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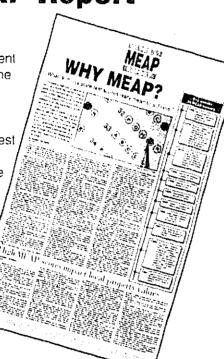
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The MEAP Report

ach year students take the Michigan Educational Assessment Placement test, and the results chart their progress. But schools aren't the only institutions that look at the test results, and MEAP scores can change the face of the local area in a variety of ways. Staff Writers Wendy Pierman Mitzel and Robert Jackson examined how the MEAP impacts our communities and their report begins on page 6.



By JAN JEFFRES

Back in 1989, when Providence Hospital first petitioned to build a full hospital in Novi, the health care system's management said that if the state denied their request, they'd take it to the courts. And now they have.

In late December 1995, the Michigan Department of Health (MDPH) issued its final decision denying Providence's application to relocate 200 beds from Providence Southfield to the Novi campus. On Jan. 11, Providence filed a request for a judicial review of the decision and a first amended complaint with the Ingham County Circuit Court.

Brian Connolly, president and chief executive officer of Mission Health, which owns Providence, said that the quest for a Novi hos-

pital will continue, "not only because of the financial pressures facing the health care industry but also because of Mission Health's commitment to increasing access to quality health care.'

Providence files suit on denial

*Although the process has been a lengthy one, we feel that access to an in-patient facility is essential in delivering quality health care to Novi and the surrounding communities," Connolly said.

In January 1990, the state first issued a proposed denial of Providence's request for a certificate of need, a requirement in building a hospital with beds enabling patients to stay for more than 23 hours. The grounds were that the state health care district, which includes Novi, already has too many hospital

Meanwhile, the non-profit corporation con-

structed Providence Medical Center-Providence Park at Grand River Avenue and Beck Road. The facility offers many services associated with a hospital, including an emergency room and a child-birthing center.

Under state regulation, a patient may remain in Providence's short-term facility 23 hours. The way this works in the case of a child birth is that the woman's labor does not count towards the stay. After the delivery, she may recuperate at the Novi facility for 23 hours.

Providence's argument that the Novi area needs a full-service hospital was refuted by a number of existing Detroit-area hospitals such as Mount Sinai and Botsford. In an October 1989 public hearing, opponents to the plan, including medical insurers and

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Novi Schools 1995 MEAP Scores

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School	1995		Percent Change	1995		Percent Change	
Novi Woods	72.3	67	8%	75.5	75.5	0%	
Orchard Hills	76.7	61.4	25%	92.2	84.1	10%	
Parkview	87.3	62.5	18%	94.1	86.5	2%	
Village Oaks	73.6	57.8	51%	87.9	88	-7%	
Overall	77.7	62.3	24%	87.5	83.4	5%	
Middle School							
7th grade	59.6	45.9	30%	78	65.2	20%	

Bye, bye brewery

Micro-brewery backs out of Main Street

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer

2-8-96

Apparently, plans to bring a micro-brewery to Novi by the end of the year were just too hard to concoct.

Scott Henderson, president of Euro-American Brewing Ventures, Ltd. has pulled out of plans to build a micro-brewery in Novi.

Henderson wanted to put a 11,100-square-foot micro-brewery on the east side of Vic's World Class Market on Grand River. The brewery would have made and

distributed its own beer as well as serve the beers in a "tap room" and restaurant.

But space constraints made Henderson turn to other locations in other cities to place the ven-

"I wasn't able to come to terms with the owner of the building." said Henderson. "The space just wasn't going to work for us."

Henderson said he needed at least 12,000 square feet to build the micro-brewery, but developer

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Novi Woods principal Jacque Lawrence sits in a pile of things that will end up donated to the Salvation Army.

Kids lose the darnedest things

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer

Jacque Lawrence sat in the middle of the colorful pile on the

"One more time," said the photographer. "Toss up about five or six things. I have to catch them as they come down."

A fashion shoot? Not really, although the Novi Woods Elementary principal did flash a great smile.

Lawrence sat amidst the gloves,

scarves, hats and other lost and found items left in the school's community room. A black boot without a match, a

Lawrence. Lawrence is getting ready to take the items home to wash them up and get them ready to give to the Salvation Army in Farmington. She's put out a last call to kids, parents and the com-

munity to come sift through the

lost and found. Maybe owners will

ribbons, gold earrings, numerous

costume rings, a pendant with a

baby picture inside, shirts, snow-

pants and coats filled up the

laundry basket, box and large

don't even label anything," said

black garbage bag.

broken heart barrette, pink hair be able to claim their long lost red

glove once and for all. "You get one boot and you wonder what happened to the other

one," said Lawrence. "We've found purses and home-

work," she said. "One time we even found a wedding band."

"What makes you sad is people Lawrence said the school does keep some of the items in a file cabinet in case of emergency. Sometimes the younger kids soil their clothes and need replacement underwear for the day. Sometimes a child forgets a coat and needs to borrow a wind-

breaker from the drawers. "it beats having mom have to

come up here," explained Lawrence.

For now Lawrence is sorting through the piles of new lost and found items searching for keep-

The students help her sort through and find matches. Then in February she's clearing the place out with one trip to the Salvation Army.

For at least a weekend the corner of the room will be clear.

"But by the end of March it will all be back there again,

Lawrence said.

Cupid's choice

Photo by SUE SPILLANE

Novi Senior Center Recreation Coordinator Kathy Crawford was so impressed with the happy 26-year-old marriage achieved by Caroline and George Giese that she recommended them to select the winner in the Happy Valentine's Day contest sponsored by The Novi News. The couple, in a random drawing, pulled Susan Schneemann's entry. Schneemann, a Novi resident, will now celebrate the big day with chocolate from Sanders, a facial from Visions Salon, a gift basket from the Center Street Market, a perm from Diamond Cuts Salon, dinner for two at Rocky's, one dozen roses, a gold bracelet from Ram Creations and a hotel package at the Radisson

Arena gets go-ahead; city setting up club

By JAN JEFFRES

While the Novi City Council and Center Ice Management Inc. have already agreed to a contract to build an ice arena here, one necessary party to the agreement is missing.

But not for too long.

Monday, the Novi City Council began interviewing applicants for the board of trustees of Community Clubs of Novi, an non-profit agency which will be in charge of overseeing the building and operations of the rinks. Appointments are expected in March.

The council also postponed a final decision on a resolution establishing the board, which may have anywhere from eight to 24 members.

However, 11 citizens are still

being sought for the post. Center

Ice Inc., which will manage the facility, gets one permanent seat.

Some criteria were suggested for membership. The seats to be filled by the council's choices among the field of volunteers were proposed to include one attorney licensed in Michigan; one experienced private business manager; one expert in financial management and reporting; one representative from the Novi City Council and one representative from the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission. In addition, the council was advised to appoint one person for each of the youth activities expected to generate ten percent of the organization's annual receipts, such as youth hockey and youth figure skating.

These stipulations led the

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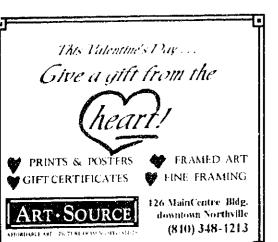
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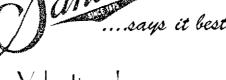
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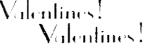
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on its hand-sliced prime rib, its Burger Kings, In 1994, the corsteaks and fresh seafood, as well poration went public

Monday, the council approved

changing, nothing else is," attor- Grills, 12 Bruegger's Bagels Bakley and spokesman John Carlin eries and five Spageddies Italian gan, Quality Dining had already Brinker International but Quality held the development rights to

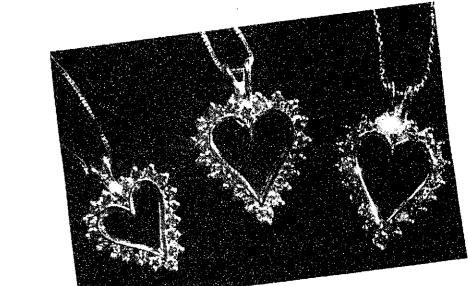
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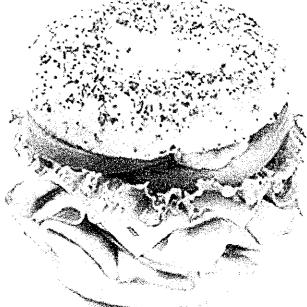
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Store near Ten Mile and Beck roads called police after a man attempted to get a fake prescription filled at the store.

Police said a white male, age 40, with salt and pepper hair and his right arm in a fake cast, requested the prescription be filled the afternoon of Jan. 29. The pharmacist recognized the prescription from

two fake tries a week earlier. She took the script and told him to come back in 15 minutes. She called the office listed on the paper and was told it was not a legitiresidue, said police. mate prescription, police said. Officers were called to the scene and waited in the back of the store

for more than an hour but the man did not return.

INFANT SAVED Officers pulled a 15-month-old girl from a car left running in the driveway of a home on Rockledge, Jan. 25.

Police said they responded to the call when a woman accidentally locked the keys in the car with the baby inside. Officers opened the vehicle and the baby girl appeared

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

pronounced dead on arrival.

fered internal injures as a result of

to be just fine.

DISAPPEARING MUSTANG A Livonia man who left his red '95 Mustang locked and alarmed in the parking lot of Too Chez the night of Jan. 19 discovered it missing when he returned to the parking lot just after midnight,

STICKY SITUATION A Novi resident on East Lake

Drive reported someone had poured syrup in the gas tank of a BREAK-IN ATTEMPT friend's pick-up truck while it sat behind the house on Dec. 30.

police Jan. 22 to report someone A Lansing man left his wallet in had thrown two eggs at his home. an unlocked locker in Vic Tanny at Police said the man had traced a 5:30 p.m. Jan. 24 and found it set of footprints to a nearby home missing shortly thereafter. but police said the residents there indicated they had nothing to do BAD DAY

and even stood on the front porch car and drove away. as her daughter came home from

He told the woman when she came to the front door he just who in turn accused the woman of duct. wanted to talk to her but she told tailgating him but admitted he had him she was going to the police just had a "bad day" and that's station to report him. He said that why he threw the object at the car. was okay, he would be waiting.

A Bloomfield Hills teen was equipped with an airbag and while Zebari's car was struck by a

west of Meadowbrook Road in prevented the injuries due to the smashed into the front of Zebari's

westbound on Twelve Mile at 4:40

Jallal Arabo, 15, suffered only lane sideswiping one vehicle and airbag of her 1996 Toyota was issued.

His 1991 Honda was not in the eastbound lane.

nature of the crash, said Detective driver's side door.

killed Saturday afternoon in a Zebari was wearing a shoulder vehicle driven by Alita Cyrlin, 47, ment but it appears the major con-

the crash and was taken by ambu- car was opened up," he explained. fourth car and causing minor road conditions, according to

She left for the station and upon

returning he was gone.

The office manager of the West-The friend had not realized it one had attempted to break into person in the parking lot. The Jeep until after having several problems - the office by removing the screws - quickly pulled around the stopped with the vehicle's engine. A service on the window and removing the car and the pedestrian yelled at advance so they could by pass if possible the Grand River Avenue/Novi station discovered the syrup glass on Jan. 29. Police said she the vehicle. told them it was the second inci-

An Austin Street man called UNLUCKY LOCKER

The incident occurred around

midnight, according to police. Police tracked down the man He agreed to pay for the damage.

Cyrlin suffered minor injuries

Novi Police ticketed two men Jan. 20 at about 9 p.m. for possession of a dangerous/deadly weapon and disorderly conduct.

A Novi Police officer was leaving Kosch's Dell in the Novi Town Center when he witnessed a white Jeep pull behind a blue Corvette gate VI apartments reported some- who was stopped and talking to a

> As the Jeep backed up and the driver hopped out so did the driver | They're back of the Corvette. The driver of the Jeep jumped back in while the pedestrian continued to yell at the area west of Novi Road near and south of Nine Mile Road. Tree limbs driver and pound on the Jeep.

The officer called in the situation to the station where another officer was sent to go after the Jeep. A Novi woman trying to escape When he pulled the Jeep over he to the Novi police station Jan. 15 arrested the man who had a warwas running from a man she said rant out for his arrest for tax eva-A Novi woman told police a white was tailgating and passing her in sion in Hamtramck. However, male with brown hair and a beard her car for miles. As she pulled upon searching the vehicle, the and mustache sat parked in her into the station driveway, the man officer found a knife and ticketed driveway for several hours Jan. 29 threw a sharp metal object at her the man for possession of a dangerous/deadly weapon.

> The officer at the scene ticketed the pedestrian for disorderly con-

Citizens with information about the above incidents are urged to

call the Novi Police Department at Four car crash results in fatality

Novi Youth Assistance as the city's 1994-95 most outstanding youth vol-Newton was nominated for admission to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. Also a senior, Newton scored very high on both standardized tests and has represented the class in several different capacities. He currently serves as senior class treasurer at Novi High School.

Both Newton and Hagfors rank near the top of their class. Overall, the congressman nominated 23 students from his district to Arabo refused to give a state-U.S. service academies.

As in past years, the annual Spring Home and Garden Show last

weekend packed in the crowds at the Novi Expo Center, with significant

traffic backups reported on the freeway and surface streets. Attendance

at the show was up 40 percent. Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall said Mon-

show traffic. It's just such a popular show. They did all they could do,

"Actually the traffic flowed fairly well. For two days a year, we're just

One way to handle it next year, he proposed, was warning residents in

Detroit Edison's line clearance crews are once again heading for Novi,

City Forester Chris Pargoff said. This time, they'll concentrate on the

crashing down over the lines is a major cause of power outages, hence

Much of the work will be maintenance pruning which will have limited

visual impact, Pargoff noted in a recent city memo. However, the area

along Eight Mile Road west of Beck Road will "exhibit greater changes,"

he wrote, including the removal at the Community Sports Park of "inap-

propriate tall growing, soft and weak-wooded species that are specially

prohibited in the City Landscape Ordinance because of their susceptibili-

Congressman Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Township, nominated

Novi High School students Henry A. Newton and Adam Hagfors to U.S.

Service Academies this week. Each student must now apply to their

respective academies. Each academy will determine final approval for

Hagfors was nominated to the U.S. Naval Academy located in Annapo-

lis, Md. A senior, Hagfors tallied high scores on the SAT and ACT, while

participating on the varsity soccer, cross country and track teams at

Novi. He also was recognized by the Novi Chamber of Commerce and

the clipping, which has sometimes been termed unsightly by residents.

it's a two-day aberration," Kriewall explained.

going to have to deal with it."

ty to insects and diseases."

each applicant.

Two Novi students picked

There's one weekend a year we're not going to be able to control the

four-car collision on Twelve Mile belt, it probably would not have of West Bloomfield. He car tributing factors of the crash were Barking up the wrong number driver error and inexperience, said

An article in last week's Novi News included the incorrect phone num-Zebari's car bounced back into

Weather conditions were clear and cats. The correct numbers are in Novi, 477-0159 and in Royal Oak. The whole driver's side of the the westbound lane hitting a and dry and there were no adverse and cats.

The passenger in the car, Delone p.m. when he crossed the center and refused medical attention. The No tickets or citations were

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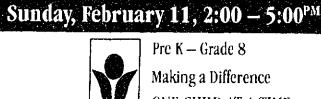
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MONDAY, JAN. 29 Injury accident, I-96/Haggerty,

7:04 a.m., Squad 1. Medical, 22875 Summer House, 7:07 a.m., Squad 3. Injury accident, 1-96/Novi Road, 7:19 a.m., Squad 2.

Injury accident, 1-96/Haggerry, 7:39 a.m., Squad 1. Injury accident, I-96/Novi Road, 7:41 a.m., Squad 1. Injury accident, I-96/Novi Road,

7:46 a.m., Squad 1. Medical, 42121 Pellston Court, - 5:49 p.m., Squad 3. 8:22 a.m., Squad 3, Standby, Stonehenge, 1:29 p.m., Response 510.

Service, 23487 Haggerty, 5:25 p.m., Squad 3. Injury accident, 41256 Village 4:58 a.m., Engines 1 and 3. Lake, 10:04 p.m., Squad 3,

sioners, this will be Schmid's first ground.

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Garrett Bablinchak

James Jr. Czapski

Joseph Czapski

Bradley Brasil

Ryan Buryta

Scott Buryta

Service, 24299 Weathervane, Road, 7:48 a.m., Engine 1. Trash fire, Eight Mile and 8 a.m., Engines 1 and 2.

Garfield, 11:15 a.m., Engine 4. Injury accident, Eleven Mile and Car fire, West Oaks II, 7:32 p.m., Rubbish fire, Primrose and Cen-Engine L

Building fire, 21700 Novi Road,

11:09 p.m., Engine 3. WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31

Medical, 140 Pickford, 5:44 a.m., Squad 2. Medical, 23902 Chipmunk Trail. 7:04 a.m., Squad 3.

Medical, 24481 Willow, 7:34

Medical, 24131 Pheasant Run,

a.m., Squad L Service, 50903 Delaware, 10 a.m., Squad 4. Injury accident, Grand River Town Center, 3:57 p.m., Squad 1.

THURSDAY, FEB. 1

SATURDAY, FEB. 3 Fire alarm, 43200 Crescent, Investigation, Twelve Mile and 3:42 a.m., Engines 1 and 2. Beck Road, 12:57 a.m., Squad 4. Fire alarm, 25460 Novi Road, Fire alarm, 25460 Novi Road, 3:20 a.m., Engines 1 and 2. Medical, 20800 Woodland Glen, 7:31 a.m., Squad 3.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 2

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7:33 a.m., Engine 3.

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Oakland County Commissioner criticism of the county parks com- selected chairman. Pecky D. Lewis Other members of the parks Kay Schmid of Novi has been mission. The nearest county parks of Bloomfield Hills, elected to a commission include: Oakland appointed to the 10-member Oak- facility to Novi is an undeveloped fourth term as chairman of the County Drain Commissioner land County Parks and Recreation park in Lyon Township. That park parks and recreation commission. George Kuhn of West Bloomfield; at Market Street and Grand River Commission. Appointed recently however is notable for its preserva- He has been a parks commission former vice chairman of the Coun- Avenue and Main Street and Novi by the Oakland Board of Commistion of a Blue Heron nesting member since 1981 and served ty Board of Commissioners Nancy McConnell of Bloomsield Hills; County Executive Brooks Patter A lack of attention to southern Pernick of Southfield was also Johnson of Holly was reelected son of Waterford; past county com Oakland County has long been a reelected to the panel and was vice chairman for a second term missioner Richard Skarritt of Miland Richard Kuhn of Waterford ford; and Oakland County Road Commission chairman John E.

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Fire alarm, 21700 Novi Road, 10

Fire alarm, 22475 Heslip, 1:39

Investigation, 24051 Glenridge

Injury accident, Twelve Mile and

Smoke investigation, 30861

Car fire, Eight Mile and Hagger

Injury accident, I-96 and Novi

Service, 43200 Crescent, 2:33

Investigation, 43977 Winthron.

Centennial, 6:05 p.m., Engine 2.

ty, 6:37 p.m., Engine 3.

Road, 7:36 p.m., Squad 1.

Road, 9:10 p.m., Engine 1.

SUNDAY, FEB. 4

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p.m., Squad 4.

p.m., Engine 1.

Novi Road, 4:41 p.m., Squad 1.

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Traffic light selection spurs council debate

You can be the rigid type or a Faced with the choice, the Novi City Council majority went for the former. In question here was not lifestyles but over \$1 million worth mast arms at night. It of traffic lights for Main Street Medical, 43444 Westgate, 5:35 and whether the aesthetic ideal really overpowers ..." would be better served by span

> wires or mast arms. "We're trying to capture a unique flavor in this area and get back to an earlier period of time," pro-wire Council Member John Clark said. "If you go to downtown Northville, you have buildings and architecture that's compatible with

Fuel spill, Twelve Mile and Novi the human element. Most of the architecture today tends to downgrade the human element. These Medical, I-96 Rest Area, 8:28 massive poles and arms scream right out at you and say welcome Medical, 50714 Oregon, 12:13 to the 20th century." However, nixed by the majority

was a request from the Town Cen ter Study Committee asking for street lights strung on a span wire, as seen in downtown Northville. Literally seen, because the propos al came complete with a full video documentation of Main and Center streets in that city.

The original special assessment (SAD) district set up for Main Street called for mast arm street lights to are over the intersections

Council Member Robert Schmid, a member of the committee, explained that the mast arms were felt too be too bulky for the in-theworks nouveau downtown.

"The committee felt it should have a character different from the rest of the city. They were overbearing mast arms. These wires disappear at night. I guarantee you're going to see those mast arms at night. It really overpowers a small area," Council Member Robert Schmid said.

"These wires disappear

you're going to see those

"Swinging lights just don't look

as nice and stylish and that seems

to be what we're looking for, some-

thing a little more solid," Council

Member Kathy Mutch said, stump-

ing for the mast arm traffic con-

The price tag for the mast arms

came in at \$1.56 million, while the

wires would have saved \$130,000.

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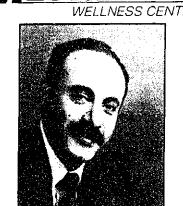
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WHY MEAP?

What do those state test scores really mean to schools?

Graduating high school seniors in Novi and Northville will find that a state endorsement sticker on the back of their diploma is just a piece of shiny paper with some sticky adhesive on the back that's worth about seven cents.

It won't make it easier for graduates to get into a university. It won't be asked for when they enter the business world, and when high school graduates boast their diploma has a state endorsement on it. they'll most likely be disappointed when the response is a nonplused "so what?"

By ROBERT JACKSON

What are state endorsed diplomas, you ask? Interestingly enough that's the most common question even considered - in the application process, the employers just ask prospective candidates if they reporters from the Northville Record and Novi News received during interviews with state universities and Michigan State University. Eastern Michigan University tion is usually found on an application form," Hedjbusinesses. To properly answer the question one sity, and Central Michigan University all said the can said. "Only a very few will even ask for a copy of needs to look back to the creators of the state same thing - endorsements on diplomas did not the actual graduation diploma. endorsement concept - the state legislature.

