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Main Street gets reaction of business

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

It's not just residents who can be up in arms over a proposed zoning change.

This time around, the south Grand River Avenue/Novi Road business community turned out to protest the rezoning of their property from categories such as light industrial, heavy industrial and general business to Town Center District.

The initiative came from city planners, who seek to nudge the area into the direction now being set by Main Street and hope to keep out any "big box" retailers.

"We would have a Main Street environment as Main Street extend to Grand River in the southeast and southwest," Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers said.

"Under the current zoning the property north of KMH (could be a car wash, a gas station, I don't want to pinpoint Frank's Nursery,

but things that I felt, the Planning Commission felt, were inimical to Main Street."

But businessmen like Steve Stone and Michael Teno, owners of Aladdin Aluminum Products on Novi Road, wanted none of it, saying they didn't care for the restrictions the new zoning would bring.

"To make us comply and limit my future use of the property bothers me," Stone said.

While a Novi City Council majority of four went along with

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Photos by AL WARD

Bill Bullard wins senate seat easily

By ROBERT JACKSON
Staff Writer

State Rep. Willis Bullard is one step closer to capturing the 15th district senate seat vacated by former State Sen. Dave Honigman.

Bullard won the four-way Republican primary, Monday, with 8,168 votes. State Rep. Barbara Dobb finished second with 6,215 votes; Farmington Hills city councilman Terry Sever posted 3,308 votes, and retired Northville pediatrician Ed Cox captured 218 votes.

"I'm extremely happy with the results of the primary and now I'm going to focus on the special general election three weeks away," Bullard said Tuesday.

Bullard will face Farmington Hills attorney, and Democrat, Barry Brickner in a special general election slated for June 4. Brickner ran unopposed in Monday's primary and received 4,193 votes. He'll have to do much better June 4 to grab the seat from Bullard and the Republicans in one of the state's strongest of GOP districts. Bullard said that even though the district is a GOP stronghold, he'll still campaign hard.

"Sure it's a Republican district but I'm still going to have to campaign hard in order to win the confidence of the voters," Bullard said. "Taxes, welfare and crime will be the focus of my campaign the

Filing deadline for candidates running for election this fall was Tuesday. The list of races on tap for the November election appears on page 12A.

next three weeks. I feel I need to continue to get that message out."

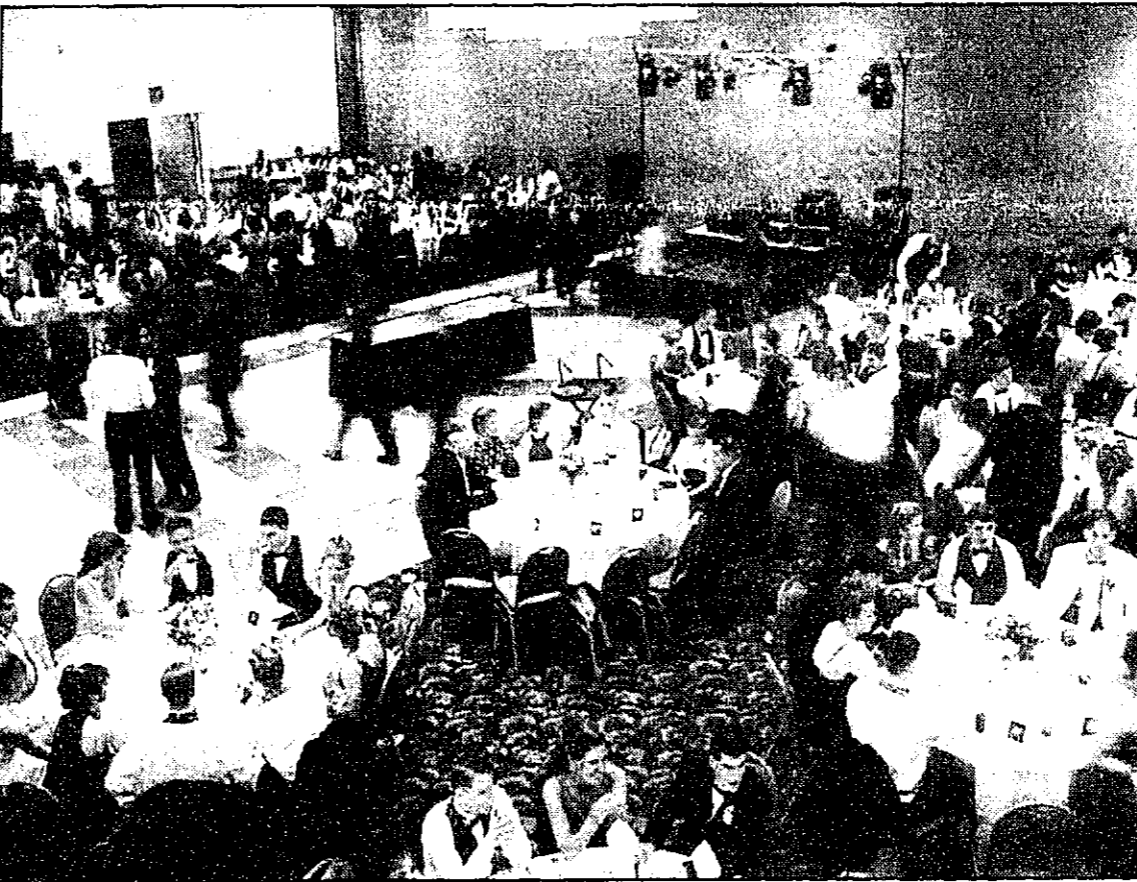
Should Bullard win the general election his senate seat would be up for reelection in 1998. State senators serve four-year terms.

The 15th District senate seat was vacated by Honigman earlier this year due to health reasons. Bullard currently serves as a state representative in the 38th district. He is a Milford attorney and has served in the state legislature for 14 years.

Voters in Novi and Northville had very little impact on the race with only 6 percent of Novi voters and 8 percent of Northville voters casting ballots. The Novi results mirrored the district-wide voter tallies with Bullard receiving 1,034 votes; Dobb received 349 votes, Sever received 139 votes, and Cox received 26 votes. Brickner received 139 votes in the Democrat primary.

According to Charlene McLean, of the Novi City Clerks office, 1,760 voters cast ballots in the election. There are 27,843 regis-

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At the prom

Novi High School juniors played host to the Class of 1996 for Prom on Friday at Laurel Manor in Livonia. The night's theme revolved around the class song "Don't You Forget About Me" by Simple Minds. The class colors were gold, green and black. Nearly 460 students and chaperones attended the dance. At top, junior Meghann Moose alights from her limo before heading in to begin the night of festivities. At left, guests wait patiently for dinner to be served so they can get to the dancing.

Rules proposed for soliciting

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

A cute little Girl Scout comes to your door pitching Trefoil and Thin Mint cookies.

But, does she have a permit? Well, she doesn't need one. On the other hand, if that adorable urchin is turning a buck for herself by selling magazine subscrip-

tions, her adult sponsors may be required to apply for the proper papers at the Novi Police Department.

What the City of Novi is seeking to control with a new ordinance are situations where an organization drops off minors in a neighborhood to peddle for hours without adult supervision.

"It could put the kids in harm's way," Novi Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson explained.

What the Novi City Council didn't want to do is limit the ability of local charitable or civic groups, like the Girl Scouts or the Lions, to raise funds.

After debating the issue on May 6 and again on Monday, an ordi-

nance was adopted which aims to meet both goals. The regulation revamp was requested two years ago by the City of Novi Homeowners Associations.

Explained association president Ruth Ann Jirasek, in the event of a problem or an injury to the child, the police are unable to

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File photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Jeremy Truong as he packed for the trip to the hospital.

Jeremy Truong dies despite treatment

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Novi Meadows fifth grader Jeremy Truong was said to have a one-in-20,000 chance to find a donor for the bone marrow transplant he needed to save his life.

His frantic parents, Phong and Caroline Truong, launched a worldwide search. The donor was found, the operation performed, but Jeremy, who was suffering from leukemia, died Monday at 1:20 p.m.

He would have been 11 in June.

Vulnerable to infection after the October transplant, he became ill in March and never regained his strength, family friend Sally Hermann said Tuesday. Her daughter Nikki, also ten, was one of Jeremy's best friends.

"He was just such a nice little

boy," a tearful Hermann said. "He was a strong boy, but not strong enough to fight this. We're just going to miss him so much. Nikki's just kept saying, 'he's with God now.'"

Jeremy fell into a coma in early April. Septicemia, or blood poisoning, in combination with the leukemia, led to his death.

"He didn't have the strength to fight it off. He just got worse and worse," Hermann said.

"He came out of the coma and the family thought he understood them. He couldn't talk."

In March last year, the otherwise healthy Jeremy had a stomach ache and fever, so his parents, both doctors, took him to a hospital emergency room. There, it soon became clear he had acute lymphoblastic leukemia, a rare

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Community Calendar

To have 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, May 16

- Novi schools**
The Novi Schools Board of Education will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Services Building.
- Optimist Club**
The Novi Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Saturday, May 18

- Plant and Bake Sale**
The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Rd., is holding their annual plant sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. A wide variety of geraniums, flats, pots and hanging baskets will be available. In conjunction with the plant sale, there is a bake sale and the youth group is sponsoring a car wash.

Sunday, May 19

- Ice Cream Social**
The Wixom Historical Society is holding an ice cream social for the community in honor of Michigan Week at the Wixom Wire House Museum from 1-4 p.m. The Wire House Museum is located at the corner of Maple and Wixom Roads, and will be open for visitors during the event.

Concert

A Celebration of Praise Concert is being held at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 2040 S. Commerce Rd., Walled Lake, at 7 p.m. The concert features gospel singers Dave and Barb Anderson. For additional information, call 624-7676.

Monday, May 20

- Cholesterol Screening**
Total cholesterol screening by fingerstick method, will be offered 1-4

p.m., at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. There is a \$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.

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.

Novi Meadows PTO

The Novi Meadows Parent Teacher Organization meets at 7:30 p.m. in the media center of the school.

Wixom Historical Society

The monthly meeting of the Wixom Historical Society is in the Wixom City Hall at 7:30 p.m. Henry Mack, past president of the Society, will speak. The public is invited to attend and there is no charge.

Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters

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

Tuesday, May 21

- Chamber Luncheon**
The Novi Chamber of Commerce general membership luncheon will be held at Vic's World Class Market, 42875 Grand River. Cash bar is at 11:30 a.m., lunch is at noon and the program begins at 12:30 p.m. Ronna Romney, candidate for U.S. Senate, will speak. Cost is \$15 for members and \$18 for non-members. Advance reservations are requested. For reservations or additional information call 349-3743.

Garden Club

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

Band rehearsal

The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.

Bereavement Support Group

The monthly bereavement support group meeting facilitated by Dr. Michael Meyer meets from 7:30-9 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd. The topic of discussion is "Hope Springs Eternal as we work through our grief."

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, May 22

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

Seniors business

The Novi Senior Social Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center for its regular monthly business meeting.

Country Breakfast

The Sons of American Legion Post 224 host a country breakfast from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the VFW Hall, 2652 Loon Lake Rd. in Wixom. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. For additional information call 624-9742.

High school radio station wins top honors

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

Want to know what kind of tunes are the hits for local teens? Then, tune into Novi's hometown station. A little bit of Country, Cows, Top 40s, Even the Beatles.

WOLV 89.5 FM is now Michigan High School Station of the Year, as designated by the Michigan Association of Educational Broadcasters. It's a first for the station.

"I think it's something we've been working toward for a long time," said WOLV director David Legg. "There's been a steady improvement in the program over the last seven to eight years. The quality of the program is right up there with lead programs. I'm really pleased with that."

The award was presented at the MAEB's annual conference held at Novi High, May 1.

The Novi High station, which recently received a higher wattage in 1992, sits at the top of the heap now. Only 14 other public school districts in the state of Michigan have radio stations. There are only 250 in the nation, and only half of those actually operated by students.

"It's kind of a unique opportunity for (Novi students)," explained Legg. "If you watch 90/210 you'd think every high school has a station. That uniqueness gives his kids an extra advantage. There my kids have 160 hours on the air and they're not afraid of the equipment," he explained.

It's nice having equipment like this," said junior Kim Lahti. "Mr. Legg told us we could even have more advanced equipment here than in college."

The students combine their educational classes with the performance at the station, something Legg believes gave Novi the edge over the award.

Students deal with record companies, write news and information segments, use the Associated Press wire, design the play list and produce their own shows. Music ranges from country to disco to heavy metal to alternative. The station also broadcasts various sports events.

Hours of operation are typically from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

An additional factor helping WOLV to grow was the recent expansion of the high school which updated the facilities and equipment the station uses.

Senior Doug Minke said he was surprised and pleased to win an individual award. He said he used to listen to WOLV when he was in middle school and joined up as a freshman.

"It's something different. It's not like a regular class where you're there sitting in front of a teacher," Minke said. "We can do something different that no one else can do."



Michigan's best high school radio team includes (l-r) Doug Minke, Matt Kaluzny, Kim Lahti and Shaun Oppermann. Not pictured but part of the team are Kristi Hopkins and Dave Grems.

Boy pleads guilty in knife attack

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

Staff Writer

A 13-year-old boy accused of holding a knife to his teacher's throat after school in March pled guilty, April 25, in Ionia County to a charge of felony assault.

More psychological testing has been ordered, according to Det. David Molloy, and the boy awaits sentencing.

The plea was somewhat of a surprise to Novi Police who expected the case to be adjudicated because the witness was unavailable.

"We were under the impression from the prosecutor it was going to be adjudicated," explained Molloy.

According to reports, the Hickory Woods Elementary student was in class after school with his 6th grade teacher when he told her he had a surprise and to close her eyes. The next thing she knew he had placed a small knife against her throat and told her not to move.

She managed to grab the knife and the boy backed away. She pressed the classroom call button

for help at which time another teacher came into the room. The pair questioned the boy who gave to different accounts of losing a bet to a man who required him to hurt someone as payment.

The boy's allegations have not been substantiated.

After police interviewed the boy and parents that day, he was arrested and taken to Children's

Village and was later released. The Novi boy could face up to four years incarceration in a juvenile detention center.

Currently, the boy has been released to his parent's custody.

Molloy said Children's Protective Services was called to investigate the home situation but found nothing to substantiate a problem and cleared their case.

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THE AWARDS

Novi High School's radio station, WOLV, recently became Michigan High School Station of the Year. Tune into the station from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. It's 89.5 on the dial.

Several of Novi's student broadcasters also brought home individual awards and state-wide honors.

- Gold: Doug Minke received two medals in Sports Play-by-Play and Newscasting. Dave Grems won a gold for Production.
- Silver: Kristi Hopkins and Shaun Oppermann awarded for Newscasting.
- Bronze: Shaun Oppermann and Matt Kaluzny for Production and Kim Lahti received a bronze medal in Newscasting.

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Gang graffiti found at apartments

The apartment manager of the Novi Ridge Apartments reported to police someone had sprayed gang graffiti around the complex the weekend of May 3 through May 6.

Police said someone spray painted in green the words "Los Gatos" on two dumpsters and a mailbox and a folk sign "4" was sprayed on a wood fence.

PATIENT BURGLAR

A Nine Mile Road resident taking an early morning shower April 30 heard the doorbell ring but when he stepped out of the shower and went to the door no one was there, although the man could hear a loud muffler nearby, police said.

The man left for work at about 8:15 a.m. and returned home at 12:45 p.m. to find his side door forced open and cash and jewelry missing from the home. Police found a boot print on the floor.

Officers interviewed a neighbor who said she saw a white male leaving the home at 8:30 a.m. who threw get into a dirty brown pickup with a white cab and a loud muffler.

STALKING

A Novi woman who made past

Police News

reports about an ex-boyfriend stalking her once again went to police with reports he drove by her house twice the early morning of May 4.

Police said she told them she thinks he waits at a restaurant and waits until she passes in her car then follows her home.

Officers have made attempts to contact the man but only get the answering machine.

SPKED

Officers are investigating another complaint of homemade spikes left at the entrance of the Detroit Newspaper Agency distribution site off Grand River.

An office on patrol May 3 was flagged down by carriers who had run over the spikes on their way into the facility, causing \$400 worth of damage.

NO MOTHER'S DAY

Novi police arrested a Novi man for beating and stabbing his moth-

er and wasn't serious. He said his mother pushed him out of the way from the stove.

Police detained the man pending arraignment.

CAUGHT IN THE HEADLIGHTS

An officer on patrol happened to look over to a nearby car at a stoplight May 7 and saw two young men in a car drinking beer while waiting at a red light at Grand River Avenue and Novi Road.

The officer pulled the two teens over at about 9:30 p.m. and asked them if they had any alcohol, which they produced from beneath the dashboard. The officer collected three open cans and four unopened cans of Foster's.

The driver did not appear intoxicated and said it was his first beer. The officer cited the teens for consumption of open intoxicants in a motor vehicle and minor in possession of intoxicants. The beer was taken and the teens were released.

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

Novi Briefs

Politics and commerce do lunch

Republican U.S. Senate candidate Romma Romney will speak May 21 at the Novi Chamber of Commerce luncheon held at Vic's World Class Market. Non-members are welcome to join; tickets for the 11:30 a.m. luncheon are \$18 and \$5 for just the 12:30 p.m. speech. Add \$2 to the above if you haven't made an advance reservation.

For members, the price is \$15 with the lemon sole lunch. Additional information can be had by calling the Novi Chamber of Commerce at 349-3743.

Discount prices?

Officials are contemplating a possible price hike in the local fire residents are charged for Detroit city water distributed by Novi. Briefly discussed during the May 6 Novi City Council meeting was a Detroit Free Press article which showed that Novi has one of the lowest markups around of water purchased from Detroit.

City Manager Ed Kriewall said that rate is now undergoing review. It could be adjusted upwards in June. He added, in time for a proposed Detroit water hike slated for July.

The city pays \$10.51 per 1,000 cubic feet of water and charges residents \$11.15. However, the rate Novi must pay Detroit is higher than average and in the late 1980s was disputed in a lawsuit Novi lost. The price is based on the fact that Novi is near the end of the line of the water system and the city sits in an elevated location.

Mail move

Twelve Oaks Mall general manager Phil Morosco, who held the post for nine years, has left for a similar job at a Taubman Company mall in Fairfax, Virginia. Miles McFee is now the new general manager at Twelve Oaks.

Drive-by billing

Pay your taxes and water bill without getting out of your car, a plan now being contemplated at the Novi Civic Center goes ahead, City Manager Ed Kriewall reported recently that discussion is underway to install a drive-through window at the treasurer's office. The civic center is designed for such an amenity, but during construction the window was pulled for cost reasons.

Now, Assistant Treasurer Steve Babinchak is negotiating with the Pere Marquette Credit Union, which may be interested in putting in the driver in window in exchange for permission to install an automatic teller machine in city hall.

"Preliminary discussions with Pere Marquette show a genuine interest in pursuing this partnership," Kriewall noted, adding however that the project may have to go out to bids.

Church celebrates expansion

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

Staff Writer

It's an open house open to each and every person of each and every culture.

Novi United Methodist Church is celebrating the completion of its massive 14,000 square-foot addition to the building.

Built back in the mid-1950s as a mission church and chapel the renovations more than doubled the building's size.

The church is holding an Open House and Cultural Heritage Showcase on Sunday, May 19 from 2 to 5 p.m. to welcome the community into its new home and celebrate the various ethnic backgrounds in the city.

"Our Novi community represents

a lot of cultures," said Pastor Charles Jacobs, who arrived at the church 12 years ago. "This is an opportunity to bring them together."

Jacobs said friends and neighbors will join together to explore and understand each others' heritage. On display will be arts, crafts, clothing, dishes and toys. Representations from nearly a dozen cultures will attend to share their knowledge and spoonfuls of their native foods. In addition children can take Cultural Heritage Quizzes.

Various performances including the Chinese Lion Dance, the Irish Step Dance, the Classical Indian Dance and the African-American Song will keep visitors entranced.

