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Sinai plans hospital for City of Novi

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Long known as a place for shoppers from all over to hit the malls, Novi in the not-so-distant future will also offer an abundance of opportunities to shop around for doctors.

Providence Park, now the leading medical center in Novi, will soon have a challenger in Sinai Hospital, which plans to open as early as fall 1997 a major health care complex at the southeast corner of Meadowbrook and Twelve Mile roads, close to the Haggerty Connector.

Sinai's ultimate goal is to build a 300-bed hospital at the 40-acre property, although the now-vacant site will be developed in four phases. Among the initial services to be offered by Sinai is what is billed as the mid-west's first inflammatory bowel disease center.

Sinai Hospital submitted the first preliminary site plan in Jan-

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Steven Cohen
Planning Aide

uary to Novi's Community Development Department, with additions turned in on Feb. 9. No date for a review by the planning commission has been set. Meanwhile, city consultants are evaluating the project.

"It'll be similar in size to Providence. It's going to be great. It's going to take a couple of months to get this right," Planning Aide Steve Cohen said.

As indicated in a community impact statement submitted to Novi in January, Sinai would like to begin building in fall 1996. In

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Photo by SUE SPILLANE

Holly enjoys a little attention from Nicki Kasten and Russ Karr after trip to the dumpster.

Holly's big adventure

Missing pup found in dumpster far from home

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Perhaps Nicki Kasten's black Labrador puppy is a metaphor for marriage: expect surprises along the way.

Since the Novi woman received Holly, wearing a red rose and an engagement ring, on Christmas Day from her boyfriend, Russ Karr, the puppy has been tagged as a "miracle dog."

"This dog has nine lives," explained Kasten.

The reason: the 12-week-old lab has seen several adventures in its short life.

First, Karr picked up the wrong puppy from the breeder in Oxford and had to exchange it for the real thing.

Then, two days after Christmas Kasten's sister, Jenny, found the puppy had caught her collar on

the cage and hung herself. Jenny called the veterinarian who gave her CPR instructions over the phone.

"She gave Holly CPR through the nose," said Kasten. "She cannot believe she did this."

A week later the puppy was coughing and gagging for several hours. Fearing it was choking Kasten watched the puppy spit up a quarter. A week after that it almost choked on a rawhide bone.

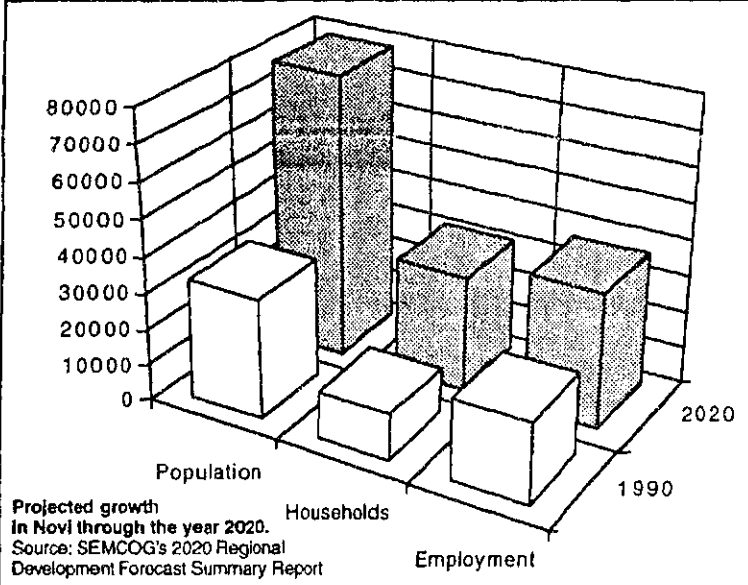
But none of these incidents can outdo the adventure Holly took the weekend of Jan. 27.

Kasten and Karr's puppy mysteriously disappeared that Saturday.

Karr's roommate had let the dog out into the front yard. However, the puppy didn't appear back at the door within minutes as usual. Fifteen minutes went

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Novi's Coming Boom



SEMCOG forecasts job growth in Novi

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Countering local concerns that Novi is on its way to becoming a bedroom community, the number of jobs available here is expected to zoom by 67 percent over the next 24 years, according to a Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) study.

In the year 2020, Novi is anticipated to rank second of the ten top growing communities in the region and ninth in the ten top job-providing municipalities.

Still, growth in the residential category is tagged at a higher rate than growth in businesses. Twenty years into the next century, the projections are that the city will have 78,514 residents - almost 4,000 more than Farmington Hills has today. That's a staggering 137 percent increase.

The number of jobs available in 2020 will surpass the city's entire 1990 population of 33,148, the statisticians say. Employment opportunities in Novi, measured

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Middle School: Comfortable by design

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

With 1,100 students, a middle school could feel a little overwhelming for its students.

That's why architects and school representatives are designing the new Novi Middle School to open in 1998 with a homier feel.

"We're trying to design the academic areas into neighborhoods and homes so an 1,100 student middle school doesn't feel impersonal to the students in it," explained Michael Hall, the architect at Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. in Williamston.

Teachers, architects and school officials meet continuously and with the aid of a com-

puter design program create a school with an identity all its own.

"It's a lot of fun," said Hall. "The advantage is when the teachers move into the building they know what they are getting. We use the interactive program so we can better understand what the teachers need and like."

The basic concept is a neighborhood group of four-room pods will work together on a close knit basis. Included in the pod would be math, science, language arts, social studies and a science lab. The walls would open up should teachers want to share speakers or work together.

The pods would be paired in certain seg-

ments of the schools. Eight teachers would serve 200 students, according to Hall.

The middle school will have two entrances, one for busses and one for parking. Students will have easy outside access from the cafeteria and the school will have an auditorium.

Also, an athletic wing will hold two gymnasiums and allow for access out into the nearby athletic fields.

A courtyard within the school will allow natural light into inside rooms and there may be access into it from the classroom.

Middle School Principal Milan Obrenovich

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Novi cops 'get wired' with county

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Looking like something out of a computer game, Sgt. Herb Harbin of the Novi Police Department sits down at the computer screen, adjusts the camera and smiles.

Once connected, he greets Oakland County prosecutors with a "good morning" and proceeds to debate the merits of a warrant for arrest.

The whole process takes hours less than it did just months ago when a detective would have had to get in the car, brave the traffic on Telegraph Road to Pontiac and wait in line for hours to get an arrest warrant.

"It did not allow detectives any time to do anything else but just sit there," said Harbin. "Our big

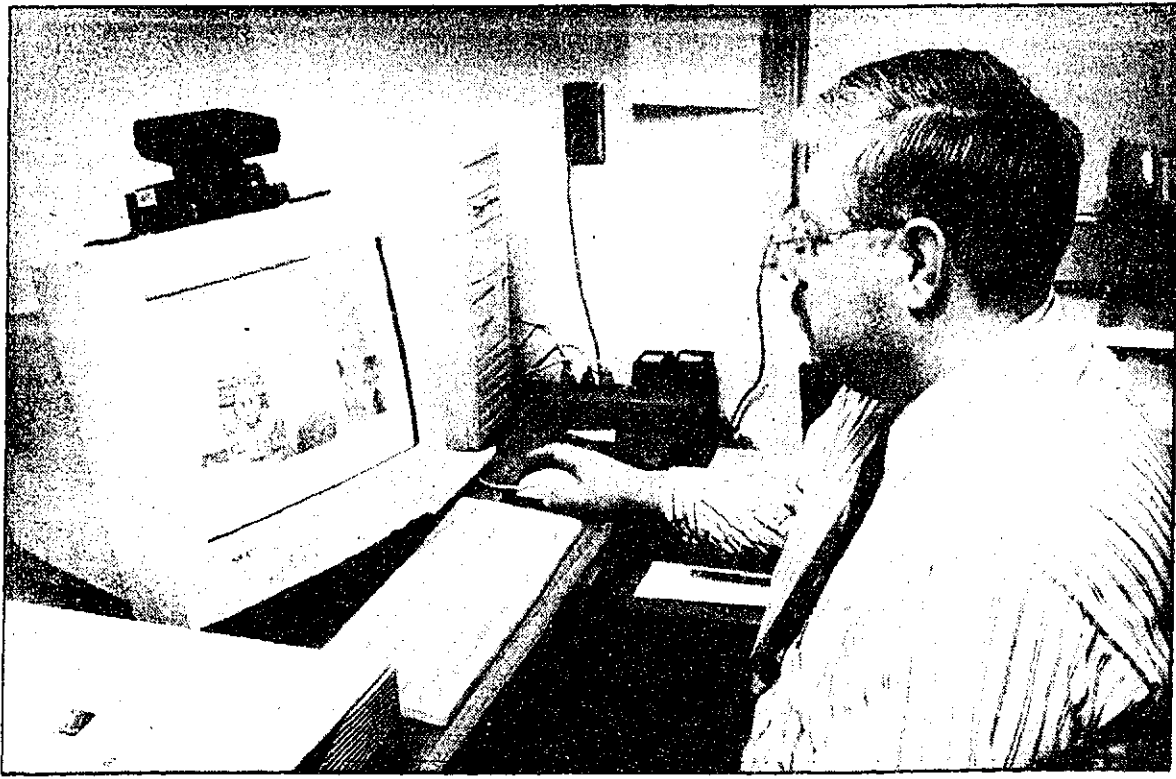


Photo by HAL GOULD

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Community Calendar

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

Thursday, February 15

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

Saturday, February 17

Valentine Dance and Dinner

The Walled Lake Eagle Auxiliary, 1721 Glenway (corner of Bernstein and Glenway), is having a Sweetheart Dance and spaghetti dinner. Dinner is from 7-8 p.m. followed by the dance from 8 p.m. midnight featuring Danny James Live Band. There will be a cash bar and door prizes. Admission is \$10. The public is welcome. For additional information, call 624-7933.

Coffee House

Another Way Pregnancy Center is sponsoring a "Coffee House" at Faith Covenant Church in Farmington Hills, located at the southwest corner of Fourteen Mile and Drake roads, from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Six local Christian musicians will entertain and hot beverages and sweets will be served. The cost is \$5 in advance and \$7.50 at the door. Tickets are available by calling Julie at 471-5858.

Monday, February 19

Cholesterol Screening

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

Arts Council

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

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Aquatics Facility Study Commission

The Aquatics Facility Study Commission meets at 7 p.m. at Novi City Hall.

TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Meadows Clubhouse on Napier Road. For more information, call after 6 p.m. (810) 344-2167.

Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters

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

Novi Meadows PTO

The Novi Meadows Parent Teachers Organization meets at 7:30 p.m. in the school's Media Center.

Tuesday, February 20

Chamber Luncheon

The Novi Chamber of Commerce will hold its general membership luncheon at Timber's Seafood Grille, 40360 Grand River. Cash bar is at 11:30 a.m., lunch at noon and the program begins at 12:30 p.m. The program will be on Focus Hope and presented by Father Cunningham. Cost is \$15 for members and \$18 for non-members. Advance reservations are required. Call 349-3743 for additional information.

Garden Club

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

CHADD

The Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder of Southwest Oakland County support group meet from 6:45-9 p.m. at Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. The topic is "Camps & Summer Activities" featuring representatives from various camps. For more information, call the hotline at 486-2876.

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.

Chess Club

The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m.

Wednesday, February 21

Baseball Registration

Novi Youth Baseball registration will take place from 5:50-8:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile. All players 7-18 years of age are eligible. Players must be 7 by July 31, 1996. Birth certificates must be shown to register a player. For additional information call Barbara Herbst at 349-5669 or Tim May at 348-4418.

Planning Commission

The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Business Network International

The Farmington Hills chapter of The Business Network International, made up of members from 10 neighboring communities, meets at 7 a.m. at the Tallgate 4-11 Education Center, Twelve Mile at Meadowbrook Road. For chapter information or an invitation to one of the meetings, please call 642-7725.

Thursday, February 22

Board of Education

The Novi Board of Education meets at Village Oaks Elementary School at 7:30 p.m.

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Travelcare offers medical care to the adventurous

By JAN JEFFREYS
Staff Writer

You've got your trip booked, your window seat reserved, your passport in order, you've devoured the guidebook and you're ready for an adventurous trek to a far corner of the world.

Or maybe not. It's a world full of diseases and parasites out there, especially in still developing countries. But it's not difficult to protect yourself, if you do what the doctor orders.

And now there's no need to travel far to find a physician knowledgeable about the more unusual health needs of the world explorer. In August 1994, TravelCare opened its doors at the Providence Medical Center-Providence Park. Director Dr. Vilma Drelichman is a specialist in infectious diseases.

"I'm very excited about it. The goal is to make a safe trip and healthy trip for travelers," Dr. Drelichman said.

"Now that people are traveling, you have to know this. I was just amazed. Particularly the Americans, we travel so much."

An estimated 40 million Americans journey to foreign countries annually, about one half of them to nations with poor sanitation. Locally, Dr. Drelichman finds Peru is the trendy destination. But the clinic's patients include holiday-makers, members of the Peace Corps, business travelers, missionaries and people visiting relatives overseas. Not only do they hope to enjoy their trip in good health, but they want to return without any chronic medical difficulties.

While a typical family doctor's office doesn't stock more exotic vaccines, a long list of immunizations is available at TravelCare, including those for cholera,



Dr. Vilma Drelichman, director of TravelCare.

Japanese Encephalitis, plague, typhoid, Hepatitis A and B and yellow fever. The clinic has access to up-to-the-minute information on health risks around the world, like diphtheria in Russia or last year, plague in India.

The time to get this preventative medicine is about four to six weeks before you travel, Dr. Drelichman said.

"Some vaccines may not be able to be given at some times. You also feel sorry for the patient, to give them six vaccines at one time," she explained.

"I've received cards from people who say I have been healthy because of all your shots. The only problem they have are headaches, because they are climbing the mountain."

Keeping up to date on medical developments and diseases is essential.

Dr. Drelichman had a patient who went to Africa and caught malaria even though he was taking a preventative medication prescribed by his university doctor. The problem was, the medication is no longer recommended because the malaria strain is now immune to it.

"They have to have the right medication. Taking malaria pills is important, but if I also add insect repellent when I walk outside in the dark, I will be protected much more," she said.

TravelCare receives precautions from the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta and another national medical travel service. Also provided are reports on crime and other dangers in faraway places.

Patients are given an official immunization record and a customized health and travel information booklet which details the health risks of each country on their itineraries, as well as general travel advice, such as how to avoid tourist's diarrhea.

Dr. Drelichman focuses on special needs of each traveler, whether a serous health problem develops overseas, patients are urged to telephone Dr. Drelichman. Typically, travelers are usually urged not to accept blood transfusions in a foreign land.

"Once I got a call from Costa Rica. When you are on vacation, you drink. My patient drank and developed a bleeding peptic ulcer and had heart disease. When you have heart disease, you can't take low hemoglobin, it can precipitate a heart attack. He couldn't wait for a transfusion," Dr. Drelichman said.

If a serious health problem develops overseas, patients are urged to telephone Dr. Drelichman. Typically, travelers are usually urged not to accept blood transfusions in a foreign land.

"I had a lady from the Peace Corps who came back with internal parasites. Her mother was very concerned and I reassured her that her daughter was not contagious. Internal parasites in the United States are not a problem because you have the toilet. You flush, no problem," she said.

TravelCare has offices in Troy and Southfield, as well as Novi. For an appointment, call 344-2000.

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AIDS FACTS

Students at Novi High School spent much of last week, designated "AIDS Awareness Week," learning about and discussing the effects and information about Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

The AIDS epidemic began in 1981.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, there have been 441,628 cases of AIDS reported in the United States through Dec. 1994. 270,870 are deaths.

In Michigan, one of the states with a lower number of reported cases, since 1981 there have been 6,803 reported cases of AIDS.

Worldwide there have been 4.5 million cases reported through Feb. of 1995. There have been 3 million deaths.

AIDS is the leading cause of death among Americans ages 25-44.

1 in 250 Americans is infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

Worldwide, women are the fastest-growing group of new HIV infections.

The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates two American women are infected with HIV every minute.

3,000 women worldwide are infected with the virus each day. 500 women die from AIDS each day.

By the year 2000, WHO estimates the cumulative total of HIV infections in men, women and children world-wide will be 30-40 million of the estimated 6 billion people expected to be living in the world that year.

For more information about AIDS:

Call the Teenlink HIV/STD Hotline at 1-800-750-TEEN. The hotline provides teen-to-teen information and referrals. It is confidential and free.

Call the NAMES Project in Michigan at (313) 371-9599.

Call the Oakland County Health Department at (910) 658-5476. The department gives free and confidential HIV/AIDS tests to teens without requiring parental consent.

Getting aware

Novi High students say they want more information on AIDS



Principal Arthur Miller provided support to students during AIDS Awareness Week, shown above giving student Shawn Bruner a pat on the back for signing the banner for the AIDS Quilt.

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL, Staff Writer

It was like sponges to water. The students at Novi High School couldn't get enough information about it. They wanted to know more, learn more, talk about it more.

"The school has all these ones about alcohol. But what about AIDS?" Miller asked. Even Thursday's assembly had some students grumbling. They were frustrated that not all students could be exposed to the information Boccimino had to share.

Because the auditorium is too small, teachers had to sign students up on a first-come, first-served basis.

Betsy Staab, a freshman, wanted to see the school hold two assemblies so all students could go. "So many students get excluded and this is so important," she explained.

But mostly, students said it was about time the issue was addressed in any form.

These students said homophobia and fear on the part of parents and educators inhibit students from seeing films, reading books and learning about all aspects of the disease.

"We can't even see the movie Philadelphia in class because of the homosexuality," said sophomore Matt Venus.

"If parents would educate kids and stop being afraid of it, it would stop the school district from being afraid of it," he explained.

"What are they protecting us from... AIDS or sex?" he asked. Freshman Shannon Rose said, "a lot of people are upset because (teachers) only talk about abstinence and not protection. They should explain about protection."

Jenny Popowicz, a freshman, said most students understand abstinence is "the safest way to go" but still think of themselves as invincible. Teens need to know what the choices are, she and her friends said.

