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50s Festival rocks town

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer The fifties. More than just a decade, an attitude. While ten years is as long as the real 1950s, of course, survived, the Michigan 50s Festival is working to surpass that record. Matt Quinn was mayor of Novi for the first, rather disastrous, festival when rain washed away a Sha-Na-Na concert and \$10,000 of the event's fund. Quinn said he didn't expect the fiesta to make it this far. "I thought it might revert back to a smaller level activity that would be picked up by some charitable group. I'm very pleased to see how significant it is. It's a big business right now," said Quinn, a member of the festival board of directors. See how well it's doing today through Sunday at the Novi Expo Center. When Novi's traditional Gala Days celebration fizzled out in the 1980s, a group of local civic leader types, led by City Manager Ed Kriewall, brainstormed for an alternative event. Also in the hopper were a Big Band festival, a country-western festival and a bluegrass festival. "Perhaps everybody in the group was a fifties person themselves and that's why we have a 50s festival. Over the years, it certainly has been accepted by

The Rosewood Restaurant on Grand River Avenue is a sign of Novi's 1950s culture. Check out the story on page 3A.

people who lived in the fifties and people who came later," Quinn said. How much later? Quinn said his 15-year-old daughter, Erin, enjoys dancing to fifties music with her friends. That rock and roll beat just cuts across the generations. So well, in fact, that the hometown event has become a megadraw for people from all over Michigan and even Canada. Like many success stories, there is a downside. It's getting hard for Novi residents to find one another in the crowd. But this year, the festival committee's come up with a unique solution, the Novi Homecoming. At 8 p.m. tonight, Novi citizens with proof of residency will get in two-for-the-price of one \$5 ticket and can rock with Steve King & The Ditties, while cruising for old friends. "Novi Homecoming is to bring Novi people back. We

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Drugs no big deal, teen trends show

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer Novi teens have changed their attitude toward drugs and alcohol, but not in the right direction, according to the preliminary findings of Communities That Care. The group of Novi parents and business and community leaders took a first look at data collected the last few months regarding teen drug and alcohol use. The group includes some representatives from Northville and Walled Lake. The overall trend, said the members, is that youths don't seem to think drugs are as harmful as they did only two years ago. The coalition was formed last fall to examine juvenile issues within the city. Although determined to remain focused in a positive direction, the members needed first to examine how attitude, peer pressure, schooling and family life affects juvenile delinquency, teen pregnancy, violence and substance abuse. The dozen members gathered information from Western Michigan University's Alcohol and Other Drugs study, the City of

Novi, the Novi Community School District and Oakland County. The ultimate goal of the group is to develop and utilize programs that will keep Novi kids out of the way of drugs, violence and delinquency. Beside attitude, factors that contribute to those problems in Novi include family history, family conflict, availability of drugs, peer pressure and transition and mobility, Novi Police Chief Doug Shaeffer said. Novi is growing rapidly, which means a lot of kids are facing the trauma of moving to a new place, another factor in the development of possible problems. "It's a very traumatic event to be uprooted," Shaeffer said. "Especially for kids." Shaeffer said the preliminary data suggested violence and break-ins are experiencing a slight increase among the teenage ranks. But the group found firearms sales and availability are dropping nationwide and locally. However, the biggest issue for Novi is drug and alcohol use, which can lead to additional

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Blues legend Junior Wells took to the stage during the International Bluesfest '97.

Blues fest a success National artists may be back next year

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer "Laissez les bontemps rouler ce soir," was the decree from Stanley Dural, aka Buckwheat Zydeco, to the crowd at the International Bluesfest, Novi, USA on Saturday night. Even if everybody didn't speak French, nobody needed a translator. The good times did roll, until well after 2 a.m. Buckwheat Zydeco got on the stage late, but made up for it with some major jamming in an extra-long encore. "This is great. I've never seen so many heterosexual men dancing together," said Plymouth resident Barbara Davies. Buckwheat Zydeco was one of over two dozen blues bands to hit the stage during the three-day bash. In his first run at the Novi Expo Center, to center

President Blair Bowman, the festival's a keeper. "It was very, very good, really good. For a first time event, it was really very strong. We're looking forward to doing it again next year," Bowman said Monday. "I think it's going to be a good, long-term event. It's going to grow." Festival promoter Ted Boomer, who first started the event in Windsor three years ago, had nothing but praise for the new American location. The two festivals ran concurrently and shared bands. "We love Novi, it's our new adopted home. We're going to be back. Novi did almost as well as Windsor its first year," Boomer said. "Five years from now, it should be a memorable event, if everything goes as planned. Novi's the right town, everybody's got the right attitude." Boomer said

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Expensive plan heads to council

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer Tuesday night saw a sweeping victory for Harvest Lake Land Company, as its \$400- to \$500-million area plan won thumbs up from the Novi Planning Commission in a six-to-eight vote. "I think this is a marvelous plan. I'm a true advocate of open space planning," said Planning Commissioner Pete Hoadley, who voted to recommend the project to the Novi City Council. "I commend the developer for really planning for the future of this property." The next step is a special city council meeting on July 28. Hoadley asked Harvest Lake president Steven Weiner if the developers were willing to pave Napier Road and install a SCATS traffic light at Wixom Road. Weiner said the firm would do so, if that was the recommendation of Novi's consultants. About 2.5 acres of Ten Mile Road frontage owned by Harvest Lake are not included in the RUD, which does encompass 100 acres that are expected to be set aside for public schools and a city park. Weiner said he has discussed with city officials the possible location of a Novi fire station there, or some

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Pool may be on fall ballot

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer This November, voters will likely be asked to okay the building of a \$4-to-\$5 million community aquatic center. But the proposed Power Park location of the site was protested at Monday night's city council by two residents of neighboring Addington Park subdivision. The Royal Crown Homeowners Association has also taken a stand against the location. "You are very eloquent on your point of view. There are other citizens very eloquent on the other point of view," Mayor Kathleen McLallen told the residents. "The continuing challenge will be to get good ballot language on the November ballot." At present, the city has a variety of recreation issues to deal with, including the ice arena - which is running months behind schedule - and further development of the Community Sports Park at Eight Mile and Napier roads, the mayor explained Tuesday. Whether or not the seven-acre pool complex gets built at Power Park will be up to the voters, she said. "The only way this is going to get settled is if we ask the citizens," she added. "It has to go before the voters."