Guests will also be able to tour the newly expanded church. "This congregation and its predecessor congregation have been in the Novi community for 168 years," said Jacobs. "As Novi grows, our hope is that our church will grow likewise."

Construction began in the fall of 1994 and was completed this past November.

According to Jacobs, the new building is the fruition of the congregation's eight-year dream. Choosing theme "Fulfilling the Vision," the church proceeded to add a sanctuary, a new entrance and receiving area, offices, classrooms, nursery facilities, a library and lounge and a musical rehearsal area.

"These facilities were in need for a growing congregation and to service a growing community," explained Jacobs.

Jacobs now expects the membership in the church will double in the next five years.

The Novi United Methodist Church is located on Ten Mile Road just west of Meadowbrook Road in Novi. There is no charge to attend the event.

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The Log Book

The following is a complete list of the emergency calls of the Novi Fire Department for the week ending May 12. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the engine and squad number which responded to the call.

SUNDAY, MAY 5

Medical, 23789 Stonehenge, 12:51 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 43700 Expo Center, 3:37 p.m., Squad 1.
Rubbish fire, Taft and Ten Mile Road, 5:23 p.m., Engine 1.

MONDAY, MAY 6

Medical, 45182 West Road, 10:24 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, Twelve Oaks/Pennys, 11:53 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 43610 West Oaks, 12:41 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 92250 Ten Mile Road, 3:04 p.m., Squad 4.
Vehicle fire, Beck and Ten Mile Road, 3:12 p.m., Engine 1.
Fire alarm, 24505 Meadowbrook, 3:25 p.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 39415 Ten Mile Road, 7:45 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 31113 Columbia, 8:21 p.m., Squad 2.
Building fire, 40380 Grand River, 11:25 p.m., Engine 1, Squad 1.

FRIDAY, MAY 10

Injury accident, Ten Mile and Tall Road, 7:15 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 22759 Meadowbrook, 8:05 a.m., Squad 3.
Injury accident, Grand River and Haggerty, 8:15 a.m., Squad 1.

TUESDAY, MAY 7

Medical, 39746 Village Wood, 10:03 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 30853 Golden Ridge, 4:29 p.m., Squad 2.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

Medical, Barclay Estates No. 36, 8:25 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 25670 Fountain Park, 8:52 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 22113 Austin, 10:24

HEALTH NOTE

by Dennis E. Engerer, P.T.

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High school plans new schedule

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

Staff Writer

Plans for the new schedule at Novi High School are progressing effectively, say officials, and next year's change-over should go smoothly if recent trends continue.

The district formed parent, student and staff committees after the January 18 unanimous Board of Education vote to switch the school day from six 55-minute periods to four 85-minute periods beginning next year.

When that vote was taken, trustees also approved a seminar period, the details of which were to come sometime in the near future. Now is the near future.

Members of the seminar period committee attended the May 2 school board meeting to explain the preliminary ideas for the remediation period.

Shirley Ho, a parent rep on the committee, said there are three common objectives to the seminar period. It's designed to meet student needs and reduce classroom interruption as well as help students set goals.

The philosophy is the period will allow students to complete more activities, catch their curriculum, make-up tests and work and allow for remediation or study.

"It's student driven with accountability and responsibility," Ho said. "It sets aside time for stu-

"We've learned it is going to work. We're excited about it."

Dr. Jennifer Cheal,
Novi High Assistant Principal

dents to pursue academic and personal activity," she emphasized.

The seminar period could be between 45 and 60 minutes long once or twice a week and would fit within the 7:20 a.m. to 1:55 p.m. school day.

The committee on the seminar period is expected to work out the last details and present the plan to the board next month.

As far as the overall restructuring of the high school day goes, so far, students have taken the first step toward the new schedule. In April, students received the new and improved course book and submitted their requests for the year.

Dr. Jennifer Cheal, assistant principal, is now busy creating a master schedule that will fit the request of as many students as possible.

According to Cheal, things are going smoothly. Even if it did take 26 hours to run the computer program that matches student

requests with class availability. "We've learned it is going to work," said Cheal. "We're excited about it."

According to Cheal, in the last round of computer matching, 87 percent of student requests were filled. With the old system, typically 97 percent of requests were honored.

Her sources tell her anything above 80 percent is excellent. But Cheal has much more time to complete the matching process. Student schedules will be mailed out the first week or so of August.

Principal Arthur Miller isn't too concerned about students adapting to the new schedule next year either. Students usually make the transition better than adults, he said, citing other schools' experiences with making similar changes.

Nevertheless, he said, "the first day of school will be very interesting."

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Council orders \$380,000 cut from city budget

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Slicing, dicing and paring. That's the task ahead for the city administration, after the Novi City Council mandated May 9 in a 4-to-3 vote that \$380,000 be pulled from the \$115.5 million general fund budget proposed for fiscal year 1996-97.

Asked to approve a 0.5 mill roll up of the millage rate, the majority instead agreed to a 0.25 mill hike.

A public hearing on setting the city millage above the Truth-in-Taxation level was scheduled for May 13, but will now be extended to May 20.

Whether they were contemplating a full-figured budget was a matter of some dispute for the council.

"This is a heavy, fat budget. There's an increase in virtually every category. I'm talking about conferences and workshops and magazines," said Council Member Robert Schmidt.

"A 0.25 mill is a realistic increase."

Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford backed the 0.5 mill figure.

"I think it's the skinkest budget I've ever seen in my life. I don't think there's four percent, five percent more fat in this budget," he said.

"We do not have residents demanding that we lower taxes."

The half mill raise would have brought in an additional \$760,000 in new tax dollars and cost the owner of a \$150,000 home another \$37.50 in city taxes. At the 0.25 mill level, that's been reduced to \$18.75.

This brings the millage level down from the proposed total package of 10.6534 to 10.4034. One mill equals \$1 for each \$1,000 of state equalized valuation (SEV) of property. The SEV figure is approximately 50 percent of the market value.

For the owner of a \$150,000 home, that's a total city tax bill of \$730. The Truth-in-Taxation law requires that a public hearing be held before the millage can be increased above a rollback level set by a state formula. Last year's millage was 10.1662.

Along with Schmidt, Council Members Richard Clark, Nancy Cassis and Rob Mittel called for whacking back the 0.5 millage

augmentation, while Crawford, Mayor Kathleen McAllen and Council Member Kathy Mutch argued that the money is needed to deliver quality city services.

"A good case was made for additional people. This will not only provide additional services but I think a good case has been made that this will increase the services the departments will be able to deliver," Mutch said.

"If we invest in people and a system that works more efficiently, we all pay less in the long run."

Calling the process "incredibly frustrating," McAllen said she'd be the "poor position" and swivel over to backing the 0.25 mill figure, to give the issue the needed, city charter mandated five vote majority.

While some council members, among them Mittel, had items they wanted to see subtracted from or added to the budget, a consensus wasn't reached to the whittling job was left to the city department heads. They are expected to come back May 20 with the job done.

Agreed to by the council was the hiring of eight new staff members, an expense of about \$436,000.

Staff positions in the office include three police officers, a senior staff planner concentrating on economic development, one person each for the clerk's and treasurer's office, a commercial appraiser and an assistant computer analyst.

In addition, Fire Chief Art Lenaghan brought in a late request for three full-time fire protection officers. His original proposal for eight had been erased by the city administration. No decision was made on this item.

What the council was in agreement about was that they didn't want \$26,000 of taxpayer money spent to purchase each of them a laptop computer to plug into the city's system.

"Five or six or seven homeowners pay their tax bill an entire year to get seven part-time public servants a laptop computer and I think that is totally, absolutely wrong," Clark said.

The majority also seemed to favor spending up to \$50,000 to stabilize the decaying Fuester building complex, soon to be taken over as a city historic site.

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County Dems field many candidates

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

Oakland County is fielding its share of Supreme Court candidates — and more — for the Democratic State Convention.

Judge Marilyn Kelly of the Court of Appeals and Circuit Judge Jessica Cooper campaigned at last weekend's 11th Congressional District convention, where the chief order of business was picking national convention delegates.

Two places are open. Chief Justice James H. Brickley, a Republican appointee and nominee, is seeking reelection. Justice Charles Levin, an independent of strong liberal bent, must retire because he is past age 70.

"She (Kelly) is one of the most judge-like people, in terms of temperament. I know," said state Rep. Madeline Berman, D-Southfield, in a speech for Kelly. "She has been a stalwart supporter of this party."

Kelly, of Bloomfield Hills, has been on the state's second highest court since 1988 and earlier in her career spent 12 years on the State Board of Education.

She is making her second bid for the Supreme Court, whose candidates run on a nonpartisan ballot after being nominated by party conventions. This year's nominations will be made at a Sept. 7 convention.

Meanwhile, Annetta Miller has returned as a candidate, this time for the Wayne State University board. After serving 24 years on the State Board of Education, Miller tried for the WSU board at the 1994 state convention and lost.

A one-time nurse, Miller, of Huntington Woods, has a degree in art history and is campaigning as "an energetic advocate of the rights of students, teachers and all educational employees."

There was a bare minimum of controversy as 180 Oakland and 15 Wayne precinct delegates picked the 11th Congressional District's six delegates to the Aug. 26-29 national convention in Chicago.

A "unity slate" drafted by party chair Vicki Barnett and West Bloomfield lawyer and campaigner

Chamber of Commerce agrees with Cooper's assessment of the race's importance; the chamber has targeted the Supreme Court race, particularly as worker's comp and general liability cases rise for judgment.

Three women delegates will be Barnett, a Farmington Hills council member and mother; Terry Ahwal, Livonia resident and Arab-American activist who works for Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara; and Gail Nolin, Sylvan Lake educator and vice chair of the Michigan Education Association's Political Action Committee.

Two men delegates will be Holtz, a 25-year activist making his first trip to a presidential nominating convention, and Paul Poliocholski, soon to be executive vice president of the Service Employees International Union.

Alternate will be Robert Ficano, Livonia resident and Wayne County sheriff.

Obituaries

ROSA MARIE WHITE

Rosa Marie White of Coral Springs, Florida, formerly of Novi, died May 2, 1996 at the age of 90.

Almost anyone who used the Novi library from 1964 to 1975 would remember her, said friend Dorothy Flattery, a retired librarian.

"My dear friend. She was a lovely lady. She made a lot of friends. A very friendly little woman and just as pleasant as could be," Flattery said.

White, who often worked behind the circulation desk, was hired at the same time as Flattery as an assistant to the librarian. White loved to read, Flattery said. At that time, the library was in

the old Novi Township Hall, then located on Novi Road. White retired before the new library on Ten Mile Road was built and the old library building was moved to that location, as well.

At one time, White lived on Twelve Mile Road, but after a visit to Florida following her retirement, she headed south.

A widow, she was born in Bohemia on Feb. 28, 1906. She and her husband did not have children.

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County Dems turn out as delegates

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer
It was almost as easy as Michigan Democratic leaders made it look.

This year, all candidates for national convention delegates and alternates were for the incumbent Clinton Gore team. No hassle over what proportion a minor candidate would get or who would pick them. Altogether, 317 of the party faithful sought 47 at-large delegate slots and six at large alternates. The party slate was elected Saturday in Brighton High School when party chair Mark Brewer unveiled a "unity slate" for the Democratic State Central Committee to adopt. The unity slate was elected unanimously and without dissent. Michigan will send a total of 158 delegates and 21 alternates to the largely ceremonial national convention in Chicago Aug. 11-15. Brewer, a Mount Clemens attorney, will lead the delegation since Democrats don't own the governor's office.

"I have good news," Brewer told the assemblage. "The Democratic National Committee is making Doug Ross a super delegate to the platform committee. That gives Michigan seven seats instead of six."

Ross is the former state senator from the Southfield area. Commerce director under Gov. James Blanchard and now job training idea man in President Bill Clinton's Labor Department. Now a West Bloomfield resident, Ross often has been mentioned as a gubernatorial possibility.

"We've exceeded our affirmative action goals," Brewer told a questioner. Michigan's delegation must include at least 37 minorities and actually has somewhere in the mid-40s, he said, adding, "I know the president appreciates it."

Democrats this year boycotted the March 19 presidential primary called under a Republican-written law. Instead, Democrats held caucuses March 16 in which Clinton got about 6,000 votes against a handful of opposition votes. And the State Central Committee picked the at-large delegates.

Unpledged add-on delegates (2): James Blanchard, former governor and ambassador to Canada, Beverly Hills; state Rep. Maxine Berman of Southfield.

Pledged party leaders and elected officials (17): state Sen. John Cherry of Clio, Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara of Livonia, Wayne County Commissioner Ray Beard of Westland, party treasurer Barbara Ann of Bloomfield Hills, state Sen. Alma Wheeler-Smith of Salen.

At-large delegates (28): Michael Duggan of Livonia and Freeman Hendrix of Detroit, both deputy Wayne County executives; F. Thomas Lewand, former state chair and an attorney, and Kathleen Lewand, Bloomfield Hills; Carolyn Forrest, Bloomfield Township; Jennifer Granholm, Wayne County corporation counsel, Northville.

At-large alternates (7): Ron Thayer, former Blanchard administration official, now with the Wayne County executive, Bloomfield Hills; Pamela Dobrowski.

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Lippe honored by state association

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer
Novi School's Superintendent Dr. Emmett Lippe is a hit around the state.

Lippe recently was awarded the Winner's Circle Award from the Michigan Association of School Administrators.

Chosen from about 20 other nominees, Lippe was recognized for his ability to unify community stakeholders and to encourage dialogue for a win-win situation, according to MASA.

Particularly, the MASA pointed out the Partnership in Education

"This award is to recognize MASA members who have... implemented innovative ideas that can be shared and used in other school districts."

The purpose of this award is to recognize MASA members who have initiated special programs or implemented innovative ideas that can be shared and used in other school districts," said David Kahn, associate executive director.

formed between the schools, the Novi Chamber of Commerce and many local businesses. The program pairs up businesses and schools to bring out the best in each other.

Businesses involved in Novi's Partnership in Education include NBD Bank, Providence Medical Center and The Novi News.

The Winner's Circle Award is given to 10 members of the MASA throughout the year to recognize and share specific contributions to the advancement of educational goals.

Lippe was nominated by Rita Traylor, assistant superintendent for instruction, for the Novi Board of Education.

The MASA is a professional association representing more than 850 public school superintendents and other central office administrators from nearly every school district in Michigan.

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Photo by AL WARD

Art at the Park

Parkview Elementary hosted Art at the Park 1996 April 28. Local professional artists appeared to show off their works and share their skills. Student artists, singers and musicians from all over the district also showcased their talents at the fair open to the community. Laura Blatman, age 11, of Novi tries her hand at the pottery wheel under the watchful eye of artist Steven Pasquereilli. Pasquereilli is also a project engineer at General Dynamics.

Course would have little impact

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Wild "critters" would feel just as comfortable as golfers, if an 18- or nine-hole green is built at the 600-acre North Novi Park, a consultant said.

For Farrand & Associates, consultants commissioned by the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission, Harry Bowers designed two plans including a golf course, while a colleague came up with two designs for a passive recreation park.

"We tried to preserve as many natural areas as possible," Bowers explained.

"I don't see to clear out the under story. The natural area is left to wildlife."

The commission held a public hearing on May 9, but has not yet decided which of four plans will be recommended to the Novi City Council for the park's master plan.

One possibility, Bowers said, is a short 18-hole layout with a combined clubhouse and nature center and room on the site for an ice arena, a putting green, a driving range and some trails. A second would be the nine-hole course, described as less attractive to experienced golfers.

The 600 acres contain considerable wetlands, which any park or golf course plan must work around.

"We have zero fill, zero wetlands encroachment with buffers around

natural areas," Bowers said. Also on the site is the Novi Walled Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant on West Road. A diversity of terrain characterizes the property, including grassy meadows, woodlands, rolling land and swamps.

Consultant Lex Thurston drafted the two golf course free plans, which won unanimous support from residents speaking the public hearing.

Plan one for a passive recreation park includes hiking, inline skating, skate boarding and biking trails, as well as a site for a nature center, banquet facility, picnic tables and playground set on a hill along overlooking Twelve Mile Road. This takes advantage of the

available look ins to city water and sewers. Also include are a place for an ice arena and spaces for vendors to lease land.

"It will be efficient in this park if we can share some trails," Thurston said.

The second, similar recreation plan includes hoped trails of varying length, playing fields, an area for bicycles and a playground. But it has fewer buildings, therefore creating less of an impact on natural resources. Many of the trails are shared for hiking and biking, etc.

"We don't have any single trails where you walk out and walk back and see the same thing," Thurston said.

Golfers say 'no' to city owned course

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Forget the golf course. The scenic 600-acre North Novi park should be kept in a natural state for residents today, as well as future generations, to enjoy.

That was the gist of what 13 speakers - several of them golfers - said at a May 9 Novi Parks and Recreation Commission hearing.

"Novi has enough golf courses. Why take such a unique site that is so environmentally sensitive and make it a golf course?" said Mike Condon, vice president of the Lakes Area Residents Association (LARA).

"This is an area we can use as a unique park land. I think it should

be saved for that."

The acreage between Twelve-and-A-Mile, Twelve Mile, Dixon and West roads is the crown jewel of the land purchased by Novi after voters approved a 1993 park bond issue. Seeking public input on four potential master plans for the site - two of them to include golf courses - the commission called the public hearing.

After listening to the alternatives, residents were pretty much unanimous. They wanted nature in all its glory, with some paths to help access and enjoy it.

"Is it likely that family use is going to be in the park if it's a golf course? A golf course is an exciting concept. For the greatest use of

the community, the natural preservation would most apply," West Road resident Brad Bach said.

Golfers are already enjoying the North Novi Park, as are mountain bikers and cross-country skiers and some of them turned out to ask that none of the land be set aside for a nine- or eighteen hole course. The plans for passive recreation within a nature park would suit a greater cross-section of residents, they argued.

Novi does not actually have the money to develop the land, Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis explained. That will be another step in the process, depending on where we go and what kind of

development is forecasted for this property.

No time table has yet been set for the development, Parks and Recreation Chair Robert Pfeiffer said. The commission will take the comments "under advisement," he added before submitting its recommendation to the Novi City Council. Additional public hearings could be scheduled.

People who live near the park told the commission that deer, raccoons, opossums, foxes, gophers, pheasants, blue herons, geese, swans and other wildlife make their homes there. Poaching has been a problem, several pointed out.

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Billy Lind, Novi Band Boosters president, stated the need for the program. "Our goal is to generate significant revenue from this program over an ongoing period. Many high school band programs in the MCHA and MSHOA use a program similar to ours and generate impressive revenues. With an increasingly competitive band pro-

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band supporters have ordered more than \$10,000 in certificates. Fifteen band family households responded with orders the week of the launch. They treat certificates like cash at these stores. When the check out is complete, any balance due is given in cash. To assure security, the Band Boosters will mail certificates.

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 96-020

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A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, 1996 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to May 22, 1996.

(5-16-96 NR, NV)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi, Department of Public Services, will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 19, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. in the activities room at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan. The purpose of this Public Hearing is to provide the opportunity for a public discussion of the alternative treatments under consideration for the proposed construction of Crescent Boulevard from Grand River Avenue northward approximately 600 feet.

As required by Federal Regulations, an Environmental Assessment has been prepared evaluating the social, economic and environmental aspects of the project. The Environmental Assessment demonstrates that implementation of the proposed action will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Copies of the Environmental Assessment are available for public inspection or may be obtained at the office of the Director of Public Services, City of Novi Civic Center.

This Public Hearing is held in accordance with the most current Federal, State and Local Public Involvement/Participatory Hearing Procedures. A tentative schedule for the reconstruction of this project and information concerning the right of way acquisition and the relocation assistance program will be provided at the Public Hearing. This Public Hearing is held to hear testimony of interested citizens regarding the economic, social and environmental impacts of the proposed alternatives on the area. Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements at the Public Hearing as well as requests for copies of the Environmental Assessment and/or the responses to the testimony received may be submitted to Anthony Nowicki, Director of Public Services, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375 at any time up to ten days after the Public Hearing.