Three years ago, at the urging of the state's business community, the state legislature tied the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) results to high school diplomas. At that time business leaders demanded some type of "marker" be placed on function in the workplace.

cerned with the quality of students graduating from that have been traditionally used to predict student types of positions anyway." high school," said Northville School Superintendent — success. To discard those proven methods would not Leonard Rezmierski, "But (educators) told the legisla- be a logical choice for us." ture that if they were going place the endorsement on diplomas, businesses should be required to ask for rently looks at student SAT/ACT test scores as well—cators and business leaders has to be on the same those diplomas when a prospective employee is inter- as grade point averages of prospective college candi page," he said. "That obviously hasn't happened in

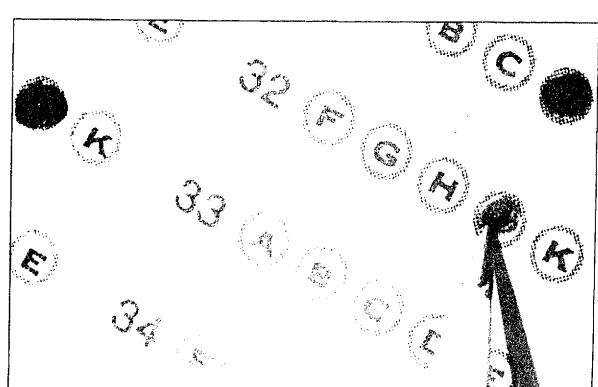
The state legislature mandated the link between and we will continue to use them." he added. the MEAP and high school diplomas in 1993. Stureceived state endorsement stickers on the back of their input," Spencer added, "Perhaps that's some their diplomas. While the motivation for the action—thing they will consider in the future." had merit, according to Rezmierski, in reality it doesn't accomplish what it set out to do. "Until busithe sticker on those diplomas will not be worth any-

thing," he said. State Rep. Willis Bullard, R-Milford, views the endorsement policy differently.

"I think you need to give it more time because the program is relatively new. It's going to take time for - ed in the endorsement process from the beginning." businesses to eatch on," Bullard said, "If, in five or Rezmierski said, "The lack of importance attached to six years, businesses and universities still aren't reeognizing the state endorsed diploma process, then perhaps we should scrap it.

"I believe, however, that businesses will recognize give it more time," he added.

So far two graduating classes have gone through the state endorsement process, and despite being assured that the endorsement would help them win state run universities, graduates have found the



Photos by BRYAN MITCHELL

Let's take the universities, for instance. When training procedures for prospective employees. asked if state endorsed diplomas were required - or -

isn't a big deal at all.

carry any weight.

of prospective applicants.

Spencer said that the University of Michigan curdates. "These methods have been successful for us,

"It's unfortunate that the legislature made this

ness recognizes the importance of the endorsement, methods of charting prospective students were signifies that a student has learned those skills," extremely successful. Even community colleges, like local Schoolcraft, don't consider the endorsed diplomas as a means of judging the qualifications of stu-

"It's a shame that we as educators were not includto the legislature and the governor.

What about husiness and industry? Remember it was their lobbying that created the endorsed diplothe importance of the endorsement. We just need to mas in the first place. Do businesses put any value on the state endorsed diplomas?

 The answer, unfortunately, is no. As a matter of fact, high school graduates who are looking for employment right out of high school—and it wou't take long for the younger students to jobs, and benefit them in the admissions process at aren't even asked to provide a copy of their diploma understand that this (endorsement) isn't really by many businesses, according to business consul — important," he said, "How do you expect these young tant Kurt Hedican of the Organization Consulting - people to care if the adults they are modeling don't

in helping businesses with developing hiring and

"Unfortunately most service and trade industry admissions offices for the University of Michigan. have graduated from high school, and that informa-

Hedican went on to explain that technical jobs The problem, according to University of Michigan - usually require a college degree so employers won't Admissions Director Ted Spencer, is that universities - even bother asking about the high school diplomahave their own methods of judging the qualifications - because they are more interested in what the candidate learned during their college career, "At that "We at the University of Michigan heartily endorse point a high school diploma doesn't really carry the diplomas so that businesses hiring high school—any attempt by schools to measure the performance—much weight," he said. "It's unfortunate but times graduates would be reasonably sure that those grad- of students, because those attempts result in better have changed. There are folks out there with Masters uates had learned the basic requirements needed to students." Spencer said. "The problem (with state and Doctoral degrees that find themselves scrapping endorsed diplomas) is that we, and other state uni- for middle management jobs, so somebody with just "Leaders in the business community were con- versities, have found that there are other methods—a high school diploma can't really compete for those

Hedican said the state endorsed diploma was a policy doomed for failure right from the start. "In order for something like this to work, everyone (edu-

Bullard said that the initial goal of endorsed diplomas was for business and university's to attach dents who scored satisfactorily in all three subjects - decision without bringing educators to the table for - importance to students excelling in school and scoring well on the MEAP test.

Business leaders were concerned that graduates Other state universities shared that opinion of did not possess the necessary skills to perform well state endorsed diplomas, stating that traditional in the workforce," he said, "The endorsed diploma "If it turns out that if nobody is paying attention to the endorsements in a few years perhaps the whole

program was a waste of time." For educators like Novi school district Superintendent Emmett Lippe, the endorsed diploma concept doesn't seem as important as it was touted to be. "The business community says its important, but the endorsement is something we should articulate - high school principals all over the state say they get very few calls on the endorsed diploma," he said.

Lippe said the program could be a good incentive for students. But if no one pays attention to and it becomes just a sticker on a diploma, how important is that?" he asked. "(Businesses) have to change their behavior and call for it to be meaningful." Rezmierski agreed. "These students aren't stupid."

1994 Testing times for 5th and 8th grade Science and Writing MEAP change to

MEAP

Educators wary of changes in test program

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

Changes in the testing times, formats and targets of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program test and the recent introduction of the High School Proficiency tests have heads spinning in Novi and - said Lippe

Recently recovered from fall MEAP testing, teach - new era the state and district is coming a ers are now preparing in anticipation of the into," he added. revamped spring tests, students are wondering what the big deal is about, and parents are stressing over—and Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski what it all means,

The new High School Proficiency Test will be given—the students and their knowledge can be over a two-week period in March to all 11th grade useful. students. Although given on a pilot basis last year, this test is mandatory for all 11th graders in the

Novi High School hopes to schedule the testing for - more intensive proficiency test. March 5-8 and March 11 and 12 between the hours of 7:20 and 10 a.m. The rest of the grades may be true high school education because excused from reporting until 10 a.m. unless required - it's given in 11th grade and misses to attend particular assemblies.

Northville High School officials are still determining how best to administer the test. The 8.5 hour test is a more comprehensive assessment than the former 10th grade MEAP test, which sort of assessment of what this focuses on science, reading, math and writing, In a new trend in testing, students are required to Lippe said.

bring two pieces of writing and will be asked to critique and reflect on their own essays. The Science HSPT and the revamped Science tions for mandating the test. MEAP (to be given to fifth and eighth graders in

They are: cluster problems (students are given problems and asked to solve them using multiple - will follow the new school code. choice and short answers), text critiques (students - but I don't necessarily underread a scientific passage and respond in writing), investigations (for the HSPT, students read about an investigation and respond to questions; for the and inclusion of educators at MEAP, students perform the investigation and write - a local level instead of state about it), and independent multiple choice ques- legislator demands could

"No doubt about it the writing portion is certainly one of the skills young people need to have in today's society," explained Novi schools Superintendent level are involved in both

Lippe said teachers are wary of the new proficiency test because they don't know what to expect. The some scoring portions, state has handed out little information as to what they may not always have the subjects the test will cover. Quite honestly no one knows what to expect from

At at recent school board meeting, Novi trustee gestions only the teachers know," said Lippe.

Ray Byers agreed. He said the district and the community shouldn't be surprised if Novi students score "miserably" on the test, because it's never been done before.

But despite the apprehension, Lippe of Northville schools said testing to gauge

"Any form of assessment is healthy We ought to have some sort of account-

But he added it doesn't really test the last year and a half of instruc-

"We want to take this very serious ly. It's important for us to get some group of students has learned."

of the state legislature's motiva-March) will include four types of questions new to tion set by state lawmakers may He said more forethought

> have eased his mind. Lippe explained that although teachers at a local the development and writ-

input they want to.

"It's hard to take a test when you don't

know what you're going to be tested on. "The public has to understand this is a

ability," said Lippe on the change to a

But Rezmierski said he is wary

"I'm worried that the expecta not be meeting reality," Rezmierski explained, "We, of course,

ing of the tests, as well as

"To be fair to the state department we have had "Hope

the proficiency test, what it's going to look like or the several teachers solicited for their advice. Now to the fully there is some cordegree they listen to those teachers or take the sug-

Jasmine is doing pushups as part of her exercise program. She did 2 the first day, 3 the second day, and 5 the second day. Based on the information above, how many pushups would she have to do the sixth day? gasmine world have to do 21 pushyps the sixth day. is it realistic for Jasmine to continue this program for pushups? Explain your answer. You Pattern 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, 233, 377 The previous two days number of pushups will start to become excessively large for the average person to do.

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Superintendents' view: MEAPs are a mixed blessing

Northville and Novi school superintendents Leonard Rezmierski and Emmett Lippe can't help but view the annual Michigan Educational Assessment Program test results as mixed blessings.

The two administrators are proud of their districts' continued climb in comparative ratings with other top-ranked school districts within the state, and at the same time, worried that the initial motivations for proficiency testing have been lost, and that the test results may now be more important to those outside the field of education than the very people charged with educating students.

In short they're worried that today's society may be focused on the wrong goals. Rezmierski explained that instead of looking at MEAP testing from a comparative point of view, society needs to use the test as a learning tool for students and educators.

"It should be more important to me, as an educator, to look beyond the scores and ask the question what have we done for the kids that took the test three years ago? Did we improve the curriculum? Did we improve the learning environment?" he said. "The other question is, have we learned anything as educators that will help students in the future?" Lippe said there are two main points that school

districts need to address. "The students need to know how they score in the different subject areas and see what areas need to be strengthened," he said, "Secondly, the classroom teacher needs to look at the results, study the curriculum and make changes."

Lippe said the teachers adjust their methods and subject matter accordingly as a result of testing. At the same time, district administrators review curriculum and objectives based on those results for both the students and the classrooms. "It's the closest thing we have to a profit and loss

statement of how are students are doing," said Lippe. Students taking the MEAP found the tests challenging. According to Meads Mill seventh grader Aaron Reddin, the MEAP was tough but he credited his teachers for making the test a "positive chal-

"I found that the reading portion was the toughest part for me," Reddin said. "Although it was harder than most tests I have taken, the teachers in the MEAP study group helped me get through it." Jenna Marquart, also a Meads Mill seventh grader,

your thinking quite a bit, but I was comfortable tak- mage to try out those skills. ing it," she explained. "I think tests like this are necessary because you can find out what areas you need practice something that looks like what they're going ing a curriculum to teaching the test.

Glen Walthall, a fifth grade teacher at Novi Meadwith children. "On the new MEAP you take an idea objectives. and you tweak it," he said. "What we have to do as



He said as the test approaches, teachers begin to this way. And, in a practical way, maybe the only and prepare the students to succeed. He compared it to a best way to go," said Walthall. football team, where the coach teaches the skills necfound the test a challenge as well. "The test stretches essary to play the game but players need a scrimtricts and teachers are faced with the mandate of

> to do on the test," he explained. He added that some teachers may feel frustrated in society is going to focus solely on the test scores and explained.

improving scores on a yearly basis - Rezmierski fears out to do. "You have to give kids a scrimmage, a chance to the day when schools change their focus from teach-"These days the stakes are high, and I'm afraid

ows said the MEAP used to be more straightforward helping every student achieve the extremely high what it takes to achieve excellent ratings," he said. "The down side of that would be teachers being "The MEAP makes me go at a faster pace and do forced to change their focus from teaching to testing." for," he explained. "Cost wise, it's simple to give a test problem with comparing MEAP results, and said that objectives are all about.

the he'd like to see more testing in the future. "I guess the complaint is that the MEAP is now being used to compare one school district to another, and there's a lot of people who say that is not, or should be, its intent," Bullard said, "I realize that those complaints come from the fact that the media focuses on the MEAP every year, but I don't see anything wrong with comparing school district MEAP

"As a matter of fact I'd like to see students take the MEAP twice within the same year - once in the fall and once in the spring - then we could compare how the students have improvedl," Bullard added. Although both Lippe and Rezmierski understand

society's need to compare test scores on a yearly basis, both maintain the true reflection of students improvement in learning the necessary skills comes with tracking the students' progress over several

"For instance, I believe it's more important to look at the fourth grade scores of students currently in the seventh grade," Rezmierski stated, "Then you can see if the district, school and teacher did their jobs as far as taking corrective action in the classroom." Students in both school districts who took the fourth grade MEAP in 1992 scored much higher when they took the seventh grade exam, according to statistics provided by the districts. In math students improved by more than 20 points. The same is true in the reading portion of the test in which students improved by more than 16 points.

Those are the comparisons that are important. according to both superintendents. It shows that teachers challenged students in those areas, and the students responded. Lippe said the tests do accomplish what they set

"The MEAP indicates to the degree our students know the objectives for which the test is testing. In that respect it is a positive instrument," he He assumes the new High School Proficiency Test -

to be given to 11th graders in March - will do more of the same and will have to wait until the district receives the test to really get an idea of what the objectives are all about ed by more than 16 points.

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High MEAP scores impact local property values

Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) commerce, and business and industry. test seems to have more influence outside their class-

rooms these days than it does inside. Those test results could determine the success or school districts and their MEAP results. failure of a school district and could translate into the growth or decline of a community, the placement of business and industry, or the determination of school funding.

The results can also have a drastic effect on property values and the resale value of homes. According to some real estate companies in Northville and Novi, school district MEAP results are are located in a community, and the quality of those it, and after I've given them that information I invite

almost as important to the prospective home buyer as the prime interest rate. That fact doesn't rest easy with Novi and Northville school superintendents Emmett Lippe and Leonard - ly of a school or district. "For instance we can't state Rezmierski, who believe that the test should only be an opinion that reflects whether a certain school used for its' intended purpose - to chart the progress

of students and the curriculum. "Whenever you have testing results like MEAP that trict's latest MEAP results," and let them come to are available to the public, you run the risk of those their own conclusions. results being used in a comparative way," Rezmierski

MEAP results as soon as they are made public. Those

It is the real estate companies, however, that aggressively chart the progress - or lack thereof - of

"We request the results every year so that we can real estate broker for Coldwell Banker-Schweitzer, located in Northville. "The (MEAP) results are the only concrete data we can provide that show how a school district is doing. Believe me, people who are relocating to this area want to know what type of schools—"We provide all of that information for all who ask for

schools as well." give prospective homebuyers an opinion on the qualiturns out quality students." he said. "But with the

Both district's receive countless requests for the "factor for purchasing a home in that community." Rezmierski disagreed and said the results should few years." What Northville and Novi students score on their requests come from the media, local chambers of not be used comparatively - that there is plenty of other information that prospective homebuyers could - importance of resale value to their homes," Clark

use in "shopping" for a quality school district. class size, grade point averages and the financial condition of the district that we could provide.

"There are a lot of other factors that are critical inthe evaluation of a school or a district," he added. could translate into a profitable venture them to tour a school and talk with teachers. That's lies," Elliott added, "Those families would benefit from Elliott explained that realtors are not allowed to where they'll find out what type of schools we have. They won't learn that from MEAP results.

"If you're really going to look at it. Look at the whole picture not just this snapshot in time." June Clark, Relocation Director for Prudential Pre-MEAP results we can say to a client 'Here's the dis-view Properties, said that the MEAP results are help-more facilities, teachers and expenses. ful for homebuyers who don't have children as well.

likely be able to sell that home for a good price in a "Consumers today are savvy and they realize the

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1986 Science test introduced

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1989 Employability skills

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annual report.

1991 State Endorsement of

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"On a list of 10 good ways for someone to judge our — Great MEAP results could also translate to new schools MEAP would be number 11." Rezmierski - businesses relocating to a community, Elliott said, "We have school improvement reports, strategie - explained. For growing areas like Novi and Northville provide that data to our clients," said Corbin Elliott, a planning reports, graduation rates, drop out rates. Township a quality school district is always on the minds of business owners looking to relocate.

"The higher caliber of student translates to a higher caliber of worker," he said. "For businesses, that "It's also important from the standpoint that businesses bring workers, and those workers have fami-

 a quality school district." For educators like Rezmierski and Lippe the MEAP holds a double-edged sword - if more students move into the district, that translates to more state funding. At the same time, more students translates to

"It's a fragile cycle that must always be consid-"We get a lot of requests for the scores by people who ered," Rezmierski said, "Growth is funny thing. If "For people who have children and are interested in are concerned with the resale value of their home," you're prepared for it, it will be a positive experience. said. "All school districts have the same problem and the quality of the educational system in a communi- she said. "They realize that if they live in a communi- If you're not, it could have disastrous effect."

Baptist minister to head police chaplain program

son from Faith Community United

Presbyterian Church, Rev. Neil

Hunt from Meadowbrook Congre-

gational Church, Pastor Charles

Jacobs from United Methodist

don't want to be.'

down," explained Elfner.

dress in the white collar are

Carrying a weapon or getting

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Police chaplains are often the bearers of bad news. But one day, on a ride-along with a Novi Police Officer, Rev Gary Elfner and the cop stopped at somebody at a tragic or stressful time." a residence simply to ask a woman to hang up the phone. Her husband was trying to call from the

airport and couldn't get through. "She opened the door and went into hysterics," explained Elfner imitating her and waving his

When the officer tried to explained she said, Well, then. what's he doing here?' and pointed at me," he added with a laugh. Sometimes the experiences of Novi police chaplains are humorous, but most often they are not. Most often they are summoned to

tion. Many times they accompany the police with the bad news that a loved one has died. "We are a support to the police officers because the police officers do not relish that duty in any way, shape or form," said Father Leslie Harding, "We help bring order and

the scene of an auto accident, a

shooting or another tragic situa-

greatest service they offer is one of quietness to life at a most grievous presence. When a clergy member Harding, of the Holy Cross Episcopal Church, and Elfner, of First cally a calming change in the Baptist Church of Novi, are changing roles this year. Elfner will take over as Senior Chaplain, a role

The Novi Police Chaplain Program offers the skills and ministerial abilities to the community when a tragedy occurs, when domestic violence incidents occur and during high stress situations. The chaplains also offer comfort for detectives. They also carry a and aid to police officers, and are special badge and identification. sometimes just a confident to talk

Harding has occupied for the last

The six chaptains involved business would diminish their role around the community rotate on. and make them less effective in call responsibilities on a weekly the community, they said.

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"As difficult a time as it may be, there is a great deal of satisfaction to knowing you are of help to

> Fr. Les Harding, of Holy Cross Episcopal Church

basis and are required to take part That role is to add comfort to a in a training program and also situation and assist families in make frequent visits to the station times of need. The chaptain on as well as accompany patrol offiduty will first attempt to contact the family's church if they have The other chaplains in the pro- one. Then the chaplain will assist

gram are: Pastor Richard Hender- in whatever way he can. "As difficult a time it may be, there is a great deal of satisfaction to knowing you are of help to somebody at a tragic or stressful time," said Harding.

Church and Rev. Rev. Tom Sherg-Both men said they learn a lot er from Spirit of Christ Lutheran from going through training like the Citizen's Police Academy in "We're not called out a whole lot. Novi where they learn about the thank God," said Harding. "We police process over a period of sessions. They also attend seminars Harding and Elfner said the state and nationwide.

But mostly, they've learned about the community and how is present at a tragedy or high better to serve their parishes stress situation, there is automati- through their experiences and "It's helped me tremendously in

"I've been in a drug bust where counseling," said Elfner. "I use the the man was very violent and he same techniques that we learn to took one look at me and he sat use when dealing with stress." Although Harding is letting Elfner take over the reigns as Senior Both men are quick to point out they are clergymen, not cops. Even Chaplain, he will remain a part of

the chaplains who typically do not the program. encouraged to wear them so they take over as senior wing-ding, are identifiable and not mistaken Harding said.



Rev. Gary Elfner (right), Father Leslie Harding, will take over the police chaplain program.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ANNUAL RETURN

Pursuant to Section 6104(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, notice is hereby given that the annual return for the calendar year 1995 of The Vincenti Foundation, a private foundation, is available at the foundation's principal office for inspection during regular, business hours, $9.00~\mathrm{am}$ to $4.00~\mathrm{pm}$, by

any person who requests it within 180 days after the date of this publication The foundation's principal office is located at 41415 Jo Drive, Novi, Michigan 48375, and its phone CITY OF NOVI

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there are upcoming vacancies on the Board Review, Computer Advisory Committee, Construction Board of Appeals, Econom-Development Corporation, and Library Board. Applications are available in the office of the City Clerk by calling 347-0456. TONNI BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

CITY OF NOVI

TUP 96-007 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Hometowne Building Corporation is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of a sales trailer on lot 1, Broadmoor Park Subdivision, 24179 Broadmoor Park, for a six-month period. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located

REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT

within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use This request will be considered at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14, 1996 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to Febru-

NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TUP 96-009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dembs Roth Gyselinck Construction Company is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of a construction trailer at 41370 Bridge Street, for a six-month period. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use

This request will be considered at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14, 1996 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to Febru

NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT **TUP 96-008**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Hometowne Building Corporation is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of a sales trailer on lot 272, Royal Crown Estates VI. for a six-month period A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14, 1996 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to February 14, 1996. (2-8-96 NR, NN)

> NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI **REQUEST FOR BIDS** SOFTBALLS

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NBD, Meadows honored for partnership program

Novi school officials are hoping partnerships with local businesses will push education to new levels. In fact, they are banking on it. Novi schools awarded the 1995 Merit Partnership of the Year to NBD and Novi Meadows last week at the Feb. 1 Board of Education

A plaque honoring the partnership will hang in the Educational Services Building for years to

"NBD was very proud to have won the award," said Jerald Krause, manager and vice-president of the NBD Novi branch. "We're very eager to continue the partnership between the schools and business because the children of today are the leaders of tomor-

The Novi Partners in Education Program is coordinated by the schools district and the Novi Chamber of Commerce and was started in 1993 as part of the schools' long range plan. It's designed to bring "expertise

from the real world in to the class-

.room," according to Novi Middle

School teacher John Lawrence, the

partnership coordinator. Each year a business within the the business partners hang up that and it gets traffic in the the partnership. community teams up with a school banners advertising the partnerin the district to exchange knowl- ship and are able to use the pro-

All schools participate in business partnerships Partners in Education Program is health care, guest speakers visit an eyeball in class. to strengthen the educational fourth and third grade class- Novi Meadows and NBD share graphics class at Novi High

process, enhance the sharing of rooms and first graders experi- ideas and set up a reading incen- School to create TRACC marketexpertise between business and ence teddy bear clinics. education and develop a better sense of community. All seven schools and even bring authors to meet the stu-banking industry. Community Education are paired dents and create a Greatest Table with a business partner for the book display to show concern for 1995-96 school year.

