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Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

**Spring is here**

Spring is on its way, and while that may mean relief for most of us, it means a lot of work for folks in the flower business. Above, Kim Kolasa of Dinsler's Greenhouse transplants impatiens from plug sheets, where they grew from seeds, to flats that will be sold starting the first week of May. At right, Scott Harris waters the flowers. Of course, spring is the time for planting, so Dinsler's on Wixom Road and other greenhouses in the Novi area will have to be well stocked. Dinsler's is preparing 6,000 flats of impatiens and 30,000 pots of Geraniums. Altogether, Dinsler's will need to have 30,000 flats of annuals to meet the demand.



**City reviews  
17 proposed  
routes for Taft**

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

It looked vaguely like the arterial system of some strange creature, but the rendering displayed to residents during a public hearing Monday actually proved that plans for the Taft Road extension are literally all over the map.

As of this week, there are now 17 possible ways the extension could be built.

The two latest, added to 15 designed by Novi's consulting engineers, JCK & Associates, were offered by West Oaks I and II developers Ramco-Gershenson, who have plans to possibly expand the shopping center into land now zoned office.

"We don't know exactly what they're proposing. They have not shared any conceptual developments," City Manager Edward Kriewall said.

At Kriewall's suggestion, the Novi City Council set up a study committee to look into the routing issue.

But the council also liked design Number Eight the best, sending it back for final cost estimates within 60 days.

The city has budgeted \$3.1 million for the extension of Taft from Twelve Mile Road to some point north, but the highest estimates are now in the \$20 million range. Number Eight alone, which could bridge over wetlands, was expected to cost anywhere from \$2.7 million to \$20 million.

Any of the extensions is seen as a way to swerve freeway-bound commuter traffic off of the residential South Lake Drive.

"I can't believe it. Since 1990 we've gone from a \$2.2 million connecting road to a \$20 million road of the future. We have 7,500 cars a day on a residential collector street best compared to Wil- lowbrook Drive," former city council member Martha Hoyer said.

"We need traffic relief yesterday. We have children crossing that

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**Firm wants to buy  
old gas station site**

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

A community plaza, a theme restaurant or several stores could be in the cards for the former Amoco gas station property at the northeast corner of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue.

City Manager Edward Kriewall said the city was recently approached by the Actna Insurance Company, owners of Novi Town Center, about acquiring the option to purchase the site. As part of the controversial Amoco swap of 1991, the city has the right to buy the land for \$250,000, but likely would not sell the parcel for that sum, if it's

less than market value. Kriewall added.

Monday, the Novi City Council agreed they'd like to explore the firm's proposals.

"My gut reaction is to sit on the property and utilize it for other purposes down the road, but this may have some possibilities," Council Member Robert Schmid said. "What uses did they propose? Was a Big Boy included or a McDonald's?"

"I told them if you're talking maybe a Hard Rock Cafe, I'd be interested," Kriewall said.

Actna would like to buy the

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**Board gives super high grades**

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

On a five point scale, Novi School Superintendent Emmett Lippe earned an overall 4.71 on his annual performance review.

His review was handled in a public session of the Novi Board of Education Tuesday night.

Board President Craig Foreback was obviously pleased that Lippe scored above 4.5 in each of the six areas Board of Education members evaluated him on.

"It's well above average and a very acceptable performance," Foreback said.

Lippe was evaluated in six areas ranging from overall performance to his relationships with the board, community, administration, and faculty. In each category he scored above 4.5. He earned the highest scores in his rela-

tionships with the faculty and administration, averaging about 4.6 in each area.

Lippe was humbled by the board members comments and fortunate he said to be part of the school district.

"I'm honored to be here and to work with this board and work in this community," he said. "But I feel very humbled by the comments you've made and I don't take them lightly. At this time I feel fortunate to be in this position and in the Novi family."

"And if I've done anything right it's because of the support I've gotten from the staff, teachers, board and parents in this school district."

Last year, the board of education set seven goals for Lippe. The first three of the seven included demonstrating progress on the district's long range planning goals; strengthen-

ing quality leadership teams efforts, and to continue to encourage the business partnership program. The board gave Lippe high fives on the first three.

He was given a 4.2 on his encouragement to complete phase II of the district's technology implementation plan, a fourth goal and a 4.4 score on the goal of getting a bond issue past to build and design a new middle school. The remaining goals have forthcoming completion dates and include monitoring construction of high school renovations and June 1 plans to report on restructuring plans for Novi High School and Middle School.

Overall, Lippe earned a 4.71 score for his third year on the job. There was no talk Tuesday of any merit pay increase, but plenty of

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**Gang signs lead to altercation**

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

An altercation between youths on the north end of town last week gives credence to the Novi Police Department's concerns that rival gangs are staking turf in Novi.

Last Wednesday, police arrested an 18-year-old Novi man for possession of a weapon - a crowbar they believe was used in a gang-related felonious assault on an alleged rival gang member's car the night before.

The suspect, who lives on Westgate Drive, was booked and ticketed for possessing a dangerous weapon, but police are still investigating felony charges against him for his part in an apparent gang-related altercation that took place Tuesday, March 21, on Grand

River Avenue.