Many of the students said they listened intently to Boccimino because she was truthful and not embarrassed by the topic.

"I think people like her are an inspiration. She shows strength and courage. She's someone willing to share her tragedy to help prevent us from making mistakes," said Venus.

"I know to watch out more now," said freshman Chris Iley. "You've got to be more careful than you would be normally."

"I thought men had a better chance of getting AIDS before I heard her," said Brett Faulkner, also a freshman.

HOW AIDS IS TRANSMITTED

Much research has determined that despite how quickly HIV and AIDS is spreading it is a relatively difficult disease to contract.

According to Tammy Boccimino, a prominent AIDS educator in metro-Detroit, "You can only get the virus three ways." One is through sexual contact. The second is intravenous drug use. The third is unsafe personal hygiene practices, such as sharing razor blades, or unsafe tattooing, or ear piercing. Sharing a toothbrush can spread HIV because of bleeding gums.

HIV is only passed through the exchange of one of only four bodily fluids: breast milk, blood, semen and vaginal fluids. The reason for that is T-cells, the cells HIV attacks, are most heavily concentrated in those fluids. So that's where the virus hangs out.

Saliva, sweat, tears and other fluids cannot transmit the disease because the virus is found in too small of an amount.

It would take a quart of saliva to transfer HIV through kissing, she said. And by the time someone ingested a quart of saliva they would drown.

"I've been kissing my husband for 10 years and he's not infected," Boccimino said.

"This is your life." To which students answered with a standing ovation.

answered himself with a shrug of the shoulders. But despite some of the apathy and joking students said the extra attention focused that week on AIDS will have a positive affect on the school.

"It's kind of sad knowing these people died of AIDS," said Jenny Popowicz, a freshman. "It's an honor to have this."

Other students milled around the panels on the floor or signed a "panel" on the floor with their names.

Unfortunately not everyone was serious and some students had a lot to learn.

"What is it?" asked one teen. "Some kind of AIDS thing I guess," he

AIDS educator tells her story

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL, Staff Writer

"Some students sat quietly sobbing. Others were merely teary-eyed. Others just sat silently and listened.

All the focus was on a tiny, thin woman with beautiful bright eyes, dressed in jeans, a black turtleneck and blazer.

When the lights dimmed and she played the video of a television interview with her son who recently died from AIDS, only her small silhouette blocked part of his smiling face larger than life (aud death) of the mammoth auditorium screen.

When the lights came back on, students sniffled and dried their eyes.

"I love you Michael," she said to the air above the auditorium. "I miss you very much."

The student silence was broken as every pair of hands applauded her courage and her little boy's bravery.

Last week, as part of AIDS Awareness Week at Novi High School, prominent metro-area AIDS activist Tammy Boccimino appeared before student audience so full to their student could find a seat. Students had to sign up on a first come, first serve basis with parental permission.

Not every student was able to hear what the 35-year-old woman

with a cause had to say. But it's a sure thing those students in attendance shared her inspirational story with the others back in class.

"You have to educate yourself and you'll never get this disease," Boccimino said. "You need to change your behavior."

Boccimino told the students the story of her life with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. And she shared with them the story of her son, who was born with the disease.

Boccimino fell in love and married right after high school in 1980. Soon, the 20-year-old boy just wanted to have a family and live happily ever after, discovered her new husband was an intravenous drug user.

"You'll never know they're an IV drug user because they hide it," she explained.

"If you don't care about yourself, care about the children you will have in the future."

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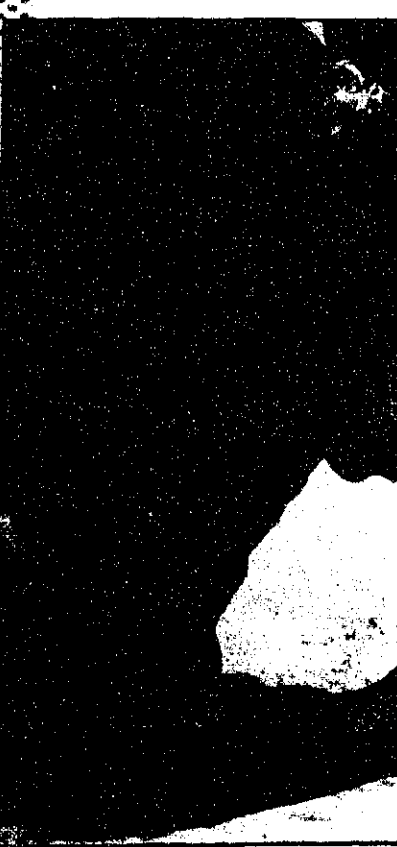
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Sophomore Sarah Hamilton took a minute to sign a banner for the NAMES Project AIDS Quilt shown in Novi last Thursday.

A painful reminder

Novi students view NAMES Project's quilt and think of the victims of AIDS

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL, Staff Writer

It wasn't the normal 12 football fields long, or 36 tons heavy. It wasn't 31,289 panels put together. But it was enough for students at Novi High School to see what the reality of AIDS is all about.

It depresses me every time I see it because so much of human life is on there," explained senior Christine Caldwell.

The school was host to several panes of the AIDS Quilt put together by the NAMES Project, a national organization created in 1987.

The quilt was made in remembrance of those who have died of AIDS. Every day more and more panels are added to it. It is displayed all over the nation to educate, inform and raise funds for AIDS service organizations.

"It makes AIDS a reality in society," said junior, Vicki Sarma. "We feel when you look at it you see the aspects of life in a pane."

invited to visit the quilt Feb. 8 on display in the high school. Video tapes and members of The NAMES Project Foundation were there to answer questions. The quilt was sponsored by the National Honor Society.

"It's working sad many students," "People in school are realizing that AIDS is a reality," said Noreen Hughes, a senior.

Freshman Kim Kocan and a group of friends stared at a panel of the quilt hung on a wall.

"I didn't think that many people had died," she said.

"It's kind of sad knowing these people died of AIDS," said Jenny Popowicz, a freshman. "It's an honor to have this."

Other students milled around the panels on the floor or signed a "panel" on the floor with their names.

Unfortunately not everyone was serious and some students had a lot to learn.

"What is it?" asked one teen. "Some kind of AIDS thing I guess," he

answered himself with a shrug of the shoulders. But despite some of the apathy and joking students said the extra attention focused that week on AIDS will have a positive affect on the school.

"I think a lot of people are going to be talking about it for weeks to come," said freshman Shannon Rose.

The students also agreed they aren't they only people in Novi needing exposure to the AIDS education. Some of them said the quilt should have been placed in the Civic Center, so that more residents could see it.

Amanda May, a freshman said, "The community should be more involved."

The students also said the students at the middle school should have also been included in AIDS Awareness Week.

"You have to start young," explained May.

Shopper reports exhibitionist

A Dearborn woman shopping at T.J. Maxx Jan. 30 was followed then approached by a white male who told her she had nice legs. Feeling nervous she left the store.

A little while later the woman was in her car when she noticed the same man pull up to her in another vehicle and appeared to be masturbating, according to police reports.

The woman described the man as being in his early 30s, with short dark hair and a medium build. He was driving a gray, mid-sized car.

Novi police observed a Wixom man driving his car on the ice of frozen Walled Lake Feb. 4. Police said he was driving the car at a high rate of speed, sending it into a spin and even over the roof while it was moving, then climbed back

his credit card numbers. Police said they called the credit card companies and Ticketmaster and the cards have been canceled.

USED SYRINGES An Orchard Hills subdivision resident called police Jan 19 when he found bottles of drugs and two used syringes on his front lawn.

Police said the drugs were steroids from France and destroyed the drugs and the syringes.

STOLEN Someone shattered the window of a 1987 red Ford vehicle the night of Feb. 6 as it sat parked and locked on Wellington.

Missing from the car was a flip phone, pliers, a CD player and various CDs.

Police with information about the above incidents are urged to call the Novi Police at 348-7100.

FRIDAY, FEB. 9 Fire alarm, 43800 Gen Mar Dr., 7:17 a.m., Engines 1 and 3.

Injury accident, Eight Mile and Garfield, 7:57 a.m., Engine 1, Squad 4.

Fire alarm, 43350 Crescent, 8:48 a.m., Engines 1 and 2.

Medical, Crescent and Town Center, 9:38 a.m., Squad 1.

Medical, Novi Village and West Road, 10:20 a.m., Squad 2.

Medical, 1306 Mariga, 1:56 p.m., Squad 4.

Medical, 45138 Emery, 8:45 p.m., Squad 3.

Investigation, 45255 Byrnes, 11:18 p.m., Engine 3.

SATURDAY, FEB. 10 Medical, Twelve Oaks Mall, 5:01 p.m., Squad 1.

Arcing wires, Ten Mile and Meadowbrook, 10:58 p.m., Engine 3.

SUNDAY, FEB. 11 Medical, 44765 North Hills, 3:08 a.m., Squad 3.

Medical, 39600 Ronayton, 2:32 p.m., Squad 1.

Investigation, 41088 Malott, 3:42 p.m., Engine 3.

Medical, 1321 Mariga, 8:30 p.m., Squad 4.

Police News

When an officer approached him he denied having driven erratically, but then admitted his slowness. Police ticketed him for reckless driving.

Officers pulled over a blue Mercury Lynx after it failed to turn its headlights on after pulling out of the car saw a bag of marijuana and rolling papers in the center of the console.

The officer noticed the passenger struggling to hide something as the car pulled over and when he approached the passenger side of the car saw a bag of marijuana and rolling papers in the center of the console.

The passenger was arrested and the driver ticketed for traffic violations.

CHARGE IT A Novi man called police when he discovered someone was ordering more than \$1,500 worth of tickets from Ticketmaster using

The Log Book

The following is a complete list of the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Department for the week ending Feb. 11. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the engine and squad number which responded to the call.

MONDAY, FEB. 5 Appliance fire, 29774 Carousel, 12:25 a.m., Engine 2.

Medical, 48220 Nine Mile Road, 1:02 a.m., Squad 4.

Fire alarm, 43825 West Oaks Dr., 1:54 a.m., Engines 1 and 2.

Fire alarm, 43825 West Oaks Dr., 3:58 a.m., Engines 1 and 2.

Fire alarm, 41650 Garden Brook, 7:44 a.m., Engines 1 and 3.

Dumpster fire, Springs and Pontiac Trail, 3:58 p.m., Engine 2.

Service, 41630 Ten Mile Road, 5:42 p.m., Engine 1.

Medical, 42023 Chalet, 11:05 p.m., Squad 2.

TUESDAY, FEB. 6 Investigation, 23746 Chipmunk Trail, 6:30 a.m., Engine 3.

Rubbish fire, Laramie and Glenhurst, 8:27 a.m., Engine 4.

Medical, 43700 Expo Center Dr., 12:04 p.m., Squad 1.

THURSDAY, FEB. 8 Investigation, 22306 Pondview, 12:17 a.m., Squad 3.

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Planners silent on Commerce plan

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer

Despite several attempts by local resident Andrew Mutch to stir up interest, the Novi Planning Commission decided to keep its mouth shut concerning a rezoning of development on the Commerce Township and Novi border.

Chairperson Laura Lorenzo and member Arthur Vrettas were the only commissioners to vote Feb. 7 to express concern to Commerce Township. The township was to vote to rezoning the property from an office zone to commercial this week.

Mutch is concerned about possible negative impacts of a proposed development of a United Artists movie theater, a Home Depot Store, a Target and other retail and commercial buildings on a 40-acre parcel of land at the corner of Haggerty Road and Frontenac Mile.

"I don't think the current infrastructure can handle it," said Mutch.

He said the road system in the area won't be good enough to handle the traffic and the Haggerty Connector, to be built nearby, won't be finished for years.

Mutch had brought the issue to the attention of the planning commission back in November. At that time, Brandon Rogers and Rod Arroyo, consultants for Novi said there would be increased traffic, specifically to the Maples of Novi and Beachwalk Apartments.

However, that traffic would be preferable to most retail because a movie theater typically generates traffic at off-peak times, said Arroyo. People go there on evenings and weekends.

"I don't expect you to tell them how to develop," said Mutch. "Just tell them your concerns."

Only Lorenzo and Vrettas agreed with Mutch.

"We need to share with them our concerns and need to work together," said Vrettas, who suggested contacting Commerce Township and expressing concerns in a non-threatening manner.

But most commissioners felt either they had no right to tell other cities what to do, they agreed with the rezoning or didn't feel they had enough time to discuss the issue to make a recommendation to the township.

"We don't know what our feelings are," said member Jacques Hodges. She moved to take no action.

Member Glenn Bonaventura called it hypocritical to make comments on another community. "We have no right to interfere," he said.

But Commissioner Pete Hoedley disagreed. "We have every right to make recommendations to other communities," he said. "It's our duty."

But he also disagreed with Mutch and said the development is not a bad use and is less intensive than an office park. He supports the rezoning effort.

Computerized kiosk draws criticism

By JAN JEFFREYS Staff Writer

Like Los Angeles and Kalamazoo, Novi could become one of the first few communities in the country to install a computerized public information kiosk for its residents which would let them tap into local data.

Then again, it might not be. While the City Council in spring 1995 authorized the kiosk, Monday the initial \$70,000 payment of

what might be a \$110,000 purchase took some members aback.

"When you come into city hall, you can stand in the building, you can look around the circle and you can see where the various departments are. If you go to the wrong department, you'll be politely directed to the right department," Council Member John Clark said.

"The \$70,000 is a luxury item. It's a want as opposed to a real need. We're not New York City.

what we're looking at is providing a lot more information to the public. When we're putting the concept together, this was relatively new," he added.

As proposed, the touch sensitive computer would offer a video-based program offering city maps, live footage, bus schedules and facts about government, parks and recreation, local events, tax information, etc. The kiosk might be located at city hall, the library, Twelve Oaks Mall or the new Main Street, Department of Public Works Director Anthony Nowicki said.

Refer to Senate Bill 797 when writing to your state legislator.

Heavier fines proposed for speeding

Drivers would pay double fines for speeding and moving violations in road construction zones and around schools under a bill passed by the state Senate and sent to the House.

Sen. Mike Bouchard, R-Birmingham, lacked on the amendment extending the penalties to areas around schools. "It would double the fines for violations 30 minutes before school starts and 30 minutes after it lets out," said the former police officer as the Senate gave his amendment and the main bill 36-0 approval.

In 1994 State Police issued 1,427 moving violation tickets in construction zones. County and local police issued uncounted other tickets. The state recorded nearly 6,000 crashes in construction zones in 1994.

The Senate Fiscal Agency had no estimate on how much revenue might be collected if the bill becomes law. Movable warning signs cost \$80 apiece.

Refer to Senate Bill 755 when writing to your state representative, State Capitol, Lansing 48909.

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"We ought to go the other way and require other businesses to close on Sunday," said Sen. Jim Berrynan, D-Adrian. "Every time someone has to work and not be with their families," he said, "tweaking the GOP on its 'family values' issue."

"The sabbath is not on Sunday for everyone," said Sen. George Z. Hart, D-Deerborn, citing the Arab and Jewish communities.

The century-old law provides for a fine of at least \$10 but not more than \$25 and up to 30 days in jail.

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BIGGER FUNERALS Funeral benefits for work-related deaths are raised under a bill on its way to Gov. John Engler's desk. Rep. Frank Fitzgerald, R-Grand Ledge, sponsored the bill amending the Worker's Compensation Act. It raises the limit on the cost of burial from \$1,500 to \$6,000 or the actual cost, whichever is less. The Senate completed work Feb. 7 without debate by a 36-0 vote.

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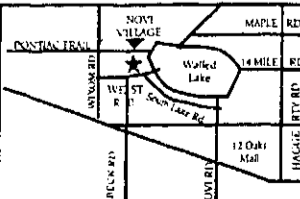
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Local man to head community college

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

Heeding the advice of administrators and faculty, Oakland Community College trustees looked inside to find a new chancellor - Richard T. Thompson, 56, veteran administrator at three of the five campuses.

"All the good things are in motion. I'm glad you are taking advantage of internal candidates," Thompson told the board prior to its 5-2 vote Thursday.

His top priority: staff development, beginning with the deans. "The deans have been in a very difficult situation. They've been thrown chore after chore with no support. They're expected to do paperwork and still think great thoughts and show academic leadership. They need a great deal of support. We need to invest in employees," said Thompson, who takes over March 19.

To trustee Judith Wisner's question about the turnover of committees, Thompson said: "We're at a low ebb. We have a lot of part-timers. You're going to see a few

positions asked for" in his first budget.

The board split was a familiar one. The five trustees, including board chair Douglas Wakefield, who fired Dr. Patsy Calkins as chancellor voted to hire Thompson and forget about a national search.

Trustees Janice Simmons and Anne Scott, Calkins loyalists, voted no. Simmons objected to Thompson's lack of a doctorate degree, the first criterion on the board's wish list for a \$120,000 chief executive of the 30,000-student college. Scott gave no reason.

"I moved along faster than my academic credentials," said Thompson, who has two degrees in English from Eastern Michigan University. "I'm long past the point in my career where an Ed.D. means anything."

"I have a rich background in management," he added, pointing to service on first the faculty union's and later the administration's collective bargaining teams.