Michigan National Bank teamed Conference. up this year. Novi Woods students open bank accounts and conduct transactions as well as take field trips to the Novi branch. Bank board to the lobby of the bank project and also learn the history, employees also work with stu- among other things. Also at Vil- science and math concepts that dents in the classroom. lage Oaks, the second grade stu- encompass the motor sports

Orchard Hills Elementary is dents have the opportunity to world. paired with Providence Hospital learn about optometry with a Novi High School and Total For more information, call John of Novi. Second graders take field local optometrist Dr. Tim Kirk. He Rehabilitation and Athletic Con- Lawrence at (810) 449-1250.

edge, experience and ideas. "In order to be a partnership there has to be sharing on both sides," said Lawrence. Lawrence explained that while the students get the advantage of having business in the classroom,

"They're getting something back. selected NBD and Novi Meadows President of the Chamber of Com-They are out in the community,' Lawrence explained. "Sometimes the businesses show off students' work. The kids see cess and accomplishments of the

bank," he added. The Partnership Advisory Coun-

tive banking program, create ing fliers and students learn Parkview Elementary and Bor- training videos and hold class- about the fields of sports ders Books and Music team up to room discussions about the medicine and physical therapy through field trips and presenta-

Novi Middle School and the tions. Students can volunteer to Motorsports Hall of Fame in the work at the center. the hungry and needy. Borders Expo Center are paired up for Novi Woods Elementary and also hosted a Young Author's their third year and work closely with the Industrial Technology Village Oaks Elementary and curriculum. Seventh graders visit Comerica Bank joined forces to the museum to gather ideas for bring a Student of the Month their pine car design and building

gram as a positive marketing tool, cil, consisting of chamber members because of the amount of progress bers and school district officials. made," explained Connie Mallett,

for extra recognition based on merce. "Both of them said to a evaluations filled out by the school and the business rating the suc-

objectives set out to do.'

one emerged, NBD, primarily and pictures on the plaque,"

"We want to emphasize that all the partnerships are very good." said Lawrence. He said the group just wants to draw attention to one partnership exhibiting an abundance of spirit, time and collabora-

Lawrence said NBD and the students at Novi Meadows worked together to produce a professional training video in the technology center. "It was great the kids could see the process of putting some thing like that together," he said.

NBD and the students also set Novi Community Education up a banking reading incentive and the Novi Post Office bring program, with help from the PTO, presentations to preschoolers where the students save up points about the postal service. The chil in a "bank" according to how much dren also decorate the post office they read and cash them in at the lobby during holiday seasons and school store.

Bank personnel also made several presentations throughout the year to students covering banking, math and other topics.

"There's a lot of coordination and time involved." said Lawrence. Lawrence said both the district and the business community have realized the merits of the partnerships and realize they are a necesgreat extent they accomplished the sity to bringing education a step

Picking the Merit Partnership "We don't think we can be suc serves as a motivation to kids to cessful unless we do have connec-"We evaluated them and decided be selected and to see their names tion with the different parts of the

Distinguished Service Award 1996 Nomination form

_Occupation: _

Novi Jaycees

Nominator's signature: The breakfast honoring all nominees and announcing the honorees will be held on Saturday, March 9, at Vic's World Class Market beginning at 9 a.m. Nominees and their spouse or guest will receive a complimentary

breakfast. All other reservations are \$8 each. Would you the nominator, like to make a reservation for the

breakfast? Yes ___Number of reservations: Completed forms must be returned by Feb. 9. Return to: DSA Committee, Navi Jaycees, P.O. Box 249, Novi, MI 48376

Please direct any questions to the Novi Jaycees at (810) 348-3121.

Note: One additional sheet of paper will be accepted to substantiate

Jaycees collecting **DSA** nominations

The Novi Jaycees are accepting Enforcement Officer, Outstanding nominations for the 24th annual City Employee and Outstanding

The DSA is presented annually essay contest. by the Jaycees to honor an individ-

groups or individuals. Nomina- work in 1991. tions must be for individuals, not Margaret Schmidt was honored

obtained by calling the Novi received the award in 1985. Jaycees at 348-3121. The deadline for the nomina-

tions is Feb. 9.

In addition to the DSA recipient, (1973). the Jaycees will present the Out- J. Fred Buck was the recipient standing Youth, Outstanding Law of the initial DSA in 1972.

Distinguished Service Award Fire Fighter awards at the break-(DSA), the most prestigious award fast. Novi 7th and 8th grade students are working on the annual

Previous winners of the DSA ual whose dedication to serving represent a "Who's Who" in the humanity during the previous cal- history of Novi over the past 23 endar year will serve as a lasting years. Gerry Stipp was the 1994 reminder and inspiration to others DSA winner. Rob Mitzel was the 1993 DSA winner. Robert J. Pfeif-Individuals who live or work in fer was the 1992 DSA winner. the city may be nominated by Kathy Mutch was honored for her

for her work in 1990 and Victor Nominating forms are available Cassis was recognized in 1989. at the Novi Public Library and at Charles Kureth won in 1988 and the Novi Parks and Recreation Patricia Gilberg won in 1987. The Department in the Novi Civic Cen- Rev. Leslie Harding was the 1986 ter. Nominating forms also may be recipient and Ernest Aruffo Other past DSA winners were

Dr. Terry Neilson (1984), Joseph Toth (1983), Joseph Brett (1982). The recipient of the Distin- Diana Canup (1981), Carol Anne guished Service Award will be Donnelly (1980), Jeanne Clarke announced by the Jaycees at the annual Community Recognition Gilbert Henderson (1977), Kathy Breakfast which will be held at Crawford (1976), Don Grevengood Vic's World Class Market on Satur- (1975), Richard Faulkner (1974), and Don and Laureen Burch

Obituaries

Brian Matthew Sapsford, age 45, of Vienna, Va., died Dec. 31, 1995, June 14, 1950, to Robert and

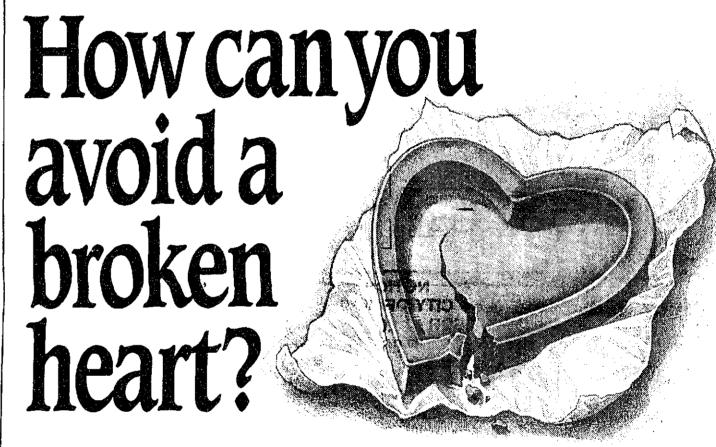
Kathleen Sapsford. He was a graduate of Sienna Heights College, and was formerly employed as a detective with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Dept., Ann Arbor. For the last 17 years, he served as an officer of the Cen- Cemetery. tral Intelligence Agency. He served According to sister-in-law Nancy as sergeant for two years in Viet-

His survivors include his wife of will be missed by all whose lives he 23 years, Debra G. (Ward); sons, touched.

Brian Matthew and Jeffrey Scott parents, Robert and Kathleen Sapsford; brothers, Jon and Tom; at Georgeiown University Hospital, sister, Pamela; mother and father-in-law, Lester and Diana Ward, formerly of Novi; two brothers-inlaw, David S. Ward of Novi and Ronald W. Ward, and sister-in-law,

> Service was held on Thursday Feb. 8 at Quantico Marine Base. Va., with interment at Quantico

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road engineering.

ies concentrated on traffic and

This year's studies include a

major emphasis on futuring, a pro-

cess that explores the city's histo-

ry, evaluates current trends, ana-

lyzes alternative futures, and

develops goals, objectives, and

philosophies to guide future

actions. The cost of that study is

Consultants will also create a

map of "built-out" of Novi in the

year 2020 that will show what Novi

could look like if ordinances and

zoning remained consistent. About

Also planned for 1996-97 are a

study of industry in Novi (and why

the city is not attracting new

industry) and updates of the wood-

It will be up to the City Council to approve the Planning Commis-Administrative functions such ston's \$246,936 wish list for fundas providing magazines and periing, but if commissioners have odicals to commissioners, memtheir way, the city will be able to berships, dues and conference fees take a look at Novi in the year for planning associations and pub-2020 and the community will see lishing are budgeted for the same more cable programming and amount as last year; \$11,000. newsletters in the coming year. The amount requested for pro-

The 1996-97 proposed Planning Commission budget is up 7 percent from last year's final budget of \$228,063, which included \$73,836 in funds from the Road Program to study Novi's road plan. The 1995-96 budget made up 2 percent of the city's \$13 million

"We've worked hard and tried to be responsible and hold the line on the dollars," said commissioner Eda Weddington, part of the budget committee. "But we had to consider the growth and the importance of planning because Novi is projected at \$19,000. one of the fastest growing commu-

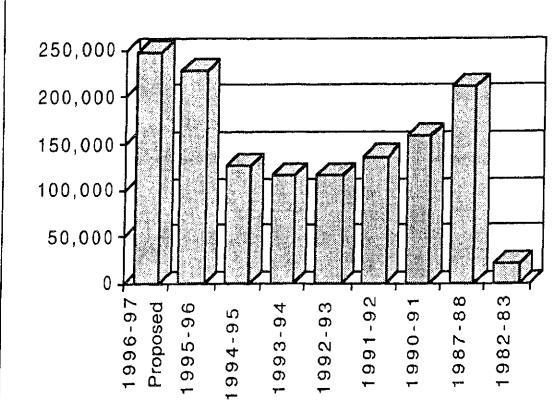
Community development director Jim Wahl presented the budget proposal at the Jan. 31 Planning Commission special meeting.

\$17,000 is budgeted. City consultants Brandon M. A major part of the budget Rogers & Associates P.C. in Harper includes a \$27,000 emphasis on Woods, and Birchler Arroyo Assocommunications and community ciates, inc. are asking for a liaison programs. This would \$28,000 (25 percent) increase in include cable programs, newslettheir retainers due to increased ters, cooperation with homeownworkloads and the addition of one extra half-day a month for each er's associations and other governmental organizations, preparation of project maps, a planning library That will bring the cost of city open to the public and increased

consultant retainers to \$108,201, which covers attendance of committee meetings, planning commission meetings, conferences and advising city hall.

"We are trying to make adjust-

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City launches its mid-decade head count

By JAN JEFFRES

Coming soon, to a front door Novi's mid-decade census takers. They'll be hitting the streets

counting heads, ASAP. In 1990, Novi's population was 33,148. But there's been a population explosion since then and the goal is to figure out how many people have been born or moved to town in the past six years. Among the predictions is that the city may have grown by as much as 50 per-

"We've had estimates from 40,000 to 48,000. My guess is 40,000 to 42,000," City Manager Ed Kriewall said.

"We'll begin as soon as the enumerators can get into the field." It'll cost the city at least \$40,000 to do the lob, but the rewards are expected to be many, including a sharp increase in the incoming state shared revenue funds, which are based on population figures. A plus for local restaurateurs would be in the additional liquor licenses. which are also based on that crite-

The work must be completed and into the state by June. Monday, the Novi City Council agreed to go ahead with the undertaking. The city will request the Michigan Secretary of State's Election Division to appoint an enumerator. Novi's choice for chief enumerator is Patricia Loder, who led the census-taking forces in 1975, 1979 and 1984.

Loder will be paid 20 cents per person counted, while her assistant will get ten cents each. The workers out in the field will take home 50 cents per individual when they're working a platted subdivision. Along mile roads and more rural areas, that goes up to 55 cents a person, to compensate for automobile mileage

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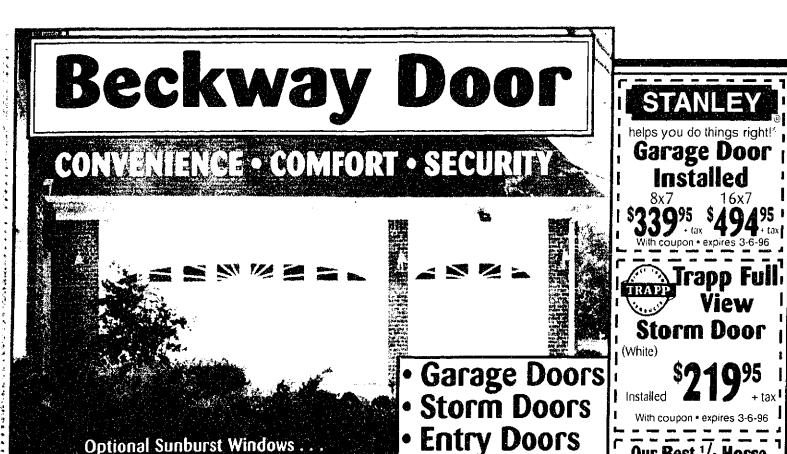
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Taft panel recommends west routes Library Notes

Former city council member Martha Hoyer sounded like she was talking about a pit bull con-

"We argued, we snapped, we snarled, we cajoled, we chastised, we came this close to biting," said Hoyer, speaking for the Taft Road Extension Route Determination Committee.

What she was really describing was a group of residents thrashing out a recommendation for a northward track for Taft Road.

After spending 200 hours reviewing 23 alternatives, the committee's \$4 million choice was delivered Monday to the Novi City Council, which then added its seal of approval. The conclusion is that the route

connect with Twelve Mile Road in the vicinity of Samuel Linden Court, travel north to bridge over the CSX railroad tracks and then move on toward the northeast to link with West Road at the intersection of the city's waste water treatment plant road. Of the 21 alternatives, they suggested the city follow either of four designs to meet this goal, with flexibility to ease negotiations for road rightsof-way purchases. All of the choic-

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approximately \$1 million remain—million to pass over the wetlands Part of the road is expected to ling road bond money to get the lin that area, something they didn't purchasing for \$1 million from new road bond issue on the

possible expansion of the Walled Lake Waste Water Treatment each plowed through notebooks Some of the route could also pass through land now planned for routes based on criteria such as environmental impact, ease of an industrial park. "We feel its essential that the travel, cost and impact on sur-

city and developers work together. rounding properties, with the final We think with a close working relationship with the developer, we can which spit out the winners. see that as an advantage, not a disadvantage," Hoyer said. The Taft Road extension, to con- to approve a resolution to send the

voter-approved \$18.8 million road—that he was disappointed with the bond issue. Promoted as a way to group's recommendation, saying it relieve traffic in north Novi, espe- was too close to Beck Road. cially on South Lake Drive, it remains the only road bond project In March 1995, after residents Administration Road. This was an 15 years it'll take for Beck Road to objected to several proposed administration recommendation routes, on the grounds that they from Day One. It's designed for

Members are residents of the Schmid said.

Beck/West Associates. This land, November 1996 ballot, as City

near where West Road curves Manager Ed Kriewall has suggestnorth, will be used for wetlands ed. Kriewall says the dollars simmiligation of road projects and a ply aren't there. Members of the study group stuffed with eight pounds of data to rank each of the 21 proposed

numbers fed into a computer "We were told we'd be bucking Council Member Robert Schmid was the only council member not nect Twelve Mile Road north to city administration out to work on West Road, is part of the 1990 firming up the route. He explained

> "This is no where near Taft Road. We shouldn't call it Taft Road. We should perhaps call this we're kind of used to in this city,"

area who worked with city staffers. Hoyer said the committee conexisting one mill road fund and the that it could cost as much as \$20 mendation.

pass through the 116 acres Novi is work done, rather than place a think taxpayers would support. "In some of the soil borings, they went 60 feet and never hit bottom. They'd be building a bridge. There's no way we could sell that to the community," she sald.

Committee member Gary Zack was one of the homeowners who turned out in spring 1995 to route. He is since a convert, after listening to wildlife consultants discuss the egrets' nests in the wetlands property.

the DNR on this quite strongly, Schmid questioned why the project wasn't scratched in favor of

improvements to Beck Road. "I can't conscientiously vote for a road that parallels another road," he explained.

With new subdivisions sprouting up in the lakes area, Hoyer said the traffic can't wait for the ten to

"The people who are most familran too close to the north/south developers ... It s another case of a jar with the area say that the envi-Beck Road, the council convened road that goes to nowhere, like ronment where they live is so important to them they are willing to take these choices," Council Member Kathy Mutch said in sup-They urged the council to use the sidered more easterly routes, but porting the committee's recom-

Winter break programs

When school is out, the library is "in." Stop by the Novi Library for the ollowing winter break programs: • Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 1 p.m. - Winter Survival: How animals survive in the cold without mittens, coats and boots. Appropriate age: 4-7; 45 min-

• Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 2:30 p.m. - Nature's Bag of Tricks: How animals adapt to their surroundings by camouflage, mimicry, and other tricks. Appropriate age: 7 years and up; 45 minutes.

Wednesday, Feb. 14, performances at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. - Pippen uppets presents a lively scenario "Critter Capers." Appropriate age: 4

• Thursday, Feb. 15 at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. - The Creature Feature: Presented by wildlife education. Featuring guest appearances by a variety of eptiles. Appropriate age: kindergarten and up; 45 minutes. Call the library at (810) 349-0720 for further information.

An Evening with *The MacGuffin*

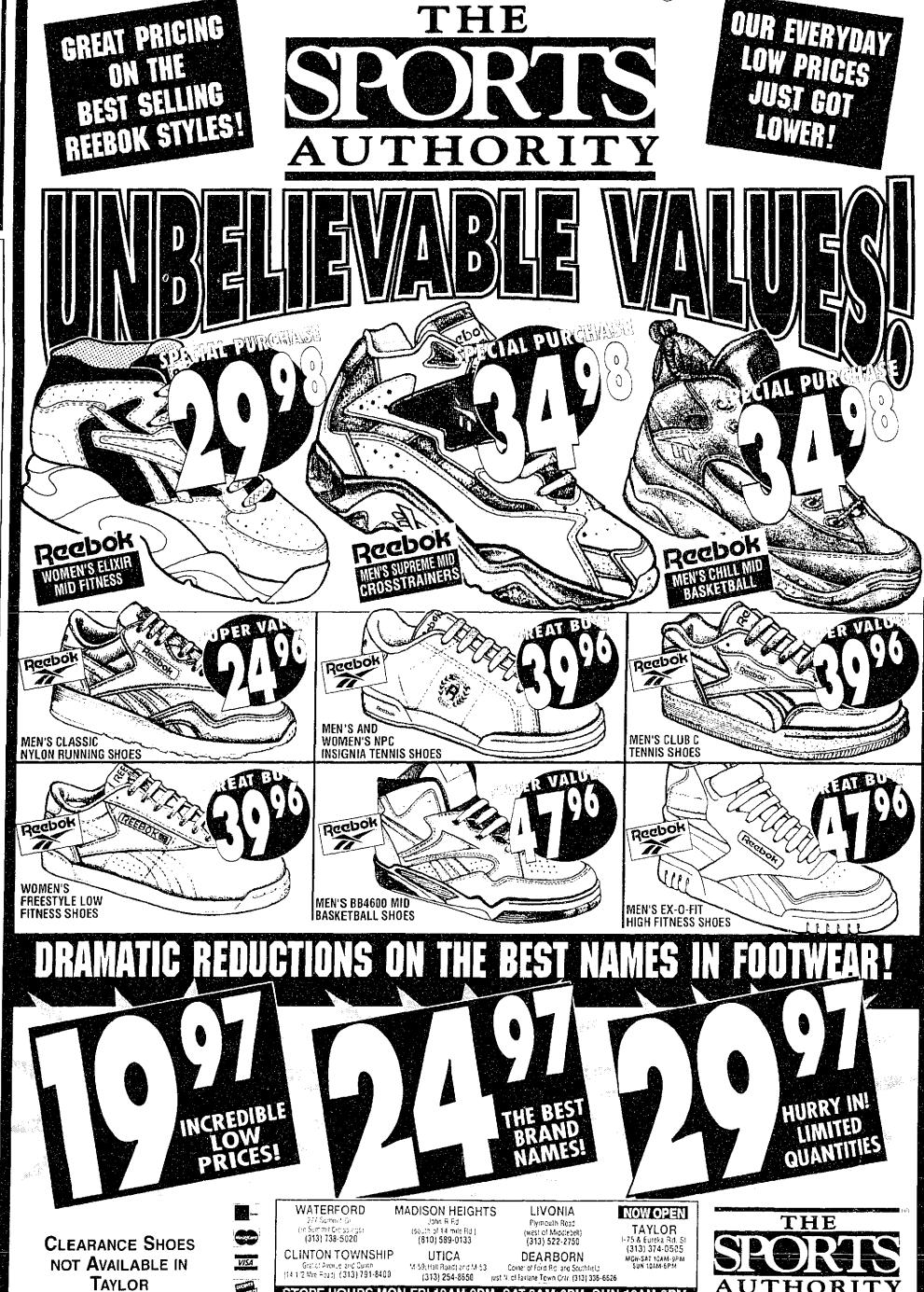
Tonight at 7 p.m., stop by the library for "An Evening with The MacGuffin - Publishing your work in a literary magazine." The MacGuffin is a nationally recognized literary magazine published by Schoolcraft College. Topics of discussion will include: information on manuscript submission, readings from the magazine, and a question-and-answer

To register for this free program, call the library at (810) 349-0720.