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Developer responds to harsh words

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL and JAN JEFFRES Staff Writers Steve Weiner and the Harvest Land Co. are still stinging from the harsh words of the Novi Board of Education last week. Board members called Weiner a liar and selfish developer and accused him of making them a pawn in a land deal. "We've believe we've been a responsible corporate citizen. Everyone in Novi expects this to be handled responsibly rather than with name calling," said Burl Felbaum, spokesman for Harvest Land. Weiner, president of the development company, sent a letter to the school board July 18, expressing his displeasure with the meeting discussion. "We don't believe that derogatory, slanderous comments serve any purpose, least of all the public interest. We are respectful of those who might disagree with us. We expect the same consideration in return," Weiner wrote.

On July 28, the Novi City Council will consider the residential unit plan, or RUD, for the Harvest Lake development. The planning commission had the plan on their agenda for Tuesday night. While the council considered preempting the planners by holding the review on Monday, they opted to wait until the commission had their say. Mayor Kathleen McLallen said at Monday night's Novi City Council meeting that "Harvest won't sign until the RUD's okayed." McLallen added that the developer had made it clear that without an approval from the city of the area plan for the Harvest Lake subdivision, the landowners won't sell the property to the city. One hold-up is that the propertyowner, Delta Trucking, can't yet hand over a clear title to the city. "The RUD has nothing to do with the school district. They won't build until they get title. If you okay this, the developer will

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Community Calendar

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Thursday, July 24

Michigan 50s Festival
Celebrate the nostalgia of the Fifties at the Michigan 50s Festival at the Novi Expo Center. Novi Homecoming is featured in the Entertainment Tent at 8 p.m.

Friday, July 25

Michigan 50s Festival
Celebrate the nostalgia of the Fifties at the Michigan 50s Festival at the Novi Expo Center. The Shirrells, Rocky & the Rollers and Bowzer's Rock 'n' Roll Party are featured in the Entertainment Tent at 8 p.m.

Saturday, July 26

Michigan 50s Festival
Celebrate the nostalgia of the Fifties at the Michigan 50s Festival at the Novi Expo Center. Peter Noone, Rocky & the Rollers and Bowzer's Rock 'n' Roll Party are featured in the Entertainment Tent at 8 p.m.

Sunday, July 27

Michigan 50s Festival
Celebrate the nostalgia of the Fifties at the Michigan 50s Festival at the Novi Expo Center. The classic car show is featured beginning at 10 a.m. The Grand River Cruise begins at 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 31

Sounds of Summer

The Novi Parks and Recreation Department sponsors this series of summer concerts on the grass outside the Civic Center, on Ten Mile Road, at 7 p.m.

Monday, July 28

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.

Friday, August 1

Novi Theatres

The Storytellers is performed at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. For information, call 347-0040.

Saturday, August 2

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Sunday, August 3

Novi Theatres

The Storytellers is performed at 3:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. For information, call 347-0040.

Monday, August 4

City Council

The Novi City Council is scheduled to meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Health tests

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

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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, August 5

Seniors meeting

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

Civil Air Patrol

The Sixgate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Novi Middle School, 25299 Tall Rd., from 7-9:30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information, call 349-2669.

Good Eats

For old Rosewood, it's 70 good years of home-cookin'

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Some people may think of Novi as the virtual chain restaurant capital of southeastern Michigan.

But for some 70 years, home-cooked meals have been the order of the day at the Rosewood Restaurant on Grand River Avenue. People who know local history say the Rosewood is the very oldest eatery in town. It's certainly the only one housed in a 1920s-vintage — or even older — Detroit Urban Railway streetcar.

Besides the long and narrow shape of the building, you can't see much of the streetcar anymore. It's been bricked over.

What you will see is an old-fashioned mom-and-pop business where all three kids pitch in and help. Owners Sally and Dave Zdravkovski pride themselves on serving food made from scratch.

"It's a very friendly place. You can start talking to any of the customers," Sally Zdravkovski said. "Over the years, we haven't advertised, most of our business is word-of-mouth."

In 1976, the Zdravkovskis, then newly-wed immigrants from Macedonia in the former Yugoslavia, purchased the Rosewood. Two other would-be owners had tried to run the place, but it reverted back to the original owner, Florence Harris. She helped train them in the business.

During the mid-1920s, Florence and Monroe Harris dragged an old streetcar out Grand River in Novi and converted it to the Rosewood Restaurant.

When the electrical streetcar system that linked Detroit with the suburbs was phased out in the mid-1920s, the rolling stock was sold as scrap or for use as lunch stands.

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Longtime Rosewood Fine Foods diner patron John Shoup, right, chats with co-owner Sally Zdravkovski and her daughter Silvana during a recent afternoon lunch. Sally began working at the Rosewood when she, too, was seventeen years old — as her daughter now is. The restaurant's owners and patrons have fond memories of the 1950s.

"The pizza was not a big success. They were ahead of their time, as far as Novi was concerned."

Instead, diners preferred the flourier.

BeGole still eats at the Rosewood.

"I like the feeling that you'll have in there (the Rosewood) that you're traveling somewhere and you'll get off in Chicago," he added.

During the very late 1950s and the early 1960s, the Novi Board of Commerce, predecessor of the Novi Chamber, met at the Rosewood, retired Novi city clerk Gerry Stipp recalls.

Florence Harris, who lived next-door to her diner, was a leader of

the board and wrote a guide to Novi. She also opened the Florence Harris Novi Tenttown on Meadowbrook Road, to give 1950s-kids a place to gather and hold dances.

Harris died in the early 1990s.

Since the 1970s, Sally Zdravkovski said they haven't made many too many changes to the place. The Rosewood was recently remodeled, but the layout of the restaurant remains essentially the same. While the original tables were replaced with booths in the main dining area, the lunch counter, with its vintage stools, remains in intact.

Even the menu is not radically different from the old days, although European dishes, such

as stuffed cabbage and stuffed peppers, have been added. It's all home-cooking, the roast beef, the pork, French fries and hash browns are made from potatoes boiled in the Rosewood's kitchen.

"The menu is basically the old menu, maybe a little different taste. I worked with her (Harris), she showed us a lot of stuff," Zdravkovski, a Novi resident, said.

The soups, including potato beef and the baked bean, are made from scratch in the traditional Yugoslavian way.

A specialty of the house is the old-fashioned rice pudding, the rice covered by a thick layer of custard. You can also count on homemade pies at the Rosewood.

This week, during the Michigan 50s Festival, coffee will be served up at 25 cents a cup.

"That's super coffee," Zdravkovski added.

