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## City rejects settlement to open Decker

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

After Shawood Lakes resident Jim Korte blasted the city Monday for allegedly settling a lawsuit filed by the developers of The Vistas, Novi City Attorney David Fried decided that the case, initially placed on a closed meeting agenda, should be aired in public.

Normally, the public doesn't get to hear the council debate the merits of a possible legal settlement.

Fried said Tuesday that the proposal, which was agreed to by The Vistas developers and their lawyer, was finally rejected by the council after they tried again to hash out the issue further in the back room.

The Open Meetings Act permits closed meetings on pending lawsuits if legal strategy is discussed. The Hughlan Corporation, developers of The Vistas - earlier known as Sandstone - sued Novi in July, claiming that because the city has barricaded the new Decker Road extension at Novi Road, the firm was unable to sell homes.

In a recent Oakland County Circuit Court hearing, lawyers for both parties came up with a temporary solution to open the road, which required the approval of the Novi City Council. This is what the council nixed.

"The public would think something was going on with the city and there isn't anything going on with the city."

David Fried  
City Attorney

Novi's attorneys are in the process of filing a motion to have the lawsuit dismissed and expect a hearing within a month.

Initially, the Oakland County Road Commission refused to issue the permit needed to open the Decker extension to Novi Road, a county road. The city has delayed finishing that end of the extension so that it can be constructed as part of forthcoming widening of Novi Road between Twelve-and-A-Half Mile Road.

The Vistas is paying for the \$3.191 million extension through a special assessment district (SAD).

In the temporary order rejected by the city, Novi would have sought a county permit to open the road, completed all the work

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Photo by HAL GOULD

Customers flock to buy fresh veggies and fruit at Earl's Farm Produce.

## Is Earl's the last farm in Novi?

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Debbie Earl at first had trouble convincing people to get Bodacious - but now they're all for it.

Bodacious being not a state of mind but a strain of corn. It's just one of several varieties sold at Earl's Farm and Produce, where an entire extended family pitches in to grow and sell crops, smack in the middle of Novi's highly-developed east side.

Debbie's husband Doug Earl started the business 23 years ago. His dad, Claude, a 50-year Novi resident, still lives on the ten acres along Ten Mile Road.

"Doug put in a little garden back there, he had worked for a farmer as kid. We had more than we could use. He put two little card tables out here, before we knew it we had to move back off the road," she said last week, as customers' cars zoomed in and out of the small gravel parking lot.

Corn, tomatoes, honey rock melons, cucumbers, squash, zucchini were piled up on produce carts as the family scurried to keep up with the demand.

Roadside stands selling home-grown produce were once a fairly common sight in Novi, but subur-

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Debbie Earl stands in the family cornfield on Ten Mile Road.

## Jaycees find home for haunted house

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

The Novi Jaycees are planning a sizzling haunted house this year. It'll smoke, it'll burn, even though it'll be in the city's old fire house.

"We plan on having the best electric chair effect in Michigan. It's the most awesome thing I've ever seen," explained Michael Murphy, the Jaycees vice president for management.

"It fries a latex mannequin, with all the muscles and veins bulging out and the most horrible grimace on his face and steam coming out of the body. It's kind of scary just thinking about it."

Getting ready for this year's Haunted House, several Jaycees attended a Chicago convention for the Halloween industry, where they spotted the electric chair and then purchased it for \$4,000 from a company called Distortion.

The Jaycees got a bit of a fright themselves a few weeks ago when they learned they would no longer

be able to hold the annual fund raiser at the barn at Tollgate Farm. Previously, the Haunted House had been staged in cooperation with the Exceptional Equestrian program, which has since left Novi for a farm in South Lyon.

Enter two local officials who were haunted by the idea that the civic group would be left in the lurch. City Manager Ed Kriewall and City Council Member Robert Schmid. They suggested the abandoned fire hall on Novi Road.

The income the Jaycees generate for their community programs is nothing to rattle your chains at. Last year, the Jaycees spent \$15,000 to produce the Haunted House and grossed \$60,000. The profits were split with the Exceptional Equestrians. About 10,000 people were suitably spooked.

The green stuff is used by the Jaycees to purchase gifts for needy local families at Christmas time; to send flowers to women in senior citizen homes at Mother's

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## A tough time getting milk for school

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

The school milk program ... it's like death and taxes ... all three are usually a sure thing.

But for some reason getting milk for the Novi Community School District was harder this year than it should have been.

"It's usually a no-brainer," said James Koster, assistant superintendent of finance and administrative operations. "But not this year."

According to Koster, Novi schools participates in a "milk consortium" with four other neighboring school districts: Northville, Walled Lake, South Lyon and Huron Valley schools.

■ It's back to school time, and all the information you need to know about starting classes appear this week on pages 13-15A.

This year, Huron Valley schools administered the milk bids and much to Koster's surprise managed to attract only one bidder, Tom Davis Dairy, and a high bidder at that.

"This is the first time we received a bid for the same costs for each grade of milk," Koster

said. "It's a dramatic increase over what we paid in 1994-95."

According to Koster's figures, Novi schools paid \$37,458 last year to have milk supplied to the district from Melody Farms. With the consortium's bid Novi will pay \$45,885, a 22.5 percent or \$8,426 increase over last year's milk prices.

The consortium recommends the bid, but Koster couldn't do the same for Novi Board of Education. He said he believed the school district could get a better price if it sought bids on their own.

After seeing the consortium's recommenda-

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## District plans bond coffee campaign

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

Coffee anyone? Novi Community School District administrators will be pouring and looking for a captive audience to learn how their Sept. 23, \$33 million bond proposal fits into the district's long range plan, mission and vision statement.

Residents are encouraged to invite one of the two district administrators' teams into their homes to discuss the district's plan for the future and answer any questions about the upcoming bond vote.

"All we want to do is to paint a fair and accurate picture that the community is growing and that if we want to continue the values and the quality of education we need to look ahead and provide adequate space for the future," said Superintendent Emmett Lippe. "We believe if we share the information, the community can then decide if it wants to support the bond."

A series of informal meetings, 70 to 80 in all, will be held between now and Sept. 23, Lippe said. The district's presentation isn't a "long, drawn out one," but

it is instead intended to inform or remind residents of the district's long range plans and illustrate how the proposed bond issue can make those plans a reality.

"Not many people know about the long range plan," he said. "We thought they did; they didn't."

Building principals are spearheading the two teams. Central office staff and board of education members will attend coffees as requested or as their schedules permit, Lippe said.

These coffees will afford district officials an opportunity to share their vision and talk one-on-one

in an informal setting with residents across the district. Administrators are hoping to hold coffees in at least one out of every 60 households in the district, the superintendent said.

The idea for the coffees came at the suggestion of the two newest Board of Education members, Carol Elfring and Ann Newton. Both board members used the "coffees" approach in their successful campaigns and suggested the district do the same to improve its lines of communication in the community.

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## Community Calendar

To get your organization's activities, regular meetings or special events listed in the Community Calendar, send information to Community Calendar, The Novi News, 1014 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

**Thursday, August 24**

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

**Novi South Kiwanis**  
The Novi South Kiwanis Club meets at 7:30 a.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

**Saturday, August 26**

**Car Wash**  
Boy Scout Troop 51 is having a car wash from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Novi United Methodist Church on Ten Mile Road west of Meadowbrook Road, across from Farmer-Jacks. Proceeds will be used for troop equipment.

**Sunday, August 27**

**Market Day**  
Walled Lake will hold Market Day, a craft fair featuring exhibits, food and family entertainment, from noon to 5 p.m. The fair will be located on East Walled Lake Drive, Liberty and Market streets. The free event is sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Commission and the City of Walled Lake. For additional information, call (510) 624-1847.

**Monday, August 28**

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

**Michigander Smokers**  
The Michigander Smokers guild meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Public Library, 45245 Ten Mile Rd. Guests are welcome.

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

**Thursday, August 31**

**Property Taxes**  
Today is the last day that 1995 summer taxes will be accepted at the Novi Civic Center's Office at the Civic Center without a 4 percent penalty. Postmarks on checks or envelopes will not be accepted. A drop box is available behind the Civic Center for your convenience, checks only.

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**Sunday, September 3**

**Boat Parade**  
The South East Shorewood Homeowners Association is hosting its first annual boat parade and picnic to benefit HAVEN III Help Against Violent Encounters Now! The creative, decorate your boat and join the parade on Walled Lake at 2 p.m. Prizes will be given for the best "boat." All boat entries must register by Aug. 23. Meet at the end of Novi Road at 1:30 p.m. The picnic will be at 4 p.m. at Lakeshore Park on South Lake Drive. Free hot dogs and soda pop while supplies last.

**Monday, September 4**

**Labor Day**  
City offices and the public library are closed.

**Tuesday, September 5**

**Seniors meeting**  
The Novi Center Seniors will hold their general meeting at 11 a.m. in the Community Center of the Novi Civic Center.

**Menopause Support Group**  
Providence Medical Center's Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., hosts a monthly menopause support group from 7:30-9 p.m. for women with concerns about menopause. Call 380-4115 for more information.

**Board of Appeals**  
The Novi Board of Appeals will meet at 7:30 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.

**Amateur Radio Club**  
The Novi Amateur Radio Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. For more information call 348-0009.

**Wednesday, September 6**

**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 4-11 Education Center, Twoche Mile at Meadowbrook Road. For chapter information or an invitation to one of the meetings, please call 642-7725.



Photos by AL WARD

### An eye for art

The Novi Art Fair last weekend brought artists from all over the U.S. to the Novi Town Center. Potter Carolyn Joseph, shown peeking through a selection of some of the goodies she whips up at Eagleview Studio, didn't have to travel so far. She's from

West Bloomfield. A wide variety of fine arts and crafts were represented at the festivities. Sculptor Robert St. Croix, formerly of Plymouth, is posing with his striking work, "Sarah."