Volunteer Notes

Host families needed

The American Intercultural Student Exchange, a non-profit educational foundation, is seeking local host families for high school foreign exchange students for the 1996-97 school year. Call AISE at 1-800-742-





What it's like to be a penguin

Priehs was magically transformed into a penquin with the help of a black-and-white costume last Friday during a visit by Sea World

Parkview Elementary second-grader, Quinn demonstrators. Sea World officials taught the students everything and anything they needed or wanted to know about being a tuxedoed crit- Committee. Crawford also is a IST VISIT Some Moles • Psoriasis • Fungal Infections ter during the school assembly.

Brewer backs out of Main St.

Continued from 1 James Chen had only 800 square feet to work with. One option was

to build up and create a mezzanine or second floor, but it just couldn't be done, said Henderson. He said the problem wasn't that it would take too much time to the steering committee, said the locate in the city. He even suggestwait for ordinance changes in that parcel of land.

"Novi's not the problem." Henderson explained. Td be willing to brewery to Main Street. look elsewhere in Novi."

"impressed by the people on the ed." Town Center Steering Committee."

what it could to bring the micro- tion as far as size and proximity.

quickly considering he was asking now."

Henderson said he thought "the for a zoning amendment. We coopcity was very receptive to what I erated," explained Capello. "We was trying to do and was saw what he needed and we react-

Capello said he thinks Novi

Kim Thomas Capello, a member could easily get another type of of the planning commission and micro-brewery or brewpub to city was excited about the plan ed the industrial space behind and made every effort to try to do Main Street may be a perfect loca-"We'll get another one," offered

"I think we moved incredible Capello. "It's a hot topic right

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Providence will contest state's denial of license

Providence wanted to move hospi-statutory requirements." tal beds west to reduce the num. The MDPH meanwhile stuck to ber of welfare patients it served. its guns, contending that there is that the Ingham County Circuit

neighboring communities.

denial. Following came a long an ultimate decision turning down unions, argued that a new hospital series of hearings, with Providence Providence's application. To get would speed up the escalation of contending that the health depart- that response, the hospital filed a health care costs by an expensive ment's decision was contrary to writ of mandamus with the court duplication of services and that - its own policies and contrary to - seeking the health department's Providence believes strongly

no need in the area for more Court judge, upon reviewing the And City of Novi officials coun- acute care hospital beds. An case on its merits and based on tered that the hospital would be an administrative law pudge agreed in criteria in place when the applicaasset to the city and its September 1994, with Providence tion was filed, will overturn the filing exceptions to that decision. health department's denial," Provi-In 1990, Providence asked the Not until December 28, 1995 did dence spokesperson Amy Middle-

Work begins on ice arena

council to delay until Feb. 26 final-sports representatives. ly establishing the Community

Clubs organization. "You could have parks and recreation dominating the board," have a problem with that." said City Council Member John - Interviews for the board of appointments.

Clark, objecting to the youth trustees will continue on Feb. 26. Essentially you have the parks trolling the board of trustees and I

and recreation commission con- year appointment, three two-year appointments and three three-year

Crawford to work on Senior Salute

state Representative Willis Bullard dren.

event features entertainment, food, ciation of Senor Centers. In addi-more information, call (810) 887 noted speakers and a consumer tion, Wickersham is a member of 8045.

Also appointed were Carol Kehoe Also appointed were Carol Kenoe of White Lake and Connie Wickersham of South Lyon.

Bullard, R-Milford; state Rep. Barbara Dobb, R-Commerce Township; and Jan Dolan, R-Farming- 📳 ton Hills, are sponsoring the event. Each lawmaker invites senior citi- Beauty & Baiber Shop Services zens from his or her district to attend. The communities involved 1.800-994-4572. include Novi, Northville, Commerce, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Keego Harbor, Lyon Town-Milford, New Hudson, Orchard Lake, Wixom, Walled Lake, West Bloomfield, Wolverine Lake and South Lyon.

Crawford is the special recreation coordinator for Novi as well Photo by HAL GOULD as coordinator of the senior program at the Oakland-Livingston Human Services Agency. She is a board member of the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association Novi Senior Housing Committee. She and her husband, Hugh, who is mayor pro-tem of Novi, have three children and one grandchild. Kehoe, who is involved with Community Education in Walled Lake schools, holds a bachelor's degree in gerontology, health edu-

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Jr. to an advisory council organiz- Wickersham is supervisor at the Wickersham has two sons. ing an upcoming senior citizens South Lyon Senior Center. She The Western Oakland Senior gan Association of Senior Center's ties for the day as well as a conti-Salute is at the Farmington Hills spring conference, and the fea-nental breakfast and hot lunch, Activities Center. The April 20 tured speaker at the Indiana Asso- Preregistration is encouraged. For

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Cat Bits

From the minds of the Novi High School newspaper staff, the Wildcat Roar.

Homecoming 1996 gets new look

Wildcat Roar

After school, January 24, student council opened its doors for discussion on the big changes in Homecoming '96. The purpose of the meeting was to explain to the student body the benefits of the new Homecoming schedule and then to hear their objections. Student Council planned to finalize the dramatic change and vote it into implementation.

Surprising to the council, the student turnout was three people, two of whom are student body members who attend student council meetings weekly, and the third was a new sophomore this semester. "It doesn't make sense that students would rather sit and complain.

than come to a meeting and voice their opinion in an open forum. I guess the turnout is reflective of how the students feel about their school," Student Council President Mark Vanderhoff, '96, remarked. With very little negative refutes against the proposed schedule, the student council did not need any additional push to adopt the new

Homecoming '96 is going to be roughly morning community breakfast, followed by the parade, a 1:00 p.m. football game, and finally 8:00 p.m. dance. Parade, game, dance are all done on the Saturday of Homecom-

This does not affect the half day on Homecoming Friday except for the fact that the floats won't be due until Saturday morning.

Speaking with student council vice-president Mike DiClaudio, the reason for the reconstruction of Homecoming day was all because of the parade. According to DiClaudio, Novi City Council and Oakland County Road Commission steps one foot closer every year to denying a parade permit. [The permit allows the school to legally block off certain roads for the parade). Due to the increasing amount of traffic in Novi, closing Ten Mile Road on a Friday during rush hour isn't the best option. The city advised the student council to move the parade to a Saturday. Though the city did not deny a Friday parade, they did agree that a Sat

urday parade would be in the high school's best interest for future years. tration derived the proposal that was passed by the student council. still have been conflicting responses between student body, council, and administration. Many students are against having the football game on

"Playing under the Friday night atmosphere is part of the Homecoming experience. Moving the game to Saturday just won't be the same," varsity football player Brian Wilson explained. Other students are worried about the time constraint between the end

of the football game and the beginning of the dance. Sophomore Kristen Sullivan comments, "Due to the such a short period of time between the end of the game and the beginning of the dance, student are more likely to not show up or leave early from the football game."

Sophomore Jessica Roemer is also worried about the same issue. Things like dinner, hair appointments, and pictures with friends will be hard to fit in with such a tight schedule," she said.

A student supporting Homecoming '96 was junior Vic Sarma, "Due to circumstances, this will be the most feasible option. People don't generally except change, but this is a necessary action." Amongst the student council members, finding a negative comment

about the passed proposal was almost impossible. Class of '98 president Lydia Raburn states optimistically: 'Any type of change is hard to adjust to, but in this case it is for the better.' Though the change is now written in stone, Principal Arthur Miller said: "The students should have full confidence in the decision of their elected leaders. If they do, this will be the best Homecoming in the his-

Whichever side you see it from, Homecoming '96 is definitely going to be a different, memorable, and controversial experience.

Calendar & Clips

AIDS Quilt

The Novi High School Student Council and National Honor Society is inviting the community to view the AIDS Memorial Quilt at the high school Thursday, Feb. 8, from 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. The event will feature video presentations and experts to answer questions. AIDS Awareness Week runs through the end of this week at the high school. For more information, call Kristin Weinbeck or Donna Roemer at NHS at 449-

School's Out

Midwinter Break for all Novi schools begins at the end of the school day Feb. 9. Classes resume Feb. 19

Scholarship Deadline

The Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation will accept applications for 180 \$1,000 scholarships now through March 15. Students with a grade point average of B or better and college students with a GPA of B+ or better can request applications by sending the student's name, address, school, approximate GPA and year in school to Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation at 721 N. McKinley Road, P.O. Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012. Faxed requests can be sent to (847) 295-3972 or E-mail a request to scholar@eclif.com. For further information call Paul C. Krouse, President at (847) 295-6650.

WOVI Alumni

WOVI, the student-run radio station of Novi High School is looking for former WOVI jocks to invite to an open house of the new broadcast facilities at the high school. Call, write or E-mail them with your name and address, WOVI's E-mail address is dlegg@fc.novi.k12.mi.us. Mail can be addressed to WOVI Radio at Novi High School, 24062 Taft Road, Novi, MI

Board of Education Meeting

The Novi School Board will meet Feb. 22 at 7:30 at Village Oaks Elementary.

WORD OF THE WEEK

Boondoggle (boon-dog-gle) ... To waste time on pointless and unnecessary work.

Bringing a book alive



Mike Hendricks, Jordan Moblo, Baily Schroeder, Tim Moore, Tracy Kwang and Kate Rose stand aboard their finished cabin.

Students use brains and brawn With that in mind, the student council executive board and adminisration derived the proposal that was passed by the student council. Although the Homecoming '96 proposal passed through council, there still have been conflicting responses between student body, council, and

True Confessions of Charlotte students, a roach and a rat.

The book, written in 1990 tells—the students the essentials of World aboard a ship. She faced not tion and teamwork. only the trials of traveling across the ocean but also a mutiny.

Not only was this a language arts project but also a Technical got to take a description of Char-Education project for the students. lotte's cabin and build it with real Students in Mrs. Rife's class wood." each had to build a scale model of As a concluding highlight to this Charlotte's cabin on board the unit, students in both classes

Scahawk. The winning cabin design by Derek Cole, Casey Kreutzberg and life, standard size model by the entire class.

Mrs. Bingham's class is building the ship. Students were responsible for parent constructing the wooden frame;

the tale of a young English girl in building and working with building 1832 who traveled to the New tools, as well as design, construcgrader Vince Slovan. "Instead we

dressed up like pirates and gad a pirate party, including such hearty

voyages). - Submitted by Nancy Hendricks,

Sixth grade teachers Kim Rife a bed and dresser that they made; and Georgia Bingham at Novi and adding such realistic items as Meadows have been reading The a dress for Charlotte made by the Doyle by Avi with their classes for Combining technical education with standard curriculum teaches

> "Normally we just get to write a lot about the book," said sixth

foods as hard tack (biscuits), beef Tyler Moore was made into a real jerky, oranges (for vitamin C to prevent scurvy), and dried fruits (which could be preserved for long

The staff of the Novi Community

putting on doors, windows and School District wishes Kim Rife all Georgia Bingham and Kim Rife donned pirate garb for the class ceilings; furnishing the cabin with the best in her new job in Indiana. project on The True Confessions of Charlotte Dovle.

Winning logos feature school's best



Alex Molnar and David Shugerman show off their good work.

What does Novi Meadows mean to me?

This was the question Novi Meadows PTO posed to the fifth and sixth graders in November. In order to answer this question students were given the opportunity to design a school logo. This logo for the shirt is \$6. would then be put on T-shirts in order to promote school spirit. The words "Novi Meadows" had to appear in the design. As expect-

ed out students were extremely creative and artistic. More than 100 designs were submitted for consideration. The logos were narrowed to two designs and then the children were

allowed to vote. 'Novi Meadows. Wonderful teachers, friendly students, kind, supportive parents and respectful what Meadows means to David Shugerman., a sixth grade student and our first place winner.

Second place went to Alex Mol-

nar, also a sixth grader for his design of "Novi Meadows, Building the Future." Both will receive a free T-shirt from the PTO for their tremendous effort. The shirts went on sale for the

Fest on Friday, Feb. 2. The price If you would like to see how our students feel about their school, come on board as we set sail on a cruise on the S.S. Meadows. All designs submitted will be on dis-

first time at Novi Meadows Fun

play in the hall. Shirts are available in the school bookstore. Through activities such as this, the PTO reinforces the importance of maintaining the unique identity of Novi Meadows as an upper cle-

mentary school. We continue to encourage our

children to show pride in their Meadows family. - Submitted by Beth Belter, vice president of the Novi Meadows

What to do in Novi during break

SCIENCE DAY-CAMPS

The Living Science Foundation will present five different and separate day-long programs for children during mid-winter break for grades 1-6. All campers bring a lunch and beverage. Camps are located at Orchard Hills. The fee is \$45 per day or \$195 for all five days. Camp starts at 9 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. Parents should register with Community Education by Feb. 9. Call 449-1205.

Monday Feb. 12 - "Up, Up and Away" presents facts and information on birds. Tuesday Feb. 13 - "Reptiles are Cool" examines alligators, lizards,

snakes and turtles. Wednesday Feb. 14 - "Rainforest Day" explores the layers of the rainforests of the world and their location. Thursday Feb. 15 - "Crawl and Croak" presents toads, frogs,

snakes and other critters. Friday Feb. 16 - "Awesome Animal Instincts" explores the environment of animals and their techniques for survival.

WINNIE THE POOH Monday Feb. 12 from 1-2 p.m. in the Instructional Technology Center Forum off Taft Road. Enjoy a special performance of A.A. Milne's classic story by the

The program is suitable for ages 3 and 4 and grades K-6. Tickets are \$4 per person at the door.

players of the For a Good Time Theatre Company.

MAGICAL ENTERTAINMENT WITH WALT SMITH Wednesday Feb. 14 from 1-2 p.m. in the ITC Forum, Smith and his engaging style will visit Novi to entertain children ages 3 and up. Smith will make the time fly by with tableside mysteries, sleight-of-

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As We See It

MEAP results are useful to parents

A favorite subject of criticism on the part of educators is the way newspapers tend to emphasize the results of the Michigan Education Assessment Program tests.

We've heard it many times before. The tests were designed to be used

as an internal tracking device so that **Education** districts can chart the progress of their curricula from one year to the next. They were never meant to be used to compare the relative strengths of public school districts. Newspapers that publish comparative MEAP tables mislead their readers and apply undue pressure on district teachers, students and administrators.

But as our special report in this week's edition indicates, journalists aren't the only ones who think the MEAP functions as an accurate barometer of academic achievement.

The quotes from Northville and Novi realtors included in one of the articles in today's MEAP package should come as a surprise to no one: prospective home buyers looking for good schools to which to send their children rely heavily on MEAP scores to provide a in school districts.

chasers place as much importance on MEAP outcomes as they do on the appearance of neighborhoods, local

And why wouldn't they? thing we have to a standard measure—shape the future of their children.

Michael Malott

of academic excellence. It is administered every year in every school district in the state and is free of the subjectivity which affects the grading practices of individual teachers.

So what started out life as an educational fine-tuning instrument has evolved into something that exerts a direct bearing on property values and a major influence on the character of a

What else is new? This is hardly the first time unintended consequences came into play and expanded the focus of an institution's programmatic con-

Like many educators, we too see By Bryan Mitchell dangers in placing too much emphasis snapshot of the quality of instruction on the MEAP test. It would be wrong to let business or monetary motivations According to sales agents, many pur- intrude on a process that should be the strict concern of education and a vehicle to assist young learners.

But we also recognize that the MEAP crime figures or the prime lending rate. is a useful way of opening a window into the classroom. Many public edu-The state of education in a given discators fear such openness but objectrict is probably the most important—tive observers know better and will single location factor for couples with continue to use the test to assess the children, and the MEAP is the closest effectiveness of the schools that help

Put Saturday balloting on list of election reforms

cant to the election laws as Proposal A used locally with much success - Satof 1994 was to school finance." The urday balloting. quote is from state Rep. Bob Brackenridge, R-St. Joseph, who is head of a task force seeking to reduce the number of elections and election dates in Michigan. It seems to us he may well

But Brackenridge and his task force have decided to put off any attempt at election reform for another year because they want to work on the details. So much of what government does revolves around elections that when you make one change, it affects a great many other functions.

Nonetheless, the proposals being considered make a good deal of sense. For one, Brackenridge would like to eliminate the need for school districts to keep their own voter lists and simply turn the conduct of all elections ness. Two income couples - rapidly over to local municipal clerks. For another, he would like to restrict the number of elections each year to no more than three - in May, August and November. The only exceptions would are telling us we're going to have to be for recalls and to fill vacancies. Also being considered is the proposal to going to compete in a global economy. move all judicial races to the May elec- Somehow it seems unfair that the tion, along with the school boards, and very people who spend so much of moving all education-related posts to their time making our society run are the May ballot as well.

But we would also hope the task force democracy.

"Election consolidation is as signifi- will consider an idea that has been

and have more leisure time.

It only makes sense if you think

the same folks who have the toughest Like we said, the ideas make sense. time participating in running our

Saturday balloting has been used by both the Walled Lake and Novi school districts lately and the result has been an increase in voter turn out each time. More people apparently are able to find a few spare minutes to cast their votes when elections are held on the weekends, when they are in town

about it. Tuesdays can be pretty hectic for anyone who works or has a family to take care of. Just the work-a-day schedule alone can make it difficult to get to the polls between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. Add to that the fact many of us commute to other towns, often 20 or 25 miles from home, to do our busibecoming the norm - find that after taking care of business all day, they have to take time to care of home life. And business and government alike work harder and smarter if we are

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This newspaper welcomes letters to the editor. We ask, however, that they be issue-oriented, confined to 400 words and that they contain the signature, address, and telephone number of the writer. The writer's name may be withheld from publication if the writer fears bodily harm, severe persecution, or the loss of his or her job. The writer requesting anonymity must explain his or her circumstances. Submit letters for consideration by 4 pm Monday for that Thursday's paper. We reserve the right to edit letters for brevity, clarity, libel, taste and relevance. The week prior to an election, this newspaper will not accept letters to the editor that open up new issues. Only responses to already published issues will be accepted, with this newspaper being the final arbiter. This policy is an attempt to be fair to all concerned.

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Big plans, even bigger doings



look at it. Just stop reading gressing.) right where you're at and go

As you know, the governor and state legislature — It is not by accident. Our Executive Editor Phil tion, I have a fear that if the MEAP is overemphasized, schools will teach to it rather than teaching to

right, it should measure exactly that. good education than being able to pass a test. So, our reporters went out after the story, trying to at this point. The state's efforts to increase accountability are just too new. They need to be given more News. There's a lot of good reading yet to come.

If you didn't see the spread pages 6 and 7 in today's edition.

reporter Wendy Pferman The project, which I think staff here can been Mitzel and Bob Jackson, with proud of, took several months to put together. They the help of photographer conducted a wide range of interviews. They did a Bryan Mitchell and graphic pretty fair about of background research. In the end, artist Juanita Little, put I think it is the kind of coverage local weekly newstogether this week on Michipapers should be doing. (And frankly, this very topic gan Education Assessment - is one I think our newspaper will revisit from time to Program testing, stop and go time in the future, just to see how things are pro-

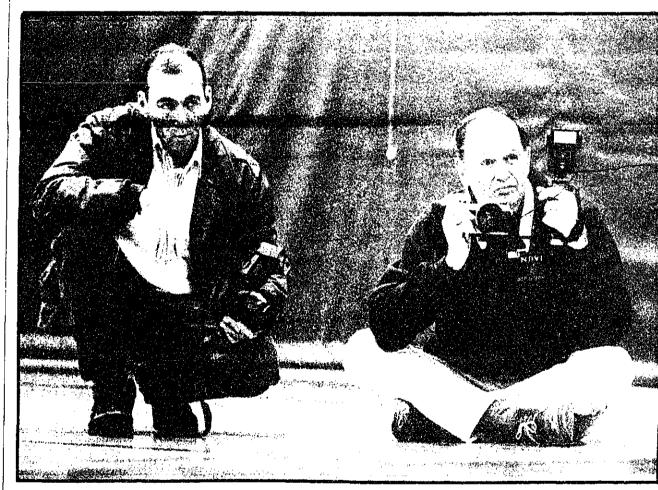
But you may have noticed that lately we've been publishing more of these special project-type stories. It's a great deal more Indeed, we've been working at it. They sometimes important anything I have to take great effort, detailed planning and much coordination. But they are worth it in the end, I think.

have been trying to make the public education sys- Jerome has been pushing for such projects for tem more accountable. But is it working? Is the sometime. He came back from one of those trade emphasis on testing - in particular the MEAP and seminars with a technique, and a form, designed to now high school proficiency testing - the right way aid reporters at being more organized so they can to go. Like many who are concerned about educa- accomplish these types of more detailed, more indepth coverage.

Credit where it's due, I think his efforts are paying prepare students for the working world or for life in off. But the efforts of staff here in the Northville general. Of course, if the MEAP has been designed office of HomeTown Newspaper is not to be minimized. They've put many hours into planning and Nonetheless, there is a great deal more to getting a research toward such projects, including those already published and many still on the boards.

It won't happen every week. But I think readers figure out if the MEAP is having its desired impact. will be seeing more of this type of coverage in the What they found is probably somewhat inconclusive—future—a lot more if I have anything to say about it. It is an exciting time to be working at The Novi time, at least in my humble opinion. Still, you'll find Michael Malott is the Managing Editor of The Novi a diversity of opinion offered about the MEAP on News and The Northville Record.

Moments



Ready, aim ...

In search of 'Fuerst Fil'



Jeffres

falled, at least in his too literal mind. Based on the fact that I

chattering gophers at the Day. Groundhog Day, Feb. 2 without the protection of pith helmets - to see if we could find these critters again or their kin and interpret their observations.

or lack thereof, on their own shadows. After an intrepid wildlife trek through Novi, we saw many, many, not at the Fuerst Farm but along Nine Mile Road. Only they were grounddogs. All of them were barking in defense of their respective front yards, so it was difficult to discern if the canines were observing their shadows or not. One friendly Irish Setter did jump up on the driver's side

window and observe us. It didn't really matter. Our disgruntled editor ruled that grounddogs don't count.