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Candidates file to run in this fall's election contests

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL and JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Tuesday was the last day to file petitions to run for federal, state, county and judicial offices up for election in the Aug. 6 primary election and Nov. 5 general election.

Nov. voters will see three names on either or both ballots this fall. For United States Senate, Republicans Jim Nicholson of Gross Pointe and Ronna Romney of Bloomfield Hills will go up against incumbent Democrat Carl Levin of Detroit for one six-year term seat.

U.S. Representative Republican Joe Knollenberg of Bloomfield Hills is up for re-election in the 11th Congressional District. He will face Democrat Morris Framin of Birmingham.

It will be a competitive race for the 38th State Representative District seat now left open by republican Willis Bullard from Milford who Tuesday won the vote to fill David Hontigman's seat in the State Senate. Hontigman resigned in March due to illness.

Facing off for the seat are Republicans: Chris Bachelder of Northville, Nancy Cassis of Novi, Craig DeRoche of Novi, Michael McDonald of Wixom and Democrat Gary Johnson of Milford.

Trying for another term as judge should be as easy as

poning a gavel for these judicial incumbents. All are running unopposed.

In Novi, for the 52nd District Court, First Division, Judge Brian MacKenzie of Novi is running unopposed for another six-year term.

For the Oakland County (Sixth) Circuit Court in Pontiac in the race are: Steven Andrews of Bloomfield Hills, incumbent; Barry Howard of West Bloomfield, incumbent; Leslie Anne Logan of Bloomfield Hills, incumbent; Fred M. Messer of Bloomfield Hills, incumbent; Rudy J. Nichols of Clarkston, incumbent; and Gene Schmelz of Walled Lake, incumbent.

One opening exists in the Oakland County Probate Court in Pontiac and Barry M. Grant of Bloomfield Hills, incumbent, is seeking another six-year term on the bench.

For the Second Court of Appeals, running for six-year terms are: Mark Cavanaugh of Royal Oak, incumbent; Mary Chizzonowski of Clinton Township, incumbent; Thomas Fitzgerald of Owosso, incumbent and Henry William Saad of Birmingham, incumbent.

Many Oakland County positions are also up for grabs. For County Executive, Republican Timothy Hughes filed to challenge current exec L. Brooks Pat-

terson, Republican. Edward Hamilton of Troy, Democrat, is also in the running.

David Gorevyn, a Republican from Royal Oak, will challenge Republican Richard Thompson for his seat as Prosecutor. Steven Kaplan, Democrat, of West Bloomfield is also in the ring.

For sheriff the Republican candidates are: Gerard L. Carlin of Rochester, William A. Goodfellow of Pontiac, Raymond L'Esperance of Davidsburg, Paul Molin of Farmington Hills, Michael Olette of Clarkston and John Nichols of Northville.

The Democrats are: Scott Good of Auburn Hills and Matt Hogan of White Lake.

For Clerk/Register of Deeds, Republican Lynn Allen of Waterford and M. Kay Brady of Huntington Woods, Democrat.

For Treasurer, C. Hugh Doham, Republican of Novi, and William Pearson, republican, of Oxford.

Oakland County Drain Commissioner candidates are: Republican George Kuhn of West Bloomfield, Charles Louthier of Royal Oak and Ivy Patterson of Rochester Hills. The Democrat is Marsha Blom of Orchard Lake.

A seat on the Oakland County Board of Commissioners is also up for reelection. Republican Kay Schmid of Novi will face off against Democrat Larry J. Fox also of Novi in the 17th District.

Cassis, DeRoche run for open house seat

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Two Novi residents - City Council Member Nancy Cassis and Craig DeRoche - and a Northville resident are among those running for the state representative seat now held by State Rep. Willis Bullard, R-Milford.

With Bullard the winner of the GOP primary for the 15th District state seat - and therefore the probable winner of the job opening created by the resignation of David Hontigman - there is an opening that four Republicans will seek to fill for in the August 6 primary.

Along with Cassis and DeRoche, the other candidates come from the western portion of the district. They are Chris Bachelder of Northville and Michael McDonald, the mayor of Wixom. In addition, Democrat Gary Johnson of Milford has thrown his hat into the ring.

Cassis was the only candidate to file Tuesday, the deadline day, after Bullard's victory; all of the others were earlier into the fray. Both Cassis and DeRoche have been active in the Republican Party.

Both the 15th district senate seat and the 38th representative's district include Oakland County Northville.

Cassis was elected to her current four-year term on the Novi City Council in November 1995.

"After about nine cumulative years of being a local elected official, I think I bring a wealth of experience as a representative," said Cassis, a school psychologist with the Novi school system.

"I can bring all the skills I have learned at the local level to Lansing. This is a legislative function, it's just one step higher."

Cassis plans to expand one of her local election tactics, walking door-to-door, to the district elec-

tion. DeRoche's strategy includes setting up a World Wide Web page.

DeRoche said he's excited by the level of competition. "The race will be won on the issues. The voters will look for a candidate that shares their values to represent them in Lansing," DeRoche added.

"Much of our support has come from voters who know they need a strong leader to fill Bill Bullard's shoes."

McDonald is in his second two-year term as Wixom's mayor. Before that, he served on the city council there.

"I think there are some things that need to be accomplished for the area. In the future, as the representative, we can continue to move the area forward," McDonald said.

"I don't see anything on the horizon that affects Novi that doesn't affect Wixom."

What's not finalized yet is when or if Gov. John Engler will call another round of special elections to fill Bullard's seat in the 38th state representative's district. If Bullard is elected as senator on June 4, the remainder of his term as representative runs until January 1997.

McDonald said he's heard any special election would be scheduled to run with the regular August primary and November election.

The August 6 primary is for the next two-year term, which begins in January 1997.

Johnson, the lone Democrat, is a Milford planning commissioner who has run for village council three times. He's a former Highland Township trustee and is active with the United Auto Workers.

Republicans Johnson and Bachelder could not be reached by deadline.

officials questioned if the governor was working on a political agenda of his own in calling the special elections. A general primary is already set for August and the general election is in November.

Novi and Northville officials claim that the special elections will cost taxpayers an additional \$100,000.

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Bullard sets pace in race for senate

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tered voters in 18 Novi precincts. In Northville only 283 voters - approximately 8.1 percent of registered voters - turned out at the polls at American Elementary School. Bullard received 134 votes, Dobb received 26 votes, Seavey received 18 votes, Cox received 12 votes. On the Democratic ticket, Brickner received 13 votes.

Novi and Northville were among several communities that were critical of Gov. John Engler's decision to hold the special primary and general elections. Many area

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House sets road block on drivers ed legislation

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

The state House of Representatives slammed the door on a Senate plan to use state school aid for private driving schools.

"I wanted a clear vote on the voucher plan," said Rep. Maxine Berman, D-Southfield. She feared the Senate plan would open further the door to using state aid for private schools — currently prohibited by the Michigan Constitution but sought by religious groups.

The House voted 76-28 to strip the driver training bill of most Senate amendments. House Bill 4763, sponsored by Rep. Dan Gustafson, R-Williamston, would tighten teen driving requirements by setting up a three-tier system of training and road experience.

Because House and Senate versions differ so greatly, the bill goes to a joint House-Senate conference committee, where Gustafson is expected to hang tough against

Senate amendments. Representatives Willis Bullard, R-Milford, whose district includes Novi, voted no May 7 on removing the Senate amendment to let students have \$100 vouchers to use in private schools instead of public school driver's education.

Debate was brief as the House took up the question of whether to concur in Senate amendments. After adopting Berman's amendment to remove the voucher system, the House voted 3 yes, 102

against the Senate version and sent it to conference. The House voted on two other amendments:

- By a voice vote, it shot down

the proposal of Rep. David Jaye, R-Utica, to require students to maintain a C average to obtain driver licenses.

- It approved, 103-0, a biparti-

san effort to require the Secretary of State to make an annual eight-year survey of the accident and ticket records of drivers 17-25 and report it to insurers.

Jeremy loses fight for life

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form of the disease which was resistant to chemotherapy. He also had a genetic mutation of the blood cells, which made it more difficult to find the right donor of Asian descent.

Residents of Roma Ridge, the Trunings are Vietnamese descent. Jeremy's parents came to America by boat 15 years ago.

No one in the family qualified as a bone marrow match, but a donor from western Michigan was found by the American Red Cross.

In October, Jeremy packed up the Segas games his friends gave him, some books and a stuffed Santa Claus and journeyed to the University of Wisconsin Hospital in Milwaukee for the transplant. At the time, his mother said the first three to six months were the most critical because his immune system would be extremely weak.

While he spent much of his last weeks in and out of the hospital and living in a Ronald McDonald house,

Jeremy did make several trips back to Novi, Hermann said. His friends could only talk to him over the telephone. He needed to be shielded from viruses.

"He was never able to play. His whole dream was to come home. They were so afraid of infection. They didn't want him to go out," Hermann said.

Jeremy was hoping to be discharged from the hospital when he went into the coma, she said.

Along with his parents, Jeremy is survived by his brother, Quyen, a senior at Novi High School. Jeremy was a member of the Novi Rockets soccer team. He was also active in the Odyssey of The Mind program at Parkview Elementary School.

Visitation times are tonight from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the O'Brien Chapel/Ted Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River, Novi. A memorial service will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the O'Brien Chapel. The funeral is Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Guardian Angel Catholic Community Church, 581 E. Fourteen Mile Road, Clawson.

City debates rules for door sales

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contact the adult in charge.

"It is definitely a problem. This allows them to handle the problem without repercussions to the children in the street. It comes back to the man holding the permit," Jirasek said.

The new provision would not permit children under 14 to solicit after 7 p.m., unless accompanied by an adult.

Currently, minors selling goods or collecting money for civic, charitable, religious, athletic and educational groups are not required to have permits. After debate, that provision was retained on a trial basis.

However, the new ruling requires

adults sponsors for non-charitable organizations to apply for a group permit. Originally, the adult applicant would have been both fingerprinted and photographed. The council replaced the fingerprinting proposal, allowing the applicant to present instead a valid driver's license or state id.

"We fingerprint criminals in our country, we don't fingerprint people who come into the city for solicitations. I do not feel comfortable with this part of the ordinance. The government's going way overboard," Council Member Nancy Cassis said.

An applicant for a permit which will send minors out working the streets must provide the name and

address of each child, as well as the name, address and phone number of the parent or guardian of each child.

As in the past, the local regulation requires applications for soliciting by adult groups such as the Lions and Goodfellows. The permits must be displayed in plain view on their persons.

Novi's attorneys explained that the ruling cannot be restricted solely to non-local groups, although most complaints to the police department focus on out-of-town organizations.

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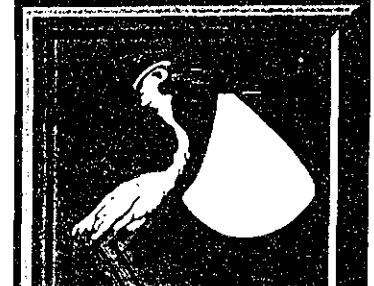
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Brewery plans on tap for Main Street project

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Everything's on tap for a tavern and brewery on Grand River Avenue.

Monday, the Novi City Council, metaphorically speaking, raised their glasses to the \$4.2 million project by giving it revised preliminary site plan approval.

What's in the brew will be shopping, dining and drinking in a 48,000-square-foot, two-story building east of Vic's World Class Market.

The micro-brewery, tap room, restaurant will take up 7,200 square feet, with another 4,600 for the brewhouse. It will have a maximum seating capacity of 220.

A grocery specializing in Asian food and a pet food store will consume another 11,500 feet, leaving almost 17,000 for offices and another 6,000 square feet for additional shops.

All of this will link into Main Street, where it's envisioned that pedestrians will stroll about eating, drinking, shopping and other-

wise spending their disposable incomes. A report submitted to the City Council indicates that this building, which is a Phase II project following Vic's World Class Market, will bring in local tax revenue of \$197,000.

Evergreen III commissioned a parking analyst Rich And Associates, who also works for the City of Royal Oak. For this phase, 250 more parking spaces will be provided, but the existing parking lot at Vic's is expected to be shared.

Businesses protest downtown plans

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the rezoning, because of the number of protesting property owners, five votes were needed to change the classification. And they simply weren't there.

The city's got to be planned. You can't let it go helter skelter as other cities have done. It takes initiative," Council Member Robert Schmid said in favor of the rezoning.

Eleven property owners had submitted letters of protest and several more registered theirs verbally to the city council. With the zoning change, existing businesses such as Fendi Transit Mix, Mobil Oil, Novi Auto Parts, Novi Cemetery and Metro-25 Tires would have been "grandfathered" in, as would the approved site plan for developer George Keros's Novi Grand project at the southwest corner of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue.

The land targeted runs from the west side of Novi Road to the railroad tracks and up to the former depot site at Grand River, as well as the south side of Grand River from Fire Station Number One up to Kinross.

With the change to Town Center District, the emphasis would be on

creating a "small shop" environment, with on the street parking, zero lot lines, retail outlets of no more than 7,500 square feet and awnings and signs extending into the rights-of-way.

Rogers said business owners were concerned about being restricted to stores of no more than 7,500 square feet.

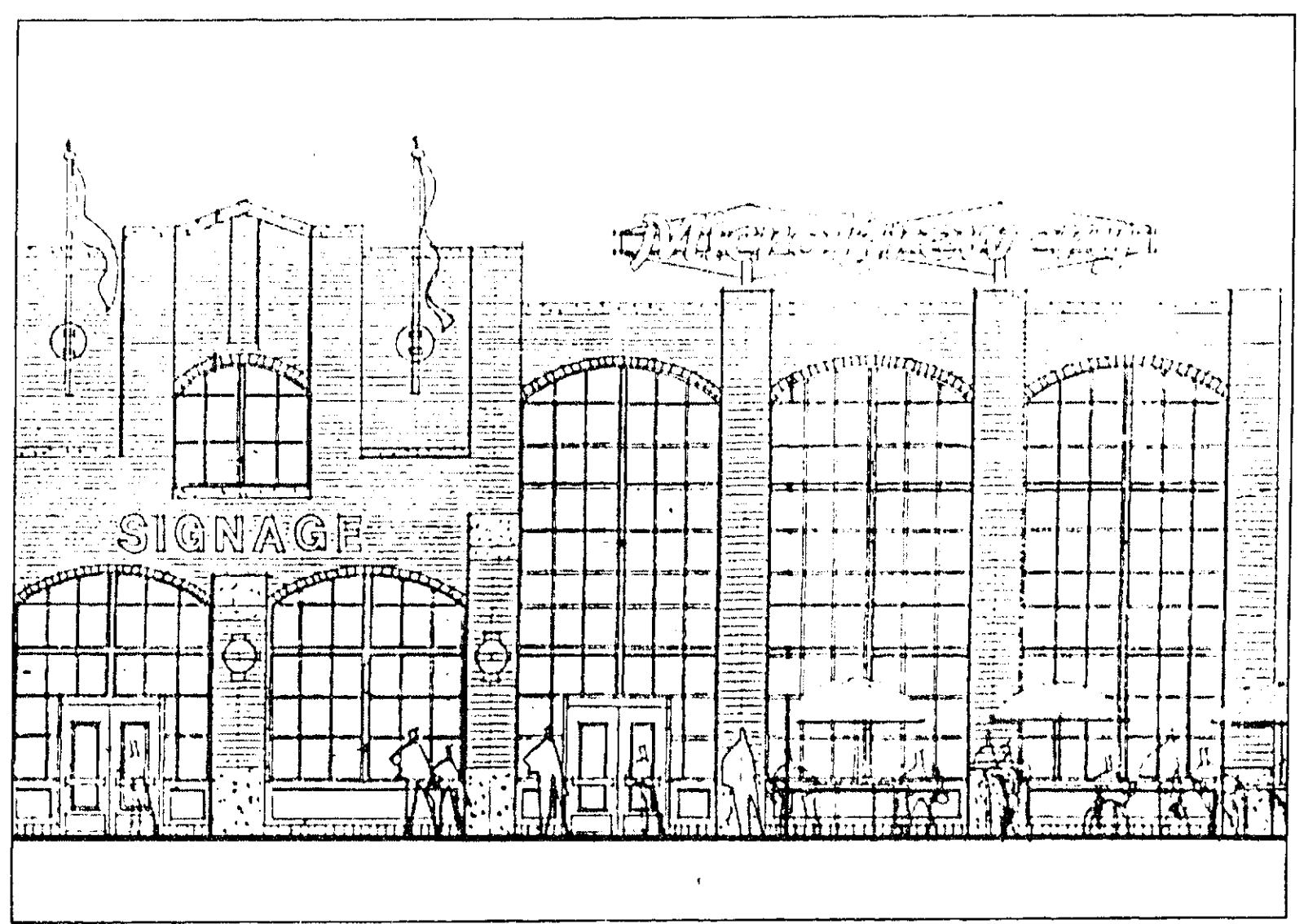
Council Member Rob Mitzel, backed by Council Member Kathy Mutch, suggested that those who didn't want to be part of the district could be left out and every other parcel could be rezoned.

"I think it's only fair that we stop trying to initiate a rezoning. Some areas are willing to be part of it. It's a fairness issue," Mitzel said.

But backers of the switch contended that the property owners would be better off and that the rezoning would enable one Main Street-type developer to assemble parcels to extend the new downtown.

"If it's going to work we have to have the whole thing. You can't leave bits and pieces out," Council Member Richard Clark said.

A planner-initiated attempt to rezone the land in 1995 also failed to get past the council.



A blueprint of the proposed micro-brewery in the Novi Main Street area.

Administration makes a land trade

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Not all leftovers are kept in the refrigerator.

When the City of Novi did a land swap with developers Evergreen III, trading its Novi Road frontage and other land for the right-of-way to Main Street, a ten-foot slice of city land was kept in the public domain.

Monday, the Novi City Council decided to donate the land, valued at \$12,000, to the developers.

But that isn't the only prize in the offering for Main Street.

The Michigan 50s Festival Committee is considering dedicating some of the event's future profits to a \$86,000 band shell for Novi's custom-built downtown. Also, the Novi Chamber of Commerce is working to raise \$20,000 for a clock, similar to the one in downtown Northville, for the project.

On May 6, the council postponed action on handing the strip of land over, seeking more information.

At that time, City Attorney David Fried explained that Evergreen III is concerned that the city will use

the land for a road enabling industrial developments to the south of Main Street access to the shopping and dining district.

In return for the land, Evergreen III will build on the strip a decorative wall and landscaping as an entrance way to Main Street from Novi Road.

For Monday's meeting, City Finance Director Les Gibson noted in a memo to the council that if the property was added on to Main Street, it would bring \$300 annually in city, county and school taxes. He also advised that

because of the size and limited use of the land, he didn't see any advantage to a public sale of the property.

Not all of the council favored the give away. Council Member Rob Mitzel said he felt the city should keep the land and, should the industrial area to the south develop as an adjunct to Main Street, incorporate the strip with that property.

By giving the land to Main Street, he added, "it blocks public access to that public road by this other property."