Her son Nick, 20, cooks and daughter, Silvana, 18, waits tables. The youngest, Kris, 12, is starting to help out, too.

"I love it. Sometimes it gets stressful. The waitresses get on my nerves sometimes. We're like siblings," Nick said.

With its Grand River location, a lot of the customers are truck drivers.

"You know what they say, where the truck drivers are, there's where the good food is," Zdravkovski said.

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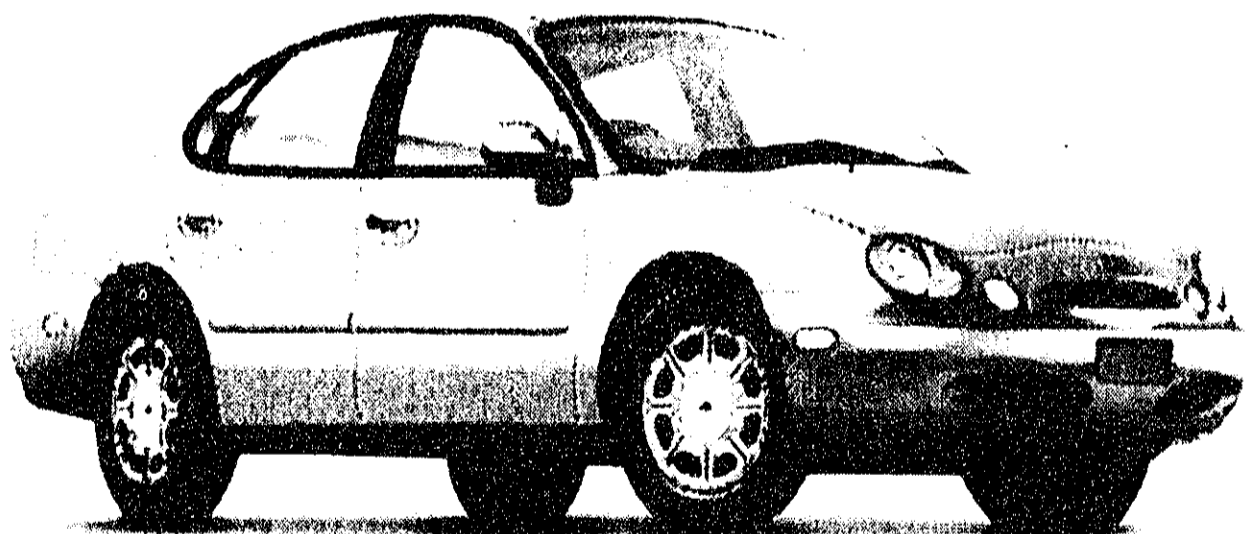
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Festival events set for many Novi places

All that's the fifties won't be restricted to the Novi Expo Center this week.

Both Twelve Oaks Mall and Vic's World Class Market are getting in on the act.

Thursday, July 24
6 p.m. to 9 p.m. - Vic's World Class Market hosts a wine-tasting in Vic's Alcove. Sample vintage brews, along with wine and cheese

for \$15. All proceeds benefit the Novi Lion's Club. Call 305-7333, ex. 189 for information.

Friday, July 25
Vic's World Class Market 7 p.m. to midnight - Local bands will play the sounds of the 1950s in a tent set-up in Vic's front parking lot. Hot dogs, pop, beer and wine and other munchies will be available for purchase.

Saturday, July 26

Twelve Oaks Mall, J.C. Penney Court
Noon to 1 p.m. - Sloop Sloop Hula Hoop. Watch the hula master show how it's done, then give it a try yourself.

1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Aarrogah Brothers Band will play fifties hits.

1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. - Double-Dutch Jump Roping by the Detroit Parks and Recreation Department's crack team.

3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. - More shake, rattle and roll from the Aarrogah Brothers Band.

Around 9:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. - Fireworks display will light up the skies over the mall.

Vic's World Class Market
7 p.m. to midnight - The dance party continues in the front lot.

Sunday, July 27
Vic's World Class Market

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EQUAL HOUSING LENDER

Novi man eludes police in chase

A 33-year-old Novi man who led three police departments on a June 15 car chase was found afterwards sleeping on his couch. He was arrested for fleeing and eluding police.

Police News

The man led Novi, Livonia and Farmington Hills police on a chase throughout the early morning, but managed to elude all three to hide out in Detroit, police said.

Wanted for a drug warrant out of Detroit, Livonia Police first tailed the man who fled into Novi and then Farmington Hills, disobeying traffic signals and speeding along roads.

Four Novi Police cars total were involved in the 2 a.m. chase, but dropped out when the man's 1991 Chevy pick-up truck headed into Farmington Hills, the report stated.

Novi officers watched the man's home for his return but called off surveillance and went back that night. They found the man sleeping on the couch.

He told police he left his truck at his sister's home in Detroit, where he fled and stayed most of the day. He raced from police, he said, because he had been drinking and was afraid to stop, knowing his license was already suspended.

BREAKING

Two fishing poles, a tackle box and a kneeboard were stolen from

a screened-in porch of a home on West Lake Drive sometime between June 23 and July 13, police said. According to the report, someone cut through the screen to open the door and take the items. The family was on vacation during the break-in. Police said there were no witnesses.

TURNED IN

A citizen turned in a lost dog to Novi Police on June 24. The brown and white dog was found in the Meijer parking lot on Wixom Road about 11:30 p.m. that night. Police placed the dog in the police department kennel.

LEFT OUT

A Canemara resident was ticked after neighbors complained about an unattended dog barking continuously throughout the night in the backyard.

Police said they responded to the home about 10 p.m. July 11 and found the dog tied in the yard and barking. Police noted the dog barked for a half-hour. An officer tried to coax the animal into an open garage to quell the disturbance, but the dog did not cooperate.

of property incident July 15. He said a group of juveniles may have spray painted symbols and graffiti on the wall of the building and on two wooden displays, sometime between July 10 and July 15.

TOOK OFF
A 1995 red Ford Escort was stolen from the parking lot of the Beachwalk Apartments sometime between July 8 and July 12, police said.

CRASHED IN

A 29-year-old Novi man was arrested for drunk driving when he tried to flee police after running into the Dunkin' Donuts sign on Ten Mile Road, July 18.

Police said a witness called in the complaint about 1 a.m. saying the driver had been swerving down Haggerty Road and crashed into the Dunkin' Donuts sign in the parking lot.

Officers said the man was slumped over the wheel when they arrived but tried to pull away when he saw the police cars.