Not that we didn't look for the hogs. Wendy in the driver's seat, we cruised along Twelve-And-A-Half Mile Road, past the Novi Tree Farm. Along that route, we did spot one groundhog on our mid-winter nature tour, on the side of Twelve Mile Road and it wasn't seeing its own shadow or anything else. The poor creature was iced road kill. We also discovered a live donkey along Garfield Road.

Reporter Wendy Pierman Mike was unimpressed. He'd already planned the Mitzel and I let our fearless whole front page of The Novi News around the editor Mike Malott down breaking groundhog news story, complete with miserably last week. Sent on photo and graphic. If Punxsutawney can egg on its a Groundhog Safari, we groundhog, Phil, to predict the weather, so can Novi, was his rationale. I don't know why Novi has to emulate some hick

town in Pennsylvania. As an upscale, up and comonce encountered two frisky, ing suburban community, we could have Donkey Fuerst Farm, he pushed us I first saw the pair of groundhogs in question a

out into the bitter cold on while back during an interview with the group of kids who want to save the Fuerst Farm. As we talked, the animals scampered past us in a highly vivacious mood. They had this entire repertoire of cute groundhog chirps. I thought the beasts were playful but photographer Bryan Mitchell suggested they had something X-rated in mind.

Mike's dubbed the burrow rats Fuerst Fil and Fuerst Fhyllis and was expecting us to bring back a complete investigative report. After I found out that Mike and two other staffers spent 15 minutes trying to find out how Punxsutawney was spelled, I didn't have the heart to break it to them that the Fuerst groundhogs are not named Fil and Phyllis. They're Ruby and Ivan.

Whatever you want to call them, these guys weren't crawling out from under the Fuerst barn in temperatures of six degrees or so. Wendy did take a photograph of a fine, fat squirrel, but Malott says he won't use it. To complain to the editor about his discrimination against alternative wildlifestyles, call

Jan Jeffres is a staff writer for The Novi News.

Governors are 'control freaks'



Power

who wasn't a gifted constitution setting up a funding mecha-

Best current example is the fight now diversion going on over Gov. Engler's attempt to raid Fund to pay for an otherwise sensible environmental cleanup program.

tured revenues from leases of state land to resources trust fund", according to Harddrill for oil and gas. The revenue was to ling buy land for preservation and public recreation. The fund is now sacred ground for both wings of Michigan conservationists: hunting and fishing enthusiasts and

The Milliken Administration tried to

Man and boy, I've Michigan Constitution: "The interest and million acres (21 percent of the state's known a lot of earnings of the trust fund shall be expend-total and "more than any state east of the Michigan gover- ed for the acquisition of land or rights in Mississippi") as if it were some kind of Soapy land for recreation uses or protection of awful evidence of state control. Williams and John the land because of its environmental Swainson, George importance or its scenic beauty, for the

Romney and Bill development of public recreation facilities." In the late 1980s, the Blanchard Adminchard and John istration in turn "diverted" money from the fund to the Michigan Strategic Fund to And, man and pay for pollution control. This led to more boy. I've never than 2-1 approval in 1994 to Proposal P

Now the Engler Administration, through the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Russell Harding, director of the Department of Environmental Quality, wants to form of "Promises Made, Promises Kept." take \$25 million of the natural resources He should know better. First established in the 1970s and trust fund's \$33 million annual revenue to named for then-state Sen. Kerry Kammer help clean up polluted land. The diversion of Oakland County, the Kammer fund cap- would "bring flexibility to the natural

> Flexibility, my foot, retorts Westland's Bob Laich, immediate past president of the 100,000-member Michigan United Conservation Clubs: "I'll be damned if I'll let some politician steal it. No way."

Harding added insult to injury by referapproval of embedding the fund in the fact that the state of Michigan owns 7.6 1880.

Maybe I missed something when I studied the Michigan Constitution, but I thought "government-owned" land meant that the people owned the land for, among other purposes, public recreation.

Not only that, but the Natural Resources Trust Fund was set up for - and subseknown a governor (for parks). It added a section to the state quently confirmed by public vote and inserted into the Constitution - explicitly nism for the state parks and ending the and solely for purchasing land for preservation and public recreation, not for environmental cleanup.

Gov. Engler ran for reelection on a plat-

The overall idea - creating an environnental cleanup program aimed at recycling "brownfield" sites, urban areas polluted by previous owners and not likely to be - makes good sense.

It deserves to be debated on its own merits and not conflated into yet more evidence confirming the nature of Michigan governors to be control freaks.

Phil Power is chairman of the company divert the fund money to other purposes, ring to state recreation land as "govern- that owns this newspaper. His Touch-Tone which led in 1984 to overwhelming voter ment-owned land" and talking about the voice mail number is (313) 953-2047 ext.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan who is not already registered, may register for the Presidential Pri nary Election to be held on March 19, 1996 in said city. The City Clerk will be at the Clerk's office on each working day during regula

eceiving registrations of qualified electors of the City of Novi not already registered. On February 20, 1996, which is the last day for receiving registrations for sai Presidential Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, March 19, 1996, the Clerk will e at her office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Prevailing Easter

ime, for the purpose of receiving registrations of qualified electors.

Any handicapped or ill person who is physically unable to register in person a Office at (810) 347-0456 during regular business hours and make arrangements to

Maybe you need planning time (2-8/15/96 NR, NN) I would not presume to know

After reading your opinion in the Jan. 18 Novi News, I felt obligated to write you, although not during my planning period.

I am a high school math teacher who lives in Novi. I teach five classes a day, four of which are different classes which require different planning each day. During my planning period I am expected to contact parents, return phone calls, check homework assignments, check tests, tutor students, clean my classroom, make up worksheets and tests, make copies of these worksheets and tests, collaborate with other teachers, and Letters

Of course, I don't do all of this everyday. Sometimes I get to a break. attend meetings or prepare the during my planning period, but I

dealt with 120 plus students with

Maybe I ask too much. Maybe teams I coach. (I guess I really do teachers don't need 85 minutes to not have to do all of these things plan. Maybe we don't even need 60 minutes. But before you start saycan't do them while I teach. I usu- ing that we have too much time to ally spend my planning period plan, why don't you walk a mile in tutoring, and do everything else our shoes? There are many advanafter work.) And forgive me for tages to being a teacher and havwanting 5-15 minutes of quiet ing a teacher's workday, but havtime for myself. But after having ling a planning period is not one of how long it takes you to write your columns, but if you and other writers said you needed more time to prepare your columns, then I would believe you; after all you are the professionals and know how much time you need.

In my mind, preparing my lessons would be similar to your writing four columns a day, five days a week, and you would have 60 minutes a day to do this. Maybe you need more planning time so you can better research how we teachers use our planning

SWOCC will continue the fight



Collins

vision viewer in this potentially permit any company offering country. The wireline video programming services

telecommunica- (including cable television system operations bill would tors and "Baby Bell" providers) to entirely permit phone, cable and TV businesses to evade rate regulation. compete and merge more freely. The president is expected to sign the bill next week.

Barry Forbes, executive director of the Alliance for Community Media (a non-prof-The bill affirms the authority of local it membership organization committed to governments to manage public rights-of- assuring everyone's access to electronic way and to charge fair and reasonable media) asserts "the open video system" compensation for the use of those rights- provisions of the bill would permit owners of-way. Public, educational and govern- of these new systems to escape laws that mental access centers on cable television currently protect cable subscribers. The protecting the future of their centers. access centers will be able to be carried on dents."

"An industry-friendly interpretation of the Research Drive in Farmington Hills."

On Thursday, On the down side, however, most other bill by cable companies would suggest that Feb. 1 Congress public interest provisions did not fare as cable operators could declare themselves overwhelmingly well. Previous versions providing low-cost open video systems providers as soon as passed broad access to advanced telecommunications the FCC issues the appropriate regulachanges in a com- sources were substantially weakened and tions. If the cable operators' views ultimunications law the "electronic red-lining" provisions of the mately prevail at the FCC, cable operators that will have a bill, designed to protect against racially could drastically increase their cable rates profound impact on discriminatory construction of advanced without changing their service one bit. We every telephone networks, were deleted entirely. One provithink cable operators are misreading the customer and tele-sion of the telecommunications bill could intention of the provision."

The FCC is required to conduct a number of rule making proceedings to implement various sections of the bill, including the section governing telephone company entry into the video market as "open video systems." It is our intent at SWOCC to continue voicing our concerns with the FCC so that the best interest of our communities will be served.

Caren Collins is the Executive Director of systems were able to preserve provisions provisions contain no consumer rate regu- the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commislations, and preempts cities and towns sion. The next meeting of swocc will be Under the provisions of the bill, PEG ability to protect the interests of resi- Tuesday, March 12, at 4:30 p.m. in Farmington City Hall. The next meeting of the phone-company operated "open video sys- The Alliance predicts that cable sub- Cable Access Committee will be Tuesday, tems" in much the same way that they scribers may see rates rise. Forbes says, March 12, at 7 p.m. in the swocc offices on

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Pitch goes on for charter schools



dubious value for our tax dollars. Gov. Engler, in his 1996 State of the are some of the charter schools Engler and county. their teachers who certainly qualify as Instruction Art Ellis: educational pioneers. I'd like to read you a letter that a young person in one of Michi- curriculum ... " gan's 41 charter public schools recently wrote to me. 'Dear Gov. Engler: Thank you for your help starting Excel Charter Academy in Grand Rapids. We feel safe vidualized instruction." here because there isn't any violence like

Imagine using a kid's letter to smear public education as unsafe. Shameless! (distributed at state expense):

oil, they keep up ments, the academy enrolls students from school's "public relations director."

bailout of private nology, and other technical disciplines." it has many aggravating side effects. Here the market rate of \$3.14 elsewhere in the

> "Pansophia Academy - Resembles the "one-room' school house ... " "Benito Juarez Academy - Stresses indi-

"Aisha Shule//W.E.B. Dubois Preparatolike kindness, respect, responsibility, and learning with an African-American focus."

Trivalley sounds innocent enough, but it Engler's and Durant's charters. should be a gigantic embarrassment to Tim Richard reports on the local implica-Durant, the rookie president of the State Engler and Durant. As the Muskegon tions of state and regional events. Board of Education, in his latest essay Chronicle reported last year, although it's allegedly a public school, Trivalley has an

Say this for John "The Academy for Technology and Enter- board that isn't elected by the voters but Engler and Clark prise is a charter school in Saginaw that appointed by Bishop Nathaniel Wells Jr. of Durant: They don't provides technical education in the skilled the Church of God in Christ. At least one quit. Long after trades. It is nothing like the 'shop' classes of the teachers was paid by the church. their product is I remember. Housed in a facility filled with The school's fax machine is registered to exposed as snake modern machinery and technical instru- the religious body. The bishop's son is the

Saginaw's high schools who choose to aug-Their product is ment their formal academic instruction by through an intermediate corporation. The "charter schools," spending part of their day studying auto- bishop's wife serves on the intermediate now known to be a motive technology, electronics, engineer- corporation board. The church, school and governmental ing, computer drafting, machine tool tech- intermediate corporation share facilities. The academy pays the intermediate corposchools, many of For every ache snake oil seems to cure, ration rent of \$7.29 per square foot versus

State address: "With us this evening are Durant avoid discussing as described in The "charter school" law is spawning a several charter public school students and fine print by Superintendent of Public bunch of taxpayer ripoffs and smacks of an unconstitutional payment to private "Sankofa Shule - Holistic, Afrocentric and religious groups.

We're unlikely to hear Engler and Durant talk about the Orchestra Place project announced last month. An alliance of the Detroit Symphony, Detroit public schools and Detroit Medical Center, it will be the first performing arts center in the in my old school. We learn moral values ry Academy - Basic skills, independent U.S. to have a public high school on its grounds. Already DSO maestro Neeme perseverance ... Learning is more fun here "Trivalley Academy - A highly structured Jarvi has conducted the school's symbecause I like the way we are being developmental and cognitive curriculum ... phonic band.

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Thursday, February 8

Aquatics Facility Study Commission A public hearing will be held jointly with the Aquatics Facility Study Commission and the Novi Parks and Recreation Department at 7 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Writers Forum

The editorial staff of the MacGuffin, a nationally recognized literary magazine published by Schoolcraft College, will hold a forum for aspiring writers at the Novi Public Library at 7 p.m. Topics of discussion will include information on manuscript submission, readings from the magazine and a question and answer session. For additional information contact Art Lindenberg at (313) 462-4400 ext. 5292. To register, call the Novi Public Library at 349-0720.

Saturday, February 10

American Legion Post 224 will hold its annual Sweetheart Dance at the VFW Hail at 2652 Loon Lake Rd. in Wixom, from 8 p.m.-1 a.m. The Blue Midnights Band will play, there will be a cash bar, and the public is welcome. Proceeds will go toward community work. Tickets are \$7.50 in advance, \$10 at the door. For more information, call 624-9742.

Chamber blocks park assessment legislation By TIM RICHARD

A Michigan Chamber of Commerce official threw a last-minute roadblock in front of state Sen. David Honigman's bill allowing local governments to finance parks through special assessments.

"Where have you been? I've worked on this three years!" Honigman furned at Richard Studley, the Grand Ledge resident who is a vice-president and lobbyist for the state chamber. "We passed this overwhelmingly in the Senate." The exchange occurred Jan. 31

in front of the House Local Government Committee, which held a public hearing on Honigman's Senate Bill 651. Caught by surprise by Studley's testimony. Honigman was called to the fourth floor hearing room from the Senate debate on auto insurance.

The committee chair, Rep. Bob Brackenridge, R-St. Joseph. adjourned the meeting without and the chamber more time to work out differences.

Studley held his ground. "There's a growing trend toward local units' using special assessments, which have been limited historically for improving property," he said.

"Under the Headlee amendment (to the state constitution), new local taxes require a vote of the people. But those limits don't apply to special assessments. The result is a high property tax for local government. The chamber has worked for a decade to cut property taxes for schools.

"Parks are important but not essential. Parks are optional," Studley said. He said he's happy to pay a fee to take his children to Eaton County's Fitzgerald Park in Grand Ledge.

If enacted, Honigman's bill is most likely to be used by townships, which have property tax rates that are a fraction of cities' His bill would allow city, village. township and county governing boards to sell bonds for a park improvement and assess benefiting property owners where two-thirds of the owners approved. The local unit could not, however, condemn property for such a park.

Scott Schranger, representing the Michigan Municipal League took no position on the bill. "It's an overstatement to say it (use of special assessments) is a growing trend. It's been there some time We (cities and villages) will proceed under the Home Rule Act.

"Cities rely on taxes. Townships rely on special assessments, Schranger said.

Rep. Lynne Martinez, D-Lansing, seemed to like the Honigman hill, "Downtown development authorities are created at the request of merchants. They don't just pop up. It's at the request of a local group.

*My perception is that it's not the hand of big government. What we (bill supporters) are saying is: If a supermajority of owners wants to engage in a cooperative venture. we give them the tool to do that," Martinez said.

Rep. Lingg Brewer, D-Holt, was less enthusiastic. For 100 years, we've had a reputation for good parks. If we go to special assessments, then people ask, What are

we paying taxes for?" he said. Honigman's measure passed the Senate two years ago but died in the House. It defines parks as land or water used for recreation, picnic grounds, playgrounds, athletic fields, camps, zoos, botanical gardens, swimming, boating, hunting, fishing, birding, footpaths, bridle paths, open space, scenic space and wildlife areas.

Refer to Senate Bill 651 when urtting to your state representative, State Capitol, Lansing 48909.

Monday, February 12

City Council

The Novi City Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Library Board

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

American Business Women's Assoc.

The Novl Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Social Hour is at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. followed by a general membership meeting. Cost is \$15. All working women are invited. For reservations call Betty Booher at (313) 397-7708. For membership information, call Bettie Johnson at (810) 960-9559.

Tuesday, February 13

Business Network International

The Business Network International Novi Chapter holds its weekly meeting at 7 a.m. at the Novi Sheraton Oaks Grille, 2700 Sheraton Drive. Entrepreneurs and small to mid-size business owners are invited to learn how BNI can increase business. Contact John L. Clements at 1800-662-8775 for further information.

SWOCC

The Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission meets at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Farmington City Hall, 23600 Liberty St., Farmington.

CHADD

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders of South Western Oakland County, serving the Novi school district, will hold a support group meeting at the Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Rd., between Eight and Nine Mile roads. Registration begins at 6:45 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m. The program is "Camps and Summer Activities Night" featuring representatives from various Association will meet at Country Epicure Restaurant on Grand River. camps. Parents, educators and health care professionals are welcome. There is a \$5 donation for non-members. For information, call the hotline at 486-2876.

The Northville-Novi American Association of University Women meet at 7:30 p.m. at Thornton Creek Elementary School to hear Kay Duncan form the Detroit Institute of Arts speak on "Women of the Bible." For membership information, call Jane Spence at 380-0562.

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.

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12;30 p.m. — (con't) 1:00 p.m. - Adventures With

Pirale Pete 1:30 p.m. — My Russian Friend 2:00 p.m. — Senior Messenger 2:30 p.m. — (con't)

3:00 p.m. -- Citizens Against Government Waste 3:30 p.m. — Grip; Sneak Preview 4:00 p.m. — Rising Tide 4:30 p.m. --- (con't)

5:00 p.m. - Who, What, Where, Y 5:30 p.m. — Info TV-12 News 6:00 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Human Palace

6:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy 7:00 p.m. - Senior Spotlight: Know Your Local Fire Depart-

7:30 p.m. — Dickerman Showcase: One Flight Up 8:00 p.m. - Law Talk: Samuel

Sacks II D.I.A. 8:30 p.m. — (con't) 9:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection

9:30 p.m. - Groove Session: Emotionally Unstable

TUESDAY, FEB. 13 12:00 p.m. — Summit University 12:30 p.m. — (con't) 1:00 p.m. - Drawing Men to

Christ 1:30 p.m. --- (con't) 2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection 2:30 p.m. — Iditarod

3:00 p.m. -- (con't) 3:30 p.m. — MHOF Speakers Series: Cosworth Racing Her-

4:00 p.m. — (con't) 4:30 p.m. — (con't) 5:00 p.m. — Ready or Not 5:30 p.m. - Living With Your

Addictions 6:00 p.m. - Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council:

RV Show slated this weekend

The Michigan Association of Recreational Vehicles and Campgrounds (MARVAC) is set to launch its annual Winter Camper and RV Show at the Novi Expo Center Feb. 10-18.

One of the largest displays of its kind, the show has been a metro Detroit tradition for 30 years. The exhibition will mark its eighth appearance in Novi. The twice-yearly event is spon-

sored by the Michigan Association of Recreational Vehicles and Campgrounds (MARVAC) and features all types and sizes of recreational vehicles from small pop-up campers to luxurious motorhomes with all the amenities. Nearly 30 dealers from southeast Michigan will display at the show. Also on hand will be numerous industryrelated booth exhibitors promoting the outdoor lifestyle. "New innovations are bringing

RV driving into the next century, said Bill Sheffer, show director "Slide-outs, basement storage and on-board generators let RV travelers be at home wherever they are.' MARVAC is a non-profit trade association representing dealers,

campgrounds, manufacturers, suppliers and service companies throughout the state. For more information, contact MARVAC at (517) 349-8881.

Scouts see program on special needs

Kids on the Block, a program which enables groups to talk about their understanding of children with special needs, was presented to over 10 Novi Girl Scouts and their parents on Saturday. Jan. 27 at the Novi United Methodist Church. The girls were Daisy, Brownie and Junior Scouts in kindergarten through fifth

The 45 minute program, delivered in the form of a puppet show is sponsored by the Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council. The volunteer puppeteers are specially trained and work in teams. The puppets used for this program included Mark who has cerebral palsy, Mandy who is hearing impaired and Ellen Jane who has Down's Syndrome. The puppets dialogue builds an awareness of the feelings of persons who have different abilities and suggests behavior and understanding that

is positive and helpful. The puppet Mandy, taught the girls sign language while Mark demonstrated his wheelchair talents. During the play, and at the end of the performance, the girls talked with the life-sized puppets they asked questions and shared their feelings about what they had seen and heard.