On Tuesday, police responded to a malicious destruction of property and felonious assault complaint from a 16-year-old Novi teen. The teen told police a white male in a gray Ford Thunderbird had used a crowbar to smash out the rear window of his car and dent his rear quarter panel. The altercation was allegedly gang-related.

The Novi teen was traveling with three other passengers at the time of the incident, three male, one female. The Novi teen and his older brother initially denied that they had been involved in any gang activity, but later admitted that a year ago they had been members of a Detroit gang, known as the "Street Boys Incorporated."

The SBI is a descendent of the "Crips" gang, known today as the "People."

The altercation occurred after a lengthy cat-and-mouse car chase between the Novi teen and the suspect, starting in Chateau Estates Trailer Park and ending behind Allor Manufacturing on Grand River Avenue.

Police said the youths were apparently flashing rival gang signals at each other and that may have triggered the incident. The names of all involved in the incident have not yet been released by police because some are minors and additional charges may yet be filed.

The 16-year-old Novi teen told police he was doing laundry at the trailer park clubhouse

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**SPRING  
AHEAD**

Father Time plans to take back what he gave out in the fall - one hour.

Don't forget, at 2 a.m. on April 2 Daylight Saving Time begins. Set your clock ahead one hour.

Daylight Savings is intended to preserve an extra hour of daylight during the evening and is in effect from April through October.

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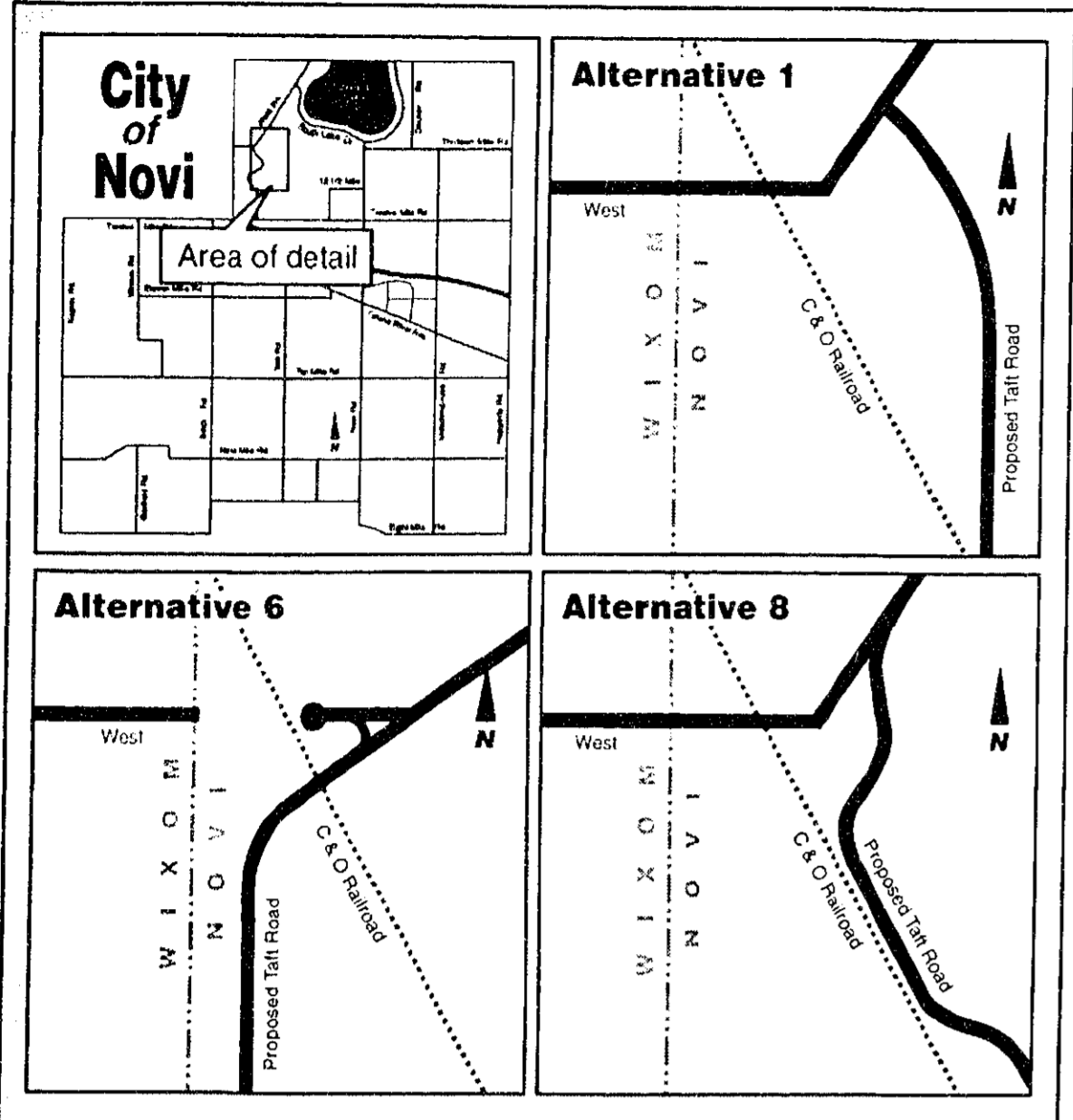
A special section ...