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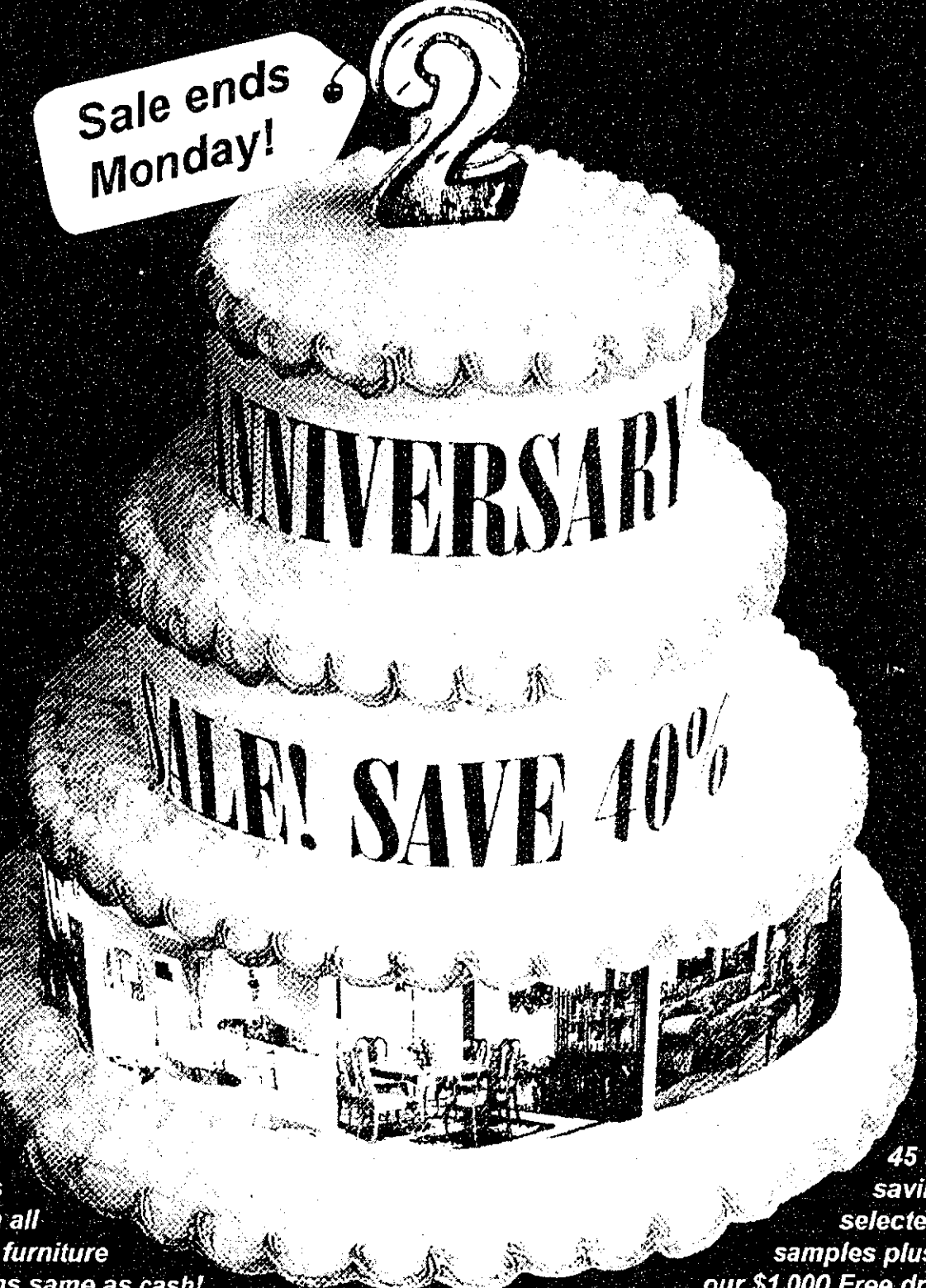
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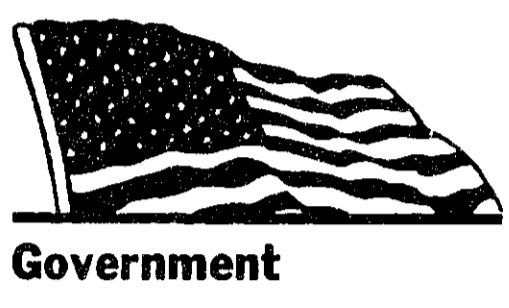
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As We See It

Let's enforce residency rules, or get rid of them

Voters casting ballots in the special Republican primary to fill the seat vacated by the resignation of David Houghton sent two messages Monday: 1) They like current state Rep. Willis Bullard, and 2) they don't care about the constitutional provision requiring lawmakers to live in the districts they represent.



Willis Bullard

Bullard, who won the Republican primary handily, was involved in a controversy last year when a *Midford Times* investigation posed questions about where he lived. The newspaper disclosed that Bullard listed his father-in-law's home as his place of residence even as his wife lived in a house in Highland Township, outside the boundaries of the 38th District he represents in the Michigan House.

Bullard insists he sleeps at the home of his father-in-law, but that's more than a little peculiar given that he and his wife are newly married and apparently enjoy a close relationship. Bullard also had a third residence, in downtown Milford, but a store owner on the ground floor of the building said the lawmaker was never anywhere to be seen.

When questioned about his situation, Bullard at first put up a defense but later returned the inquisitive reporter to his lawyer.

The "Where's Willis" issue is, in any case, moot because Bullard's Highland Township home is located within the Senate district he'll represent should he win next month's runoff election against his opponent, Democrat Barry Brickner.

But this question is a dead issue for another reason as well: there is no practical enforcement mechanism in the residency requirement, other than the ability of the voters to reject violators at the ballot box. And the voters, obviously, could care less.

Bullard himself argued that his elec-

tion polling showed that while voters believed he was a resident of his district, they also did not care.

It might come as a surprise to some that the state constitution contains what is basically an honors system law. But that's essentially what the residency rule is. The constitution does permit the Legislature to take action against sitting lawmakers who fail to make their homes within their districts but, realistically, that doesn't happen. You can't expect elected officials to move decisively against a colleague in a case that concerns none of their own constituencies.

The residency rule, then, is little more than a recommendation, albeit one that enjoys constitutional status. Ultimately, the decision about governmental representation rests with the voters. And what the voters said in this election is that it doesn't matter to them where their representative lives, as long as he or she does a decent job of serving them and addressing their concerns.

If we are not going to enforce a rule like the residency provision, why have it? If it is important that representatives live in their districts, then let's make sure they do by putting in place a workable procedure for enforcement.

If voters don't think it is important, then let's get rid of it altogether. Then voters could decide on residency when they decide how to cast their ballots... which is pretty much the way it works now.

There's no nice way to say it



Randy Coble

Tuesday was a big day in your life, whether you knew it or not. May 14 was put up or shut up time for candidates for elective office. The deadline for putting your name on the ballot for this August's primary election.

All seven seats on the Northville Township Board of Trustees are up for grabs, including those of the four trustees and the three township officers: clerk, supervisor and treasurer.

As you can read on this week's front page, we've got a crowded race on our hands for the Aug. 6 primary. Among the board incumbents who've decided to throw their hats back into the ring and seek another four-year term is Trustee Russ Fagg.

There's no nice way to say this but it's not that I can't support that decision because Russ does not belong on the board.

As an individual, I like and respect Russ; he's one of the most genial people you'll ever meet. Always a genuine smile and a kind word when you run into him. As an elected official, he's got loads of energy and integrity.

There aren't a lot of people who will give so much of their time, so much of themselves, to benefit their community instead of just number one. Moreover, unlike some other members of the board the only thing motivating Russ is a desire to do what he perceives to be in the best interests of Northville Township.

All of that, however, doesn't outweigh the negatives that Russ brings to the table. The unfortunate fact is that this candidate has a serious problem taking in, comprehending and retaining information. Some days are better than others for Russ but it's something that happens too regularly to be ignored.

It's my job to be the eyes and ears of you, the voting public. Part of that job is to tell you when a candidate simply isn't up to the job he's asking you to entrust him with. Russ wants to be one of seven people who will make decisions affecting tens of millions of public tax dollars and the way this community, which is less than half developed, will continue to grow.

We can't afford to have someone at the controls who isn't 100 percent. While Russ can make a valuable contribution to Northville Township and should play an important part in the work that lies ahead, that part should not be as a member of the board.

This was not a fun column to write and I'm sure it wasn't a great one to read either. For whatever it's worth, I'd like to say that Russ saw his courage; he chose to get into this race despite knowing that the *Record* will make this a campaign issue. That took a lot.

Others, however, haven't been so impressive. I am disappointed in all of those "in the loop" out there who know how things are and yet still encouraged Russ to run. That was a disservice to both your friend and this community.

Randy Coble is a staff writer for *The Novi News* and *The Northville Record*.

Support the private sector

The preschool/daycare industry is one that our society in general, and the Novi community in particular, should support.

The women's movement of the 1960s, '70s, and '80s and continuing today, has created many employment opportunities outside the home for women. That's great, and we certainly don't want to reverse that trend.

But, as a society, we should also recognize there has been a cost — parents spending less time with their children. That's no reason to spend less time with their kids, surely have shown, as a result of the increasingly hectic pace of life.

The result is a great need for quality preschool and daycare. It affects the very health and wellbeing of our children.

It is especially true in the community like Novi. It has been built to be an expensive community to live in. Housing prices here are not cheap. Many parents must have two incomes to stay in this community. Where there are two income couples, there is a high demand for quality daycare/preschool.

At the same time childcare industry presents a great opportunity for parents who want to have that second income and still spend time at home with their children. Parents can stay at home (ideal) and through the childcare industry. They set up a preschool/daycare business in their own homes, make money, and be with their own kids around the clock.

While it's a great opportunity, pay in the childcare industry is already notoriously low. The pay has not served as an attraction to the kind of quality people we think should be working in the childcare industry.

So we certainly don't want to see the community or the school district doing anything that would serve to compete and/or drive down the prices that childcare workers can get for their services.

We raise these points because of the proposal by Novi schools expand its preschool program. By purchasing a modular building to be placed on district-owned land, the district could accommodate 100 additional preschool students, bringing the total to 250.

As we have said on this page in the past, we're opposed to it because it would serve to compete against these private sector preschools. The program also gets a some subsidy from the taxpayers for its operation, not the least of which is free land.

should offer supportive programming to private sector preschools.

Not only could the district avoid competing with preschools, the district could actually deliver services to more youngsters. For example, the school district could set up a referral service, not only listing the available daycares and preschools in the area for parents, but also keeping track of the openings the preschools have for new students. A referral service could fill parents in on the types of programs the various private sector preschools have to offer, trying to match the students' personalities and developmental level to the appropriate program.

Or maybe the Novi Community Education Department could offer classes to train people how to run their own preschools. Community Ed could offer classes on how to set one up; how to get a license; how to teach preschool, what techniques are available and educational goals should be, and how to run the business side of a preschool operation.

The possibilities for subjects preschool providers might be interested in are endless.

Community Ed could also put together programs designed specifically for presentation at the private sector preschools and daycares across the community. Traveling presentations could move from one preschool to another.

Or perhaps the district could set up programs at school buildings which would be an educational field trip for the preschoolers. Set up an educational presentation at one of the schools and ask preschool providers to bring their children in one group at a time.

Providers might just appreciate these kinds of additional programs that would enhance their educational efforts.

And it is a supportive role, not one which would compete.

We urge the Novi school district to take a step back from where it's headed with this preschool program and rethink the process. Rather than get into the preschool business further, we urge it to take a supportive role.

In fact, we'd like to see the school district out of the preschool business altogether. But there are many programs that the school district could put on for preschools and daycares which would support these businesses. Not only would it serve the students themselves but it would serve to improve the businesses of the people who are trying to operate childcare in Novi.

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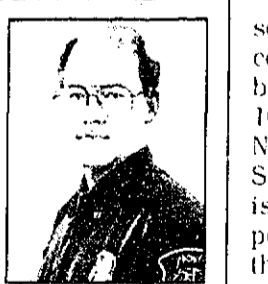
By Bryan Mitchell



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Don't fight it, just buckle up



Terry Whitfield

Most of us consider ourselves fairly educated, when it comes to driving an automobile. I know I do. I drive about 100 miles a day in the City of Novi, patrolling the streets. Some days 200 miles. There is an incredible volume of people entering and exiting the streets of Novi to the tune of 100,000 plus cars a day. This doesn't include the people who actually live here.

Now don't get me wrong, we all know there is a lot of us here in Novi on an every day basis. That's because Novi is a great place to live and work.

So, when we drive our cars, we have to be safety conscious. Not just for ourselves, but also for our neighbors.

Having said that, have you ever gone down the road, stopped for a red light, looked over to the car next to you, only to discover that a 3- or 4-year old child is sitting in the front seat? Or maybe a child is sitting on his mother's lap, or the mother herself being seat belted in, yet holding the child? If this or any number of other situations has gotten your blood pressure up, you are not alone.

It probably makes you want to get out of your car, right there on the road, pull out a chalkboard and send the driver back to Driver Improvement School. You'd probably want to explain Newton's Law that an object in motion continues to remain in motion at the original speed, until acted on by outside forces.

The outside forces will stop a person not buckled in. However, those outside forces are: A windshield, a dashboard, a steering wheel, etc. etc. etc.

You've not lived until you've had to pull someone out of a car whose hair and skin from the top of their head and face are embedded into the windshield of a car.

If you don't believe me I challenge you to find out

for yourself. If you know a policeman, fireman, or EMS driver on a personal basis... ask them what they have seen time and again.

Every officer I know can recount a story where injury or death could have been prevented.

But for us, it's more than a story, more than a statistic, because we get the luxury of putting a face and a person with the story. It's human tragedy and all we can do is shake our heads and wonder why the person wasn't buckled in.

Or why the child was standing on the front seat when the head on collision occurred.

Did you know that a car can come to a complete stop in 1/10th of a second? That's from impact to full stop. Wow, isn't that incredible.

I think that the only person who could survive a crash like that would be Superman. But you want to know the incredible truth? You can increase your chances of being just like Superman, when you buckle up.

A vehicle decelerating from 35 mph to a standstill in 1/10th of a second will sustain about 20 G's of force. So a 10 pound infant multiplied by 20 G's equals about 200 pounds of force going forward in a frontal accident.

Now I know that there are a lot of Super Moms and Dads out there who work out everyday, but I'm willing to bet that you won't be able to hold onto a child in an accident, even if you're buckled in and holding your child.

Remember, it's only 1/10th of a second. Faster than the blink of an eye.

Finally, the ultimate insult to injury occurs when a child is on a parent's lap and both are buckled in... together... using the same belt. In this situation, the weight of the parent crushes the child instantly.

Michigan law requires all children under the age of four to be in a safety seat. Don't fight it, just do it.

Terry Whitfield is an officer with the Novi Police Department. He is heading up the department's participation in the Michigan Safe & Sober public education project May 5-Sept. 15.

Behavior must be affected by family



Phil Power

Just to get the wheels turning, here's a selection of quotes about last week's conviction of Anthony and Susan Provenzi for violating the State's Child Support Enforcement Act after their son, Alex, got into repeated trouble with the law.

"We did the best we could. We taught him right from wrong from the day he was born. There's only so much you can do. Once they are outside the home, they are really making decisions on their own." Susan Provenzi.

"You don't ask your son to go into counseling, which Alex had refused to do. You tell him what he's going to do." An unidentified juror.

"Should every act that a child does become part of the parent's responsibility? I don't know if it sends fear into the heart of every parent that their neighbor will be watching." Jim Murphy, village manager in Holly, which is considering an ordinance.

"We spread an axhead lid closing the door after the house is gone. I think anything that the family can do to make about responsibilities of parenthood is a positive thing." Joe John Engler.

If your house is anything like mine, parental responsibility has been a hot topic around the kitchen table.

My wife, Kathy, is pretty strict about discipline, but she feels passing laws forcing parents to be responsible for their kids' behavior is, well, socialist. "It's just another way for the government to stick its nose in places where it has no business," she said, putting her coffee mug down firmly.

Not only that, but "how in the world are they going to enforce ordinances like that? Lots of kids get into trouble, and who's going to decide which particular parents to prosecute?" she says.

Indeed, vagueness of the St. Clair shores ordinance may well be the basis for appeals, according to Howard Simon, director of the American Civil Liberties Union.

As I'm writing the material that occurred to me that what really has happened over the past 30 years or so is a significant shift in the definition of the American family.

In the old days (whatever that was), the traditional family was regarded as the basic model of social behavior. Sons or offenses committed by one family member were regarded as the responsibility of the entire unit. This old doctrine led to demands for family vengeance, feuds between families that lasted for generations, and it defined people more as family members than as individual individuals.

But beginning in the 1960s, the idea grew and flourished that members of a family should be defined as individuals, fundamentally autonomous and therefore ultimately responsible for their own behavior. In this definition of a person, membership in a family was secondary to one's own individuality.

I suspect that in a subtle way, this shift in the relative conception of individuals in relation to families has undercut the breakdown of the traditional family. And it is this breakdown that lies behind the concern for "family values" and is expressed today in fascination with parental responsibility ordinances.

Certainly, the rise in juvenile crime is alarming. In Oakland County, for example, violent juvenile crime jumped 256 percent over the past 12 years, and national estimates suggest an increase of 100,000 violent juvenile offenders over the next decade.

Will parental responsibility ordinances have much weight in the mind of a bad kid like Alex Provenzi? I doubt it very much.

But properly written and applied with care, will they provide parents with a tool to help them to suggest that people are at the end of the day, family members and that their behavior needs to be affected by the family as a whole? I believe they will.

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

Residents have to fight for rights

Letters

To the editor:

Here we are again having to fight for our rights as residents of Novi.

Why wasn't the five-lane death trap proposed for Ten Mile Road put to a vote by Novi residents? Especially so because we would be forced to pay for their ludicrous proposal.

There is not one good reason why Novi's Council members are trying to force us to accept this proposal. It is all about them to proceed with their plan of action, we will be saying "yes" to the following pitfalls:

- It will destroy people's lives.
- Even under the present two-lane (45 mph) road configuration, the daily traffic noise level is as experienced by Ten Mile Road residents is borderline unacceptable.

Based upon an in-depth analysis of the engineering and environmental assessment of Ten Mile Road between Haggerty and Novi roads concludes that there is no engineering justification to widen Ten Mile Road.

In full knowledge of the above, the city still elects to ignore the above listed pit falls.

The board of home faces Ten Mile Road and I and my good neighbors have been plagued by the constant roar of speeding traffic. There is hardly a day or night

places where speech or telephone communication is required, but where there must be no risk of hearing damage.

If Ten Mile were to be widened (3, 4, 5 lanes) the following air quality impacts will be observed:

- An increased amount of carbon monoxide by the increased number of vehicles per day traveling this route.
- An increased amount of carbon monoxide by increasing vehicle acceleration requirements.
- Lower the speed limit to 25 mph. Result: lower accident rate.

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goes by without hearing the piercing sound of police and ambulance sirens.

It is Wednesday, May 8, 12:45 p.m. even as I'm writing this plea for all Novi residents to get on the bandwagon to put a halt to widen Ten Mile Road. I can hear the sound of police and ambulance sirens speeding on Ten Mile Road to aid an accident victim!

Don't you question why they are so hung-ho on proceeding with this Ten Mile death trap... leaving us to pay for their fiasco?

It just doesn't add up.

Sigri Wren

What a shocker to read of JKC's plans for Ten Mile Road. The sound abatement walls along Meadowbrook Glens Sub and Old Orchard condominiums, it appears Ten Mile could become a surface

expressway.

Missing from the JKC report was what will happen to traffic going west on Ten Mile when five lanes narrow to two lanes. What you will no doubt have is two lanes of backed-up traffic instead of the present one lane.

The rights of current Ten Mile residents must be considered as paramount. The most reasonable solution would be three lanes including a center left turn lane. Even though JKC said this was almost as costly as the five-lane proposal, a little simple arithmetic proves them wrong. \$4.2 million for three lanes is 30 percent less than \$6 million for five lanes.

Persons wishing to travel to western Novi and South Lyon have other alternatives: five-lane Eight Mile Road and Grand River. The statement accredited to the DPW that the project should move ahead because if Novi doesn't take the federal money, another community will receive it is the laziest excuse put forth.

So often government officials get a consultant, hold a public hearing, and proceed with the agenda with or without public approval. What a shame.

Clare Wilson

Hall of Fame puts Novi on the map



Mary Linda Calderone

With Detroit called the "motor city," it is any wonder that a museum to honor motorsports would be located here? It's true, in good old "downtown" Novi lies an engine-oriented museum that will go down in history. In fact, just last night, INFO TV-12 was on hand to tape Tasman Motorsports Indy car driver, Adrian Fernandez and Rena Shanaman, general manager of the US 500 race, a new race to be held at Michigan International Speedway the same day as the Indy 500.

