifth-grade report cards categorize the respective academic subjects into language arts, math, science, social studies, social behavior and work habits, art, music, health, physical education and media center.

Beneath each of the academic subjects are a variety of content areas which students will receive either an "achieving," "satisfactory," "developing" or "not yet" (N.Y.) rating.

"Achieving" indicates that the student applies the content area independently and consistently (for example, writes legibly).

"Developing" indicates the student may demonstrate the skill occasionally but makes minor errors and may need teacher support.

"Not yet" indicates that a student needs considerable support and guidance in grasping a given concept and seldom demonstrates the proper skills.

Previously, kindergartners through third graders received either an "unsatisfactory," "satisfactory," "needs improvement," or "outstanding" comment in the various categories.

Fourth and fifth graders received A, B, C, D or E grades with the old cards, with unsatisfactory to outstanding ratings regarding behavior.

With the new cards the upper two grade levels will receive Ach., Dev. or N.Y. ratings in addition to grades in each subject.

After parents have surveyed the content areas of each academic

subject, they can refer to the back page of the report card, the "Benchmarks" page. The Benchmarks page takes each content area of the report card and lists numerous specific skills the student should be achieving, using the Ach., Dev. and N.Y. ratings.

With this system, McMaster believes, parents receive a more in-depth and decisive report about their child's academic performance.

Some parents, however, expressed concern over the new report cards, feeling they resulted in watered-down standards.

Fat Stinger, a fifth grade teacher at Thornton Creek elementary, said she feels positively about the new report cards and although they may present a little more work for teachers, the new system is a good one.

"The change is a welcome change," she said. "They're only 10 years old, let's give them a chance to grow up. This may give them a chance to feel more enthusiastic."

"It gives a little leeway for these kids," she said. "They're only 10 years old, let's give them a chance to grow up. This may give them a chance to feel more enthusiastic."

Elimination of below-satisfactory grades for upper elementary students will give students a more positive outlook on their education and may encourage them to work harder to receive a passing grade, Stinger said.

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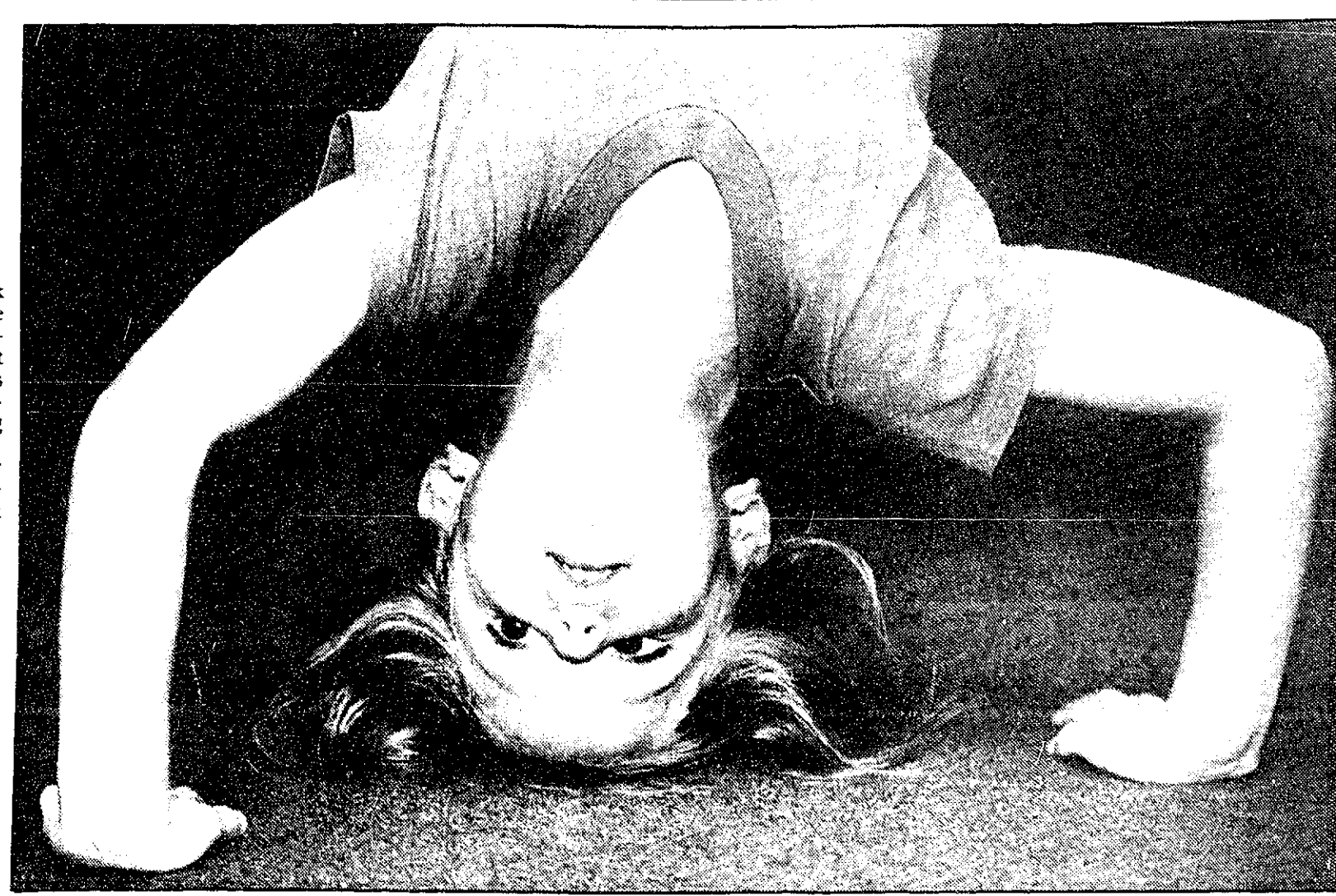
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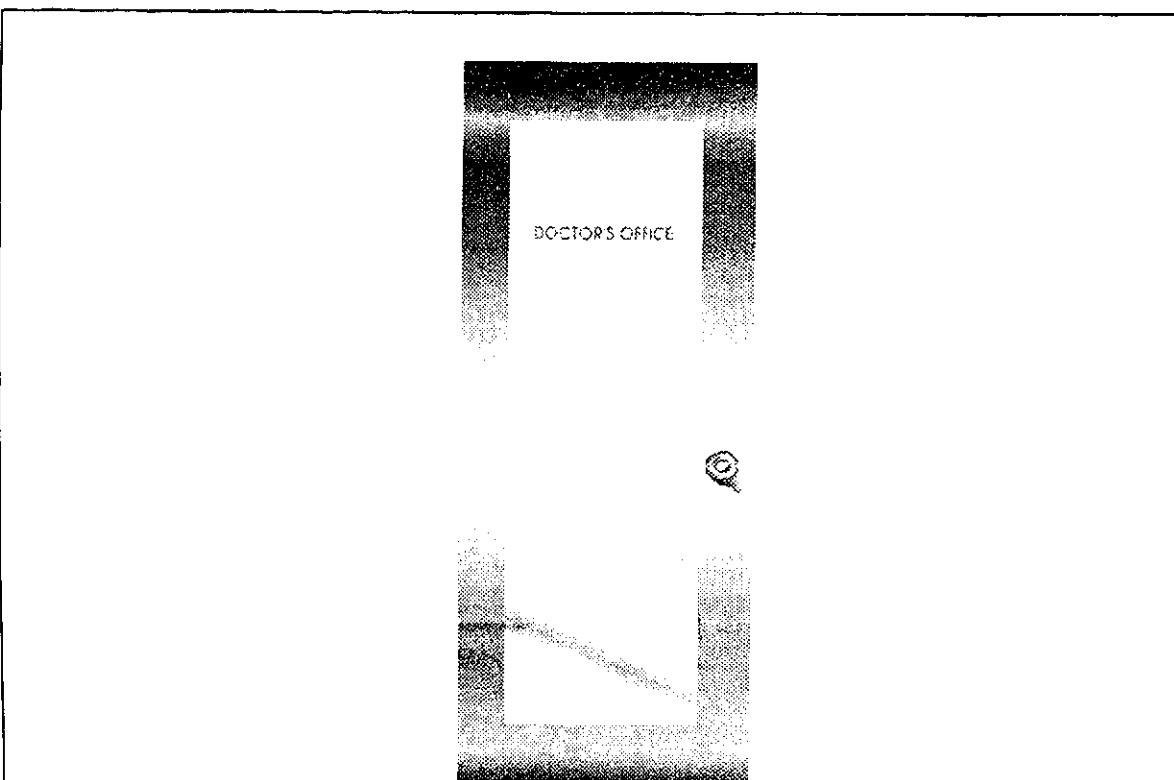
... Or down as the case may be. Five-year-old Nicole Buccella makes a "bridge" during beginning gymnastics class at the Novi Civic Center as a part of the Recreation Center

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## Vic's breaks ground as Main Street loses votes

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Gov. John Engler was invited to join in the festivities today surrounding the official ground breaking for Vic's World Class Market.

Amid all the hoopla the two stark facts—the adjoining \$50 million Main Street appears to be one Novi City Council member short of viability and five council members have just been targeted in a recall campaign based on their support of the project.

The five-Mayor Kathleen McAllen, Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford, Robert Schmid, Rob Mitzel and Joseph Toth—agreed Monday to let Vic Ventimiglia, owner of the market, go ahead and build the first, truncated phase of Main Street at his own expense. They granted Ventimiglia .09 acres of city land near Grand River Avenue, valued at \$28,000, to do so.

"This is something we've been looking at for the past two decades. Hopefully, Mr. (James) Chen (Evergreen III president) will complete the project. If not, someone else will," Toth urged his colleagues.

"Put the blinders on. Look at this as a road going in that will complete the ring road. We'll link the other segments as we go along."

If the council approves a special assessment district (SAD) for Main Street, which would connect Grand River with Novi Road, Ventimiglia will be reimbursed for his expenses out of that.

But Schmid warned Main Street developers Evergreen III, who will be unveiling more of their plans at the ground breaking, not to anticipate much support from him in the future, now that Singh Development Company plans to go ahead and put up 250 apartment units next to the project. Schmid hoped to see "for sale" housing as part of the new "downtown Novi."

Without his backing, Novi's long term dream of a downtown on the southeastern corner of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue could pop like a soap bubble.

"This vote should not be interpreted as to expect further votes from myself. I was led on. I'm disappointed because I thought we had some developers who were interested in the City of Novi. It doesn't bother me if [Ventimiglia] wants to pay for it (the road)."

"Maybe some day another developer will come in and make a lot of promises he doesn't keep," Schmid added, referring to Evergreen III.

Any further donation of city property, including frontage on Novi Road and land near the fire station for a parking lot, to the Main Street project will require the votes of five on the council and it's no secret that Council Members Tim Pope and Carol Mason will not be voting yes.

Evergreen III's Chen threatened in a letter his lawyer sent the city last week not to build Main Street unless the council withdraws a stipulation that no rental housing be placed nearby. Evergreen owned the whole 35 acres but is selling 27 of them to Singh Development.

"I don't think this is ever going to be Main Street for the foreseeable future. The whole project just got derailed in my opinion a few moments ago," Schmid said after Singh won a rezoning from the council majority.

"The land was already zoned for multiple housing. The switch to Town Center I permits a greater density of apartments, as well as commercial. However, Singh agreed to build no more than 250 apartments, which will rent from \$1,200 to \$1,500. Nine of the 27 acres will remain woodlands and wetlands."

"I quite frankly like these renderings. I think the village could

be an attractive addition to that area. This is a good step in the right direction for this area," Toth said.

He suggested that Evergreen might look to the city to build the ring road called for in Novi's master plan at the municipality's own expense if the rental housing was barred. In addition, the developers would "rethink" their use of the property to assure themselves of "some beneficial use of this highly desirable commercial site."

Schmid explained that he feels apartment dwellers will not create the stable, long term population Main Street needs, arguing that the rental units were opted for reasons which are "strictly dollars."

Singh's Michael Kham defended the option. He says the apartment complex, which will include one-, two- and three-bedroom flats and townhouses, will stand on its own, with or without Main Street.

"We don't make that decision lightly. We have analyzed this market. In this particular location, we firmly believe this particular site plan is the best use of this property to support the commercial uses

of Main Street," Kham said.

"The market is not conducive today for the absorption of this number of 'for sale' units in a reasonable time to create a vibrant and lively development. The demand in Novi is tremendous for this kind of living style."

Evergreen III, meanwhile, plans to show off more details of its Main Street, to include 500,000 square feet of retail and office space, at the ceremony today.

Vic's, long-billed as an anchor for Main Street, is expected to be open for business in spring 1995. The 75,000 square foot gourmet

food store will lure local connoisseurs with an 8,000 square foot greenhouse, a coffee bar, an "old-fashioned" dairy bar, a gourmet cooking school, and a 180-seat restaurant with open-air seating.

"I'll take people living with a walking distance of Main Street to make it all work. McAllen contends: 'The goal of this city has long been to develop a viable downtown area. The component that is missing, that is keeping these ends from being sustained, is residential. This is an opportunity to bring people back to downtown.'"

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The Wixom Historical Society will hold its monthly meeting Monday, Oct. 17, with a program by guest speaker Lee Kollins, an automobile historian, who will present a lecture on Ford titled "Did Henry Ford Invent the Supermarket?"

All meetings of the Wixom Historical Society are open to the public and free of charge, including the refreshment that follows. The meetings are held in the old Wixom City Hall at 49045 Pontiac Trail beginning at 7:30 p.m. Hostesses for the meeting are Lillian Coe, Clara Young and Polly Norwood.