Rainbow Recognition Award

7:30 p.m. — Farmington Hills sions Police Journal: Police Stress 3:00 p.m. — (con't) 8:00 p.m. — John Akouri Live tionally Unstable

8:30 p.m. — (con't) 9:00 p.m. — Let's Talk With Ben Marks: Speaker of the House 9:30 p.m. — (con't)

and the Life

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14 5:30 p.m. -- (con't) 12:00 p.m. - Cash Talks: Pup-6:00 p.m. — Speakers Row: The 12:30 p.m. — The Way the Truth

1:00 p.m. — Study in Scripture

1:30 p.m. — AMVETs 2:00 p.m. — Restoration Now 2:30 p.m. — Tony Warrens Expres-

3:30 p.m. — Groove Session: Emo-4:00 p.m. — Crisis in the Modern Family: ADD 4:30 p.m. — (con't) 5:00 p.m. — Senior Messenger

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THURSDAY, FEB. 15 12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy 12:30 p.m. — Madonna Magazine 1:00 p.m. — Praise, Praise, Praise

Hall of Fanie Induction 2:00 p.m. — (con't) 2:30 p.m. — (con't)

1:30 p.m. - 1995 Motorsports

3:30 p.m. - Farmington Hills Police Journal: Police Stress 4:00 p.m. - Law Talk: Samuel

Achieving Goals

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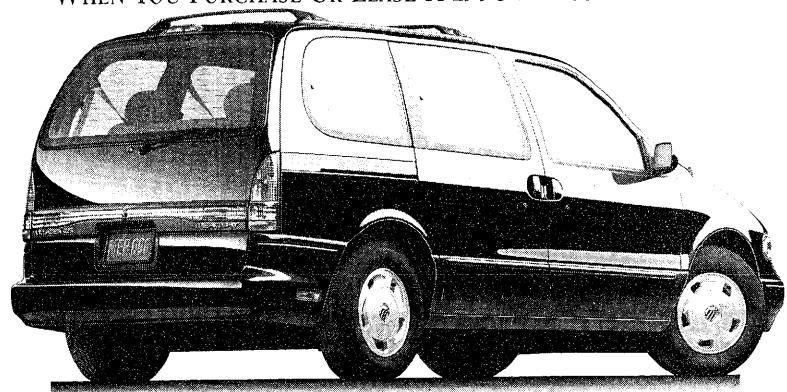
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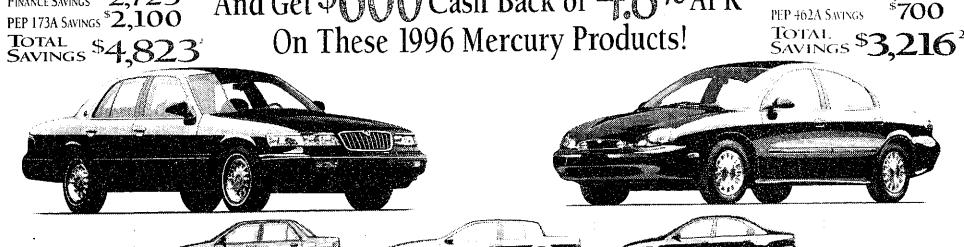
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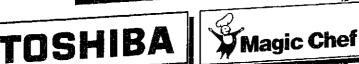
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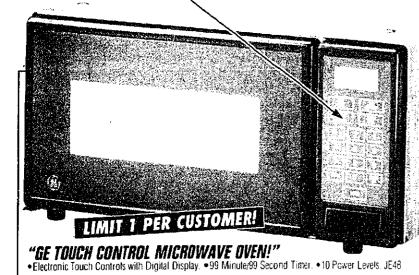




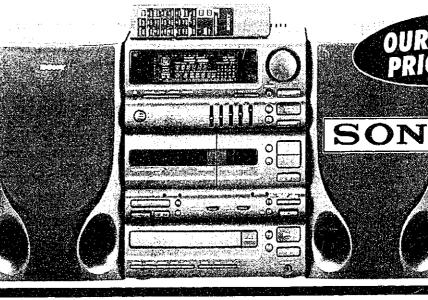
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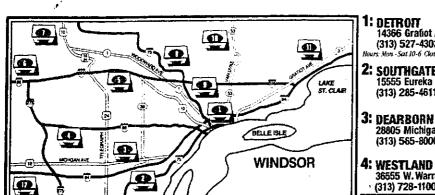


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THURSDAY February 8

STORY BY CAROL WORKENS

Esta la suel caronella bolaç the day hid on the Direk, bet alone heing sevi in a different Budanal Spatist Class tiese we, of all days, Valentine's Day.



Doug and Marge

In 1938, Tom Edmondson moved his family to Northville when he bought a Ford dealership. Tom Edmondson Ford on Main Street, located where the M.A.G.S. building now stands.

His daughter, Marge, a petite seventh grader, walked into class at Northville High School to a room full of classmates all prepared for their Valentine's Day party.

Right after the teacher introduced Marge to her new classmates, she asked for a volunteer to share a desk with Marge because there were no extras.

One outgoing young man raised his hand. The teacher, thinking it over for a minute, thanked him very much but said that Marge should sit with one of the girls for the day and she would see to it that a desk was brought in the following day. So he settled for walking her to her next class.

In preparation for Valentine's Day, the class had rounded up orange crates to use as mailboxes, outfitted them with dividers so that the students could pass out their Valentine's cards.

Most school children went home for lunch and Doug, a Northville native, was no exception. Unbeknownst to Marge, he rode his bike to the D&C store during his lunch hour to buy her a Valentine's card. During the last hour of school, the students exchanged the eards. Marge received only one, from

Doug and Marge started dating during high school. In 1941, her father sold the Ford dealership and moved the family back to Detroit, but Marge and Doug continued to see each other.

Doug went into the Army in February of 1943 but

on his first furlough in September he proposed. Doug was discharged from the Army on Christmas Day 1945 in Chicago. Both the Bolton family and the Edmondsons met him at the Ann Arbor train station when he arrived later that night.

Marge and Doug were married on April 18, 1946. in Detroit and held their reception at the Dearborn

The following year the newlyweds moved back to Northville and in 1950 built the house they still call home.

They have three children and four grandchildren. "More years than not we go back to the Dearborn Inn to celebrate our anniversary," said Marge. "I've been very blessed, he is very special."

Clare and Anna

Clare Wilson met Anna Lee when she was 13 years old. They began dating when they were juniors at McKenzie High School in Detroit.

When Clare called Anna for a date in August of 1942, he told her it was a very special occasion. Anna was very excited about this particular date

and carefully selected the dress and high heel shoes she would wear that evening. Their first stop was for dinner - at a drive-in

restaurant. To Anna Lee, that was not special. After dinner, Clare took Anne Lee bowling. "I'm thinking, 'this is enough excitement, let's go home," she said.

But Clare had something else in mind and sug-

gested they visit a friend. Anna Lee, who had already chalked up the evening as a disaster, was not in the mood to visit any of his friends.

Clare did not head to a friend's house but to Rouge Park where he parked the car by the lake. Anna Lee remembers thinking "now what?"

"I bought you something," Clare said to Anna Lee as he handed her a large box. "I hope you like it," he said.

She opened the first box and found a smaller box inside. Opening the smaller box, she found a very small box which held an engagement ring. "Then we had a nice evening," she said. "I ribbed

him about that for years." Anna Lee asked Clare why he thought a drive-in

and bowling was so special. He thought she liked bowling. She told him,

hadn't he ever noticed? She never bowled, she only watched him bowl. Clare went into the Army in October 1942 and

was going through basic training in Cheyenne, Wyo. Anna flew to Wyoming in December and, during a blizzard, the two were married.

Clare and Anna Lee have lived in Novi since 1970 and have four grown children.

James and Florence

James Hutton has sent Florence a dozen red roses every year for 52 years. Even a stint in the Army during World War II didn't break his stride. He dren.

had his mother send the bouquet.

Florence and James met in Dearborn in 1941. During World War II, James was with the 36th division in Europe when he proposed marriage to Florence through the mail in 1943. Florence has kept the letters for over 50 years.

But both decided to wait for the answer when James was wounded in southern France and lost

"We both wanted it that way, to see how things would work out," she said.

James was transferred to the veterans hospital in Battle Creek and Florence took a train to see him every Saturday after work.

"I wanted to see how he would react," she said. "He was just like he was when he went away. He didn't let it affect him at all."

Following his stay at the VA hospital, James moved in with his mother and the two were all set to be married. But James, who was still on crutches, fell while feeding his dog and broke his amputated leg, which put back the wedding date.

"He would not get married until he could walk down the aisle," she said.

They were married in Detroit in 1945.

"James never said anything for over 50 years," Florence said, "And then he said, Tve had a wonderful life, and I don't know what I would have done had you not accepted me.

"We never brought it up after that," she said. The Huttons live in Novi and have two grown chil-

Volunteer



Lehna gives mom time for herself

By DOROTHY NASH

Not all hospice volunteers work with patients who are elderly and terminally ill. Children have chronic illnesses, too, and Carlee Lehna is a volunteer for one such child for the Hospice of Southeastern Michigan.

She does this as part of her responsibility at Eastern University where, as a nurse she teaches an evening class, does clerical and committee work, and lec-

"I look forward to going once a children, one of whom is impaired. I enable the mother to run errands or just have free

"The boy who needs attention is a 5-year-old twin who has never walked and cannot talk. He sits in a stroller. He can turn over. He talks with his eyes," she said. Lehna said a school teacher 559-3198.

comes occasionally with music, colors, and she reads from a book.

"I don't know how much he understands," Lehna said. "He shakes his head, makes sounds. but no words. "I usually come in the after-

noon and stay two and a half hours so the mother has time to herself. Sometimes I'll feed him lunch. Sometimes he'll be asleep when I come and when he wakes up, I'll change his diaper."

When I'm leaving, I tell the mother my work schedule and week to this family with three ask When do you want me?' and we negotiate a plan, whichever is best for her and me," she said.

Lehna said she writes a report when she finishes, which is typical of the usual volunteer.

Other Hospice volunteers take a training course, are assigned cases, and receive a newsletter. For information, call (810)

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You can't buy a book for 57 cents, but that's all the federal government allots to libraries per person, according to

the American Library **Association Office for Library** Research and Statistics.

Carlee Lehna

Party is being planned for retiring employees

A retirement party will be given members are elected by the memin honor of Novi police officers, bership. This year the newly elect-Frank Barabas, Bill Brown, Jerry Burnham, Jack Grubb, Max Roder gie Slavik; vice president. Barb beans, roll and dessert. The Novi gram. and office manager Esther Mclinis Knoblock - 4-year-old class, and Senlor Social Club which ordinari- The Center will be closed on two outings a month, the next one meal, singing of your favorite Expo Center from 7 p.m.-mldnight. The cost of which will be \$15 per person. The evening will include a buffet dinner, a guest speaker and muste.

For tickets, contact Evic Lewis at 347-0504, executive secretary at the Novi Police Dept., or see Officers Jerrod Hart and/or Diane MacGregor, and Sgt. Herb Harbin.

NOVI CO-OP PRE-SCHOOL

The 1996-97 enrollment Open House for 3- and 4-year-olds will he held on Saturday, March 2 from noon-3 p.m. The Co-op is located in the United Methodist Church building at 41671 Ten Mile road across from Farmer Jack. The school is a nondenominational, nonprofit organization ain by parents who assist the teachers in the classroom and in activities throughout the year. By 3223. helping, parents receive an adjustare: Joan Sellen who has been with the Co-op for 15 years, and a graduate of Wayne State University NOVI SENIOR CENTER with a bachelor's degree in elementary education; and June Rutkowski, in her second year at calling 347-0414 for the Chocolate the Co-op, with a bachelor's degree Fest, Wednesday, Feb. 14 at noon in special education from Eastern at the Civic Center. The cost is \$3 Michigan University. Parents are and the lunch will include baked encouraged to participate in the pork chop, potato casserole, green

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Father Andrew Tomasko, Assoc. Postor Parish Office: 349-8847

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FARMINGTON HILLS

ed members are: President, Mag-Cathy Tehranisa; health chairper- and lunch for this month. son, Christle Santure; publicity,

At various times, special speak- about trip insurance, packing tips, a program on skin care and makeers are invited to attend these etc. At 11 a.m. Sarah Graham of up. Delanie West will introduce SPIRIT OF CHRIST CHURCH Future events in the making "Your Medicare Rights." Also specialized skin treatments, and include bumper bowling, a school scheduled on this day is the makeup techniques. In addition, been adopted at the church with a 10 a.m. service. They also provide bus ride for 4-year-olds to monthly birthday party - a lunch some lucky person will be chosen single worship service from 10-11 the residents with homemade acquaint them with school trans- with a birthday cake. Also avail- as a model to demonstrate a day- a.m. Sunday Church School, Adult goodies. This program has been portation when starting school the able on this date is the beginning into-night makeover. There will Forum, and choir rehearsal will going on for many years and the following year, a Valentine's Day of income tax help now available also be product samples and free begin one-half hour earlier, from church members involved have

process center, and will also especially during this cold weath. Novi Youth Assistance Bowl-a- will remain unchanged. expect a visit from the Farm Lady. er. It would be most convenient to Thon on Saturday, March 16 at Following last Saturday's ser- Future plans include tobogganing For more information call 349- come to the center for programs the Novi Bowl. Included will be free vice, the church family came at the "Freeze" in Waterford, a CPR Everyone is also looking forward portation take you back home. For This is just one of the many civic 6:30 p.m. ment in tuition rates. Teachers—to the 25th anniversary celebra- further information, please call—projects this group is involved in

police officer, and participating in a tax appointment.

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CHURCH, SBC

Each year a group of board Novi Highlights

a hearing and vision test. They will Jan McAlpine, center manager, at for the community.

HomeTown

Jean Foerg, 3-year-old class; see- ly has their monthly potluck that President's Day, Monday, Feb. 19. being a pony party."

always, delicious refreshments.

9:15-11:15 a.m. with a nursery of Ashes at both 9:30 a.m. and available. Please call if you are 7:30 p.m. services. On the followinterested in this ladies event. ing Wednesdays, starting Feb. 28 Another interest group called and concluding March 27, there Mom's and Tots recently went to will be Soup/Song/Service from MacDonald's Playland. They have 6:30-8 p.m. There will be a simple

Other interest groups include informal setting. This year's theme Euchre: Bunko; Evening Cale; "By My Hand? For My Sake." Men's Night Out; Needlecrafters; Kathy Hrit; and membership a.m. will be the Travel Club meet- The February general meeting Out-to-Lunch with two outings a gram of working in the soup Pinochle, and the newly formed for Monday, Feb. 26 at 2:30 p.m.

A new schedule change has on Meadowbrook on Mondays for a party, a P.J. Day, a visit from a every Thursday. Call 347-0414 for drawings for gift certificates and as 9-9:45 a.m. Following the Sunday received the facility's Volunteer of service there will be coffee, fellow- the Year award. Van service is available for any- The Civics group is looking for ship and conversation. The 5:30 The young people presented a also be visiting a dentist, a mail one coming to the Senior Center, bowlers and/or pledges for the p.m. service on Saturday evenings youth service last week and have

Plans are being made for Lent

Soup/Song/Service program. Novi Highlights is written bu which will commence on Feb. 21 Jeanne Clarke. If you have infor-347-0414. Be sure to ask about The Ten Pin Bowling League with Ash Wednesday providing mation for this column, call her at

hymns and Lenten worship in an

Call the church office if you would

like to assist in this program. In

addition, several church family

members go to Novi Charter House

Yum, yum, it's just about cookie time

Feb. 24 through March 10, sell for \$3 per package will be between lightly glazed pastry cook- with your local troop leader. offered by both the Novi and the ie: Peanut Butter Sandwich;

Troops in Novi will have Snaps, a low fat iced oatmeal cookie; Tag- meal Raisin Bar. a-longs, Peanut Butter Pattles; chocolate cookie; Thin Mints, Docookie; and a reduced fat Chalet, which is a creme, lemon and vanil-

17, in the Plymouth-Salem audito- performances."

al ensembles, has studied violin for

Northville troops' varieties are reduced fat sandwich cookie with cookie sales in Novi. a cream filling and a naturally fla-

Northville has two Cookie Service Unit Managers, Sue Walsh and Cindy Kloss. Strawberries and Creme, a Sally Collins is coordinating the scouts in its area. Federal law for-

Invite to 'come on down'

at upcoming PSO concert

The Plymouth Symphony "I'm just thrilled Melissa is Hudson's, the Plymouth Symphony

Orchestra will perform a family happy," said White's mother, Regi- League and the Michigan Council

concert for the young and young- na. "I have three calendars to keep for Arts and Cultural Affairs, are

at-heart at 3 pm. Saturday, Feb. track of all of her practices and \$8 for adults, college students and

the Animals" concert will feature ni's "The Pink Panther" and music Prior to the performance, there TV-2 news anchor, Jerry Hodak, as from the score of Jurassic Park. will be a Teddy Bear Tea from noon

guest narrator, and 10-year-old Audience members are invited to to 2 p.m. at the Plymouth Histori-

The PSO is committed to educa-

formed with the Detroit Symphony said. "Although adults will enjoy it, The Plymouth Symphony

The symphony's "A Carnival of orchestra safari performing Manci- 451-2112.

White, who participates in sever- up close while they are playing.

four years. Recently, she has per-tion," PSO conductor Russell Reed

breads; Caramel deLites, a vanilla In Novi, cookies can also be Girl Scout cookie booths, as tra- cookie drenched in caramel sprin- ordered from Collins by calling her ditional as lemonade stands in the kled with toasted coconut and at 349-5469. In Northville, resisummer, will be seen around town - laced with dark cocoa stripes; Thin - dents can call the Huron Valley Mints; Lemon Pastry Cremes, a Girl Scout Council at (1-800) 497 Eight varieties of cookies which tangy lemon creme nestled 2688 who will put you in touch Of the 14 girl scout councils in

Peanut Butter Patty; and another- Michigan, eight have priced their fat free cookie, the Cinnamon Oat- cookies at \$2.50 with fixed profits ranging from \$.27 to \$.50. Of the The Northville troops will receive six councils which charge \$3 per Trefoils, a shortbread cookie; a flat profit of \$.42 for each pack- box, fixed profits range from \$.30 Samoas, a coconut, caramel and age sold. Novi troops have a sliding to \$.42. The Michigan Metro Girl scale which starts at \$.45 and can Scout Council, which includes the si-dos, and peanut butter sand- go as high as \$1.35 per package if Novi troops, is the only council in wiches; Juliettes, a caramel pecan the troop averages 1,000 boxes per Michigan offering the incremental

Cookie prices are set by each council based on the programs bids councils from collaborating

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author Cynthia Holt Cummings.

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Danny Mobbs, Aaron Bauer and runner up Courtney Greulich. Fourth graders competing are Samantha Smith, Luke Hutchins with runner up Lauren Menyhart, Judges for the school's competition were Ron Beardsley, former principal at St. Paul's; Darlene McCoy, sales representative from Stockton Office Services and Patty Dow, speech teacher from Northville schools.

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AAUW to discuss Biblical women at next meeting

The featured speaker at the Feb. slides of famous artworks as she p.m., with a short business meet-13 Northville-Novi American Asso- discusses the many women they ing preceding Duncan's presenta-

"Women of the Bible." Detroit Institute of Arts Speakers' Road between Taft and Beck. Bureau series, Duncan will show The social period begins at 7:30

ciation of University Women will be portray. The regularly scheduled tion. Kay Duncan who will discuss meeting takes place at Thornton Creek Elementary School located is eligible for membership. As a regular presenter in the on the north side of Nine Mile Call Jane Spence at (810) 380-

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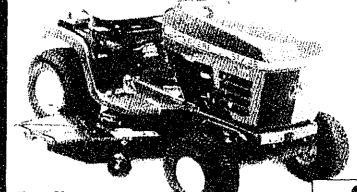
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chairperson, Michelle Sankovic. ing featuring Indiana and upcom- has been scheduled for Wednes- month, to the Olive Garden and kitchen at St. Andrew Redeemer in There are approximately seven ing day trips. The program will day, Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the another to Border Cantina; Detroit, the next one is scheduled meetings a year when parents and include refreshments and a prize. Novi Civic Center. staff meet for school discussions. drawing in addition to information Michigan Peer Review will present several topics: basic skin care,

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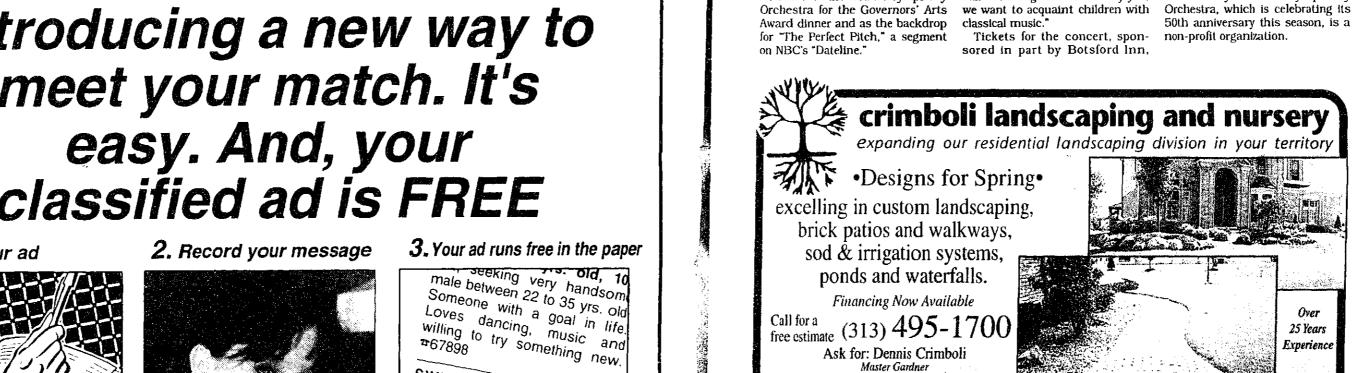
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Wedding



Brenno and Heather Battistoni Jr.

Heather Maxine Garner and beads looped across the opening. Brenno Baltistoni Jr. were married The bridal veil was a long, plain on Oct. 28, 1995, at Orchard Hills veil with a beaded headpiece; the Baptist Church in Novi. The bride bridal bouquet was of silk flowers, was given in marriage by her green and white roses with green father, Louis G. Garner, with Pas-lilies. tor Dale Gross officiating at the The groom is the son of Mr. and double ring ceremony. A reception Mrs. Brenno Battistoni of Galve-, for 80 guests followed at Vassels ston, Texas. He graduated from

reception hall in Southfield. The bride is the daughter of and is currently employed as a Louis and Nancy Garner of Novi. printer in a print shop located in She is a 1988 graduate of Novi Texas. High School and is currently Attending the groom was best studying to become a paramedic.

Carter of Arlington, Texas. with a high neck, beaded bodice, brother of the bride. and long sleeves. The long train Following a wedding trip from was patterned with flowers and Michigan to Texas, the couple now

Galveston High School in 1988,

man, Andy Blozinski of Galveston, Attending the bride was Rhonda Texas; ring bearer, James Edwards of Brighton, Mich.; and Novi rest-The bridal gown was designed dent, Bill Garner, usher and

the open back of the dress had reside in Galveston.

Engagement



Jennifer Borg/ Gerald Scalpone

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Borg of mazoo Center for Medical Studies their daughter, Jenniser Ruth, to The bridegroom-elect graduated Gerald Edward Scalpone, son of from Plainwell High School and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Scalpone Jr. attended Western Michigan Uni- group ST. JAMES SINGLES. versity. He is employed as systems

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Dreams become real at meeting

Members of the Northville Woman's Club attending the next necting on Feb. 16 at 1:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Northville will find out the true neaning of their dreams.

"Awakening to Your Dreams" will be the subject of Valerie Catenacci as she discusses how the symbolism in dreams gives subconscious clues from which we gain insight and meaning in daily life.

Catenacci is a native of Chicago and moved to the Detroit area seven years ago with her husband. She has been active in parish work or many years including serving as a worship coordinator.

Catenacci has led prayer groups using guiding imagery and art and has given talks, workshops, seminars and days of recollection on a variety of subjects related to spiri- Family in Novi. tual growth using the imagination

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Valerie Catenacci will explain symbolism in dreams at the Northville Woman's Club meeting.