Shanaman provided unique insight into the challenges of organizing a major first-time event such as this. Fernandez, known for his lively outgoing personality, discussed his new ride with Tasman Motorsports, the state of Indy car racing today, and his view of the future. He is a three-year veteran of Indy car racing with a career best finish being third place at the most recent Michigan 500.

Keep in mind, INFO TV-12 will be covering these "speaker nights" which take place at the museum the third Wednesday of each month at

7 p.m. Wednesday, June 19 - Drag Racing featuring "The Marlborough" Lundberg; Wednesday, July 17 - Motorsports for Kids; Wednesday, Aug. 21 - Sports Car Racing; Wednesday, Sept. 18 - Collector Cars; Wednesday, Oct. 16 - Stock Car Racing; and Wednesday, Nov. 20 - Motorcycle Racing.

This year's inductees include the late auto industry pioneer and racer Henry Ford, retired NASCAR legend Lee Petty retired driver Johnny Rutherford, driver/owner/engine builder Bill "Grumpy" Jenkins, the late driver Peter Revson, the late off-road powerboat racer Betty Cook, off-road racer Malcolm Smith, retired race car builder/mechanic A.J. Watson and the late driver Mauri Rose.

Check the local TV listings for times and dates for programs to be aired on INFO TV-12. Besides watching them on TV, you're all invited to attend these events as well. Call 349-9696 for further information. You know, the museum is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. It makes a great family outing.

Mary Linda Calderone is the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission. The next SHOCC meeting is Tuesday, June 11, 4:30 p.m. at Farmington High School and OCC.

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Run set for Saturday at Novi Town Center

The Botsford Center for Health Improvement and the City of Novi are sponsoring the sixth annual "Run for the Health of It" on Sunday, June 9. The race - featuring 8K run, 5K walk and 8K wheelchair events - encourages participation for both competitive and noncompetitive athletes.

"Run for the Health of It" starts at 8:30 a.m. at Botsford Center for Health Improvement, 39750 Grand River in Novi. Held on a rolling, out and back course through the Novi Town Center, day-of-race highlights also include corporate team production relays, awards and many participant giveaways.

The entry fees are as follows: early registration will run through May 17 and those fees are listed first: 8K run and wheelchair race - \$12 and \$14; 5K fitness walk - \$8 and \$10; four-person team relay - \$40 and \$50; kids half-mile

run (ages 8-12) and 200-yard dash (ages 5-7) - \$8 and \$10. T-shirts are guaranteed to all entries received before May 17, but after May 17 they are subject to availability. For registration information, call (810) 473-5600. Race proceeds will benefit Novi Youth Assistance.

According to Ed Pienkosz, M.S., an exercise physiologist at Botsford's Total Rehabilitation and Athletic Conditioning Center (TRACC), the "Run for the Health of It" emphasizes healthy living. "We will kick off the event with a group stretch," said Pienkosz. "Race packets will include nutrition information, and even the prizes will have a healthy twist."

The mission of Novi Youth Assistance is to provide an alternative to police, adult and court involvement in the life of a young person.

Expo president honored by Veterans Alliance

The Marine Corps League of the Veterans Alliance of Novi presented Novi Expo Center President Blair Bowman with a certificate of appreciation Monday night. Bowman was thanked for his dedicated service to the organization and his donation of meeting places during the last two years.

Bake n' Barter

Novi Woods Elementary second graders applied their studies on economics to a Bake Sale May 6 though 10. Customers were fellow students, fellow bakers were the parents. Second grader

Laura Eid quickly sold out of her cookies, frosted with faces, on Tuesday.

Library Briefs

Library closings

In observance of the Memorial Day holiday, the Novi Public Library will be closed the following days: Saturday, May 25; Sunday, May 26; Monday, May 27.

Sunday hours

Sunday, May 14 will be the last Sunday the library will be open until after Labor Day. Sunday hours will resume on Sept. 8.

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Public Access

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

MONDAY, MAY 20

- 10:00 a.m. - A Culinary Adventure: Beans and Bagels
- 10:30 a.m. - The Elegant Life: Finger Bowls
- 11:00 a.m. - Seniors on the Move: Joe Sharpy
- 11:30 a.m. - Dickerman Showcase: One Flight Up
- 12:00 p.m. - Coffee and Conversation
- 12:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 1:00 p.m. - Adventures With Pirate Pete
- 1:30 p.m. - My Russian Friend
- 2:00 p.m. - Senior Messenger
- 2:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 3:00 p.m. - Tony Warrens Expressions
- 3:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 4:00 p.m. - Rising Tide GOP TV
- 4:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 5:00 p.m. - Who, What, Where, Y
- 5:30 p.m. - Women on the Move: Linda Zalla Artist
- 6:00 p.m. - Headwaters: The Life-line of a River
- 6:30 p.m. - Bagels and Talk With Tracy
- 7:00 p.m. - Women on the Move: Dementia
- 7:30 p.m. - Info TV-12 News Magazine
- 8:00 p.m. - Law Talk: Hospice of Michigan
- 8:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 9:00 p.m. - Lansing Connection
- 9:30 p.m. - Groove Session

TUESDAY, MAY 21

- 10:00 a.m. - Motorsports Michael Kollins
- 10:30 a.m. - (con't)
- 11:00 a.m. - (con't)
- 11:30 a.m. - (con't)
- 12:00 p.m. - Summit University
- 12:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 1:00 p.m. - Drawing Men t. Christ
- 1:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 2:00 p.m. - Lansing Connection
- 2:30 p.m. - The Imagination Tree
- 3:00 p.m. - Pat Bob Tribute
- 3:30 p.m. - Stage Door Canteen
- 4:00 p.m. - (con't)
- 4:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 5:00 p.m. - Going to the Chapel
- 5:30 p.m. - Living With You Addictions
- 6:00 p.m. - Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council
- 6:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 7:00 p.m. - Cash Talks
- 7:30 p.m. - Farmington Hills: Police Journal
- 8:00 p.m. - Rededication Church of the Holy Family
- 8:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 9:00 p.m. - Let's Talk With Ber Marks
- 9:30 p.m. - (con't)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

- 10:00 a.m. - Life Matters
- 10:30 a.m. - Fitness First
- 11:00 a.m. - Senior Spotlight: Know Your Local Fire Department
- 11:30 a.m. - Laura's Fat Free Kitchen
- 12:00 p.m. - Cash Talks
- 12:30 p.m. - The Way the Truth and the Life
- 1:00 p.m. - Study in Scripture

- 1:30 p.m. - AMVETS
- 2:00 p.m. - Restoration Now
- 2:30 p.m. - Volunteers
- 3:00 p.m. - (con't)
- 3:30 p.m. - Groove Session
- 4:00 p.m. - Shipwrecks of the Great Lakes
- 4:30 p.m. - Info TV-12 News Magazine
- 5:00 p.m. - Senior Messenger
- 5:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 6:00 p.m. - Speakers Row
- 6:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 7:00 p.m. - Adventures With Pirate Pete
- 7:30 p.m. - My Russian Friend

- 8:00 p.m. - Inside Farmington Hills
- 8:30 p.m. - Who, What, Where, Y
- 9:00 p.m. - Women on the Move: OWL Voling
- 9:30 p.m. - The Elegant Life: Finger Bowls

- 10:00 a.m. - The Job Show
- 10:30 a.m. - The Happiest People Alive
- 11:00 a.m. - Abundant Life Arabic Ministries
- 11:30 a.m. - Perceptions
- 12:00 p.m. - Bagels and Talk

- With Tracy
- 12:30 p.m. - Madonna Magazine
- 1:00 p.m. - Praise, Prater, Prater
- 1:30 p.m. - That's Italian
- 2:00 p.m. - (con't)
- 2:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 3:00 p.m. - Inside Farmington Hills
- 3:30 p.m. - Farmington Hills Police Journal
- 4:00 p.m. - Law Talk: Hospice of Michigan
- 4:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 5:00 p.m. - Shaatay Zedek Productions
- 5:30 p.m. - (con't)

- 6:00 p.m. - Cooking with Kids
- 6:30 p.m. - Getting Your Financial House in Order
- 7:00 p.m. - Dr. Success Presents
- 7:30 p.m. - (con't)
- 8:00 p.m. - The Light to the Nations
- 8:30 p.m. - Ready or Not
- 9:00 p.m. - Novi's Crime Prevention
- 9:30 p.m. - A Culinary Adventure

- FRIDAY, MAY 24**
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Howell man electrocuted

A 38-year-old Howell man died Monday morning after being electrocuted while working on power lines for Detroit Edison.

Novi Fire said James Cole was working on overhead wires at a Meadowbrook Road and Twelve Mile Road location when he was electrocuted at about 10:20 a.m. Fellow workers secured the wire, brought the victim down and began CPR. Novi Fire and Community EMS paramedics as well as police arrived on the scene and took over. Cole was taken to Botsford and died at 11:25 a.m.



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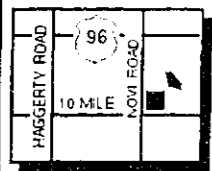
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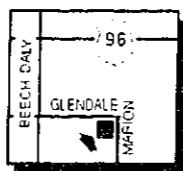


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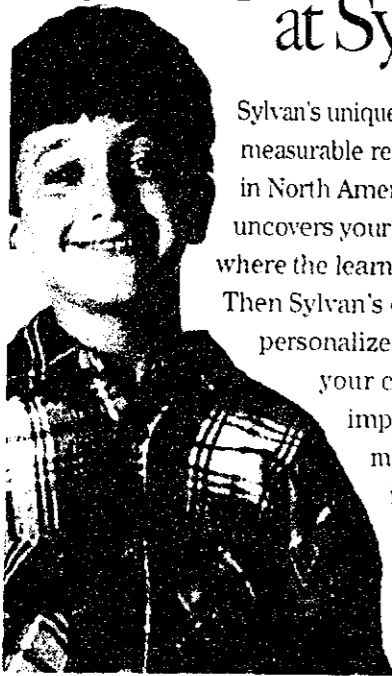
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Chamber joins state FOI fight

By **TIM RICHARD**
 Staff Writer

The State Chamber of Commerce joined the Michigan Press Association to rescue the Freedom of Information Act from high fees sought by county governments.

"Many state agencies are opening up mountains of information with existing technology," said Richard Studley, senior vice president of the chamber and a Grand Ledge councilman, "but local government is moving in the opposite direction - limited access.

"In a few years, we could end up with two classes of citizens: one, with resources, would have access to information; the other, with limited resources, would have little access," Studley told the House Local Government Committee May 9 in Lansing.

"We stand four-square with Studley," added Bruce McIntyre, representing the Michigan Press Association and chairman of Great Lakes Media.

Rep. Robert Brackenridge, R-St. Joseph, took the advice by splitting up a crippling bill sought by

the Michigan Association of Counties into two:

• House Bill 5832 - "Enhanced access," a separate bill allowing counties to recover costs of providing land and court records to such business customers as developers and engineers. Oakland County is in the forefront of this movement, spurred by the 125-member Business Roundtable, Ameritech, the telephone company, hopes to be the contracted vendor.

• House Bill 5726, minor amendments to the Freedom of Information Act.

As originally drafted by the Michigan Association of Counties, the bill would have given government copyrights over historically public records and narrowed the definition of what could be sold to the public. Critics like Studley and McIntyre said it amounted to a "revenue enhancement" bill, burdening both business and individuals.

On the "enhanced access" bill, Studley asked the panel to narrow the definition of cost recovery to eliminate heating, overhead and

maintenance - just allow government to recover the cost of computer hardware and software.

Studley asked the panel to require an annual review of costs because "we expect the cost to decline. We are seeing dramatic changes in technology."

Dawn Phillips, Bloomfield Hills attorney who is general counsel for the Michigan Press Association and many individual newspapers, asked for even narrower definitions of costs that government could charge. Her examples:

• FOIA allows government to with a search charge equal to the wage of the lowest-paid clerical employee. House Bill 5726 allows a charge for the lowest-paid employee "capable of complying with a request" for information. That, she said, would allow government to charge attorney's fees.

• HB 5726 allows government to charge rental fees of \$25 to \$100 an hour for public use of computers.

"I'm troubled at the \$100 an hour fee," Phillips said. "It's one thing if I bill it to my clients,

another if I write a personal check. The cost of receiving information has been rising. We're getting bills of \$50 to \$75 under the present act."

Mark Grebner, an East Lansing attorney and political consultant, agreed with the intent of the FOIA amendment: "The current FOIA is silent on recovering costs for tying up expensive equipment. We have created an antagonistic situation where a public body disguises its fees."

Brackenridge didn't take a committee vote but assigned staff to work with the groups on further amendments. Brackenridge said the panel has three goals:

"We want to give authority for enhanced access to records.

"We did not want enhanced access to inhibit the Freedom of Information Act. We did not want local units of government to use enhanced access to block FOIA.

"It is our intent to wide the availability of public information. We agree it should be at a reasonable cost, but not a revenue vehicle for local government."

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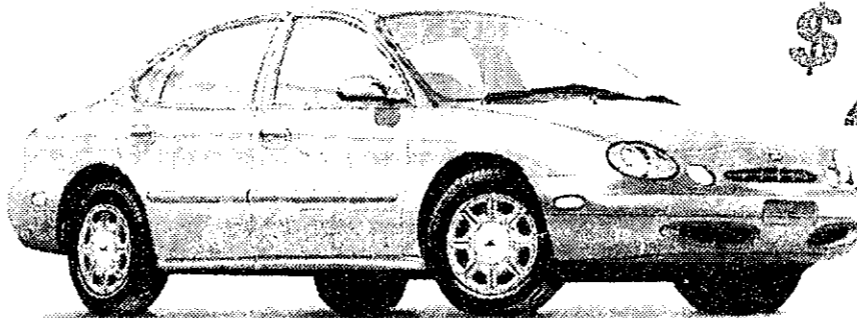
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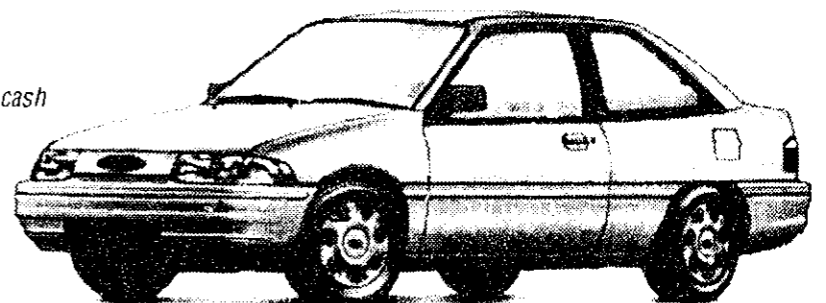
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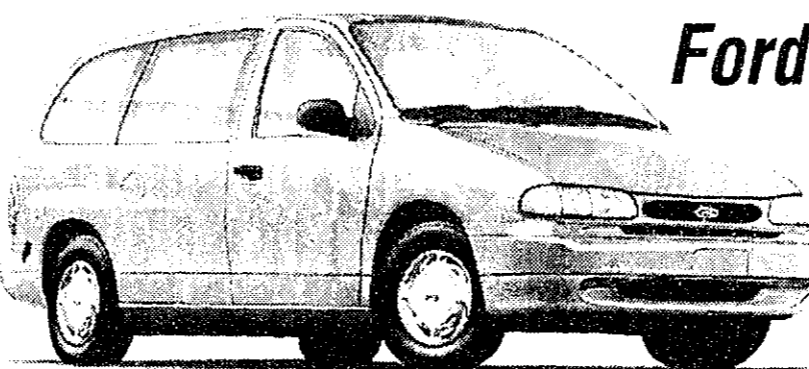
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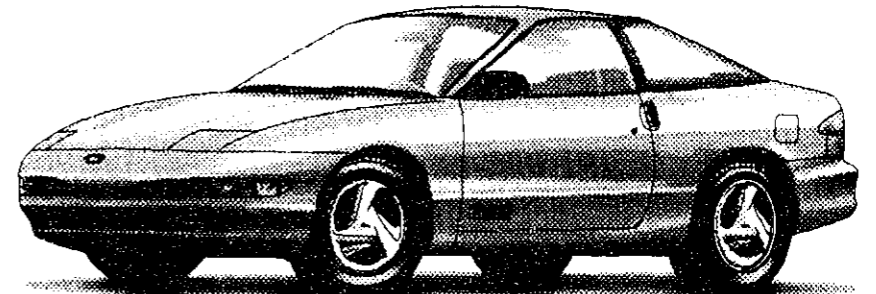
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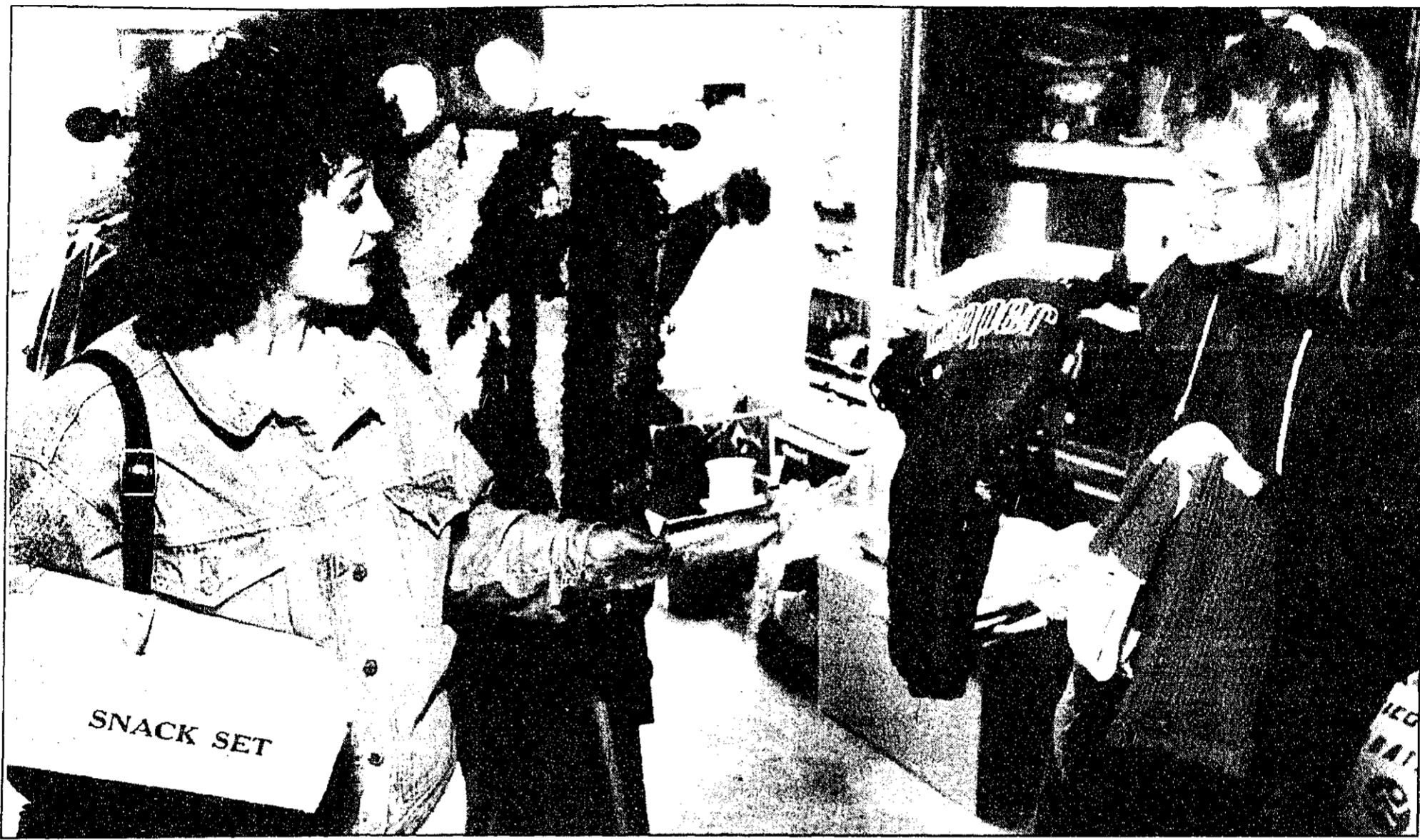


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Annette Oxner (left) of Brighton dickers with Amy Bailey of Monroe over a set of eight dishes and cups which she eventually bought for \$2 while Bailey was helping her parents, Chet and Sharon Peery of Novi, with the garage sale they were having as part of the Echo Valley subdivision-wide sale.