Examples of seventeen proposed Taft Road routes



# No. 8 favored by city Council looks at 17 routes for proposed Taft extension

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 The extension routes might have on the pristine new city park. In addition, building through a major wetlands would be costly, if it is permitted by the state Department of Natural Resources.

What Rameo-Gershenson is proposing is an \$15 million to \$20 million route heading from the city's waste water treatment plant on West Road all the way down to Interstate 96, extending through West Oaks Drive and the service road by the Sheraton Oaks Hotel. This would include a free-way exit and additional lanes on I-96 and would require financial assistance from the state, Kriewall said. The developer would also chip in some funds, he added.

"Seventeen is the best theory I've seen yet, let's push for it," takes area resident Sarah Gray said.

Council Member Tim Pope questioned how this freeway access could be built soon, when the state has an eight to ten year timetable to redo the Beck Road and Wilson Road interchanges.

Rameo-Gershenson thinks they can work with state transportation officials, Kriewall said.

Apparently out of the running for now is a road which would go through an industrial park planned by developer Neil Sosin.

"This road was discussed more in an executive session than any other road I've been involved in in this council. My perception was that this was a developer driven road that was going to go through I-1 industrial. Hopefully, the majority of council were moving away from giving this developer a gift in putting in this road," Pope said.

"I would caution the residents to be cautious of Number 17. If we find out what the developer wishes to build in that direction, I think the residents will be horrified and not support it."

A number of considerations surround the project. South Lake Drive homeowners are eager for the extension, which would lift commuter traffic heading towards the freeway from their residential street. But city officials are concerned about what impact some of

## Shopping, restaurant considered for old gas station site

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 land for an undisclosed price, Kriewall said. The firm would also like to develop the adjacent park which was part of the original Trammell Crow Development Company's site plan for the shopping center. Novi would need to OK any building on this park.

Atta has several concepts for the corner, including a restaurant and community plaza with stores at the park site. A fountain or clock might be built there, Kriewall said.

"We might be able to negotiate something as a formal project for the community at little or no cost," he said.

At present, the site is primarily stripped of the dirt, with some trees planted for landscaping.

As required by the state, the former gas station is now undergoing a clean-up of leaking underground storage tanks. Novi's option is good for two years after the cleanup.

Council Member Rob Mittel said he hoped any park would be superior to existing ones in Novi Town Center, "where you can sit next to a garbage can and watch traffic go by."

Tim Pope was on the city council when the trade-off was made with Amoco, and was an outspoken opponent of the transaction.

"The city sold its integrity when we made this deal in my humble opinion ... I will under no circumstances support any curb cuts in that location," he said Monday. "The only thing I'm interested in is the dollars that come back to the city."

In 1991, after deciding the city option to purchase the corner at \$250,000, the estimated cost of the environmental rehabilitation, Novi sent water and sewer lines out to the site, through a special assessment district to be paid back by the developers. At the time, the deal was highly contro-

versial.

"I certainly wouldn't want to sell it for \$250,000 if they're willing to buy this, they'll pay for it at the going rate," Schmid said.

The Amoco discussion was preceded by a dispute between Mayor Kathleen McLallen and Council Member Carol Mason. Mason attempted to question Kriewall but was asked by Mayor Kathleen McLallen to refrain until the city manager had a chance to make his presentation. Mason walked out of the meeting.

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Pension problems?

The Area Agency on Aging 1-8 has pension counselors available to answer basic questions and to act as advocates for persons who require additional help in resolving pension problems.

Car chase gives evidence of gangs

Continued from 1: The 18-year-old and his passengers were driving through the clubhouse when the suspect fled. The 16-year-old said he jumped back into his vehicle and fled westbound on Thirteen Mile.

Police confiscated the bi-fold folder notebook, a Phoenix Suns and Fla hat, and a U-M coat which had been altered in the gang's colors.

The suspect admitted striking the victim's car with the crowbar but told police he couldn't remember what he did with it after the altercation.

The suspect denied rear ending the 16-year-old's car, and said instead that the teen backed into the 16-year-old's car.

The next day, police found the suspect with the crowbar in hand. Police confiscated the crowbar and several articles of gang-related clothing found in the car during the traffic stop March 22.

Among the items confiscated were hats and jackets displaying gang insignia. Inside the car, the officer found a notebook with symbols written in the notebook.

The 18-year-old Novi man lives on Westgate. The area is one of several in which police have been marked with gang graffiti in recent months.

Police are investigating the charges. The suspect denied rear ending the 16-year-old's car, and said instead that the teen backed into the 16-year-old's car.

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### State prisoners would get GED under new law

Prison inmates would have to earn a high school diploma or GED equivalent under a bill passed by the state House of Representatives.