The board picked Thompson over George Keith, 53, for two years president of the Orchard

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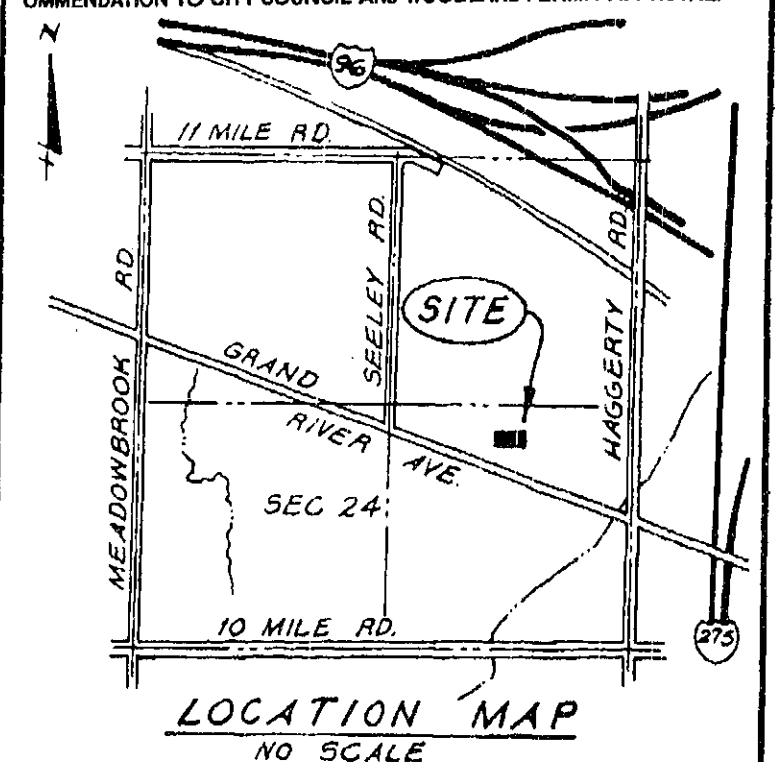
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CITY OF NOVI NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 21, 1996 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider, DETROIT CELLULAR TELEPHONE, SP 96-02, located north of Grand River Avenue, west of Hogarty Road for POSSIBLE SPECIAL LAND USE AND PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL AND WOODLAND PERMIT APPROVAL.



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 21, 1996.

NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION
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Teachers' retirement will not have to be pre-paid - courts

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

A shift by Chief Justice James Brickley gave a Supreme Court victory to Gov. John Engler and the Legislature over the Michigan Education Association on the issue of funding retired teachers' health care.

In April of 1995, the Supreme Court ruled 4-2 that 1) Engler's and the Legislature's actions were unconstitutional when they raised the fund in 1991 to balance a recession-year budget, but 2) the court couldn't do anything about it - a court can't force the governor and Legislature to spend money. In that decision, Brickley signed Boyle's opinion, and Justice Elizabeth Weaver abstained because she hadn't heard oral arguments.

"After the parties complained about the confusion, the justices re-heard arguments in October and decided the case this week. Results:

- Brickley agreed with Boyle's opinion that the court can't mandate spending, but he avoided the question of constitutionality.
- Riley, joined by Charles Levin and Elizabeth Weaver, said Engler and Legislature "did not violate the constitution and should prevail" but found it "unnecessary to address the mandamus issue."
- Boyle, joined by Justices Michael Cavanaugh and Conrad Mallett Jr., stuck by their guns - the constitution requires pre-funding of retirees' health benefits. That would have cost the state \$418 million - 5 percent of the current general fund budget.

The Boyle group agreed the court couldn't order the other two branches to pre-pay benefits - a 7-0 defeat for MEA.

"But we still had three votes on the constitutional question," said MEA's Cooper.

Now the question becomes political rather than constitutional. Sen. James Berryman, D-Adrian, who is running for governor in 1998, blistered Republicans in the Senate record last May for their "pay-as-you-go" approach. "We on this side of the aisle had amendments, year after year for years, to continue the pre-funding. But those amendments were turned down... We (should) continue a very good policy of pre-funding for public employees' retirement system."

Republican Bankes flatly disagreed. "Your retirement benefits and mine are not pre-funded, as long as it's actuarially sound," she said. "The Supreme Court said retirement (pension) benefits are protected by the constitution, but not health care. The state can be flexible with health care."

Last April Boyle's opinion required the state to put \$138 million into escrow to pre-pay benefits. Lawmakers took the money out of the June 1996 school aid payments.

After Brickley's shift, the court's decision this week has the effect of lifting the April order and allowing June state aid to be paid to school districts without requiring Engler and lawmakers to scramble for the money.

Obituaries

ROGER ALLAN PIERRON

Roger Allan Pierron of Novi died Feb. 8, 1996, at the age of 42. He was born Nov. 5, 1953, in Detroit. He was a former resident of the Detroit and Plymouth areas, and had lived in Novi for the past five years. For the past 10 years, he was field service engineer for General Electric Medical Systems. He was a 1971 graduate of Redford

High School and received an associate degree in liberal arts from Schoolcraft College.

Surviving are: his wife of four years, Kim; sons, Brian and Daniel; daughters, Amanda and Sarah; stepchildren, Marie, Rachele and Lauren; stepmother, Lori Pierron, formerly of Farmington; and brother, Donald S. of White Lake Township.

Services were held on Monday, Feb. 12 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. Dr. John A. McLean, president of Michigan Theological Seminary, officiated at the service. Interment followed at Oakland Hills Memorial in Novi.

At the request of the family, memorials may be given to HAVEN (shelter for abused women), P.O. Box 787, Pontiac, MI 48343.

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there are upcoming vacancies on the Board of Review, Computer Advisory Committee, Construction Board of Appeals, Library Board, Cable Access Committee and the Housing and Development Committee. Applications are available in the office of the City Clerk by calling 347-0456. (2-25/22/96 NR, NN) TONNI BARTHOLEMEW, CITY CLERK

WETLAND NOTICE STATEMENT OF FINDINGS AND PUBLIC EXPLANATION

This follows up on the "Early Public Notice" published in the Novi News on January 25, 1996. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is considering the insurance of a mortgage loan for the construction of a 241 unit project known as Mainstreet Village (HUD project no. 044-35540) located on the south side of Grand River, approximately 2 miles east of Novi Rd. in the City of Novi, MI. HUD has concluded that there will be no adverse impacts to any significant on-site wetlands and, therefore, will consider insuring the project. HUD has solicited comments from Federal, State, and local agencies, as well as from the general public. No responses were received regarding the alteration of the wetland area. HUD has been advised that in accordance with DNR restrictions, precautions will be implemented through project design, so that the alteration of approximately one-half acre of wetlands does not result in damage to the associated wetlands. Alternatives that had been considered were:

1. Reject the proposal.
2. Accept the project as proposed.
3. Accept the project with mitigating requirements.

Written comments may be submitted within (15) calendar days from the date of this Notice. They may be addressed to:

Manager
U.S. Department of HUD
Attn: Environmental Clearance Officer
477 Michigan Ave.
Detroit, MI 48226
(2-15-96 NN)

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE 96-64.03

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi Council has adopted Ordinance No. 96-64.03, an Ordinance to amend Section 2-172 of the City of Novi Code of Ordinances, to increase the membership of the Bouffard Advisory Commission from 7 to 9.

This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency ordinance which is immediately necessary for the protection of the public peace, health and safety, and shall become effective immediately. The Ordinance was adopted on February 5, 1996 and the effective date is February 5, 1996. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk.

TONNI BARTHOLEMEW, CITY CLERK
810-347-0456
(2-25/22/96 NR, NN)

NOTICE OF THE LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF NOVI ON TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1996

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 Primary 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 regular working hours until and including Tuesday, February 20, 1996, for the purpose of receiving 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 said Presidential Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, March 19, 1996, the Clerk will be at her office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Prevaling Eastern Time, for the purpose of receiving registrations of qualified electors.

Any handicapped or ill person who is physically unable to register in person at the City Clerk's Office or at a Secretary of State Office may call the City Clerk's Office at (810) 347-0456 during regular business hours and make arrangements to register.

TONNI L. BARTHOLEMEW, CITY CLERK
(2-8/19/96 NR, NN)

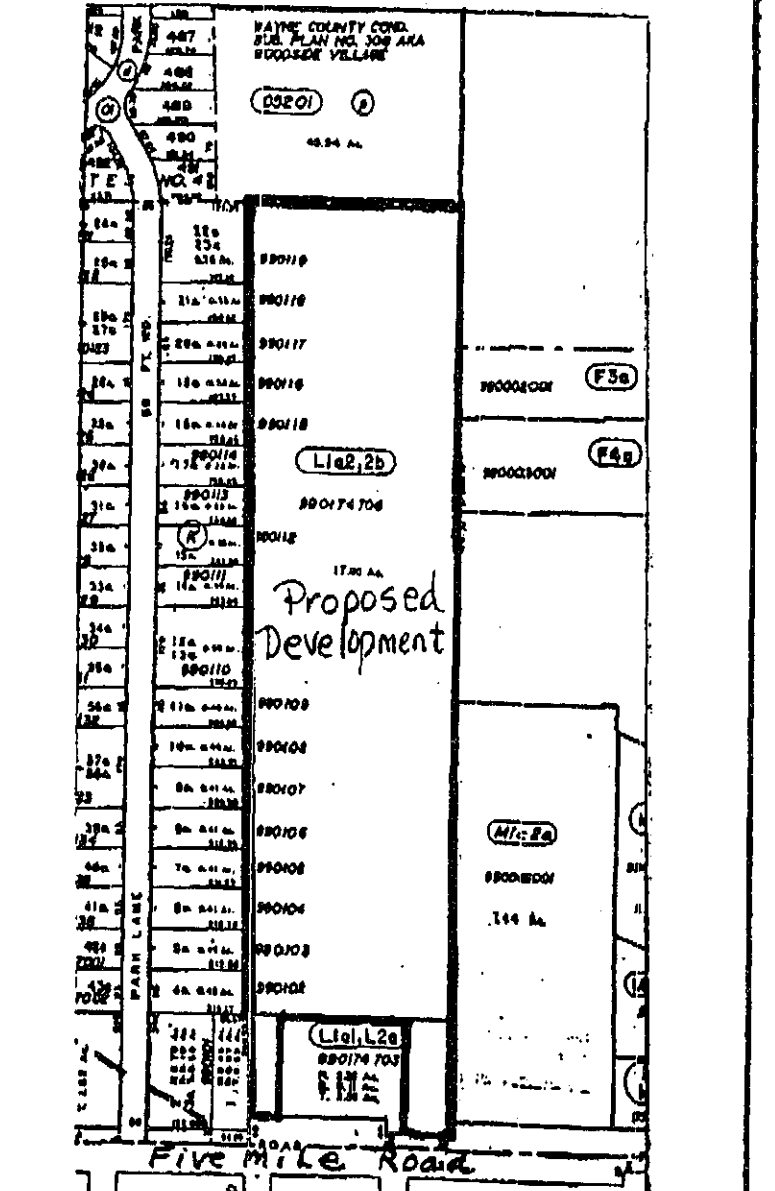
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

Date: Tuesday, February 27, 1996
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: 41600 West Six Mile Road

The Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Northville has scheduled a Public Hearing for Tuesday, February 27, 1996 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 West Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan, on an Open Space Community Development Option for SP-95-14, Hidden Cove Estates.

The Open Space Community Development Option is proposed for land located in the South East 1/4 of Section 15, Five Mile Road, West of Hogarty.

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments and questions. Written comments regarding this proposed development will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 41600 West Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48167. The plans for this proposed development are available for review in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday.



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Food service goes modern at Novi High School

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Used to be food was food. Students stood in line holding their trays, waiting for the woman behind the stainless steel counter to pop some mashed potatoes and turkey gravy on their plate before they moved on.

Lunchrooms were simply the gym with tables, or the cafeteria with drab white walls.

Well, today kids still get the mashed potatoes and turkey dinner, but they also have many more choices, including pizza and tacos and a pasta bar, and eat, not in the school cafeteria, but the Cool School Cafe.

Promoting good hygiene habits

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Did your mother always make you wash your hands before coming to the dinner table? The Novi school district is making a concerted attempt to instill those same good habits in your children.

"Somebody said to me the other day if you're going to kiss or shake hands you're better off kissing because there are less germs," said Mary Claya, food service director.

The food service quality team, made up of employees and parents, have been trying for three years to solve the problem of germ-y hands, but getting a classroom of children to

wash their hands and not use up a lot of class time isn't practical.

So they tried handing out baby-wipes but they were expensive (.017 cents each) and the kids didn't like the smell.

Then one day, Quality Team Chairperson Cathy Lombardi went to Meijer's to return pop bottles and needed to wash her sticky hands. She discovered the store was using a disappearing soap that with one squirt and a rub of the hands evaporates leaving hands clean and germ free.

She contacted the maker who sent free samples and pilot programs have been set up at Novi Meadows and Orchard Hills Elementary.

lunch funding made schools look at the bottom line and profits. Federal lunch funding dropped off while the state mandated lunch programs in public schools.

So district food service programs changed to fit the changing circumstances.

"Foods can be profitable," said Claya. "But we're not out to gouge people."

Along with marketing techniques, the district is also attempting to "get with it" in terms of technology. Claya said she is looking into computerized programs that allow students to bank money on a credit card type system. The more efficient scanning process would allow students to be serviced faster.

"We can serve the food fast enough but the line backs up at the register," said Claya. "If you go cashless it goes faster."

Claya said she hopes to gather more information and begin a pilot program soon.

"There [is] all kinds of neat technology out there," she said.

with the logo as promotional items. The school advantage is meals are a good deal and are convenient, explained Claya. "But we still have to come up with a marketing gimmick behind it."

Approximately 33 percent of students buy lunches each day, according to Claya. And those numbers do increase. An average

of 1,482 meals are served in the district each day.

Although the district does get reimbursed 175 cents for each purchased lunch, the \$750,000 food service program in the district aims to cover its cost every year and meets the goal by using marketing tactics and efficiency and productivity standards.

Not only does Novi High School now offer more a la carte menu items than ever before, the Coyote Grill, a brand-name effort sells a Mexican line of food featuring a Mexican bread shaped like a cactus, nachos and churros, a cinnamon and chocolate pastry dessert.

According to Claya, about ten years ago school food service

was beginning a change in the industry. They needed to compete with the outside fast-food chains and offer many of the same items. They also needed to satisfy a new customer that expected to see advertising and identifiable names. In other words, kids needed to be sold on school food.

In addition, changes in school

Senate bill to preserve lake access

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

The state Senate has moved to keep unused road stubs that border lakes and streams in public ownership.

Without debate, the Senate on Feb. 7 gave 35-0 approval to three implementing bills and sent them to the House.

"These changes will hopefully reverse the disturbing trend for road agencies to quietly turn over

these often critical public access to private interests," said Rick Janes of Michigan United Conservation Clubs.

MUCC has campaigned for the measure since it was revealed last year that private property owners were illegally fencing off road stubs to block public access to lakes and rivers.

The fencing is illegal unless the public agency — usually a county road commission — transfers the

property. But the new bills require road agencies to offer the land first to the state Department of Natural Resources or local park authorities.

The bills would require the receiver, either DNR or the local park authority, to maintain the site. If it failed to do so, seven local property owners could petition a circuit court to close the site.

Sponsors of the bills are Sens. Doug Carl, R-Macomb County,

and John Cherry, D-Clis. The bills amend a riparian act, the county road act and subdivision control act.

If approved by the House, the bills would become law as soon as they are signed by Gov. John Engler.

Refer to Senate Bills 715-717 when writing to your state representative, State Capitol, Lansing 48909.

Library Notes

Book talk

The Novi Library adult book discussion group meets on the first Monday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for March 4 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room at the library. The subject of the discussion will be *Moo* by Jane Smiley. Participants should have the book read and be prepared to discuss it with the group.

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Business rallies to save abatements

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Michigan Chamber of Commerce lobbyists will be out in force this week after the state House of Representatives came a few votes short of ending industrial property tax abatements.

Rep. Dave Jaye, R-Macomb County, lost 43-60 with his amendment to fight "the alphabet soup of corporate welfare. My amendment says no more tax abatements for certain companies at the expense of competitors."

Though 13 votes short, Jaye had suburban support from both parties Feb. 7 as the House debated an obscure bill to correct a suburban city's misuse of filing fees.

Under Public Act 198 of 1974, local governments may give 50 percent property tax abatements for 12 years to new, renovated or expanded industrial plants.

Chamber lobbyist Rich Studley denounced Jaye's amendment as

"a sneak attack on Michigan manufacturers ... reckless and counterproductive ... unilateral disarmament on the property tax front."

On Jaye's amendment to end the program after next Jan. 1, state Rep. Willis Bullard, R-Milford, whose district includes Novi, voted no.

Jaye's attack halted the advance of House Bill 5357, whose final passage vote was delayed until this week.

Bullard, chair of the House Taxation Committee, said, "I'm absolutely shocked that a tax cutter like Dave Jaye would put in an amendment that will cost millions."

The chamber's Studley admitted that "ideally, Michigan should not have to offer property tax abatements to retain or expand our industrial base."

But he added, "Unfortunately, the fierce competition with other states for jobs takes place in an

imperfect world where other states are ready, willing and able to take jobs from Michigan by offering industry generous property tax abatements."

Jaye accused companies of "bullying" local governments for tax breaks, adding, "There's not a single tax abatement that's linked to a company's performance."

As a gubernatorial candidate, John Engler in 1990 said "government shouldn't pick winners and losers." By the beginning of his second term, however, Gov. Engler had done nearly a 180-degree flip-flop in favor of using tax cuts as an industrial attraction tool.

No one knew how much revenue Michigan local units lose when tax abatements are granted. FH 5357, sponsored by Bob Brackenkridge, R-St. Joseph, was designed to plug a loophole in the system.

According to a staff analysis, cities and townships grant the property tax abatements, but they

also apply to county, school, intermediate district and community college taxes.

Kentwood, a suburb of Grand Rapids, allegedly abused the system by charging companies a "service fee" that just happened to equal the lost city taxes. Thus, Kentwood broke even, but the county and schools lost revenue.

The Brackenkridge bill would amend PA 198 to limit service charges to the actual cost of processing an application.

During hearings before Bullard's committee, the State Tax Commission supported the bill. The Michigan Municipal League opposed it. The Michigan Townships Association said it is not opposed.

Refer to House Bill 5357 and the Jaye amendment when writing to your state representative, State Capitol, Lansing 48909.

AAUW hosts 'Remember Ladies'

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

In history lessons of the past and power for the future: such is the reason why we should "Remember the Ladies."

And they're certainly worth recalling. Women have contributed to the upward surge of humanity throughout history, from the fields of war and peace, politics and sports, science and culture. Now Northville and Novi's children have a better chance to learn about that rich heritage because of the ongoing efforts of the local chapter of American Association of University Women (AAUW).