## Fall registration set for community college

Final walk-in and telephone registration for Oakland Community College's fall 1995 semester is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 28, through Wednesday, Aug. 30, through Wednesday, Aug. 30. Classes begin Aug. 31. Registration hours are 9 a.m. through 8 p.m. New and returning students may register in person at the Orchard Ridge Campus, 27655 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, (810) 471-7628.

Tough Tone students must register by pre-assignment last name sequence on Monday, but phone enrollment is open on Tuesday and Wednesday. Applications for the fall semester are now being accepted. New students should contact the admissions office at the campus of their choice for a schedule of classes and more information on admission procedures. There is no charge to apply.

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# Browser arrested for illegal entry

Police arrested a Novi resident for breaking and entering into Novi High School on Aug. 16.

The man tripped the school's alarm system when he allegedly entered the school through an open door.

When officers went to the school to investigate the security alarm, they saw the suspect through the windows rifling through some boxes. Officers attempted to gain entry to the school but couldn't.

An officer finally knocked on the window to get the suspect's attention. He acknowledged their presence and opened the doors to let them in.

The man told police he had just dropped his wife off at home and was driving by the school when he decided to take a closer look at its renovations.

He said he saw a door on the north end of the school ajar and entered.

The suspect told police he locked the door behind him and took a walk around. When he came across the boxes on the floor, the suspect said he just took a look inside and that's when police found him.

The man was not an employee of the school, the police report states.

## HOUSE PARTY

Three Novi teenagers and two others from Kalamazoo were ticketed for being in possession of alcohol at a house party Aug. 10.

The party was held at a home on Village Oaks near Cranbrooke. Police were called to the home by neighbors who complained of a

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loud noise coming from the house.

When police arrived, they found several teenagers seated in the garage of the home drinking beer.

All of the teens were ticketed for minors in possession of alcohol. One Novi teen and another from Kalamazoo were also cited for possession of marijuana after police found small amounts of that drug hidden inside a beer can on the floor and in a "one hitter" which the youths turned over to police.

The host of the party, also underage, was ticketed for hosting a loud house party and for furnishing alcohol to minors. The only person of drinking age in the home was the host's older brother, who was reportedly asleep upstairs and knew nothing of the party taking place in the garage.

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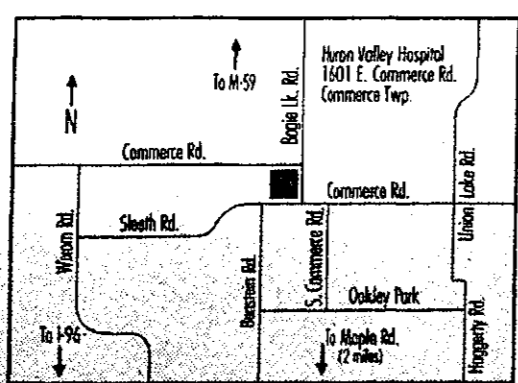
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A suspect taken into custody at the Novi police station on Aug. 9 allegedly rolled a wad of toilet paper into the shape of a cigarette and set it on fire.

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A green Bic lighter was confiscated from the suspect.

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## The Log Book

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### MONDAY, AUG. 14

Service, 45182 West Road, 4:36 a.m., Squad 2.  
Injury accident, 31081 Woodstone, 7:38 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 21965 Sunrise, 5:12 p.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 39560 Blakeston, 8:49 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 9:20 p.m., Squad 3.

### TUESDAY, AUG. 15

Medical, 43600 Gen. Mar., 9:32 a.m., Squad 1.  
Standby, Country Place, 10:05 a.m., Response 510.  
Medical, Fire Station No. 1, 2:37 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 27775 Novi Road, 5:27 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 305 Mandlin, 4:41 p.m., Squad 2.

### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 16

Truck fire, 196 and Novi Road, 4:27 a.m., Engine 1.  
Transformer fire, Grand River and Meadowbrook, 6:09 a.m., Engine 1.  
Medical, 39681 Blakeston, 8 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, Novi Police Dept., 11:52 p.m., Squad 3.

### THURSDAY, AUG. 17

Gas leak, 11174 Ardmore, 12:06 a.m., Engine 2.  
Medical, 23052 Emishore, 5:34 a.m., Squad 3.  
Service, 39785 Villagewood, 7:45 a.m., Squad 3.  
Fuel spill, Ten Mile and Meadowbrook, 10:57 a.m., Engine 3.  
Injury accident, Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook, 4:14 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 43045 Nine Mile Road, 8:12 p.m., Squad 3.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 18

Medical, 25555 Secley Road, 9:01 a.m., Squad 1.  
Standby, Country Place, 9:56 a.m., Response 510.  
Medical, 45700 Twelve Mile Road, 12:24 p.m., Squad 4.  
Investigation, 22881 Balcombe, 2:51 p.m., Engine 3.  
Medical, 46300 West Road, 5:42 p.m., Squad 2.  
Electrical fire, 41396 Beldon, 9:03 p.m., Engines 1 and 2.  
Investigation, Austin Drive, 11:55 p.m., Engine 2.

### SATURDAY, AUG. 19

Medical, 220 Endwell, 1:18 a.m., Squad 2.  
Mutual aid, 196 and Millford Road, 7:01 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 42472 Park Ridge, 8:40 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 1481 Narddeer, 11:22 a.m., Squad 4.  
Medical, 50911 Novi Meadows, 12:04 p.m., Squad 1.

### SUNDAY, AUG. 20

Medical, 40875 Grand River, 12:25 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 21055 Glen Haven, 1:55 a.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, Twelve Mile and Novi Road, 5:01 a.m., Squad 2.  
Fire alarm, Parkview Elementary School, 6:08 a.m., Engines 1 and 4.  
Injury accident, W. 196 and Berk Road, 9:48 a.m., Squad 1.  
Service, Beadly Street (new subdivision), 4:37 p.m., Engine 3.

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## Council calls for law forcing power lines to go underground

Since the major thunderstorm of 1991, buried underground electrical lines have been an oft and on again refrain around Novi city hall.

But Monday, the Novi City Council voted to pass onto their ordinance review committee a request to draft such a requirement for new electrical line installations. The city already requires underground lines within subdivisions.

The question came up as the council pondered improvements to Wixom Road between Ten Mile north to Ten And-A-Half Mile Road. The city's recently required the right-of-way for this work, but the west side of the road contains 10 Edison poles and power lines through easements voluntarily given by the utility company to the city at an earlier date. The lines

must be moved for the road work to commence.

It's not so much this instance. We need a local ordinance requiring burial of new installations," Council Member Rob Mitzel, who proposed that the committee research the issue, explained.

Edison initially asked Novi for just under \$18,000 to do the job. Novi's attorneys meanwhile have said that the municipality isn't responsible for the relocation costs and Edison has agreed to that.

Edison planners now say they would like to relocate the lines within the new Wixom Road right-of-way and install them either above ground or underground, with fees for any underground work billable to the requesting party. Edison would like the city's permit fees of \$1,500 waived.

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**One van to go**

Novi Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford did the honors with the scissors Monday at the ribbon-cutting of the new wheels donated by Mission Health to the Novi Parks and Recreation Department Senior Transit System. At left, Sister Jane Burger and Michael Corvenek of Providence Hospital watch Crawford cut

up. The van, seen here at the Novi Civic Center, will not only provide seniors with rides but has a lift to accommodate people of all ages who are in wheelchairs. Riders are asked to donate \$1 for a one-way trip, but if they can't afford that, the service is on the city.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

**Library Notes**

**Story time registration**

Registration for this fall's preschool story times is going on now at Novi Public Library. Any time before Sept. 16, parents or caregivers may come into the library to fill out a "story" type of registration form for the various story times available. Story times will begin the week of Oct. 1 with 10 sessions per week. For more information, come to Novi Library for a detailed Story Time brochure, or call 319-0720.

**Library closed for holiday**

Novi Library will be closed Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4. It will reopen Tuesday, Sept. 5 with regular hours.

**Sunday hours begin**

Beginning Sunday, Sept. 10, Novi Public Library will be open seven days a week. Hours are: Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sunday, 1-5 p.m.

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**Victorian Festival hasn't lost appeal**

By ROBERT JACKSON Staff Writer  
The idea came to Greg Presley on a January evening eight years ago.

Presley and his wife, Lois, were sitting in their kitchen talking about a request by the Northville Chamber of Commerce, which asked members to come up with ideas for a Northville festival. Presley explained the committee had asked the membership meeting at which ideas for a fall festival were solicited. The Chamber had asked the membership to brainstorm for festival ideas that would be beneficial to the community, as well as community businesses. Presley said, "We wanted the idea to be unique, something that could only be found in Northville."

So Greg and Lois began talking about ideas while sitting in their kitchen. It didn't take Greg long to identify the one attribute that makes Northville unique. "There is a uniqueness in the Victorian architecture of downtown that makes us different than other communities," said Presley, an architect. "So I thought the festival should revolve around that."

It didn't take long for other Chamber of Commerce members to agree, according to Presley, who explained that when he pitched the idea to the other members at the next meeting, he

**Council gives nod to tavern plan**

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

The developers of Vic's World Class Market hope to match the success of that venture with an upcoming sports tavern and retail center to the east of the mammoth produce store on Grand River Avenue. Monday, they won a thumbs up from the Novi City Council to move ahead. The Planning Commission had earlier approved the site plan in December 1994. But not Council Member Carol Mason, who said she couldn't okay the project due to some problems with the paperwork.