The bill splits Republicans and Democrats, liberals and conservatives, as it won 87-16 passage and was sent to the Senate.

"I've talked to the warden at Scott facility (in Northville Township), with 850 female prisoners," said Rep. Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, a supporter. "If they get into a program (of schooling), it makes them easier to handle. They pass it along to their children when they visit."

Piontak said. The big battle, however, was not over the bill but an amendment by Nelson Saunders, D-Detroit.

The Saunders amendment would have allowed parole for a school dropout but would make the parole conditional on the person's enrolling in a GED course. Piontak complained it would "gut" the bill.

The Saunders amendment lost, 30 in favor and 69 against, with 10 absent.

But Judiciary chair Michael Nye, R-Litchfield, replied: "Look at the cost of releasing an individual with no education, no trade, and they commit another armed robbery. Where is the rehabilitation? It is not there."

On the key Saunders amendment, Representative Willis Bullard, R-Milford, whose district includes Novi, voted no.

### Supt. Lippe scores high in evaluation

Compliments about a job well done.

"I thank you for your energy and the encouragement you give to your staff to model your own work ethic," said Board Secretary Julie Abrams. "I find you to be an even-tempered man and I appreciate your wisdom and honesty. You have a positive image that has permeated the district."

Lippe was credited for his vision, visibility in and around the district, his optimism, and future planning for the district. "I appreciate the vision you have for the district and the idea that we ought to be better in the future," Foreback said. "That's leadership. That's vision. And despite the negative aspect in financial issues and state issues you still have a plan for this district to be the best it can be."

The idea that Lippe requested his evaluation be done in public session spoke volumes about his character to everyone else on the board except George Kortlandt, who voiced concern Lippe's decision to be reviewed publicly.

Kortlandt applauded Lippe publicly but requested the decision for future evaluations be left in the hands of the board members, not in those of the superintendent.

Vice President Ray Byers took a different spin on the issue. "It's a testament to the superintendent and his ability to read the board," Byers said. "He has done an exceptional job of living up to what we wanted him to do. If there are deficiencies it's because we didn't set goals for him."

### Library Notes

#### Book talk

William X. Kienzle's mystery, *Masquerade*, will be the subject at the next Novi Library Adult Book Discussion Group, on Monday, April 3, at 7 p.m.

Please have this book read and be prepared to discuss it with the group. For more information, call the library at 349-0720.

#### AARP tax help

On Thursday, April 6, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., volunteers of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will come to Novi Public Library to assist seniors with their tax returns. Anyone interested in making an appointment should call the Novi Library at 349-0720.

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10:00 a.m. — Persistent Vegetative State: Coma Patients  
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12:00 p.m. — Farmington Hills Police Journal  
12:30 p.m. — Dollars and Sense with J.R.: Building Your Own Home  
1:00 p.m. — Seniors on the Move: Botswold Volunteers  
1:30 p.m. — The World of Life:

Questions and Answers  
2:00 p.m. — The Road: Motocycle riding  
3:00 p.m. — Walled Lake Casino  
4:00 p.m. — Totally Michigan: Skydiving  
4:30 p.m. — Michigan Music  
5:00 p.m. — Volunteers in Action  
6:30 p.m. — Paws With a Cause  
7:00 p.m. — Hitting Techniques: Proper Fundamentals  
7:30 p.m. — Adventures With Pirate Pete  
8:00 p.m. — Farmington Focus: Farmington Historical Museum  
9:30 p.m. — Fun and Games  
10:00 p.m. — Drawing is a Privilege  
10:30 p.m. — Groove Session

1:30 p.m. — Happiest People Alive  
2:00 p.m. — Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Hands to Health  
3:00 p.m. — The Great Escape: Sailing  
4:00 p.m. — Farmington Musicals: Zip-a-dee-doo-dah  
5:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection  
5:30 p.m. — Living With Your Addictions  
6:00 p.m. — Music Box: Murga Kids Show  
6:30 p.m. — Business and Residential News  
7:00 p.m. — Cash Talks: Family Centers of America  
7:30 p.m. — Farmington Hills Police Journal  
8:00 p.m. — Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Hands to Health  
8:30 p.m. — Let's Talk with Ben Marks: Susan Esser  
9:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Starting a Business  
10:00 a.m. — Legislative Forum  
10:30 a.m. — The Job Show  
11:00 a.m. — Study in Scripture

11:30 a.m. — Oakland Press Perspective  
12:00 p.m. — The Way the Truth and the Life  
12:30 p.m. — Abundant Life Arabic Ministries  
1:00 p.m. — Rising Tide  
2:00 p.m. — My Russian Friend: Family  
2:30 p.m. — North Farmington High School Percussion Ensemble  
3:30 p.m. — Good Health: Exercise  
4:00 p.m. — Crisis in the Modern Family: Retirement  
5:00 p.m. — Your Library and its Volunteers  
5:30 p.m. — Groove Session  
6:00 p.m. — Farmington Hills Dance Recital  
7:30 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Roman Terrace  
8:00 p.m. — Coffee and Conversation: Makeover  
9:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Starting a Business  
10:30 a.m. — Community Uplink: Homeless  
10:30 a.m. — Senior Spotlight:

Roger McCoy  
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11:30 a.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy  
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12:30 p.m. — Restoration Now  
1:00 p.m. — Motorsports: Solar Powered Cars  
2:00 p.m. — Novi Talkin' History: Earl Holmes  
3:00 p.m. — Business and Residential News  
3:30 p.m. — Viewpoint  
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5:00 p.m. — Night Life  
6:00 p.m. — Dickerman Showcase: One Flight Up  
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**CITY OF NOVI NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council is accepting applications from persons interested in serving on the "Tait Road Extension Route Determination Committee." Membership on this Committee will consist of three residents of the City of Novi which is a Lakas Area Residents Association member and one of which is a South Lakes/Grandwood Lake Association Member. Other members of the Committee will include the Assistant City Manager, the Director of Public Services and a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Applications are available by calling the Clerk's Office at 347-0456. The deadline for receiving applications is April 6, 1995. If you are unable to meet the April 6th deadline, please call the Clerk's office for further instructions.

(3-30-95 NR, NN) GERALDINE STIPP, CITY CLERK

**CITY OF NOVI BUILDING AUTHORITY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council is accepting applications for membership on the Building Authority Board of Commissioners. The Building Authority was created to provide for the acquisition, furnishing, equipping, owning, improving, entering, operating and maintaining a building or buildings for senior citizen housing purposes. There are two citizen members to be appointed. Applicants must be residents of the City and cannot be residents of any facility that the Building Authority will construct.

Applications are available from the City Clerk by calling 347-0456. The deadline for receiving applications is April 10, 1995. If you are unable to meet the deadline, please phone the Clerk's office for further instructions.

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**CITY OF NOVI NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 5, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **WESTBROOKE DRIVING RANGE, SP 95-08**, located south of Grand River Avenue, westerly of Beck Road for **POSSIBLE WETLAND PERMIT APPROVAL.**

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION  
ROBERT TAUB, SECRETARY  
STEVEN COHEN, PLANNING CLERK

(3-30-95 NR, NN)

**NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TUP 95-005**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Terry Ahola, representing Jimmies Rustics, is requesting a temporary use permit to allow display of outdoor furniture for sale at 46700 Grand River Avenue for the period April 15, 1995, to September 15, 1995. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5, 1995, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to April 5, 1995.

(3-30-95 NR, NN)

**CITY OF NOVI SENIOR HOUSING IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has created a Senior Housing Implementation Committee. This Committee will give input to the Building Authority regarding the need for Senior Housing and Senior Citizen Services. They will assist the Building Authority with such decisions as the criteria for eligibility for residents of the project. The Committee will consist of five residents. Applications are available at the office of the City Clerk by calling 347-0456. The deadline for receiving applications is April 10th. If you are unable to meet the deadline, please phone the Clerk's office for further information.

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

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To rezone a part of the NW 1/4 of Section 12, T.1N., R.8E., City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, being part of parcels 22-12-101-005 and -006, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the easterly R.O.W. line of Meadowbrook Road, said point being S02°48'42"E 1281.52 feet along the west line of Section 12 (nominal C.L. of Meadowbrook Road) and N87°32'51"E 33.00 feet from the NW corner of Section 12; thence N87°32'51"E 250.00 feet; thence S02°48'42"E 75.00 feet; thence N87°32'51"E 300.00 feet; thence N02°48'42"W 75.00 feet; thence N87°32'51"E 782.00 feet to the westerly line of "Spring Valley" subdivision as recorded in Liber 57, Page 40 of Plats, Oakland County Records; thence S02°28'44"E 1315.89 feet along the westerly line of said "Spring Valley" subdivision; thence S85°53'40"W 672.63 feet; thence S 85°45'59"W 652.16 feet to the easterly R.O.W. line of Meadowbrook Road; thence N02°48'42"W 1355.39 feet along said R.O.W. line to the point of beginning.

FROM: R-A RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO: R-F-3 ONE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