"And guess what? You can help open up the door of knowledge a little wider for our kids, too."

AAUW's program is called "Remember the Ladies" and its aim is to place the biographies of famous and influential women in Northville and Novi's school libraries. There, program coordinator Winnifred Fraser said, students can use them to gain a better understanding of the many mountains women have conquered.

"We felt there was a need for more biographies of women, both here and all across the state," Fraser, a Northville City resident, said. "We think this is an important thing and we're very pleased with the great response we've received so far."

This whole thing began with the results of a 1994 study of public school libraries in Michigan. Conducted by the state's Office for Sex Equity in Education, the study found that 82 percent of all biographies in the libraries were about men.

"That's a big difference," Fraser pointed out. "Too big."

State kicks in grant of OCC campus

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Gov. John Engler wants to chip in \$5 million toward \$10 million worth of renovations at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus.

"That's a savings of \$5 million from the governor for Orchard Ridge. We've applied every year, interim Chancellor Anthony Jarson told trustees Thursday, "but this is the first time we've received something. Many colleges just quit applying."

The Orchard Ridge Campus,

overlooking I-696 in Farmington Hills, was built 30 years ago and needs extensive renovation. The college won voter approval last June for a 0.8 mill, seven-year hike in the property tax that will chiefly go for renovations and equipment in the early years.

"Everything needs re-working," Jarson said.

He said Engler's proposed budget for fiscal 1997 also recommended a 5.47 percent increase in general state aid to OCC — somewhat more than the rate of inflation for the first time in many

years.

The governor recommended 5 percent more overall for community colleges," Jarson said. In Lansing Oakland County is reputed to pave its streets with gold, and OCC typically receives less state aid than any of the other 28 community colleges.

If adjustments are made in other line items of the budget, Jarson said, OCC's state could even rise to 5 percent over the current year in the new fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

"We're treated unfairly. We'll

work with other colleges to reform the aid formula," Jarson said.

OCC's current budget is \$98 million, with \$18.5 million coming from the state, \$26 million from student tuition and fees, \$53 million from property taxes and smaller amounts from federal and miscellaneous sources.

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Bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. prevailing eastern time, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 1996, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be addressed as follows:

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As We See It

Arena planners must be fair to all skaters

Do you work during the day? Do you enjoy ice skating or think you might? Do you believe all the rhetoric we've heard, as the push to build a public/private venture ice arena on was on, about figure skating being the number one favorite sport for American females?

If you answered yes to any of these questions and if Novi follows the example set by Farmington Hills in building a public ice arena there, good luck trying to skate - even though the facility here will be built on land purchased by taxpayers. Farmington Hills offers no adult figure skating classes on evenings or weekends, no free skating time on weekday nights and a few limited hours on the weekend.

Otherwise, the arena is dedicated to hockey, with players coming from all over the Detroit area, hardly just Farmington Hills. Will that happen here? Very, very likely, unless taxing adults who just might want to try their wobbly ankles on the ice skip up now.

Terry Seyler, of Center Ice Management, the company which is joining with the city to build the ice arena, told *The Novi News* at the onset that the daytime hours at the rink will be set aside for figure skating kids and moms (apparently ice skating people think all mothers don't work) and the evening hours would be reserved to hockey-playing dads and their, mostly, sons. Does this smack of 1950s-style discrimination?

Unlike in Farmington Hills, Novi taxpayers will not pay a millage to support the project. Revenue bonds will be issued by the non-profit Community Clubs of Novi to build the rink. But your tax dollars will buy the land rent-



Recreation

ed to the arena, your City Council and Parks and Recreation Commission and parks and recreation department will spend much time planning and looking after the project. And a citizens' Board of Trustees, soon to be appointed by the city council, will run Community Clubs. Your government is involved in this endeavor up to their boot-tops.

The council began interviews for the trustees on Feb. 5 and will continue on Feb. 26. The emphasis is on recreation for kids, not adults, as evidenced by the requirement that a specialist in each youth activity expected to use the arena will city on the board of trustees. And that's great. But while the latest statistics show Novi's population will be dominated in the future by older residents, adult recreation - and skating is one healthy aerobic exercise - isn't mentioned.

Obviously, a rink has to be a money-maker. Much-needed revenue will come from hockey players who will come from South Lyon or Milford or wherever. But if Novi taxpayers - and we're talking adults here - who happen to work to pay those local property-tax millages want to use the ice occasionally on their free time, they'd better speak up now.

Or forever put their ice skating ambitions in deep freeze.

OCC made right choice

Congratulations to Richard T. Thompson for being selected the next chancellor of Oakland Community College, and congratulations to the board of trustees for picking him so promptly and cleanly.

Now 31 years old, OCC has hundreds of administrators and faculty who have been there most of their working careers. There was no lack of local talent. For the first time, an OCC board has promoted from within, to the legitimate pleasure of the constituents and the public who know Thompson. He will boost morale.

Thompson will provide almost immediate leadership - effective March 19 - in a 30,000-student college that is financially solid and well run but which needs immediate leadership.

Since a retirement June 30, the Auburn Hills Campus, a state leader in industrial education, has had three interim chiefs. Thompson must move swiftly to choose among the two internal and 33 external candidates for a new president.

There has been high turnover in deans, in part because they've been overworked, in part because time marches on. There has been turnover, for various reasons, in the district office. OCC has paid much attention to student recruitment, retention and assessment, and Thompson's administration will need to fine-tune its handling of students.

As Thompson candidly pointed out to trustees, there has been a high turnover in chief executives - six, at an average tenure of barely five years. "There was nothing wrong with any of

the past CEOs," he said bluntly, "but we've had too many, and they've been here too short a time."

It is regrettable the board vote was 5-2 instead of unanimous. Possibly some in the community hoped the chancellor selection could have been delayed until one or two new trustees could be elected next June 10; we, too, have sometimes criticized board majority operations. But we note, in fairness, that the recall movement has collapsed, and that delay would be harmful. This board did the right thing.

Dissenting trustee Janice Simmons correctly noted that Thompson lacked the doctorate, which was the first qualification on the board's list. On balance, however, the new chief executive is tailor-made for the job.

He has experience on both sides of the collective bargaining table - a strong necessity in a state still heavily unionized. At age 56, Thompson has 23 years in top leadership and has accumulated a lot of trust; that should count for a college degree or two.

Thompson has personal qualities that endear him to the community: a dry wit; an ability to speak and write plain English and not "edubabble"; a respect for modern technology; an old-fashioned love of the arts; a George Washington-like ability to learn from his own mistakes and not repeat them; a realistic view of the divided board that picked him.

As the news spreads this week, knowledgeable people in many states are joining in to say: "Great choice, OCC."

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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Costs come out of our pockets



Michael Malott

Something's wrong in health care. If the debate last year at the national level over President Clinton's health care reform proposals didn't convince you of that, events right here in Novi should.

Last month, Providence Hospital filed suit ... or, asked for "judicial review" ... of the state's decision not to allow Providence to move 200-beds from its Southfield facility to its Novi medical center. The move would in essence make Providence's Novi campus a full-blown hospital.

Now Sinai Hospital has submitted plans to the city to build a 300-bed hospital here, at the corner of Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook roads.

I'm not against hospitals, not by any means. But the basis of the state's rejection to Providence is that the area is already "overbedded" - that is there are already more hospital beds than are needed to take care of the sick people in this area. It is the state's means of controlling health care costs. Of course, that's a view Providence and Sinai disagree with.

Some in Novi are excited about the prospects of at least one hospital being located here. It would help fulfill their vision of Novi as a complete, self-contained town.

Unfortunately, the costs of health care do eventually come out of our pockets. To cover the costs of their buildings, hospitals and doctors have to tack

on charges to their bills to our insurance companies. Although most insurance is paid for by employers, every dollar paid for insurance is a dollar that can't be paid out in wages. And when companies are no longer willing to pay more for insurance, coverage gets cut.

It should not be lost on anyone that there have been a number of fundraisers in our local communities for people with serious illnesses over the past couple years. In each case, the person had health insurance, but the insurance company wouldn't pay for the type of treatment the person needed.

More and more, we hear people griping about the speed with which people are being discharged from the hospital after a medical procedure. Again, the cause is primarily because of insurance coverage.

Novi is literally surrounded by hospitals now, including Botsford in Farmington Hills, St. Mary's in Livonia, Huron Valley in Commerce and two hospitals in Ann Arbor. All told, there are 20 hospitals in the metro Detroit region.

Sure, it would be neat to have a hospital here in town. Yes, the traditional town of years gone by always had at its center a hospital, right along with a downtown and a courthouse.

But we'll pay the costs. And unfortunately, it doesn't just end with higher medical bills. It also appears to be getting to the point that actual patient care is being trimmed to control costs.

Personally, I'd much rather they controlled the building costs instead.

Michael Malott is the Managing Editor of The Novi News and The Northville Record.

Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



Pump you up
Northville cheerleader Mikki Wild shows her spirit of halftone

Pictures you will never see



Carol Workens

Our staff photographer came to a couple of us women on the staff on Monday night because he had taken a shot of a cheerleader, and he wanted our opinions on whether it was appropriate to use.

Instead we are running a picture of a pom pom guy. He's wearing long shorts.

Why don't the girls wear tights? Balletinas wear tights. Is it cooler to wear short socks? Do the girls ever think about what the audience might see?

That's why photographers like to take lots of shots from various angles. So that at least one comes out. With nothing growing out of peoples heads, closed eyes, goofy expressions, a distraction in the background, etc.

Just like in your own amateur photo shots of family and friends, the strangest things can crop up in the picture.

You may only have one second to capture the moment, but that moment may include something you didn't know was there until after you get the prints back.

We've all watched the television news or been taking videos ourselves and had someone walk into the picture and ruin it.

Staged pictures usually are safe, but boring. Most people are uncomfortable posing for a picture but if the photographer just "hangs around" he's able to capture more natural actions.

Some people try to tell the photographer what to do. Gosh darn it, he does it every day of his life, he knows a thing or two, so let him be. And be yourself. The shot will turn out great and maybe I'll be in the newspaper.

Carol Workens is a staff writer for The Novi News.

V-Chip does not equal censorship



Phil Power

Hannah Arendt was one of the best political philosophers of my generation.

She studied Hitler's Germany and Stalin's Russia to distill the core of totalitarianism. In a famous phrase, she concluded that the distinguishing character of totalitarian political systems - what made them so awful - was the "banality of evil." Evil, in other words, is so shot through totalitarian societies that it becomes the expected, the norm, the ordinary, the banal.

The phrase echoed in my mind last week in connection with kids and violence and TV. The evidence keeps piling up that:

- Kids (not to mention their parents) watch a lot of TV.
- Violence "predominates on television," according to the just-released, largest-ever study. By the time an average child finishes elementary school, he will have seen 8,000 murders and 100,000 acts of violence on TV.
- No less than seven U.S. and Canadian scientific studies demonstrate a "correlation between prolonged childhood exposure to TV and a tendency to physi-

cal aggression that extends from before adolescence into adulthood."

In other words, watching violent TV makes it more likely that kids will be violent.

The effect of today's television on violence is so pervasive, so normal, so ordinary that it has become banal. Misusing Arendt's phrase, "television propagates the banality of violence."

That's why I was so encouraged to see that passed Congress last week requires "V-chip" technology to be installed on all TV sets manufactured two years hence. The V-chip is a computer chip that manufacturers will place inside TV sets that allows parents to block from their TV violent or sexually explicit shows they feel are inappropriate for their kids.

To work, the V-chip requires a rating system indicating various levels of violence or sexuality be embedded in various programs. The V-chip would be programmed to block shows whose ratings are above levels set by parents.

Michigan Congressman John Dingell, whose committee has been looking at TV and violence for years, commented, "All we are doing is seeking to give parents the ability to control what their children watch on television. It is a way of giving parents control without censorship."

Not surprisingly, the television industry is going to go to court to try to get the V-chip declared an illegal censorship, an unconstitutional violation of the

First Amendment free speech guarantees.

Ho, hum. That's nothing more than a predictable (and self-interested) reaction of an industry traditionally more interested in selling advertising time than in promoting freedom of speech.

Tell me, is it censorship when I tell my 13-year-old son, Nathan, he can't watch certain shows? Of course not. So how is my decision as a parent to program the V-chip an unconstitutional intrusion on my son's viewing habits?

And just why is it the constitutional right of the entertainment and broadcast industries to bring into my house - without my explicit permission but certainly at their profit - programming that is banally violent which, at the very minimum, tends to coarsen my son to violence?

Should parents be more actively involved with their children's TV viewing than merely programming a V-chip? Sure. But many working parents don't have much choice.

And when Kathy and I went to a dinner party at a friend's house last Friday night, I would have been a lot more comfortable about what Nathan was watching at home on TV if there had been a V-chip in the set.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His *Touch-Tone* voice mail number is (313) 953-2047 ext. 1880.

Whitehall Convalescent Home on Ten Mile and Novi road.

Oversight in festival coverage

To the editor:

Just a short note to let you know that your ads and articles of the Chilly Willy contest were great. Only one thing - you mentioned 1,000 people came and out of those 1,000 people, Howard's chilly from Guernsey's was voted "The People's Choice," not only this year but last, and yet not one mention of this in your articles. Slight oversight, I'd say.

Letters

Compliments to Whitehall home

To the editor:

Occasionally we read of a "horror" story about the care and safety afforded some residents in some nursing homes.

This is not to say that there are not some instances in which neglect and abuse is discovered.

After many years of experience in having the responsibility for the care and safety of hundreds of elderly individuals, I want to put in a good word for the care and environment provided residents of the

My wife, a registered nurse, has been a resident at Whitehall for a while. I visit her every day and can see for myself what goes on. Her professional assessment and my observations agree that the clean, friendly, and caring environment at Whitehall are of a quality that one wishes would obtain universally.

Alfred P. Gault

Tele-comm act removes controls



Caren Collins

On Feb. 8 President Clinton signed the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Municipal efforts to retain local zoning, franchising and control of the rights-of-way were generally successful.

The act removes legal barriers to cable companies entering the telephone business, phone companies entering the cable business and the former Bell Telephone companies entering the long distance business. The goal of removing barriers is to increase competition.

But cable and phone rates could go up before they go down. This is because (1) the act removes regulation before there is real competition, (2) it is unclear in some fields whether or when competition will develop (will the phone companies offer cable service?), and (3) the act could help lead to one mega-monopoly if the telephone companies force out the cable companies (or vice versa) in the competition to provide "one information wire" to customers' homes. The act aids some mergers

between phone companies and cable companies.

The act removes many state and local legal "barriers to entry" by new telecommunications providers and authorizes the FCC to preempt legal requirements that violate this provision. However, it states that nothing in it preempt's that authority of a local unit of government to manage its rights-of-way and to require fair and reasonable compensation on a competitively neutral and non-discriminatory basis.

So, municipal control over the streets and ability to manage their use by telecommunications providers is maintained, including the ability to franchise and permit such providers.

Under the act cable companies wishing to enter the phone business are subject to these provisions on municipal control and compensation for use of the rights-of-way as they do now. They must obtain the telephone franchise or permit required under applicable state or local law. The act states that a cable franchise is not required for such phone service.

The act contains statements to the effect that a municipality may not under the Cable Act impose a requirement prohibiting a cable company from providing phone service.

Telephone companies can now obtain a cable franchise and provide conventional

Voters flunk judicial civics test



Tim Richard

If 90 percent of Michigan school kids flunked their fourth, seventh and 11th grade MEAP tests, schools and kids would face parental wrath. There would be thunderous breast-beating and howls for more intensive teaching of "the basics."

But hardly anyone raised an eyebrow when Michigan adults flunked a civics test about the third branch of government, the judiciary. Items:

- 90 percent couldn't name a single justice of the state Supreme Court.
- No single justice was named by more than 7 percent of the electorate. Jim Brickley, Michael Cavanaugh and Conrad Mallett Jr. were identified by 7 percent; Patricia Boyle, Elizabeth Weaver, Charles Levin and Dorothy Comstock Reyer by 6 percent.
- 93 percent didn't know how many justices there are (seven).

Since I'm not running for public office, I can afford to tell the truth. The over-

whelming majority of Michigan voters are so uninformed that they shouldn't be casting ballots for the Supreme Court.

Yet 86 percent of voters thought that Supreme Court justices should continue to be elected. People can be just as smug as politicians.

The survey was conducted by the Alliance for Judicial Accountability, a nice cover name for the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Manufacturers Association and a bunch of medical professional groups. They have an axe to grind because they get sued by unions, consumers and patients. Yet AJA's questions and results seem honest enough.

State Bar president Thomas G. Kienbaum, of Franklin, is giving a lot of thought and magazine ink to the question of "merit selection" of judges - a system that would involve appointment followed, in a couple of years, by a judge's facing voters for a "yes" or "no" decision on continuing in office.

Obviously, Kienbaum has an uphill battle. He should be encouraged.

Martin Doctoroff, chief judge of the state Court of Appeals, leans in that direction. On last week's Channel 56 "Off the Record," Doctoroff had good things to say about merit selection.

Doctoroff, of Birmingham, was appointed by a Democratic governor but tends to be conservative, scholarly and fair-minded. Yet he had the inwards scared out of him in a recent election by an obscure lawyer with little to recommend him beyond a gorgeous Irish name.

In truth, people vote for names. The Michigan Annual Index lists 11 Kellys, 11 MacDonals, 10 Brennans, seven McDons, seven O'Brians, five O'Neills, and so on; mostly Irish, but there are a few good Jewish names, too, like Levin and Kaufman.

Or as Tom Kienbaum puts it, "Irrelevant name recognition will continue to be the single most significant factor in the judicial election process, particularly in large population areas."

And: "There is no chance for any real comparison of records of incumbents versus those of challengers, let alone incumbent versus incumbent. The result is an enormous waste of judicial energy and resources."

Clearly, we should be appointing appellate judges. But how do you make changes when adults who flunk civics tests still think they're good at electing them?

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events.