Spring brings more than buds

Garage sale signs sprouting all over town

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

With all of nature around us pointing to signs of spring, other signs are pointing to garage sales.

For some, spring cleaning also means selling what you and your family don't want, haven't used, or have outgrown.

The third annual Novi Spring Clean Up Sale on May 11 had 26 spaces for residents to peddle their property to others who came in search of anything from clothing to toys to household items.

The day started off with a bang, with a rush of bargain seekers with greenbacks in their fists who were waiting at the Novi Civic Center up to one hour before the doors opened at 10 a.m. Due to the weather, this year's sale was held indoors.

Divided into booths, sellers' pricing came either from the gut or from carefully researching

prices at resale shops and noting the prices at other garage sales.

Marion Grigg based the prices of her like-new items at just above fifty percent of what resale shops are asking for similar items.

"If someone else can use them, that's better than them sitting in my basement," said Maureen Denzel of Novi, who was splitting the difference between what the buyer offered and the price tag.

"Haggling is not worth it," Denzel said. "I'd rather go home with nothing."

Marion Karagozian, also a Novi resident, sold more in one day at the Civic Center than she would in three days at home.

"Everything is negotiable," Karagozian said. "The one and two dollar items went real fast."

"Things you want to get rid of you price real cheap," Grigg said.

"You can tell if someone jumps at it (an offer), they probably want

to get rid of it," said Paula Reitz of Novi.

Although Reitz did a little shopping from other booths on Saturday, she was confident that even with the \$25, 10 foot by 15 foot space rental, she would go home with money in her pocket. The fee included all advertising on cable television, and in daily and weekly newspapers.

"A couple of subdivisions in Novi don't allow their homeowners to have a garage sale," said Scott Mercer, Novi Parks and Recreation coordinator. "This is a way for them to have one."

Children's toys were hot on Saturday while children's car seats weren't moving at all. One and two dollar items went real fast, according to Karagozian.

Across the street from the Novi Civic Center, a subdivision garage sale was going on at the Jamestowne Green subdivision.

At Elaine Yocum's garage sale, all proceeds benefited the Spartan Swim Club. Added to the items that various swim club members donated for the sale were hot dogs and cupcakes.

Yocum slashed prices at 1:30 p.m. when she put everything at half price for the remainder of the sale, which ended at 4 p.m.

Around the corner from Yocum, was Debbie Goldin. Goldin's customers told her they plan their vacations around the garage sales in this area, then they take the treasures back down south.

"I never realized how popular garage sales are," said Goldin, who has participated in the sub sale for three years. Goldin estimates that about 150 people stopped into her garage during the sale.

"If I see people looking at something, I'll offer half off," she said. Some people don't have time to

organize a garage sale themselves. Besides determining which items stay and which go to the sale, there's pricing and manning the garage. Some residents had items from neighbors and relatives. On the plus side, is meeting the neighbors and cleaning your house, according to Goldin.

Choosing which garage sales to frequent depends on what you're looking for. Goldin likes older neighborhoods because she looks for old jewelry and china.

Grandmothers look for baby items for their grandchildren and choose areas with younger families. Men look for tools and electronic things.

"Some of the men are like scouts for their wives," Goldin said. The men glance at the goods and report back to the wives, who are waiting in the car.

"Some people don't feel comfortable bargaining," said Goldin, who

prices things to sell. "I want people to feel comfortable walking in."

For Linda Margrave, who has not participated in the sale for four years, the annual Jamestowne sub sale went better than she had expected, considering the weather was a little on the cold and rainy side.

"There hasn't been a lot of back and forth," said Margrave of her prices. "Early this morning were the bargainers, the more experienced ones."

One of the dreaded decisions of the day is what to do with the things that don't sell. At the Civic Center, most would rather sell it than take it home.

When the time runs out at the end of the day, among the options for objects that remain on the table include charitable organizations, resale shops and another garage sale next year.

Volunteer



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Jacquie Hodges has been volunteering most of her life.

Hodges very active in planning group

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

To develop, preserve and conserve wetlands is the reason Jacquie Hodges joined the Novi Planning Commission when she moved here with her family four years ago.

To provide a buffering zone of flowers and trees is all she wants. "I have a degree in urban and regional planning," she said, so she knows what she's talking about.

But developers come before meetings with their plans for capital improvement - sidewalks, widening roads, a fire station, new structures on public land, places to develop.

Hodges reads their literature ahead of time, but "I want more clarification in their presentation," she said. "We shouldn't have to be concerned with clerical work. And, besides, I don't have storage space for all their paper that's sent to us."

Also she's on three sub-com-

mittees, each of which has meetings - daytime meetings:

- Capital Improvement in the city.
- Town Center Steering Committee.
- Planning budget and development.

On Thursday morning after a meeting, she said, "I'm no good. I hang on every word that's said, and it's too much."

"But I enjoy volunteering on the planning commission," Hodges said. "I've been volunteering in something all my life. It's a way of life for me."

And working for the preservation of wet lands - well, she said, "I'll start in Novi and work my way up because there are rules that allow developers to do away with wet lands. It's a matter of state legislation."

Jacquie Hodges said, "I'd like to change that."

The planning commission, meets the first and third Wednesdays in the council chambers.

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Art contest focuses on history of Novi

By CAROL WORKENS Staff Writer

Winners of the first Novi Historical Commission Art Contest will be announced on May 19 at the Novi Civic Center.

Fifth and sixth grade students from Novi Woods, Novi Middle School, and Thornton Creek and Hickory Woods elementary are given an optional extra curricular activity to write an essay or complete a work of art based on the book, *My on the Trail* by Barbara C. Louie for the contest.

Students' works will be on display at the Civic Center on May 19 from noon until 5 p.m.

Novi Mayor Kathleen McAllen will present the awards at a ceremony to be held at 3 p.m.

First, second and third place winners were chosen for each of the four schools.

First place winners will receive a \$25 gift certificate from Border Books and a copy of No. 17. Student awarded second place will receive a \$15 gift certificate from Border Books and copy of No. 17.

A copy of No. 17 will be given to all third place finishers.

Classrooms with a winning entry will receive a \$50 gift certificate to be used for the purchase of classroom materials.

All students who placed will also receive ribbons.

The exhibit will include refreshments and walk-over tours to Old Town Hall.

The purpose of the contest was to establish a base for future historians among the youth of Novi, according to Novi Historical Commissioner Daniel O'Connell.

The historical commission which has been around for three years, tried a history time line contest during Michigan History Week in 1994 and 1995 but went back to the drawing board when the project was not well received.

The Novi Historical Commission's main focus is to promote Old Town Hall and it is attempting to set it up as a working museum. Open year round, Old Town Hall is a community building available for use by any resident or group. Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, civic groups, Chamber of Commerce, Native American groups, ethnic groups, teachers, gardening clubs, Kiwanis, and musicians with a historical edge to their art, are among the many groups which could use the building, according to O'Connell.

"We want the community to see it (Old Town Hall) through the eyes of history," said O'Connell. "We want proactive people whether or not they live in the community, to work with us so we could tie communities together."

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Daniel O'Connell
Novi Historical Commissioner

The commission is works to show what people in the community did during historical times, not just display the machines in use during historical times, but show the people who worked on the machines and in the mills, O'Connell said.

As a commission, the group can help sponsor field trips and historical programs and help with land lease arrangements from other institutions and communities.

For more information on Old Town Hall or the Novi Historical Commission, call (810) 347-0566.



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Novi Charter House administrator Alexander "Sandy" Spiro (left) presents a plaque to Holy Family Catholic Church for its volunteer work with nursing home residents during the

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Wedding



Lisa and Steven Agosta

Steven Agosta and Lisa Lynn Carnes were married May 13, 1995, at Mill Race Historical Village in Northville. Officiating at the ceremony was Chris Johnson, Mayor of Northville. The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Robert L. Fischer of Troy.

A reception for 170 guests followed at the Italian-American Club of Livonia.

The bride is the daughter of Barbara Carnes and granddaughter of Annabelle and the late Jay C. Chamell. She is a 1988 graduate of Northville High School, and received her bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Michigan-Dearborn in 1994.

Attending the bride was maid of honor Julie Dredzik of Plymouth. Her bridesmaids were Renee Coghlan of Redford, Heather Gray of Livonia, and Christy Sawyers of Plymouth, all friends and co-workers of the bride.

The bride wore a white silk slanting off-the-shoulder gown trimmed with crystals and seed pearls with an attractive bow at the dropped waist in the back. The bridal veil was attached to three satin roses and baby's breath and the bride carried an arm bouquet of white calla lilies.

The bridegroom is the son of Gina and Joseph Agosta of Northville. He graduated from Bentley High School, Livonia and is employed by Survival Flight at the University of Michigan Hospital.

The best man was John Agosta of Novi. Brother of the groom, Groomsman were James Agosta of Orlando, Fla., and the late William Agosta, brothers of the groom; and Michael Breza of Garden City, cousin of the groom.

Following a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nev., the couple made their home in Plymouth, Mich.

Engagement



Kelly Stanley/Scott Mikel

Mr. and Mrs. David Stanley of Novi proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly, to Scott Mikel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Mikel of Farmington Hills.

The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of Wixom Christian School. She is a clerk typist for the City of Novi in the Parks and Recreation Department.

Scott graduated from Rochester Hills Christian School in 1989, and from Pensacola Christian College in 1993. He is working towards a divinity degree at Detroit Baptist Theological Seminary, and is assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church of Farmington.

A June 1996 wedding will take place at the First Baptist Church of Farmington.

Births



Jack Speight

Novi residents Jim and Stacey

Speight announce the birth of their son, Jack Stuart, at St. Mary's Hospital, Livonia, on Tuesday, April 9, 1996. He weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces.

Grandparents are Russell and Patricia Johnson of Livonia, and James and Doreen Speight of Northville; and his great grandmother is Stella LaGrave of Plymouth.

Jayne Wick

Matthew C. and Deborah M. Wick of Novi are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Jayne Mae, on Jan. 17, 1996, at 12:37 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 21 inches in length.

Her proud sisters are Claire and Whitney, 6.

On Campus

Washtenaw Community College recently announced the associate degree candidates for April and June 1996. Among the students receiving degrees was **KARYN R. (STRAND) FRANKLIN** of Novi.

STACIE MCGUIGAN, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McGuigan of Novi, has received the Achievement Award from Olivet Nazarene University, Kankakee, Ill.

McGuigan, a senior at Novi High School, will graduate in June. Besides her academic achievements, she has been involved in the symphony band, marching band, National Honor Society Club, Interact Club, Spanish Club, volunteer work at Charter House Nursing Home and in the community, classical piano studies, and has been a member of the National Piano Playing Auditions.

McGuigan will attend Olivet in the fall and hopes to pursue a career in occupational therapy.

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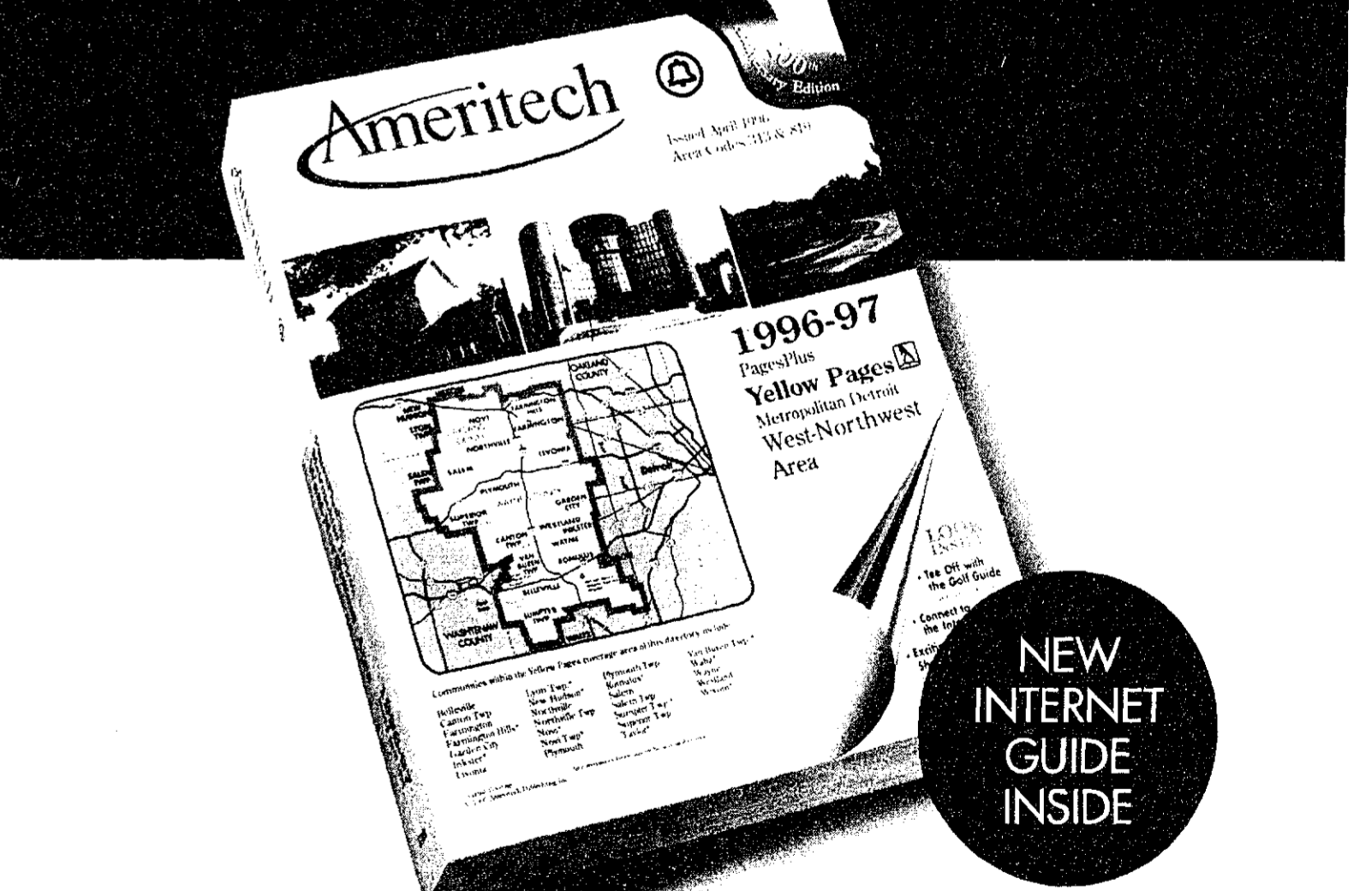
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Diversions

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New jazz sound comes to Novi

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

The Oxford Inn is no longer Owner Bob Higgins's changed the name, just slightly, to Oxford Inn Tavern.

"I've been here for a year and a half," Higgins said. "After watching people and finding out what they liked, I thought this area needed entertainment for the upscale crowd."

Higgins will be showcasing a new kind of jazz on Friday and Saturday evenings starting with a six piece jazz, rhythm and blues and vocals group, Level Six.

On Thursday evenings, the Sun Messengers will perform through the end of May. The group, which has been around the metro Detroit area for almost two decades, began concentrating on a more funky, rhythm and blues sound about six years ago.

Besides gigs around town, the

five piece group also plays for the Detroit Pistons and the Vipers.

Other changes at Oxford Inn Tavern is the addition of a beverage bar in the center of the room, where the entertainment is.

"The back room has cozy booths and another bar for snacking oysters. That room is all non-smoking," said Higgins. "You can still hear the music and be able to converse with the person at the table."

One of the reasons the name was changed is because the exterior of the Oxford Inn resembles a tavern.

"I want people to feel comfortable when they come in," Higgins said. "I wanted a casual, cozy atmosphere with premier entertainment."

Oxford Inn Tavern is located at 43317 Grand River in Novi. For more information, call 305-5656.



The Sun Messengers will perform at the Oxford Inn Tavern.

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

RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL: The last day of audition for the Michigan Renaissance Festival is June 1 at noon at the festival site, 120 South Saginaw in Holly. Performers should be ready to enact a prepared short skit, read from various scripts and participate in some improvisational acting.

Dressing in appropriate Renaissance attire is encouraged for the auditions. For further information, contact Misha Dione at the festival office at (810) 634-5552.

SPECIAL EVENTS

NORTHVILLE PLAYERS: The Philadelphia Story will be presented during Northville's Art in the Sun Festival June 21, 22 and 23. For more information, call (313) 453-0891.

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.

For further information, contact the arts council, 347-0400.

THEATER

GENITTI'S HOLE-IN-THE-WALL: "Spring Follies with Genitti's Rascals" continues through June 5.

The audience will become involved in the show as Mr. Baggs tries to keep his grocery store in business. He doesn't have good help and, therefore, the customers are not happy with his service. Four kids visit Mr. Baggs on a regular basis, learn of his problem and try to come up with ideas to help him. They decide to produce a follies show in his honor.

Show dates are May 18, June 1 and 5. Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall is located at 108 E. Main Street in Northville.

For more information, call (810) 349-0522.

TIMBERS SEAFOOD GRILL: Classic Productions and Joseph A. Nabra Enterprises presents a variety of music and comedy talent at Timbers, the home of "Bananas" Comedy Club, 40380 Grand River, west of Haggerty Road in Novi, on Friday and Saturday.

For reserved seating and additional information, call (810) 477-5556.

MARQUIS THEATRE: The musical adaptation of Little Red Riding Hood is now playing. Per-

formance dates and times are Friday at 7:30 p.m. on May 17, 24, 31, June 7 and 14; Saturday at 2:30 p.m. on May 18, 25, June 1, 8 and 15.

Tickets for all public performances are \$5.50. No children under 3 and a hall will be admitted.

The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main Street in downtown Northville. For more information or group rates, call 349-8110.

DORE PRODUCTIONS: Dore Productions of Northville presents an evening of murder-mystery theater once a month at the Water Club Seafood Grill located on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth, one quarter mile east of I-275. Call (313) 454-0666.

A fresche chat with Henry Ford, Thomas Edison and Harvey Firestone are presented once a month at the Boisford Inn located at 28000 Grand River in Farmington. Call (313) 474-4800.

MUSIC

OXFORD INN: Entertainment is offered on weekends.

Oxford Inn is located at 43317 Grand River in Novi. For more information, call 305-5856.

COUNTRY EPICURE RESTAURANT: Entertainment is offered in the lounge with full bar and dinner menu with no cover charge from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings. During March the featured act will be the Wilbert Penzler Jazz Trio with Sandra Bomar.

Country Epicure Restaurant is located at 42050 Grand River in Novi.

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

CICERO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANTE & BAR: Cicero's Italian Restaurant & Bar is located on Novi Road just north of Ten Mile.

Performing is George Colovous, 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.

LIBRARY SPORTS PUB AND GRILL: The Library Sports Pub and Grill is located at 342100 Grand River Avenue in Novi.

For more information, call 349-9110.

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 Street in downtown Northville. Call 344-0220 for additional information.

FRIGATES INN: Frigates offers live music every Tuesday at 8 p.m. featuring 2XL Band. The Sunset Blues Band will host the Wednesday blues jam from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. All musicians are welcome. Dance with The Globe at 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

Frigates Inn is located at the corner of Fourteen Mile and East Lake Drive in Novi. For details, call (810) 624-9607.

MR. B'S FARM: Mr. B's Farm is located at Novi Road north of Ten Mile.

For details, call 349-7038.

SPORTS EDITION: Every weekend guests can enjoy live entertainment at the Sports Edition Bar, located inside the Novi Hilton Hotel at 21111 Haggerty Road.