### Public Access

The following is the MetroVision Channel 12 community access program schedule for the coming week.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 10**

10:00 a.m.—Travels with Kay Spahn II  
 10:30 a.m.—Women on the Move: Princess Madha  
 11:00 a.m.—Coffee and Conversation  
 11:30 a.m.—(cont'l)  
 12:00 p.m.—F.H. Police Journal  
 12:30 p.m.—Dollars and Sense with J.R. John Goodman  
 1:00 p.m.—Scraps on the Move  
 1:30 p.m.—The Word of Life: The Way Out  
 2:00 p.m.—Novi Talkin' History: Novi's First City Council  
 2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 3:00 p.m.—Farmington's Past, People and Places: Ruth Moshman  
 3:30 p.m.—Library Check it Out  
 4:00 p.m.—Seniors Beware  
 4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 5:00 p.m.—Walded Lake Casino and Walded Lake Amusement Park

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11**  
 10:00 a.m.—Summit University  
 10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)  
 11:00 a.m.—Praise, Praise, Praise  
 11:30 a.m.—Life Matters  
 12:00 p.m.—Adventures with Prate Fete  
 12:30 p.m.—Spontaneous Seniors  
 1:00 p.m.—(cont'l)

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12**  
 10:00 a.m.—Capitol Report  
 1:30 p.m.—Defense Tactics  
 2:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Nail Air Brushing  
 2:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 3:00 p.m.—Dance with Virginia: Satin Dolls  
 3:30 p.m.—Paws with a Cause  
 4:00 p.m.—Farmington Hills Mayoral Election Debate  
 4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 5:00 p.m.—Crime Watch  
 5:30 p.m.—Living with Your Addictions  
 6:00 p.m.—Seniors on the Move  
 6:30 p.m.—Business and Residential News  
 7:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Judge Sosnick  
 7:30 p.m.—Viewpoint  
 8:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Nail Air Brushing  
 8:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 9:00 p.m.—Let's Talk with Ben Marks  
 9:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13**  
 10:00 a.m.—Senior Messenger  
 10:30 a.m.—(cont'l)  
 11:00 a.m.—Seniors Beware: The Furnace Man  
 11:30 a.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil  
 12:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Judge Sosnick  
 12:30 p.m.—Prescription for Your Health: Sinuses  
 1:00 p.m.—Seniors on Parade  
 1:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 2:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts  
 2:30 p.m.—Chi Aerobics: Lesson 25  
 3:00 p.m.—Business and Residential News  
 3:30 p.m.—Viewpoint  
 4:00 p.m.—Law Talk: Oakland County Prosecuting Attorney Richard Thompson  
 4:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 5:00 p.m.—Sharey Zedeck Productions  
 5:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 6:00 p.m.—Farmington Must-see  
 6:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 7:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family  
 7:30 p.m.—(cont'l)  
 8:00 p.m.—Novi News Week  
 8:30 p.m.—Senior Spotlight: New Legislature in Health Care  
 9:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Novi Police  
 9:30 p.m.—(cont'l)

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### Skubic assesses election at dinner

With elections only a few weeks away, the Friends of the Northville Public Library believes it has the perfect speaker for its 11th annual fund-raising dinner Monday, Oct. 17—Tim Skubic, dean of the Capital Press corps in Lansing.

The seven-course dinner will begin at 7:30 p.m. at Genetti's Hole-in-the-Wall on Main Street. The cash bar will open at 7 p.m. Skubic, who has been covering state government since 1969, is also a Capitol correspondent for WWJ radio and columnist. Tickets are on sale at the Northville Public Library.

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**Hall of Fame induction comes to Novi**

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The eleventh annual Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Dinner will be held at the Novi Hilton to induct nine rather amazing women who made their homes here.

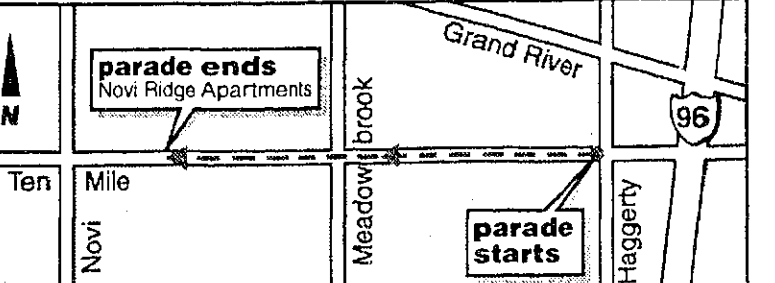
The living honorees selected by the Lansing-based Michigan Women's Studies Association are:

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- Bertha Antonie Daubendiek, who pioneered the establishment of 117 new nature sanctuaries and is the author of Michigan's Natural Beauty Road Law, which led to the preservation from widening miles of state roads. She lives in the thumb area.
- Genora Johnson Dollinger, in 1948 the first woman from Michigan to run for U.S. Senate. She founded "The Women's Brigade," educating women on the value of striking during the 1937 Flint Sit-down Strike and creating dramatic changes in labor/management relations. Born in Kalamazoo, she now lives in Labor.
- Flora Hommel studied child-birth methods under Dr. Fernand Lamaze in Paris in 1952, the year after he developed the Lamaze Method. She then returned to Detroit and founded the Childbirth Without Pain Education Association, training over 18,000 students and hundreds of instructors, as well as giving birth to dozens of similar organizations nationwide.
- She is a lifelong Detroit resident.
- Dr. Flossie Cohen, Director of Clinical Immunology of Children's Hospital of Michigan, was the first to fluoresce red blood cells and is an expert in immunodeficiency diseases. She cares for most of the AIDS-afflicted women and children in Michigan and is a professor of pediatrics at Wayne State University. Dr. Cohen lives in Birmingham.
- Adella Lutz died in France in 1944, the first woman to die in a combat zone during World War II. A native of Freeport, Michigan, she was an Army flight nurse decorated with four Air Medals, the Oak Leaf Clusters, Red Cross Medal, the Purple Heart and the Distinguished Flying Cross.
- Dr. Sarah Van Hoesen Jones, the first American woman to earn a doctorate degree in Animal Husbandry, was a prestigious "master farmer" on her five-generation family farm in Rochester Hills. She died in 1972.
- Marie Therese Guyon Cadillac, Detroit's first First Lady, arrived here in 1701, the first white person to cross the 750 miles of uncharted territory from Quebec to Detroit. An undaunted settler and humanitarian, she helped her husband Antoine de La Mothe Cadillac to transform Fort Pontchartrain into a French colony.
- The awards dinner is open to the public and provides a chance to meet the honorees or their descendants. Dinner tickets are \$75 per person. VIP cocktail reception tickets are \$75. For more information, call 617-478-1980.
- Forty-three remarkable Michigan women have been inducted into the Hall of Fame since its inception in 1983.

**Novi High School's Homecoming Parade Route**

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**Queen to be named on Friday evening**

Continued from 1A

The King and Queen of the court will be announced at half-time Friday night.

"We have made our selection, but it's a secret," Crockett said.

The parade route will change this year and start in the parking lot at the corner of Ten Mile and Haggerty roads. In the former location of Providence Hospital, it will continue westward to just east of the railroad tracks to the Novi Ridge Apartment complex.

### Volunteer Notes

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### Board knew few details of architect contract

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer

Novi schools have contracted the architectural firm of Fanning & Howey to help them design the new middle school building. The firm will be asked to approve in December.

Architect Mike Hall will also be overseeing the degree of renovations needed at the existing middle school complex if voters approve a second \$7.5 million bond proposal to remodel Novi Meadows, Novi Middle School and the Instructional Technology Center to accommodate fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

Hall's firm was retained by a 5-1 vote of the Novi Board of Education on Thursday, although few board members knew any of the firm's or the architect's employment.

His appointment was approved by the board as the sole item on the consent agenda.

Trustee Michael Meyer was absent from Thursday's special call to order meeting.

Board President Craig Foreback said the architect's appointment was made at the recommendation of district administrators. Superintendent Emmet Lippe and his three assistant superintendents interviewed six architectural firms prior to Thursday's appointment, Foreback said Monday.

Before Thursday night's meeting, however, Foreback said he didn't know how Fanning & Howey Associates had made the short list of architects the district wants to commission to design the district's estimated \$30 million worth of building. Nor did he know, or he wasn't saying, how much the district was paying the architect for his services.

Lippe said board members aren't typically involved in the architect selection process. Instead, the decision, he said, was handled administratively at the request of the board.

"It is a very standard practice to hire architects this way," the superintendent said. "It really is very similar to hiring an employee. It's usual, not unusual."

Foreback agreed. He said that in the past, the district hasn't taken bids for architectural work. Instead, firms are interviewed and then offered a percentage of the project's cost, if the bond sale passes. If not, the services rendered by the architect to date are free to the district. However, Lippe said most architects are retained until financing for the project is approved.

The going rate for architectural services is about 7.0 percent of the total project costs, but Novi administrators managed to negotiate a 5.5 percent cut with Fanning & Howey Associates, Inc., Lippe

"I didn't want to influence what they wanted to do because I had worked with this firm before. Besides, it wasn't my decision to make because Jim Koster will be the one working with him."

Emmet Lippe Superintendent

The firm, with an office in Williamston, specializes in designing educational facilities, school officials said. Lippe said the firm had designed a high school in Williamston schools, where he was formerly employed.

Lippe said Tuesday he asked the committee to consider the firm and then left the decision in the hands of Jim Koster, assistant superintendent of operations.

"I didn't want to influence what they wanted to do because I had worked with this firm before," Lippe said. "Besides, it wasn't my decision to make because Jim Koster will be the one working with him."

Two weeks ago Hall attended a meeting of Novi Board of Education, presenting cost estimates and preliminary design work to determine which of the two proposed building plans was the most feasible plan for the district to pursue. Last week, his appointment was approved on the consent agenda without an oral reading or disclosure of how much he would be paid to do the work.

Board Vice President Ray Byers cast the lone no vote against approval of the consent agenda Thursday. He didn't, he said later, because he couldn't approve of meeting minutes that were on the agenda.

But Board Secretary Julie Abrams said there were no minutes on the consent agenda to be approved that night. The appointment of the architect was the only item on the consent agenda.

Byers had no further comment on the issue except to say the process was customary and follows what the district has done in the past.

Treasurer Stephen Hitchcock and Trustee Julie Abrams both said Monday they knew administrators had screened architects and selected Fanning & Howey. But neither knew just how much Hall would be paid.

"We have an interviewing process that we followed," Abrams said. "But Jim Koster would know all about that."

Hitchcock said he didn't believe the architect's fee was an issue until the December bond issue is decided.

"Most of those guys do the preliminary work without charge and if the bond passes then they get paid," he said.

### Parents questioning process in bond for new Novi school building

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That includes four Orchard Hills fourth grade teachers who submitted a letter to the Board of Education protesting the grade change. The letter was presented to a surprised board by Orchard Hills PIO President Janice Wesley.

The letter claims the move is not beneficial to the fourth graders for the following reasons:

- Fourth grade interactions with the fifth and sixth graders is not beneficial because of the difference in maturity levels.

• The current kindergarten through fourth grade configuration is a more nurturing environment where children can be familiar with teachers.

• The district may be encouraging the 'Hurried Child' syndrome by creating a middle school environment for fourth graders.

• Many of the special programs/activities done at the buildings are not applicable with more, larger classes.

• Stress may be magnified for parents and students entering the new environment.

The letter was signed by the four fourth grade teachers at Orchard Hills Elementary school.

Bohme said she suspects members of the district facilities committee may have misrepresented what they heard from parents at the committee's twin public hearings in July.

The committee told you that the parents wanted to build two buildings, that's not what we said," Bohme said. "I don't believe that the fourth graders are ready to be thrust out of an elementary structure."

"They just don't need the added pressure of a fourth or fifth grade building," she said.

Sally McInnes, a member of the facilities committee, denied Bohme's allegations that the committee mispoke the opinions expressed at the hearings.