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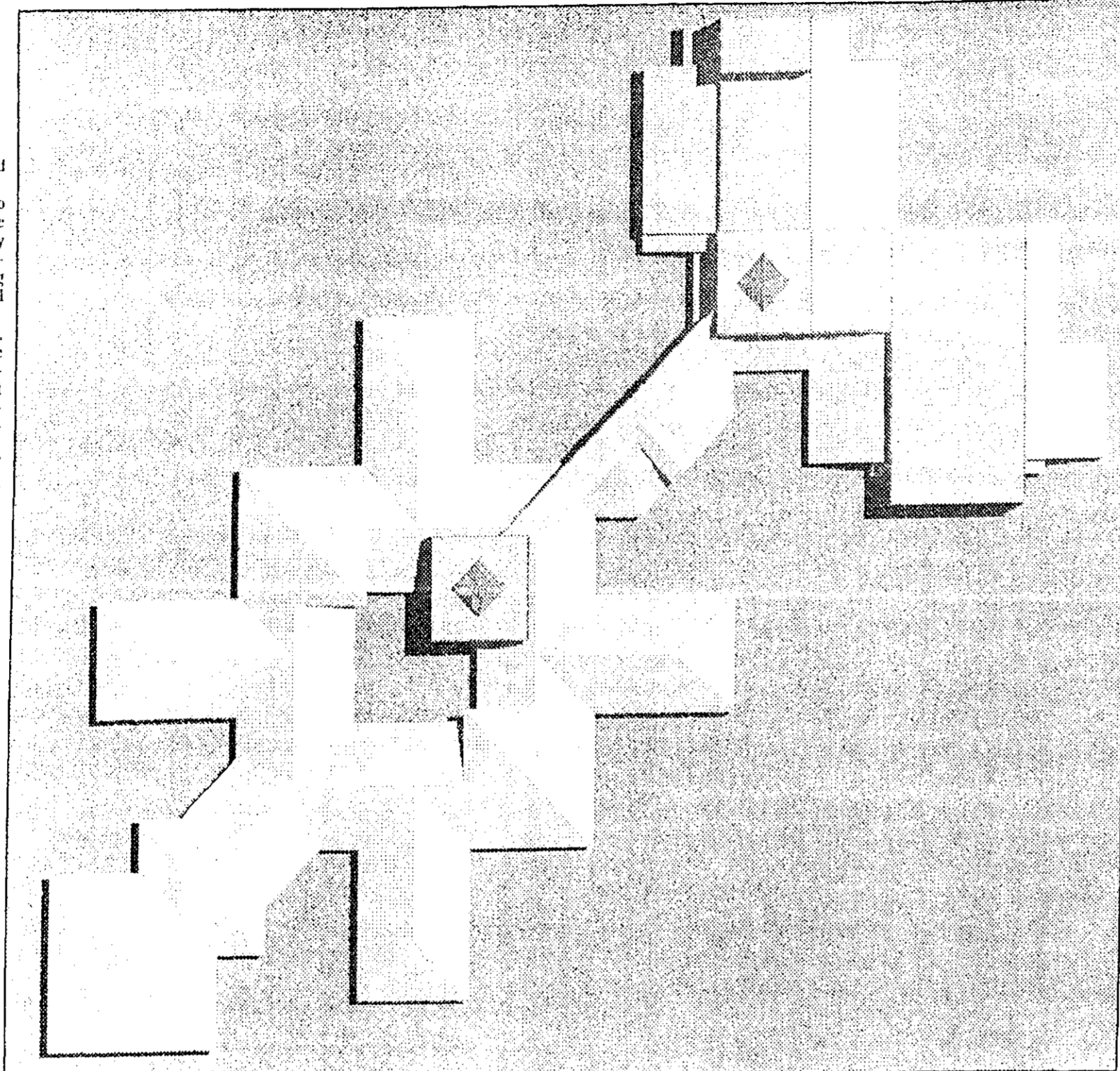
All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 21, 1996.

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Pup returned home after trip to dump-

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by and the group went looking for the puppy. Hours later there was no success.
Sunday consisted of putting out fliers and pounding the pavement. Luckily one of those fliers did the trick.
An employee of Micanal Inc. on Grand River near Taft called Kastan with some good, but strange, news.
He had found the puppy in a dumpster in the back of the building on Monday afternoon.
"I was going out to dump some stuff and I opened up the dumpster and here's this poor dog standing with his paws on the corner looking out," explained Steve Kitzman, a resident of Howell. "He was okay but he was hungry and dehydrated."
"There's no possible way that dog could have gotten in herself because it was five feet tall," said Kitzman.
He said he took the dog home with him that night and the next

morning another employee told him about the lost dog flier.
"I wasn't really sure I wanted to give the dog up because if the owners didn't want the dog they shouldn't have put it in the dumpster," said Kitzman, not realizing Kastan and Karr had not placed the dog there.
But after speaking with Kastan, he agreed to give her back the puppy. Both of them think someone must have taken the dog that night, held onto it over the weekend and then put it in the dumpster Monday.
"Someone must have had her," said Kastan. "It was so cold out she wouldn't have made it."
"It's a miracle we got the dog back," she said. "I'm so glad she ended up in (Kizman's) hands and not somebody mean."
So for now, Holly is safe and sound and awaiting her next adventure.
Yet the mystery remains. Where was Holly? And how did she get in that dumpster?
The answer, only Holly knows.



The architect's computerized rendition of the New Novi Middle School.

Sinai eyes Novi for new hospital

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December 1995, the corporation was granted a certificate of need from the state Department of Public Health, as required to build certain portions of the diagnostic and treatment center.
In the impact statement, Sinai officials noted that one reason the Novi site was chosen is its easy access to M-5, leading into the freeway system and to Twelve Mile Road. The center is anticipated to service communities within a seven-to-ten-mile radius of Novi, including Livonia, Farmington Hills, South Lyon and Commerce Township.
The first phase of Sinai Park is proposed to serve ambulatory outpatients with a 60,000-square-foot diagnostic and treatment center housing an urgent care center and a women's health center, as well as the treatment facility for inflammatory bowel disease. The women's treatment would include breast cancer detection and maternal/fetal services. In addition, this phase includes 40,000 square feet of doctors' offices.
The initial portion of the health care complex, which would take a year to build, is expected to employ 300 people.
Within the next five years, Sinai indicates it would move ahead with Phase Two, which would also offer 40,000 square feet of doctors' offices and 60,000 square feet of additional diagnostic and treatment services, as required by community demand.
Designs for these two phases call for two-story buildings.
Plans for phase three, the 300-bed hospital, are based on a possibility that the state health department will okay short-stay overnight hospital beds permitting patients to linger there for 24 to 72 hours.
Most of Sinai Park in Novi will be tax-exempt, due to its sponsorship

Plans for Middle school unveiled

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said the natural light is said to be an enhancement to learning.
Obrenovich also added architects are paying close attention to sloping roof-lines so as to prevent leaky roof problems in the future.
The school will be built on a 55-acre portion of a 100-acre parcel of land owned by the city and the

school district on the corner of Eleven Mile and Wixom roads. The district and the city continue to negotiate terms of the agreement and purchase of the land.
The design is still subject to change and details are still being worked out regarding color, construction materials and location on the land, said Hall.
The design process will continue through the fall of 1996 and building will take about two years to finish, Hall added.
Fanning/Howey just published a book entitled "Community Use of Schools: Facility Design Perspectives" and has designed more than 550 K-12 schools in the United States.

SEMCOG projects booms for Novi

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In 1993, Sinai Hospital went up on West Outer Drive in northwest Detroit as the only hospital in Michigan sponsored by the Jewish religion. Today, it boasts 598 beds and outpatient diagnostic and treatment facilities which serve 20,000 inpatients and 150,000 outpatients each year. About 3,500 babies are born at Sinai Hospital annually.
The medical center also has 40 outreach locations which treated 250,000 ambulatory patients in 1995. Affiliated with the medical schools at Wayne State University and the University of Michigan, Sinai employs 600 doctors. Specialists of the health care network include cardiovascular treatment, women's services, internal medicine, physical rehabilitation and psychiatry.

for this computerized update is drawn from the 1990 Census, the Michigan Employment Security Commission and data on land development, infrastructure and local plans.
In the 20-year time span, the southeast Michigan region is expected to see a 13 percent increase in population and an 18 percent increase in jobs, although manufacturing job opportunities are anticipated to diminish.
Only Macomb Township - with a projected 277 percent rate of expansion - is estimated to surpass Novi as a high-growth community, based on an explosion in households. Following Novi in order of increase, SEMCOG lists Shelby Township, Canton Township, Clinton Township, Pittsfield Township, Sterling Heights, Troy, Rochester Hills and Farmington Hills.
Leading the ranks for top job-growth communities are Auburn Hills, Troy, Ann Arbor, Rochester Hills, Livonia, Canton Township, Waterford Township, Clinton Township, Novi and Bloomfield Township.
SEMCOG foresees a "positive economic future" for the region, with 18 percent more jobs available or 2.9 million positions, with some shrinking in manufacturing jobs and a 39 percent hike in jobs within the service industries.
Other trends projected for the region are the aging of the population and the outward spread of houses and jobs, especially around Ann Arbor, in eastern Livingston County, across northern Oakland and Macomb counties and in St. Clair County.
Southeast Michigan will apparently have 5.1 million residents in 2020, a 13 percent increase.
To shelter them, over 400,000 new housing units will be needed in the time period, the study indicates, based on the forecasted 22 percent growth in households.
Of these residents, some 17 percent will be over age 65, six percent more in that age bracket since 1990, leading to an increased demand for services catering to seniors.

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- The following is the Time Warner Channel 12 community access program schedule for Novi for the coming week.
- MONDAY, FEB. 19**
12:00 p.m. — Coffee and Conversation: Eternal Fountain of Youth
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1:00 p.m. — Adventures With Pirate Pete: Austria/Germany
1:30 p.m. — My Russian Friend
2:00 p.m. — Senior Messenger
2:30 p.m. — (cont'l)
3:00 p.m. — Women on the Move: Women's Right to Vote
3:30 p.m. — (cont'l)
4:00 p.m. — Rising Tide: GOP-TV
4:30 p.m. — (cont'l)
5:00 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
5:30 p.m. — Info TV-12 News
6:00 p.m. — Senior Spotlight: Know Your Local Fire Department
6:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy
7:00 p.m. — Expressions: Watercolor
7:30 p.m. — (cont'l)
8:00 p.m. — Living With Your Addictions
9:30 p.m. — Groove Session: Emotionally Unstable
- TUESDAY, FEB. 20**
12:00 p.m. — Summit University
12:30 p.m. — (cont'l)
1:00 p.m. — Drawing Men to Christ
1:30 p.m. — (cont'l)
2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
2:30 p.m. — Novi Talkin' History: No. VI on the Trail and Town Hall
3:00 p.m. — MHOF Speaker Series: Cosworth Racing Heritage
3:30 p.m. — (cont'l)
4:00 p.m. — (cont'l)
4:30 p.m. — GRIP Sneak Preview
5:00 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Timbers
5:30 p.m. — Living With Your Addictions
6:00 p.m. — Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council: Rainbow Recognition Awards
- WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21**
12:00 p.m. — Cash Talks: Earth Angles
12:30 p.m. — The Way the Truth
- THURSDAY, FEB. 22**
12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy
12:30 p.m. — The Job Show
- FRIDAY, FEB. 23**
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Beauty road label would spur hearing

Local governments could demand a public hearing on tree cutting that could affect a "natural beauty" county road under a bill on its way to Gov. John Engler's desk.
The bill was sponsored by Rep. Penny Crissman, R-Rochester. The Senate on Feb. 7 gave it 36-0 approval with two members absent - John Cherry, D-Okla., and David Hognman, R-West Bloomfield.
House Bill 4051 requires county road boards to consider testimony from the hearing before approving or denying a construction project, tree cutting or trimming of vegetation.

Novi cops get 'wired' with county

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savings is in eliminating the wasted manpower.
In other words, fewer hours into the warrant procedure translates into more hours to investigate complaints, said Harbin.
The Novi police use an interactive video warrant system to complete the process nowadays. Warrant requests are faxed to Oakland County in the morning and soon after a detective takes a seat at the computer where the interactive video conversation begins.
Detectives can see prosecutors on the computer screen, as can the prosecutor see the detective. After they discuss the case, the warrant comes through off the printer.
Harbin said the department now uses the system on a daily basis for warrants for most felonies.
Criminal sexual conduct cases, armed robberies and stalking complaints still require the detective to make a personal appearance in court and most misdemeanors are said Harbin.
Four other police departments in Oakland County have the technology: Farmington Hills, Ferndale, Auburn Hills and Independence Township.
Novi police share the system with nearby communities like Northville, Walled Lake, Wixom and South Lyon.
The equipment is paid for by the county.

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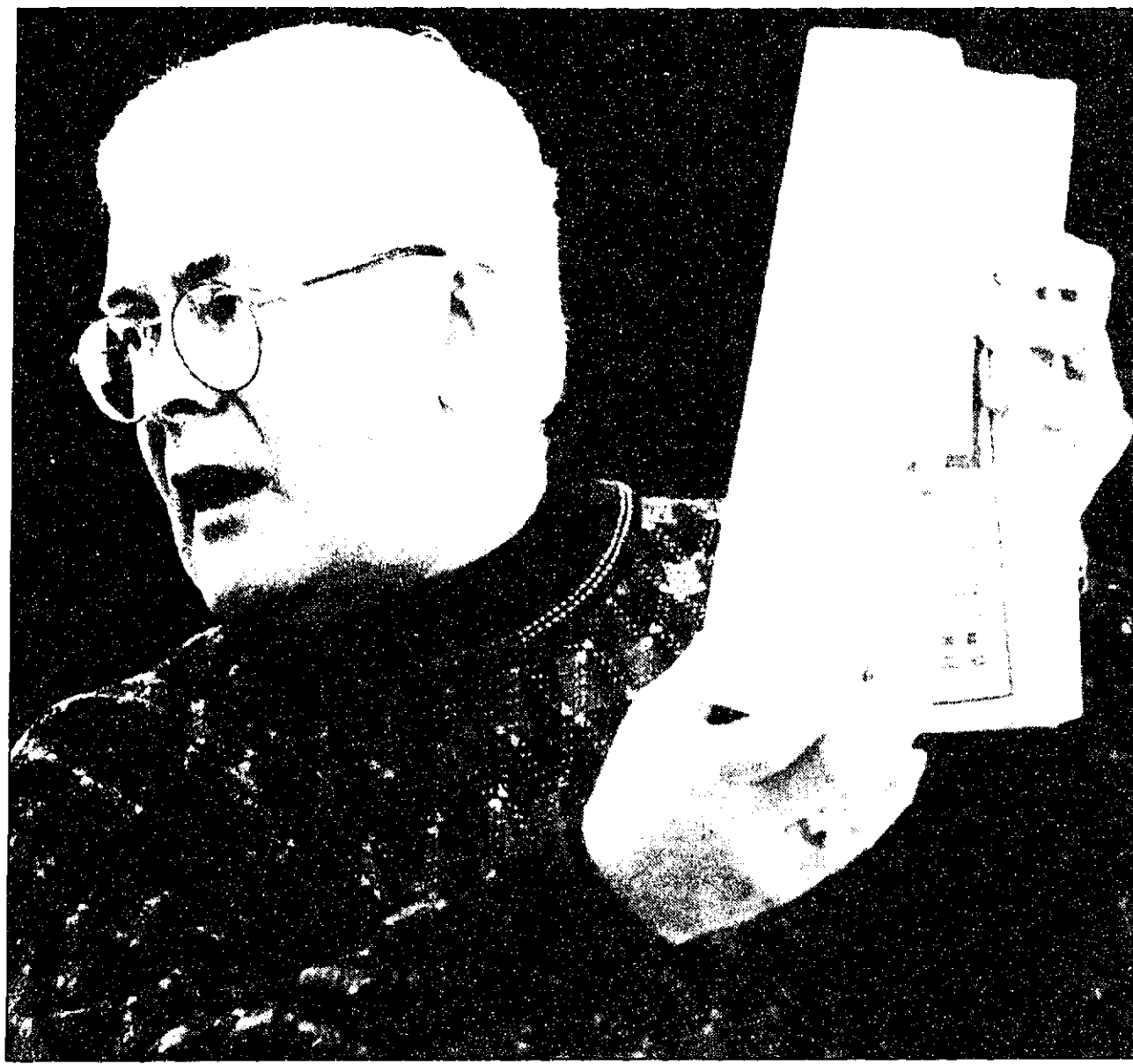
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Interim pastor is given welcoming reception—3B

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THURSDAY
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AT YOUR SERVICE

Get out your Tang and your turkey baster. "The Appliance Doctor" offers some simple advice for keeping your home appliances running smoothly.



Joe Gagnon advises to use caution when consulting the yellow pages for appliance help.

If Shopping Center Market ran out of Tang last weekend it was because of Joe Gagnon.

The Northville Woman's Club invited Gagnon, also known as "The Appliance Doctor," to speak at its Feb. 2 meeting at First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

Gagnon's talk on home appliance safety, which was speckled with humor and brought smiles and outright laughter to the 80 or so Northville Woman's Club members and guests, hit home with audience members and more than a few left on a mission to buy turkey basters and Tang.

The Club's members, along with guests Irene Buszka, Mary Deuseszyuk, Susan Redden, Martha Barnes, Laura Keeney, Diana Hubbert and Ann Crocker, also learned how not to pick out a service repair company.

"Use caution when you go to the yellow pages," Gagnon advised listeners. "Do leg work before you call for service. The Yellow Pages is not the bible."

Calling the Better Business Bureau and reading *Consumer Reports* is only part of the leg work involved in finding reputable service people.

Consumers should also seek the advice of people in the service industry.

"We get a lot of people calling and asking which machines they should buy," said Jack Maynard,

owner of Wonderland and Novi Appliance Service which sells fast moving parts for dishwashers, washers, dryers and ranges.

"We can steer people away from appliances they shouldn't be buying," said Maynard who's been in the appliance business for 40 years.

