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Interest grows in Main Street as launch nears

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Main Street's main chance could be June 19.

Already, bids have come into the city for building the half-mile streetscape, which bears an estimated price of \$1.7 million.

"We've opened the bids. They look good," Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall said Tuesday.

If all the details are in order, the Novi City Council could be asked next week to approve setting up the special assessment district (SAD) for Main Street and swapping city frontage on Novi Road for the right-of-way through developers' Evergreen III property.

As soon as city bonds are sold

for the project, streetscape designer John Beckett of Beckett-Raeder, Inc. says, construction can begin, perhaps as soon as this summer.

Meanwhile, would-be Main Street restaurateurs and retailers are busy making inquiries, but Kriewall's not naming names.

"We've got developers. Everybody wants to be a part of this, but at this stage it's all behind the scenes," he said. "A lot of people want to get in on it, now that Vic's Market is really operating. It's exciting."

The council, with Council Member Carol Mason dissenting, authorized going out for bids on

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A special moment

Novi Board of Education President Craig Foreback gives a hug to his favorite Novi graduate during commencement ceremonies Sunday, June 11 - his daughter, Carissa. More

photos of the graduation ceremonies appear on pages B6-9 in today's edition. Pictures from the graduates' All-Night Party held Sunday evening appear on page A20.

Photo by HAL GOULD

Students hope to save Free Willy star

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

The blockbuster hit *Free Willy* left viewers with the impression that the killer whale depicted in the movie was at large and at home in his natural habitat.

But that's not the case, sixth graders in Deby Levy's Novi Meadows class recently discovered.

An editor's note in *Traveler* magazine urged readers to write letters to the magazine and share their feelings after learning the whale was being held captive in less than ideal conditions. Editor Richard Busch made the pitch for support and told his reader's Keiko lives in a tank in Mexico City that's barely four times his body length and shallower than he is long. Marine biologists say he suffers from too little exercise, weight loss from stress, worn teeth from gnawing the side of his tank, and a serious skin infection.

When Levy's students read Busch's article as part of a current events assignment they immediately wrote letters and mailed them to the magazine. Twenty seven letters were mailed from Levy's students. An excerpt from one was printed in the magazine when the editor did a follow up.

Alex Granzow is the student whose letter made it to the press.

"I just really sorry for Keiko," the student said. "But I was really excited when I saw my letter in there."

Busch said he received 250 letters. Because of the response, efforts are now under way to move Keiko to a larger tank and, if possible, to eventually release him to the wild. Busch told Novi students in a certificate of appreciation he mailed to them.

"The students really got involved and really got excited," said Levy. "It was nice for the kids to have a response from the editor. It really makes it more meaningful."

Students reportedly had strong feelings about Keiko's living conditions.

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City manager won't tinker with deadlocked budget

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

One thing Novi's city administration is not doing this week is scrambling to redo the fiscal year 1995-96 budget. City Manager Edward Kriewall says.

The Novi City Council was advised last week by City Attorney David Fried that some version of the \$14 million budget must be passed by the end of this fiscal year, June 30, or the city is in violation of state law.

"We were given no direction to do anything. Some of the council said they'd be upset if we did anything or tampered with it," Kriewall explained.

"It's a political issue."

The council will attempt to break its deadlock on June 19.

On June 5, the five votes needed to approve the budget were not there, as Council Members Joseph Toth and Carol Mason said they couldn't agree to the financial plan hammered out earlier by the council in earlier budget sessions.

Although Mayor Kathleen

McLallen, Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford and Council Members Rob Mitzel and Robert Schmid were in favor of passing the document, the simple majority consensus they reached isn't enough, according to Novi's charter.

Fried advised that if a budget is not in place, the council will be breaking state law if they authorize the spending of any money, including meeting the city's payroll.

Mason said she can't morally support the proposed raising of Novi's millage above the Truth-in-Taxation level. Toth objects to a number of line items in the budget and also questions the upwards creep of the millage.

The proposed millage rate for 1995-96 is \$10.4723 per each \$1,000 of State Equalized Valuation of property. Last year's millage was \$10.3543.

The hike would raise another \$553,000 for the city.

A 0.0422 millage increase for the Novi library did win the thumbs up from the six council members.

Elfring, Newton win board seats

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Behind every good man is a woman.

Outgoing Novi Board of Education members Stephen Hitchcock and Michael Myers will be replaced with Carol Elfring and Ann Newton, the top two candidates in Monday's three-way race for the board.

Elfring was the top vote-getter in the annual school election with 1,949 votes. Ann Newton picked up the second place finish with 1,606 votes. And Ruth Ann Jirasek trailed to a third place finish with 1,033 ballots.

Both candidates said they

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Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Left to right, Ann Newton, Ruth Ann Jirasek (accompanied by her youngest) and Carol Elfring, do a little last minute campaigning at Village Oaks Monday.

Renewal won't be back till 2004

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Voters have taken the Novi Community School District out of the business of asking for operational millage until 2004.

A renewal of the district's 5.49 operating mills was approved by voters in Monday's annual school election by an almost two-to-one margin - 1,839 said yes, 922 no.

"I'm very pleased with the confidence voters in the Novi Community School District have shown to the school community and I realize it's our responsibility to continue to offer the same quality programs we have in the past," Lippe said.

Passage guarantees the school district \$2.8 million in local tax revenue for operational uses. The nine-year renewal will cap residential millage rates at 11.49 mills until 2004, provided that the State of Michigan continues to fund schools under Proposal A as it has.

Voters in precinct one, Novi Middle School, passed the millage question by more than a two-to-one margin. The vote there was 490 votes in favor, 198 opposed. Results in precinct two, Orchard Hills, were a little more even with 547 in favor, 313 opposed. Precinct three, voters in the Village Oaks area, passed the renewal by a more than a two-to-one margin with 720 supporting the renewal and 346

opposed to it. One hundred forty seven voters cast absentee ballots, 82 for, 65 against.

Lippe said he didn't want to be an alarmist when he saw "Vote no June 12" signs appear around town last week. But he said he was appreciative when Novi CARES printed and posted their pro-millage signs in the eleventh hour.

"Any time you have an issue you hear from both sides," he said. "But when I saw the Novi CARES signs, I assumed someone would do it, but it was rather late when it happened."

Under Proposal A, the state levies six mills

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Voters give nod to OCC millage

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Voters by nearly a three-to-two margin, said yes Monday to Oakland Community College's scaled down request for a local property tax hike.

The unofficial tally was 43,138 "yes" votes to 33,178 "no," a 57 percent favorable vote and better than the 52 percent indicated by

a recent poll.

Monday's proposal was for 0.8 mills for seven years. The owner of a house with a taxable value of \$50,000 will pay about \$40 per year beginning in July.

"We got the vote of confidence we needed," said Chancellor Patsy Calkins. "We can fix those aging

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Thursday, June 15

Kiwanis Club

The Kiwanis Club of Novi-South is seeking new members. The club meets at 7:30 a.m. in the Novi Civic Center. For additional information call Robert Fair at 349-4731.

Michigander Smokers

The Michigander Smokers Guild meets at 10 a.m. at the Novi Public Library, 45245 Ten Mile Rd. Guests are welcome.

Novi Schools

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

Optimist Club

The Novi Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Saturday, June 17

Car Wash

Novel Hoy Scout Troop 54 is having a car wash at the Novi United Methodist Church on Ten Mile Road west of Meadowbrook from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The revenue from this event will be used for new camping equipment. A donation of \$4 per car and \$5 per van is requested.

Sunday, June 18

Classic Car Show

The seniors of Novi Village Retirement Community in conjunction with Angel's Music and other area businesses are hosting the second annual Father's Day Classic Car Show from 2-4 p.m. The show will be held at Novi Village, 45182 West Rd. Refreshments will be available. The public is invited. For additional information, call 669-5330.

Monday, June 19

MOMS

Moms Offering Moms Support will end its 1994-95 year at Maybury State Park at 10 a.m. for a tour of the farm. Bring your own picnic lunch. Cost is \$1 per person. Maybury State Park is located on Eight Mile Road west of Beck Road and requires a one-day car sticker (\$4) or annual pass (\$20) for admittance. All ages welcome. For additional information, call Jean Fraser at 344-4806.

Cholesterol Screening

Total cholesterol screening by the fingerstick method will be offered 1-4 p.m. at the Bosford Center for Health Improvement/Health Development Network, at 39750 Grand River Ave. The 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.

Health tests

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

TOPS

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

Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters

The Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters Club meets from 7-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile. For more information, call Tom Lahiff at 348-6019 (evenings). Visitors are welcome.

Tuesday, June 20

Garden Club

The Novi Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

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.

Wednesday, June 21

Montessori Open House

The Novi Northville Montessori Center, 23835 Novi Rd. between Nine and Ten Mile roads, will be having an open house from 6-8 p.m. Enrollment is currently being accepted for the summer and fall sessions. For additional information, call 348-3033.

Planning Commission

The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

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 612-7725.

Tuesday, June 27

LARA meeting

The June meeting of the Lakes Area Residents Association will take place at 7 p.m. in Conference Room A of the Providence Park Medical Center. All area residents and merchants are welcome to join. For further information about membership, contact Harry Avagian at 669-0184.

Mason throws hat in the ring for mayoral race

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Council Member Carol Mason has definitely thrown her hat into the ring — not that she doesn't have a closetful of them at home.

But Mason late last week became the first person to turn in a petition for a spot on the Novi City Council to the city clerk's office.

And the post Mason is now seeking is mayor.

"I had a clear week and I said I might as well do it," Mason explained Tuesday. "I think I've shown good strong leadership already and I think I really can work well with people."

Next Tuesday, June 20 at 4 p.m. is the deadline for filing for a place on the November ballot. Four seats on the Novi City Council are available.

So far, the competition for the lead job is between Mason and Mayor Kathleen McAllen, who is aiming for a second two-year term. Council Member Robert Schmid says he's running, it's just not certain yet whether that's for mayor or city council.

Expiring along with McAllen's term are the four-year terms now

held by Mason, Schmid and Council Member Joseph Toth.

Most definitely eyeing the opportunity to stay up extremely late on Monday nights are recall leader Doug Erwin, Novi Newsweek anchor woman Denise Jenkins, Brian Johnson, former Novi school board trustee Michael Meyer and planning commissioner Kathy Mutch.

The latest person to pick up a petition, however, is no stranger to the Novi City Council. Bill O'Brien served on the first council from 1968, when Novi began to plan its incorporation as a city, to 1973.

Now, he wants on again, maybe.

"It's in the back of my head. Even I don't know if I wanted to do it again," O'Brien, a retired high school geography teacher, said Monday. "I'm an off-again, on-again Finnegan. I had in the back of my mind we probably need some changes in city government."

Such as? O'Brien said that when the city charter was drafted, there was some talk about dividing Novi into districts and having each elect their own council member, rather than voting citywide for the officials.

Maybe that's not a bad idea, he added.



Nice work if you can get it

General Motors engineer and Novi resident Jeff Grabowski (right) inspects Grand Prix winner Robby Gordon's wheels. Grabowski was a volunteer on a team which checked the Indy

cars to make sure each sat at least two inches above the ground, a requirement of the race. And the cutline goes here ...

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Firm honored for job creation

By JAN JEFFRIES
Staff Writer

Had a better engine dynamometer and the world will beat a path to your door.

At least that's the experience of the Novi-based Intelligent Controls, Inc. which recently won the Distinguished Employer Award from Oakland County's Development and Planning Division.

An engineering company specializing in electronic engine controls, Intelligent Controls used a \$750,000 Small Business Administration 504 Loan administered by Oakland County to help develop the dynamometer, which tests the efficiency of combustion, fuel economy and emission systems for clients such as the Big Three automakers and aerospace industries.

The firm was cited by the county for creating 20 new jobs at its Vincent Court facility, as well as retaining a base of 250 jobs, with the help of the funding.

Founded in 1982 by President Roger Berry and Chief Executive Officer Ron Unger, Intelligent Controls has soared from a \$100,000 company in its first year to a \$1 million in its fifth year, all the way to \$10.8 million in its tenth year. For 1995, the firm expects to generate \$20 million in business.

"We're a global company known for our expertise in both engines and electronics. That combination of expertise sets us apart," Berry said.

"Our goal isn't growth, it's to serve our customers by applying state-of-the-art technology to meet their needs."

Intelligent Controls' lists as its most successful and far-reaching project is assistance to the Ford Motor Company in the design of the Service Bay Diagnostic System for computer-based car repair.

"It monitors all powertrain, braking and suspension systems. We worked with engineers at Ford, Hewlett-Packard and two other suppliers. The system is currently being used by some 5,000 Ford dealerships throughout the U.S.," Berry said.

Many tests with alternate fuels including compressed natural gas and liquefied petroleum gas are performed at the Novi facility. The firm has developed a compressed natural gas system that Ford will put into limited production in 1996, Berry added.

In both 1988 and 1991, Intelligent Controls was listed in *Inc. Magazine* as one of 500 of the fastest-growing companies. Its customer base also includes Volvo, Hyundai and a number of

automotive suppliers, aerospace companies and engineering research firms.

The \$750,000 SBA 504 Loan covered about one-half of the cost of the engine test facility, with Berry noting that the firm could not have developed it without the county's assistance.

Through Oakland County's Small Business Administration (SBA 504) and Industrial Revenue Bond loan programs, more than \$238.5 million in financing has been distributed for new buildings, expansions, new equipment and other resources.

Funded by the federal government and administered by the Oakland County Local Development Company, the public/private partnership leverages bank financing with long-term, fixed rate financing for small businesses aiming to acquire or construct fixed assets.