Catenacci earned a master's direction from the Jesuit Colom-

as the springboard. She is current- degree in pastoral studies at the biere Spirituality Center in Clarkly a facilitator for two small faith Institute of Pastorial Studies at ston. communities at Church of the Holy Loyola University in Chicago. She Chairperson of the day is Betty also has a certificate in spiritual Griffin.

Singles

SINGLE PLACE, an adult ministry for single people, meets at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for a Sunday morning gathering, followed by a worship service at 11 a.m. and brunch at Northville Crossing at 12:30 p.m.

Upcoming workshops, "Healing and Rebuilding Yourself," with Sue Dahlmann, Linda Hanniford and Diane Szymanski, will begin Feb. 11 and meet for three Sunday evenings through Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. at the church. The cost is

On Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 6:30 p.m. Single Place will meet for dinner at Boll Hall with food provided by Boston Chicken. The cost for linner is \$6. Reservations must be made by noon on Feb. 14. Following dinner, Tom and Julie Firth will present "Light and Lively." The cost is \$4.

Sports activities coming up include bowling evenings on Feb. 9 and 16 at 8 p.m. at Novi Bowl on Novi Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads; and volleyball on Feb 23 from 9 to 10:30 p.m. at the Northville Recreation Center. The cost for volleyball is \$4. Two games of bowing are \$6 plus \$1.50 for shoe rental. Single Place Ministries will pre-

sent a '50s Sock Hop on Saturday Feb. 17, at 8 p.m. at the Northville Recreation Center. There will be prizes for best '50s costume and neatest socks. DJ Brian Bosman will entertain with blasts from the Tickets are \$7 in advance and

\$8 at the door and are available at the church and on Wednesday For further information about any of the Single Place programs

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Scout earns highest medal

By CAROL WORKENS

Another medal was awarded Ryan Velzy on Sunday at the Northville Presbyterian Church of

Velzy received the Eagle Scout Award from Joe Retzbach, Scoutmaster of Troop 755, reaching the pinnacle of his scouting career which began when he joined the Tiger Cubs in first grade.

"I came up with the idea that would be the most valuable to the community and have a long lasting effect on the community," Velzy

An 11th grade student at Northville High School, Velzy decided to incorporate his work with the school's Business Education Committee into the requirements for the Eagle Scout Award. The Business Education Committee meets on a monthly basis and consists of four students, members of the business community and the chamber of commerce, as well as teachers

The committee comes up with objectives for Northville schools for service learning and business partnerships, according to Velzy. A service learning project enhances student learning through practical application in

community. The requirements for an Eagle Scout Award are for the scout to be the leader in a project that is of real value to a religious group, school or community. Velzy's project was to teach senior citizens about computers by setting up a workshop at the high school and by obtaining computers for the Northville Senior Citizen Center. Velzy first mei with his computer

teacher, Morene Gorshak, and Jan Purtell on March 15, 1995, to dis-Once the idea was approved, he organized over 60 students from

two multi media classes, the mo advanced computer classes at the high school, as volunteers. With the design in place and the manpower recruited, Gorshak made the project an assignment

"The students enjoyed it and said they'd do it again," Velzy said. The students had a variety of responsibilities to complete, from greeting the seniors to handling registration, to giving oral presentations on each of the software applications chosen for the workshop and helping with the handson teaching.

for the class.

Eighteen senior citizens signed up for the class, which was held during the day on May 25 from 7:30 until 10:30 a.m.

"Most of what we captured is that before they had retired they had been introduced to it (computers)," he said. "They knew it was coming and some of them already had ideas of what they wanted to

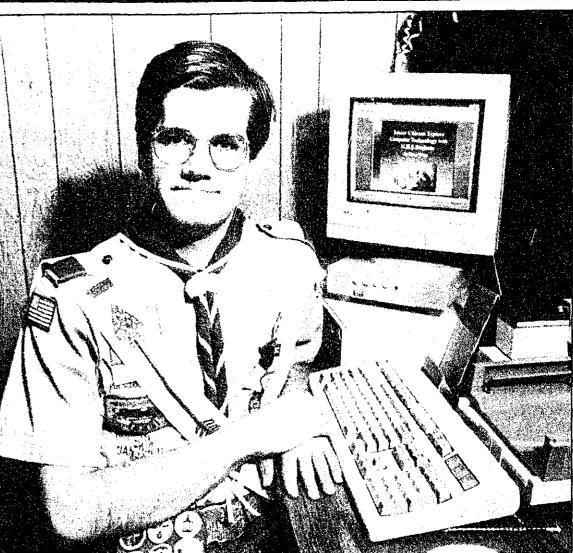
Fifteen computer stations were set up in the high school's computer lab with two or three students assigned to each location. The seniors had an opportunity to visit each of the stations and learn firsthand about a variety of topics including surfing the Internet, how to scan, how to do a budget, how to plan a trip using the trip planner, how to use the multimedia encyclopedia and making a video. "The main thing was at the sta-

Money available for ethnic women

Women aged 17 through 22 years old who are Irish and Catholic are eligible to compete for educational scholarships from the Ancient Order of Hibernians. The 29th annual Court of St. Brigid Pageant sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, will be held Saturday, Feb. 17 at the Hibernian Hall, 24242 Grand River

in Detroit Scholarships will be awarded to the winner and her court. The deadline for applying is Feb. 10. For more information, call Sue Lauster at (313) 565-3317.

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Ryan Velzy's Eagle Scout project gave Northville seniors hands-on computer experience.

tion," Velzy said. "The seniors had puters. hands-on activity at each station. Michigan Learn and Serve Grant rewarding." and the Partners for Business in The second part of the project

Education donated the coffee, consisted of implementing comput- learning experience and the outdonuts, and juice and the referers at the senior center and providedoor activities he participated in ence materials included in a folder ing two additional sessions for while a scout. for each of the seniors to take seniors using their new equipment. The senior center now has two of Novi, he also attended the

learn," Velzy said of the seniors, donated from EDS, \$450 worth of summer held in The Netherlands. half of whom had their own com- software donated from Richard

"To see the results of it was ware from Egghead Software in Novi donated by Shirley O'Hagan. Velzy has enjoyed the whole

The son of Barb and Jerry Velzy

Church Notes

The New Horizons group at FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 200 East Main Street in Northville, will meet on Feb. 13 for lunch and a matinee viewing of Mr. Holland's Opus. For more information, call the church at 349-0911.

SPIRIT OF CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, 40700 West Ten Mile Road in Novi, has a new schedule of services. Contemporary, informal worship will be held each Saturday evening at 5:30 p.m. Sunday morning worship will take place at 10 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages is at 9 a.m.

For details, call the church at (810) 477-6296.

The M.O.M.S. group at FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE, 777 West Eight Mile Road, will hold its annual Baby and Children's Garage Sale on Friday, March 8, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. and

on Saturday, March 9, from 9 a.m. until noon. The proceeds from the sale benefit M.O.M.S. outreach projects. Donated items can be brought to the church on Thursday, March 7, between 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. For details, call the church at 349-1144.

NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH, a forming congregation of the Evanelical Lutheran Church in America, celebrates at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall of the Masonic Temple, 730 Penniman, on the park square in downtown Plymouth.

For more information about Sunday services or the mission, contact astor-Developer Ken Roberts at (313) 459-8181.

Post-Abortion Counseling and Education (P.A.C.E.) meets at FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, 21260 Haggerty Road, on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in Room 220.

The support group is personal and confidential. There is no cost to participants. For more information, call Judi Ellsworth at (313) 455-5255, or Dawn

Downs at (313) 722-2839, or call the church at (810) 348-7600. VICTORY LUTHERAN CHURCH holds Sunday worship and school

rom 10 until 11:15 a.m. at the Novi Meadows School cafeteria, Taft between Ten Mile Road and Grand River. For more information, call 349-2669.

In Service

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THURSDAY February 8

Comedian to star in theater benefit

By CAROL WORKENS Staff Writer

unique comedy back to town on al actors. Thursday, Feb. 29, at 7:30 p.m. Rubber Room," his original act said of the benefit. which includes a dozen creative and hilarious character sketches. The performance, which is a Council for the Arts toward the benefit for the Heartlande Theatre Company, will be held at the Livo-

nia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile Road. Other performances are scheduled for Friday, March 1, and Sat- the Lakes High School in Waterurday, March 2, at 8 p.m. and ford Sunday, March 3, at 7:30 p.m. at Kaiser grew up in Northville and the Theatre Guild located at 15138 now lives in Novi. Her parents,

"Tim's show is clean fun, no profanity, just a fun night," she Elaine Kaiser, the producer of Trapped in

Kaiser is also one of the founding members of the Heartlande various theaters around town. Theatre Company, which grew out of the Detroit Actors Studio in Detroit and is composed of about 15 actors, writers and directors.

The goal of the Heartlande Theatre Company, which was founded in 1990, is to produce plays and continue offering classes to actors

and playwrights Proceeds from the benefit perfor-July 25 through Aug. 10 at Mead-

Playscape '96 will be a festival of new original plays by Midwestern Timothy Campos brings his playwrights using local profession-

when he performs Trapped in the reaching our funding goal," she Heartlande has already received an \$8,000 grant from the Michigan

> Playscape '96 festival. Kaiser, a special events facilitator for Henry Ford Museum, is also a freelance actor and writer. She is a former English teacher at Lady of

> James and Elizabeth Kaiser, still live in Northville

> Kaiser is a graduate of Our Lady of Mercy High School and the University of Michigan with a double major in English and theater.

Presently, the non-profit organization's performances are held at Including original plays at Hilberry Theater in Detroit. The Midwest premier of A Piece of my Heart, which was performed at the Hilberry, was a Heartlande produc-

"It is our dream someday to have our own theater," she said.

Heartlande has brought in Uta Hagen, legendary teacher, Broadnance will help fund Heartlande's way actress, and two-time Tony Playscape '96 which will be held Award winner, to teach week-long nine years. Hagen played Martha



Timothy Campos performs at Livonia Civic Center Library luditorium on Feb. 29 to benefit theater company.

in the original Broadway productincluded in the program.

annual company party for an \$8. master acting classes for the past evening of theater. Kalser wrote For reservations and further and performed in one of the plays information, call (810) 380-3217.

tion of Who's Afraid of Virginia Tickets for the benefit performance on Feb. 29 are \$12 and In January 1995, the Discovery include a catered Afterglow. Tick-Channel hired Heartlande for its ets for the March performances are

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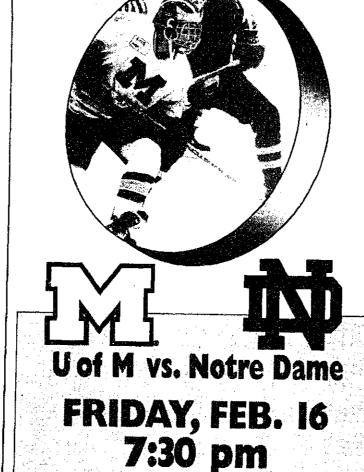
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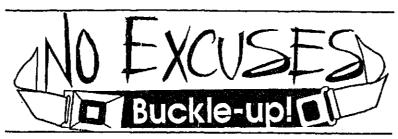


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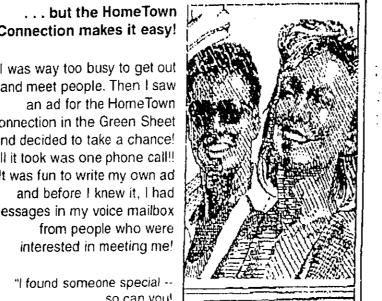


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George Clooney, left, and Quentin Tarantino star in Robert Rodriguez' "From Dusk Till Dawn," a Dimension Film. Handful of tissues a must for 'Opus' viewers

MR. HOLLAND'S OPUS are interwoven in this movie yet each is distinguishable and moving. The film begins with the passion of the young Richard Dreyfuss trying to compose his own musical symphony with the support of his new wife who is a pho-

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Wild West is setting for 'From Dusk Till Dawn'

he is twenty again. Anything to between them and freedom...but forget the fact that his wife and it's going to be one hell of a night. daughter are both pregnant. Banks, in "Father of the Bride II." happens. Annie's getting a promo- movie because it's never been on the screenplay by Quentin ,

This time though, he's not trying tion. And her new job is in Boston. shown in film," Rodriguez said of Tarantino from the story by Robert to survive his eldest daughter's Now, George isn't just losing his the switch in genres halfway Kurtzman. The film was edited and that he must take a teaching posi- life are often overlooked when they wedding...he's trying to survive the daughter...but the grandson he through the movie. "We're all used directed by Robert Rodriguez. tion, much to his reluctance, for are right in front of one's nose. fact that he's going to be a grand-never knew. Father of the Bride Just when George thinks his life the original. Steve Martin's never period which reveals his frustrated fathers and sons in our society is back to normal, his daughter, been better. That is why "Father of

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the '90s!

re the comedy

the Southwest in "From Dusk Till

Their chances of survival don't

Enter the Fuller family: Jacob (Harvey Keitel), a minister who has vulnerable teenage Kate (Juliette Lewis) and her younger brother border patrol. The Gecko Brothers to freedom with the promise to let it becomes eerie and ominous." the family go once they hook up with their criminal connection in

Twister, the wildest bar this side of rock. The night is full of seductive promise as the group settles back to wait for Carlos and his boys to

But unbeknownst to the brothment and staff of this particular house, and tries to act as though day. One night is all that stands Dracula."

The notorious Gecko Brothers to the Transylvanian neck-biting (George Clooney & Quentin style of vampire and yet this tradi-Tarantino), two of America's most tion really existed in the Aztec dangerous criminals, are on the times. My production designer, run from the Texas police and the Cecilia Montiel, and I researched it FBI after a crime spree throughout and came up with a lot of extra elements to add to the script and

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the design of the film." Montiel, a successful architect look too bright on the home front. in her native Peru before becoming But across the border in Mexico, a designer, explains, "We tried to the mysterious Carlos (Cheech develop a look inspired by the pre-Marin) offers a sanctuary to crimi- Hispanic traditions of blood ritunals on the lam in exchange for a als... This film is a trip to the percentage of their ill-gotten underworld. Our heroes leave the games. The key? Can they slip the normal world the minute they trap the police are setting and get cross the border and as they roll o the rendezvous point to meet on, they approach the gates of

tion in the story was the Titty family. From far away, the night Scott (Ernest Liu), on a road trip club resembles the Mayan ruin at Uxmal, old and weather beaten, glowing in the dusk light. Its intekidnap the Fullers and high-tail it first glimpse but as events unfold,

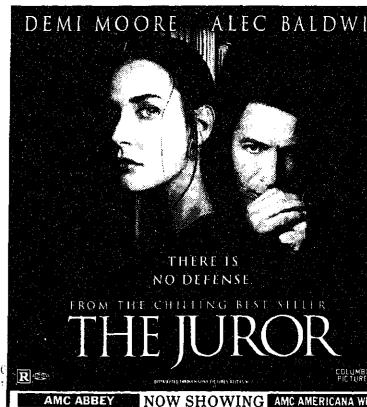
adds. "We also introduced the elements of border style into the layers and layers of detail in the bar. the Rio Grande. The clientele, even the huge snake sculptures are velthe ultra-cool Gecko Brothers find vet paintings, fluorescent lights, unnerving. The place is open from and odd remnants from the vehidusk till dawn and the Geckos cles of the countless truckers and arrive, Fullers in tow, ready to bikers who have passed through

Tarantino sums it up: "This place has been a sacred altar for these creatures for hundreds and of them got the bright idea to build a sleazy topless bar on top of the establishment have a taste for temple and lure all these nomadic blood - in the vampire sense. truckers and bikers to the middle Kleenex is a must. "Mr. Holland's finds out his wife, Nina splayed by What follows makes the Gecko of nowhere. Then we'll do our ritu-Opus" is definitely a feel-good, Diane Keaton) is also expecting a Brothers look like choirboys — al dances and they'll be hootin' and now everyone will be counting and hollerin' until we eat them!' Of course, George goes nuts. He on the baddest boys in America to This is not your classic horror mmediately dyes his hair, sells his step up to the mat and save the film. This is not Bram Stoker's

"From Dusk Till Dawn" is a "I loved the idea of exploring Band Apart in association with Los But then something even worse Mexican vampire mythology in a Hooligans Productions and based







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INTO ALTERNATIVE MUSIC SWF, 18, 5'9', blond/brown hair, green eyes, enjoys car racing, pool, hockey, animals seeking carling SWM, 18-23, adventurous, for friendship or relationship. Ad#.1312

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SIMILAR INTERESTS? SWF. 20, 57°, 156/bs., clark hair, blue eyes, likes N/S, non-drinker, church active, plays guitar, travel, pool, hockey, concerts, music, parties, piano, loves teady bears, seeks Born-Again, easy-



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DW mom, 42, physically/emotionally fit, three chil-A GOOD LISTENER dren, enjoys dancing, music, outdoor sports, the SWF, 25, sensitive, open-minded, enjoys reading. theater, all kinds of things, seeks SM, with slmila intelligent conversation, romantic moments Interests, Adt.8989 nature, seeks open, honest, very outgoing SM, for AVERAGE NICE GUY? possible relationship. Ad#.1223 DWF, 42, average looks/weight, professional,

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FRIENDS FIRST Ina, and possible relationship. Ad#.3232

LIVES IN BRIGHTON SWF, 46, 5'5", N/S, non-drinker, no kids. loves the SWF, 35, attractive, honest, affectionate, active, outdoors, seeking gentleman, N/S, non-drinker, likes nature, church, music, concerts, hiking, seekfriendship first. Ad#, 1036

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9B THURSDAY February 8,

Cagers end streak by beating Lions

The hardest thing in the world for a team can be ending a losing and hung on. It was a

After dropping three or four in a big win. row everything seems to snowball. Breaks go the other way and teams always make the clutch shot against you. Generally speaking, whatever can go wrong usually does.

Novi High broke its four game skid Friday 48-38 at South Lyon by making their own breaks and Kensington Valley Conference and a few clutch free throws. Brian 7-7 overall. The Wildcats host Cody and Kyle Kearney combined Class B Richmond this Saturday to sink 10 of 11 from the charity at 3 p.m. stripe in the final minutes and preserve the Wildcats' first win in

"We kept our composure and hung on," coach Pat Schluter said. "It was a big win." Novi led the entire game and

were up 33-20 going into the fourth quarter. But South Lyon started bombing away and sank three threepointers early in the frame. "They made a little run and got

to within six," said Schluter. The Wildcats recovered after the barrage and held South Lyon at bay until late. Cody and Kearney, Novi's back court starters, pointers. then took over with their excellent free throw shooting.

"It gave our kids some confidence." Schluter said of the win. Besides the duo's free throws. the Wildcats had to keep their composure up. Schluter told the team not to get down, either. "I told them you have to play

with confidence," he commented,

"you have to be a little cocky." Novi certainly played with a bit of swagger in the first half. The Wildcats held an 8-5 lead free throws killed Novi. The Wildcommanding 24-11 lead by halftime. Cody led the charge with eight points in the frame, including a pair of three-pointers. He finished with 21 in the game to lead Novi. Kearney, who start-

ed for the injured Sean Kramer, had 16. "He's playing very well," Schluter said.

Junko Matsunaga sets up a teammate for a spike shot.



PAT SCHLUTER

Novi basketball coach

HARTLAND 65, NOVI 62

The Wildcats just about snapped the losing streak Jan. 30 at Hartland. But Aaron Daniels put the Eagles on his back and led them to victory.

Novi improved to 5-3 in the

"We kept our composure

Novi led by five with about midway through the fourth quarter. Daniels hit three consecutive three-pointers to give Hartland the lead for good.

He finished with a game-high 28 points, including seven three-

"We were right in his face," Schluter said. "He just threw them up. It was unbelievable."

Daniels' heroics erased a nice comeback by Novi. The Wildcats trailed 32-29 at halftime, but outscored the home team 18-10 in the third quarter to take a fivepoint lead in the fourth.

after one quarter. Novi then built—cats made just 22 of 36 in the "It was the only thing we didn't

do well." Schluter said. "If we

Besides Daniels' effort, missed

make them, we win." Chad Dicken, a senior, played a strong game for the Wildcats with 18 points. Cody and Kearney Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Spikers grab 2nd tourney championship

Like every other Novi High team, the volleyball squad carries Rantlovich 10. the nickname of "Wildcats." But perhaps that should be

changed. The Green Tide might be more appropriate because like the ocean, Novi just keeps rolling over opponents. The "Tide" washed over six schools Saturday to win the pools of five.

Northville Invitational. It was Novi's second tournament win this season. "It was a great victory for us." coach Julie Fisette said. "We're 18-1 now. The Tide, ah, Wildcats faced

final. Fisette said her team was two. ready for a tough match. excellent defensive players and

bit the ball well." It didn't turn out to be as tough her team won in two games. Harrison actually led 13-6 in

game one. The Wildcats started off playing a little tentative and didn't communicate well, Fisette Novi finally got going before it

blocking led the comeback. Renee Suenkonis, Sarah McGlinnen, Julie Britton and NOVI DEF. HOWELL Katie Copp each collected solo blocks as Novi railied. Ursula Place put her team over the top by serving for the final three points of a 15-13 win.

whacats once we got our conn dence going," Fisette said. That confidence carried over to away, 15-2. "It was 7-1 before I blinked," Fisette said. "We came out very

aggressive. After surrendering the lead in game one. Harrison clearly wasn't game one.

the same team, she added. For the match. Place finished with eight kills and Amber

"Every single one of my girls played good," Fisette said of the tournament. "They all had a good A total of 10 schools participat-

ed in the Northville tournament. Teams were divided up into two The Wildcats, obviously, came out of their pool in first place. Novi lost only one of eight games in the four matches.

Dearborn Edsel Ford was Novi's first opponent of the day. The Wildcats lost the opener 15-5 Farmington Hills Harrison in the then took a 15-2 victory in game

That opening loss was more a "Farmington Hills is always matter of Novi not playing up to excellent," she added. "They have its capabilities than Edsel Ford winning it, Fisette said. Novi didn't lose another game.