Questions consumers can ask include which models do they like best and, in their opinion, which are the best models?

"The likelihood of having a product that lasts for 15 or 20 years is much greater if you seek some advice from the service industry," Gagnon said. "That applies to many fields."

The advice is based not just on the service man's professional experience alone but that of many of his peers in the service industry.

When it comes to servicing the appliance in your home, personal references are the best thing in the world, according to Maynard.

"There's a lot of good people in the service out here," he said. "Ninety-five percent of the service people out there are good. There are about 5 percent out there that make us look bad."

When Maynard receives a call about a problem, he'll tell the customer if it's a major repair or not. Maynard is on the road most of the time on service calls, but does return phone calls from customers who have questions about

Tips from "The Appliance Doctor" Joe Gagnon

- ◆ Clean the lint screen on the dryer regularly. Pour a glass of water over the screen. If it does not flow through the screen, it may be coated with washer byproducts. Clean the screen very gently with a mild detergent and soft brush. Be very gentle, a lint screen with a hole on it is ineffective.
- ◆ Replace the plastic vent line on your dryer with aluminum vent line recommended by Underwriters Laboratory. Do not use the accordion tin foil type of vent line. Use duct tape to secure each section together.
- ◆ Run the hot tap water until it reaches a temperature of 140 degrees before turning on the dishwasher.
- ◆ To clean the undissolved detergent on the impellers in your dishwasher, turn on the hot tap water until it reaches 140 degrees. With the dishwasher empty, turn on the dishwasher for three to four minutes, then stop the dishwasher. There should be water in the bottom. Pour one jar of 16 or 22 ounces of Tang into the water and run the dishwasher through the rest of the cycle, empty.
- ◆ Use a turkey baster filled with hot water to rinse out the drain hole in the refrigerator if it is plugged.
- ◆ Heated white vinegar will unplug a rusty bolt. When cleaning a self cleaning oven without using the appliance's self cleaning feature (be careful not to damage the surface) use heated, not boiled, white vinegar on a dish rag.

appliances.

"If we can help them over the phone, we certainly try to," Maynard said.

Gagnon, who owns Carmack

Appliance Service Co. in Garden City and is a radio talk show host on WJR, let those in attendance in on a few tips on how to keep appliances running better.

Gagnon recommends that all plastic dryer vent lines be replaced.

"The most common thing to catch fire in the American home is the clothes dryer," Gagnon said. "The dryer vent line, which has been produced for 25 years made of plastic, has been proven to be junk."

Gagnon took on the plastics industry four or five years ago and challenged the product safety commission and manufacturers to stop endorsing the product. He won the battle.

A plastic vent line can clog up with lint because of the way it restricts air flow to the outside, according to Gagnon.

"There are 13,900 house fires a year in this country caused by clothes dryers," said Gagnon who has been an expert witness across the country on just such cases.

"You are going to have a fire in the dryer, not in the vent line. The dryer will ignite, the drum is still turning and there is a blower in there. That blower is going to expel the flame out of there and it takes two minutes to fill a typical laundry with flame, not smoke, flame.

"Get rid of the stuff, put on the old fashioned solid aluminum vent line, not the tin foil. The fire never resulted because of the vent line catching fire, it was the lint in the dryer."

Another problem when the lint builds up in the line is that the dryer overheats and the parts in the dryer wear out prematurely, according to Gagnon.

To measure the vent line, take a piece of string and measure how many feet you need, buy the necessary number of elbow joints and use duct tape instead of screws to fasten the pieces together.

"Your dryer will dry 10 to 15 minutes quicker per load," Gagnon said.

Another easy maintenance tip for the dryer is to keep the lint screen clean, not just from lint, but from washer by products.

Fabric softeners, bleach, soap, etc., have plugged the holes in the lint screen and air cannot expel at the specified rate to the outside.

"If you slow that air down, you are slowing down the drying process and ruining your dryer," Gagnon said.

To clean the lint screen, use dishwasher detergent and clean once a month with a brush, very gently.

"Remember, I'm simple. These tricks are simple," Gagnon said.

"You as consumers fail to do something when you use your dishwasher and the difference is night and day, and it's so simple."

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STORY BY CAROL WORKENS ◆ PHOTO BY HAL GOULD

Volunteer



Kathi Jerome

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Jerome's commitment is ongoing with club

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

If you participate in Northville activities but you're not necessarily a resident, Kathi Jerome, the president of the Northville Woman's Club, says you're eligible to join one of the oldest organizations in the community.

The club started in 1893 as a literary study group - but look at it now!

Monthly meetings list topics such as:

- Red or white - which wine tonight?
- Recycling - is it worth it?
- Hospice - concept as well as plan.
- Historic Michigan architecture.
- What's wrong with this faucet?

"It's exposure to new ideas," said Jerome. But it isn't all self-improvement or education, she assured.

There's a scholarship fund of \$1,000 which goes to a high

school senior - boy or girl. "It goes to a student because of grades and references and what he or she is going to do."

Then there's a civic improvement committee. They're contributing to the library, in return for which the club wants it to house their records.

The old library building, Jerome said, was given to the city by The Woman's Club back in 1894 with the stipulation that the Club could hold meetings in it.

Meetings today are held at First Presbyterian Church, 1:30 p.m. on the first and third Friday of the month, October through March.

Kathi Jerome said she made a commitment when she became vice president. That was for two years, then two years as president, and two more years as a member of the board of directors.

But it's worth it, she claims.

"I've always been a worker."

For more information about The Northville Woman's Club, call Kathi Jerome at 348-9097.

It's A Fact

For your health . . .



Oakland County receives a per capita mental health reimbursement of \$94.25 from the state compared to \$177.82 in Wayne

County, according to County Executive L. Brooks Patterson.

Girl Scouts looking forward to olympic/bowling events

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

The next meeting for leaders of Novi Girl Scouts will be Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center under the direction of Janice Church, Neighborhood Service Unit director. Items for discussion are the upcoming Jr./Cadette Olympics finalization plans with Jeri Sunshine on Friday, March 8. Deadline for registration is Feb. 23. Final plans will also be made for the dad/daughter (Daisy and Browne) bowling on March 17.

More recently, 83 Brownie and Jr. Girl Scouts participated in Discovery Zone's "Creative Solutions Camp-in" on Feb. 2. This program is designed to teach a group to work together and support each other through communication skills, conflict management, cooperation, listening and leadership. Throughout a series of activities, the program was designed to help Scouts develop self-esteem and self-expression. The event was organized by Sherry Dingman.

In January, Girl Scouts from Parkview Elementary helped at the City of Novi Chilly Will Festival. Days and events are held in front of Troops 3363 and 326 passed out balloons while Brownie Troop No. 1120, assisted children at the Imagination Stations. Twenty-seven girls in all attended the event which was organized by Marilyn Krok, troop organizer at Parkview.

Last month over 90 Girl Scouts attended a puppet show entitled

"Kids on the Block" at the Novi United Methodist Church. The puppets are physically challenged and help the girls to have a better understanding and awareness of those who might appear to be different to them. The 45-minute production included a hearing impaired puppet, another with cerebral palsy, and a third with Down's Syndrome.

This event was organized by Cindy Vockler from Novi Woods, and Janice Church.

NOVI YOUTH FORUM

The monthly meeting of the Novi Youth Forum was held at the Novi Police Department conference room under the direction of Clara Porter, Karen MacKenzie and DARE Officer Kevin Hebert. Det. David Molloy was on training assignment.

The forum continues to represent the youth who are interested in improving self-esteem, local youth. Information is also available to coordinate services and bring about improvements through discussions. Anyone interested in the Novi and/or Oakland County and Detroit Scouts from his own work in Novi community education dealing mostly with young adults.

Linda LeBlanc-Harrison, new office manager of Novi Police Department records, introduced herself and explained her position.

Novi Highlights

NOVI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The next general membership luncheon will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 20, noon, at Timbers Seafood Grill, 40380 Grand River. For information or advance reservations call (810) 349-3473.

Special guest speakers appear monthly. This month, Fr. Cunningham of Focus Hope has been scheduled. Last month Mayor Kathleen McLaughlin presented a program entitled "You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet." Also the Chamber held their annual Installation dinner in January with 95 people in attendance.

New officers of the Chamber are: chairman of the board, Dan Grady; chairman-elect, Diane Risko; vice chairman, Barry Moore; treasurer, Tom Woodruff; heading up the Ambassadors this year will be Larry Newhardt; business development director Jani Mason; community affairs, Kim Capello; Jane Thomas, director, convention and visitors bureau; Focus health, Debbie Orloff Hayden; golf outing, Pat Webb; legislative affairs, Jonathan Brateman; partnerships for education, Dr. Emmett Lippe; special events, co-

chaired by Anne Quinn-Walling and Debbie Mashinske. In addition, Bud Scott will be working closely with the board this coming year.

Recognition plaques for 1995 small businesses were presented to Tony Rigato, president of MRM Inc., and Tom McSweeney of McSweeney Electric. The partnership of merit award was presented to NHD Bank and Novi Meadows Elementary School.

Coming up will be the annual "A Night to Remember" scheduled for Saturday, March 23 at the Novi Hilton. The evening will include silent and live auctions, raffles, dinner and dancing, with proceeds benefiting the Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit. Please call 349-3473 for more information.

The church family is continuing with their contributions to Crossroads. Each week will be designated for certain items which can be brought in the following Sunday. Everyone is asked to bring in non-perishable items for next Sunday, canned items the following week, and continue the pattern through March 31.

Fr. Harding will be at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church on March 22. For locations, call the church office.

Holy Cross has been selected as a new voting precinct and will be No. 17 for the area bounded by Twelve Mile to Ten Mile and Beck to Napier roads.

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CHURCH OF HOLY CROSS

Shrove Tuesday pancake supper at the church is planned for Feb. 20 from 5:30-7 p.m., public invited. Cost is \$4 adults, \$2 for age 10 and under. For additional information call the church office at 349-1175.

Lent will begin on Feb. 21 with a weekday Evensong celebration featuring a penitential preparation, confession and imposition of ashes. Church services will be at noon and at 7 p.m.

The church family has been invited to participate in Lenten luncheons starting Feb. 23; the worship service (hymn, sermon and prayer) will begin at 12:10 followed by soup, salad, and dessert luncheon with beverage at 1 p.m. Nursery will be provided and the luncheon cost will be \$3. These luncheons will be held at various Walled Lake churches with different pastors leading the services.

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

Lenten programs at area churches

Lent begins this year on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

Area churches have selected various themes to discuss throughout the Lenten season.

Holy Cross Episcopal Church the 1996 Lenten program will focus on the Episcopal Society for Ministry on Aging. Guest, The weekly series includes:

February 28, Awakenings: "Who are you?"

March 6, Suffering/Brokenness "What do you want?" and "What is it for me?"

March 13 Renewal: "I'll be in touch"

March 20 Reintegrating/Returning: "Where have you been?" and "Let us be together" and March 27 "Remembering: Welcome friend."

Each week various stages of human existence will be discussed from infant to toddler through to the very old adult.

The series begins Feb. 28 and ends March 27. The program will be offered at St. Anne's in Walled Lake at 10:30 a.m. and at Holy Cross at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, call the church at 349-8847.

At Meadowbrook Congregational Church, a series on "A Question of Faith" will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday beginning Feb. 26 with "Who is God?" On March 4, "What God is Prayer?" will be discussed followed by "What's God Got to Do with Evil?" on March 11.

"What's Being Good for?" is the subject on March 18 with "Who Needs Organized Religion?" on March 25. The series concludes with "What Matters Anyway?" on April 1.

There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall and there is no cost to attend any or all of the sessions.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 41415 West Nine Mile Road, will present two series of special Lenten services, one Wednesday evenings and one Sunday mornings beginning Feb. 18.

The Sunday services will feature a taste of Jewish Passover. Literally, as a way of exploring how Jesus is God's great Passover lamb.

The Lenten Sunday services in preparation for Easter will explore how the elements of the Passover meal point to Jesus. The services will include a taste of a Passover meal.

The special Sunday services will begin Feb. 18 through March 24 and are offered at 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Included are "Does 21 Feel So Alone?" Feb. 28 "Feel God Really Answer Prayer?"; March 6 "I've Had it With Religion!"; March 13 "Is There a Loving God?"; March 20 "I'm So Ashamed"; and March 27 "Scared to Death of Death?"

A staff nursery is available for small children at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.



Submitted photo
Dr. Donald Irwin and his wife, Lillian, of Little Rock, Ark. arrived earlier this month to assume the duties of senior interim pastor at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene.

Church extends welcome to senior interim pastor

A special welcome was extended to Dr. Donald Irwin and his wife, Lillian, of Little Rock, Ark., when the couple arrived earlier this month to assume the duties of senior interim pastor at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene.

Dr. Irwin took over his most recent assignment on Jan. 7 as interim pastor of Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, the church on the hill visible from I-275.

Located on Haggerty north of Eight Mile, Detroit First Church is a metropolitan church serving hundreds of families in Northville, Novi, Farmington, Southfield, Birmingham, Livonia, Plymouth, Canton and the surrounding communities.

"Thank You for Saying Yes to Michigan" was the theme of a welcoming reception held for the Irwins by the congregation on the evening of Sunday, Jan. 14.

Dr. Irwin was contacted to be interim pastor when the Rev. Holland Lewis, immediate past senior pastor, accepted a new assignment as senior pastor of a Nazarene church in Yakima, Wash. Detroit First Church is presently conducting a national search for a new pastor and is following Dr. Irwin's leadership until that position is filled.

A retired minister of the Church of the Nazarene, Dr. Irwin has served as president of Eastern Nazarene College for five years, as district superintendent in New England and South Arkansas, and as pastor in Florida, California, Tennessee, and Illinois.

Among Dr. Irwin's pastoral assignments was senior pastor of College Church for Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, Ill., which is the university serving students in Eastern Michigan district.

"Since arriving here, I have discovered that the people of Detroit First Church are excited about their present and their future ministry in metropolitan Detroit," said Pastor Irwin. "I certainly intend to get to know the many activities at First Church, and find out first hand how God will work through people who are optimistic about tomorrow."

Combining a ministry of pastoral administration, education and evangelism, his preaching underscores and emphasizes the positive values and virtues of the Christian life. His Bible-centered messages are focused on meeting today's needs.

Before accepting the assignment at First Church, Dr. Irwin and his wife Lillian traveled throughout the U.S. and abroad preaching, teaching, conducting missionary conventions, and being involved in compassionate ministries through Nazarenes in Volunteer Service (NIVS).

First Church provides early morning (8:30 a.m.), morning (11 a.m.) and evening worship (8 p.m.) services. Sunday School for all ages, Wednesday night Bible study at 7 p.m., full nursery provided, and a full range of programs for children, youth, singles, and adults.

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ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI 4332 10 Mile Rd. Novi, MI 48123 Sunday, 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Father Andrew Tomasi, Assoc. Pastor Parish Office 347-7778	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE 217 N. W. 348-1000 Rev. Stephen Sopta, Pastor Sunday, 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Bible Study 7:30-9:00 p.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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VICTORY LUTHERAN CHURCH (MISSOURI SYNOD) NOVI MEADOWS SCHOOL On Toft Rd. near 11 Mile Road Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. 349-2669	SPIRIT OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH E.L.C.A. Ten Mile between Haggerty and Meadowbrook Sat. 5:30 p.m., Sun. 10:00 a.m. Sun. Church School 9:30 a.m. Pastor Tom Scherger - 477-6296
NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH-ELCA Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Youth & Adult Education 9 a.m. on the 4th floor. In the square in downtown Plymouth 250 E. 1st Street, Plymouth 349-4221 Pastor: Debra Ann Roberts Internet: http://www.nli-lca.edu/ nliweb@nli.mil	For information regarding rates for church listings call The Northville Record or Novi News 349-1700

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The Children's Hospital of Michigan Auxiliary raised over \$18,000 from tours of the Better Homes and Gardens 1996 "Home of the Year." Lines were over a block long on each of the three weekends, Jan. 20 and 21, 27 and 28, and Feb. 3 and 4, the home was open to the public.

Over 9,000 people visited the home located in Novi in the Autumn Park subdivision at Nine Mile and Beck roads.

The money raised will directly benefit the young patients at Children's and support the Auxiliary's commitment to meeting the emotional and physical needs of sick or injured children, said Diane Samunski, Director of Development for Children's Hospital.

Better Homes and Gardens and APA - The Engineered Wood Association joined together to create an American home. APA advocates the beautiful and practical use of engineered wood products. "This is the first time a Home of the Year has been built in Michigan. The 3,300 square foot home combines the future of residential construction with a traditional American design. The home was designed by Randy Grange and built by John Richards Homes of Birmingham.

The home was featured in the Creative Living Section of the Novi News and the Northville Record on Jan. 11.

Youth in need of volunteers

The Lakes Area Youth Assistance invites community members to join PLUS (People Listening Understanding Sharing). PLUS is a key program in Lakes Area Youth Assistance's effort to prevent juvenile delinquency. Through the PLUS program, a community volunteer establishes a one-on-one relationship with a youth. Referred youngsters are those who can benefit from the time, attention, companionship and guidance that a mature, stable mentor can provide.

To become a PLUS volunteer, or for more information, call Youth Assistance at 960-8521.

Engagement



Susan Schneemann/Daniel Houston

Pamela Schneemann of Novi announces the engagement of her daughter, Susan Lynn, to Daniel Ross Houston, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Houston of Plymouth.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Novi High School. She graduated from Southwest Baptist University in 1992, and will receive her master's degree this year from Birmingham.

Eastern Michigan University. She is currently employed at IT Corp. in Farmington Hills.

The groom-elect graduated from Plymouth-Canton High School, and is a 1987 graduate of the University of Michigan. He is employed at Ford Motor Co.

Their wedding will take place sometime in August, 1996.

'Appliance Doctor' shares some simple tips with women's group

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Turn the faucet on at the sink until the hot water is at 140 degrees before you turn on the dishwasher.

"If you don't, that first load of water coming into your dishwasher is cold or lukewarm," Gagnon said. "That's the critical thing, probably, to washing dishes. Getting rid of the spots."