Other area award winners were Blmids & Design, Inc. of Wyom., which had an \$890,010 loan through the county, Doney Industries of Farmington Hills, which used a \$534,000 loan and The Children's Place of Farmington Hills, a \$643,000 loan.

To apply for a loan, call the Oakland County Development and Planning Division at (810) 858-0724.



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Gregg Wellenkamp at work on the engine dynamometer at Intelligent Controls.

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Prop A leaves Supreme Court with a dilemma on funding

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Michigan's Supreme Court deals in law, not economics. Its chief tool is the constitution, not actuarial tables.

And so the high court has an unusually thorny problem in the request of public schools to reconsider its April decision on health benefits for retirees from public schools.

The court's decision "will blow up the system and cause widespread devastation of K-12 educational programs," warned the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Essentially, the justices decided 4-2 that Gov. John Engler erred in the 1991 recession when he decided to preserve state funds by paying future public school retirees' health benefits on a cash basis instead of pre-funding them on an insurance basis.

But if Engler was wrong, the Supreme Court admitted "we have no authority to order the governor or Legislature to appropriate funds" and denied the retirees a writ of mandamus.

The case is called "Musselman" for Ann Musselman and seven other retirees. Engler is the first named defendant; others include the state treasurer, budget director, auditor general, the Public Schools Retirement Board and the Legislature itself.

The problem, as MASA's Justin King describes it, stems from Proposal A passed by voters in May of 1994. Proposal A puts most of the monetary burden of funding schools on the state. But it also reflects Engler's budgeting philosophy that there shouldn't be a lot of line item appropriations floating around. So the state shifted the burden of paying retirees' health benefits from itself to the 560 local school districts.

In 1991-94, said MASA's King, "Funds which had been set aside for paying insurance benefits of future retirees were instead used by the state to help pay the present expenses of Michigan's K-12 school system," an action King called "pragmatic and well-intentioned but legally erroneous."

It leaves local school districts holding the bag to make up for the lack of prepayment of those benefits in 1991-95. The cost of correcting past actions could reach \$1 billion for 1995-96," King said. Since state aid to public schools is \$8.5 billion, that \$1 billion obligation is "a bomb ticking which threatens funding for our schools."

Under one article of the 1963 Michigan Constitution, Engler as governor has power to cut spending when revenues fall short, with the approval of the House and Senate appropriations committees. It's a grant of legislative power to the governor. Every governor since the 1970s has used it, some several times.

But the constitution's financial article (Art. IX, Sec. 24) says: "The accrued financial benefits of each pension plan and retirement system (of state and local units) shall be a contractual obligation - Financial benefits arising on account of service rendered in each fiscal year shall be funded during that year..."

Said Justice Patricia Boyle's majority opinion:

"Michigan governmental units do not have the option, however, of not paying retirement benefits. Unlike highway construction or police protection, which a governmental unit can choose to receive less of, it is impossible to receive less service from the pensioner. The pension is payment for work already completed, or deferred compensation."

It quoted the late Richard Vandusen, Birmingham lawyer and delegate to the 1961-62 Constitutional Convention: "It is designed to prevent cities in the future from using the funds which are put into a pension fund to take care of current service benefits for any other purpose."

Said Boyle: "But the Legislature (including the governor) does not have authority to fail to pre-fund a pension fund, even temporarily."

Concurring were Chief Justice James Brickley and Justices Conrad Mallett Jr. and Michael Cavanagh.

Dissenting, Justice Dorothy Comstock Riley agreed the court can't mandate Engler and the Legislature to pre-fund benefits, but she disagreed on the nature of the benefits.

"It is my belief that health care benefits do not equal financial benefits," she wrote. Retirees don't spend money when they receive health care benefits, so they don't receive "a financial instrument" and no financial benefit. Riley's view, if it prevailed, would take the Legislature and the school districts off the pre-funding hook.

Justice Charles Levin concurred in her dissent. Justice Elizabeth Weaver joined the bench two months after oral arguments were heard and took no part in the decision.

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Residents urged to take rabies precautions

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Oakland County Health Department officials have received reports that four rabid bats have been found in the county in recent weeks.

Last month, a woman and her child were taken to the hospital after being bitten by a rabid bat. The child was taken to the hospital because of his prolonged exposure to the animal.

There were radio reports last week that a Novi child was also bitten, but police and county health officials have said that's not true.

The other sightings of rabid bats were north of the area in and around Holly, county officials said.

The four sightings raised eyebrows in the health department because officials there said it's usually early in the year to see so many. Three of the four tested positive for rabies, a virus that invades the brains of humans and domestic and wild animals. The virus is typically transferred by animal bites but it is also possible to get the deadly virus if the saliva of an infected animal makes contact with an exposed cut or sore, health officials said. Symptoms of rabies begin with a high fever, headache, apprehension, tiredness and changes in feeling around the area of the infection.

Cats and dogs are the most common domestic animals to get rabies, while skunks, raccoons, foxes and bats are the most likely wild animals to become infected. Squirrels, chipmunks, mice, rats,

Library Notes

The Big Top is Here

Step right up to the greatest summer reading program in town at Novi Public Library's "Under the Big Top" reading program for kids. Registration begins Monday, June 19, and is open to children of all ages.

Upcoming programs

- Beth Katz and her puppet friends: Wednesday, June 21. Showings at 1 and 7 p.m., for ages 3 up; showings at 2 p.m., for ages 5-up.
- Stories and Songs by Rosalie and Laura: Wednesday, June 28, 1 p.m., kindergarten and up.

There is no charge for either program. For more information, call Novi Library at 349-0720.

Book Talk

The River God: A Novel of Ancient Egypt, by Wilbur Smith, will be the subject at the next Novi Library Book Discussion Group, on Monday, July 3, at 7 p.m. For more information, call the library at 349-0720.

Public Access

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

MONDAY, JUNE 19

10:00 a.m. — Good Health: Prostate Problems
10:30 a.m. — Senior Spotlight: Novi Library
11:00 a.m. — Coffee and Conversation
11:30 a.m. — (cont'd)
12:00 p.m. — Farmington Hills Police Journal
12:30 p.m. — Dollars and Sense With J.R.: Investment Return, Investor Return
1:00 p.m. — Seniors on the Move: Elder Hostels
1:30 p.m. — The Word of Life: Religious Freedom I
2:00 p.m. — Motorsports: Racing at Bonneville
2:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
3:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
3:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
4:00 p.m. — Dash Dakota: Fire Safety
4:30 p.m. — Driving is a Privilege
5:00 p.m. — Reuniting Shamanism: Healing
5:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

6:00 p.m. — Memorial Day Parade
6:30 p.m. — Backs and Talk With Tracy
7:00 p.m. — Multicultural/Multicultural Community Council
8:00 p.m. — Know Your Rights: The Lease Agreement
8:30 p.m. — Fun and Games
9:00 p.m. — Business of Living: Disability Benefits Through Social Security
9:30 p.m. — Groove Session

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

10:00 a.m. — North Farmington High School Percussion Ensemble
11:00 a.m. — Summit University
12:00 p.m. — Adventures With Prate Pele
12:30 p.m. — Senior Messenger
1:30 p.m. — Praise, Prate, Prate
2:00 p.m. — Totally Michigan: Skydiving
2:30 p.m. — Hitting Techniques: Proper Fundamentals
3:00 p.m. — Leadville Trail 100
4:00 p.m. — Concrete Sound
5:00 p.m. — Farmington Hills Police Journal: Domestic Violence
5:30 p.m. — Living With Your Addictions

6:00 p.m. — Seniors on the Move: Elder Hostels
6:30 p.m. — Business and Residential News
7:00 p.m. — Cash Talks: Anita Ortiz
7:30 p.m. — Viewpoint
8:00 p.m. — Dr. Success Presents: Infinite Hope: The Secret to Achieving Goals
9:00 p.m. — Let's Talk With Ben Marks

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

10:00 a.m. — Capitol Report
10:30 a.m. — Madonna Magazine
11:00 a.m. — Study in Scripture
11:30 a.m. — Amvets
12:00 p.m. — The Way the Truth and the Life
12:30 p.m. — That's Italian
1:00 p.m. — Rising Tide
2:00 p.m. — My Russian Friend: Customs/Education
2:30 p.m. — Cash Talks: Novi Fire Station
3:00 p.m. — Travelin' On: California
4:00 p.m. — Crisis in the Modern Family: Student Leadership
5:00 p.m. — Impact Video
5:30 p.m. — Groove Session
6:00 p.m. — Senior Messenger

7:00 p.m. — The Word of Life: Religious Freedom
7:30 p.m. — My Russian Friend: Customs/Education
8:00 p.m. — Know Your Rights: The Lease Agreement
8:30 p.m. — Lansing Connection
9:00 p.m. — Speakers Row

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

10:00 a.m. — Novi Talkin' History: Ortwin MacDermid
11:30 a.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy
12:00 p.m. — Cash Talks: Anita

Ortiz
12:30 p.m. — Life Matters
1:00 p.m. — Seniors Beware
2:00 p.m. — Sampler Pioneer Women - Their Lives Through Song
3:00 p.m. — Business and Residential News
3:30 p.m. — Viewpoint
4:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Employee Contracts
5:00 p.m. — Shaarey Zedek Productions
6:00 p.m. — Battle of the Books
6:30 p.m. — Novi News Week

7:00 p.m. — Crisis in the Modern Family: Student Leadership
8:00 p.m. — Career Development Series: Job Readiness
8:30 p.m. — Novi Police Memorial Day
9:30 p.m. — Views on the News

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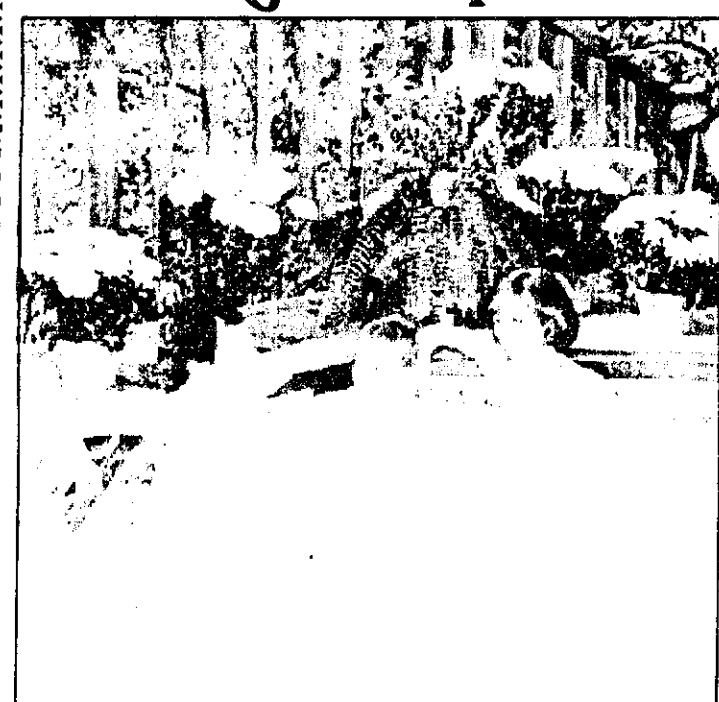
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Supreme Court rejects Paragon's request to appeal

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

An appeal from the Paragon Properties Company, which hopes to build a 400 mobile home community south of Grand River Avenue, will not be heard by the Michigan Supreme Court.

A May 4 court order denied the application submitted by Paragon's attorneys.

Paragon sued Novi in 1984 and in 1990 won the rezoning needed for the mobile homes and \$420,000 in damages, as well as attorney fees, at the Oakland County Circuit Court.

However, Novi challenged that decision and won at the Michigan Court of Appeals in April 1994.

Lansing in uproar over usury rates

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Six Republican legislators, including Jim Ryan of Redford, rebelled against their leaderships' effort to lift the ceilings on usury laws.

The House June 6 rejected a key bill 50-55, with 56 needed for passage. It was part of a package to end price controls on interest rates and to credit card companies back to Michigan.

"It wasn't broken and didn't need to be fixed," said Ryan, a first term lawmaker. "Interest rates are governed by the market and the Federal Reserve Board."

Interest rates on credit cards

All area Democrats voted no. GOP leaders immediately moved for reconsideration after the June 6 loss, but by week's end still hadn't tried again.

The Michigan Consumer Federation's Rick Gamber predicted "extreme pressure" will be put on the six Republicans to switch their votes next time. Republicans have a 56-54 majority in the House.

GOP sponsors argue that state limits on interest rates for credit cards don't give borrowers lower interest rates but drive companies out of the state. Even the AFL-CIO, a major opponent of the measure, has denounced its credit card operations in Delaware. Compromising on a 50-49 party line vote.

Rep. Filip DeFard, D-Westland, lost with her amendment to tie-bar the package of bills - meaning all must be passed for any one to take effect. The package has a half-dozen bills because many kinds of financial institutions are regulated.

Rep. Nick Ciaramitaro, D-Rosville, challenged the ruling of Speaker pro tem Frank Fitzgerald, R-Grand Ledge, that the bill need only 56 votes to pass. Ciaramitaro said the Michigan Constitution Art. IV Sec. 43b requires a two-thirds vote to pass legislation affecting banking corporations.

The House upheld Fitzgerald's ruling on a 50-49 party line vote.