The Sports Edition is home to intrigue and other high-powered hits groups every weekend. A cover charge begins at 8 p.m.

STARTING GATE: The Starting Gate Saloon offers live music every Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Beginning in May and June will be Sax Appeal.

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 Open Blues Jam continues, now in its second year. Featuring Tim Flaherty as host, the jam is open to all musicians.

Beginning June 7, a new style "Friday Happy Hour" starts at 5 p.m. and includes electric blues and oldies featuring the Tommy D Band. Also included on June 7 will be a 50/50 non profit charity raffle and a Limbo contest.

The Sunset Grill is located on the corner of Thirteen Mile and Novi roads. For more information, call (810) 624-8475.

TOO CHEZ: Too Chez, located across from Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi, offers live jazz entertainment from 6 to 10 p.m. Mondays and 7 to 11 p.m. Fridays.

ART

DANCING EYE GALLERY: A special exhibition of hand painted silks and forged steel by Rebecca J. Creighton will be on display through May 23.

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 from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m.; Saturday from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Sunday noon to 4 p.m.

For details, call (810) 449-7086.

ATRIUM GALLERY: The Atrium Gallery is now featuring work by Farmington Artist Felix Braslavsky, oil and acrylic on canvas and paper, his figurative paintings are multi-faceted and festive. From tiny to large, each tells a story and reflects the artist's background in theater. Colorful art glass displayed during April, which was Michigan Glass Month, will continue through May.

Atrium Gallery is located at 109 N. Center in downtown Northville. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

For details, call (810) 349-4131.

LITTLE ART GALLERY: The Little Art Gallery at Geniti'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.

PAINTER'S PLACE: Two new watercolors, one of Main Street featuring the town clock and the other of the Oldenburg Building on Center Street when Fred Oldenburg 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. Call 348-9544 for more information.

GATE VI GALLERY: Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. On the weekend, the gallery is open if the building is open. Call 380-6470.

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Based on the classic novel by Charlotte Bronte, Franco Zeffirelli's "Jane Eyre" is a vibrant and visually stunning rendition of the celebrated story of a plain and penniless governess who overcomes seemingly insurmountable obstacles to claim the man she loves. Starring Charlotte Gainsbourg, one of Europe's most exciting and acclaimed young actresses, in the title role, and Oscar winners William Hurt and Anna Paquin as the Byronic Mr. Rochester and the spirited young Jane Eyre, the film also boasts an extraordinary ensemble that includes Jean Powerlight, John Wood, Eric Macpherson, Amanda Root, Geraldine Chaplin, Billie Whitelaw, Fiona Shaw, Sam West and Maria Schneider.

Jane Eyre is a bold and intensely psychological story that is a departure from the polite fiction penned by most popular nineteenth century authors. Never one to study the social rituals of the drawing room or the issues of sense and sensibility, Charlotte Bronte is more interested in the hearts and minds of her characters — their passions, their fears, and their deepest desires. Largely based on incidents from her own life — a harrowing experience attending a school much like Lowood where both of her sister died, working as a governess, and a disappointing liaison with a married man — Bronte is well acquainted with the outcasts and outsiders about whom she writes. Her greatest theme is the search for love.

Though created nearly 150 years ago, the character of Jane Eyre remains one of the most innovative, independent, and inspiring heroines in literary history. Orphaned early in childhood and forsaken by her well-to-do relatives, young Jane (Paquin) is sent to a grim girls' orphanage where, bereft of kindness, encouragement and love, she somehow manages to survive. On a gray, rainy day (Gainsbourg) is a young woman of intelligence and education at a time when wealth and beauty were considered the only useful female qualities. Accepting a position as



William Hurt (l) and Charlotte Gainsbourg (r) in Franco Zeffirelli's "Jane Eyre," written by Charlotte Bronte.

governess at a vast estate owned by a broodingly handsome gentleman, Mr. Rochester (Hurt), Jane might have blended invisibly into the mass of maids and men-servants who attended to the aristocracy.

But Jane Eyre is nobody's victim and is hardly one to blend into the

background. Strong and spirited, wise and warmhearted, Jane is more than equal to any of the challenges she faces. She commands and receives equal treatment from Rochester himself, and when an unexpected romance between them blooms, it is Jane who has the upper hand, it is Jane

who is free to make choices, and, ultimately, it is Jane who saves her own master.

Jane Eyre is largely based on incidents from Charlotte Bronte's own life. She attended a boarding school much like Lowood, where two of her sisters died, and also worked as a governess, and had a disappointing liaison with a married man.

Jane Eyre Bronte's most acclaimed creation, is a character in English literature who has attained mythic proportions. A modern version of Cinderella, she wins her Prince Charming by steadfastly asserting her independence in a time when women — especially poor women — were expected to be docile and subservient. Fascinated by Jane Eyre's strong and complex personality, as well as her amazing resilience, Franco Zeffirelli sees her as an utterly contemporary heroine who was always ahead of her time. The character of Jane is extremely modern and full of texture," Zeffirelli explains. "She is also monumental in the history of women. She may not be the first feminist, but she is one of the first literary heroines to demand equality. Jane was a great revelation when the book was first published and I think she will be a great revelation to audiences today."

Zeffirelli became interested in Jane Eyre when he was a young boy in Florence. A British woman who taught English gave him Bronte's classic novel, which has not been seen in print since it was first published in 1847. "I was ten when Miss Mary O'Neil introduced me to the wonders of English literature. That's how I discovered Shakespeare," Zeffirelli recalls. "She was particularly in love with Jane Eyre, and later on in my career when I began to think of those books of my youth, I remembered Jane Eyre as one of the greatest novels ever written. We all have projects we want to make that stay with us throughout our careers. Suddenly, two years ago, I found other people who were interested in the book and began to talk practically about making the film."

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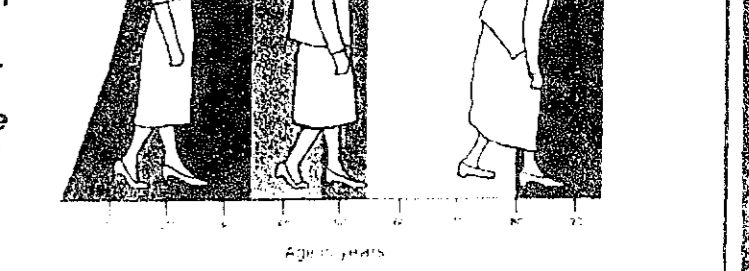
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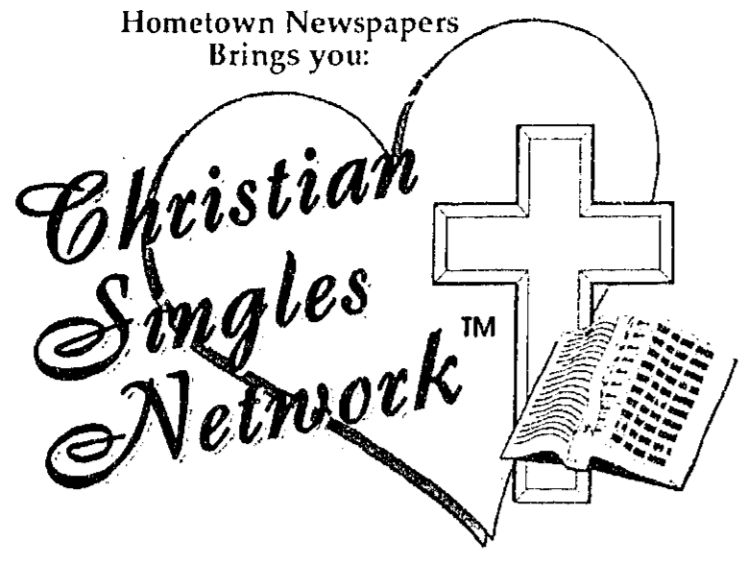
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Kickers ranked ninth in state by coaches

By MICHAEL MALOTT Managing Editor... Nov's Lady Kickers notched two more victories over the past week...

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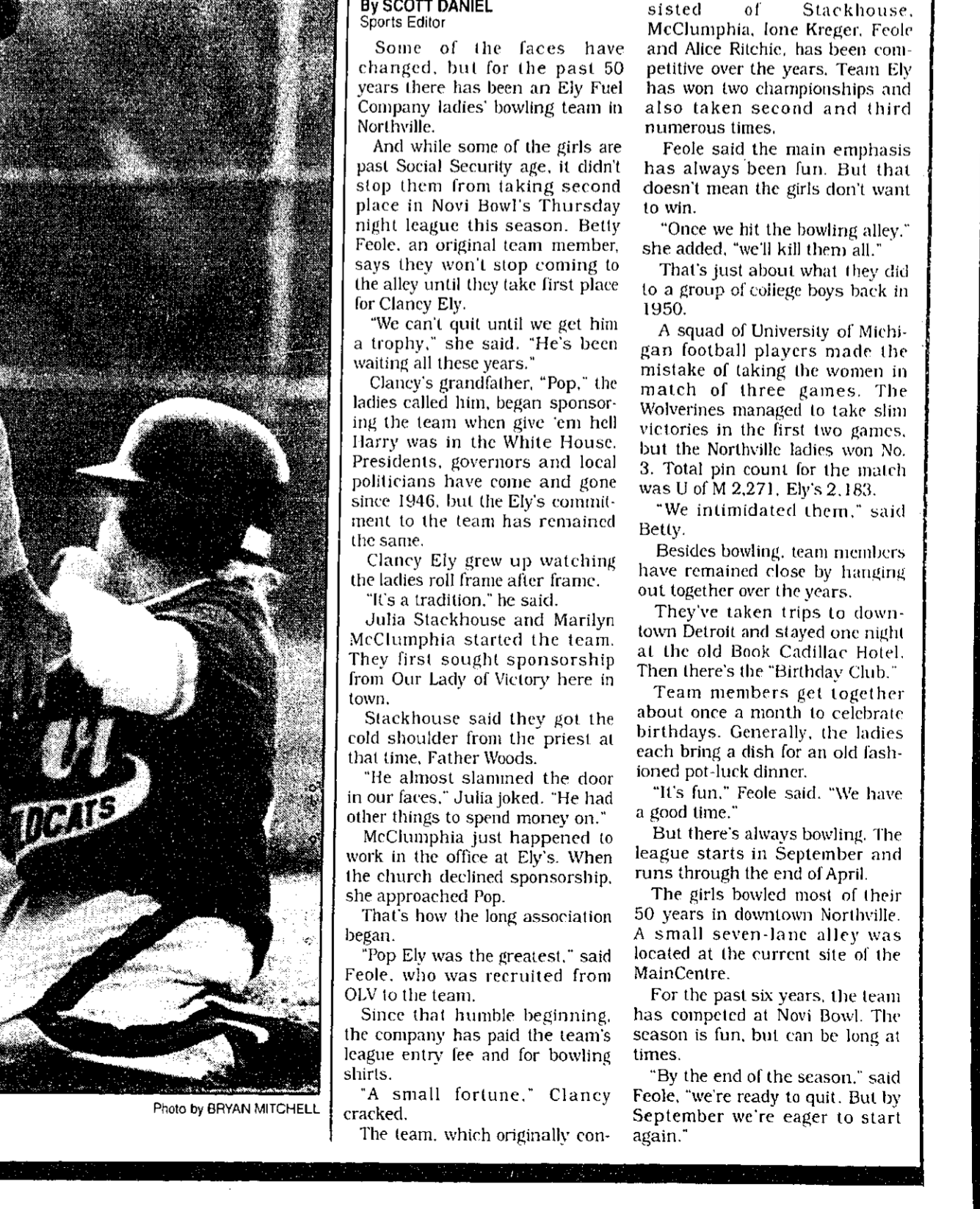
By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer... The sun shined for Novi at the Kensington Valley Conference...



Novi's Lydia Raburn Kicks in a goal in the game against South Lyon.

'Cats get breather to 'fine tune' Bowlers stick together in league for 50 years

By SCOTT DANIEL Sports Editor... Some of the faces have changed, but for the past 50 years there has been an Ely Fuel Company ladies' bowling team...



Novi's outfielder Jodie Carnes is safe at second.

Spartans outstanding in festival

The Spartan Aquatic Club turned in an outstanding performance at the recent ABC Festival held at Livonia Church Hill High School. The Spartans were led by Shannon Farris, first in the 200 Under Division, finishing first in the 25 back, 25 breast, 50 back and 100 free; second in the 25 free, 25 fly, 50 free, and 50 fly; and third in the 25 fly and 100 fly.

Competing in the Girls 11-12 Division, Heidi Schwirring finished first in the 50 back, 100 breast, 100 free and 200 IM, second in the 100 fly, 100 back and 100 IM, fourth in the 100 fly and 100 free, and seventh in the 200 free.

The ABC Festival street held on March 8, 9, and 10 was hosted by the Spartans parents under the direction of meet director Jack Serge.

Other top Spartan finishers included:

Girls 8 and Under Division: Sarah Comai, third in the 25 breast, fifth in the 50 breast, sixth in the 25 back, and eighth in the 100 IM, fourth in the 50 fly, fifth in the 50 free, seventh in the 25 back, and eighth in the 50 free.

Girls 10 and Under Division: Jenny Carr, first in the 50 fly, third in the 50 free and 100 back, fourth in the 100 breast, sixth in the 50 breast, seventh in the 100 IM, and eighth in the 100 fly.

Girls 13-18 Division: Natalie Aristo, fourth in the 100 back,

fourth in the 100 free, sixth in the 200 IM, and eighth in the 100 fly; Shannon Farris, first in the 200 free; Andrea Glowski, first in the 50 fly, second in the 100 free, 100 IM, and 200 free; third in the 50 back, 50 free, 100 back and 100 fly; Ashley Glover, seventh in the 50 breast; Rachel Mohb, fifth in the 100 back; Lauren Wilson, seventh in the 100 free, and fourth in the 50 back.

Girls 11-12 Division: Kyle Clark, fourth in the 100 back, and seventh in the 100 breast; Lauren Farris, second in the 200 free, third in the 100 IM, fourth in the 500 free, fifth in the 50 breast, and sixth in the 50 fly; Tiffany Kelly, third in the 100 IM, fifth in the 100 back, 200 free, and 500 free; and sixth in the 100 free; Krysta Lynch, first in the 100 back and 100 IM, second in the 50 free and 200 free, and fourth in the 50 fly; Adrienne Mitchell, third in the 50 fly and 50 back, sixth in the 100 back, seventh in the 100 fly, and eighth in the 50 breast; Allison Morris, fourth in the 100 fly, and eighth in the 200 IM; Ashley Oley, first in the 100 back, fifth in the 50 back, and sixth in the 50 free; Erin Schubert, first in the 100 IM, second in the 50 back, third in the 100 free, fourth in the 50 breast, and seventh in the 50 fly; Laura Sheppard, seventh in the 100 back, fourth in the 100 breast, Melissa Stephen, fourth in the 100 back, and eighth in the 50 free and 500 free; Ali Steward, fourth in the 50 fly, fifth in the 500 free, and eighth in the 100 back; Blair Tyler, second in the 100 back, fourth in the 100 breast, seventh in the 100 IM, and eighth in the 100 fly.

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Golf outings

Lions outing

Novi Lions Club will host its third annual golf outing on Thursday, June 13, at the Tanglewood Golf Course located at 53503 W. Ten Mile Rd.

The outing will be a 9 a.m. shotgun start and there will be gifts for all in attendance. The format is a four man scramble.

The cost for the outing will be \$90 per person which will include dinner and admission to the Sports Memorabilia Auction. Also included: eighteen hole of championship golf, golf cart, refreshments on course, and gifts for everyone upon check-in.

Proceeds will go to Pennekton Center for Blind and Multiple Handicapped Children.

For information call Eddie Ithra at (810) 477-1397.

Chamber outing

The Novi Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual golf outing Aug. 17 at the Cattails Golf Club in South Lyon. Complete packages, which include 18 holes and cart, games and prizes, a box lunch and turkey dinner, open bar and more, is \$85. Call the Chamber for more information.

MGA outing

The Mynastria Grains Association will hold its second annual golf outing Aug. 18 at the Links of Novi Golf Course. A four person scramble will highlight the event, which costs \$100 for golf and dinner. Professional golf clinic, lunch, steak dinner, green fees, cart, prizes and more is included with the price. For more information, call (810) 423-5700.

Sun shines on Novi runners

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first place, Junior Akili Dolley garnered a second in the 200 with a 2:45 time.

Senior Chris Resciniti leaped over the competition as a double winner both the 110 meter hurdles and the 300 meter hurdles.

Dolley placed third in the 100 meter dash with a 1:18 score. Gatt also brought home a third for his run at the 400 meter dash.

Relay teams also some back on the track. The 400 meter relay team of Keys, junior Jason Witherspoon, Resciniti, and junior Ime Akpan took first with a 3:58 run. The 1600 meter team of junior Andy Gatt, sophomore Ty Clark, Resciniti and senior Joe Thompson also took first.

Field events also made the grade.

Sophomore Chris Perkins won the high jump with a 5 foot 10 inch jump. His teammate Nick Lampan followed seventh with a 5 foot 8 inch jump.

Senior Bill Collins threw 129-foot-10.5 inches for second place with teammate David Kovacs bringing home a third place finish. Collins also placed second in shotput with a 42-foot-11-inch

throw.

Freshman Chris Jette took second place in the pole vault with a 10-foot jump. Sophomore Rob Flawczyk followed in third place.

In the long jump, junior Greg Smith brought home a second place with 19-feet-10.25 inches. Gatt came in third.

"Even though we lost we stand a pretty good chance of getting them back at the league meet May 21 at Novi," said Coach Smith.

LOOKING AHEAD

Friday, May 17, the scene is set for the Regional Meet at Milford. Preliminary trials begin at 2 p.m. Finals start at 6 p.m.

"This is the qualifying meet for state finals," said Smith. "It's difficult to make it. But we have a few key events we might be able to make."

Tuesday, May 21, is the League Meet at Novi beginning at 2 p.m.

"We get to showcase our new facility and our new track. We're excited about hosting the event this year," said Smith.



Gary Finzer throws the shot put for Novi's track squad.

Golfers down two, rank 2nd in league

By CAROL WORKENS Staff Writer

The Novi High School girls golf team had things going in their favor on Tuesday, May 7 when they won against South Lyon 226 to 248.

The medalist of the match was Alison Omura with a 45.

The next day, May 8, Novi came away with another win this time against Northville, 198 to 218.

Alison Omura was named medalist of the match for Wednesday's game against Northville with a 46.

"Everybody shot very well that day, we had three people in the 40s," said coach Debra Harris.

At the KVC League match which was held Monday, May 13, Novi took third in the match which gave them a tie for second in the league standing.

Erin Stevens was the medalist for the whole league with a 90 for 18 holes.

"Everybody this season is doing a real nice job, working on their game and improving," said Harris.

The golf team had a match on Tuesday, May 14, against Mercy High School. Regionals will be Friday at Oak Pointe in Brighton.

Recreation Briefs

Providence Novi Run

Sixteenth annual Providence Novi Run, Monday, May 27 at 10 a.m. - 5K run. Sponsored by Novi Parks and Recreation. (810) 347-0400. Preregistration required by Thursday, May 23, 5 p.m.

This year, the race will kick-off the Memorial Day parade. Course 100 percent paved and moderately challenging. Entry forms will be mailed directly to 1995 participants. If you wish to receive an entry form, call or fax us your request. (810) 347-0400. Fax 347-3266.

Co-Sponsored by: JCK & Associates, Mission Health-Province Hospital-Providence Park, Running Fit, and Novi Trackers Running Club.

Camp Lakeshore

Special "early" registration - residents only - Saturday, May 18, 8 a.m.-noon. Note: Special registration date will not appear in the next brochure. Please mark your calendar now. Special Registration Guidelines: Doors open at 7:30 a.m. (receive a number and complete forms upon arrival, registration begins at 8 a.m.) You may register for your immediate family only (extenuating circumstances may arise and will be approved on an individual basis). You may register for a maximum of two sessions - you will be placed on a waiting list for additional requests. Your completed paperwork will be accepted and your sessions confirmed. A receipt will be mailed to you.