Ruth Ann Jirasek, another Village Oaks parent, also criticized the plan and the process that led to the decision. She argued there

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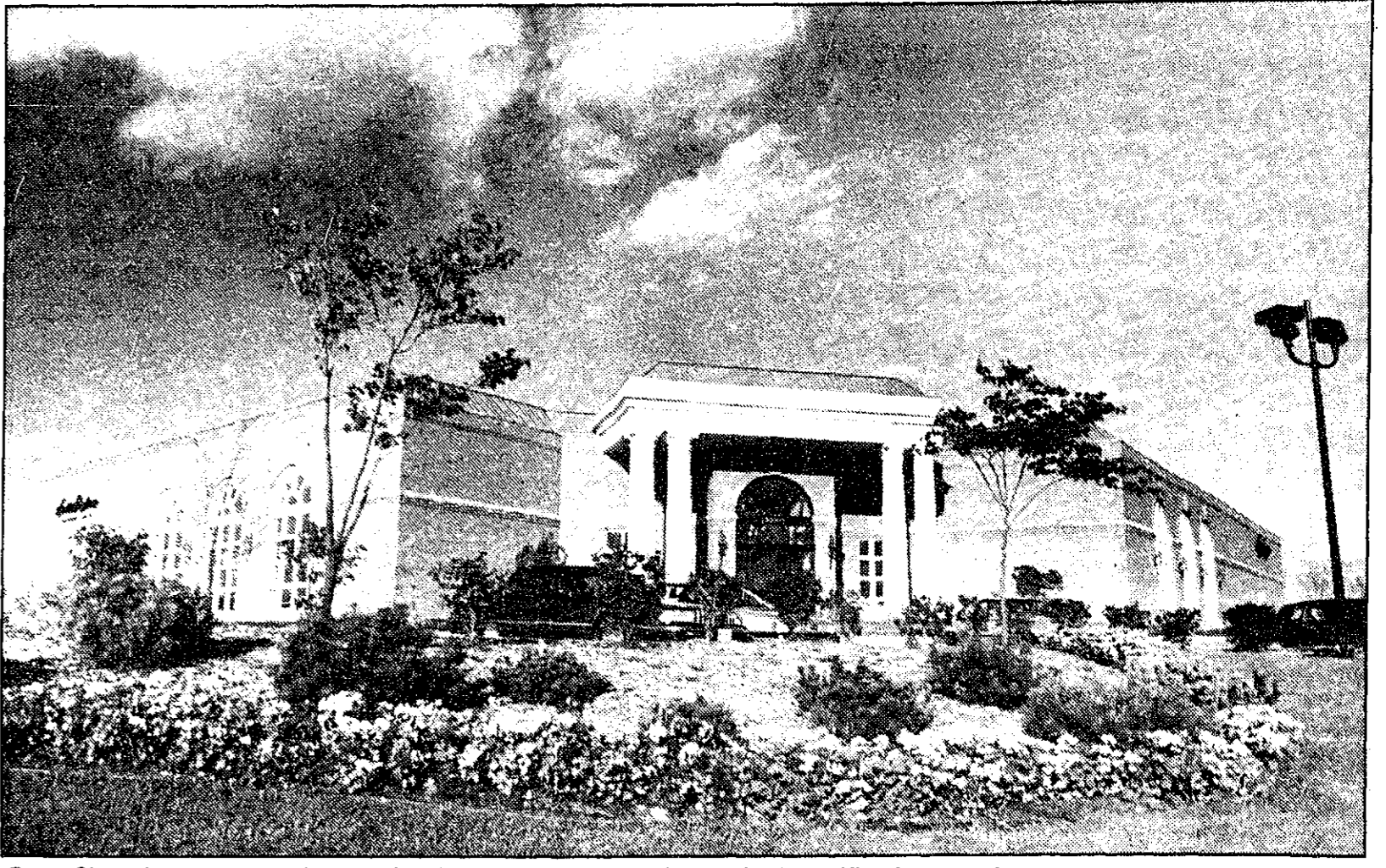
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Scott Shuptrine was named exceptional among businesses in the city beautification awards.

### Erwin files recall drive over Main Street vote

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Erwin back in the hands of the people of Novi." "The commission will rule if the language is clear enough to be understood both by the recall targets and the voters. If so, Erwin will need about 2,500 signatures to get the issue on the ballot.

"I hate to have it come to this," he said. "But these people are in no way listening to the public. There is vast support for what I'm doing here. Put the land out for public bid or they should buy it. That makes it right for every other business in this town."

Prior to the council decisions Monday on the Main Street, Jim Grzybowski handed the council a list of conditions a group of Meadowbrook Lake homeowners felt should be met before the city agreed to subsidize the "downtown" development. He is among several Meadowbrook Lake residents who are suing the city over various grants by the planning commission to the Interlock Corporation.

"We're 200 percent behind Mr. Erwin. We'll be supporting him wholeheartedly. Interlock got us interested in Novi politics."

to the council informed them that "concerned citizens of Novi" and residents of the Meadowbrook Lake subdivision were opposed to any direct or indirect subsidy of a developer or commercial property unless the action had added measurably to the public welfare and did not solely benefit a specific developer or geographic area of Novi.

In addition, such subsidies should be 100 percent in compliance with city zoning and ordinances and should only be made to a developer with a track record of demonstrated contributions to the city for over five years, the letter said. The Farmington Hills-based Evergreen III is now in town.

Furthermore, the homeowners asked that the subsidy be approved by the voters in an election.

"A vote by the representatives of the citizens of the City of Novi which does not take into consideration the above items will be viewed by the concerned citizens of the City of Novi as a violation of the public trust," the document concluded.

Grzybowski said after the vote. "We feel we lost the city and want to get it back."

The council donated .09 acres of property near Novi's Fire Station One to enable Vic Ventimiglia, of Vic's World Class Market, to build the first stage of Main Street.

If Main Street doesn't go through, Ventimiglia loses money out-of-pocket. If it does go through, he will be reimbursed through a special assessment district. The now-approved stretch of road leads south from Grand River Avenue.

If this portion does not become a public roadway, Ventimiglia will have to pay Novi \$28,000. City Attorney David Fried said.

Under consideration but not yet approved are a possible swap of city land on Novi Road, valued at \$645,000, for the road right-of-way for Main Street, assessed at \$665,000, through Evergreen III's land. The city is also mulling over setting up a \$3 million special assessment district to build and landscape this ring road. Future property owners would reimburse the city for bonds sold for the project.

The letter given by Grzybowski

(HBB) will be available. A parent or legal guardian must accompany a child under 18 years of age. Please bring any previous records of immunizations, including notices which might have been sent home from the child's school pertaining to immunizations.

For further information, call 858-1305.

Immunization clinic set in Walled Lake

The Oakland County Health Division will be offering an immunization clinic for Walled Lake and surrounding areas at the Walled Lake United Methodist Church, 313 Northport, Walled Lake, on Tuesday, Oct. 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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## As We See It

### Bond may be in jeopardy, only district is to blame

The Novi School district needs more classroom space. No doubt about it. And no one is arguing to the contrary.

The need for more classroom space should come as a surprise to no one. Novi school officials have consistently said, ever since the bond issue passed two years ago, that another building would be needed about this time. Novi is a growing town after all. Houses are being built here left and right. So it goes without saying that the school district's student population is on the rise. What could be more simple.

Frankly, this bond issue should be among the easiest the school district has ever had to get passed by voters.

And that makes it all the more interesting that the school district is handling this bond issue in such a peculiar fashion. From the get-go, the bond issue has strained the tempers of those involved. By all appearances, the situation looks like administrators are maneuvering to ramrod this bond issue through while some school board members struggle to keep reigns on them.

Never have we seen residents so concerned and so vocal about a school issue in Novi as they have been about this bond issue. And that should serve as a warning sign to the Board of Education and the administrators that this bond issue may well be in jeopardy.

When the district's facilities committee first came forward with its proposals late this summer, the board of education clearly was not satisfied with the answers it was getting. The committee, at the direction of its administrative liaison, had considered only the question of space utilization. The board on the other hand wanted to know how the building would serve the district's curriculum and was disappointed at the lack of information about costs.

Residents—not just this newspaper—then became concerned over what appeared to be an effort to use the bond issue to expand the district's pre-school program. Why should the district be adding preschool programming when there was a shortage of space for students in the K-12 program, residents asked.

Grade configurations were the next issue on the list. Proposals were to move fourth graders to a new upper elementary or middle school, but parents understandably didn't want their kids thrown into a middle school environment that soon. At meetings, parents asked to hear from the experts who said moving the fourth graders wouldn't be a detriment to their social or emotional growth. They received little satisfaction to their repeated requests. Instead they were told that the fourth graders would have more electives and an enhanced curriculum.

Surprisingly enough after months of debate and minutes before a vote was to be taken, some concerned parents got the answer they waited a long time to hear. But it didn't come from the administration. Instead it came from those closest to the students—teachers. Four fourth grade instructors signed and submitted a letter to the board asking that fourth graders remain in the existing elementary school. The letter—from experts—may have fallen on deaf ears, just like the repeated requests of the parents.

A good deal of information has been gathered by the school board since those initial proposals. Talk of a bond issue seemed to be put on the back burner until the board, administration and parents could reach some agreement on the merits of changing the educational program. Less than a month ago, the board appeared willing to postpone the election until each member was satisfied with the changes in curriculum and grade configurations.

That plan all changed suddenly last week. At a special meeting—with little notice to the community—the board hired an architect, wrote and passed two bond

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proposals, and sent the matter to state for authorization. A meeting with the state had been prescheduled in anticipation of a favorable board vote last Thursday. Talk of an Oct. 5 deadline first surfaced last week, less than a week before the district had to make a pitch to the state.

The administration has pushed all along for a December vote, but without a full explanation about what the rush is. If the buildings simply can't be put up that fast, it seems a simple explanation of the timetable would go a long way. For the first time last week, an architect and district administrators said the push is because they're concerned about whether the buildings can be ready for the opening of school in the fall of '95. At the same, the board acquiesced to the call for the early ballot, but divided the question into two bond issues for \$75 million and another for \$23 million.

Even those amounts were trimmed down from the original proposal. Treated like a Christmas tree bond by the administration, the proposal was so heavily decorated with ornaments for the school district that it raised the ire even of the members of the facilities committee which formulated the plans in the first place.

Now an architect has shown up on the scene. A week earlier, Mike Hall, of the architectural firm Fanning & Howey Associates Inc., showed up at the board meeting to present his ideas for the project. And last week, the selection of the architect was approved by the board in a consent agenda without discussion about how he had been chosen or what he was to be paid.

School board president Craig Foreback explained later that the architect was chosen from a field of six firms interviewed by the administration. But he can't name names of the five other firms. There was no competitive bidding for architectural services, board members and administrators alike have conceded, although they say that is standard practice. In the meantime, no one of the board seems to be aware of what the firm's fee will be for designing the buildings, although they have already voted to select the firm.

Interestingly, the sole dissenter on the board to the hiring of the architect was member Ray Byers. Later, he explained to this newspaper that he did not have an objection to the hiring of the architect, but voted against adoption of the consent agenda because there was a problem with the minutes of a previous meeting. But a quick check shows there was no minutes up for approval on the consent agenda that night.

To top it all off, while we were originally informed that while Fanning & Howey Associates was based in Superintendent Emmett Lippe's former school district of Williamston, Lippe had nothing to do with the firm's selection. Now we are told that Lippe was involved in the interviews held last month but abstained from the final decision.

The point is all maneuvering raises suspicion. And suspicion doesn't fare well at the voter's booth. And if this bond issue fails, the Novi board has only itself to blame. As we said, it ought to be straight forward. The need is clear. But that alone won't get a bond issue passed.

One final word of caution to PTO sponsors—read the fine print before you go out to campaign. For these bond issues, you might be surprised as to what's in there.

## Don't shoot yourself in foot



Randy Coble

This time of year always fascinates me, because it separates the men from the boys, so to speak. Kids right now are counting the days until Halloween and Christmas. Most adults most of the time are too busy doing all this grown-up stuff to get the magic of the holidays back. This fall, however, I'm one of a lot of folks waiting for Nov. 8 like a five-year-old for his birthday. That's because all this grown-up stuff to get the magic of the holidays back.

If Proposal 1 loses, Northville Township doesn't have a police department come Jan. 1. It will just shut down; the township may not even be able to keep a fire department running.

If Proposal 2 goes down, Parks & Rec, Youth Assistance and senior citizen programs will suffer, which means that the members of this community they serve will suffer. There are thousands of kids, adults and elderly people who take advantage of these programs in Northville. If Proposal 2 loses, they're going to be hurt and, in the long run, so will this community.

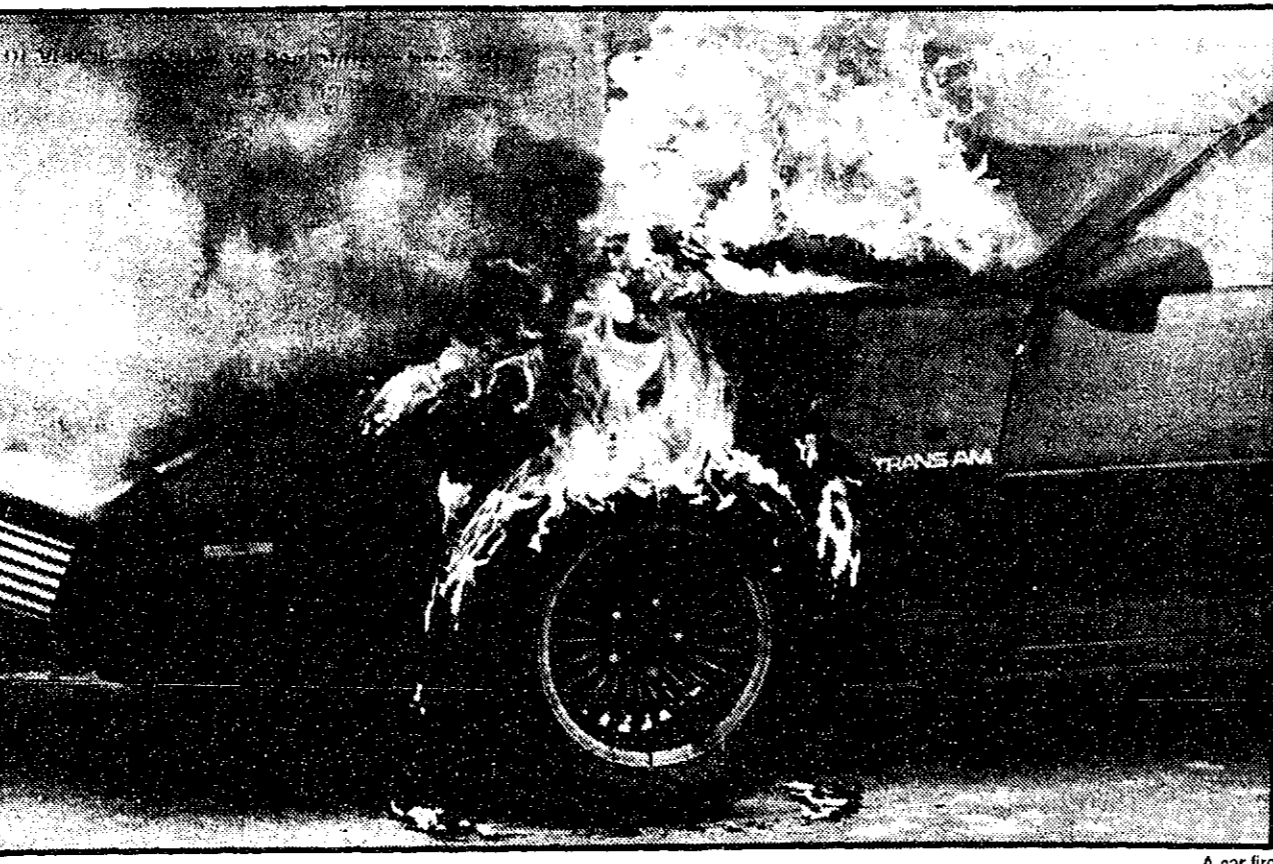
I understand voters' knee-jerk reaction to any request for taxes. These proposals, however, are a case of local tax dollars paying for local essential services.