Evergreen III, developers of the 15,500 square-foot sports tavern, along with 16,000 square feet of retail space, hope to move ahead in the very near future, explained spokesman James Chen. Council Members Rob Mitzel and Robert Schmid questioned if the parking space plan for the two projects will be adequate. "If you go there on a Saturday or some other times that lot is virtually parked full. No other cars can get in," Schmid said. Vic has 363 parking spaces, another 225 are planned for the tavern/shopping complex. Novi traffic consultant Rod Arroyo suggested that any problems which could arise can be addressed as Main Street itself is developed over the next few years. But he didn't foresee any difficulties because Vic's shoppers will flock to the place in the daytime, while tavern users will be there later at night. "You're not going to have every use in this project peaking at the same time," Arroyo explained. The developer planned to build a storm water detention basin as part of Phase II, but city consulting engineers JCK & Associates wouldn't approve that so the basin was built as part of Phase I. JCK's

Joe Kapczak said Evergreen III was given informal approval to do this by the consultants, but the change was not reflected in the paperwork. "That is the best dance I've ever seen in my life. I can't believe that was informally submitted," Mason told the consultants.

It's a relatively minor error, Schmid contended. Mason wasn't appraised. "This is absolutely, totally wrong. Every time this comes up you seem to be on the side of the developer."

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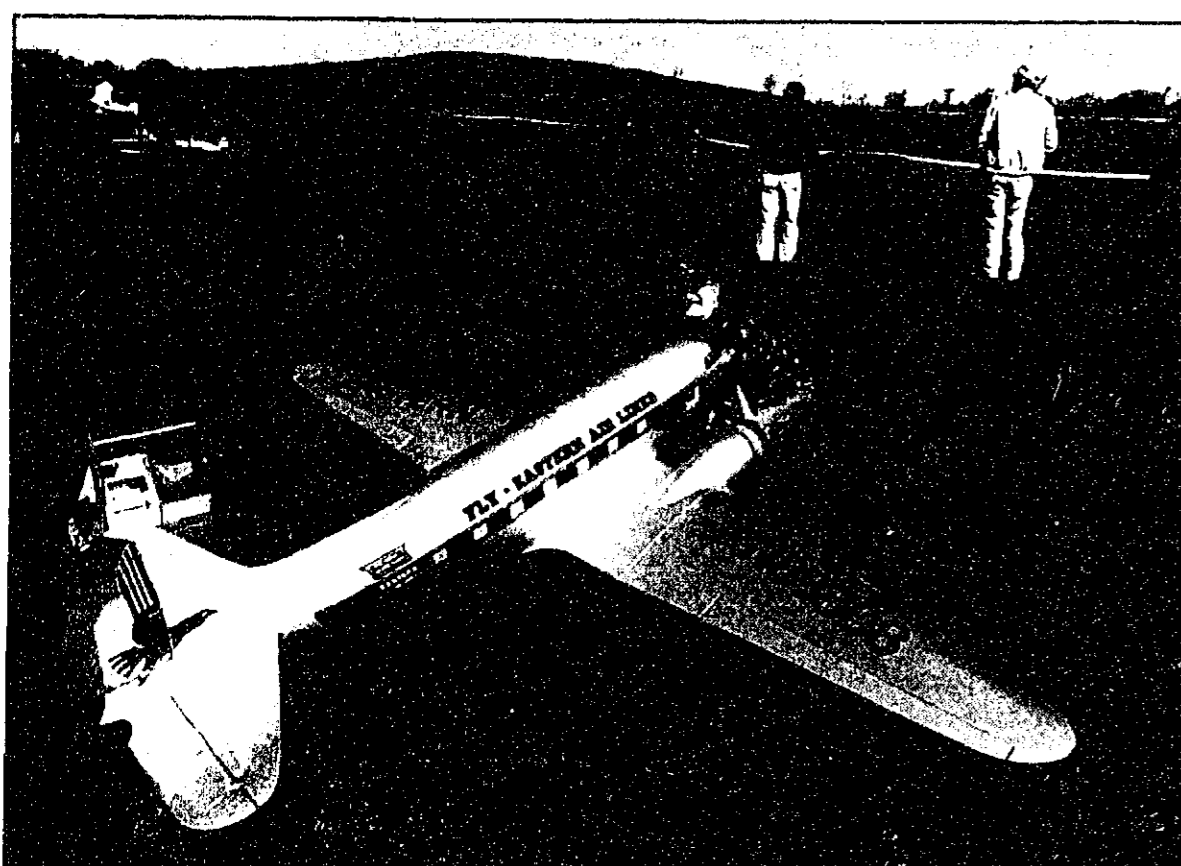
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The Ribcrackers Model Airplane Club agreed to donate some of the money it raised at its air show, held in conjunction with the '50s Festival, to volunteer firefighters.

## Fifties Festival proceeds rise; Novi civic organizations benefit

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

Community groups — including the Big Scouts, the Novi Lions and the Farmington YMCA and the Sixth Gate Cloggers — which pitched in to help out at the Michigan '50s Festival will pocket a grand total of \$30,000.

This year's event was a dramatic "awesome" popular and financial success, festival manager Rhonda Gage said last week, but the organization's committee is already looking ahead to 1996.

"We will pay off our stage this year," a gleeful Gage added.

As part of its return to the city philosophy, the festival promised to use profits to purchase a portable stage for the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. The stage, the size of a semi truck trailer complete with sound system, lights and hydraulic action, arrived in time for the July fair.

The festival committee already wrote a \$31,000 check for the performers' must-have and now will finish up the payments by

turning over another \$21,000 from the 1995 event. The original contribution of \$31,000 was collected by the festival in 1994 and 1993.

Meanwhile, some Novi City Council members are getting restive about contributions from city hall to the festival. Council Member Bob Mirek has asked for an accounting of what the city pitches in, including how much staff time is diverted to the festival and what the city pays out for police overtime.

Council Member Carol Mason has questioned why Novi purchases barricades for the festival. City Manager Ed Krawall is expected to report to the council in the future.

Typically, the festival stashes away just enough money to start up the next year's event, Gage said.

"Right now, we've got just enough in there so that in case it rains next year we can pay our bills," she added.

Helping good causes is a key component of the shindig. While this year the Novi Firefighters did

not have enough volunteers to hold their annual fund raiser breakfast, they won't be short of cash raised during the festival. The Ribcrackers Model Airplane Club agreed to donate some of the money they raised at the air show to the volunteer firefighters, Gage said.

Around the committee is kicking around names of possible headline acts for July 1996. It's expected that popular new attractions from this year, including the Prestige Buckin-Bolt K-9's Dog Olympics will be back.

And they've already made arrangement to rent the needed tents in 1996.

The Cruisers, a dedicated group of festival volunteers, put in over 1,000 hours of work to make the event run, Gage said.

"We had a lot of new Cruisers who are coming back next year. Traffic ran smoothly. We didn't have to have police on Novi Road directing traffic," she pointed out.

"It was one of the smoothest at the Expo Center this year."

## Keros' plans left out of town center rezoning

By SHARON CONDRON  
Staff Writer

Two of the city's most central developments appear to be the driving forces behind a city-initiated rezoning request for more than 4.5 acres of the southeast and southwest corners of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue intersections in uniform with town center and main street zoning.

City Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers suggested every plan rezone the southeast and southwest corners of the intersection from Town Center and General Business districts to Town Center 1. The move would make the rezoned land more compatible with the Town Center area and the incoming Main Street project, Rogers said.

Such rezonings would create a more uniform and appropriate zoning pattern, implementing the concept of Main Street and its extension west of Novi Road, and allowing innovative, mixed use development and shared parking," Rogers said.

The Novi Planning Commission accepted Rogers' recommendation Wednesday provided that 4.5 acres on the west side of Novi Road, south of Grand River Avenue be omitted from the rezoning request and left in a Town Center district. The exemption would accommodate a plan for a commercial center which had been approved under the existing zoning just one month ago.

Planners passed the request 8-1 and did in effect vote to send a positive recommendation to City Council on the rezoning request. Their motion, however, asked that council approve the rezoning by exempting the 4.5 acres from the new zoning. The commission is asking that the 4.5 acres be grandfathered to the rezoning provided it develops as the two-store commercial center the commission approved as a preliminary site plan last month.

George Keros, the owner of the 4.5 acres, is the developer behind the center objecting to the rezon-

ing and his property's inclusion in the request.

He and his attorney, Norman Hymen, attended Wednesday's hearing to request his parcel be deleted from the rezoning plan.

The plan centered rezoning the property from Town Center to Town Center 1 would run from the applicant's plan because the new zoning would limit the space available for commercial development to 7,500 square feet. Town Center zoning does not have that restriction.

Keros' plan, Novi Grand, was tentatively approved under Town Center zoning.

"We don't want big box development on Main Street, that's why we limited it to 7,500 square feet," Rogers said.

That would destroy this development," Hymen said of the rezoning.

"This plan makes his intent concrete. And there is an element of unfairness to do this rezoning knowing his plan was approved."

Keros' plan now has a preliminary site plan approval from the commission last month even though the commission voted 8-0 on June 28 to hold a public hearing on the requested rezoning.

Planners left compelled Wednesday to stand by the approval they awarded Keros a month ago despite the problem the exclusion presents to the overall direction the city is going with the downtown area.

"I feel folks should have protection," said Commissioner Peter Hoadley. "Fair is fair."

"We are looking for uniform zoning all around Main Street," Rogers said, rebuffing claims that the exclusion constitutes spot zoning, but saying he'd much prefer the whole area be rezoned and Novi

Grand be permitted as a legal but non-conforming use.

"Rather than gerrymandering it and spot zoning, I really recommend this."

"This is the heart of the south-west quadrant, we need to control it."

A motion to postpone a decision on the issue failed because planners recognized they have only an advisory say in the rezoning request.

City Council will have the final say on the matter and is expected to consider it in September.