The Wildcats bounced Redford a match as the coach thought as Union in round two by scores of 15-4 and 16-14. The Panthers played well in game two, Fisette

 Place had a good match against Redford Union with 11 kills. Novi beat Walled Lake Western 15-8, 15-5 in round three. Pool was too late. Some excellent play was closed with a pair of wins over Ann Arbor Huron.

The Wildcats from their loss to Brighton the the week before by beating Howell Jan. 29 on the

Harrison couldn't stop the It was actually a pretty easy games 15-8, 15-9. "Howell has always been very game two as Novi won going competitive," Fisette said. "I was

> surprised.' For the match, Britton had seven kills and Place had eight. Junko Matsunaga also played well and served for 10 points in

each added 13. Tankers compete at county meet, fall to Dexter in dual

Sometimes in life you don't score points for mak-

music, dancing, dining out, long walks, movies, Novi High's efforts in the Oakland County swim meet Saturday is a perfect example. While each of SWM, 44, 6'1", blonde hair, blue eyes, never marthe Wildcat relays improved, it wasn't quite good enough to place at the county showdown.

It didn't seem to bother coach Bill McCord too "They all swam well," he said. "We had season bests in two out of three relays and were close in the

Erich Kelly was the only Wildcat to score Saturday at Royal Oak Dondero. He finished sixth in the 200vard IM with a time of 2:04.1.

The county meet is akin to the state meet. Swim-

qualifying time. Novi qualified for four events at Oakland County,

The 200-yard medley relay team of Andrew and Erich Kelly, Henry Newton and Jason LeRoy swam a 1:51.12, a season best. In the 200 freestyle relay, Novi posted a time of 1:37,07 with the team of Erich and Andrew Kelly, Brian LeRoy and Tim Kushman. That just missed

swam a 3:32.34 in the 400-yard freestyle relay to closet the day. It was an improvement of better than

DEXTER 110, NOVI 76 The Wildcats fell to 4-2 on the season by falling to Dexter Jan. 30 on the road.

"We got thumped," McCord said. "I was really impressed with them. They have a handful of good kids, but have added some depth (since last year)." Dexter dominated from start to finish. The Wildcats, in fact, won just one event. The team of Mike Diclaudio, Mike Girard, Kush-

man and Mike Kurtti placed second in the 200-yard medley relay in 1:56.87. Dan Lynch was third in the 200-yard freestyle in 1:58.28. In the 200-yard IM, Erich Kelly swam a great time but finished second. Dexter's Adam Messner won the race in 2:03.17.

Kushman had Novi's top finish in the 50-yard

freestyle by taking second in 24.57. Sophomore Mike Alberty got Novi's lone win of the evening. He had the high score in diving with 196.4 points,

a career best. Jason Zonca was fourth with 145.1 In the 100-yard butterfly, Newton was second in 1:01.57 and Kushman third in 1:03.2. Erich Kelly placed second in the 100-yard free style in 51.02. Lynch swam a 500-yard freestyle time of 5:20.6 for third place. Brian and Jason LeRoy, Lynch and Kushman took second in the 200-yard freestyle

relay in 1:39.19. In the 100-yard backstroke, Andrew Kelly was of 2:03.17, which qualified him for the state meet, second in 1:04.35. Girard finished third in the 100 breaststroke in 1:12.10, a career best for him. Novi finished second in the 400-yard freestyle relay in 3:38.8.



College career in Kelly's plans

every team should have. smoothly.

Bill McCord said. "Sometimes too swam with a second USS team,

'I'm a pretty hard worker." Erich Kelly says he wants to continue his swimming career in college. He isn't sure where he'll attend school in the fall. for taking care of business.

"I became a good IMer in high school," he said. It's not an easy event. There's 50-yards of every And, in all likelihood, the Wild- stroke, freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly. That's

not even to mention the seven

"When it comes down to it." he

said, "he does what he has to do

to be prepared. He's a mature

Getting to where Kelly is - a

He began swimming at age 7

with his brothers Shawn and

Andrew. Soon afterwards, Kelly

Erich specialized in the back-

stroke in his early days of compe-

tition. When he got to the high

school, though, he developed a

fondness for the individual med-

the Novi/Livonia Spartans.

"It's different than just swimming one stroke," Kelly said. "It's

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three relays and Kelly in the IM.

eclipsing their best time of the year. Erich Kelly, Newton, Brian LeRoy and Kushman three seconds.

"We finished really strong," said McCord.

Erich Kelly is the kind of guy

Not because he's a great athlete, which he is. But because he three-time state meet qualifier keeps things fun for his team- didn't come without a lot of hard mates and himself. On Novi work. High's swim team, Kelly is the oil that keeps all the parts running "He keeps things loose," coach joined the Novi Bobcats. Later he

"There's no pretension in the kid. He won't be anything but Erich." While Kelly isn't the Wildcats' captain, he's definitely their lead-

Behind the senior's excellence in events like the 200-yard IM, backstroke and relays, Novi has compiled a 4-2 record this winter. cats will win another Kensington Valley Conference title.

"I try to do my best and win as turns swimmers must make in many races as I can to score the 200 yards. points for my team," said Kelly. His coach agreed. McCord said more challenging." Photo by HAL GOULD & Kelly seems to have an instinct

SCOREBOARD

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Sports Shorts

Jaguars

The Novi Jaguars girls '83 soccer team played a great game against the Livonia Rebels on Sunday Feb. 5, but were only able to take it to a 4-4 tie. Karrie Smith scored two goals for Novi, while Christina Cypher and Melissa Clark each added one. The week before, the team went down to defeat to South Lyon 6-2 with Anna Habash scoring twice for Novi.

Novi Youth Baseball

Novi Youth Baseball player registration will take place on Feb. 21 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Feb. 24 from noon to 3 p.m.; and Feb. 28 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Registration will be held at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, All players 7-18-years of age are eligible. Players must be 7-years-old by July 31, 1996. Proof of age in the form of a birth certificate must be shown to register a player. If openings are available, late registration will be accepted along with a \$5 late fee after Feb. 28 at the Novi Parks and Recreation office. Late registration ends on Friday, March 22, at 4 p.m. For additional information, call Barb Herbst at 349; 5669 or Tim May at (810) 348-4418.

Coaching vacancy

Novi Community Schools currently has positions open in varsity and junior varsity baseball. Interested applicants should call John Funduklan, director of athletics, for application procedure at (810) 449-

Baseball

The North Farmington/West Bloomfield Michigan Cobras all 15-yearold travel baseball team will be conducting tryouts. The 1994 and 1995 state champion Cobras are seeking talented, motivated and team-oriented players for the 1996 season. For those who are interested, contact Bob Sopo at (810) 661-6276 or David Gad-Harf at (810) 788-0827.

Motorsports Hall of Fame

The Motorsports Hall of Fame and Museum is seeking volunteers to serve as museum guides and to staff the gift shop. Volunteers select dates and times convenient to their schedule. Training sessions are conducted monthly. If you like racing, you'll love the Motorsports Hall of Fame. Students needing community service hours and retirees are welcome. For more information write or call Barb Flis, coordinator of volunteer activities, Motor Sports Hall of Fame, Novi Expo Center, P.O. Box. 194, Novi, Ml, 48376-0194, or call (810) 349-RACE.

The hall features racing vehicles of all types, covering a 90-year time span. Highlights include a 1965 Novi Indy Special, 1903 Packard Grey Wolf, Art Arfons' first jet-powered "Green Monster," and much more.

TRACKIN' THE 'CATS

The spikers are at home today against South Lyon at 7 p.m. On Saturday, the Wildcats will travel to Walled Lake to compete in the Western High invitational.

Basketball Novi hosts Richmond at 3 p.m. Saturday.

Wrestling

The Wildcats compete in the Kensington Valley Conference meet Saturday at Milford.

Swimming

The tankers are at Fenton today at 6 p.m. and Tuesday will host Pinckney at 7 p.m.

Gymnastics

The combined team is at Canton Monday at 7p.m.

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suits his swimmer. While Kelly 6,000 to 10,000 yards in practice. doesn't have blazing speed that a The idea is to build up their top 50-yard freestyler has, he does endurance and then taper yardage have strength, endurance and down near the end of the year for enough quickness to beat most of peak time performances. In order to place at the state meet, Kelly believes he'll have to chop any-"His athleticism (suits) the IM," said McCord. The event is made where from three to six seconds off

Kelly proved that point last "I think that's completely realistic and attainable," McCord said. He qualified for the state meet in The key will be how well the taperthe 200-IM against Dexter on Jan. ing process goes, he added. Kelly competed at the state meet

a career best mark. Considering the time of year, that's saying something.

30 by swimming a 2:03.17. It was in the event last year, but didn't fare well. Novi is in the middle of its most time," the senior said.

"That won't happen this year," grueling training right now. Swim-McCord said it's an event that mers are logging anywhere from McCord added. "I believe he can

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For many high school athletes, the state meet is the end of the competitive road. But Kelly is looking beyond to a college career. "I want to swim my first year of

McCord said Kelly will probably be an even better college swimmer. He'll be able to swim longer distances, such as the 400-yard IM instead of 200 yards, which should play to his strengths.

"I think any college coach who knows his story (will think) he's a "I'll be better prepared this great college prospect," McCord



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Grapplers garner pair of KVC wins

By SCOTT DANIEL

It's taken a lot of sweat equity, a lot of dedication and even more heart, but the Wildcat wrestling team has finally earned something t hasn't had in a long time: meet.

Wins over South Lyon and Milford Friday at Howell proved once and for all Novi High is a force to be reckoned with this winter.

"It's been a good year so far." coach Brad Huss said, "We'd like to have a good day at the KVC

League members meet Saturday at Milford to crown a Kensington Valley Conference champion. The Wildcats sit in third place at 4-2 enough cushlon to absorb the setgoing into the tournament. Hartland leads the league at 5-0-1 and Howell is second at 4-1-1.

driver's seat for a KVC title. "But we still could win it, in 14 individual brackets. The key Hill at 5:15.

will be to earn points at each weight division. Huss said. "Everyone has to score," he If attitude counts for anything

so difficult. "The kids have done a good job of staying motivated," Huss said. They know what's at stake and seem to understand that they have

As for Friday's matches, which concluded Novi's KVC dual meet season, the Wildcats beat South lost only twice all year, pinned Lyon 42-27. That may sound like a blow out, but it wasn't.

"It's been a good year so far. We'd like to have a good day at the KVC

Novi swimming coach

es and still had a chance to lose," said Huss.

Novi won the match at the lower weight divisions. The Wildcats were pinned at 189 pounds, 215 and heavyweight, but had build up

"They're not too strong at the lower weights from 103 to 119." Huss admits the Eagles are in the said Huss. But they can make up a lot of ground with the last three or four weight classes." Ryan Christensen got Novi off on

Saturday's tournament is set up the right foot. He pinned Justin "He's come a long way," Huss

John Harris scored a 5-0 win over Brian Watson at 112 pounds. Chris Christoff followed with a pin earning those points shouldn't be of Derrick Colunga in 4:22 at 119

> At 125, Doug Lee was pinned by South Lyon's Kyle Ellis, Lenny Christoff stopped Steve Yukanis in 1:00 at 130 pounds. Take Watanabe faced a

Brown in 4:51. "Taka wasn't going to be denied Simon pinned Tom Guerin in 3:05

"We beat them in 9 of 14 match- in that match," Huss said. "The (145). Gymnasts place

nastics squad from a victory at the Canton Invitational Saturday.

for third place with 141.2. A strong all-around performance by several gymnasts led the com-

bined team to its outstanding Erica Winn placed fourth in allaround competition by scoring

36.35. Stacey Williamson was elghth at 35.6 points. bined team's best event. Nicole Pelletier placed second overall with a 9.3. Winn was fourth at 9.25 and Williamson took eighth at 9.1. Gina Spinazze scored an 8.85.

performance on the uneven bars at 9.0. Northville/Novi's other top

A fraction of a point was all that scores were Williamson at 8.85. separated the Northville/Novi gym- Danean Pazdan an 8.75 and Spinazze an 8.6.

On the balance beam, Winn led The Mustangs scored 141.5 the combined team with an 8.95 points in the prestigious meet. and was fourth overall. Williamson Rochester Adams won the invita- was fifth with an 8.9 while Pazdan tional with 141.95 points. Canton had an 8.3 and Pelletier an 8.15. finished a shade behind Northville Winn finished strong with a 9.15 in the floor exercise. She took fifth Williamson had an 8.75 and Pelletier an 8.5.

MUSTANGS 136.85, NORTH **FARMINGTON 111.25**

The combined team kept its dual meet record perfect on Jan. 31 by trouncing the Raiders on the road. Northville/Novi swept the top three spots in every event except the balance beam. The Raiders managed a third in that event.

Winn won the vaulting competition with a 9.2. Spinazze was sec-Winn came back with a good ond at 8.65 and Pazdan third at 8.5. Dana Ghedotte had an 8.25 for Northville/Novi's fourth score.

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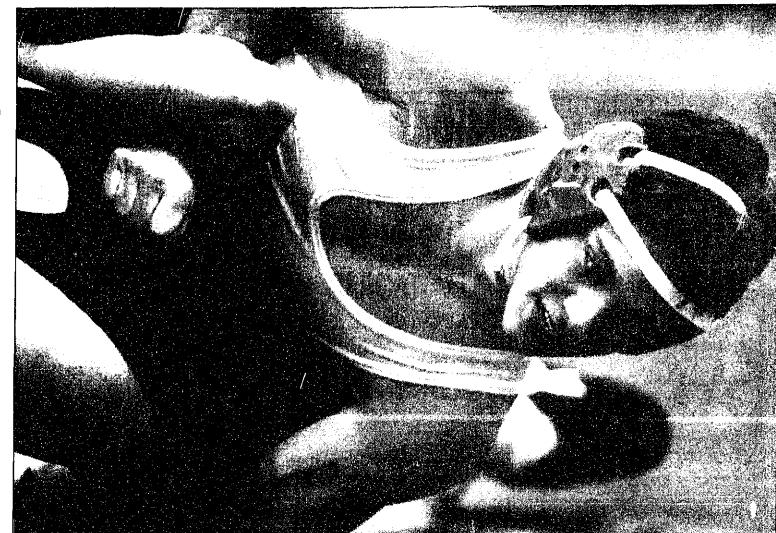


Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Lenny Christoff won his 130-pound match against South Lyon last week. formidable rival at 135 in Jason kid did everything right and still Brown. But the junior, who has got pinned."

At 152 pounds, Josh Hadley lost—a pin at 171 pounds. a 7-6 decision to Brad Kalis. Skip Garrett Barrons won a 3-0 deci- Becker, meanwhile, beat Brad Baision over Dale Maskill (140). Nick ley 7-2 at 160 pounds.

The Wildcats moved on to smash Milford 51-27. The Redskins have several excel-Shawn Bruner was Novi's last lent wrestlers, Huss said. But, winner of the match. He garnered overall, Milford is "a little down."

Wildcat winners included:Christensen (103), Chris Christoff (125), Watanabe (135), Barrons (140), Simon (145) and Kyle Bailey at heavyweight, Milford forfeited at 152, 160 and 171 pounds.

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THURSDAY February 8,

Think before you shovel

By SANFORD VIEDER Special Writer

As an emergency room physician at Botsford General Hospital, I treat the whole gamut of winterrelated injuries.

Some of these injuries, however, could have been prevented by keeping in mind one important message. Your exercise tolerance is lower in cold weather, especially if you have an already weakened cardiovascular system.

So unless you are an athlete-intraining for the Olympics you might want to think twice before participating in Michigan's winter triathlon: snow shoveling, car pushing and the three-meter slipand-fall.

Consider an activity such as snow shoveling. Snow shoveling can actually be as grueling as an hour-long aerobic workout. Because of the tremendous demands placed on the heart and lungs, consult a physician about your risks just as you would before beginning any exercise program.

Prior to shoveling, warm up with arm, leg and lower back stretches to prevent injuries and muscle pulls. And, if you have asthma, use your inhaler ahead of time to help prevent an attack. Monitor your physical responses and take things slowly. You don't have to cross the finish line before your neighbors, especially if faced with clearing a driveway of wet, heavy snow.

In addition to shoveling, another athletic event in which Michiganders excel is the sport of pushing cars out of snow banks. Before helping our neighbor dislodge his car, however, ask yourself the question: "Would I try lifting 2,000-3,000 pounds of weights at the gym?" Probably not.

Common injuries sustained from pushing cars include back strain, heart attacks and broken arms and wrists. Projectile rocks and other debris from spinning car tires have also resulted in injuries to the eyes and skin.

Even the most physically fit and agile of individuals have participated in the ungraceful ice sport known as the slip-and-fall. The event, which commonly results in broken bones or dislocated shoulders, can be prevented by wearing boots with deep-tread soles and

walking with small, light steps. You may not realize it, but while clothes and protect your extremi-



File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL Bob Glowacki demonstrates the smart way fashioned way can cause physical problems

triathlon you may also be putting yourself at risk for frostbite. As the wind chill and temperature drop, so should your exposure time.

Frostbite most readily occurs as moisture evaporates from skin, so even if you perspire, don't remove clothing that would expose your skin to the wind. Wear layers of

simple blood test.

participating in Michigan's winter ties by wearing a hat, mittens and well-fitting waterproof/water-resistant boots.

> In these remaining weeks of winter, be aware of the season's perils and heed your physical limitations - even if it means watching some of these popular Michigan winter sports from the sidelines.

A Novi resident, Sanford Vieder.

sor of medicine at Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine and also oversees EMS training as AED director for local fire departments. Breast cancer linked to defective genes

lies that carry this gene, half of the women have dren or teenagers, for example - it is, in the end, a personal decision.

options at this time. It may, however, be useful and a sister all struggle with the disease. Before this discovery, it was impossible to in making personal plans or choices. A negative result is a relief for an individual who belongs determine whether an individual had inherited to a family with a known mutation. But this the defective gene. Today, genetic testing is becoming available through cancer centers person still faces an average risk of developing such as that at University of Michigan to allow breast cancer (one in nine women in the Untied States are affected) and should follow breast people to find out if they carry the gene and if it self-exam and mammography recommendaexists in their family. The procedure involves a If the gene is found, this information is useful

If members of your immediate family have had breast cancer, it would be wise to talk with a breast cancer specialist. Even if you decide against genetic testing, your doctor can recommend increased screening and help you reduce other risk factors.

For information about counseling and genetic testing for breast cancer, call the U-M Cancer AnswerLine at)1-800) 865-1125.

Sofia Merajver, M.D., Ph.D., is an assistant professor of internal medicine and the director of the High-Risk Breast Cancer Clinic, the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center.

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Sofia Merajver

know that between 8 and 15 percent of the nearly 200,000 cases of breast cancer diagnosed each year in this country are caused by one of two defective genes passed from parent to child. These genes, called

Scientists now

BRCA 1 and BRCA 2 (BReast CAncer), were identified in the last two years after an

intensive international search in which researchers at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center took part. While it's been known for more than 1,000 years that breast cancer may run in families, this discovery makes the genetic link certain and will be useful to identify and better treat people who carry the gene.

Women who inherit a defective version of one of these genes are at a very high risk - perhaps 80 percent to 90 percent - for developing breast or ovarian cancer. They also tend to develop it at a younger-than-average age. In many fami-

help prevent cancer. Some women who have learned they carry a defective copy of one of these genes and may have watched a relative die of the disease have even opted to have their healthy breast tissue removed. But this approach is controversial and may not eliminate the risk of breast cancer.

been affected by cancer. Many young women in

such families have seen their mother, an aunt

in recommending stepped-up cancer screening

and lifestyle changes to reduce other risk factors. Researchers are currently studying new

screening methods, looking at the effects of diet

and exercise and looking into drugs that may

Clearly, genetic testing for cancer susceptibility is a difficult decision. Although guidelines

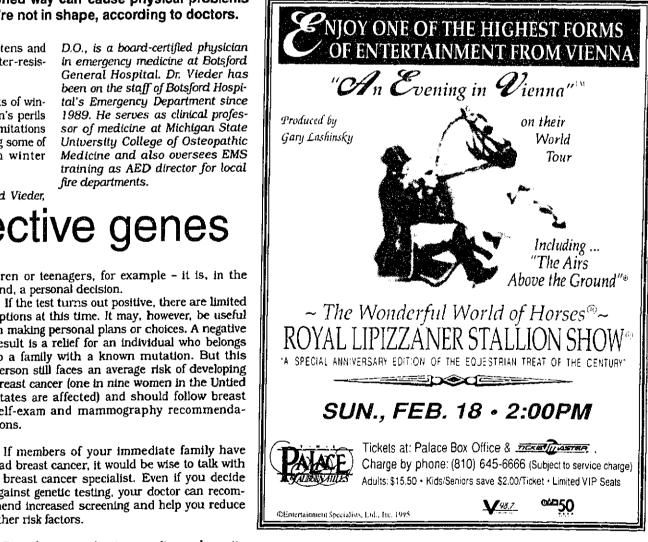
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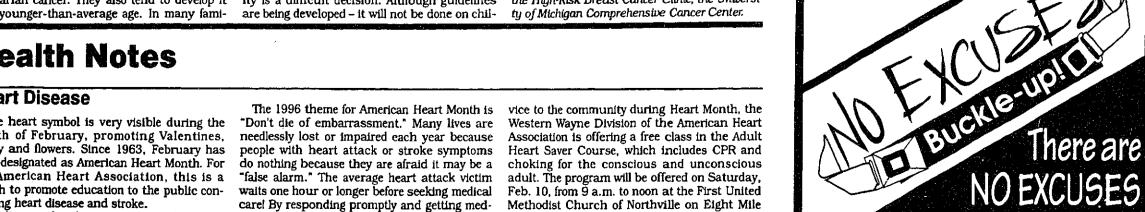
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ical help immediately, chances of survival and

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Health Notes Heart Disease

The heart symbol is very visible during the month of February, promoting Valentines, candy and flowers. Since 1963, February has been designated as American Heart Month. For the American Heart Association, this is a month to promote education to the public concerning heart disease and stroke.

Cardiovascular disease remains the No. 1 cause of death in the U.S. and in Michigan. It produces an economic burden that is estimated to cost the state of Michigan \$4.76 billion a vear. Nearly one of every two deaths in western Wayne County bristles from heart disease or