On the second point, I say this: there are a lot of people who don't like some or all of board of trustees and their decisions. Fine. You want to express that, OK—but don't shoot yourself in the foot. There are plenty of ways to get involved and to change things. They're a helluva lot more effective ways than voting your basic services out of existence as a protest.

Randy Coble is a staff writer for The Novi News.

## Moments

### By Bryan Mitchell



A car fire in Northville Township

### Trans Am or Firebird?

Americans have long been fascinated with the law. For years, we have been delighted by the courtroom theatrics depicted in TV programs and movies such as *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Perry Mason*, *Law and Order*, *LA Law*, *The Client* and *The Firm*. With advances in telecommunications and the advent of cable TV, the camera in the courtroom has become a real life phenomenon. Whether it concerns divorce settlements of the rich and famous such as Donald and Ivana Trump, the trial concerning the alleged rape of Patricia Bowman by William Kennedy Smith, troubling suits over child custody as in the case of Michigan's own Jessica DeBore, or the controversy surrounding the double murder trial of Nicole Simpson and Ron Goldman; the law has leapt into the public consciousness.

However, the law does not affect only public figures or notorious characters. It affects each and everyone of us in our daily lives—when we make a purchase, start a family or go to work. To function effectively in our social society, we must be legally literate. One sure fire way to accomplish this goal is to watch Channel 12's new program—*Law Talk*. This is a one-hour talk show produced and hosted by Farmington Hills attorney and adjunct law professor at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, P. Mark Accettura. The goal of the program is to explain the law in simple, easy-to-understand language.

You won't want to miss Accettura's show on estate planning. This happens to be his specialty. His wife, Amy, skillfully asks how all of us can plan and organize our estate in such a way that we receive full benefits from it while we are alive, and so our beneficiaries continue to do so well after our deaths, with as little delay as possible.

Accettura also has special guests in store for us. Local attorneys, judges, politicians as well as members of the academic world will be featured. Oakland County Prosecutor Richard Thompson discusses his views on assisted suicide and capital punishment. State Senator David Honigman is on hand to talk about a new private adoption bill, which he sponsored and becomes effective Jan. 1, 1995. The new law permits direct adoptions without the usual involvement of state agencies.

Do you have some legal questions you would like to see covered in upcoming shows? Accettura welcomes suggestions. You may contact him at (810) 489-1444. In the meantime, tune into *Law Talk* every Thursday at 4 p.m. and every other Wednesday at 9 p.m. Hear how the law affects you in everyday life—at home, at work, and even at play.

Mary Linda Calderone is the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission.

## State faces two systems of education



Phil Power

I received an enormous response to my column two weeks ago on charter schools and the Noah Webster Academy.

I listened carefully to the voice mail messages. The points of view came through loud and clear. People are dismayed at what's going on today in our public schools.

A woman in Livingston County said, "I have a son who is four years old and would like to put him in a private school situation. I feel that after being a homeowner for over 10 years I have a right to decide where my money is spent for education."

Another woman from Lathrup Village commented, "I am a public taxpayer. My money is going for public schools that I pulled my son out of. Yes, I put him into a private Christian school, where for \$3,000 a year he is learning art, French, band and many other subjects that I am very happy with in terms of spending the last three months of every year like he did last

year studying for a MEAP test that they can't even score adequate grades on." The leading candidate for blame is the MEA (Michigan Education Association), the teachers union.

A man from western Wayne County said "We do need schools that don't teach only what the Michigan Education Association wants to teach. We need alternative teaching. We need privatization."

A Rochester man pointed out that, "Certification and qualification mean two different things when it comes to public school teachers."

Another man from Livingston County even wondered, "Where can I get a deal like you to get some kickbacks from the MEAP? (For the record, I don't take kickbacks, and anybody who works for this newspaper who does will be fired)."

The core argument was put with admirable simplicity and directness by a reader from Brighton: "Why should I pay public taxes to pay for the garbage taught in public schools? There were many variations on that basic point:

A Farmington Hills reader argued that, "We've had the kids in private schools and now a couple have graduated. I feel they got a great education. I think it's totally unfair that we have to pay twice" (i.e. both taxes and tuition in private school).

A woman from Eaton County pointed out that, "We see no reason when we have lived in Michigan for 18 years and pay taxes every year that our children should not also receive a free education and not have to go to the local public school and have things that we disagree with taught to them."

In addition to being struck by the vehemence of opinion on this issue, I came away from listening to reader comment more convinced than ever that now is urgently the time our public schools have got to change for the better or else we will wind up with two systems of education in Michigan: One, private, responding to people's demand for good teaching and learning and another, public, unresponsive, poorly funded and justly regarded as the dumping ground for the lower classes.

I can't imagine any outcome more damaging to the fabric of our society than a school system which drives us apart—into economic and social classes, into differing religious and ethnic groups—instead of bringing us together as Americans.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (313) 953-2047, Ext. 1650.

## Confidentiality the result of competition

To the editor:

I would like to respond to your editorial of Sept. 22 criticizing the Novi Recreation Director for withholding this company's proprietary marketing information from the press. As newspapers have long fought for their right to protect their confidential sources, our municipal representatives need similar (if limited) freedom to protect sources if they expect their employees, suppliers and consultants to provide the confidential information which our representatives need to make truly informed decisions.

Last spring, the Recreation Department solicited competitive bids for proposals to build and operate an ice rink for the use of the community. While our response to that solicitation was selected by the implementation committee for further negotiations, the bidding remained open as the city specifically reserved the right to reject our proposal and to contract with any of the other competitors.

Although the city would assume little financial risk under our proposal, the administration was appropriately concerned, and in order to negotiate the contract, requested to review our proprietary marketing data in order to properly evaluate its risks. Such data, if revealed to our competitors of course would expose the basis for our competitive bid; so we had appropriate concerns for confidentiality.

While the requested review would be presented in public session, we agreed with the administration that our data would be of limited use to a competitor who lacked the entire package including the full sources and methodology utilized to generate the conclusions, and therefore agreed to provide this data with the understanding that the full text would remain confidential unless and until the council would decide to accept our proposal.

Under such terms, the council would have immediate access to our proprietary marketing data, but such information would be withheld from our competitors until a final determination were made. Once our proposal had been accepted, the opportunity for competitors to "steal" our intellectual property would no longer exist. Our confidentially would be given full access to our data in order to evaluate the performance of the elected representatives.

Temporary confidentiality which permits full disclosure to appropriate decision makers therefore is in the best interests of the public. Furthermore, with the understanding that the text be used only for appropriate newspaper reporting purposes, the full text of the study was presented to you and your staff for scrutiny and review.

This should allow any public fears; were our study somehow to be an instrument to frustrate the public good, I'm confident that this newspaper would be first to print the full details in its print.

I would also like to clarify a statement made in a related article reporting on our presentation to the council. That article stated that "his firm is also working with the (Northville) Township."

## Letters

### DWSD objects to comments

To the Editor: We were concerned by the comments made by Councilman Joseph G. Toth in his letter to the Editor in *The Novi News* dated June 16, 1994, regarding the Novi water supply situation. At first, it should be understood that the recent partial water ban was placed by the Michigan Department of Public Health as a consequence of the failure of a water transmission main in Ferndale. The failed water main is operated and maintained by Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority. The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) lent a helping hand in bringing the water supply situation back to normal. This gesture on the part of DWSD deserved appreciation and not uncalled for adverse criticism.

Regarding the concerns expressed by the councilman about Novi's water situation, we would like to point out that DWSD is fulfilling its commitments as provided by the Sewerage agreement between DWSD and the City of Novi. DWSD has its own commitments with other communities also. To understand the operational problems of a large water system, one needs to have a global view of the whole system rather than the tunnel vision displayed by Mr. Toth. DWSD has to cater to the needs of all its customers on a fair and equitable basis.

The solutions offered by the councilman are naive and show a lack of understanding of the operation of our water supply system. Using storage tanks can arguably solve Novi's problems as claimed by Mr. Toth or may create many other problems which Mr. Toth lacks the background to foresee. The

DETROIT WATER AND SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT

Terry Seyler  
President  
Center Ice Management

## Could have discussed concerns

To the Editor: As you might expect, I was disappointed that you did not endorse our bond project in your editorial of September 22, 1994. Of course, one never knows just exactly how a newspaper will evaluate a tax proposition such as ours, and, as a result, the final decision always comes as somewhat of a surprise. It is interesting to note that the other three newspapers that cover our school district, *The Oakland Press*, *The Observer-Eclectic*, and *The Spinal Column* all endorsed the bond proposal, and all three of these papers accepted our invitation to meet and discuss the issue in depth. Unfortunately, *The Novi News* did not accept our invitation. Perhaps we could have clarified some issues and spoken to some of the concerns raised in your editorial had we been afforded the opportunity to discuss this admittedly complex proposition.

Specifically, I am thinking of your inaccurate statement that bond would cost taxpayers 3.5 mills for 25 years. Since bond repayment is calculated annually, it is impossible to set the annual rate of debt levy at the outset. Our projections show the levy for the initial years may be as high as 3.5 mills, but it decreases after that to the 2 mills range, and, finally, in the last 7 years, to a levy in the one mill range.

Of equal concern to me is your obvious lack of understanding about the scope of operating budgets, particularly in the new state funding system, and what's available—and not available—in the annual operating budget to renovate schools that are 40 to 50 years old. The same problem applies to technology, an estimated \$16 million project, which, after two years of citizen study and review, it became obvious that everyone's needs are valid and all should be addressed.

These are the sorts of issues we could have discussed had we been given the opportunity. Perhaps the conclusion would not have changed, but at least the logic and strategy behind the bond package could have been understood. One can only hope that in the future sufficient time will be devoted to important community questions so that a thorough understanding can be gained prior to taking a public position.

James Geisler  
Superintendent of schools

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# Family airs organized laundry in public

By CAROL WORKENS  
Staff Writer

What person has not thought of a brilliant invention—at least one they think is brilliant. Later, they either talk themselves out of it or have no idea how to get

past the initial stage of producing and marketing that brilliant idea.

It happened to Novi resident Gloria Maurer's father. "My dad made a window which would store inside itself, long before they were ever on the market, but

didn't know how to get it passed the initial stage," she said. Like other would-be inventors, he didn't pursue it any further.

After Gloria had a family of her own, she had an idea that she thought would

simplify life. It remained a family secret of sorts for awhile. "Inventor" was still just another word in the vocabulary of the Maurer family.

All that began to change when the family was living in Saline 10 years ago. The three Maurer children were involved in sports and horseback riding. Gloria had had enough of dirty football clothes, or clothes that were in different stages of wash. "I always had something either soaking or hanging," said Gloria.

Gloria knew something had to be done to organize the laundry. She had an idea to accomplish that task. With the help of her son, Dave Maurer, they drew up a rough sketch of a laundry organization system. They had some scrap lumber on the farm and they thought they were ready to build the laundry organizer. "Dave was always making things," said Gloria of her 26-year-old son.

When Ray Maurer, Gloria's husband, saw the sketch and the lumber, he got involved. Being a designer for Ford Motor Company, he refined the drawing and determined the necessary materials.

With Dave as the engineer, his Dad as the designer and Mom as the idea person, a laundry organizer was built. Life became simpler and more organized for the family. "If they didn't get it (the laundry) down, it didn't get washed," said Gloria.

The problem was, whenever someone outside the family saw laundry organizer, they'd ask for one. The Maurers would build each one, still not thinking much of it.

It wasn't until Dave took the laundry organizer to Western Michigan University that they begin to think of their idea as a possible invention. Dave needed a product to develop and present for a class he was taking towards a degree in mechanical engineering. The class requirement was to develop and present a hypothetical product. Dave chose the product the family had already developed for their own use.

The project had to include drawings, costs of manufacture, and stress analysis data. A prototype was not required but in Dave's case, he already had one.

"The professor said it was marketable and that we should patent it," said Ray, something that up until then had not even crossed their minds. It was just something that a few friends had liked and found extremely helpful in their own lives.

Each of the children, now grown, uses a version of the laundry organizer. Daughter Shelley, with four young boys, ranging in age from 1 and a half to 8, uses one. Shelley has a degree in advertising and marketing from Grand Valley State and is writing articles for children's magazines.

Now on his own and living in Chicago, Dave is a design engineer and he keeps one in his closet. He uses it to sort his clothes before they even get to the laundry room.

The original drawing was done by hand. Now a solid model is done on a CAD computer.