Police blocked his route and questioned the man who appeared visibly drunk, according to the report.

The man failed several sobriety tests, police said.

Novi Briefs

Things may go better with Coke

The Novi Parks and Recreation Department is negotiating with Coca Cola to discuss the possibility of the soft drink corporation sponsoring new scoreboards at Power Park. Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis said in his monthly report to the Novi City Council that the current scoreboards are not working properly and would cost \$2,500 to replace.

"If Coke just says no, Parks and Rec Coordinator Scott Mercer will be approaching other firms."

Another opening, another show

The Novi Senior Center's annual variety show has "moved up to a much higher level," Novi Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis recently reported.

Radio personality Denise Jenkins, retired city clerk Gerry Stipp and Novi Theatres coordinator Linda Wickert have volunteered to help stage a more sophisticated show this fall.

"We have recruited a number of seniors who have pledged their full attention to learning to tap dance, sing and/or act. We are all very excited about the possibilities of producing at least two big professional shows a year," Davis said.

They've done their time

These members of the Novi Fire Department are celebrating their anniversaries this month. For 14 years, Fire Protection Officer Gordon Poythoven and Captain Dennis Tarram have been on the job. Firefighter Ronald Ulmer has been with the department for seven years.

It's been four years serving Novi for these firefighters: Donald Meadows (also a department merchant), Richard Schulz, Mark Spynia, Douglas Seiser, Lance Lilla, Jeffrey Feig, Eduardo Bruno, Jerome Hatch and Jeffrey Krohn. In addition, Auxiliary Firefighter Kirk Carlson completed his first full year on the force.

Correction: Last week, *The Novi News* reported in error that Novi City Council candidate Michael Meyer served three years on the Novi school board. What should have appeared is that Meyer served three terms on the school board, for a total of 12 years.

NEF readies for Aug. 5 annual golf fundraiser

The Novi Educational Foundation is gearing up for its second annual Golf Outing and Dinner on Tuesday, Aug. 5, at the Links of Novi Golf Course. The event will begin at 10 a.m.

The NEF is a nonprofit organization designed to provide expanded educational opportunities in the Novi community. The foundation trustees review proposals and their award funds in the areas of educational grants for special classroom projects, scholarships, technology equipment, cultural programs, student grants and staff development.

Donations and events such as the golf outing are the major

source of funding for NEF programs. Last year's event raised more than \$2,000.

Event participants can support the foundation in several ways: individuals or "foursmen" can register for golf and dinner; companies or community organizations can sponsor a hole or contest; or non-golfers can register for dinner and the awards banquet.

The registration deadline for the NEF Golf Outing and Dinner is Friday, July 31. Registration forms are available at the Educational Services Building at 25345 Taft Road in Novi. For more information about the NEF or the golf outing, please call (248) 449-1200.

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by Dennis E. Engerer, P.T. and Patricia Westerbeur, P.T.

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MONDAY, JULY 14	TUESDAY, JULY 15	WEDNESDAY, JULY 16	THURSDAY, JULY 17
Fire alarm, 41935 Twelve Mile Road, 5:03 a.m., Engines 1, 2, a.m., Engine 2.	Fire alarm, 43043 Nine Mile Road, 7:58 a.m., Engines 1, 3, 10:38 a.m., Squad 3.	Fire alarm, 42705 Grand River, 7:59 a.m., Engines 1, 3.	Fire alarm, 25701 Seeley Road, 7:53 a.m., Squad 1.
Hazardous materials, Goddard and Middlebelt, 2:32 p.m., Response 506.	Injury accident, 1-96 and Beck Road, 10:43 a.m., Squad 1.	Stand by, DPS and Country Place, 8:53 a.m., Response 510.	Truck fire, 1-96 and Westbound 696, 9:04 a.m., Engine 1.
Medical, Twelve Oaks and Green Lot, 3:39 p.m., Squad 1.	Medical, 45076 Roundview, 11:22 a.m., Squad 3.	Medical, Twelve Oaks and Napier, 8:16 p.m., Squad 4.	Medical, 40000 Eight Mile Road, 9:58 a.m., Squad 3.
Vehicle fire, 1-96 and M-5, 6:18 p.m., Engine 1.	Medical, 41769 Ford Way, 8:47 p.m., Squad 3.	Accident and fire, Twelve Mile and Novi Road, 5:30 p.m., Engine 1, Squad 1.	Medical, 22532 Peppermill, 9:18 a.m., Squad 1.
	Medical, 23575 Broken Stone, 5:55 p.m., Squad 3.	Building fire, Haggerty and Eight Mile, 6:56 p.m., Engines 1, 3.	Medical, 27190 Novi Road, Noon, Squad 1.
	Medical, 41769 Ford Way, 8:47 p.m., Squad 3.	Fire alarm, 45311 Galway, 8:54 p.m., Engine 3.	Medical, 1-96 and Beck Road, 12:40 p.m., Squad 4.
		Fire alarm, 45311 Galway, 8:54 p.m., Engine 3.	Medical, Sears and Twelve Oaks, 2:18 p.m., Squad 1.
		Fire alarm, 45311 Galway, 8:54 p.m., Engine 3.	Medical, 26635 Haggerty, 7:45 p.m., Squad 2.
		Fire alarm, 45311 Galway, 8:54 p.m., Engine 3.	Medical, 27550 Novi Road, 9:06 p.m., Squad 1.
		Fire alarm, 45311 Galway, 8:54 p.m., Engine 3.	Service, 26200 Wyoming, 12:27