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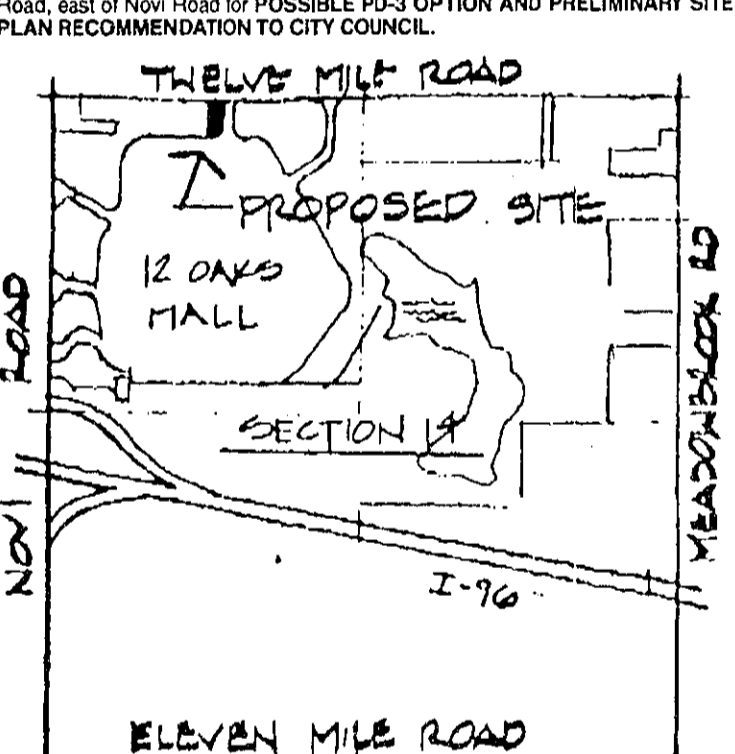
The Michigan Department of Natural Resources will hold a public comment period until July 17, 1995 on a proposed "Stipulation for Entry of Final Order by Consent" under consideration to be entered with ASPHALT PRODUCTS COMPANY. The proposed consent order will administratively resolve any outstanding violations of Rule 201 of Part 55 of Public Act 451 of 1994 as well as any other violations. Copies of the proposed consent order and the staff activity report are available for inspection at the following locations or copies may be obtained by writing or calling the Department's office in Lansing at the address and telephone number listed below.

WATERFORD: Pontiac Field Office, 1811 N. Williams Lake Road
LIVONIA: Southeast Michigan District Headquarters, Air Quality Division, Department of Natural Resources, 38280 Seven Mile Road (Phone: 313-653-0248)
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All persons are encouraged to present their views on the proposed consent order. Persons wishing to comment are requested to submit written statements by July 17, 1995, to the Department of Natural Resources, Air Quality Division, Enforcement Unit, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909. If requested in writing by July 17, 1995, a public hearing will be scheduled.
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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, June 21, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider McDONALD'S PLAY-PLACE AND CASH BOOTH ADDITION, SP 95-29, located south of Twelve Mile Road, east of Novi Road for POSSIBLE PD-3 OPTION AND PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL.

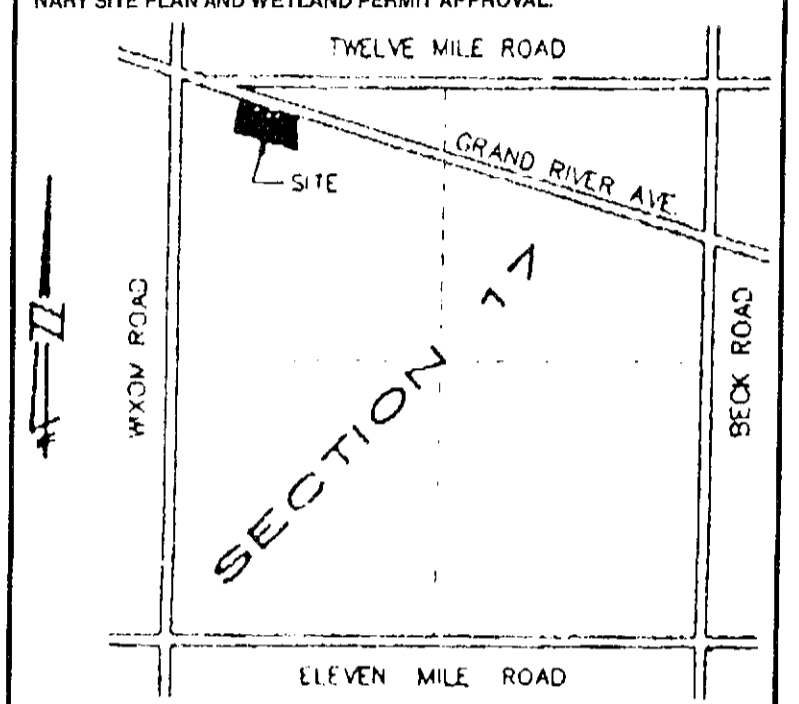


All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, 1995.

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CITY OF NOVI NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions for Mayor and Council are available at the office of the City Clerk. The deadline for filing petitions is 4:00 pm, Tuesday, June 20, 1995.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the City Clerk's Office at 347-0456.

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CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE 95-157

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance 95-157, an Ordinance to add Sections 31-1, 31-2 and 31-3 to the City of Novi Code of Ordinances to regulate construction activities within City Streets, Highways, Aways and Public Places, and the closure of City Streets, highways and alleys.

The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted on June 5, 1995 and the effective date is June 20, 1995. A complete copy of the Ordinance as well as the Rules and Regulations for construction within, over or below Public Places is available at the office of the City Clerk.

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CITY OF NOVI NOTICE PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCIES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council is accepting applications for three vacancies which will occur on the Planning Commission. Interested persons should contact the City Clerk at 347-0456 for an application or additional information. The deadline for receiving applications has been extended to June 19th. If you cannot meet the deadline, please contact the Clerk for further instructions.

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It's not a pretty picture. BATF explosives specialist Guy Thomas (right) and Michigan State Police Bomb Squad Member Sgt. Jeff Hart show how a mannequin of a child lost half its foot in a demonstration of illegal fireworks.

MSP warn of fireworks dangers

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

The woman's hand was gone, blown off nearly to the forearm. The boy lay nearby, the bottom half of his foot reduced to dust from another blast. For some odd, inexplicable reason his shoe was virtually undamaged. It could have found a short distance away, laces still tied despite the ear-splitting explosion.

Those surveying the carnage after the blast shared one thought: "Thank God they were only mannequins."

The department store clothes dummies, used during a Friday morning demonstration at the Michigan State Police post in Northville, brought home a fact more vividly than all the press releases in the world: fireworks can be deadly.

They are deadly, as statistics suggest. More than 12,000 people across America are hurt, maimed or killed by fireworks - legal and illegal - every year. Area law enforcement officials say it's time for it to stop.

Representatives of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms (BATF), the Michigan State Police and the Detroit Police and Fire Departments gathered in Northville last week to caution the public against using illegal fireworks and offered tips on how to have a safe, fun Fourth of July.

To make the point, BATF and State Police explosive specialists used the mannequins. An illegal "M-250" firework was placed in the woman's hand, another under the boy's foot. An M-1000, which you can also buy on the street and is essentially a quarter stick of dynamite, was placed underneath an upturned plastic trash can, which simply vaporized in the blast.

Actually the items law enforcement officials are concerned with shouldn't be called "fireworks," BATF Special Agent Bob Schmitt said.

"They're powerful illegal explosive devices that can injure, maim or kill a user. These things are not fireworks," Schmitt said. "I don't think a lot of people in the public realize the difference."

Devices like the M-250 and M-1000 are illegally manufactured in clandestine labs in violation of federal law, Schmitt said. They can vary widely in names, sizes, colors and shape. They're sold on the street to people who either don't know or don't care that they're illegal, he added, and aren't aware of the tremendous danger they present.

"There's no quality control, there are no safety measures taken to ensure these devices are safe," Schmitt said. "They can go off at any time, even when you don't expect them to. They can be more powerful than you thought they would be."

Your best bet, officials say, is to attend a fireworks show and let the pyrotechnic professionals entertain you. If you want to shoot some off on your own, however, they offer these tips:

- Don't use any fireworks unless they are cleared labeled as "class C common fireworks" and identify the manufacturer.
- Some of the most common types of illegal fireworks are the M-80, the M-100 and the M-250 (also called a "silver salute") and the M-1000.
- Don't buy fireworks from a seller who isn't operating from a site open to law enforcement inspection.
- If you have any doubts about whether the fireworks you have are safe and/or legal just take them to your local police department.
- Handle fireworks gently and store them in a cool, dry place not accessible to curious youngsters.
- Light fireworks one at a time in a clear, outdoor area away from flammable materials. Have water ready nearby.

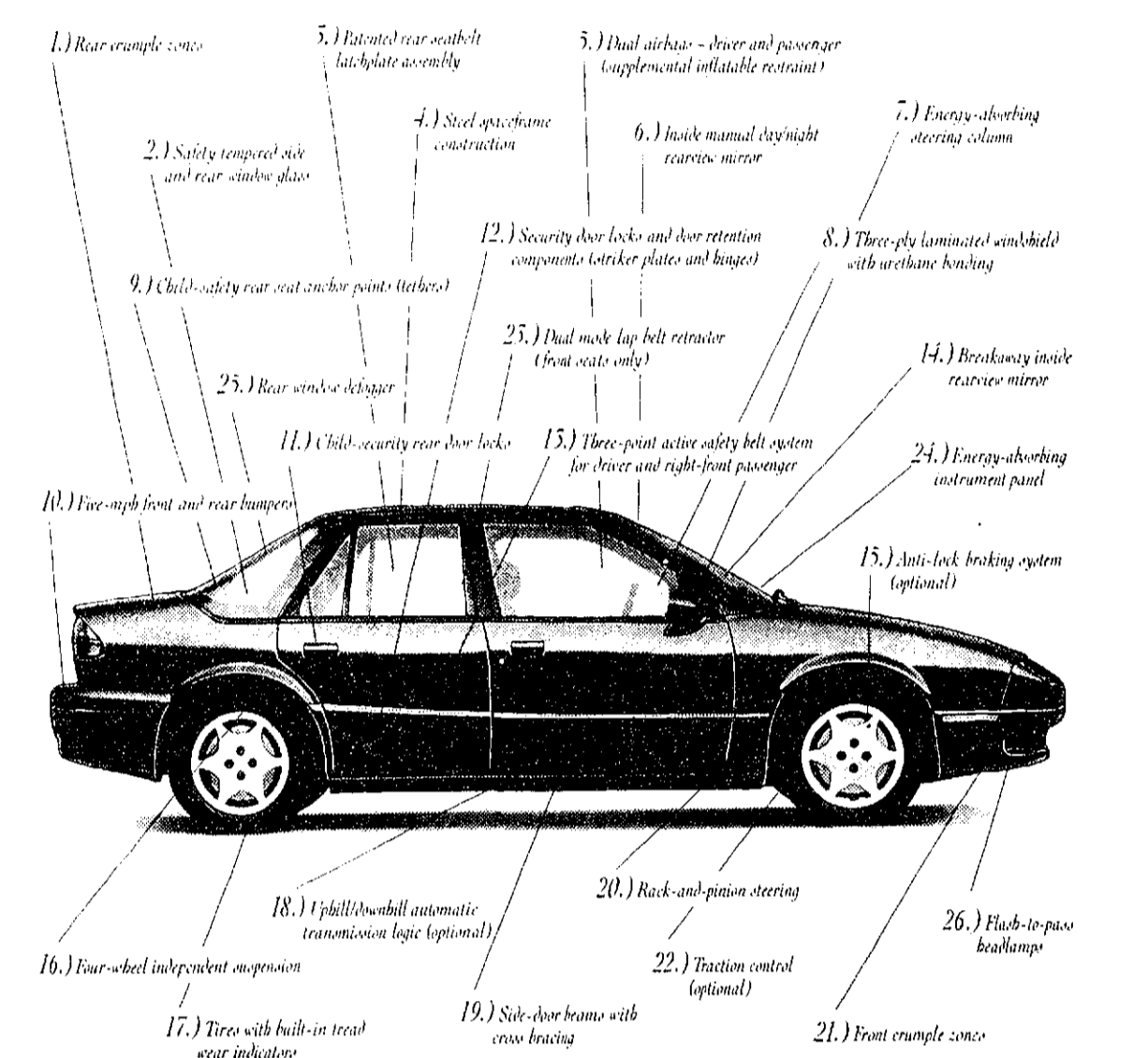
Fatalities down slightly

Novi Police reported that preliminary figures indicate there were 10 fatalities on Michigan's highways during the Memorial Day Holiday weekend.

Police noted that this year's figures were three shy of last year's total for the same period. Of the eight persons who could have been restrained, alcohol was determined to be a factor in four of the deaths but was not involved in the other six.