The Maurer's had never invented anything before and didn't know how the

process worked. Then they heard about a company which promotes inventions on behalf of the inventors. They plunked down \$10,000 for the company to patent and market their invention.

"All we got was a patent number," said Ray. "They sent out a drawing to about 20 manufacturers every month." The drawing Ray sent to the company was better than the drawing it used to market the Maurer's invention.

The Maurers decided to check up on firm, and what they saw shocked them. They went to a Chicago convention where it was going to be showing the Laundry Buggy, as it came to be known.

"We were able to get a pass through someone we knew," explained Gloria. The invention promotions company had a book containing all of its client's inventions on a table, and that was it, said Gloria.

"I don't think he opened it once while we were there," she said.

"We took a look through the book and the pictures were terrible," said Ray.

"We had done a dba (doing business as) check on them and they had several offices," said Gloria. "Everything checked out."

The Maurers have thought about taking legal action against the company, but found out that the company had very shrewdly done everything they said in their contract and there wasn't anything they could do.

"It was a real learning process for us," said Gloria. "There are other companies doing this also."

The Maurer's decided to hire their own patent attorney and try again.

Patents costs vary depending on the complexity of the invention, said Gloria. Their's was \$1,500, the first of many checks they were to write.

"Dave went to the library for books on doing a layman's patent," said Gloria. "And we did our own patent searches."

Then they thought they were ready to send their patent into the patent office.

"We should have gotten a patent attorney in the beginning to look over our claims of what our product does and what it is going to do," said Ray. Their first submission was returned.

"You need to make broad claims because one person may come out with the slightest change and can apply for a patent on their design also," said Gloria.

It takes one year to get it back from the patent office so you want to make sure you have all your claims right before you send it in, said Gloria. "During that time your patent is considered pending," she said. That's were the patent attorney comes in. The attorney will go over all the claims carefully and hopefully avoid the need for resubmissions to the patent office and the resulting time delays.

The next step in the process was to contact manufacturing companies. Through Ray's contacts, the yellow pages, and resources available at the library they began making phone calls.

The family would call and ask a company if they could manufacture the product. If they couldn't, they'd suggest other

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by BRYAN MITCHELL

Gloria and Ray Maurer's first invention, The Laundry Buggy, started out as a handy item to help organize the laundry.

## Volunteer



BARBARA HERBST

## Herbst crazy about baseball

By DOROTHY NASH  
Special Writer

The show must go on—Novi Youth Baseball, whose playing fields for years have been at Bosco Field on private property but are now sold—and it will.

Volunteer Barbara Herbst can't think any other way—not just because she's "crazy about the sport," as she admits, and not because she has a 13-year-old son who plays, but because as a player agent, she knows how many young people want to be a part of it.

She signed up 650 for this year's season, and she said she expects over 700 next year. Most are boys, but there are girls also.

Before the beginning of each season she sends flyers out to the schools, covering students from ages 7 to 16, "to let them know about our organization," she said. Two nights a week at the end of February and beginning of March she and an assistant register the would-be players and have them sign contracts.

The largest in any group this

year was among the 9-year-olds—100.

She then gives the lists to the coaches, detailing registration in the following ages: 7 and 8, 9 and 10, 11 and 12, 13 and 14, and 15 and 16.

Herbst said she's also on hand to help with tryouts each year when the coaches call the entrants up by number.

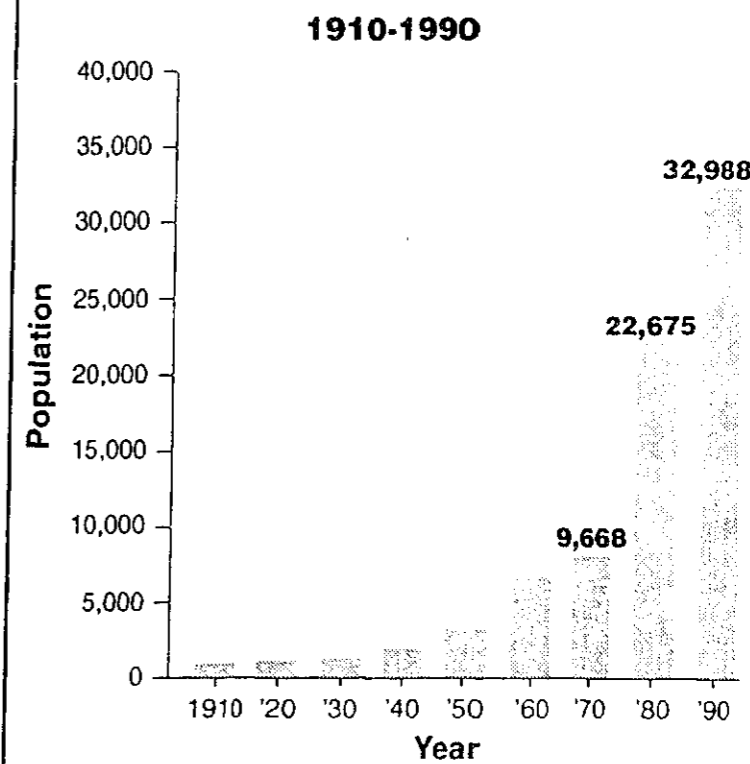
There's talk, Herbst said, of putting together a travel team, which would be made up of the oldest boys, 15- and 16-year-olds.

In the meantime the Novi Youth Baseball League, which does work with Novi Parks and Recreation Commission but as a separate organization, is concerned with finding replacement fields for those they've lost at Bosco. There are some at Ella Mae Powers Park, Herbst said, and they may use them, but they're not enough.

If you are interested or concerned, you are invited to listen in on a meeting of the Novi Youth Baseball League on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center.

## It's a Fact

### City of Novi Population Growth



# Novi Newcomers have a busy fall schedule

The Kick-Off program of the Novi Newcomers and Neighbors has a great success with over 100 in attendance. It proved to be a great evening for all those who attended.

The first general meeting of the group will be held on Oct. 20 at the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. The group will hear a guest speaker from Frank's Superstar Store. The program is expected to be a big help to those who will be making items for the group's November Craft Auction.

Everyone will learn a new craft and have a chance to win a \$10 gift certificate. A short business meeting will precede by the program.

The Craft Auction to be held Nov. 17 at the Sheraton. Viewing will begin at 6 p.m. The auction will start at 6:45 p.m. Items for sale will include crafts, baked goods and services such as babysitting, addressing holiday cards or delivering pies on Thanksgiving.

Another special program in October is an evening at the Park Place Athletic Club, which has reserved its entire facility for the special event. The date is Oct. 21 from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Many programs will be available including a lecture by a nutritionist, seminars, sauna, hot tub, use of the running/walking track, an aerobics class, and weight room. After the workout, several members are planning to visit Max and Emma's Restaurant for dessert.

The new Culture Club went to Cherry Blossom for dinner last month. This month, the group

### Novi Highlights

plans to have a member, who is from England, demonstrate traditional tea time. The Book Club will be meeting in October at Borders in the Express Bar to discuss *Through the Eyes of the Dragon*.

The Crafts group will be making wreath ornaments at its October meeting. Last month members made dried apple wreaths.

### NOVI JAYCEES

October is always a busy time for the Novi Jaycees as they make plans for their annual Haunted House. Work has already begun and will continue through Oct. 11 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and on Saturdays and Sundays beginning at noon. Mike Murphy is interested in hearing from anyone in the community who will help in the construction of the Haunted House. Murphy can be reached at 348-8552.

The Haunted House will be open six nights a week from Oct. 14 through Oct. 31. For additional information, call 348-8552.

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### Division 5 in Leadership Development

Upcoming plans include a Fall Color Tour Saturday Oct. 22 at Kensington Metro Park, complete with cider and donuts. Black Jack training for Vegas Night will be held Thursday Nov. 3 for those who will be working at the Las Vegas Night Nov. 5. Bud Rezek, who is also in training to be a dealer at the Casino Windsor in Ontario, will be the instructor. The session will be held at Novi Bowl. The Farmington Jaycees will join Novi for the program.

The Fifth Annual Arts and Craft Show is scheduled for Nov. 26 (Thanksgiving weekend) at the Novi Civic Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will be co-sponsored by the Novi Arts Council. Another upcoming project is Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 10 from 8 a.m. to noon.

### NOVI METHODIST CHURCH

Last Sunday was the 50th anniversary of World Communion Sunday. The Rev. Art Turner, who is a member of the West Michigan Conference of the United Methodist Church, officiated.

Coming up next Sunday, Oct. 9, the guest speaker will be Rev. Herb Glenn, who will give the Michigan Interfaith Council (MICA) view on alcohol problems. His sermon topic will be "Am I a Good Brother?"

On Oct. 23, the United Methodist Church men will lead the worship services and install their new officers for the year. The officers will be President John Hans, Vice President Phil Martinez, Secretary Greg McCoy and Dewayne Ferris as Treasurer.

### NOVI LIONESSES

This is one of the newest service groups in the Novi area. Members have been working on several projects in the community, such as the 50's Festival, the Country Fest, and have assisted the Lions Club with several of its fund raisers. In addition, one of the groups other local projects was collecting small samples of toiletries, like those provided by hotels. The group made them up into small baskets to be given to the Holy Family Church for needy families and to homebound seniors. Anyone who would like to donate such samples items should contact President Patti Barr.

### Novi Lionsess

The following slate of officers were approved for 1994-95 including President Patti Barr, First Vice President Teresa Mullenax, Second Vice President Dea Gundie, Secretary Kathy Rhea, Treasurer Jane Coates, Tail Twister Robin Rhea, and Lioness Tamer Sarah Young.

Directors elected for two-year terms were Karen Burnett and Mary Fiero. Directors elected for one-year terms were Char Giebel and Joan Morris.

Several of the members attended the first Lionsess Forum for this coming year at the Leader Dog for the Blind school in Rochester where they met other Lionsesses in the district, made plans for fund raising, and planned for the district convention. The local fund raising committee also held a meeting to discuss ideas for this coming year at the home of Sarah Young. Those who are on the committee included Patti Barr, Kerry O'Dea Koppin, Kathy Rhea, Robin Rhea and Sarah Young.

### Campus

Novi residents ANNE T. ALEXANDER, bachelor of arts, communication; KAREN L. BURDETTE, master's degree, student affairs administration; DEREK A. GUARASCIO, bachelor of science, building construction management; KEELY J. HARRIS, bachelor of arts, English; JILL J. JENKINS, bachelor of arts, English; MICHAEL J. KRINEIR, bachelor of arts, marketing; GWENDOLYN COMFORT ROWLANDS, bachelor of arts, MLM, purchasing and operation management; and KRISTEN SUE SARD, bachelor of arts, social science, were among 1,950 degree candidates at Michigan State University for the summer of 1994.

### Novi Residents

The following Novi residents have received degrees from Walsh College: TIMOTHY D. DYE, bachelor of accountancy with distinction; LISA M. T. SCHAEFER, master of science in management with distinction; CHRISTINE BELLAFAIRE, master of science in finance with high distinction; KEITH M. STOPS, master of science in finance, with high distinction; JEFFREY W. KAY, master of science in taxation with high distinction; CRAIG A. MATHIESEN, master of science in taxation with distinction; from Walled Lake, TRACY JO ROTE-KILBANE, bachelor of business administration; LUANN M. WARREN, master of science in taxation; from Wixom, CHRISTOPHER D. CORKERY, bachelor of business administration with distinction; TIMOTHY M. HUPT, master of science in finance, with high distinction; MATTHEW J. JURSEK, master of science in management with distinction; CRYSTAL G. PILASKE, bachelor of business administration; ELIZABETH ANN VEACH, master of management with distinction. They received their degrees at the College's 70th commencement ceremony held in June. More than 900 graduates made up the largest graduating class in the College's 72 year history.

Novi Highlights is written by Jeanne Clarke. Should you wish to contact her with information for this column, please call 624-0173.

Both board meetings and general membership meetings of the local chapter are held at Denny's Restaurant at 6:30 p.m.

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REBECCA A. EARL, of Novi, associates degree, business management; and LISA M. BRAUNINGER, of Walled Lake, associate's degree, automotive after market management, have received their degrees from Northwood University.

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DAVID K. BEST and ANJANETTE M. GENOVESE were among more than 248 students named to the Kalamazoo College's dean's list for the last academic quarter.

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EMMETT LIPPE has been named to the President's Advisory Council of Excellence at Huntingdon College.

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PACE was established at the college to assist in the pursuit of excellence in every phase of the college's operation.

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PACE members will advise Huntingdon College president C. Blair Dowden in a variety of ways, drawing from their individual areas of expertise. They will voice

# Arts Council elects new officers



Outgoing president Paula Joyner Clinard (left) and the newly elected officers for the Novi Arts Council—president Ann Oberts (center), and vice president Melissa O'Rear.

The Novi Arts Council elected new officers at its annual meeting on Sept. 10.

New officers include President Ann Oberts, Vice President Melissa O'Rear, Secretary Donna Williams, and Treasurer Warren Ledger. Appointed chairpersons are: Publicity Paula Joyner-Clinard, Membership Development, Kathy Mutch and Melissa O'Rear; Gate Six Gallery, Larry Champagne; Performer Showcase, Meredith Gerard; and Historian, Helen Scabier.

Business included in the annual meeting was membership approval of the proposed '94-'95 calendar. Activities planned for the coming year are the Holiday Arts and Craft Show on Nov. 26 co-sponsored with the Novi Jaycees, the Annual Photo Contest, and sponsorship of arts activities for the Novi schools.