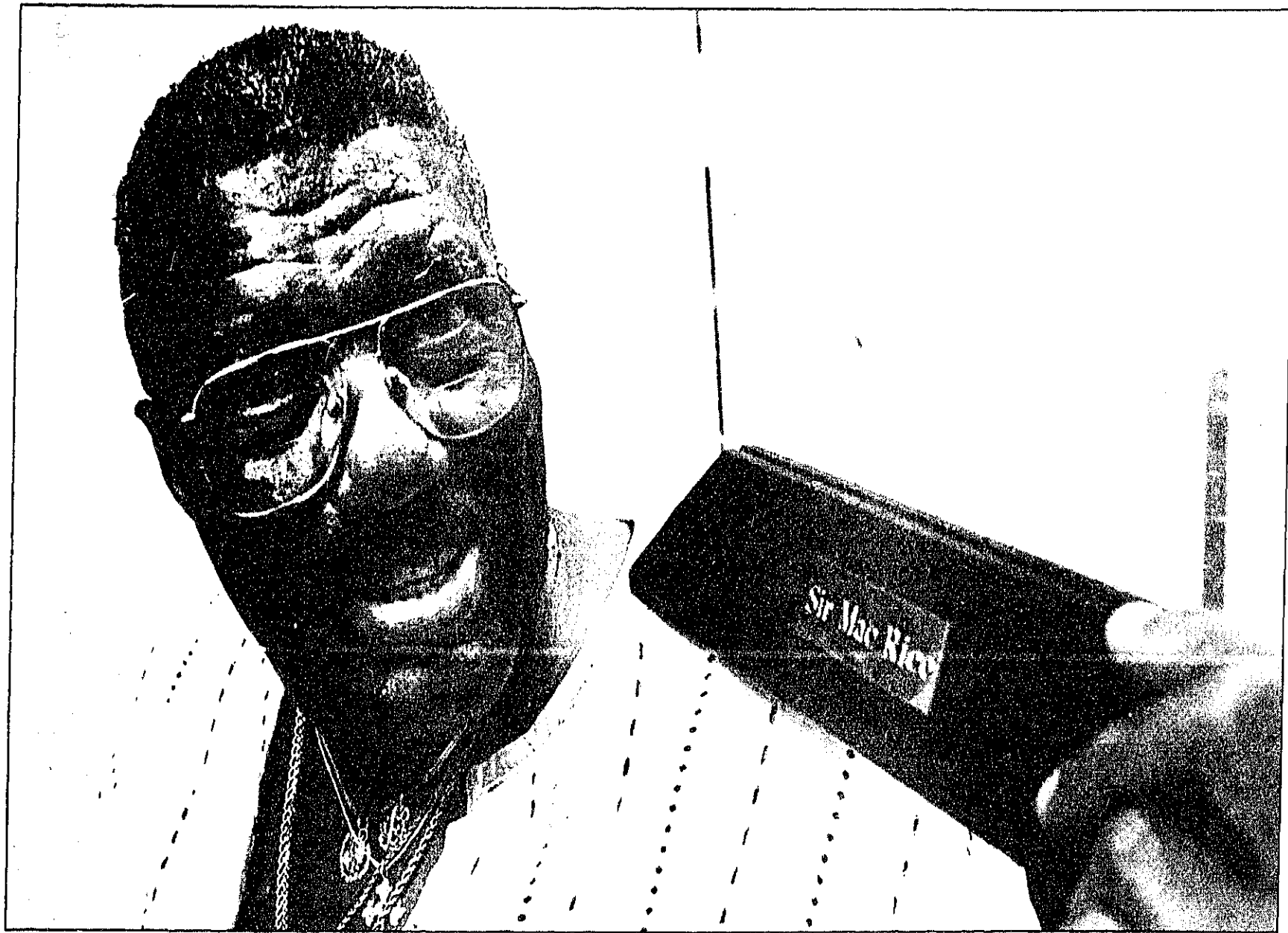
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Clockwise from top: Sir Mac Rice holds festival plaque backstage; Kim Simmonds of Savoy Brown lets loose on stage; Alberta Adams strikes a pose; Jay Gells jams on his guitar.

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 The Novi/Windsor events together packed in about 40,000 people. While the Novi turnout in the 15,000-to-20,000-range didn't reach the 25,000 attendance estimated in advance, it was a healthy showing for a first time event, Boomer and Bowman agreed.
 With the Michigan 50s Festival coming up this weekend, the two local festivals shared tents, tables and chairs, etc. The game plan is to do the same thing again next year.
 "It worked out great. Both festivals saved a lot of money. That's really important in the first year to keep the costs down," Boomer said.
 Windsor and Novi are about a 45 minute drive away from one another. The idea was to not draw on the same potential audience and it worked, Boomer explained. Novi attracted a suburban crowd, as well as people from Ann Arbor and Lansing.
 Last weekend, Novi became a place to spot celebrities. Many professional musicians in the audience, including members of Bob Seger's band and Ted Nugent's former band, The Amboy Dukes, were seen at the event by John Harrington, of Wonderland Music, a festival sponsor.
 "It was wonderful. It was so much fun," Harrington said.
 Boomer said about ten Red Wings, NBA players and the drummer for The Eagles were seen here. In the future, he predicted the fest would draw not just major musical acts, but well-known performers as spectators.
 Members of the Novi Chamber of Commerce ran beer and wine booths at the event. Chamber member Debbie Woodruff, selling drink tickets Saturday, said she was "kind of busy."
 Another chamber volunteer, Susan Oakes, who works at the Doubletree Hotel, was behind the bar pouring beer and enjoying the

festival.
 "It's great, loads of fun. Everybody seems to be enjoying themselves very much. A very good crowd," she said.
 Through the weekend, Bowman said the spectators remained well-behaved and the traffic was under control. Also, the weather cooperated. This week's rain held off until Monday.
 While Bowman was reluctant to single anyone out, he said he particularly enjoyed Junior Wells and Roomful of Blues, highlights for Boomer included Mayor Kathleen McAllen's festival kick-off party and performances by Savoy Brown and Roomful of Blues.
 Doves liked watching several Michigan bands, or former Michigan bands, perform — especially John Sinclair & The Blues Scholars, led by ex-Ann Arbor legend Sinclair.
 "I've had a lot of fun so far, seeing a couple of groups that I've seen a lot over the year and they've gotten stronger and better," she said.
 Saturday night, the fashion statement of the moment appeared to be personal plastic pitchers of beer.
 Several members from the crowd started chanting "Let's go, Zydeco" and "Mr. Wheat, Mr. Wheat" as members of Buckwheat Zydeco's II Sont Paris band adjusted their equipment.
 Once the zydeco music started, nobody worried about looking for dance partners. People just started doing their thing to the bayou beat, including two enthusiastic dancers, who performed the spits and back bends on the concrete floor.
 This is a party, Dural, a Lafayette, Louisiana accordionist who strays into rock and roll, told the audience.
 "You say you want this, with your support this will happen next year. Without your support, it won't happen," Dural said.



Photos by Hal Gould



New minister has a different kind of spirit



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Minister Louise Ott is the new pastor at the Novi First United Methodist Church. She replaces Pastor Charles Jacobs who moved to Howell last month.