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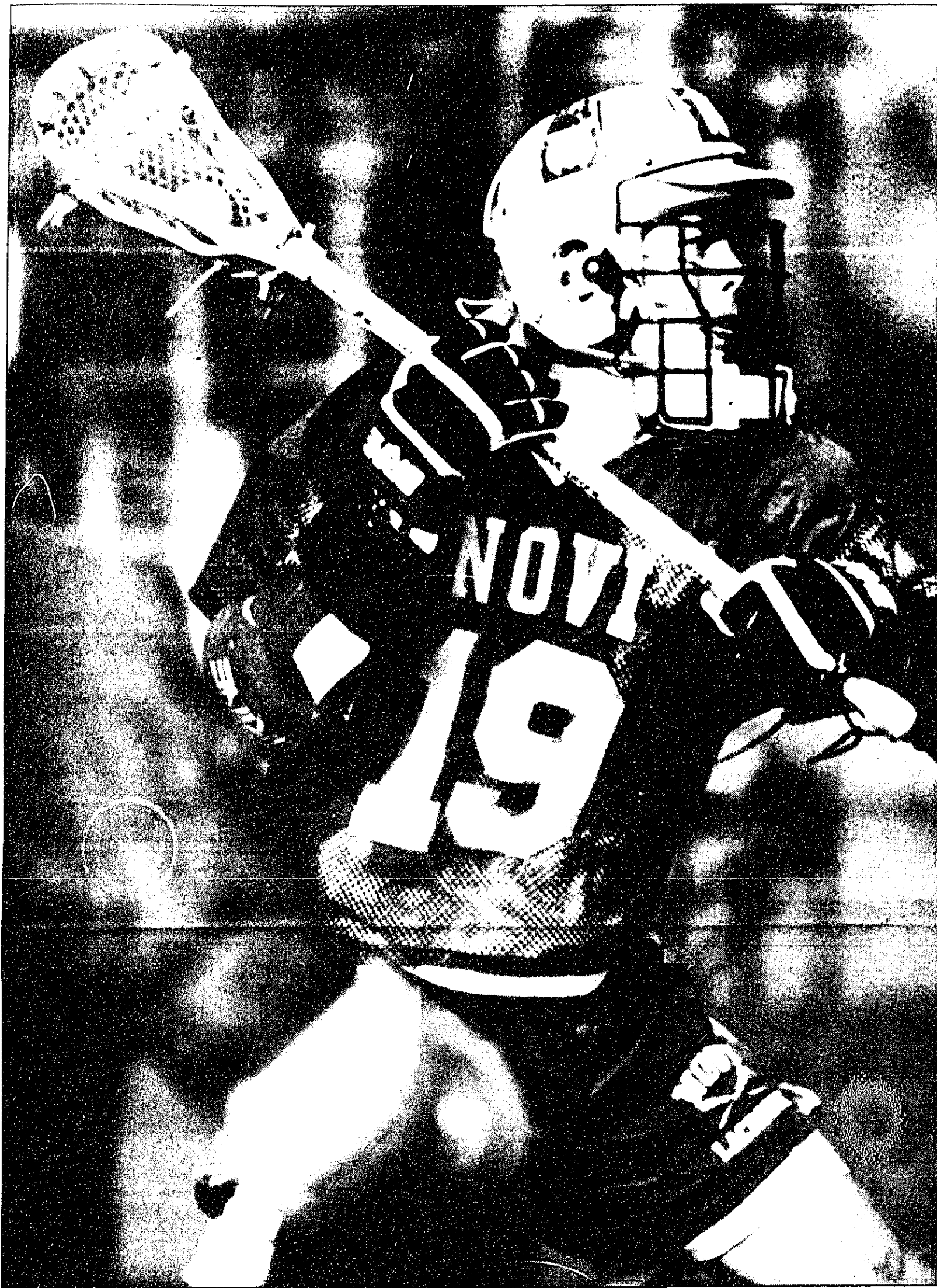


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# Spring Sports Preview

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THURSDAY  
March 30,  
1995



Mike Hicks has been one of Novi's leading scorers the past two years.

## NO LETTING DOWN

**S**uccess is measured in a lot of ways. For some teams, a championship is all that counts. It's a bad year in Montreal if the Canadiens aren't drinking from the Stanley Cup. And if Red Auerbach isn't puffing on a victory cigar in June the Boston Celtics have failed miserably.

Fans of Wildcat lacrosse might have the same kind of expectations this spring. After finishing as state runner-up a year ago, anything short of a MSLA title will be a let down.

"We have the talent to beat anybody in the state," midfielder Mike Sill said. "We just have to put it together as a team."

Junior Mike Hicks agreed. "I think we can take anybody," the midfielder said.

It didn't look like Novi High was going to take anybody early last season.

The Wildcats lost their first three games. Ann Arbor Pioneer, East Grand Rapids and Birmingham Seaholm all grabbed narrow victories over Novi.

According to Hicks, a team meeting turned things around. Everyone was able to voice their opinions about what was working and what wasn't.

The team responded by beating Bishop Foley 13-2 in late April.

"We started to dominate teams," Hicks said. Indeed they did. The "Cats rattled off 10 more regular season victories after whipping Foley.

"We won three or four in a row," senior Mark Lopez said, "and the guys got serious."

"We just got our act together," Sill added. "We started playing as a team."

That streak continued into the Division A playoffs with a 10-6 win over Grand Rapids Forest Hills. Novi faced East Grand Rapids in the final and lost 6-5.

The "Cats fell behind 4-2 at halftime then made a second half rally to tie the game. The Pioneers got the final goal and walked away champions.

"That hurt," senior Jamie Thomas said. "I about fell down and started crying."