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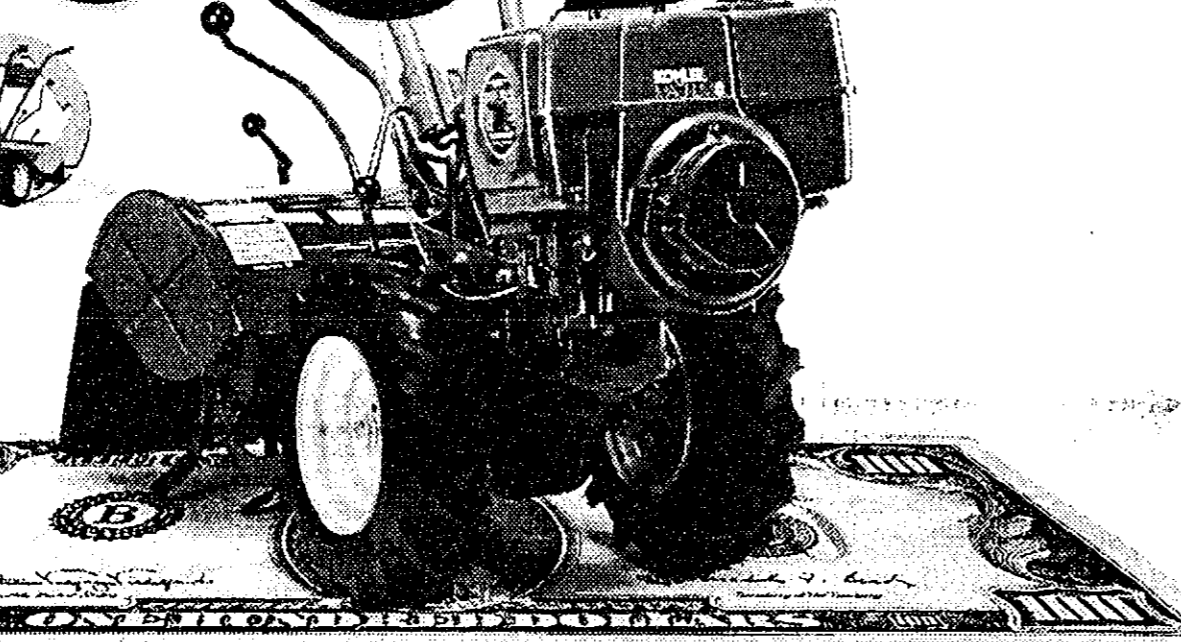
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### Milk supply contracts hard to come by as school starts

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...in July, Koster pounded the pavement to find a cheaper dairy to supply milk to the school district. He approached several local dairies, all of which turned his business down.

Valley Dairy turned Nova down as did Melody Farms Dairy the first time Koster inquired. The dairy eventually reconsidered Koster's request and agreed to supply milk to the school district, but at a higher price.

## Earls' may be last farm in Novi

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...don sprays closed down most of them. The Earls used to rent average next to theirs. That land in the past two years or so has become Cambridge Place subdivision, bringing houses Debbie Earls says she has trouble getting used to as she works in the family's fields.

"Our dad gets a lot of pressure from the developers to sell. He's got good frontage. I don't know if he's ready or not, he's been here a long time," Earl said.

Most popular are the super sweet strains, such as the bi-colored Confection, Candy Store and Dazzle, as well as the sweet and yellow Bonducats.

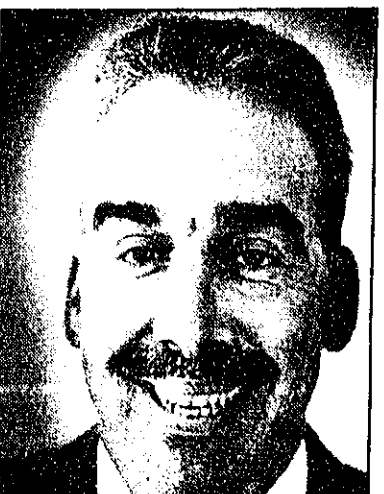
They grow different colors on the stalk. It's like Easter egg hunting. It's always fun to open them up and see what color they are," she explained.



Getting an early start After picking up his class schedule and locker number at Novi Middle School, 12-year-old Curt Russell practices opening his locker, which took a few tries... And some help from the school custodian.

## Roseville principal named assistant at Novi High School

By SHARON CONDRON Staff Writer  
Tom Evans had fond memories of Novi High School even though he never attended, taught or worked there. Until now.



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Evans is one of 30 new hires in the district this year, but the only one with a master's degree in education from Eastern Michigan University and a master's degree in the same from the University of Michigan.

Evans was instrumental in getting a business partnership off the ground. "We saw great growth in the students from the partnerships," he said.

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### County hosts classes for expectant parents

The Oakland County Health Division will offer a series of six expectant parent classes beginning on Wednesday, Sept. 6, in the Oakland County Health Division, 2725 Greenfield Road, Southfield.

Topics will include maternal physical changes, good nutrition, growth and development of the fetus and the baby, labor and delivery, infant care and parenting.

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## Novi outlines new bus policies

Because the school district transports a large percentage of its students, bus safety is of prime concern. Aside from the mechanical condition of the bus fleet, the drivers are the key factor in transporting students safely to school and home.

STUDENTS' RESPONSIBILITY  
• Be on time at the bus stop.  
• Respect surrounding property.  
• Stay off the roadway.  
• Always obey the driver.  
• Stay in the seat while the bus is moving.  
• Refrain from throwing objects either in the bus or out the windows.  
• Keep hands and head inside the bus at all times.

SCHOOL DISTRICT'S RESPONSIBILITY  
• Operate transportation services in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of Michigan.  
• Employ skilled bus drivers.  
• Educate pupils regarding traffic and transportation safety.

PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITY  
• Support school authorities in demanding proper student conduct at bus stops and while on the bus.  
• Review and discuss with each child the importance of safe conduct, and the responsibilities as shown above.

## The revised 1995-96 school calendar

Thursday, Aug. 24 - All teachers report/professional development  
Friday, Aug. 25 - Teacher non-work day  
Monday, Aug. 28\* - First day of school, Students A.M./Teacher work day p.m.  
Monday, Sept. 4 - Labor Day, no school  
Tuesday, Sept. 5 - Classes resume  
Wednesday, Nov. 22 - Thanksgiving recess begins at end of school day  
Monday, Nov. 27 - Classes resume  
Friday, Dec. 15 - Winter recess begins at end of school day  
Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1996 - Classes resume  
Monday, Jan. 15 - Staff development day  
Friday, Jan. 19 - Records day  
Friday, Feb. 9 - Mid-winter recess begins at end of school day  
Monday, Feb. 19 - Classes resume  
Thursday, April 4 - Spring recess begins at end of school day  
Monday, April 15 - Classes resume  
Monday, May 27 - Memorial day, no school  
Thursday, June 13 (a) - Last day for students, students A.M./Professional development P.M.  
Friday, June 14 (a) - Records day/last day for teachers  
No kindergarten students on this day

## 'Club Fed' cuts time in cafeteria line

The Novi Community School District's hot lunch program will begin on Tuesday, Aug. 29. Students at all levels may prepay for their meals by having a "Club Fed" membership. This membership entitles them to pay for lunch in advance, which shortens the time spent in the lunch line. It also gives parents peace of mind from knowing that their child's lunch is already paid for, and eliminates last minute searching for lunch money in the morning. See the school lunch cashier for details.

Menus are sent home with elementary students on a monthly basis. Weekly elementary school lunch menus may also be seen on educational access cable Channel 10 during the week.

Children from low income families may be eligible for free meals or meals at a reduced price. Applications for free or reduced lunches are available at every building. All applications are treated as confidential information. District residents may contact the Food Service Office at (610) 344-8330 ext. 26, or the building principal.

## Immunization policies

Michigan law requires that all students have specific immunizations. Records for all entering kindergarten students and students enrolled from outside the district will be reviewed to ensure immunizations are up-to-date. Notice will be sent to parents or guardians if there is no immunization record upon school entry, or if records are incomplete.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS	25195 Taft Road, Novi, 48374
Novi High School 24062 Taft Road, Novi, 48375 344-8300. Attendance: 344-8309	Jacqueline Lawrence, Principal
Orchard Hills Elementary 41900 Quince, Novi, 48375 344-8332	Paul LaPae, Principal
Arthur Miller, Principal Dr. Jennifer Cheal, Assistant Principal Tom Evans, Assistant Principal	Parkview Elementary 45825 Eleven Mile, Novi, 48374
Novi Middle School 25299 Taft Road, Novi, 48374 344-8320	Joseph Imrick, Principal
Milan Obrenovich, Principal Dr. Calvin Schmucker, Assistant Principal	Village Oaks Elementary 23333 Willowbrook, Novi, 48375
Novi Meadows 25549 Taft Road, Novi, 48374 344-8316	David Brown, Principal
Dr. Timothy Falls, Principal Gregory Carnacchi, Assistant Principal	Adult Education Office 24245 Karim Boulevard, Novi, 48375
Novi Woods Elementary	Patrick Wolynski, Coordinator

## Where to get school information

When severe weather forces the closing of school, announcements will be made by 6 a.m. on WJR-760 AM and WWJ-960 AM. When day school is canceled, all Community and Adult Education classes are also canceled for the evening.

CHANNEL 10 - DISTRICT PROGRAMMING  
Channel 10, Novi's educational access channel, features a variety of student produced programming and important information, including the weekly news show, Wildcat Wrap-Up.  
Channel 10's programming also includes Novi Board of Education meetings. A tape of the meetings is broadcast at the following times during the week after each meeting:  
Saturday, 6 p.m.  
Monday, 7 p.m.

BACK TO SCHOOL • WALLED LAKE

# District hiring to keep up with growth

The following administrators returned last year: Richard Smith, principal, Central High School; Dennis Chambliss, principal, Western High School; Curtis Day, assistant principal, Central High School.