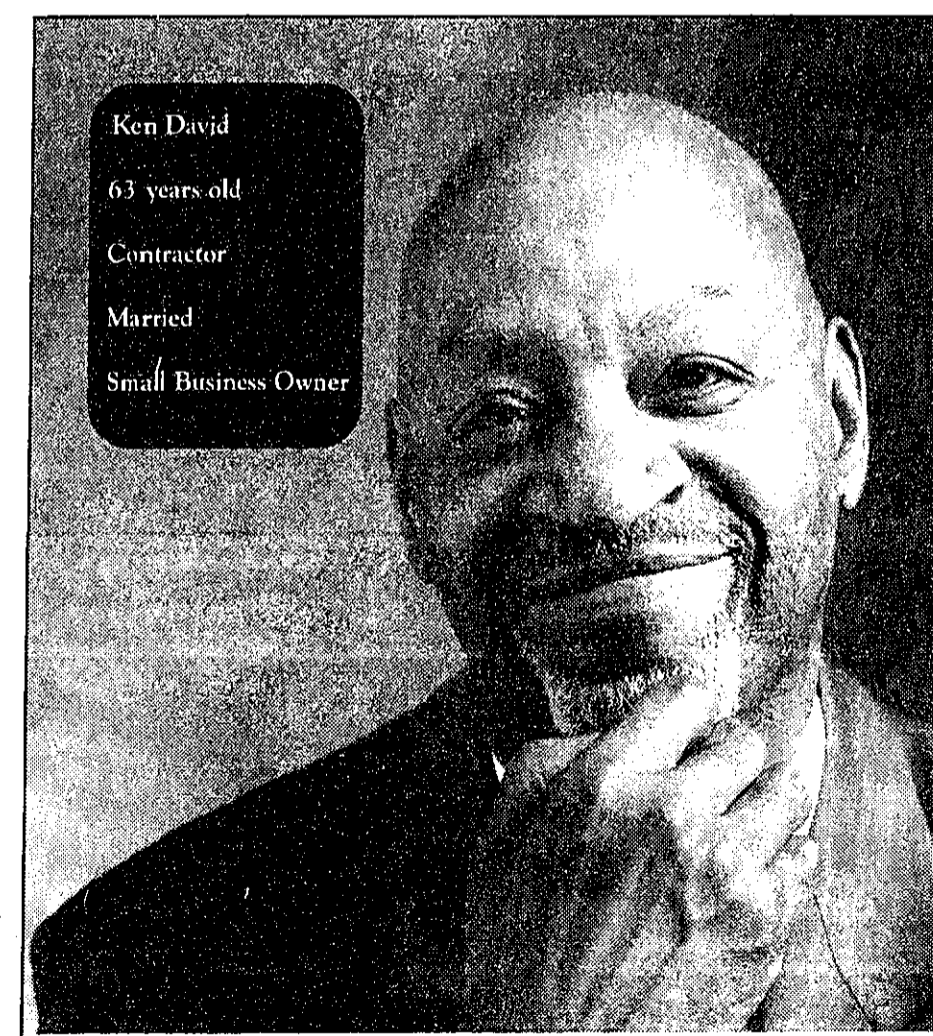
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State troopers launch a recruiting drive

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

The Michigan State Police are looking for a few good troopers. That's right, the men and women who patrol our state's highways want someone new to wear the blue about 200 openings to the exact Trooper Keith Keefner said.

Keefner, a trooper recruiter stationed at the State Police Post in Northville on Seven Mile Road, said he conducts periodic seminars for anyone interested in joining the 2,000-member Michigan State Police. The department's hiring right now, she explained.

"It's a good time to apply," Keefner said. "The main criteria we want is honesty, integrity and someone who's hard working and motivated."

Applicants have to be 21-36 years of age and have a high school diploma or GED. A four-year college degree isn't necessary, Keefner said, but gives you an extra edge in the application process because of the State Police's needs for diverse services. Troopers don't just patrol Michigan's freeways, she explained.

"The backbone of the department is our uniformed troopers working the expressways," Keefner said. "But there's a lot of diversity, too."

Specially assignments in the State Police include anything from aviation to undercover investigations, the bomb squad, the SWAT team, fire investigations, fugitive tracking, canine units, underwater recovery, even protecting the governor and training new recruits.

Anyone is welcome to apply but everyone should be aware that the application process is both lengthy and competitive.

Your driving and criminal history records will be checked for a start. Applicants must take the state's civil service written exam and the State Police's own tests, including a physical strength and agility evaluation. Pass those and a personal background investigation follows, along with drug, medical and psychological screening and review by an oral appraisal board.

And that's just to get into the State Police Academy in Lansing. If you do, Keefner continued, you have to endure five months of hard training before becoming a trooper. He advised: It isn't a rose garden.

"This is the toughest academy in the universe," Keefner said. "It's paramilitary training. It's very tough. It challenges you physically and academically."

There's one in September and another one tentatively scheduled for February," she added. "We're looking to hire about 100 new recruits for each one."

Keefner explains the entire application process in the seminar. The next one is scheduled for Tuesday, June 20, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Northville Post. Call Keefner at 380-1078, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., to confirm that you're coming.

You can also attend an explanatory seminar in either Detroit, (313) 256-2979, or Flint, (810) 332-9133.

The State Police are also looking for motor carrier officers, which handle law enforcement related to commercial vehicles like semi trucks. Call Investigator Leesa Black at the Northville Post for more information at 380-1075.

Search continues for marrow donor

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

The search widens for a bone marrow donor for Parkview Elementary School student Jeremy Truong, who was diagnosed with leukemia in March.

The nine-year-old must have a bone marrow donation to save his life, but this is complicated by the fact that a possible donor must be of East Asian descent and have the same genetic blood cell mutation as Jeremy.

His parents, Ben and Caroline Truong, who emigrated here from Vietnam, have been urgently campaigning throughout the world for the ideal volunteer, but this month they'll have help.

On June 30, the American Red Cross of Southeastern Michigan will hold the Gift of Hope Drive at donor centers in ten cities, including Livonia and Canton Township. Volunteers who are age 17 and older are asked to give blood and have their bone marrow tested.

The first 500 people between the ages of 18 and 55 to schedule appointments can also be entered into the National Marrow Donor Program registry.

Usually, a patient finds a donor within his or her own race, but few Asian Americans are now entered into the registry. Jeremy's parents and brother were tested but their bone marrow didn't meet the criteria.

The Truong family is hoping that more Asians will become part of the registry to expand the potential donor base for Jeremy.

They've had some near matches. Jeremy has a resident form of acute lymphoblastic leukemia which doesn't respond to chemotherapy or radiation treatment.

"A lot of them are having trouble dealing with the idea of a transplant." Typical costs for someone to have their human leukocyte antigen typed and entered into the National Marrow Donor Program computer registry, are \$150. But participants in the Gift of Hope Drive will have this fee financed by My Friends Care Bone Marrow Transplant Fund Inc. and the Southeastern Marrow Donor Program.

Volunteers will be asked to spend about an hour and a half giving blood and registering. Most of that is paper work; only one needle is needed to do the test.

"The results of the blood typings are then stored in the registry's main computer which is searched daily on behalf of patients around the world with fatal blood diseases. To date, more than one million potential donors are signed up, with 15,000 of them from Southeastern Michigan. The larger the registry, the more likely someone like Jeremy can find a match. A donor does not undergo any surgery in the transplant process. A small amount of bone marrow is subtracted from his or her pelvic bone with a needle in a day-long hospital stay.

To participate in the Gift of Hope Blood Donation, call 1-800-GIVE LIFE. For more information about the National Marrow Donor Program, call 1-800-MARROW.

The nearest American Red Cross Centers are in Livonia at 23691 West Six Mile Road, in Canton Township at 6700 Canton Center Road, Farmington Hills at 2388 Franklin Road.

If you can help Jeremy Truong, call 349-6297 or 810-789-9141.

"Even if the donors we recruit are not matches for Jeremy, maybe one will be able to save the life of another child," Ben Truong said.

The Truong family doctors have been telephoning Asian communities throughout the world, as well as sending out flyers, contacting Asian newspapers and speaking to local Asian American organizations.

Meanwhile, Jeremy is in remission but continues chemotherapy and transfusions of red blood cells and platelets.

The Red Cross is asking people of all races to turn out on June 30, both to boost its blood transfusion inventories before the July 4 week end and increase the number of possible blood marrow donors.

Not everybody is as publicly forthcoming as the Truong family.

"A lot of people are searching and waiting but a lot of them are not ready to go public with it yet, because their employers don't know," Red Cross spokesperson Deeky Roebuck said.

Novi Vals and Sal share their secrets to success

By SHARON CONDRON

They are the best and brightest of Novi High School's Class of 1995.

Nine are class valedictorians with grade point averages of 4.0. One Deborah Havelka, is a salutatorian with an overall 3.99 academic average.

Each has set a course for his and her own future, and a promise to be the best they can be.

On Sunday, June 11 at Novi's Commencement exercises they bid farewell to the past and crossed over to their futures, each vowing to remember those who made them who they are today.

For Alice Lin, the valedictorian honor is a bittersweet vow she made to her dying father when she was a sophomore.

"My parents and God are whom I attribute my success to," she said Wednesday. "He died suddenly my sophomore year of cancer. One of his last wishes for me was to be valedictorian."

"God, He's given me strength and has been supportive of me. He's listened to my prayers and given me the luck and hope."

Lin succeeded in honoring her father's wishes and said she will take the strength she's been given onto to Cornell University in New York to pursue her dreams to study engineering and business.

"I chose these fields because they are both practical and involve logical thinking and creativity," she said. "I love the arts, math and sciences and I can apply all three to these fields."

Lin said the hard life has dealt her has triggered a greater appreciation for life.

"I've learned a lot in life," she said. "But the two most important are to be honest to yourself and to others and that life is short and unpredictable so you have to take chances and live life to the fullest."

Live it to the fullest and "live it with no regrets," said valedictorian Amy Yang. Yang attributes her academic success to her "determination."

She's headed to American University to study International Relations.

"I'd like to become a United States ambassador and help to shape our nations future."

When asked who had the most influence on her Yang credits her friends for keeping her focused and on track.

"My friends, rain or shine, have always been there for me and influencing me to always be my best and to enjoy life to the fullest."

Most of the students agreed that life's most important lessons come from outside the classroom.

"Through the past four years, I've learned that academics are a priority, but if you keep your nose buried in your books, you may miss out on the more important, meaningful things in life," says valedictorian Shannon Colligan. "I attribute my academic success to the balance of hard work and dedication, but to also taking the time out to enjoy the benefits they include."

Colligan will leave for Central Michigan University in the fall to become a physical therapist.

"I chose this profession so I could be involved in a medical field that has many different opportunities for success," she said.

Hard work, dedication, and perseverance are the paths these took to find their academic success.

Just ask Andrea Mione.

"I attribute my success to self-motivation and determination that I caused me to work hard and give everything my greatest effort," she said. Upon graduation, Mione intends to pursue a career as a pharmacist at the University of Toledo.

"Lessons learned outside the classroom are more valuable than those learned within," she says.

Mione's parents are the one she'll remember for supporting her dreams.

"They have always stood behind me through whatever I've chosen to do and they've never put any pressure on me to do anything."

Most of the valedictorians said their parents guided not pushed their academic pursuits.

"My parents taught me early on that hard work and dedication will pay off in the end," said Jim Rose, who intends to study law or journalism at the U-M.

"I've always enjoyed writing, and



The best and the brightest, nine valedictorians and one salutatorian, of the Class of 1995 at Novi High School.

in a big sports fan," he said. "I think journalism would allow me to combine the two in a career I would enjoy."

Rose will take a lot of memories along with him to Ann Arbor but he never forget what she says is the most important lesson he has taught him.

"Good grades are important, but being a good person is more important."

"I have learned you should not give up too quickly, nor take those around you for granted," said Darlene Galido, another 4.0 student, who plans to attend the U-M College of Engineering and participate in the Air Force ROTC and hopes to one day pilot or work for NASA.

"I owe a great deal to my family, friends and teachers who have supported me and showed me that they cared," she added.

Katie Shaw is also heading to the U-M's engineering school.

"I plan on majoring in material science engineering with a business application because it involves being on the brink of new technology and working with people too," Shaw said.

Shaw says she learned there much more to happiness than being book smart and credits her parents' unending love and support for her own successes.

"By supporting me though success and failure they have instilled in me the courage to go for whatever I wish to accomplish, regardless of the path that may lead me there."

Lori Dewitt and Eugene Wang are both headed to Michigan State University to pursue careers in medicine. He wants to become a family doctor because family is important to him and because he wants to get to know his patients and their families.

"I attribute my success to my parents for teaching me the importance of perseverance. It has made the impossibilities of life into challenges," he said.

She intends to study pediatrics.

"I have always dreamed of becoming a pediatrician because I love children and want the chance to make a difference in their lives."

Her dream of becoming a doctor is what motivates her the most.

"I learned to be self-motivated throughout my many years of schooling and I owe my success to the aspiration of becoming a doctor one day," she said.

But as every good doctor knows, not every patient is the same.

"I've learned to accept and love others for their differences and uniqueness," Wang said.

Dewitt agrees.

"I have learned to be and accept myself and others for who we are."

Deborah Havelka, the sole salutatorian of the class of 1995 with a GPA of 3.99, has her sights set on the University of Cincinnati to study graphic arts. Her "unyielding persistence" is what kept her focused for four years.

"I strive to achieve what I want."

But while book work has kept her attention, Havelka hasn't stopped reminding herself of what's most important.

"The most important thing I've learned in life is to be open-minded towards people, ideas and more," she said.

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LeBlanc has no regrets for opposing tax question

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on all properties. Local districts have to levy 18 mills on businesses to ensure they qualify for the state's foundation grant. School districts which need additional funds to protect the level of funding they had in place before Proposal A was passed can ask voters to approve "harmless" mills.

That's the renewal Nov voters passed Monday. Homeowners' levies will remain at 11.49 mills until the renewal expires, but that doesn't mean they won't be asked to approve additional millage requests for bond issues which rack up debt retirement bills. Those mills are earmarked for construction projects.

Passage of the renewal brings the residential levy in line with the 18 mill business levy business owners in Novi will pay which also expires in 2004.