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
 Staff Writer
 Religion shouldn't be difficult.
 "Anybody should be able to come in off of the street and understand what I'm saying," said Louise R. Ott, the new pastor at Novi United Methodist Church.
 "I hope my sermons are real. There's a home and I try to touch on our everyday lives," Ott explained. "I deal with contemporary life, then take it to the text."
 Ott, 33, and her orange and white cat, Punkin, moved into the parsonage in Village Oaks, as well as into the hearts of the church congregation on July 1.
 "I'm very excited about being here. It's a wonderful church," Ott said.
 She hopes she will be able to help grow the 200-plus member congregation. And it appears that's already taking place.
 "There's a lot of young people. The nursery is bursting," she said.
 "Another factor is the growth of Novi. Which means the church can act as a welcoming place for new people."
 "We want everyone to be comfortable," said Ott, adding single people as well as families are invited to join and attend the Sunday, 10:30 a.m. service.
 Ott, an only child, said she always wanted to be a part of the church. She attended 14 years of parochial school in Bay City, sang in the choir and played sports.
 But her particular Protestant denomination didn't ordain women in the church, leaving her to head off to college to explore her options.
 It was at college that she saw a woman lead a congregation in worship.
 "It was the first time in my life I'd ever seen a clergywoman preach and I said 'That's what I want to do,'" explained Ott. "I opened the door for me. I went shopping for a denomination and fell in love with the United Methodist Church."

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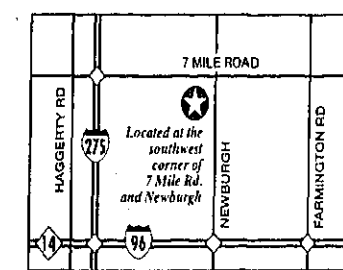
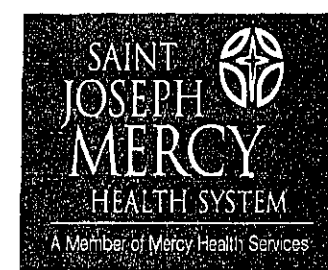
It was the commitment to mission and outreach along with a congregation full of philosophical, racial and ethnic diversity that drew her in.
 "I said there's room for me to express my faith and share it with others," Ott explained.
 She was ordained twice, as is the practice, in 1990 and 1992. Her first assignment was to three churches in the thumb and then to a 500-member congregation in Ypsilanti.
 "It's important to me to be inclusive," Ott said. "Not just racially, but with our language so that it doesn't hurt people. For instance referring to humanity instead of mankind. To try to break down the stereotypes."
 Chris McGuiston, a church member, said the congregation has taken to Ott.
 "She has lots of energy, she's very personable and she delivers a really good sermon," she said.
 Ott received her bachelor's degree in psychology and a thematic in women's studies from Michigan State University. She earned a Master's of Divinity from Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary on the Northwestern University Campus.
 Ott, an athletic enthusiast, aspires to start a church softball team by next year and keeps busy golfing, hiking, cross country skiing, reading science fiction and playing the guitar.

Developer wants good relationship

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 sign this," Novi Schools Assistant Superintendent for Business Jim Koster told the city council.
 While Koster said the school district has heard the title question has been answered, Novi Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson said that as of that moment, the clear title was not available.
 Harvest Land, the school district and the City of Novi are in a three-way land sale that will transfer 100 acres from Harvest to the city and then to the school district once Harvest's land plan for a 900-acre residential development in western Novi is approved.
 The deal, in the works more than two years, has all three parties fretting about the outcome. In particular, the school district is waiting for Harvest to move on the deal, which gives the district a below market price on the land, before building the new \$25 million middle school at Wixom and Eleven Mile Roads.
 The school board met last week to discuss whether or not to begin building on the property. While the developers have told the district to go ahead with construction, trustees said they felt unsure of how the deal would go and decided to wait, despite the fact the extra waiting is costing them money and time.
 Felbaum said the school board last week identified no specific issues in their complaints. The board mainly said it was a victim of Weiner's stalling to get the development plan he wanted from the city.
 "No specific issues were raised about what they were upset about. They could have picked up the phone to ask us," Felbaum said.

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Property rights vs. city ordinances

Young couple fights to build Novi home

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

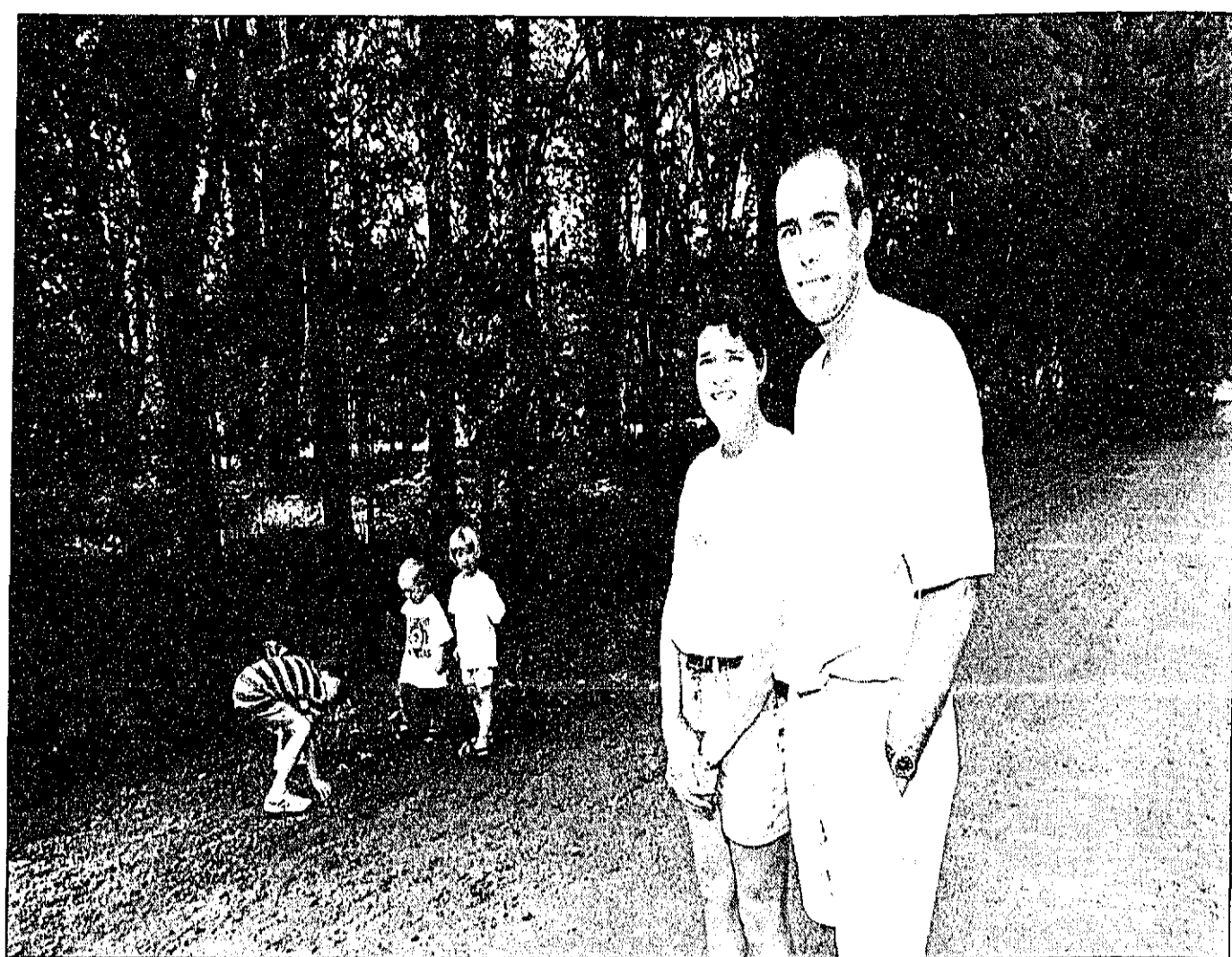
Tim and Debbie Wagner are still holding onto their dream, but by a thread.