In addition, Thomas Drummond returned to full-time teaching, creating an opening for an assistant principal at Walled Lake Middle School. With the opening of Meadow Lake Elementary, an additional elementary principal was hired. Appointed to fill the resultant position are:

- Jerry Bartsch was appointed principal at Central High School. He comes to Walled Lake from Howell High School.
- Gary Bredahl was appointed principal at Western High School. He comes to Walled Lake from Lansing Everett High School.
- Karen Jacobson has been recommended to the board of education as assistant principal at Walled Lake Middle School. She is currently interim assistant principal at Derby Middle School in Birmingham.
- Scott Little, former principal of Maple Elementary, was named principal of Meadow Lake Elementary. He began his career in Walled Lake in 1991 as principal at Maple Elementary School.
- Susan Schreiber, former principal at Wixom Elementary, was named principal of Maple Elementary. She began her career in Walled Lake in 1990 as principal at Wixom Elementary.
- Robert Furca, former assistant principal at Pleasant Lake Elementary, was named principal at Wixom Elementary. He began his career in Walled Lake in 1988 as a special education teacher and was promoted to assistant principal last year.

The Walled Lake school district is also hiring 70 new teachers this year, according to spokesperson Lois Lange. The hiring process is underway, but as of early this week, not all positions had yet been filled.



File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

It's back to school time, and soon this will be a familiar scene everywhere, science students cracking the books.

## Federal rules guide release of student info

Federal regulations allow school districts to publish certain information concerning students without securing specific parental authorization, provided parents are notified in advance that this information will be released. Such information is designated "directory information."

In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, the Walled Lake School District has designated the following information as "directory information":

- Student's name
- Student's address
- Student's telephone number
- Participation, including photograph and image on film, in officially recognized school activities and sports
- Honors and awards, honor roll members
- Height and weight of members of athletic teams
- Information generally found in yearbooks

If you do not want the above "directory information," or any part thereof, released, please complete the form below and return it to your child's principal by Friday, Sept. 8.

## Getting registered for classes

Registration for new enrollees (K-12) will take place at the school of attendance. Please call your local school between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to set up an appointment. Phone numbers can be found in the *Parent's Digest of School Information* in this issue of *Learning*. Call 960-8690 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. if you need assistance in determining which school your child will attend.

If you do not have a certified copy of your child's birth certificate, have not moved into the district as yet, or have custody papers giving guardianship to a relative, foster care or court-appointed guardian, please visit the Child Accounting Office before going to the school to register. Please call 960-8385 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to set up an appointment.

Kindergartners will receive a separate postcard the week of Aug. 22 containing specific kindergarten routes. Please have your child at the bus stop at least five minutes early. Persons having questions about bus routes may call 960-8690 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

**INOCULATION REQUIREMENTS**  
New state guidelines require a second dose of MMR (measles, mumps and rubella), as well as a 10-year booster TD (tetanus, diphtheria) vaccine. This 10-year booster is required for all students entering a new school district.

**EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS**  
During the school year, it may become necessary to close schools due to freezing temperatures, snow, ice or equipment failures. All official emergency school closings will be announced on the following stations:  
WOMC 104 FM, WJR 760 AM; WWJ 950 AM; and TV Channels 2.4 and 7.

**BUS ROUTES**  
The school district will mail a postcard to each currently enrolled student's home the week of Aug. 14 for students in grades 1-12 and will post routing information at each school building.

## School calendar set for the 1995-96 year

**SCHOOL CALENDAR**  
Monday, Aug. 28 - All students report (a.m. only)  
Monday, Sept. 4 - Labor Day recess - no school  
Wednesday, Nov. 1 - Elementary Parent-Teacher Conferences - no school  
Thursday, Nov. 23 - Thanksgiving recess - no school  
Friday, Nov. 24 - Thanksgiving recess - no school  
Wednesday, Dec. 20 - Last day of school - winter recess  
Wednesday, Jan. 3 - School resumes  
Friday, Jan. 19 - Teacher record day - no school  
Friday, Feb. 9 - Last day of school - mid-winter recess  
Monday, Feb. 19 - School resumes  
Thursday, April 4 - Last day of school - spring recess  
Monday, April 15 - School resumes  
Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day - no school  
Friday, June 7 - Half-day (a.m.) grades 9-12  
Thursday, June 13 - Half day for all students  
Friday, June 16 - Last day of school

## Walled Lake lists building schedule

High Schools, 7:20 a.m.-2:05 p.m.  
(Flex schedule on Wednesdays for high schools)  
Middle Schools, 8:25 a.m.-2:50 p.m.  
All Elementary Schools offer all-day/alternate-day kindergarten except on Friday when kindergarten students attend either a.m. or p.m. classes. The exceptions are Meadow Lake and Dublin, which offer either all-day/alternate-day kindergarten with half day on Friday or half day (a.m. or p.m.) kindergarten Monday through Friday.

Elementary Schools: Commerce, Decker, Meadow Lake, Walled Lake, Wixom\*, 8:25 a.m.-2:50 p.m.  
Meadow Lake Kindergarten, 8:25-11:15 a.m. or 12:15-2:50 p.m.  
Dublin, Glengary, Hickory Woods, Keith, Loom Lake, Maple, Oakley Park and Twin Beach Elementaries\*, 9:20 a.m.-3:45 p.m.  
Dublin Kindergarten, 9:20-12:10 a.m. or 12:55-3:45 p.m. Friday, 9:20-11:55 a.m. or 1:10-3:45 p.m.  
\*All-day/alternate-day kindergarten hours same as grades 1-6, except on Friday.

Pleasant Lake, 9:10 a.m.-3:45 p.m.  
Kindergarten, 9:10 a.m.-1:50 a.m. or 1:05 p.m.-3:45 p.m.

## Board meetings posted

Regular meetings: (First and third Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted)

1995  
Sept. 7  
Sept. 21  
Oct. 5  
Oct. 19  
Nov. 2  
Nov. 16  
Dec. 7  
1996  
Jan. 4  
Jan. 18  
Feb. 1  
March 7  
March 21  
April 18  
May 2  
May 16

1996-97 Organizational Meeting: July 8, 1996 (2nd Monday)  
Location of Meetings: Educational Services Center, B Board of Education Room, 850 Ladd Road, Bldg 4, Walled Lake.

**TIME OF MEETINGS:**  
Regular Meetings: 7:30 p.m.  
Other Meetings: If a Special Meeting, Study Session, Workshop, Retreat or Emergency Meeting is scheduled, the date, time and location will be posted in the Educational Services Center.

## Preschool has openings

Walled Lake Schools' preschool program has a few openings for children 3-5 years of age. Programs are 30 weeks in length, with classes meeting either two or three days a week. Each session is 2 1/2 hours in duration. Children must be 3 years of age by Dec. 1, 1995, in order to be accepted into the program. Classes are tentatively scheduled to begin Sept. 18. Fees for these 30-week programs are \$510 for two days a week and \$765 for three days a week with a non-refundable \$30 registration fee. It is possible to pay in installments.

Another preschool program, Head Start, serves children from low income families. Three-year-olds are served in a home-based program and four-year-olds in a center-based program.

The third preschool program, APEX, Achieving Preschool Excellence, is a state-funded, early childhood development program for four-year-olds who are "at risk" for future educational difficulties and in need of extra assistance. Families who have children enrolled in APEX also receive services from Oakland Family Services at no cost to them.

For more information on any of these preschool programs, call the preschool office at 960-8326 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Aug. 21.

BACK TO SCHOOL • NORTHVILLE

# Summer's at an end and it's time to head back to class

**Northville High School**  
775 North Center Street  
Start Time: 7:30 a.m., Dismissal: 2:05 p.m.  
Dr. Thomas Johnson, Principal, 344-8425  
Dennis Colligan, Assistant Principal, 344-8427  
David Malic, Assistant Principal, 344-8426

**Cooke Middle School**  
21200 Tait Road  
Start Time: 8:15 a.m., Dismissal: 2:45 p.m.  
Dr. Jeffrey Radwanski, Principal, 344-8493  
Gail Weeks, Assistant Principal

**Meads Mill Middle School**  
16700 Franklin Road  
Start Time: 8:15 a.m., Dismissal: 2:45 p.m.  
David Longridge, Principal, 344-8435  
Susan Meyer, Assistant Principal

**Amerman Elementary School**  
847 North Center Street  
Start Time: 9 a.m., Dismissal: 3:30 p.m.  
Dr. Stephen A. Anderson, Principal, 344-8405

**Moraine Elementary School**  
46811 Eight Mile Road  
Start Time: 9 a.m., Dismissal: 3:30 p.m.  
Mary Kay Gallagher, Principal, 344-8473

**Silver Springs Elementary School**  
19801 Silver Spring Drive  
Start Time: 9 a.m., Dismissal: 3:30 p.m.  
Dr. Kenneth Pawlowski, Principal, 344-8410

**Thornton Creek Elementary School**  
46180 Nine Mile Road  
Start Time: 9 a.m., Dismissal: 3:30 p.m.  
Mary Najarian, Principal, 344-8475

**Winchester Elementary School**  
16141 Winchester Drive  
Start Time: 9 a.m., Dismissal: 3:30 p.m.  
Kathy Morhous, Principal, 344-8415

**Bryant School**  
Special Education Program  
18000 Merriman Road  
Livonia, Mich. 48152  
Start Time: 9:30 a.m., Dismissal: 2:45 p.m.  
Joseph B. Blake, Administrator, 425-0100

**Old Village School**  
Special Education Program  
405 West Main Street  
Start Time: 9 a.m., Dismissal: 2:15 p.m.  
Christine Clinton-Cali, Administrator, 344-8460

**Northville Schools Early Childhood Center**  
501 West Main Street  
Pat MacIsaac,  
Early Childhood Program Coordinator, 344-8465