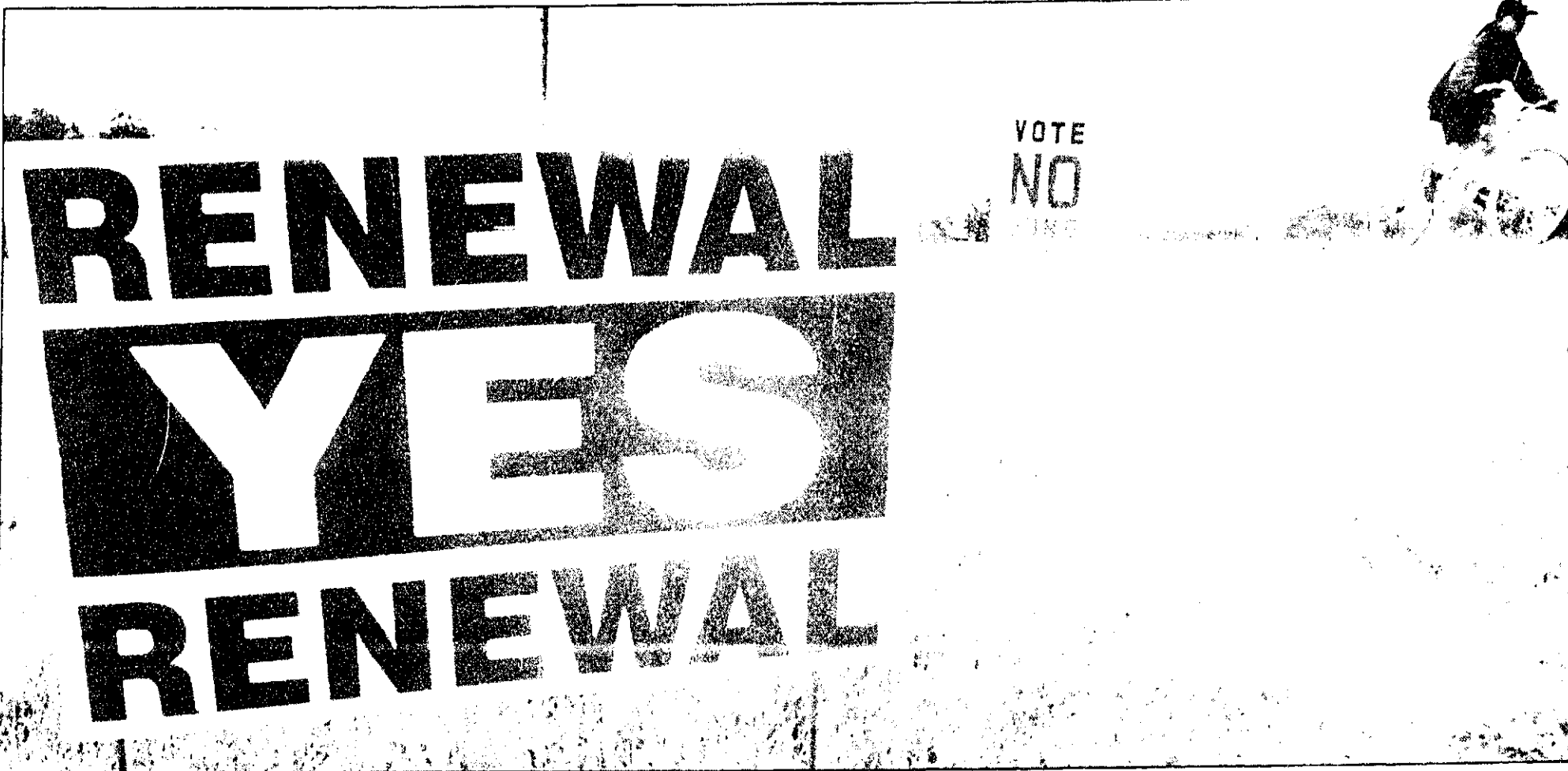
Jerry LeBlanc spearheaded the anti-renewal campaign and urged voters to vote no on the millage renewal and the Oakland County millage request, which also expires in Nov 1, 2004 to 1,181.

"They win some, you lose some," LeBlanc said Tuesday afternoon. "But I want to congratulate them; they got a decent turnout."

"We were very on this one in the first place because there are some of us who said they had it let's give it them, but then no more," LeBlanc said.

LeBlanc and his cohorts printed and posted the "Vote no-June 12" signs that cropped up last week. His efforts were countered by Novi CARES who posted "Yes Renewal" signs over the weekend before the election.

LeBlanc took satisfaction in knowing he didn't spend a dime to oppose the renewal but his opposition had to spend money to get their signs in the eleventh hour.



The eyes had it, in the battle over the renewal of the Novi Community School District's 5.49 mills.

OCC millage approved by county voters

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buildings. We can add those new programs. We can bring in new technology."

Here is how area K-12 districts voted, with yes votes listed first, no votes second and the yes percentage.

- Novi: 1,304, 1,181 - 52.5 percent
- Walled Lake: 1,660, 1,072 - 61 percent
- Huron Valley: 2,224, 2,883 - 43.5 percent
- South Lyon: 960, 1,403 - 40.6 percent

Five of the 28 K-12 public school districts in Oakland County opposed the OCC proposal, including Huron Valley, South Lyon, Brandon, Clarkston and Madison Heights.

All but Madison Heights are in the western and northern sections of Oakland County, where OCC's five campus are less visible, identification with the county weaker and candidates for the OCC board are almost nonexistent.

"We hit apartments in West Bloomfield, Novi, Wilson and Farmington Hills," said Amy Enright, a Brighton resident who earned her associates degree at

OCC in May and campaigned on behalf of the proposal. She plans to study environmental science at Madonna University in the fall.

"We went to churches and synagogues last week from Tuesday through Friday and gave out flyers. We went to all the campuses. Today, we worked the precincts in South Lyon."

"It was a very, very grassroots campaign - talking to neighbors, family and friends," said OCC Vice Chancellor Dan Jaksen.

About 5,000 persons volunteered to work for the campaign. For OCC, passage of the propos-

al will mean \$25 million in new revenue on top of its current \$71 million budget.

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Newton, Elfring selected by Novi voters for school seats

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fought the hard fight and will look forward to the two weeks of rest and relaxation before they are sworn in July 1.

"I'm very happy," Elfring said Tuesday after a night of celebrating the election returns with friends and family. "And I'm looking forward to it. I worked very hard and when you work that hard you really appreciate the win."

"But I'm tired too." Election results came in just after 8:30 p.m. Monday evening, but those in the Elfring camp were already celebrating at a neighbor's get-together when the news was telephoned to them from Elfring's campaign manager, John Calandra.

Elfring said she talked with and saw Ann Newton after their wins were announced. She said was looking forward to working with Newton.

"We will work together," she said. "Because we have the same style."

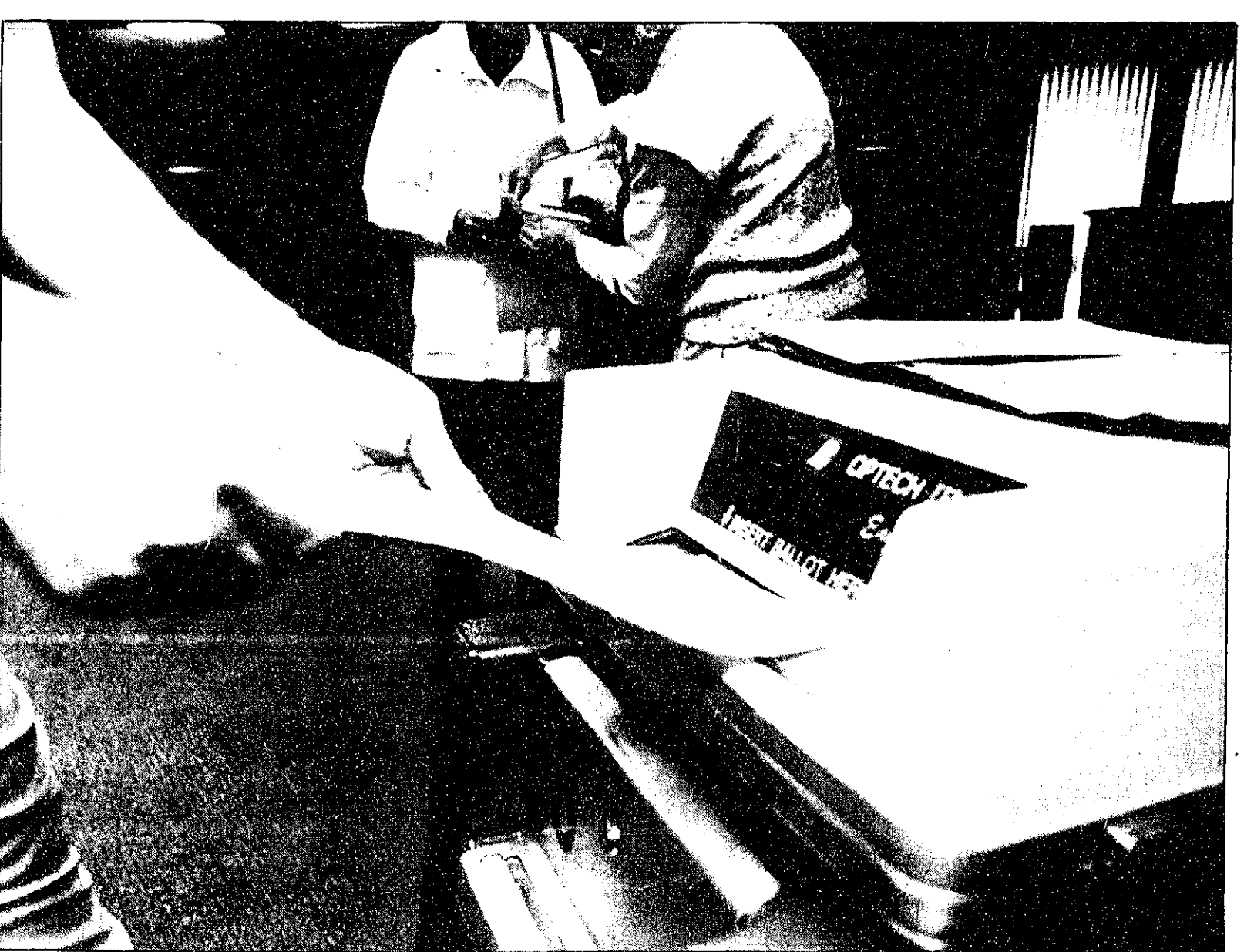
Newton agreed. "I look forward to working with Carol and the rest of the board," she said. "I look forward to working at promoting communication between the board, parents and the community."

Newton said the campaign was harder for her because she was the unknown face in the crowd. But she said when she saw the election counts she realized then she and her campaign crew had done their job educating the electorate.

"I'm just very excited," she said. "I had a great campaign committee. They worked very hard. Our hard work has paid off."

Newton also offered a word of thanks to the voters who elected her.

"I just want to say thanks to the voters who showed their confidence in me. I wasn't as well known as the other two candidates so I had to work hard. But the numbers really showed the voters' confidence in me."



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Car dealer's plans hit skids before council

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

The brakes were slammed to the floor recently for plans to build a new General Motors luxury car dealership next to Marty Feldman Chevrolet and Co.

Rather than moving ahead with a request to rezone 4.5 acres along Grand River Avenue behind the 14-year-old dealership, the Novi City Council last week asked that city planning consultants consider relocating the city's P-1 vehicle parking zoning category to accommodate the project.

The decision did not appear to be a welcome one to Feldman's architect, Stanley Tkacz of the AT Design Group.

"Is that the information I should take back to my client, that you want to total rezone of P-1 zoning to accommodate parking? We're looking at a six- to 12-month period to rezone a zoning section," Tkacz wondered.

"We intend to look at the ordinance and see if we can be more in line with the proposal instead of conditional zoning," City Attorney David Frank explained.

The land, south of the Feldman dealership, is currently designated for multiple housing, but Novi planning consultant Brandon Rogers said that the neighboring Fountain Park Apartments has no desire to buy the property. The

Marty Feldman dealership is between Meadowbrook Road and Novi roads, on the south side of Grand River.

The Feldman site is zoned B-3, a business category. The firm is asking that part of the adjacent vacant property be zoned B-3 for business and the remainder P-1 for an automobile sales lot.

Following recent state Supreme Court rulings, Novi's attorneys advised the city council that it can, as recommended by the planning commission, impose conditional zoning on the property.

However, the rezoning of part of the site to P-1 for parking would not work because it only permits parking for up to 24 hours, Rogers said. Instead, the city will consider expanding that category to permit long-term parking suitable to a dealership car lot.

General Motors will not allow more concrete details about what sort of car dealership is planned, Tkacz said.

In the past, city officials have raised concerns that the bump slump attached to the dealership might prove disruptive to residents living in Fountain Park apartments.

"There are motors running, there is grading. There is all sorts of noise, in a body shop," Schmid said.



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Merit scholars

Novi High School had three students recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation this year. Andrea Mione (center) was the sole merit scholar awarded a \$2,500 scholarship.

Kevin Vicklund (right) was recognized as a merit semifinalist and Kimberly Collins (left) was awarded the National Merit Achievement Scholarship.

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Veterinarian gets support for strip mall clinic

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

A veterinarian wasn't barking up the wrong tree when he requested a reopening of the Briarwood lawsuit settlement to permit a small animal clinic.

Dr. John Parker and developer Lee Walter were turned down by the Novi City Council in September, but with dogged determination returned again last week armed with a survey indicating that residents favored having the clinic at Briarpointe Plaza.

This time, the city council didn't

"We plan to do small animals only. I understand you had some problems with tigers. We will not handle tigers."

Dr. John Parker
Veterinarian

chew up the idea, provided a sidewalk is built along the shopping center's Beck Road frontage.

problems with tigers. We will not handle tigers," Dr. Parker assured the council.

corner of Beck and Ten Mile roads. Residents organized in protest of the move and passed a referendum election to reverse city council approval of the plan. Walter then sued the city.