The couple is fighting to build a home on an almost one-acre piece of property on Garfield Road. But the heavy woodlands and wetlands on the land are proving to be a roadblock on the journey to their dream home. To build, they'll need to partially dredge out a peat bog and replace it with suitable soil.

After the Novi Planning Commission denied them the wetlands permit needed to fill half of their lot, the couple received a more time from the Novi City Council Monday night to figure out an alternative solution.

"While I'm sympathetic to the purchasers, when they purchased the property they certainly knew this entire site was under water and they might have a problem building on this site," said Council Member Richard Clark.

But the couple said they were told by the seller it wouldn't be a problem and received no indication from the city throughout the years and questions about the property that there would be this much of a problem.



Tim and Debbie Wagner hope to build a home on this property, their children Scott, 6, Sean, 2, and Courtney, 4 play near the site.

"We bought it under the pretense it was buildable," said Tim Wagner. Tim said he drove down the road one day in 1989 and saw the "for sale by owner" sign. After talking with the landowner, Novi developer and self-proclaimed philanthropic farmer Bob Langan, Tim became the proud new owner.

However, he and Debbie were just married and starting a family. Thinking it better to wait to see how big the family would grow, the two bought a small two-bedroom home in Plymouth and held off on the developing the property.

"We bought it under the pretense it was buildable," Tim Wagner, land owner

Now, with three kids sharing the same room and living quarters becoming cramped, the family is eager to build their dream home. Three years ago, Tim and Debbie began the process of building. They went to the city and were told to have a home plan designed first. They said at that point, no one mentioned the property would be unbuildable.

The Wagners' property is one of the last pieces of many properties sold by Langan to individual owners to be developed.

The couple applied for and received state and county permits and were ready for a smooth ride through the city building process. They received a wetlands permit to take down some trees and headed to the planning commission.

"Up until the wetland hearing we didn't think we would have any problem," said Tim.

But appearing before the Novi Planning Commission last month wasn't smooth at all, they said. The planners maintained letting the Wagners fill the property would set a precedent.

According to Sue Tepati, JCK & Associates wetland consultant for the city, filling wetlands is typically not allowed to gain buildable land in subdivisions but individual homes have been permitted by the city and the state in the past.

"It is seriously ponded in the winter and spring and dry in the summer," Tepati said Monday night.

"It's hard to say at this point if they can feasibly meet the wetlands ordinance."

Debbie Wagner said she and her husband are willing to compromise. "We're not clearing it totally. We want it partially wooded... We told

them 'What do we have to do to make this work?,' she said.

The commission stood by what has been a consistent stand for environmental protection and didn't budge.

"It was pretty devastating to use emotionally because in one hour our dreams and plans were taken away," Debbie said.

So far the couple invested \$60,000 above the cost of the property for plans, studies and permits.

According to City Assessor Glenn Lemmon, the property is valued at \$44,200.

"We've been paying high taxes on this property as a buildable lot," explained Tim.

"We're not a huge bulker who can front the cost into the property," Debbie said.

The couple told the council on Monday that the neighbors around them just recently built and besides, the ordinances were different when they bought the property.

Their lawyer, Paul Bohm told the council since the wetlands ordinance

was revised in 1991 and the Wagners bought in 1989, they deserve a break.

But Council Member Clark disagreed that a denial to build would be unconstitutional "take" the Wagners' land, because no house plan was actually in place when the ordinance was adopted.

The council decided to postpone appeal, so that if couple comes back they won't have to pay a second set of fees. In the meantime, the couple can work with Tepati and other consultants.

"Really, what we want is to work with Sue and come to you with a plan that you can say either 'this is a good idea' or 'this is not a good idea,'" said Bohm.

"It sounds hopeful to us," said Debbie. "We are encouraged by the decision."

Their next-door neighbor, Tim Mitts said he's standing by the couple and their right to build on their own property.

"I'm looking forward to new neighbors," he said. "You don't invest money in property and be told you can't build... If the property wasn't able to be built it shouldn't have been subdivided."

The property was split in 1987 according to the local zoning and ordinances in place at the time, City Assessor Lemmon said.

"We already signed the bids up in the school district and the parks and recreation program," said Debbie. "We're part of this community and this is where we want to be."

Bob Langan did not respond to phone calls from *The Novi News*. Staff writer Jan Jeffers contributed to this report.



Cause for a drive

Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall, right, and manager of Novi Hilton operations Michael O'Callahan prepare to zoom off and lead a rally of specially-prepared BMWs for the Drive for the Cure — which took place last Friday at the hotel. Local celebrities and any person with a valid driver's license were able to take a spin in the cars. For each mile driven around Novi, BMW was to donate one dollar to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

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The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Window Washing Service Contract according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid Packages are available at the Office of the Purchasing Director.

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Last year's crime a statistical glitch

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Want to know about crime in your community? You had better know about what a trend or comparison might mean," he said.

He said the problem hasn't caused major problems for the department, which can rely on other measures of crime such as officer reports, public dialogue and dispatch records.

However, the year 1996 will have to be excluded from studies from now on.