**Operations and Maintenance**  
501 West Main Street  
Tom Bailey, Administrative Assistant, 344-8455

**Transportation**  
504 West Eight Mile  
Barb Strohmier, Secretary, 344-8470

**Northville Public Schools**  
1995/96 School Calendar K-12

Aug. 24 - Staff development day  
Aug. 25 - Teacher work day  
Aug. 28 - First day of classes, K-12 (a.m. only)  
Aug. 29 - First full day of classes, K-12  
Sept. 4 - Labor Day, no school  
Oct. 10 - Middle School Parent-Teacher Conferences, (12:15-2:45 p.m., 5-7:30 p.m.); 6-8 grade students released (p.m.)  
Oct. 12 - Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference (3-5:30 p.m.)  
Oct. 17 and 19 - High School Parent-Teacher Conference (A-K-4-7 p.m., Oct. 17; L-Z-4-7 p.m., Oct. 19)  
Nov. 8, 9, 10 - Elementary Parent-Teacher Conference (K-5 students released for p.m.; a.m. kindergartners attend)  
Nov. 23 and 24 - Thanksgiving recess  
Dec. 15 - Winter recess begins end of day  
Jan. 2, 1996 - Classes resume, K-12  
Jan. 18 - Last day of classes, first semester  
Jan. 19 - Teacher work day (K-12 students released all day)  
Feb. 16 - Mid-winter break begins end of Day  
Feb. 19-23 - Mid-winter break  
Feb. 26 - Classes resume, K-12  
March 12 - Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference (12:15-2:45 p.m. and 5-7:30 p.m., 6-8 grade students released for p.m.)  
March 14 - Middle School Parent-Teacher Conference (3-5:30 p.m.)  
March 19, 21 - High School Parent-Teacher Conference (A-K-4-7 p.m., March 19; L-Z-4-7 p.m., March 21)  
March 27, 28, 29 - Elementary Parent-Teacher Conference (K-5 students released for p.m.)  
April 4 - Spring recess begins end of day  
April 15 - Classes resume K-12  
May 24 - Teacher work day (p.m. only; K-12 students released for p.m.)  
May 27 - Memorial Day recess  
June 13 - Last day of classes K-12 (a.m. only; K-12 students released for p.m.)  
June 14 - Teacher work day

**1995-96 Board of Education Meetings**  
Schedule and Location

The second Monday of the month is designated as the date for the regular meeting of the board of education, except in April when it will be the third Monday and will be held at Old Village School, 405 West Main Street, Northville.

The fourth Monday of the month is designated as the regular special meeting of the board of education, except in April when it will be the fifth Monday and May when it will be the third Monday. Those meetings will be held at school buildings or at Old Village School. All meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Aug. 28 - Old Village School  
Sept. 11 - Old Village School  
Sept. 25 - Thornton Creek Elementary  
Oct. 9 - Old Village School  
Oct. 23 - Northville High School  
Nov. 13 - Old Village School  
Nov. 27 - Winchester Elementary  
Dec. 11 - Old Village School  
Jan. 8, 1996 - Old Village School  
Jan. 22 - Silver Springs Elementary  
Feb. 12 - Old Village School  
Feb. 26 - Cooke Middle School  
March 11 - Old Village School  
March 25 - Moraine Elementary School  
April 15 - Old Village School (Early Childhood Program)  
April 29 - Amerman Elementary School  
May 13 - Old Village School  
May 20 - Meads Mill Middle School  
June 10 - Old Village School  
June 24 - Old Village School (Center Program)

## Calendars offered

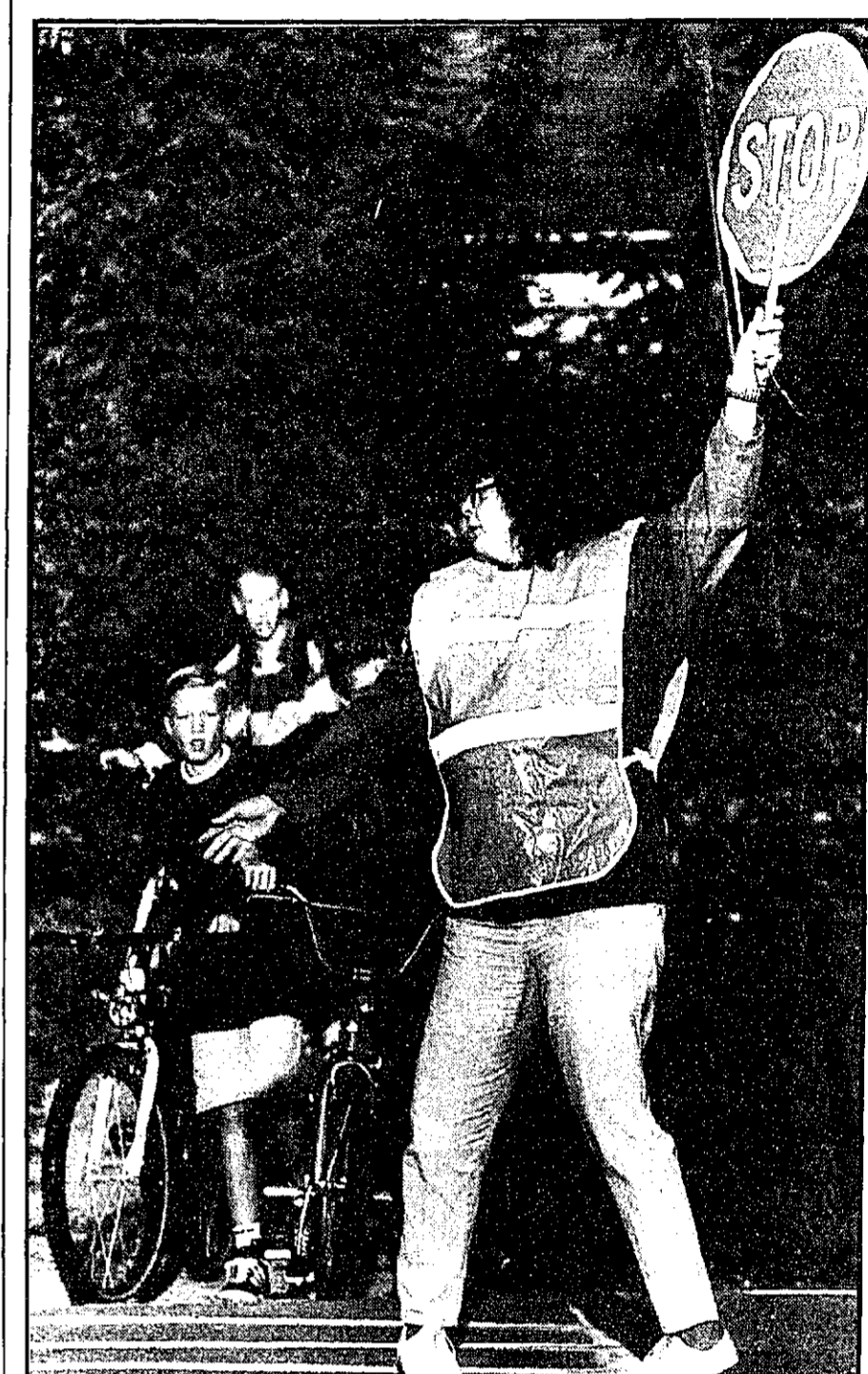
For the tenth consecutive year the Northville PTA coordinating council has compiled and printed a calendar of school and community events.

This year's calendar includes school vacations and days off, PTA and PTA sponsored activities for each school, board of education meeting dates and times, school sponsored activities such as musical and art shows, school district events such as SAT, MEAP and CAT tests as well as report card distribution and conference dates and times for each school.

Also, this year numerous community activities will be included, with the Northville Community Recreation Center, the Northville Youth Forum and the Chamber of Commerce all represented.

PTA calendars will be available at each elementary and middle school office or at all open houses. Calendars are \$4.

For information call Mary Ruple at 348-6739.



**Safety first**  
Scenes like this will be played out at intersections throughout the district on Monday, the first half-day of school. Guard Debra Okarma showed good form on the first day back last year.

## Immunization required

The Wayne County Department of Health has notified Northville Public Schools that each student file must contain proper immunization records as required by the state of Michigan.

Getting proper immunization for children gives them protection against various diseases. By requiring all students to be immunized, schools and communities statewide will be protected from outbreaks of contagious diseases.

State law and the Wayne County Immunization Code prohibit a principal or teacher from admitting children to school without the required immunizations.

Children cannot enter school without a record of one dose of DTP, polio, measles, rubella, mumps, Hib.

To stay in school children must complete all of the following required immunizations:

- DTP or TD - Four or more doses (shots).
- Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis or tetanus, diphtheria. Only three doses of TD are required if the series begins at 6 months of age or older. A booster dose is required if the series is completed under 4 years of age.
- Polio - Three or more doses.
- A booster dose is needed if the series is completed under 4 years of age.
- Measles, rubella, mumps - Two doses.
- Given on or after the age of 12 months and at least one month apart, with at least one of the doses on or after 15 months of age.
- Measles, mumps and rubella vaccines are routinely administered at 15 months. They must be repeated if given before the age of 12 months.
- Measles and mumps must be repeated if administered before Jan. 1, 1998.
- Rubella must be repeated if administered before July 1, 1998.
- The only acceptable history of having had measles, mumps or rubella disease is current laboratory evidence of immunity.
- Hib (Haemophilus influenzae-Type B).
- A complete series of any Hib for children under 15 months of age.
- One dose of any Hib for children 15 months through 5 years (60 months) of age.
- Applicable in Child Care Center, Preschool, Headstart programs only.

## Records recommended for school

In order to protect students and parents from problems resulting from unknown health complications of students, the Northville Board of Education has adopted a policy recommending that all students enrolling in a middle school or high school for the first time (sixth graders at the middle schools and ninth graders at the high school) comply with the following:

- Have an immunization record, which may be obtained from the principal at any of the Northville Public Schools, signed by a physician verifying that the student has received a physical examination.
- Tuberculin testing is no longer required for school entry. However, it is recommended for children in high risk situations, such as contacts to known cases, etc.
- If a health examination of your child is against your belief, then it is necessary that an objection (waiver) be submitted in writing and signed by a parent or guardian.
- A physical examination will be required each year for participation in sports activities.
- Contact the Office of Instructional Services, (810) 344-8422, if you have any questions.