In a 1990 out-of-court settlement, Walter and Briarwood of Novi Partners won the right to put up the scaled-back shopping center within the B-1 zoning category. Veterinary offices are permitted in the B-3 category in Novi's zoning books.

In May, a survey was distributed on the topic to 325 residents, of

the 105 who answered, 83 percent supported the clinic. Five residents wrote letters backing the plan.

Dr. Parker explained that it's too expensive to buy land in Novi and build a free-standing clinic, hence the request to put the offices in a strip mall.

Back in September, some council members had worried about doggie deposits on sidewalks.

"Most of the time that's something we want to see in the clinic as a sample. We'll have people pick it up or the owners pick it up," the vet promised.

Council Member Robert Schmid still had his hackles up, saying the non-conforming use was setting a precedent.

"I'm not against veterinarians. I'm not against dogs and cats. In fact I use them all the time, veterinarians," Schmid said.

"Ordinances are made, ordinances are passed, ordinances are thought out in some detail. The ordinance clearly states that veterinarians aren't allowed in that zoning."

Arson rises by 22 % in the '94 year, report says

Arson and suspicious blazes increased 22 percent in 1994, compared to the previous year's figures, according to officials of a statewide anti-arson group.

Last year, 38 individuals were killed in these types of blazes. In 1994, there were 4,667 incendiary fires and another 9,550 suspicious blazes reported in this state. That compares to 7,716 suspicious and 3,936 arson fires reported in 1993.

Representatives of the Michigan Arson Prevention Committee, the state's arson task force, indicate that more thorough fire investigating at the local level has led to an increase in the number of fires being identified as arson.

"I believe the number of reported arson fires statewide is going up, not because of more fires are actually being set, but because of great investigating at the fire scenes," State Fire Marshal and MAPC President Wade Schaefer said. "Fire and police personnel are doing much better job at observing suspicious circumstances and then bringing in an expert fire investigator to determine origin and cause."

Intentionally-set and suspicious blazes cost citizens here over \$92 million in 1994. Michigan residents paid out \$27.4 million in direct arson losses last year. Suspicious blazes cost another \$64.8 million. These loss figures do not include indirect costs such as medical care, funeral expenses, temporary shelter, business interruption, demolition, fire investigation, prosecution, court proceedings, incarceration and increased insurance premiums.

Although not all arson fires can be prevented, there are some precautions property owners can take to deter fire-setters, MAPC officials suggest:

- Always keep entry doors and garages locked.
 - Keep yards well-lighted.
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by Dennis E. Engerer, P.T.
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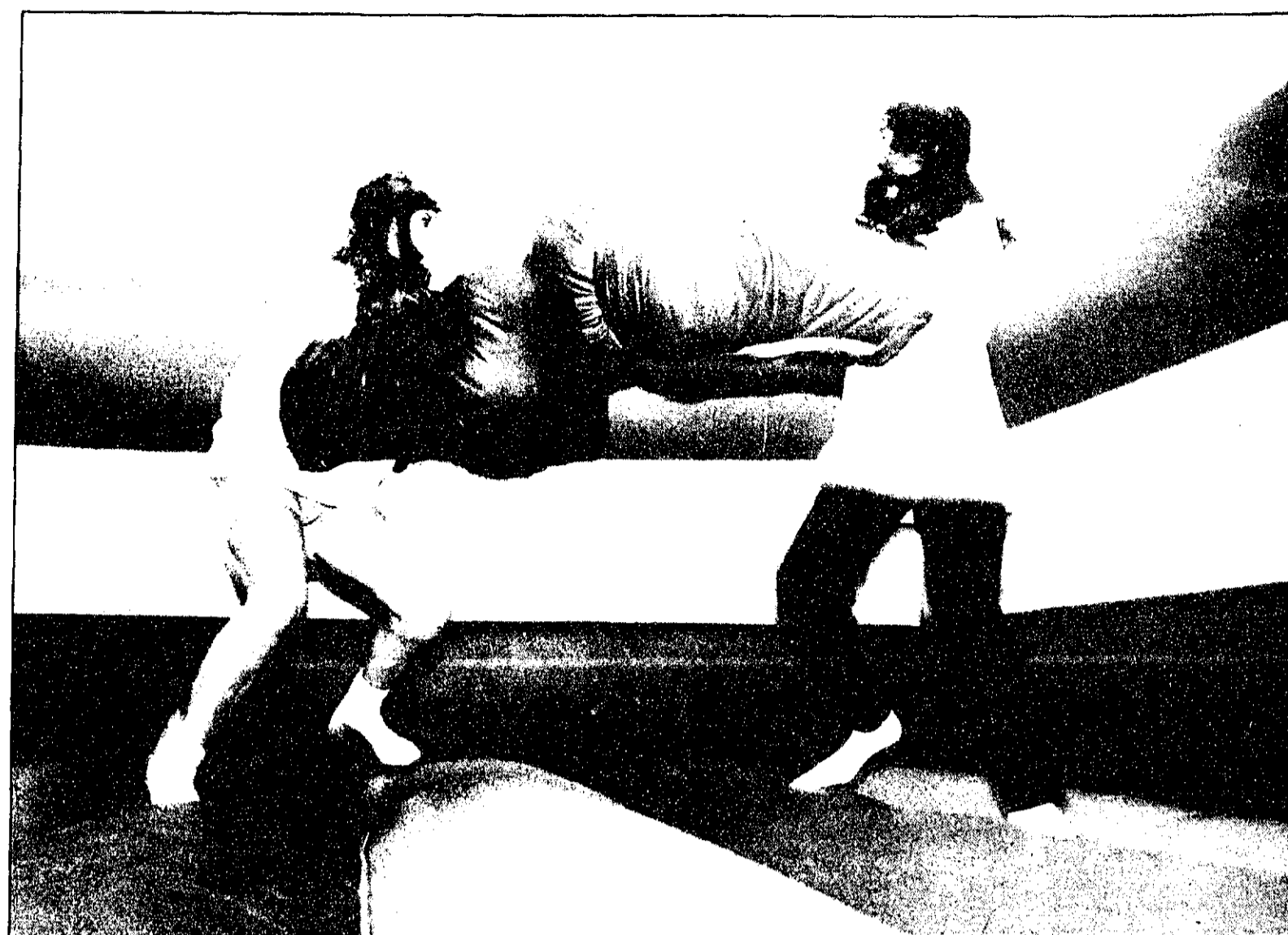
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"Bad" Kaley Hayman checks out the thrills of virtual reality at the All-Night Party for Novi High School's graduating seniors. The TV monitor lets outsiders check the game's progress. Bouncing inside a Moon Walk, Becky Berner (left) and Tracy Mall fight for the fun of it with giant-sized boxing gloves. It was all part of the All-Night Party for Novi High School's Class of 1995 Sunday at the school.



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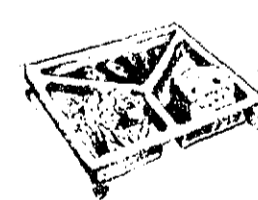
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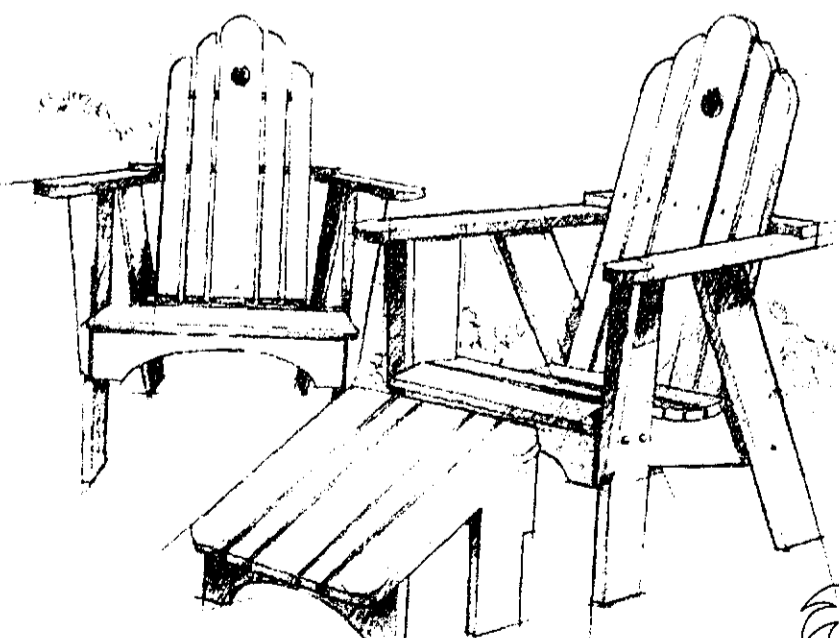
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A. Any person conducting any construction and/or maintenance activities within, over or below any street, highway, alley, parkway, sidewalk, bikeway, park or other public place under the jurisdiction of the City of Novi shall be required as a condition of being permitted to undertake such activities:

1. To operate and maintain the structure covered by the permit at his own expense.

2. To post all necessary bonds and certificates of insurance. To give notice to the Director of Public Services at least two (2) working days prior to commencement of operations covered by the permit. Inspection consistent with the terms of the Permit may be required. The applicant will be billed for inspection at the rates in effect at the time of issuance of the permit.

3. To save harmless the City against any and all claims for damages arising from operations covered by the permit and upon request, furnish proof of insurance coverage or a protective liability policy naming the City as insured for the term of this permit for \$1,000,000.00 personal injury and \$1,000,000.00 property damage for operations covered by this permit. The amount of required coverage may be reduced by the Director of Public Services when he or she determines that it is in the best interests of the City to permit such reduction.

4. Surrender the permit applied for, surrender all rights hereunder, cease operations, and remove, alter, relocate at applicant's own expense the facilities for which the permit is granted whenever ordered to do so by the City because of its need for the area covered by the permit or because of a default in any of the conditions of the permit. Upon failure to remove, alter, relocate or surrender the facilities pursuant to the order of the City, reimburse the City for its cost in doing same. The City may utilize the proceeds of any required bond for such purposes.

5. Upon request, submit a bond and/or cash escrow, or a certified check acceptable to the City and conditioned upon performance of the conditions of the permit and compliance with all requirements of law.

6. Permission shall not be construed to grant any rights whatsoever to any public utilities whatsoever except as to the consent herein specifically given, or to impair anywise any existing rights granted in accordance with the constitution or laws of this State.

7. PERMIT - The individual in charge of the work shall have the permit and the approved plans or sketches in his possession on the job at all times.

8. EXCAVATION AND DISPOSAL OF EXCAVATED MATERIAL - The Contractor and/or the Utility Company shall provide and place the necessary sheeting, shoring and bracing required to prevent caving, loss or settlement of foundation material supporting the pavement, or any other highway installation such as sewers, culverts, etc. The Contractor and/or Utility Co. shall assume the full responsibility for this protection. Excavated material shall be stockpiled at such locations that it does not obstruct vision on the traveled portion of the highway and in such a manner that it will not interfere with the flow of traffic. The applicant shall dispose of all surplus and unsuitable material outside of the limits of the Right-of-Way unless the permit provides for disposal at approved locations within the right-of-way. In the latter case, the material shall be leveled and trimmed in an approved manner.

9. BACKFILLING AND COMPACTING BACKFILL - All trenches, holes and pits shall be filled with sound earth, or with granular material if so required. The approved material shall be placed in successive layers no more than six (6) inches in depth, loose measure and compacted to not less than 95% of the maximum unit weight as determined by the Michigan Department of State Highway Controlled Density Method. This specification shall be adhered to unless otherwise specified or authorized by the Director of Public Services. Density compaction test reports from an independent laboratory will be submitted by the applicant to the Director of Public Services to ascertain compaction as specified or as may be required by the permit.

10. CROSSING ROADBED BY CUTTING GRAVEL AND TRENCHING - All trenches across the roadbed shall be backfilled as specified in paragraph 9 to within 8 inches of the finished road surface. The top 8 inches shall be Aggregate (22A).

11. CROSSING ROADBED BY TUNNELING OR BORING AND JACKING - When the pipe is installed by this method without cutting the existing pavement, all remaining voids around the installation shall be filled by a method approved by the City. Pressure grouting shall be required when deemed necessary. When the traveled portion of a road is tunneled or bored and jacked, the length of the pipe or casing used shall be the width of the road plus the shoulder width. Casing shall be required when deemed necessary. Also when boring and jacking the leading edge of the pipe or casing must always precede the Auger.

12. CROSSING ROADBED BY CUTTING PAVEMENT AND TRENCHING - When this method is approved by the Director of Public Services, the pavement shall be sawed so that the pavement area to be removed is a minimum of one (1) foot wider on each side than the maximum width of the trench. In no case shall the remaining slab width be less than five (5) feet from the patch to an existing joint. In rigid pavements, the saw cut shall be full depth, also when required the patch shall be tied to the existing slab by drilling hook bolts on 32-inch centers on all exposed faces of the existing pavement. The hook bolts shall be located at one-half (1/2) the pavement depth. Backfill shall be placed according to paragraph 9. The pavement shall be replaced with new pavement of the original type and quality, with joints to be sealed with an approved sealant, unless at a season of the year when it is not feasible, in which case a temporary surface of bituminous material shall be placed and maintained, and later replaced with pavement of original type at the applicant's expense.

13. DEPTH OF COVER MATERIAL - Depth of cover for underground facilities shall be determined at the time of application for a permit. In no case shall there be less than three (3) feet of cover between the surface of the traveled portion of the road and the facility being placed, and not less than three (3) feet below the low line of ditches.