Session I: June 17-27
Session II: July 8-18
Session III: July 22-Aug. 1
Session IV: Aug. 5-15

Days: 9-day session (Monday-Friday first week); (Monday-Thursday second week). Time: 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Child Watch: 8:30 a.m. and 4-5:30 p.m. (additional fee required). Fee: \$120 (\$144 non residents); (\$55 discount after first session - no shirt).

Age: 6-12 years (must be 6 years old by first day of camp).

Location: Lakeshore Park.

Limit: 60 kids (6-1 staff/camper ratio).

Activities include: Swimming, games and sports, arts and crafts, field trips, special visitors, theme days and more. Regular registration begins Monday, May 20, 8 a.m.

Mustangs prepare for district play

By ROBERT JACKSON Staff Writer

With the regular season coming to a close this week the Northville High School Mustang softball team is heating up the bats in preparation for district play.

The Mustangs got plenty of run production and split two close games with Farmington Harrison and Farmington High School last week. The hot bats are good news for coach Karen Baird, who said her team is getting stronger with each game.

"We played two really tough, close games, and with the exception of some unfortunate errors, the team played extremely well."

she said. "I'm pleased that we are hitting the ball well and scoring runs."

A few costly Mustang errors crased a six-run lead last week against Harrison, but the team held on for a 13-12 win. Michelle Moughtin got the complete game, housing her record to 2-2. She also went 3 for 3 at the plate with a triple.

The Mustangs got off to a good start scoring four runs in the second inning. Kelly Reichard's slap hit with two on and two out got the rally going. Erin Tavey then followed with a three run homerun to bring the score to 4-3.

The Mustangs got two more

second game of the week against Farmington mounting a late-inning comeback of their own, but ended up on the short side 9-8. A three-run homer by Sheehan in the seventh inning tied the score 8-8, but the Mustangs weren't able to advance Reichard from third base late in the inning. Farmington scored one run in the eighth to win the game.

The Mustangs got eight runs on 10 hits. Jo Johnson was the losing pitcher and her season record dropped to 3-4.

The split brings the Mustangs division record to 5-2. They are 5-6 in conference and 7-8 overall.

Rosenberg came in third at 55.6.

The quartet of MacGinnis, Guajardo, Woodstein and Gortler took the 1600 meter relay in 3:54.6.

Peters finished second in the 300 meter hurdles at 46.5 seconds.

Several Mustangs figured in the scoring in the field events as well. Bryce Edwards placed third in the shot put with a toss of 31 feet, 6 inches.

Moore was first in the long jump at 21 feet, 2 inches. Kersey was third in the same event at 19.7.

Ty Foster was second in the pole vault with a jump of 11 feet, while Joshi Minard recorded a high jump of 5 feet, 8 inches.

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Rain puts a damper on track meet

By LEE SNIDER Editor

A little cooperation from the weather and the Northville High School boys track team was off and running in its match against Livonia Franklin on Monday.

The contest - which was rescheduled from last Thursday when a downpour put a definite damper on things - ended in a Mustang triumph, 79-55.

The victory vaulted the track and field squad to 4-2 on the year overall. The team is 2-2 in the Western Division of the WLA conference.

Several players contributed to the win.

In the 100 meter dash, it was Eric Moore leading the way. He finished first with a time of 11.2 seconds. Right behind him was Mustang Jim Clemens, who crossed the finish line in 11.3.

Gino Peters got into the scoring column for Northville High by placing third in the 110 meter dash. Peters scampered to a 17.2 finish.

The foursome of Clemens, Aniel Kersey, Pat Gordon and Tony Clemens won the 800 meter relay. The runners finished the race in 1:31.1.

In the 1600 meter run, Dwight Vantuyt was far ahead of the pack, completing the race in 4:46.3. Second place went to another Mustang, Steve Weickel, who clocked in at 5:10.7.

The 400 meter relay also went to the Mustangs, as Jim Clemens, Kersey, Moore and Tony Clemens came in first at 4:57 seconds.

Moore finished first in the 200 meter dash, sprinting to a 23.2 second victory.

Three Mustangs swept the scoring categories in the 800 meter run, with John Woodstein finishing in 2:07.5, Lewis Guajardo running a 2:13.3 and Vantuyt recording a 2:15.9.

The Mustangs also cleaned up in the 400 meter dash. Gordon won the race with a time of 51.2 seconds, while John MacGinnis finished second in 54.7 and Chris

next Tuesday a conference meet will be held in Farmington.

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Providence tests new medicine

Providence Hospital's Cancer Center is participating in a large, nationwide clinical trial program for a new medication recently approved for the treatment of postmenopausal women with advanced breast cancer. Providence, the only community-based teaching hospital in Michigan participating in the study, is recruiting patients with advanced breast cancer to take part in this study.

The new drug, Arimidex (tamoxifen), is a potent selective estrogen-receptor modulator approved recently by the Food and Drug Administration as a new treatment option for advanced breast cancer in women who have already been through menopause and whose disease has progressed following therapy with tamoxifen, an established hormonal breast cancer therapy. The objective of the clinical study is to test Arimidex opposite tamoxifen as first-line therapy for advanced breast cancer for this patient group.

To be eligible for the Arimidex study, women must:

- Have already been through menopause.
- Have been diagnosed with advanced breast cancer.
- Not be currently taking tamoxifen as part of their breast cancer treatment.
- Must have an interval of at least 12 months between stopping tamoxifen and release of their disease before entering the trial.
- Must have had a course of at least 12 months between the start of chemotherapy and entry into this trial.

Approximately one woman in eight will develop breast cancer in her lifetime. According to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 184,300 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in 1996. It is estimated that about 6 percent of patients with breast cancer in the United States have advanced breast cancer. Further, the Breast and Cervical Cancer Project sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that a disproportionate number of deaths from breast cancer will occur among minorities and women of low income.

Those interested in participating can learn more about the study or cannot tolerate current therapy or have difficulty with multiple dosing regimens.

Participants in the clinical trial will receive free study medication and frequent monitoring at no charge. "It is critical that we keep searching for new ways to treat advanced breast cancer," said Judith Goodman, D.O., coordinator of the Breast Cancer Work Group at Providence. "Clinical trials in this important disease area are of special interest to us since they have the potential to offer treatment to patients of all backgrounds who do not benefit from or cannot tolerate current therapy or have difficulty with multiple dosing regimens."

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Eyes are target of many allergies



Tim Kirk

Allergy season is one of those constants in Michigan and our eyes are often a barometer of how sensitive we are to different triggers, or allergens.

Allergens can include grass, pollen, animal dander, contact lens solutions, dust and smoke. They can affect children and adults and be seasonal or year-round.

The following are some basics of allergy eye conditions and how your optometrist, if board certified to prescribe medications, can help you be more comfortable.

The nasal corner of the eyes has one of the largest concentrations of cells that react and cause allergy symptoms. When these cells release the compound histamine that triggers symptoms such as redness, swelling and itching.

Current allergy therapies include:

- Mast-cell stabilizers, which prevent histamine from being released.

Antihistamines, which block histamine from where it needs to go to cause the next step in the allergic reaction.

Steroids, non-steroidal anti-inflammatories and vasoconstrictors, which short-circuit the allergic reaction once histamine has reached its receptors.

The first group of drugs, mast cell stabilizers, are commonly used in nasal spray and eye drop form. They are very mild with few side effects so they can be taken long term, but they vary in effectiveness.

Since they address the very beginning of the allergic reaction (histamine release) they are not useful in relieving allergy symptoms that have already begun. Patients must use mast-cell stabilizers days before they will be exposed to allergens, and they must be taken faithfully or the effect is lost.

A well-known group of drugs called antihistamines is found in most over-the-counter allergy pills and more recently in non-prescription eye drops. These help relieve symptoms already present. If your family doctor approves, taking oral antihistamines alone may control itchy eyes. If not, adding over-the-counter antihistamine eye drops may help. These drops often include a vasoconstrictor (a drug to constrict the blood vessels in the white of the eye). These drops are for occasional use and

shouldn't be used long term or with certain forms of glaucoma. Ironically, the vasoconstrictor component can lead to increased redness if overused.

The last group of drugs, which include mild steroids, can be very useful in health care. Steroid eye drops work great short-term, but can cause increased pressure in the eye and cataracts with chronic use.

A fairly new eye drop (ocular) has a non-steroidal, anti-inflammatory agent similar to ibuprofen. This gives the advantage of a steroid with decreased side effects. Steroids and related drops relieve symptoms after they have begun.

Allergy relief can sometimes be as simple as avoiding allergens. This can include staying in an air-conditioned area and avoiding freshly mown lawns. A cold washcloth held over the eyes and artificial tear drops to rinse the eyes also can be therapeutic.

Many eye drops shouldn't be used with certain contact lenses, so you'll want to check with your optometrist first. Working together, you and your optometrist can minimize allergy symptoms so you can enjoy all the wonderful seasons.

Tim Kirk, O.D., is an optometrist with Town & Country Eyecare in Novi.

Health Notes

St. Mary's Hospital

St. Mary's Hospital is offering the following programs:

Get Active - St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will present a free CareLink "Let's Talk..." lecture on "The Benefits of Exercise is Ageless" from 1 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29, in the hospital auditorium. Guest speakers will be Livonia Family YMCA fitness experts Robin Grace, Mark Paineau and Chris Campbell.

The lecture is being held on National Senior Health and Fitness Day.

This informative talk will discuss why exercise should be easy, fun and stimulating. Learn the best ways to keep active and stay active. Refreshments will be served. CareLink is the senior discount program at St. Mary Hospital.

Registration for the lecture is requested by May 24 as seating is limited. For more information or to register, call (313) 655-3933 or toll free at 1-800-494-1650.

Survivors - St. Mary Hospital will hold a National Cancer Survivors Day celebration at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 2, in the Pavilion lobby. The event is sponsored by the Department of Social Work.

This is part of the ninth annual event held throughout the United States as a way to recognize our nation's more than 10 million cancer survivors, to focus attention on the issue of survivorship, and to acknowledge those professionals dedicated to cancer treatment, research and support services.

St. Mary Hospital will also hold a tree dedication ceremony outside the Pavilion lobby at 1:30 p.m. as well as sponsor a program featuring a survivors panel. Pat Sachs of the Karmans Cancer Institute will be the guest speaker. All cancer survivors and family members are invited. Light refreshments will be served. To register, call (313) 655-2929 or toll free at 1-800-494-1653 by May 31.

Exams and Mammograms - St. Mary Hospital will hold a Breast Health Clinic from 4 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, in the Marian Women's Center. Registration is required.

A physician will perform a complete breast examination and provide instructions on how to perform a breast self-examination. If indicated, a mammogram will be done. The cost of the breast exam is \$21. The cost of mammography is extra, but this cost may be covered by insurance. For more information or to register, call (313) 655-3314 or toll free at 1-800-494-1615.

Cancer Education Class - St. Mary Hospital will present the American Cancer Society's "I Can Cope" program for cancer patients, their families and friends from June 11 through July 16. The free, six-week course will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the lower level Conference Room in the main hospital near the Five Mile entrance. Dates are June 11, 18, 25, and July 2, 9, and 16.

The course is designed to help patients, family members and friends learn how to take an

active role in the cancer patient's treatment and recovery. Topics include cancer and its causes, prevention, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation, management of treatment side effects, adjustments to changes in body image, exercise and proper nutrition, community resources and new potentials as a person with cancer.

The comprehensive course includes lectures, audio-visual programs and group discussion. Presentations will be made by a team of health care professionals.

There is no charge for the program, but registration is required by June 10. For more information or to register, call (313) 432-8542 or toll free at 1-800-494-1653.

Anxiety - "Coping with Anxiety," a lecture to be presented by Amy Altamer, B.S.N., R.N.C., a health educator in the Community Outreach program of St. Mary Hospital, will be held on Monday, June 10, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Pavilion Conference Room B in the Marian Professional Building adjacent to St. Mary Hospital.

The lecture will include information about the causes of anxiety, specific coping techniques and community resources. There is no charge to attend the lecture and refreshments will be served. For more information or to register, please call (313) 655-2922 or toll free at 1-800-494-1650.

Expectant Fathers - St. Mary Hospital offers a class for expectant fathers. "Just for Dads - Childbirth and Beyond" helps fathers understand feelings and changes associated with the birthing process, how to become an active participant in childbirth and the new role of fatherhood.

The next class will be held Thursday, June 13, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Marian Pavilion Conference Room A near the Levan Road entrance. The format includes open discussion on attitudes and beliefs about fatherhood and lifestyle changes. Instruction on baby care includes a demonstration.

The cost is \$10 per person. Registration is required by June 7. For more information or to register, call (313) 655-2882 or toll free at 1-800-494-1617.

St. Mary Hospital is located at Five Mile and Levan Road in Livonia.

Breastfeeding basics

This workshop covers the "how to's" of breastfeeding - how to start and maintain successful breastfeeding, as well as answering the questions and concerns of women who are already breastfeeding. Classes are held at the Health Development Network at Botsford in Novi. For more information and to register, call (810) 477-6100.

Cholesterol and vision screenings

Day and evening appointments are available. There is a \$40 fee for the initial visit and \$30 for follow-up sessions, if indicated. A specially designed weight modification program is also available. Call (810) 424-3385 for further info.

Total cholesterol screening is conducted by the fingerstick method from 1-4 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. There is a \$5 fee. For more information, call (810) 477-6100.

Well Child Clinic

Oakland County Health Division's Child Health Clinics provide free ongoing care to keep children well from birth to school-entry age. Children who do not have an HMO or Medicaid may be eligible. Clinics are held at 14 locations throughout Oakland County.

Services include: Heights and weights; head-to-toe physical examination; immunizations; vision, hearing and lab testing; growth and developmental screening; and counseling with referrals to physicians and area resources as needed.

Appointment is required. For more information, call: North Oakland: 858-1311 or 858-4001. South Oakland: 424-7066 or 424-7067.

Providence Hospital

Providence Hospital is offering the following services:

Physician referral service - Are you new in the community? Do you need to find a doctor and can't determine the best way to start your search?

The Physician Referral Service of Providence Hospital and Medical Centers is available to assist individuals in finding a physician who can meet the specific needs or criteria of the individual.

The service is free of charge and can be reached by calling 1-800-968-5595.

The staff of Physician Referral Services can help locate physicians by specialty or location, finding an office close to your home or work. They can even match individuals with physicians who participate in particular insurance plans. Callers can also receive information on support groups and health education classes and lectures.

For referral services, call 1-800-968-5595.

Eating Right - Providence Hospital and Medical Centers is offering individual appointments with a registered dietitian to assist in losing weight, lowering blood pressure, lowering cardiovascular risk factors and providing positive dietary changes. The dietitian will assess the participant's health status and nutritional goals are evaluated. After such evaluation, a diet plan is developed.

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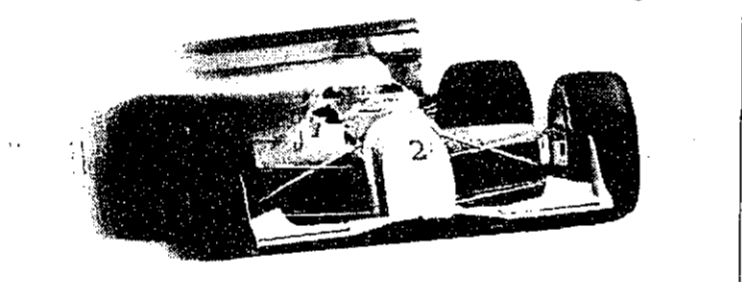
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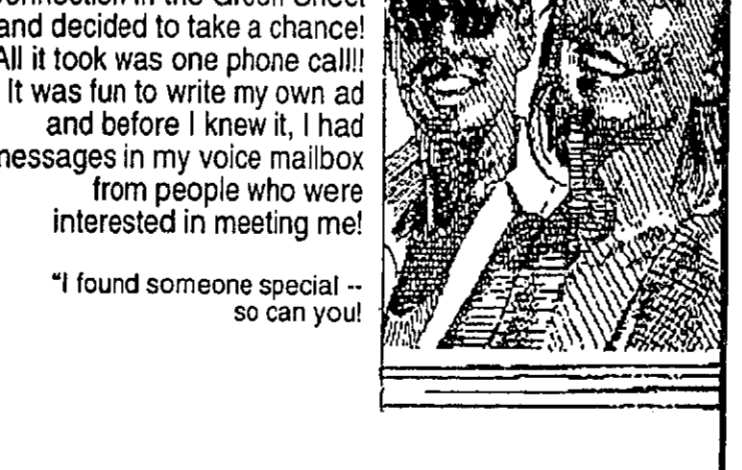


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Code of conduct sends a message to athletes

By SCOTT DANIEL Sports Editor

A warning to Northville High athletes: If you plan on drinking or doing drugs, don't plan on playing. That was the message sent Monday night by the Northville Board of Education. The board voted unanimously to revise the district's athletic code of conduct making illegal substance use penalties more severe.

Athletes caught possessing or using alcohol, illegal drugs or tobacco will be removed from their team on first offense. Second offense means removal from the team and exclusion from all athletics for the entire school year.

These new guidelines will take effect starting the 1996-97 school year.

"I think we need to send a message to athletes that any kind of substance abuse won't be tolerated," Northville Public Schools Athletic Director Larry Taylor said. "There needs to be consequences for their choices."

In addition, academic eligibility requirements were revised.

The district had previously followed Michigan High School Athletic Association standards, which allowed students to remain eligible if they were passing four of their classes with a little as a "D-minus," Taylor said.

In Northville, students will now have to maintain a "C" average to remain eligible.

"Most kids are able to attain a 'C' average without a problem," he said. "There are a handful of kids that need to work a bit harder."

The eligibility guidelines will most directly affect incoming freshmen. Sophomores, juniors and seniors below the 2.0 standard will have to be making "significant progress" toward that goal each marking period to remain eligible, Taylor said.

As for the illegal substance revisions, several incidents this school year may have prompted the changes.

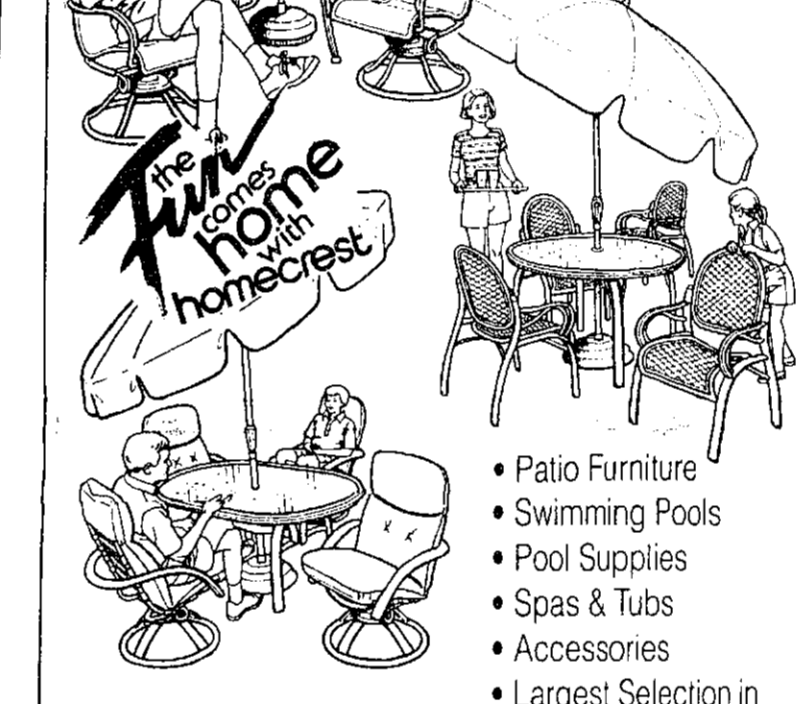
Three football players were dismissed from the team last fall because of a drinking incident. A boys basketball player was also removed for a similar incident last winter.

Taylor said he had actually started to work on the code of conduct before the incidents occurred.

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