## Hands on work

It's not easy returning to school after so many long, lazy days of summer, but learning by computer can take some of the sting out of it. Here, student Chris Mills gets in some keyboard practice at St. Paul's Lutheran School.



File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL



Children may not be eager to go back to school now, but studying with a friend can help.

# Meads Mill to be featured in governor's summit

public education in the state, according to summit coordinator Justin King.

"Our hope is that participants will listen and contribute, and that they will leave recharged with ideas and examples that can help improve education for public school students in their community," King said.

King added that when participants return to their districts they will be able to initiate discussions that will result in decisions as to how each individual school district functions in the future.

Meads Mill is among 28 schools and districts chosen to present "break-the-mold" policies, programs or services that improve education for students, according to King. The schools' methods of systemic change will be presented as models for other schools and districts to follow.

Northville Public School Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said the district is happy to be taking part in the inaugural event.

"We're extremely honored that Meads Mill is one of the schools highlighted for this event," Rezmierski said. "We look forward to taking part and sharing information with other educators."

According to Dolly McMaster, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, Meads Mill and Cooke middle schools are doing plenty to impact students.

"(Both) have a rich curriculum, with high expectations from the principal, teachers and parents," McMaster said. "The focus on learning and study skills are a major effort of the staff, and there is a major focus on staff development throughout the year to keep them aware of educational trends, both current and in the future."

McMaster said the systemic change towards the concept of middle school education - especially for parents - was "deliberate, purposeful, and well planned hard work."

"I attribute the success of Meads Mill and Cooke middle schools to the three-year study that took place between 1982 and 1985, and involved district parents," she said. "Our parents do their homework - they read literature, conducted their own investigations, and in the end, helped make the recommendations to the board favoring the middle-school concept."

Far "beyond the mold" characteristics to break a reality, McMaster added, a high degree of staff and parental involvement takes place in the decision making process.

"A tremendous active and supportive district and Parent Teacher Association structure supports innovation and risk taking as our parents are included on all curriculum committees and attend staff training whenever possible," she said.

As equal partners in the education process, parents attend workshops and state and national conventions, according to McMaster.

The education summit is sponsored by the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) Foundation for Education Leadership, and will take place Sept. 19 in Lansing.















# Local flyer takes trophy in EAA classic air show

By CAROL WORKENS  
Staff Writer

Orlo Maxfield's first flight was over 50 years ago but his most recent trip to Wisconsin will keep his head in the clouds for some time to come.

When Orlo flew into Wisconsin recently, he flew away with the Reserved Grand Champion Classic trophy.

Orlo, 76, and his son, John, completely restored a 1948 Funk that had been in the family for 37 years. It was the last production model from the Funk Manufactur-

ing Co. and was the personal airplane of owners Joe and Howard Funk for 10 years before they sold it to Orlo in 1957.

"We rebuilt it to last forever," Orlo said. "My son and grandson will inherit it."

"Restoration was from front to back, top to bottom," added John, who is a corporate pilot for Chrysler.

Disassembly of the Funk for restoration began a decade ago but with seven children to put through college, it was put on hold most of the time, according to John. Seri-

ous restoration began three years ago and was completed this past spring.

The wings and fuselage are covered with fabric which had deteriorated over the years.

The process of recovering the fabric portions of the plane, the wings and the fuselage, is to cover it with Dacron and then shrink the Dacron 10 percent with a flat iron.

"When heat is applied to the fabric it gets tight on the airplane just like a drum," Orlo said. A chemical is then brushed on to seal the fabric before it is painted.

"It's the best one of its make in the world," Orlo said.

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Fly-In Convention is held annually in Oshkosh, Wis., and is attended by about a million people over the course of a week.

"There are literally thousands of airplanes on the airport," John said.

One of the requirements for all entries is that the airplanes have to be flown in — none can be trucked in and reassembled.

So John and his eight-year-old son, Scott, flew the Funk, while

Orlo flew John's 1953 Cessna 195, which won Best of Type four years earlier.

"Dad and I were airport buddies back when I was a kid," said John. Now Scott has joined as a third generation airport buddy.

Planes are grouped into categories such as home built, vintage airplanes, classic aircraft, contemporary about 30 years old, war bird aircraft, WWII military airplanes, helicopters and ultralight.

The Maxfield's Funk, a two-seat, high-wing personal airplane, was among about 1,000 planes in the

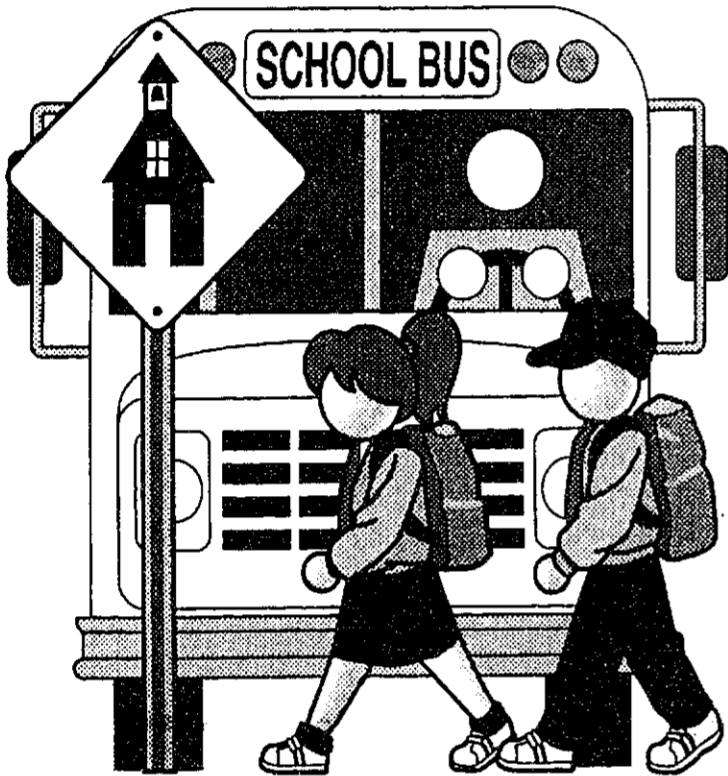
classic aircraft category. The restored Funk is the second that Orlo has owned. With only one and a half hours of flying under his belt, Orlo Maxfield bought his first Funk in 1942.

"I'm gonna fly this beast or kill myself," Orlo remembers thinking.

"Charles Lindbergh gave me the bug," Orlo said of the aviator who flew *The Spirit of St. Louis* solo over the Atlantic in 1927.

Orlo's pre-war Funk had a serial number of 29. The completely restored 1948 Funk has a serial number of 438.

# SCHOOL DAYS



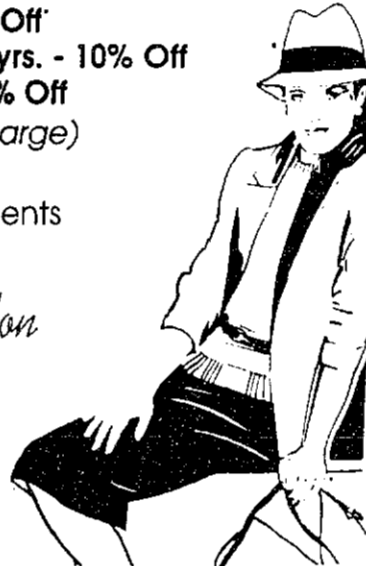
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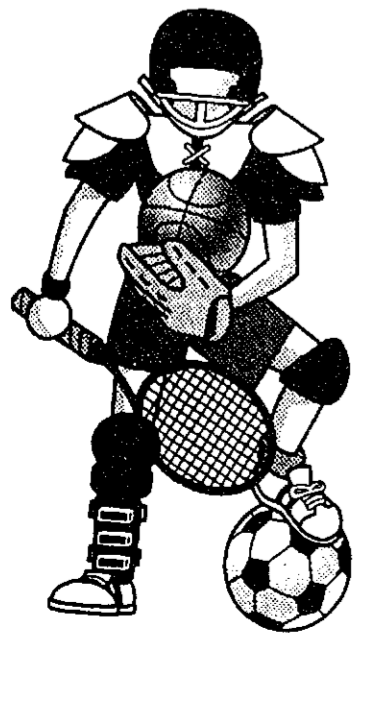
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File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

The children start boarding buses next week for another school year. But some think the school year should be longer.

## Back to the three R's

By CAROL WORKENS  
Staff Writer

While some parents may be eager to get their children back in the classroom next week, there are others who think the summer vacation is not long enough.

On the flip side are concerns about the education of the children and the readjustment period after extended time off school.

Are children really spending enough time in the classroom? A new state mandate indicates that apparently there is concern that children need a better education to keep up with their counterparts in Germany and Japan.

The mandate calls for each school district to add two additional school days, or the equivalent number of clock hours, to its calendar each year until the year 2010, for a total of 210 days or 1,260 clock hours.

"We are already adapting ourselves to the inevitable," Leonard Rezmierski, Northville public schools superintendent said.

"The die has been cast to work toward extended days," he said. "We will explore other creative

options to meet the goal." "We have not studied it in Novi with our parents and groups up to this point," Emmett Lippe, superintendent of the Novi public schools, said.

"The loss of retention is much less, particularly in the lower grades, in places where they've done this."