14. TREE PROTECTION OR REMOVAL - Secure written permission of the abutting property owner when required.

(a) REMOVAL - Dispose of all limbs, logs, stumps and litter in a manner acceptable to the City Forester.

(b) PROTECTION - Underground facilities that interfere with trees in the Right-of-Way shall be bored one-half (1/2) foot for each inch of tree diameter in all directions from the base of the tree.

15. RESTORATION and FINAL CLEAN-UP - Final Clean-up shall be such that it will provide a condition equal to or better than the original condition. Permittee shall be required to take and provide the City with dated pictures of the area being disturbed by the permit prior to any such work in order to establish the original condition. Failure to do so and/or providing insufficient pictures, permittee will have to restore the area as requested by the City.

16. PROTECTION OF ESTABLISHED SURVEY POINTS and DATUM - The permit holder shall protect, preserve and/or restore at his own expense, any established survey points and datum within the limits of the work covered by this permit.

17. TRAFFIC and SAFETY - Where this permit allows the closing of a road, or the use of one or more traffic lanes, where construction is in proximity to the traveled portion of the road, signs, signals, lights, etc., shall be placed and maintained in accordance with the most current edition of Michigan Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The traffic control called for shall be minimum and the contractor shall erect and maintain at his own expense, all signs, signals, etc., for safety as directed by the City.

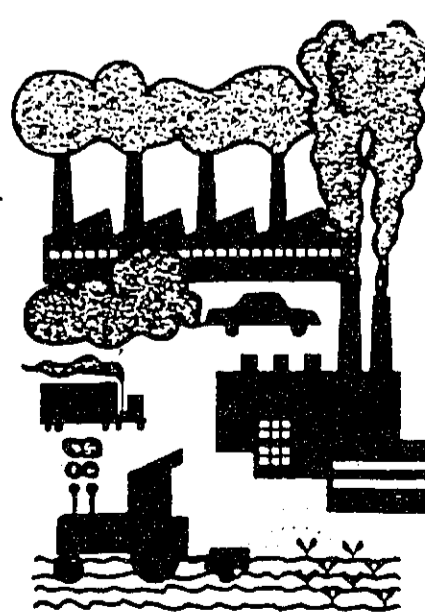
18. Any operation in the right-of-way not covered by these specifications, shall be done in accordance with the instructions of the Director of Public Services and/or his designee.

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Honorees inducted

At right, Gyrold Lee Hooten, one impressed little fellow, ogles beaming Motorsports Hall of Fame inductee Chip Hanauer (center), a power boat racer who won the Detroit Gold Cup hydroplane race two weeks ago. Hanauer was one of nine men inducted into the Novi museum's Hall of Fame on June 7. Of the group of honorees, only Hanauer and two others - Roger Penske and Rodger Ward - are living. Above, Motorsports Hall of Fame inductee Rodger Ward checks out a larger-than-life-sized picture from his younger days, now on display in the Motorsports Museum. Ward is one of only 14 drivers who won the Indianapolis 500 more than once - in 1959 and 1962. Ward ran the Brickyard 15 times between 1951 and 1966, coming in second in 1960 and 1964.



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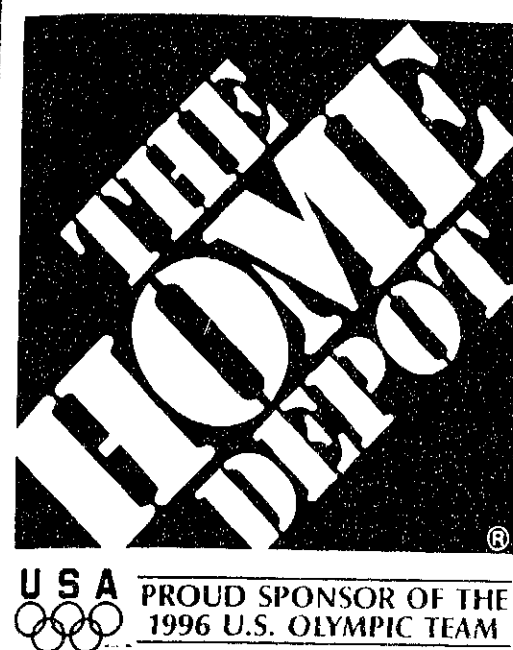
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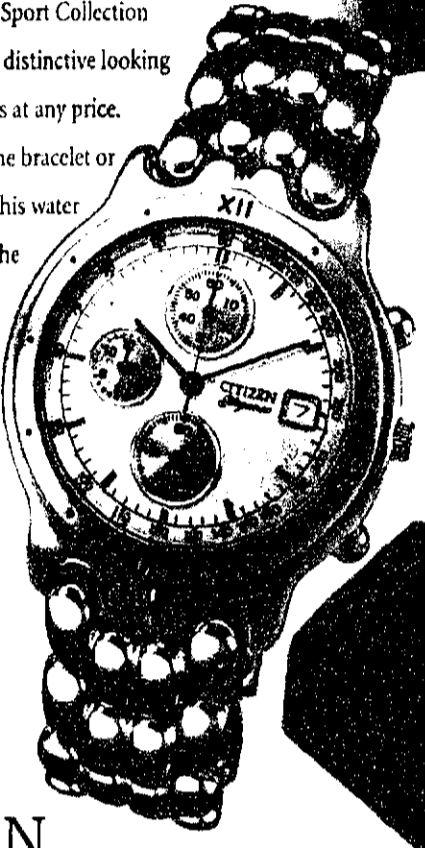
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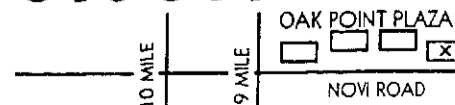
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dad's day dilemma?

Does dad really
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More socks and
underwear?

There are alter-
natives to refilling
dad's stockpile of
necessities.

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

A poll of *Northville Record* and *Novi News* staff members revealed a wide variety of creative gift ideas for Father's Day.

Young sons and daughters usually make gifts as part of a classroom art project at school that dad won't want to part with for years.

Like reporter Yvonne Beebe, who made a papier mache sculpture of her father when she was in about the third grade. Her dad still has it on his desk some 15 years later.

The children of office receptionist Diane Quint made various gifts through the years, including a key rack which is still in use.

Older children have more options because of income and capabilities. Using their imaginations, they should be able to come up with a few ideas that probably won't cost them anything but would save dad a lot of time. If the child usually gets paid for doing these things, offering to do them for free would still make it a nice gift.

Give dad a day off by doing the yard work like mowing the lawn, weed whacking or edging.

If it's a nice day, offer to wash the car - roll up those windows first. Then maybe a good wax job would be in order.

Make dad dinner, bring him breakfast in bed or take him out to eat.

Cleaning out the garage, basement or



photo by HAL GOULD

Don Pierron received a Father's Day card from his first grade daughter Lauren during Orchard Hills Elementary School's recent Parent Night Program honoring all mothers and fathers.

workroom is something dad might enjoy doing one less time.

New reporter Bob Jackson thought he'd do his dad a favor when he was a lot younger by cleaning his new Ben Hogan golf clubs. The only problem was that the cleaner he used took off the finish.

Although everyone wants his or her gift to be a surprise, if in doubt, always ask mom or one of dad's friends for help or advice.

Taking dad out for the day may require shelling out a few bucks.

Don't invite dad to go on your favorite activity of the day, though. If you don't

know what his hobbies are, ask some general questions worded so that he'll never guess you were fishing for clues like, "Dad, if a son was going to take a dad out for father's day, where do you think that dad would like to go?"

Reporter Randy Coble took his dad to the circus. Coble was about eight or nine years old when he entered a joke contest at Channel 50 and won four tickets to the Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus. His winning entry was: "What has big feet, a red nose and lives in a test tube - Bozo the Clown."

Some gifts turn into traditions. Photographer Brian Mitchell bought his dad Brut Soap on a Rope - then it became a tradition, not just for Father's Day but for every holiday. One year he tried to get the Vatican-approved Pope on a Rope but didn't succeed.

Typist Betty Metzler's girls always made their own cards, incorporating a recent picture of themselves which their dad would hang on the wall at work.

Another tradition was a barbecue. Dad did the cooking, but the girls set the table, complete with an arrangement of flowers one year.

After they cleared away the dishes and brought their dad a beer, he would open up the package that contained the tie that the girls had shopped for all by themselves.

Gifts are always fun to receive. Keeping in mind dad's interests such as hunting, fishing, golf or sports will assure better results than picking out one of the novelty items. Even if he is the best dad in the whole wide world, there are only so many "greatest dad" items he can use.

Reporter Jan Jeffres framed some of her dad's World War II blue prints and pictures.

Buy something for dad that he won't buy for himself but that he really needs.

Editor Lee Snider bought dresser drawer knobs and casters for the television table for his father because many were missing and he knew his dad wouldn't buy them on his own.

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Marteks learn to have a happy retirement



CONNIE AND KEN MARTEK

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

The "status" of a marriage may no longer be the "quo" it was after a husband retires and moves in on the wife's well-adjusted life even after children have grown and grandchildren brought to visit.

But in the case of Connie and Ken Martek, there's no problem. Ken retired from a small business after he had retired from General Motors. Then he came home to stay all day.

He and Connie moved to Northville. She said she'd always done a lot of volunteer work and she intended to continue, starting at St. Mary's Hospital.

Ken said he'd go there, too. But they wouldn't do the same thing.

Connie signed up for nine-to-one duty, one day a week, at the Pavilion Information Building, which handles out-patient surgery. She and another woman direct people to where they want to go.

Ken? He got into repairing tele-phones for patients. He said, the

phones have been dropped, spilled on, or the volume control "is out of whack." "I fix them - an average of 15 in a day - repair, clean, disinfect."

Connie said, "It gets a bit hectic at the information desk" and to give her a break, "Ken comes along at 11 a.m. and hands me a Pepsi."

At 1 p.m., they're both all through. They could stay for lunch. "It's provided," Connie said, but their dog, Brandy, is waiting for them at home to go for a walk.

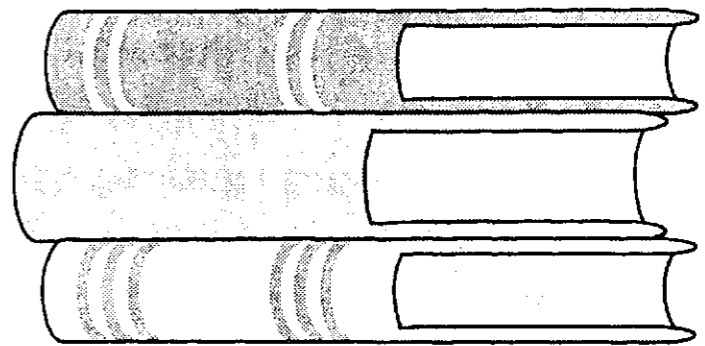
There are also special volunteering jobs they sign up for - usually on weekends.

For example, Ken works the popcorn machine during the Arts and Crafts Show, and Connie helps sell at the bake sale.

So if you'd like a prescription for a happy marriage in retirement or if you just want a place that offers a variety of volunteer opportunities, call Sherri Fletcher, volunteer coordinator, at (313) 464-4800.