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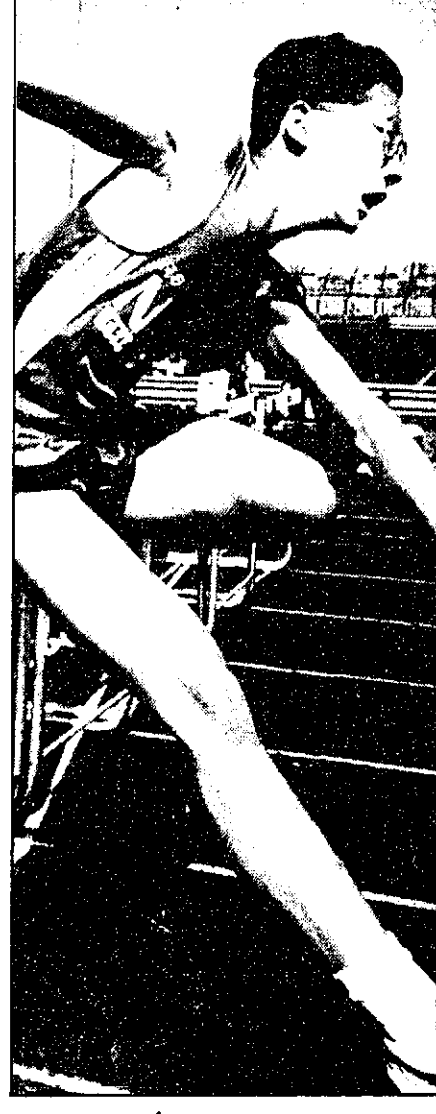
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## Engagements



### Lynn Ashley/Ralph Picano

Darrell and Dorothea Ashley of Northville, formerly of Novi, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lynn Dorothea, to Ralph Picano, son of Alessandro and Antionietta Picano, of Sterling Heights.

The bride-elect is a South Lyon High School graduate. She graduated from Michigan State University, and is an account executive with R.L. Polk and Company, in Taylor. The bridegroom-elect is a Sterling Heights High School and Walsh College graduate. He is a controller at Nowak and Fraus Civil Engineering Firm, in Royal Oak.

A July 29, 1995, wedding will be held at Christ Church, Cranbrook.



### Gregory Gersten/Deborah Owings

Dr. and Mrs. Nick Owings of Kalamazoo, announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Nichole, to Gregory Alan Gersten, son of Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gertsen of Novi.

The bride-elect is a graduate from Michigan State University and the University of Wisconsin Law School.

Owings is currently employed at Ford Motor Company.

The groom-elect is a Novi High School graduate.

Gersten received his bachelor's and master's degree from Michigan State University, and is employed at Albert Kahn Associates.

A May 27, 1995 wedding is being planned.

### Family history to be topic at next AARP meeting

The Walled Lake Area Chapter of American Association of Retired Persons, AARP 4679, will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 12 at 1 p.m. at the Walled Lake Schools Community Education Center, 615 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake (Formerly Walled Lake Middle School). The program will be "Finding Your Family History." Bring items of interest about your family. Any Lakes Area community member, 50 or over, is welcome to attend.

For further information, call 669-5753 or 669-4243.

## Wedding



### Drs. Kim and Mark McKenney

Dr. Kimberly Anne Lentz, daughter of Dr. Joyce Lentz of Miami Beach, Florida, and the late Robert Lentz, and Dr. Mark George McKenney, son of Alvin and Betty McKenney of Novi, were married on Nov. 19, 1994, at St. Patrick Church in Miami Beach, Fla.

The double ring ceremony was officiated by Father James Murphy.

Jennifer Aguerro was matron-of-honor. Bridesmaids were Allyssa Hammer, Jodi Lentz, Cindy Wallace and Bridgette Shannon.

Kevin Branshaw, of Novi, was best man with groomsmen and ushers, Ralph Marx; attorney, John Adam; Drs. Joe Skender, Robert Flitsam, Manny Torres and Dan Sleeman.

The groom is a graduate of the University of Michigan and is a trauma surgeon. Both are practicing at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami.

The newlyweds honeymooned in Italy and now reside in Miami Beach, Fla.

## On Campus

**LOREN R. LUEDEMAN** and **TERESA L. METZ**, both students from Novi, have been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the fall semester at Lawrence Technological University. To be named to the honor roll a student must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average for the term and be a full-time student.

**CRAIG O'NEILL**, of Novi, is among the honored students named to the fall semester academic honors list at Ferris State University.

To be eligible, a Ferris student must have compiled a 3.5 grade point average in at least 12 semester hours of work.

Novi High School graduate (class of 1979), **MELISSA FAULKNER MOTSCHALL**, has earned a doctorate in communication from Wayne State University, Detroit. Her bachelor's degree is also from Wayne State, and her master's degree is from Purdue University. She is the daughter of Novi residents, Richard and Irene Faulkner.

Motschall is the communications director for Wayne State's Center for Urban Studies in the College of Urban, Labor and Metropolitan Affairs. She and her husband, Jon, and daughter, Nanette, live in Grosse Pointe Farms.

**GREGORY WILENIUS**, son of Jim and Jackie Wilenius, of Novi, has been accepted by Northwestern College in Lima, Ohio, to begin classes in the June session 1995 where he will be majoring in the automotive technician program. Gregory attends Novi High School.

## Drugs will be the focus of forum

Interlakes Families in Action will hold a community forum Tuesday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Walled Lake Community Education Center cafeteria, 615 N. Pontiac Trail in Walled Lake.