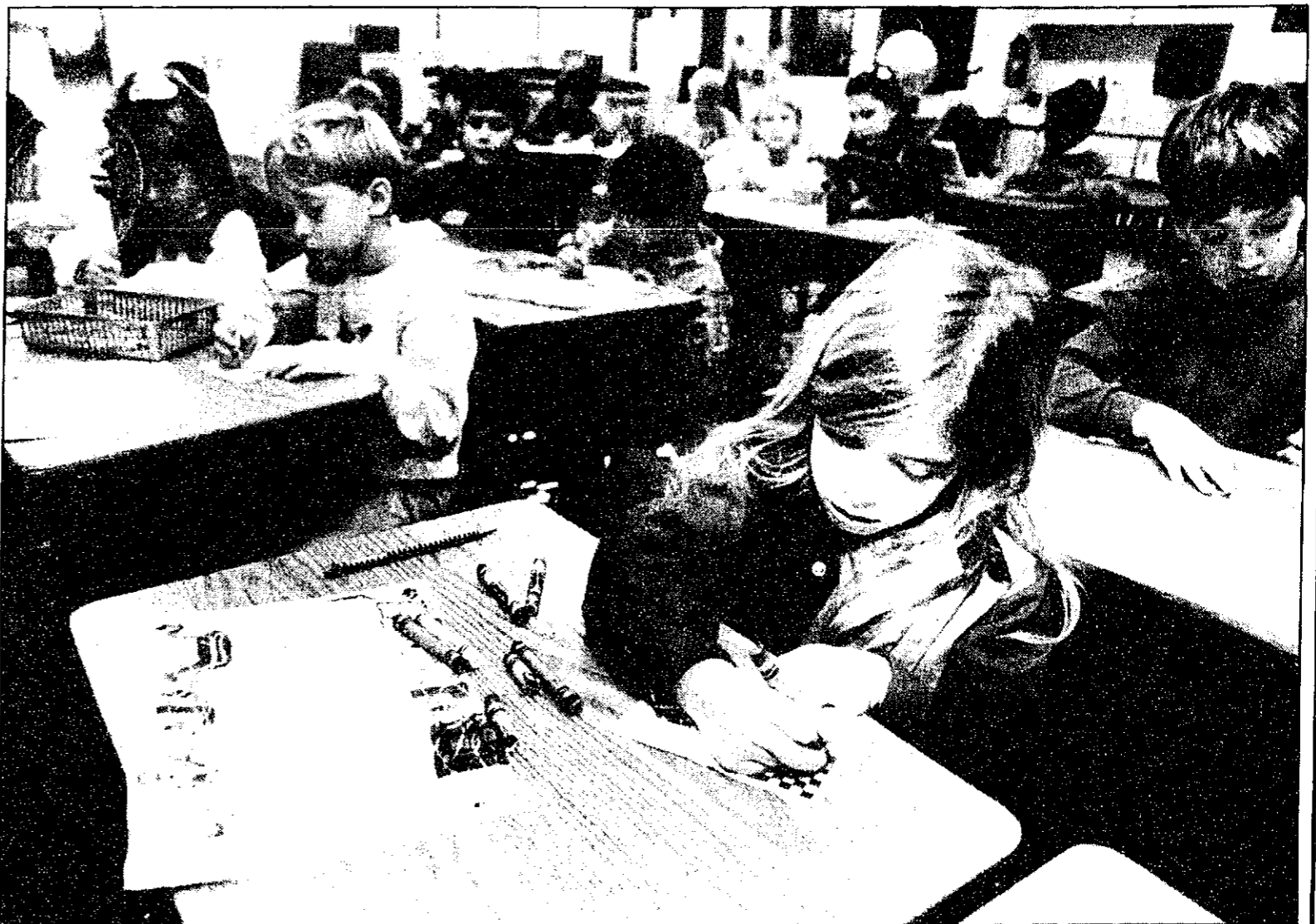
Retention is greater, the loss of education knowledge by the kids is not as severe, when there is only a four-week vacation, according to Lippe.

The downside would be the possible interruption to the family vacations.

"There is no school during the month of July for most places that have it," Lippe said.

"As time goes on, the school districts will be exploring extended school years," he said.

"In most places that do this they started with one or two buildings and it is optional at first," he said. "As it becomes more familiar, more people opt to take it."



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Primary students will probably spend the the first few weeks reviewing material from the previous year.

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## Volunteer



CHERYL BYERLY

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

## Byerly takes tough approach to love

By DOROTHY NASH  
Staff Writer

"Tough love" is an organization for adults whose children are out of control, and Northville Parents Support is the same thing except "we don't pay dues," according to spokesperson Cheryl Byerly.

The group meets on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Northville to discuss parenting problems and offer suggestions on how to solve them.

The original group started in Livonia 14 years ago. "I started going there three or four years ago," said Byerly, "and then a year ago we split off," and established this parent support group, "helping individuals change themselves."

There is no leader. Somebody brings up a problem and everybody offers suggestions. Some suggestions work; others don't.

A boy was coming home at all hours. The parents eventually

locked the house at 11 p.m. It worked. A girl was running up telephone bills. The parents cut down to one phone. It was an inconvenience for them, but it worked.

Yet another boy who used drugs wasn't coming home at night and had run-ins with the police. After an Oakland County case of assault, the parents were convinced something should be done. They had the boy check himself into the hospital for drug use and he was let out a year ago. He went back to school. His grades went up. He got a summer job.

"Most parents don't follow through," Byerly said. "They quit. They give in to the child."

And Byerly said, "The cause or effect can also be a breakdown between the parents; the children's behavior can be the cause but the parents are not in agreement and one of them is too soft."

If you have a problem, you're welcome to attend the meetings.

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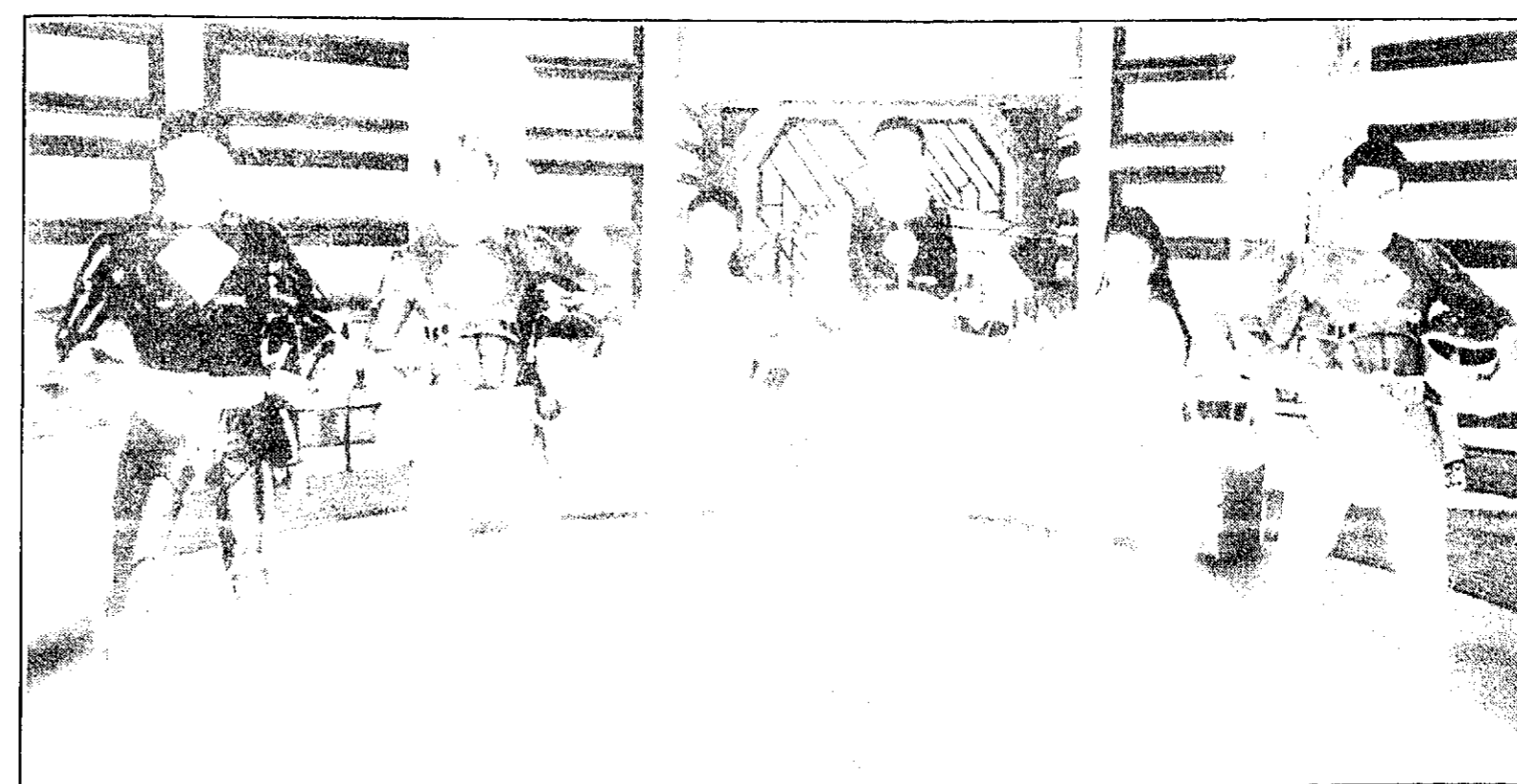
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In addition to the six young Power Rangers and the incredible excitement and adventure loved by millions around the world, this all-new, big-screen version of Saban Entertainment's international multi-media phenomenon features exciting never-before-seen elements including incredible new Zords, spectacular monsters, mighty Power Ranger uniforms, state-of-the-art special effects and mind-boggling stunts.

It all flows together to make the film a cross between "Star Wars" and "The Wizard of Oz."

Morphin mania had its genesis in the incredibly successful television series, now in its second season on the Fox Children's Network, and also encompasses a nationally touring original, family-oriented theatrical stage production ("Mighty Morphin Power Rangers Live"), extensive and innovative merchandising tie-ins and, now, a major motion picture.

The popularity of "Mighty Morphin Power Rangers" stems in part

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