When you fail to do this, undissolved detergent gets onto the impellers in your motor assembly. The impellers are critical for giving you a good wash action and a strong spray effect. If they're all coated, they can't do the job. Efficiency is cut by 50 percent.

To clean the undissolved detergent on the impellers, turn on the hot tap water until it reaches 140 degrees. With the dishwasher empty, turn on the dishwasher for

three to four minutes, then stop the dishwasher. There should be water in the bottom. Pour an entire jar of 16 or 22 ounces of Tang into the water and run the dishwasher through the rest of the cycle, empty.

"Your dishwasher will be like brand spanking new and you'll really notice the difference."

Another common kitchen gadget which can save a consumer dollars on a refrigerator service call is a turkey baster.

Self defrosting refrigerators can clog up in the elbow in the drain line.

Find the drain hole, fill the baster with hot water, wrap a towel around the baster and the hole and squirt the water into the hole.

"Know your limitations though, research it (the repair) before you do it," Gagnon said.

Church Notes

The New Horizons group at **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**, 200 East Main Street in Northville, will meet on Feb. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in Ball Fellowship Hall at Poi Lack Dinner. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Table games will follow dinner. Sign up in Ball Hall.

A Lenten Study Series began Feb. 22 at 7:30 p.m. in Ball Fellowship Hall for six Thursday evenings through March 28. The session will be led by two church ministers using the study book, *In One Spirit*. The cost is \$2.50 per family. You need not attend every class to participate.

For more information, call the church at 349-0911.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH, 41415 West Nine Mile Road in Novi, will present two series of special Lenten services on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings beginning Feb. 18 and 21, respectively.

The Sunday morning services will feature a taste of a Jewish Passover meal at 8 and 10:30 a.m.

The Wednesday 7 p.m. services carry the theme "He's Been There ... Just for You." The services address questions and feelings everyone has had from time to time and run through March 27.

A staffed nursery for small children is available at the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service.

For more information, call the church at (810) 349-0565.

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. and 3 p.m.

For more information, call the church at 349-1144.

Four new small groups begin this Sunday evening, Feb. 18 at 7 p.m. at **NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**, a forming congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. The one- and one-half hour groups meet for six to seven weeks in the homes of members and combine Bible study, prayer, daily life concerns and ministry opportunities for up to 12 participants. Groups are offered on Self-esteem, Encouraging Self and Others; Caring and Community; Perspectives from Ephesians; Faith; Confidence and Doubt; In Daily Life; and Men and Women: Building Communication.

For more information, call Rev. Ken Roberts at (313) 459-8181 or (313) 455-1436 (parsonage).

The congregations worship Sundays at 10 a.m. in the Masonic Temple, 730 Penitentiary, on the square in downtown Plymouth. Youth and adult education is at 9 a.m. with the adult class beginning a Serendipity Bible study series on the parables of Jesus.

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.

NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 41671 West Ten Mile Road in Novi, begins its Lenten program on Feb. 25 at 5:30 p.m. with a Soup 'n' Snacks Meal followed by the first in a series of sermons. The program concludes on March 24. Committees and groups hosting the weekly programs are the Education Committee, Outreach Committee, United Methodist Women, Music Department/Worship Committee and the United Methodist Men. Child care will be provided.

For more information, call the church at 349-2652.

VICTORY LUTHERAN CHURCH holds Sunday worship and school from 10 until 11:15 a.m. at the Novi Meadows School cafeteria, Tait between Ten Mile Road and Grand River.

For more information, call 349-2669.

The new officers elected during the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the **MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**, 21355 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, are Robert Smith, moderator; Kathy Sell, vice moderator; Diane Chambers and Rob Downie, co-treasurers; Bonnie Hyde, secretary; Barbara Miller, historian, and Parliamentarian, Marian Rowlett.

Regina Broderson, who has served as treasurer since 1988, received special recognition in the way of a plaque, flowers and a gift certificate by members for her dedication during the past eight years.

A Lenten series on "A Question of Faith" will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Mondays beginning Feb. 26. The series concludes on April 1.

There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall and there is no cost to attend any or all of the sessions.

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 46200 West Ten Mile Road, is scheduled to service food for about 400 people at the Cross Road's Soup Kitchen on June 2. Preparations begin at 9 a.m., and lunch will be served at noon. To sign up, call the church office.

The 1996 Lenten Program, entitled "Aging and the Spirit," is designed to use scripture to help participants become aware of the various stages of spiritual development as they encounter God. The series begins Feb. 28 and ends March 27.

The program will be offered at St. Anne's in Walled Lake at 10:30 a.m. and at Holy Cross at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, call the church at 349-8847.

TURNING POINT COMMUNITY CHURCH recently had its introductory meeting on Feb. 6. The new ministry will be a contemporary church designed to practically help people find God's solutions to the challenges of life. Turning Point is pastored by Kevin Green.

For more information, call him at 380-4617.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, 39200 Twelve Mile Road just east of Haggerty in Farmington Hills, will join thousands of others in North America, India and Nepal in a worldwide 50-Day Spiritual Adventure called "What to Do When You Don't Know What to Do: Trusting Christ When Life Gets Confusing."

The 50-Day Adventure series runs from Sunday, Feb. 18 through Easter Sunday, April 7.

Pastor Bradley Geis encourages anyone who would like to join in this exciting Adventure to visit a Sunday morning service at either 8:30 or 11 a.m.

For more information, call (810) 553-7170.

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.

On Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 6 p.m. Single Place will meet for dinner at Sundowner followed by a presentation by Marlene Reigh on "Techniques for Quality Male/Female Communication." The cost is \$4.

Sports activities coming up include a bowling evening on Feb. 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 bowling are \$6 plus \$1.50 for shoe rental.

Single Place Ministries will present 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 nearest socks. DJ Brian Bosman will entertain with blasts from the past.

Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$8 at the door and are available at the church and on Wednesday evenings.

Upcoming workshops include: "Gender Communication Differences" with Ed and Sandy Leyer which will be held at the Holiday Inn, North Campus in Ann Arbor on Feb. 24 and 25, and "Divorce Recovery" March 7 through April 25 with various speakers. The cost is \$30.

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

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

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

All St. James singles are welcome to join the new activities group, **ST. JAMES SINGLES**.

For more information, call the church at 347-7778.

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

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

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

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

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

Upcoming activities include: Fuddrucker's and Movie on Feb. 17 and Indoor Tennis/Volleyball/Wallyball at the Franklin Racquet Club on Feb. 18.

FSP is now forming three social co-ed golf leagues.

For details on upcoming activities and information about Farmington Single Professionals call the FSP hot line at (810) 851-9909.

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

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

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

Scout pulls rank with trees

By CAROL WORKENS Staff Writer

Spring will be the time when Matthew Reichert will be able to tell if his green thumb is holding out.

Ninety percent of the trees Reichert planted in May 1995 for his Eagle Scout project survived through the summer.

Reichert planted 219 saplings as part of a reforestation project along Thornton Creek in a new subdivision being developed on Beck Road between Nine and Ten Mile roads.

Reichert, the son of Bonnie and Ronald Reichert of Novi, planted the trees which replaced trees removed when the sanitary sewer was installed.

Twelve inch to 3 feet trees were planted in three sites in the subdivision. Then protective cones were placed around each sapling.

A member of Troop 407, Reichert recruited fellow scouts who needed to earn service project hours, as well as friends from church and school to help with the project. Planting of the bare rooted and balled trees was done over two weekends with 18 volunteers the first weekend, April 29 and 30, and 15 the second weekend, May 6 and 7. The trees which were removed provided the mulch which Reichert used around the new plantings.

The City of Novi obtained the seven different varieties of trees for Reichert to plant, while the city planted the larger trees which required special equipment.

"Three different stages of growth was used like it naturally was," said Reichert's mother, Bonnie.

Chris Fargoff, Novi city forester, worked with Reichert on the project, which has to benefit the community and total at least 100 hours.

Unlike other scout projects, for the Eagle rank, the scout must be the leader. Projects must be approved by the Scoutmaster, troop committee and the council or district before the scout can begin.

"It was a fun project and at least some of it will be there for years to come," said Bonnie.

"This is nice because they can go back and see them. Matt checks on them when he comes home from college," Bonnie said.

He even carries water from the creek to water them."

Reichert is a 1995 graduate of Novi High School. While in high school, he played trombone in both the marching and symphony bands, where he earned a letter, as well as the musical, Kismet. He is attending Michigan State University where he is majoring in computer science with a concentration in plant genetics.

Reichert has one brother, Adam, who received his Eagle Scout award three years ago.

Scoutmaster Gary Skodak presented Reichert with the rank of Eagle Scout during the Court of Honor which was held Oct. 29, 1995 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Northville.

Reichert, who joined the Scouts when he was in second grade, also earned 22 merit badges, 21 are required for the rank of Eagle.

Reichert was presented with a proclamation of commendation by Novi Mayor Kathleen S. McAllen on Jan. 8 during Novi City Council meeting.



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Benefit show is in perfect harmony

The Detroit-Oakland Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society is in final preparations for its 57th annual Parade of Harmony. "Dear Hearts and Gentle People," to be staged Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16 and 17, at Clarenceville High School Auditorium in Livonia.

Northville resident and chorus manager, Fran Durham, has been singing for 30 years and will be among members performing this weekend.

Durham and his wife, Marguerite, both retired school teachers, are also active in volunteer work and the choir at Redford Methodist Church.

The performance benefits HeartSpring, a school for communicatively impaired and multiply handicapped children in Kansas. "Our motto is 'we sing, so they will speak,'" said Durham.

In addition to its own 45-man Gentlemen Songsters Chorus, the chapter has booked two of the society's most in-demand quartets—Keepsake, the 1992 International Champions from Orlando,

"Our motto is 'we sing, so they will speak.'"

Fran Durham
Chorus Manager



Fran Durham, left, will be among those performing barbershop harmony on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16 and 17.

Fla., and Yesteryear, 1995 International Silver Medalists from Cleveland, who will perform both evenings.

Three quartets from the Detroit-Oakland Chapter, Crosstown Exchange, 4-Note Trump and Forum Four, will also participate in the "theme" show which traces a young man's musical career from hometown to Broadway and back.

Curtain time is 7:59 p.m. for the Friday show and 7:29 p.m. for the Saturday performance. Tickets are available from chapter members at \$11 for the Friday show and \$12 on Saturday.

Tickets will also be available at the door for both performances.

For further information, call (810) 258-9601.

Entertainment listing

Submit items for the entertainment listings to The Northville Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167; or fax to 349-1050.

AUDITIONS

NEW HORIZON COMMUNITY CHURCH: The church is looking for actors and actresses to occasionally participate in Sunday morning dramas and skits based on topical issues.

Scripts are provided and minimal rehearsal time is needed. All creative input is welcome.

A local community church featuring a contemporary format, the church meets at the Novi Town Center General Cinema Theaters in Novi. Those interested should call Ann Marie Frey, (810) 348-3563.

SPECIAL EVENTS

PERFORMER'S SHOWCASE: The public is invited to attend the Performer's Showcase performances which are held prior to select city council meetings in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. on occasion, performances may be taped by Time Warner and cablecast to residents.

Musicians, actors, poets, dancers, etc., are invited to submit application forms and audition tapes, if available, to the Novi Arts Council, 347-0400.

CARRIAGE RIDES

Northville Carriage Co. offers carriage rides throughout the year and packages for holidays and special occasions. For more information and reservations, call Northville Carriage Co. at 380-3961.

WATER CLUB SEAFOOD GRILL

An evening of murder-mystery theater and a four-course dinner are up next when the Water Club Seafood Grill presents the interactive *Pollitos are Murder* by Dore Productions of Northville on Feb. 23 at 7 p.m.

The Water Club is located on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth, one quarter mile east of I-275.

The Starting Gate is located at 135 N. Center St. in downtown Northville.

SUNSET GRILL: Every Tuesday from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. the Sunset Grill blues jam continues into its second year. Featuring Tim Flaharty as host, the jam is open to all musicians.

The Tim Flaharty Trio with Nancy R. hosts an open jazz jam every Sunday evening from 7 until 11 p.m. Ongoing for over six months, the jam is open to everyone interested in classical jazz, swing and bebop.

The Sunset Grill is located on the corner of Thirteen Mile and Novi roads.

For more information, call (810) 349-7770.

forming is George Colovus, world famous flutist and entertainer performing classical, jazz and romantic interludes.

Reservations are suggested on the weekends.

For more information or reservations, call (810) 380-0011.

TUSCAN CAFE: Tuscan Cafe presents light jazz music on Friday and Saturday evenings.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday performances are 8:30 to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday performances are from 9 p.m. to midnight.

Tuscan Cafe is located at 150 Center Street in Northville. For more information, call 305-8629.

BRADY'S FOOD & SPIRITS: Playing favorites from jazz greats will be Herbie Ross every Tuesday and Reggie Braxton every Wednesday.

Live entertainment is offered from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Brady's Food & Spirits is located at 38123 West Ten Mile Road in the Holiday Inn, Farmington Hills. For more information, call (810) 478-7780.

CAFFE BRAVO: Caffe Bravo features the talents of many artists performing everything from classical guitar, jazz and blues to contemporary and folk music every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The cafe is located at 110 Main-Centre in downtown Northville. Call 344-0220 for additional information.

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ART

DANCING EYE GALLERY: A special exhibition of Robert Zeilner's outdoor photography will be on display through March 29.

The Dancing Eye Gallery is located at 150 N. Center Street, Suite A, in Northville. Hours are Tuesday through Thursday 11 a.m. until 7 p.m.; Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. and Sunday noon to 4 p.m.

For more information, call (810) 449-7086.

ATRIUM GALLERY: Atrium Gallery is featuring Northville artist Patrick O'Rourke. The studies on display are crowquill pen, ink wash or pencil work. His pieces are so exactly illustrated that they give the illusion of photography. He is interested in history and reflects this in his work. The show continues through March 31.

Atrium Gallery is located at 109 N. Center in downtown Northville. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

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BACKDOOR GALLERY: Farmington's Backdoor Gallery on 37220 Eight Mile Road specializes in unusual art dolls. The gallery is in the home of co-owner Kathy Landers. She and the other gallery owner, Kathleen Bricker, are both artists.

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LITTLE ART GALLERY: The Little Art Gallery at Gentili's Samuel H. Little Theater in downtown Northville features two shows a month.

Michigan fine artists who would like to display their works are encouraged to contact gallery manager and artist Julie Giordano at 348-0282.

The Little Art Gallery is at 112 E. Main St.

burg operated a grocery store in the building, are available at Painter's Place, Studio & Gallery of Caroline Dunphy.

The gallery is located at 140 N. Center Street in Northville. Hours during January are Tuesday through Thursday, noon to 4 p.m. or by appointment.

Call 348-9544 for more information.

GATE VI GALLERY: Gate VI is located in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center. Hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. On the weekend, the gallery is open if the building is open.

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MUSEUMS

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NEARBY

BORDERS BOOKS: Upcoming events at Borders Books and Music, located in the Novi Town Center off Novi Road just south of I-96, include a Don Juan de Marco film discussion presented by Dr. Lisa Medoff on Feb. 15 at 7 p.m.; Cosmic Dali with singer/songwriter Mary McGuire on Feb. 16 at 7 p.m.; Headbone Day on Feb. 17 at 11 a.m. where kids can explore the world of kids' CD-ROM with Headbone Interactive; and on Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. the French speaking group, Table Francaise, will discuss Mardi Gras.

For further information call (810) 347-0780.

MARDI GRAS: New Orleans Cuisine lovers and fans of vocal jazz will want to plan their Mardi Gras celebration for the Schoolcraft College annual dinner on Friday, Feb. 16, at 7:30 p.m. in Waterman Center.

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'Twelve Monkeys' is disturbing

TWELVE MONKEYS
BY MIKE KAPUSKY
NORTHVILLE

READER MOVIE REVIEWS

Another dark look at a post-apocalypse future that was caused by who else but us. "Twelve Monkeys" is not scary, it is not suspenseful. It is just disturbing because it could really happen. Bruce Willis is a criminal from an underground future who is sent back in time to gather information about a lethal virus that kills 98 percent of the human population and forces them to live underground. After being arrested, placed in an insane asylum, and escaping, Willis and a curious psychiatrist, Madeleine Slowe, uncover a mystery that maybe cannot be stopped.

The gloomy, elaborate sets of a deserted city, the respectable special effects, the astonishing ending, and the absurd display of an underground city fabricate a unique science fiction thriller. "Twelve Monkeys" is an extremely bizarre view of a dark future from a Monte Python veteran who

directed and produced this film. Terry Gilliam, Brad Pitt is even superb as a lunatic. "Twelve Monkeys" rattles out three and one half stars. (Based on five with five tops.) Too many unanswered questions and ideas unexplained, but I guess that makes it all the more interesting for the imagination.

EYE FOR AN EYE
BY DR. GAIL MAJCHER
NORTHVILLE

A teenage girl is raped and murdered while her mother is on the

phone with her listening to her daughter's pleas for mercy. The vicious murderer is set free on a technicality.

Sally Field does not give the emotional intensity of a mother struck with such grief. Her affect is flattened.

While seeking revenge on the man who did this to her child, she appears to be going through the motions.

Kiefer Sutherland does a good job (if that word fits) job as an evil person with a bad attitude but his material has little depth.

As usual, Ed Harris does a fine job as a caring husband with intense blue eyes. This plays more like a made-for-TV movie. Wait for the video.

"Focalontas," a lot. Woody, a sheriff doll with the voice of Tom Hanks, is the favorite toy of Ardy's until a new toy moves in.

That toy is the Buzz-Lightyear action figure, with the voice of Tim Allen.

Instantly, Woody is jealous of Buzz's popularity. Not only is he Ardy's favorite toy, but all of Woody's friends seem to prefer Buzz, too.

Woody decides to put an end to Buzz once and for all and plans revenge on the toy to prove who's the best.

Unfortunately, Woody's plan backfires. Now, Buzz and Woody are outside in the "human world," and the only way to survive is to stick together.