Year-long activities include the Performer Showcase and the Six Gallery in the Novi Civic Cen-

Information regarding applications for the Showcase and Gallery can be obtained by calling 347-0400.

A lifetime Novi Arts Council membership was awarded to Helen Scabier. Scabier has been a member of the Novi Arts Council since its inception and has served in various capacities but for the longest time as a volunteer coordinator. In 1993, a lifetime membership was awarded to Warren Ledger.

Ann Oberts, incoming president, presented outgoing president Paula Joyner-Clinard with a plaque for her service to the Novi Arts Council.

Monthly meetings of the Novi Arts Council are held on the third Monday of the month at the Civic Center.

Membership information may be received by calling 344-0400.



Ann Marie Salo won top honors in the talent competition.

# Local teen brings trophies home

Ann Marie Salo, daughter of Keith and Jenny Salo of Novi, recently represented the City of Novi as a finalist in the pre-teen Michigan Scholarship and Recognition program.

Salo won the grand prize of a \$100 educational bond and a trophy for being first place winner in talent for her tap dance performance. She placed first runner up in the speech competition, receiving a trophy for her speech, entitled "Education: The Key to the Future."

Salo received a third trophy for being selected best performance in the category of "On Stage Expressiveness and overall Pre-Teen Image."

She also received a plaque for being chosen a semifinalist. The following local businesses sponsored Salo at the state event: Michael Gabriel, State Farm; Billie Mercer, Real Estate One; Dr. Herbert Elfring, Jr., DDS; and Sue Cutting, Country Fare.

The Pre-Teen America Scholarship and Recognition Program is a by-invitation only event involving young ladies seven to 12 years of age ranking in the top 10 percent of the state academically.

# Boy Scout chosen to attend jamboree

Andrew Kureth will be among 30,000 teenage youth from more than 100 countries who will attend the XVIII World Jamboree to be held in Holland.

Kureth is from Boy Scout Troop 407, which is chartered to Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi. He is one of the nine boys who will represent the Boy Scouts of America and the Clinton Valley Council at the quadrennial event. The jamboree will be held Aug. 1-11, 1995, approximately 40 miles north of Amsterdam.

Using the theme "Future is Now," the scouts will test their

skills with other teenage youth from around the world.

The gathering is designed to be a "dramatic demonstration of Scouting's ability to develop world brotherhood, a spirit of fellowship, and a source of understanding among young people of all races, creeds, and nationalities," said Jim Matsumoto, Council Vice President and World Jamboree Staff Member.

Kureth's father, Charles Kureth Jr. of Novi, attended the 1963 World Jamboree held in Greece. Kureth is a senior at Country Day School.

# Lippe picked for college advisory board

Novi schools Superintendent Emmett Lippe has been named to the President's Advisory Council of Excellence at Huntingdon College.

PACE was established at the college to assist in the pursuit of excellence in every phase of the college's operation.

PACE members will advise Huntingdon College president C. Blair Dowden in a variety of ways, drawing from their individual areas of expertise. They will voice

their opinions on college activities and plans, assist the college in obtaining gifts and grants, and serve as a sounding board for proposed facilities and programs. Members will encourage prospec-

tive students to enroll at Huntingdon College. They will also serve as advisory members of the college board of trustees and make suggestions and recommendations to committees.

Lippe holds degrees from Huntington (B.S.), the University of Northern Colorado (M.A.), Michigan State University (M.A. and Ed.S.) and Ball State University (Ed.D.)

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

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

<b>WALLED LAKE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Rev. Stephen Spinks 300 Mound Ave. at Forest Hill (Former First of America Bank at Forest Hill) Walled Lake, Michigan 48384 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Nursery Available All Week	<b>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 2001 Main St., Northville 48191 Worship at Church School 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Rev. MERVYN JONES, Pastor Rev. JOANNE SMITH, Minister of Evangelism & Singing Rev. MARY ANN, Minister of Music & Church School
<b>ST. JOHN LUTHERAN FARMINGTON HILLS</b> 43225 Oak Road (between Grand River & Freedom) Worship at 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. (Nursery) Church School 9:40 a.m. Pastor: Daniel Cope (313) 474-6584	<b>SPIRIT OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH - E.L.C.A.</b> 40700 W. 10 Mile (W. of Hoagerty) Sat. 5:30 p.m., Sun. 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Church School 9:30 a.m. Church Office 477-4206 Pastor Thomas A. Schieger
<b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 9 Mile & Meadowbrook Worship at 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. David A. Christensen, Pastor 9:10 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class Wed. Fellowship/Vocal Service	<b>OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> 701 River, Northville Worship 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. Church School 9:45 a.m. Religious Education 389-2297
<b>FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST</b> 1100 W. W. Hoagerty, Apt. 1 Riverton, Michigan Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Daniel Cope (313) 474-6584	<b>FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 26250 Hollister Road Farmington Hills, Michigan Worship at 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Also, First and Third Sunday of 7:00 p.m. Church Office 477-4206 Pastor Thomas A. Schieger
<b>NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY</b> 41355 Mile Road Church Office 349-3140 Sunday 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Worship at 9:45 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Pastor: Daniel Cope (313) 474-6584	<b>ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD</b> High & Elm Street, Northville Worship 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship at 9:45 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
<b>NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 41671 9 Mile & Meadowbrook 249-2652 Church Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m. Nursery, Cradle Roll, Baptism, Confirmation Choral & Jubilee Choir Church Office 349-2652	<b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 349-1144 * 8 Mile & Taff Road Worship Services & Sunday School 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Nursery both services (see hours) Summer Worship 8:30 & 10:00 (July thru Labor Day) Sunday School 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Dr. Douglas W. Warren, Rev. Thomas M. Beagan Rev. Arthur J. Spitzer
<b>MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH</b> 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. Novi at 8 Mile Morning Worship 10 a.m. Church Office 349-7577 Minister: Rev. E. Neil Hurl Minister of Music: Roy Ferguson	<b>ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH, SBC</b> 23455 Novi Rd. (between 8 Mile & 9 Mile) Bible Study Sat. 9:45 a.m. Worship Services 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m. Dr. Charles Ott, Pastor, 349-5665 We Will Love You With The Love of The Lord
<b>CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL</b> 10 Mile between Taff & Beck, Novi Phone 349-1175 Sunday 7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist Sunday 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:30 a.m. Sunday School & Nursery	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NOVI</b> 45301 11 Mile at 10th St. Home of 170 Churches, 27560 Grosse Pointe Sun. School 7:45 a.m. Worship at 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. Worship Services 10:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Pastor: Dr. Gary Elmer, Pastor 349-3447
<b>WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH</b> 17000 Farmington Livonia 422-1150 Services 8:00, 9:15, 10:45am, 12:00pm Sunday School & Nursery Provided 7:30 p.m. evening service Service 11:00am WORF - AM 10:00	<b>NEW HORIZON COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> Novi Town Center Sunday Services - 10:30 - 11:00 A.M. Mike Heuser, Pastor 305-8703 A new church with a fresh approach
<b>ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI</b> 44232 10 Mile, Novi Nov. M. 8:37 a.m. Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Reverend: James E. Moran, Pastor Pastor Office: 347-7776	<b>FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH</b> 44402 W. 10 Mile Novi, Novi 349-5666 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd. Diocese of Henderson, Pastor J. Cyrus Smith, Associate Pastor Worship & Church School 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.
<b>CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b> 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, MI 48375 Morn. Serv. 8:30 a.m., Sun. 10:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. Holy Days 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. Father Andrew Tomasco, Assoc. Pastor Pastor Office: 349-6667	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 217 N. W. 10 Mile, Novi 349-1020 Rev. Stephen Spinks, Pastor Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 7 p.m., Pottery Sat 7 p.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

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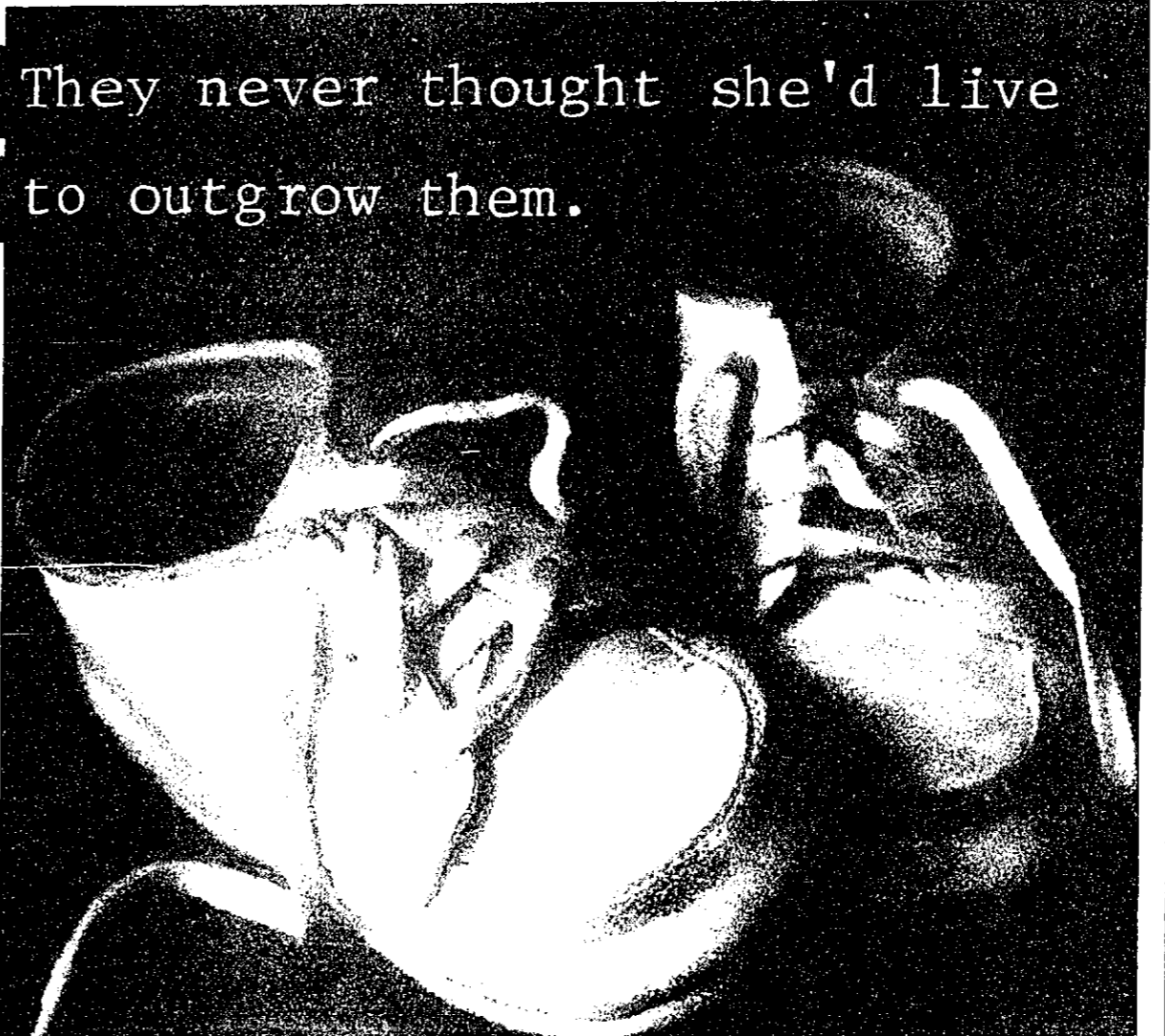
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Mayor Kathleen McLallen and Mitchell Tolle at Novi Arts Council season opener featuring the artist's work.

Artist Mitchell Tolle kicks off season for Novi Arts Council

The Novi Arts Council began its fall season with a reception to showcase and honor the American artist-Mitchell Tolle.

The reception was held at the Novi Civic Center Atrium. During the reception, Tolle was available to visit with guests and present remarks.

Tolle is a native of Berea, Ky., and has been a well-known working-artist for over 20 years.

Tolle's art captures the images and essence of America—evocative, emotional, breathtakingly lovely, yet appealingly simple and straightforward.

Church

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 777 W. Eight Mile Road. The 1994 Stewardship campaign will include a 24-hour prayer vigil this year beginning at 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, and concluding at 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8. Prayer requests are being taken now.

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 21355 Meadowbrook Road in Novi. The annual M.A.S.H. road rally will be held Saturday, Oct. 8.

The Women's Christian Service (WCS) 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. Much help is needed. Call Peg Fountain or Molly Daley if you can help.

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, added a Mass to the Sunday schedule. The new schedule will be 8:30 and 11:30 a.m.

The St. James Halloween Party for children age 9 and up will be held at Parkview Elementary School gym on Friday, Oct. 28 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Look for a flyer in the Oct. 8 and 9 bulletin only. 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.

George Lilja, 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 Horizon meets at the Novi Town Center General Cinema Theaters.

Through eight NFL seasons from 1981-88, Lilja 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.

Lilja has a powerful message for young people about setting and achieving goals and how he avoided 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.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, 24505 Meadowbrook Road in

Inventing is a family affair

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companies for us to contact," explained Gloria.

"We looked for a manufacturer who does packaging," said Ray, eliminating the need to look for a separate packaging company. The Maurers wanted their product to be made in America.

"The Maurers did a survey to find out what the market was like. "We sent out 100 letters and brochures to places like Walmart and K Mart," said Ray. "We got feedback that people were interested."

Another aspect of the process is the financial end. "It cost \$300,000 to buy three dies and do a first run of 10,000," said Ray.

"The manufacturing process takes three months for the first run," said Ray. Manufacturing time varies by product.