The forum will focus on community youth involvement with alcohol and other drugs and what the community can do about it.

Questions and concerns will be addressed by a panel consisting of a member of the law enforcement community, a staff member from a local treatment center, an educator and a community member/parent. All community members are invited to attend.

For further information, contact Don Mussen at (810) 624-5616.

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## Singles

**SINGLE PLACE**, an adult ministry for single people, meets at First Presbyterian Church of Northville Sunday at 10 a.m. for a Sunday morning gathering, followed by a worship at 11 a.m. and brunch at Northville Crossing at 12:30 p.m.

For further information about any of the Single Place programs or to register, call 349-0911.

**HOLY FAMILY SINGLES** is a group for separated, divorced, widowed or never-been-married persons.

For more information, call the Church of the Holy Family, 349-8847.

**SINGLE POINT MINISTRIES** offers a unique opportunity to join more than 500 persons of varied backgrounds for a class about Jesus Christ. The group meets at 10:45 a.m. each Sunday in Knox Hall of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Rd., on the corner of Six Mile, in Livonia. The Rev. Paul Clough will lead with scripture messages relevant to single living.

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

**BYOS** - Bring Your Own Sneakers at the Livonia Family YMCA on Stark near Farmington Road and I-96, the second and fourth Saturday of each month, 8 p.m. till midnight. The pool is reserved until 10 p.m. The cost is \$6. On the fourth Saturday, children are invited for an extra \$2 per child. BYOS runs through April.

Those interested in subbing for a bowling league at Fiesta Lanes in Westland on Ford Road east of I-275 can call (810) 669-2259.

For further information about Single Point Ministries call (313) 422-1854.

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

For more information about Farmington Single Professionals call (810) 478-9181.

**PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS INC.** is an international, non-profit, non-sectarian educational organization devoted to the welfare and interest of single parents and their children.

For information about the West Oakland Chapter 273 Inc., write to P.O. Box 2130-48343, Pontiac, MI 48343.

**THE CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB** is a singles club for Catholics who are four-year college graduates and free to marry in the Catholic church.

A general meeting will be held on April 22 at St. Alan's in Troy, followed by a games night. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. The "bring your favorite" games night begins at 8 p.m. and ends at midnight.

St. Alan's is located at 3077 Gloucester Road which is off Coolidge south of Big Beaver. Refreshments will be served. For more information call Anne (810) 435-7659, Julia at (313) 271-4213 or Dave at (313) 464-5920.

Indoor volleyball meets every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Birney Middle School, Evergreen and Eleven Mile roads in Southfield. Cost is \$3 for members, \$5 for non-members.

For more information call Teresa, (810) 557-2781 or Don at (810) 879-1429 or Mark at (810) 352-7353.

Bowling will be held on April 21 at 7:30 p.m. at Thunderbird Lanes located on Maple just west of Livernois in Troy. Cost is \$8. For information call Donat (810) 879-1429.

**EXPRESSIONS**, an adult discussion group, meets from 7:30 to 11 p.m. on the second and fourth Friday of each month at First Unitarian Universalist Church, 1917 Washtenaw in Ann Arbor. The program is not church-affiliated. The group is open to those ages 21 and older.

For more information, call (313) 930-6361. Admission is \$5.25 and includes refreshments.

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

## Church Notes

**NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**, a forming congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, worships at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall of the Masonic Temple, 730 Penniman, on the park in downtown Plymouth. Interested persons are encouraged to stop in.

"The Cost of Discipleship," Dietrich Bonhoeffer's classic work about the Sermon on the Mount, is the Lenten focus on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. The meetings will be held in the homes of various members. Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran pastor, teacher and theologian hanged 50 years ago for his role in trying to kill Adolf Hitler. For more information about Sunday services or the mission, contact Pastor-Developer Ken Roberts at (313) 420-1023 or (810) 442-7243.

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 39200 West Twelve Mile Road in Farmington Hills, is participating in a 50-Day Spiritual Adventure entitled "Facing Down Our Fears: Finding Courage When Anxiety Grips the Heart," which concludes on Easter Sunday, April 16.

Pastor Tim McDermott encourages anyone who would like to become a part of this exciting adventure to visit or call (810) 553-7170 for more information.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, 777 W. Eight Mile Road in Northville, will have a workday for United Methodist Men at Judson Collins camp on Saturday, April 8, to help restore the camping facilities for the upcoming season.

The group will leave the church at 8:30 a.m. and return before dark that evening. The famous UMM pancakes will be served before departure. You do not have to be a UMM member to participate in the day of work and fun. For more information about the workday, call Mike McDonald at 347-6042 or Dave Black at 344-4464.

The last Lenten program will be held Sunday, April 2, at 6 p.m. with a potluck dinner followed by Rev. Bill Ritter from Birmingham First United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. This concert is appropriate for children age five and up. Child care will be provided for children age 4 and under. Children's program will include Easter egg decorating. The sign-up sheet is in the Education Hallway. For more information, call 349-1144.

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