"Toy Story" is one of the cutest movies ever made. It's filled with adventure, humor and heart, which will make it a Disney classic viewers will treasure for generations to come.

"Toy Story" earns five stars out of five. Viewers won't be disappointed.

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Grapplers fourth at KVC tourney

Continued from 9... "It won't get better without rest," he added. Skip Becker made it to the final as well. The 160-pounder beat two opponents before falling to Ryan Frost of Hartland 6-5. In that match, Becker fell behind 6-2 late in third period. He rallied at the end to make it close. "He took it to the kid," Huss said. "He just ran out of time."

Sports Shorts

Travel Baseball Tryouts

The 14-year-old Novi Expos baseball team has openings for the '96 season. The Expos play in the Little Caesars Amateur Baseball Federation League. Eligible players must have been born on or after Aug. 1, 1981. For further information, contact Bob Shaw, manager, at (810)349-1661.

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 S. 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 Funkhouser, director of athletics, for application procedure at (810) 449-1509.

Baseball

The North Farmington/West Bloomfield Michigan Cobras all 15-year-old 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.

TRACKIN' THE 'CATS

VOLLEYBALL: The spikers are in action today at Milford at 6:30 p.m. Monday, the Wildcats host Lakeland at 6 p.m.

BASKETBALL: Novi hosts Lakeland at 7:30 tomorrow.

WRESTLING: The grapplers will be at South Lyon today for the state district (see tournament on this page), the individual district will be held at Walled Lake Western High.

SWIMMING: The tankers are off until Feb. 23 when they will swim at the Brighton Invitational.

GYMNASIICS: The gymnasts are off until a week from today when they will participate at the WLAAC conference meet.

HEALTH NOTE

by Dennis E. Engerer, P.T. SOUND TREATMENT

Ultrasound is a modality that is in widespread use as a treatment for injured muscles and tendons. Now, there is preliminary evidence that ultrasound may also play a significant role in speeding the healing of fractured bones. According to one study, patients with shinbone fractures who were treated to ultrasound therapy through cutouts in their casts were able to have their casts removed in three months (versus the usual four months for patients untreated with ultrasound). In another study, patients with arm fractures who received ultrasound treatment experience a similar 25 percent quicker healing time than untreated patients. So far, ultrasound therapy for fractured bones has yet to receive FDA approval.

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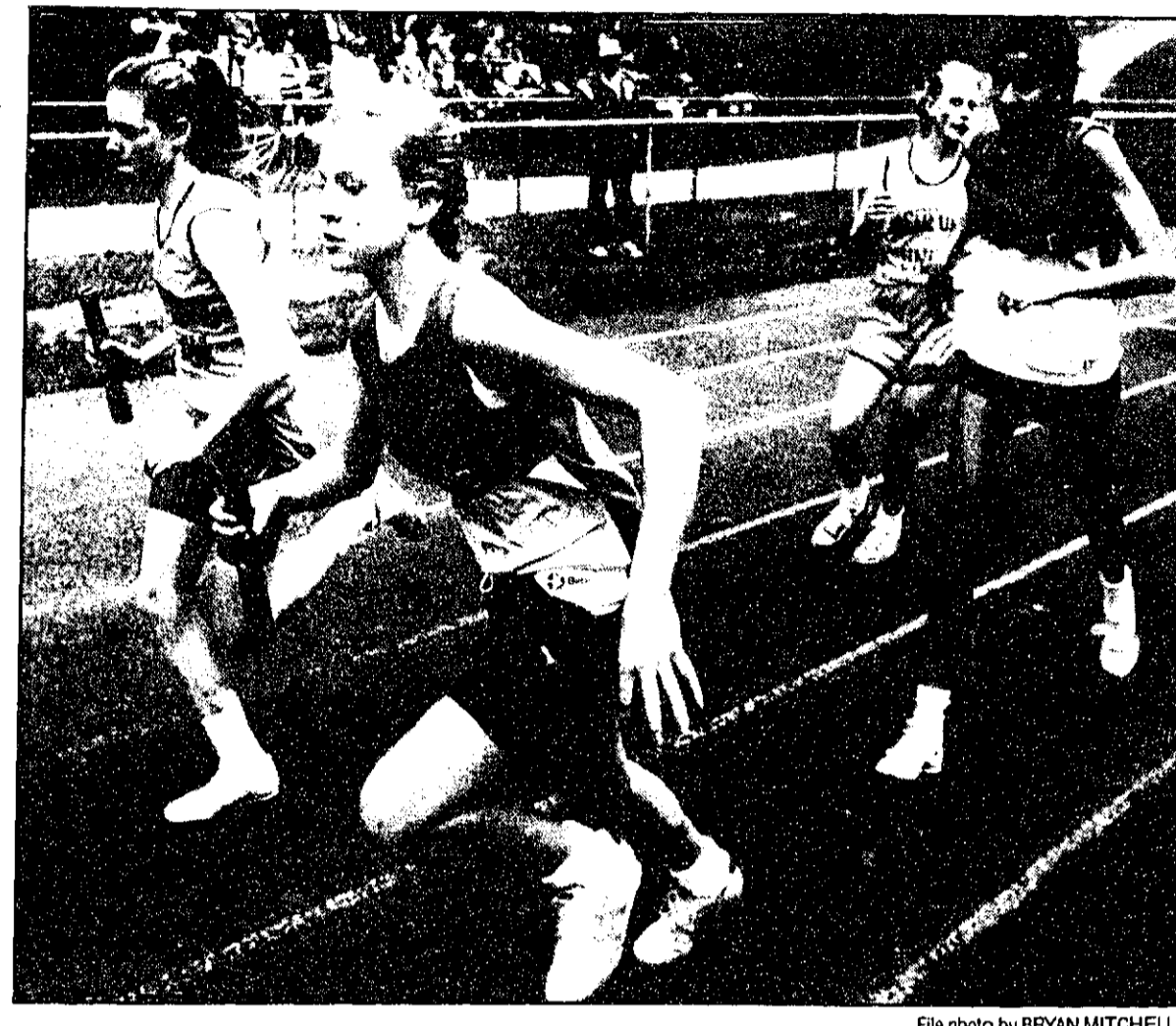
Health Matters

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Intense exercise, eating disorders can lead to problems for women

By MARGO SCHNEIDMAN, Special Writer

Participating in competitive sports is a staple in the lives of many young women, but when it comes to the long-term physical effects of intense exercise, female athletes instead may be "playing now and paying later," according to physicians at the University of Michigan Medical Center. The problem, says U-M family physician and sports medicine specialist Robert Kingham, M.D., is that in the pursuit of the ideal "fitting weight," eating disorders often go hand-in-hand with grueling athletic competition. The resulting weight loss can then cause amenorrhea (the cessation of menstruation). When periods stop, estrogen production plummets, which can lead to bone loss and premature osteoporosis. In sports medicine circles, this dangerous combination of eating disorders, amenorrhea and osteoporosis is referred to as the "female-athlete triad."



File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Intense exercise and eating disorders can cause cessation of menstruation in young women. Runners, ballet dancers and ice skaters are most at risk. Amenorrhea also can occur in women who have lost a lot of weight due to dieting or eating disorders, regardless of whether they exercise. Physicians can treat the problem easily by prescribing estrogen in the form of birth-control pills to restore menstruation. The difficulty for doctors, however, is in knowing when an athlete is undernourishing herself and has stopped having her periods. Since they don't usually view amenorrhea as a problem, these women often don't complain about it. "Typically, athletes aren't concerned when they have amenorrhea, and some actually like it," Kingham says. In many cases, what finally drives these women to the doctor is a painful stress fracture resulting from softened bones. "Physicians used to take a wait-and-see attitude with amenorrhea. But now we treat amenorrhea aggressively because irreversible bone loss can occur within three to six months," Kingham says. "After several years of amenorrhea, a young woman will become postmenopausal in terms of bone loss."

Hospital stay after delivery varies

There has been much recent controversy about hospital stay after delivery. Insurers have been accused of "throwing women and babies out of the hospital," and laws have been passed to require a certain length of stay. What is the appropriate period of time women should stay in the hospital after delivery? It is worth discussing this question with your health care provider, your child birth educator, and your insurance company will be delivered. The real key to how long one should be in the hospital after a delivery depends upon accomplishing three goals: 1. Providing a safe environment for the mother and baby. 2. Helping new parents develop appropriate emotional ties to their baby and the new family unit. 3. Making the appropriate lifestyle changes. During early pregnancy, providing a safe environment includes such things as good nutrition, use of seat belts and abstaining from smoking, alcohol and drugs.

At the end of pregnancy, preparation for providing a safe environment for the baby includes purchasing an infant car seat and understanding the need for immunization and infant safety. New parents need to be prepared for how the baby should be placed in the car seat. They should know the recommended safe positions for a baby to sleep (neonatal data shows that babies should be sleeping on their back or side to decrease the risk of crib death), and how to hold and carry the baby safely. They should also be able to identify those problems with the infant that require contact with the pediatrician or hospital. In terms of developing emotional ties, pregnant women need to understand the physical and emotional changes of pregnancy so that early-morning nausea and vomiting, urinary frequency, weight gain and change in appetite and sexual desire are not a surprise. Growth and development of the baby is usually something well covered in prenatal classes. The kind of family adjustments that other siblings, husbands or partners and grandparents need to make should also be discussed. New mothers often need help with initial breast feeding and identifying when their baby is hungry. These are all topics that can be discussed ahead of time. Mothers can be taught how to console a fussing baby and how to identify the kind of appropriate responses from the newborn. Finally, expectant mothers should understand the importance of making certain lifestyle changes (including beginning folic acid supplementation) and knowing before pregnancy what the increased nutritional needs will be. Issues having to do with exercise, fitness, managing work and pregnancy, making modifications in sexual behaviors, signs of labor, and getting to the hospital on time are all important issues to plan in large part for the lifestyle changes associated with delivery. How long a new mother stays in the hospital really depends on how prepared she is to take care of herself and the baby at home. The actual duration of an obstetric stay in the hospital will depend in large part on medical complications and conditions. Patients who have Caesarean sections or significant complications such as severe preeclampsia or hypertension will probably need to stay in the hospital longer. On the other hand, normal, healthy women who are well prepared for delivery and for self and infant care at home can have shorter stays. Timothy R.B. Johnson, M.D., is a professor and the chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, the University of Michigan Medical Center.

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Health Notes

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Botsford General Hospital Calendar: Tuesday, Feb. 20 - Diabetes support group meeting. "Legislative Issues: Delegates for Diabetes, R.N., B.S.N. M. Free. Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. For more information, call (810) 477-6100. Thursday, Feb. 22 - Coffee with an Internist: "Thyroid Disorders." Botsford primary-care physician Phillip Eisenberg, D.O., will discuss symptoms, diagnosis and treatment of thyroid disorders. Refreshments will be served, 2-4 p.m., \$3 at the door. Preregistration required by Feb. 15. Held at Vladimir's, 28125 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. For more information or to register, call (810) 471-8020.

Spikers second at WLW invite

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"It was the most exciting game of the whole season," said Fisetle. "It was pretty incredible."

Novi fell behind 4-0 in the early going but eventually worked back to a 9-9 tie. The two teams continued to battle back and forth before Renee Suenkonts closed it out on a kill shot.

The finals match with Lakeland turned out to be a war as well.

The Wildcats dropped game one 15-10. Novi led 5-1 but couldn't hold the lead.

Lakeland's Julie Zwink was mainly responsible. She served for eight straight points and took the Eagles to a 12-5 lead. Novi rallied but couldn't come back all the way.

The Wildcats wasted no time blowing Lakeland out of the water in game two, 15-3. A strong serving game was capped by Junko Matsunaga, who served for points 10 through 15.

Whatever magic the Wildcats had in the game quickly dissipated, however. Lakeland took the rubber game 15-8.

Fisetle said her team was unhappy about taking second.

Several Wildcats had strong matches despite the loss. Sarah



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Shaunnah Yeihey has helped Novi to its fine season.

McGinnen and Amber Ranilovich each had six kills and Ursula Place led everyone with 10. Michelle

Mott had a pair of blocks.

Pool play proved to be a mixed bag for Novi.

Gymnasts edge Hartland in dual

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8.3, Danean Pazdan and Ghedotte scored 8.1 for second and Manza was fourth at 7.65.

Northville/Novi took three of the four top spots on the uneven bars. Stacey Williamson averaged 8.1 for first, Ghedotte was third at 7.3, Manza was fourth at 7.0 and Glick had a 5.9 to round out the team score.

Gina Spinazze won the balance beam competition with an 8.5 average mark. Winn said she has been coming on strong as of late.

Pazdan placed second at 7.85 while Manza and Ghedotte each scored a 6.8.

The combined team swept the

floor exercise to close the meet. Essary won it with an 8.7, Pazdan was second at 8.6, Ghedotte third at 8.5 and Manza fourth at 7.8.

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"This was probably the combined team's biggest win of the season. Northville/Novi won every event to beat the Eagles, whom Winn regarded as one of her team's biggest rivals in the league.

"It was a great win," she said.

Freshman Nicole Pelletier chipped in with a solid day. She, in fact, took second place on the vault with an 8.75. Williamson and Erica Winn tied for fourth at 8.6 and Essary had an 8.55 to round

out team scores.

Essary came right back to win the uneven bars with a 9.05. Spinazze equaled that mark while Williamson was third at 8.65 and Winn fourth at 8.6.

On the balance beam, Essary finished second with an average of 8.6, Winn was third at 8.55, Pazdan fourth at 8.45 and Pelletier had an 8.35.

Once again, the combined team finished strong by sweeping the floor exercise. Winn won it with an outstanding 9.25. Spinazze was second at 9.2, Williamson third at 8.95 and Pelletier fourth at 8.85.

Tankers whip Fenton by 28

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The Wildcat swim team's 28-point road victory over Fenton Thursday is a good illustration why coaches go gray prematurely.

The dual meet was supposed to be an easy win. But halfway through, Fenton was giving the Wildcats all they could handle - to the tune of a 55-55 tie.

But Novi swept the 500-yard freestyle and the 100-yard backstroke to pull away for a 107-79 triumph.

"They made us pretty nervous," coach Bill McCord said. "But they ran out of swimmers."

Novi beat the Tigers easily a year ago. Based on that meet, the coach thought this year wouldn't be much different.

But Fenton started strong by winning the 200-yard medley relay by some 10 seconds.

"They smoked us in the medley relay," said McCord. "They had more good swimmers than I thought."

Novi's overall depth eventually caught up with the Tigers, however. McCord credited his team for turning up its competitive juices when it needed to.

"I think they got scared (of losing)," he added, "and really got the adrenalin going."

The Wildcats improved to 5-2 overall.

Fenton posted a time of 1:48.86 in the medley relay to win easily. Brian LeRoy, Erich Kelly, Henry Newton and Tim Kushman were second in 1:58.48. The team of Andrew Kelly, Matt Christopherson, Mike Girard and John Burkhardt were third in 1:57.14.

In the 200-yard freestyle, Jason LeRoy finished second in 2:00.78. Mike DiClaudio was third in 2:02.2 and John Jones, a freshman, was fifth in 2:14.7. Jones dropped 14 seconds off his previous best time.

"It was a good swim for a freshman," said McCord. Newton swam a career best to win the 200-yard IM

in 2:12.66.

"He had an excellent meet," said McCord. "He swam very smart."

As a team, Novi had its highest percentage of best times yet. That's not bad considering the team has been working extremely hard in practice.

"We had three morning practices last week," McCord said. That's in addition to the regular afternoon workout.

In the 50 freestyle, Erich Kelly swam a 23.5 for first place while Brian LeRoy was third in 24.9. Mike Alberty won the diving competition with 186.4 points and Jason Czozca was third with 155.35, a career best for him.

Kushman and Christopherson swam career bests in the 100-yard butterfly and took third and fourth, respectively.

Erich Kelly won the 100-yard freestyle in 51.19. Andrew Kelly was fourth in 55 seconds and Mike Kurtti fifth in 55.8.

"Neither of them had broken 58 seconds before," said McCord.

The meet was tied at 55 at that point. But Novi dominated the rest of the way.

Newton captured the 500-yard freestyle in 5:21.2. Burkhardt was second in 5:22 and Gibbons third in 5:39.18. Novi was second in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Brian LeRoy, Andrew Kelly and Kurtti swept the 100-yard backstroke for Novi. LeRoy won it in 1:03.5.

Girard finished first in the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:12.37. Matt Lafferty was second in 1:15.8 and Eric Kramer was fourth in 1:16.9. Novi won the 400-yard freestyle relay in 3:33.93 to close the meet with Jason and Brian LeRoy, Kushman and Erich Kelly swimming.

KVC, WLAA merger unlikely

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have basically dropped games against both KVC and WLAA schools in both football and basketball. Some of the other sports continue to play non-league games against OAA teams but they have been fewer and fewer each year.

League scheduling for both conferences is already complete for the 1996-97 school year but Horan said both sides agreed to write down open non-league dates during that time period. The athletic directors of both conferences plan to meet at a later date and fill those open dates with competition between the two leagues.

In addition, a committee made up of three ADs from each conference could be formed in the next few months to examine the schedules for the 1997-98 school year which will also include increased scheduling between the KVC and WLAA.

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Huron Valley Athletic Director

modate one another through more cooperative scheduling," Horan said.

Officials seem to view the cooperative measure as a step in the right direction and Horan said there are other ways in which the WLAA may be more receptive to the KVC in the future.

"There are still some changes taking place in the WLAA," Horan pointed out. Former South Lyon schools superintendent Duane Moore now occupies the same position in the Wayne/Westland school district and he was in favor of a merger when he worked in

South Lyon. Former Howell High School principal Jerry Hartsock has also made the jump to the WLAA this year as principal at Walled Lake Central High School.

All-in-all Horan said he walked away from last week's meeting feeling that a merger between the two sides was a long way away but not totally out of the question.

"It was a very receptive feeling that we could help one another in this respect by doing some cooperative scheduling," Horan said. "Maybe down the road this can lead to some sort of marriage."

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