"Yet another decision will have to be made by the Maurers, whether to let a store have exclusive rights, which means they will be the only company selling the product, or to go with a broader selection of companies."

"Our goal is to have our own business," said Gloria. They are heading in the right direction towards achieving that goal—Maurer Product Development. "We will

be designing for people, using CAD designs and acting as consultants for inventors," said Gloria.

"It became a lot more complicated than we thought," said Gloria. But if they had to do it all over, they would, she said.

"It's a family project," explained Gloria. "It's nice to see Ray and Dave working together."

"Ray will retire in the next few years and will work on our own business," said Gloria. "We hope to have something for each to do in the business."

The Maurers have been Novi residents for six years now. When not inventing, Gloria works part time for a rehabilitation center and has her own secretary service—Printing Partners Secretarial Service. They were Anway Distributors for 20 years before moving to Novi.

"We only take care of the distributors we already have now," said Ray.

Inventing is something they pay more attention to now. Invention number two has a patent pending and a couple more are in the preliminary stages.

NHS Honor Society wants your winter clothes

10:30 a.m. Afternoon drop-off will be held from 2:10 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. all five days.

Northville High School's National Honor Society is sponsoring a winter clothing drive to assist Operation Helping Hand and the Hubbard-Richard Citizens District Council of Detroit.

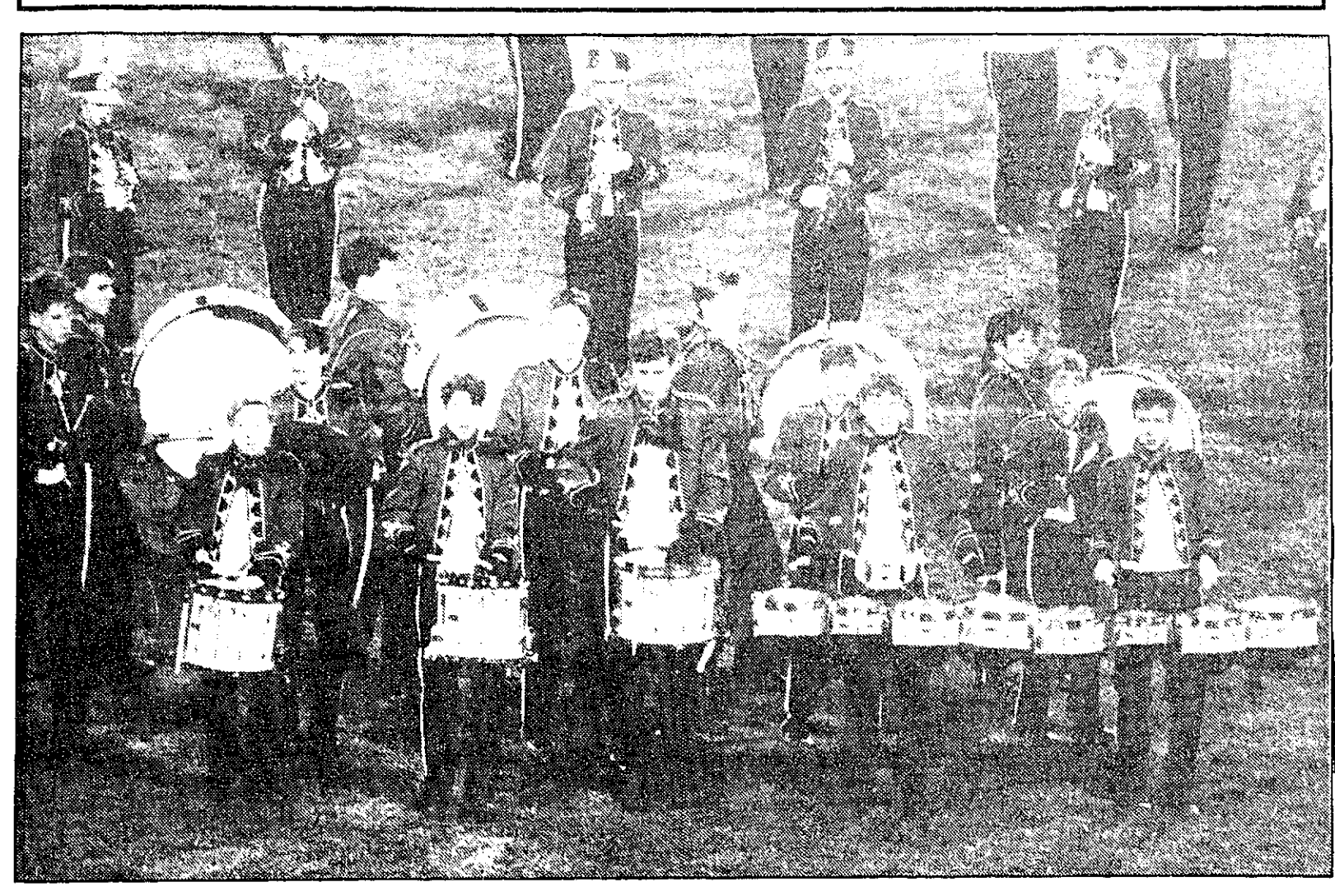
The drive will take place Monday through Friday, Oct. 10-14. People with winter clothing to donate should bring the items to the main entrance at Northville High School.

Take the articles into the school and someone will be stationed in the lobby to receive them.

Morning drop-off times will be from 7:30 a.m. every day except Wednesday, Oct. 12, when morning drop-off will take place at 8-

especially needed are winter coats, hats and gloves, blue jeans gym shoes, socks and underwear.

Diversions



File photo

The Novi Marching Band, shown above in performance last year, is back in action and off a great start for the season.

Novi Marching Band back in action

The Novi Wildcat Marching Band, under the direction of Scott Boerna, is pumped up and ready for the fall marching season.

After a week of long, hot 12-hour days of band camp under the new drum majors - Courtney Lind, Rachel Bissi and Chris Goss - the band has learned its new Broadway show "Crazy for You." Members have started performing at the home football games, and

show is an exciting one. There's lots of tap dancing, flag throwing and toe tapping music. At the Clarkston Invitational at the end of September, the band performed its first competition of the year. It received second place, just missing first by four points. Boerna was speechless. The score was an extremely high 54 point, unheard of at a first competition, he said. He praised the band members for their hard work and dedication. This promises to be an exciting season, he concluded.

The Novi Wildcat Marching Band will be performing at the Brighton MSBOA, the Plymouth Invitational and the State Championships at Eastern Michigan University. Novi residents can also catch them at all of Novi's home football games.

Intown

Submit items for the entertainment listings to "The Novi News, 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. Oct. 7 and 8 at the Water Tower Theatre, located on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital. Enjoy blockbuster songs from hits such as Miss Sappho, Les Miserables, Eliza, 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.

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 videotaped for residents.

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

MUSICIANS, actors, poets, dancers, etc., are invited to submit application forms and audition tapes, if available, to the Novi Arts Council. For further information, contact the arts council, 347-0400.

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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 Fantasticks by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt.

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.

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.

SUNSET GRILL: The Grill hosts a blues "jam" every Tuesday, beginning at 8 p.m. The grill is located on the corner of South Lake and Novi roads.

EXHIBITION ART: First Presbyterian Church of Northville's Second Annual Juried Art Exhibition will take place Oct. 8-15. The multi-media event will feature Michigan artists and juror James Navarra from Wayne State University.

TOO CHEZ: Too Chez, located across from Twelve Oaks Mall, Novi, offers live jazz entertainment from 6 to 10 p.m. Mondays and 7 to 11 p.m. Fridays.

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 Dinner to be held at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 8 and 10 in the college's Western Center.

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BACKDOOR GALLERY: Farmington's Backdoor Gallery on 37220 Eight Mile Road specializes in unusual art dolls. The gallery is in the home of co-owner Kathy Landers.

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# Movies

## Grisham has another hit with court room thriller

THE CLIENT  
By Mike Kapukey  
Northville

Another escapade through the mind of John Grisham storms the big screen.

"The Client" is a roller coaster ride through the problems one young boy braves when he is the witness to a suicide. Soon a whole band of tattoo-carved, mole-dotted, dark thugs are threatening to kill him if he testifies for the murder of a senator.

Above all the mafia, lawyers like Tommy Lee Jones are there to suck all the evidence out of him. In steps Susan Sarandon, a fast-talking rookie lawyer determined to help her young client obtain justice and, basically, remain alive.

Here is a flick packed with suspense, verbal brawling, and the case is closed with only one scene in a court room. Great acting by all, young and old. If you enjoyed "The Firm," you will enjoy this movie.

"The Client" defends a sturdy four stars (based on a five-star scale with five being the top). Another thriller that explores the conspiracies of law.

When will they have suspense thrillers that involve engineers?

THE SUNSHINE BOYS  
By Helaine Blainock  
Novi

At Lewis (George Burns) and Willy Clark (Walter Matthau) are a retired comedy team who worked in vaudeville as "The Sunshine Boys" for 43 years. They haven't seen each other for 11 and haven't spoken for 12. That's how much they detest each other.

Willy remembers how Al split on him and poked him when they performed with precise timing their famous doctor sketch. More importantly, Willy never forgave Al for retiring before he himself was

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ready to call it quits. Willy's nephew Ben, an actor's agent, gets occasional auditions for Willy to keep him active but always regrets it later. His arch-rival curmudgeon uncle always show up late, is nasty and ungrateful.

Exactly why Ben tolerates this crab is a puzzle, but he loyally clings to his uncle whose trascubility is the source of chrest pains.

When Ben is offered \$10,000 to get the team together for a tribute to vaudeville television special, sparks ignite in this Neil Simon comedy.

"The Sunshine Boys" returned George Burns to the limelight and won him an Academy Award. Richard Benjamin, as Willy's harassed nephew, could easily have shared it.

MAN'S BEST FRIEND  
By Heather Widowski  
Northville

Man's best friend is his companion. His protector. And now... his killer.

When Max gets a taste of blood, nothing can stop him. And now, this treacherous animal is loose in a town innocent to the horror that can be unleashed... literally.

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It's just too bad Max is in the wrong hands.

"Man's Best Friend" is a sci-fi thriller that will keep you glued to your seat. Packed with action and suspense, "Man's Best Friend" is a

five-star movie that didn't get much attention when it was in the theaters, but definitely deserves it.

Starring Max as a dog that makes Cops look like Lassie and Ally Sheedy as the naive journalist who takes him in, "Man's Best Friend" has everything it takes to be a real killer. And now the horror is unleashed for you to take home on video.

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## "Quiz Show" is the best American movie this year.

David Ansen of NEWSWEEK says: "Great filmmaking. 'Quiz Show' will win a mantelpiece full of Oscar nominations."

Richard Schickel of TIME MAGAZINE says: "A smart, hugely entertaining depiction of a turning point in American cultural history."

Gene Siskel says: "Quiz Show" is clearly one of this year's very best movies."

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## Runners win RU invite

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

Ho-hum, ho-hum. Another weekend, another championship. That's just how routine the Wildcat girls cross country team is making this season. Novigrads won yet another invitational Saturday, this time Redford Union shin-dig, by grinding its opponents into the mud.

Heck, only one school finished within shouting distance of the "Cats. Novi won the eight-school meet with 29 points while North Farmington was second at 56. Third place Farmington Hills Harrison had 100 points.

As tough as they were, coach Norm Norgren found something to be concerned about.

Novigrads runners, from one to five, finished the race more than a minute-and-a-half apart from each other. While it didn't make any difference Saturday, it will down the line.

"We're going to work hard on our race time," said Norgren. "It was not as close as the coach would like."

Novigrads still has time to improve in that department. The Kensington Valley Conference meet doesn't come up until Oct. 24 while the state regional is five days later.

For now, Norgren is hoping pack times will improve by this Saturday. Novi will run at the Oakland County meet.

For once, the Wildcats won't be the favorite to win. Troy and Troy Athens will be tough to beat. Nor-



## Novi routs Milford as Witherspoon stars

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

Novigrads' on-again off-again football season was on Friday night as the Wildcats destroyed Milford 33-12 on the road.

Offense, defense, special teams - it was all there. Novi rolled up more than 300 yards in total offense while holding the Redskins scoreless until the fourth quarter.

"We played our best game of the season," said coach John Osborne. "We seemed to be quicker than them. That paid huge dividends."

Jason Witherspoon was one player Milford couldn't catch up with. The sophomore running back gained 187 yards, giving him 633 for the season, scored a touchdown and threw for another score.

"He did some nice things out there," said Osborne. "It was a nice executed play," said Osborne. "Jason split the backs, outran the weak side safety and made it in."

The coach didn't want his team to rest on its laurels. The Wildcats led Mt. Morris 14-0 before the Panthers came back and beat them in overtime.

"I get bad vibes on 14-0," Osborne joked. "For the coach's peace of mind, Novi added to its lead before halftime. Wrote kicked a 22-yard field late in the quarter to make it 17-0 at the break."

With the way Novi's defense was playing, Osborne didn't have squat to worry about. Sacks and tackles for losses were common in the first two quarters.

"Our defense played a solid game," said Osborne. "The Redskins opened the second half with the ball. By fourth down the home team had missed on two passes and been dropped for a six-yard loss."

Witherspoon took Milford's punt at about midfield and returned it to the 15-yard line. Wrote scored a few plays later on a three-yard run to make it 24-0.

Novigrads looked to score on its next drive but fumbled the home team kick again and forced a punt from the end zone. The Redskins booted that, too, and took a safety making it 26-0.

Novigrads tallied the last of its offense early in the fourth. Chad Dicken came in to quarterback and directed a 45-yard scoring drive. He finished it off himself with the first quarter.