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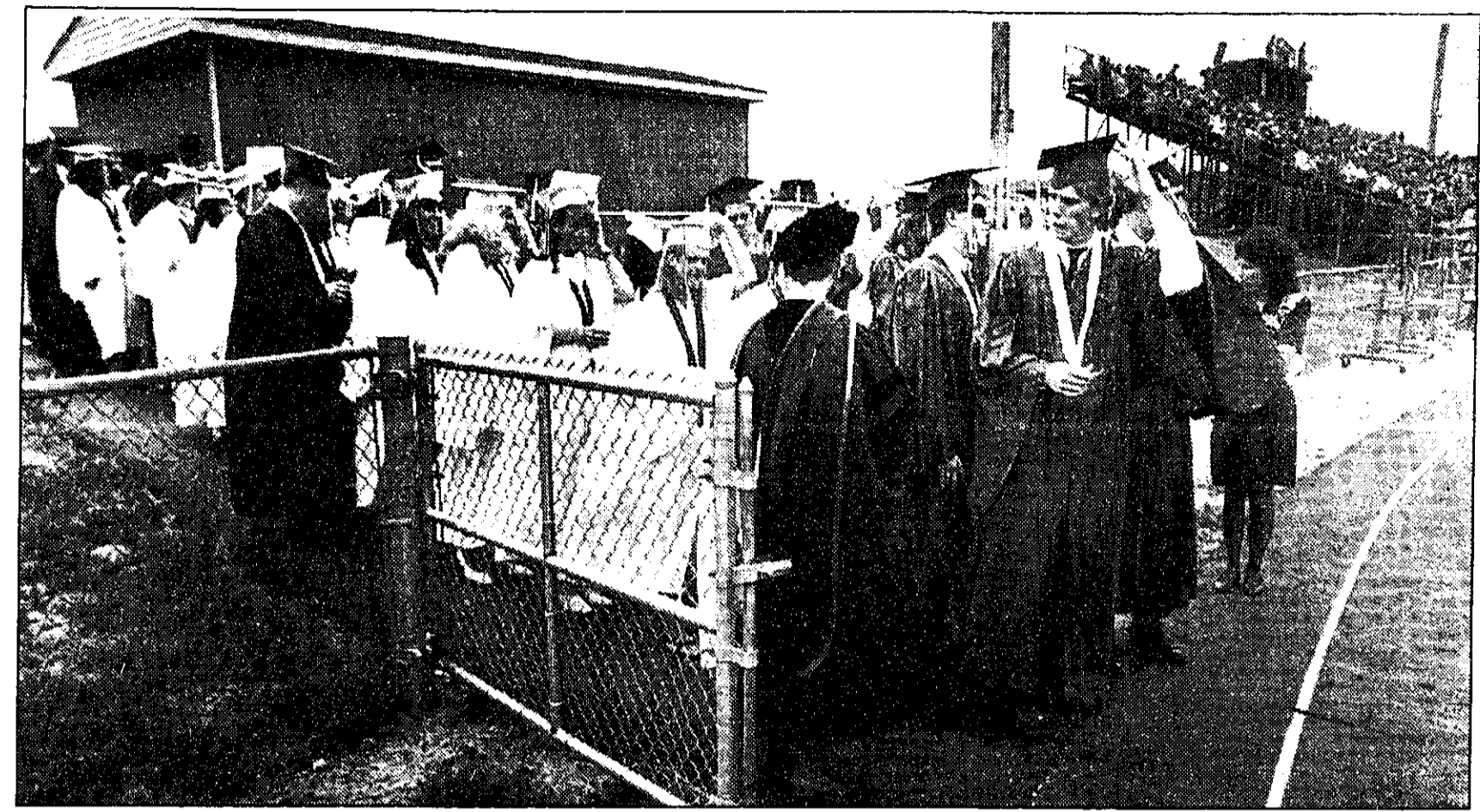
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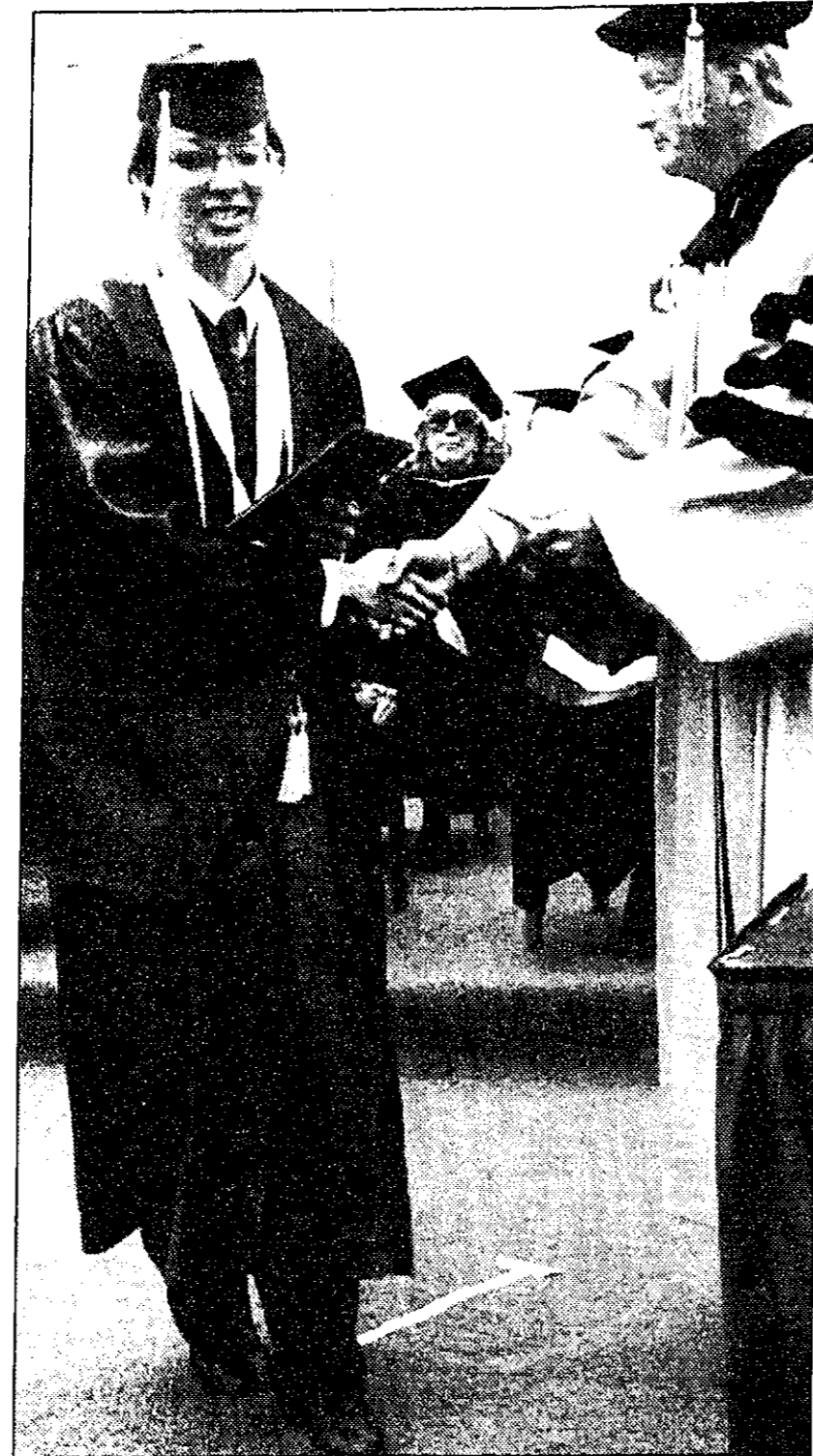
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Wildcats put three on area soccer second team

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CRISTI JARVIS
Novi, senior fullback
She played the important position of sweeper for the Wildcats. Not many balls got past her.
"He was extremely solid back there through out there," said Christoff.
Novi goalkeeper Lisa Antuna had a tremendous year with 12 shutouts. Jarvis' work in front of her was a big reason why.
"She was one of the reasons we had so few goals against," Christoff said. "She did an exceptional job."

EDRIA CECCHETTI
Lakeland, sophomore defender
Cecchetti was a welcome addition to the Lakeland team this season after transferring from Sterling Heights last fall.
She played most of the season at the stopper position and she improved all areas of her game as the season went along.
Cecchetti saved her best performances of the season for the big contests as she excelled against rival Milford in the final meetings between the two Huron Valley teams this season.

"Often (Heather Huizing) would beat our forwards to the ball."

DOUG LYON
Northville coach

BECKY LIST
Lakeland, junior midfielder
Patience was a big part of List's game this season.
One of the top defensive midfielder's in the KVC, List never rushed her actions on the field.
"She would always take the time to look and see what was happening before she would get rid of the ball," Braden said.

List also was a tough one-on-one defender because of her speed and she'll look to contribute more to the Eagles' offense next season.

HEATHER HUIZING
Northville, senior fullback
According to Lyon, the captain of the Mustangs was very underrated. All Huizing did was play solid defensive soccer.

"She's very quiet," the coach said. "But I think she did a fantastic job."
Huizing played stopper for Northville. Lyon said she covered a lot of ground in the position.
"Often she'd beat our forwards to the ball," he added.
Huizing was recognized by the WAAA as an all-division player.

JESSICA JONES
Senior, goalkeeper
The senior recovered from a serious injury in 1994 to have a solid, solid campaign for Northville.
While she didn't have as many shutouts as some other area goal-

keepers, Jones, without doubt, is one of the best in the state. The University of Michigan thought so much of her, in fact, that it awarded her an athletic scholarship.

"She was our team MVP," Lyon said.

Also a Mustang captain, the coach described her as a level-headed player.

"She's always positive and upbeat," Lyon said.

Jones made the all-WAAA squad and is up for all-state honors, too.

Antuna, Raburn on top squad

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"There was nobody on our team that had the touch Katie had," Northville coach Doug Lyon said.
Kohl was second on the team in goal scoring with eight. Lyon said she dominated games at times.
"When she's on her game nobody can touch her," he added.
Kohl made all division in the WAAA.

SANDI PONIATOWSKI
Milford, junior forward
There was little doubt that Poniatowski was the unanimous choice as area Player of the Year this season.

With 27 goals and 16 assists Poniatowski proved that she could not only take the big shot she could deliver the key pass as well.

Her speed and ball handling skills were superb and it wasn't out of the ordinary to see Poniatowski take the ball and drive right through the defense stopping only smoke a hard shot right into the opponent's net.

"She's what I call a pure shooter," Sauer said. "She just has a hunger for the goal."

Poniatowski also improved defensively as the year went along. She was an all-KVC selection and was nominated for all-state honors this season as well.

LYDIA RABURN
Novi, freshman forward
This, folks, is an outstanding young player. Raburn quickly became known by opposing teams as Novi's biggest threat.

"She's 100 pounds of dynamite," Wildcat coach Larry Christoff said. "She's one of the hardest workers I've seen in a long time."

Raburn tallied 14 goals and 14 assists in her first year. Christoff thinks her production will rise as she gains experience.

"A year or two of experience and she'll be one of the top players in the state," he said.

LISA ANTUNA
Novi, senior goalkeeper
The heart and soul of this year's all-area squad lies with Antuna.

The senior suffered a serious knee injury just before the Wildcat season began. Nevertheless, Antuna started and finished the season.

The way she played you would've never known of the injury. Antuna posted 12 shutouts and a microscopic 0.60 goals against average.

"She always had the sense of where to be," said Christoff. "She played a heck of a goal."

Northville mantle opens season

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Although summer hasn't officially arrived, summer baseball has.
The Northville Broncos began their season last week by splitting a pair of games. The Mickey Mantle squad, which is composed of 15 and 16-year-olds, will play until early August.

The Broncos, which feature mostly Northville High junior varsity players, evened their record Saturday by beating the Commerce Rams 1-0.

Mike Christenson and Joe Willey combined on a one-hitter to lead Northville.

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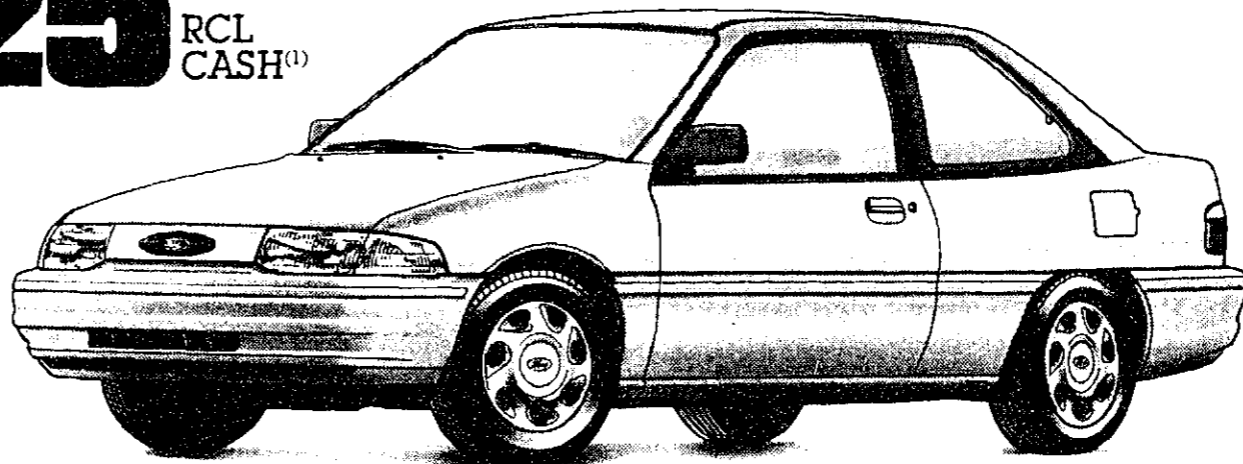
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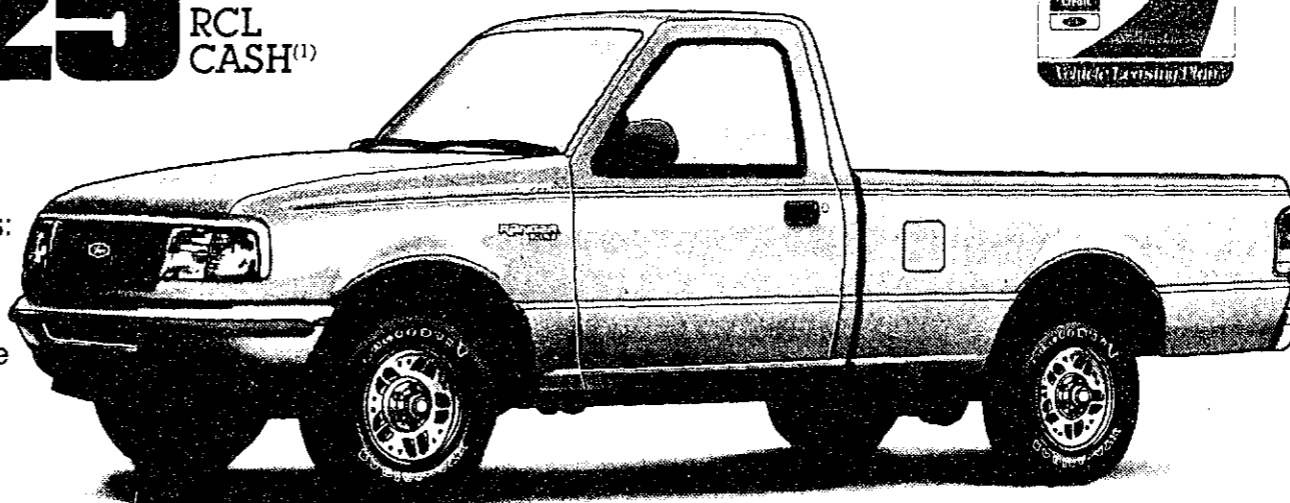
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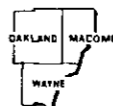
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