## Cagers nip Lakeland 43-40

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After four straight losses, Novi High got back on the winning track Thursday night with a 43-40 home win over Lakeland.

The Eagles had a strong first quarter, getting off to 10-9 lead. Novi battled back and took a 20-19 advantage at halftime and the Wildcats added to their lead taking a three-point edge into the final quarter.

Novigrads guard Kelly Kearney had a big fourth quarter scoring six points and Lakeland trailed by eight with about four minutes left. The team slowly chipped away, though, and Mindy Dwyer came up big with a little over a minute left as she drained a three-pointer that tied the game at 37-37.

After Lakeland stopped Novi on defense, it was Dwyer in the clutch again hitting another triple that gave the Eagles a three-point lead with 40 seconds left. Then the mental errors began to creep into the LHS game. Novi got the ball but the Eagles committed a foul and the Wildcats hit the free throws to cut the lead to one.

Lakeland then turned the ball over on its next possession and fouled again. Two more costly free throws made it 41-40 Novi and LHS missed an open lay up on its next possession. Once again the Eagles fouled and the final two Novi free throws gave the team a three-point lead.

A final desperation three-point attempt by Stephanie Uhalle was off the mark and Lakeland was left wondering what happened.

"It was our game to win but we just let it slip through our hands," Lakeland coach Paul Gmelin said. "We can't use our inexperience as an excuse. We just didn't play smart."

The loss overshadowed another fine performance from Uhalle who scored 17 points and grabbed seven boards while adding six blocked shots. Junior Erin Zwinnick also had a great game on defense and on the glass as she hauled in 16 rebounds and added four points.

Novigrads improved to 4-6 overall and 1-3 in the KVC  
MILFORD 57, NOVIGRADS 42

The Redskins were stung an early run by Novi and fired back effectively in the Sept. 27 home game.

The Wildcats led 5-0 after the first few minutes, then Milford went on to a 14-3 run to close the opening quarter. Novi's all-league player Christine Edwards didn't play in the game because of an injured shoulder and MHS switched to a bit of a better line-up with junior Anne Madden getting her first start of the season at forward.

Milford coach Don Palmer said Madden provides a little more rebounding and defense to the team which helped the Redskins get out to the early lead. Milford extended its cushion to 31-14 at the intermission getting some easy baskets off fast break opportunities.

Julie Madden (15 points) and senior Julie Schmidt (18 points and nine rebounds) were both able to dominate in the paint in the second half, and MHS stretched its cushion to 44-24 after the third period. Novi chipped away at the advantage a bit in the final quarter, but Milford's lead was never seriously threatened.

Nicole Porter also made a strong contribution to the Milford attack pouring in 11 points.

## Golfers fall to Howell in KVC duel 156-172

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

Perhaps no other match more typified the Wildcat golf team's season than their Sept. 27 loss to Howell.

Playing in the pouring rain, Novi came up with a solid performance of 172. But the Highlanders, at their home course of Faulkwood Shores, went nuclear with 156.

"That was their best round of the year," coach John Peace said. "That loss wound up the snake-bit Wildcats dual meet season. Novi finished just 1-4 in the Kensington Valley Conference."

Peace was hoping his little might be able to pull off a team magic Tuesday at the post-league meet. With a good showing at Hudson Mills, he said, Novi would be able to salvage the season.

"I'd like to move up to fifth or better," said Peace. "Howell certainly could make some noise if it plays the way it did against Novi. Sean Koch led the Highlanders with an under-par round of 34."

"He had a nice round," said Peace. "It wasn't exceptionally long. Peace said of the course. "But it had some trouble."

Ma Naruse was Novi's top man. He finished with a 40 while teammate Taka Watanabe notched a 42. Rich Vandermass shot a 44 and senior Bill McKinney a 46.

The Wildcats came up with a fine showing in the Sept. 26 county tournament at White Lake Golf Club in Pontiac.

Competing in Division II, Novi finished second to only KVC rival South Lyon. The Wildcats scored a 320 to South Lyon's 316.

"We played really well," said Peace. "Vandermass came out as top man in the county. He was the medalist with a round of 72."

Watanabe finished with 81 while Naruse came in at 82. Jeff Fannon rounded out the day with an excellent round of 85.

Peace said his team was able to stay out of trouble most of the day. He added that White Lake was a tough course.

"It wasn't exceptionally long," Peace said of the course. "But it had some trouble."



Christine Edwards goes for a steal against Lakeland last week. Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Kickers move into Class A rankings

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

Could life get any better for the Wildcat soccer team?

Novigrads served notice last week that it won't easily be displaced from first place in the Kensington Valley Conference. The Cats won three games, including two in the league, all by shutout.

South Lyon was the latest victim. Novi whipped the Lions 4-0 on the road Thursday.

Coach Larry Christoff couldn't be happier with the way his team is playing right now. But that doesn't stop him from being a little nervous.

"I'm worried as hell," he said. "Every team is gunning for us."

Being tops in the KVC wasn't enough incentive, opponents can now point to something else. The Wildcats, 11-1 overall and 8-0 in the league, are ranked No. 10 in Class A.

"We knew we'd have a tough game," Christoff said. "I'm surprised South Lyon has a losing record in the conference."

The Lions battled hard early, but Novi broke through at the 21-minute mark as Kevin Anzara scored on a pass from Matt Butler. Chris Young made it 2-0 with about six minutes remaining.

"We were pretty much controlling the game," said Christoff.

Novigrads continued to play strong defense in the second half. They held South Lyon off the score-board while Casey Bear and Dave York added goals to give the Wildcats their 4-0 win.

Dave Hart earned the shutout. "Every team is gunning for us."

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Novigrads is in high gear at home Sept. 27.

Joe Schimizu, who is now into double figures in goals, got it going early. He scored just five goals early. He scored just five goals early. He scored just five goals early.

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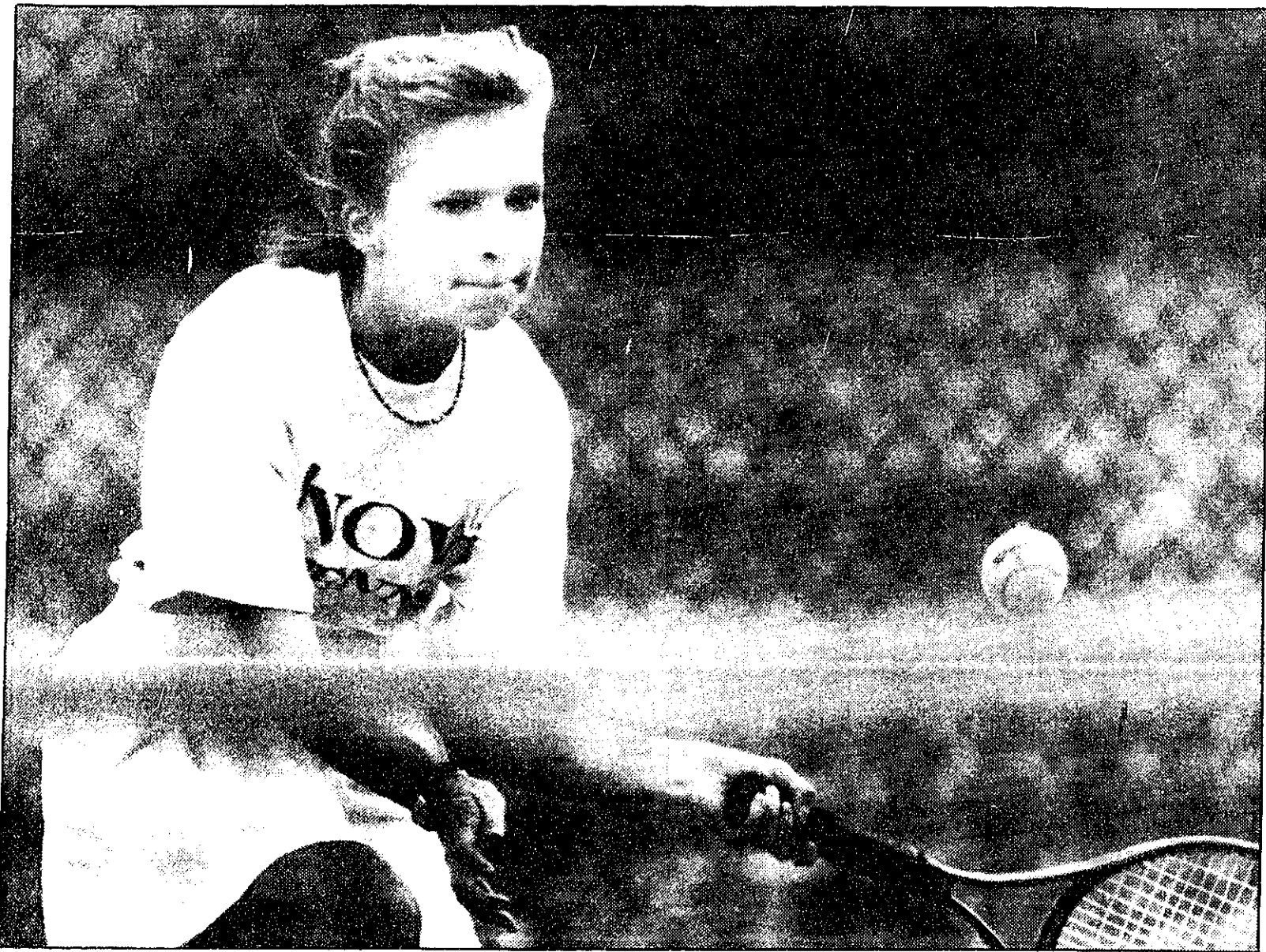
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## Netters take 7-1 win over Milford Pipas stars in victory over 'skins

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

For the Wildcat tennis team the task is simple: win.

With a pair of Kensington Valley Conference losses on its ledger, Novi High simply can't afford another loss this fall. The Wildcats took a step in the right direction Thursday by beating Milford 7-1 at home.

While that win was satisfying, Novi's test was to come early this week. Front runners Brighton and Hartland were on the schedule for Monday and Tuesday (after *The Novi News* deadline).

"If we can knock both of them off, we still have life," said coach Jim Hanson Sunday evening. "If we lose one or both, we're in the spoiler's role."

The Wildcats lost to both schools earlier this season. Hanson said his team has the talent to beat both the Bulldogs and Eagles.

"If we play like we're capable," he added. "I don't think everyone's put it together on the same day."

Novi did play excellent tennis against Milford.

Hanson was particularly proud of the effort by fourth singles player Jill Kellogg. She beat the Redskins' Sierra Morningstar in three sets, 6-7, 7-6, 6-1 — an opponent Kellogg had lost to earlier this year.

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Jim Hanson  
Tennis coach

"That was a very nice win," Hanson said.

Emily Pipas was Novi's first single's player on Thursday. She defeated Kelly Taylor in straight sets, 6-1, 6-1.

Susan Lemay was a 6-2, 6-3 winner over Laura Gaviglio at No. 2 singles. Cassie Lewis, meanwhile, fell in three tough sets to Jenny Girdley, 4-6, 6-3, 6-7.

"She has had a lot of close matches," said Hanson.

Novi breezed through doubles.

Jackie Gabriel and Jenny Diedzic whipped Lena Moore and Hollie Donley 6-3, 6-0. Sarah Rittner and Kristen Martell beat Andrea Klingbeil and Stacie Beadle 6-1, 6-4.

At third doubles, Akiko Shiratori and Jenny Cowley got by Katie Senewick and Kristen Hurst 7-6, 6-3. Beth Crowley and Alice Lin took a 6-2, 6-0 victory over Jen-

Cassie Lewis lost in three sets in her only match last week. Novi beat Milford, however.

## Kickers win three with shutouts

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minutes into the game. Christoff said getting ahead early makes a big difference.

"It puts you in the driver's seat," he said. "It makes the other team press."

The Wildcats waited until late in the first half to add to their margin. John McShane, a sophomore, scored on a pass from halfback Brian Mitchell.

Novi added four more scores in the second half.

Schimizzi notched himself a hat-trick as he scored 14 seconds into the half. He then added his third of the game about 10 minutes later.

Ansara and Mitchell added Novi's final goals.

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The Wildcats played their first non-conference game in weeks Sept. 26 with the same result.

Despite some aggressive play by the Warriors, Novi controlled the game. The Wildcats led 1-0 at half-time as Ansara scored. Adam Haggfors, and Schimizzi (2) added second half goals.

## Northville takes 21-0 win over Livonia

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

Northville High was sloppy at times, but had more than enough to whip Livonia Churchill 21-0 before a large, rain-soaked homecoming crowd Friday night.

Todd Zayti, Garrett Carter and Chris Gomersal scored touchdowns to lead the Mustangs past Livonia. While coach Darrel Schumacher was happy to get the victory,

he said it wasn't his team's best performance.

"We felt we could've played better," he said. "We just didn't have the intensity we needed."

In all honesty, Northville didn't need a whole lot of intensity to beat the Chargers.

Churchill struggled to move the ball all night. Livonia fumbled away the few opportunities it did have.

The one saving grace for the visitors was their defense. Although they allowed nearly 300 yards to Northville, the Chargers played aggressively.

"Offensively, they aren't where they needed to be," said Schumacher. "But defensively, they came to hit."

Nobody knows that better than running back Aneil Kersey. He sprained a knee late in the first

quarter after being gang-tackled by the Chargers.

"They were keying on him," Schumacher said.

The Mustangs were unable to move the ball against Livonia in the first quarter.

When other options weren't working, Schumacher went to Kersey repeatedly in hopes of getting something started.

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