The department pays \$50,000 a year for CLEMIS to track data. Novi downloads its information to CLEMIS which sorts it all out and sends it to the state and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the Uniformed Crime Statistics sent back to the Michigan State Police.

According to the Uniformed Crime Reports Department at the MSP, public release of the statistics could take at least another month at the earliest.

According to Shaeffer, the Novi department's new computer system will be able to compile the data locally, which would do in the past.

Statistics to other studies, he explained.

"If you have no confidence in your numbers you must be careful about what a trend or comparison might mean," he said.

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The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Fitness Equipment according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid Packages are available at the Office of the Purchasing Director.

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Buyer Beware: Take close look at all facts before buying

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

We've all heard the old adage "Buyer Beware."

While sometimes research can't prevent every problem from occurring, it can help a prospective home buyer or property buyer from some headaches.

"When a person wants to buy a piece of property a number of issues need to be looked at," said Terry Morone, deputy building official.

Some of these issues are:

- School district boundaries - Sometimes the district boundaries differ from the city boundaries.
- Wetland and woodland regulations - How much can an owner intrude into the environment.
- Zoning districts - It gives an idea of what the permitted uses are for the property, what the surrounding uses are and what the setbacks and requirements for the property are.
- Master plan designations - Shows what the city sees in the future of the property and can differ from the zoning district.

- Soil and water table information - It can affect the design and cost of the building.
 - Homeowners Association information - The association can regulate items such as fencing, decks and pools.
 - Similar/dissimilar ordinance - It regulates the compatibility of the home on contrast to the surrounding homes, properties.
- "You should know what you're getting yourself into before you sign on the dotted line," Morone explained. He said prospective buyers of both vacant and built properties should stop by the city building, assessing and planning departments before making a purchase.
- "We pull out all the maps and try to give them a broad view of what they need to be concerned with," he explained.
- "Things change from time to time, sometimes a little too quickly, but we certainly try to throw out all that information they should think about," he added.

Teens' new attitude: drugs are less dangerous than before

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Project coordinator Beth Belter said the statistics aren't meant to make Novi look bad. The group is merely trying to prevent problems before they become a crisis.

"We've got wonderful students here," she said. "But it still does no good to close our eyes. If we close our eyes it will never go away."

What the statistics in Novi mostly showed was that 10th and 12th graders increasingly see drugs and alcohol as not harmful. Tenth grade, in particular, appears to be a make-or-break-it point.

"Tenth grade is a real problem area. What's making these 10th graders do these things is something we might want to look at," said Belter.

And although the percentages of students who tried drugs were low, Belter said the importance is that it is increasing yearly.

"Even if they're just trying it, it is something to be concerned about," she said. "There is a significant rise in practically everything."

"Are the percentages as important as the trend we are seeing?" she asked.

The group is still awaiting the results of its own survey given randomly to Novi students in the Novi, Northville, Walled Lake and South Lyon school districts before school let out for the summer.

Chief Shaeffer said parental permissiveness for teens trying drugs and alcohol bothers him. And although the students in Novi receive Drug Abuse Resistance Education at the sixth grade level, that might not be enough.

Risk Factors	Substance Abuse	Delinquency	Teen Pregnancy	School Drop-Out	Violence
Community					
Availability of Drugs	✓				
Availability of Firearms		✓			✓
Community Laws and Norms Favorable Toward Drug Use, Firearms and Crime	✓	✓			✓
Media Portrayals of Violence	✓	✓			✓
Transitions and Mobility	✓	✓			✓
Low Neighborhood Attachment and Community Disorganization	✓	✓			✓
Extreme Economic Deprivation	✓	✓			✓
Family					
Family History of the Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Family Management Problems	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Family Conflict	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Favorable Parental Attitudes and Involvement in the Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
School					
Early and Persistent Antisocial Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Academic Failure in Elementary School	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lack of Commitment to School	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Individual/Peer					
Alienation and Rebelliousness	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Friends Who Engage in a Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Favorable Attitudes Toward the Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Early Initiation of the Problem Behavior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Constitutional Factors	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

"It has some impact with educational programs at the lower levels but it's not following into the higher levels," said Shaeffer.

The next step for the group is to look at what programs are offered in Novi and prepare information for grant applications.

"The key to much of the problem is creating an alternative to drugs and delinquency, said coalition member and State Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi.

"There have to be other opportunities," she explained.

"It's a community problem. It's not a school problem, or a police problem, or a church problem or a chamber or city problem," Belter explained.

CAUSE AND EFFECT

Many factors are believed to contribute to juvenile delinquency and substance abuse, including high school drop-out rates, availability of drugs, first use of drugs or alcohol and teen pregnancy. The following are some random statistics from the Communities That Care study:

- In 1996, four Novi girls under the age of 18 gave birth to babies at Providence Hospital in Novi.
- According to seniors at Novi High School in 1996, 10.2 percent tried cocaine at least once in their lifetime, 45 percent tried marijuana, 64 percent tried cigarettes and 78 percent tried alcohol.
- 300 gun permits were issued by Novi Police in 1996.
- There were 203 families living below the poverty level in 1990 in Novi; 379 children lived below the poverty level and the number is increasing.
- 114 Novi adults were treated in Oakland County facilities for substance abuse, alcohol being the primary substance.
- Novi Police reported 326 adults arrested for drunk driving in 1995.
- Novi High School's average grade point average was 2.88 for 1997.

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Be True to Your School gets back to business at Twelve Oaks Mall

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The program, which will run through Jan. 31, 1998, allows shoppers to credit receipts from four Taubman Co. shopping centers — Lakeside in Sterling Heights, Twelve Oaks in Novi, Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn and Briarwood in Ann Arbor — to any Michigan public or private school, grades K-12. The centers return a portion of those receipt dollars to the individual schools to buy much-needed software,

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To participate in the program, shoppers bring their receipts from anything they buy in the center — from a cup of coffee or a theater ticket to clothing, electronics or jewelry — to the colorful schoolhouse booths located in the four shopping centers. Customer service representatives staffing the booths stamp the receipts, credit them via computer to whatever school the shopper selects and return them to the customer.

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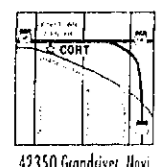
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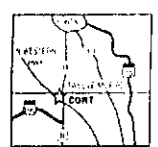
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Larry Hadsall, the guitarist and lead singer of Lonesome & Blue, also plays old-time fiddle. Hadsall brings a lot of energy to the band, and he's been known to break out in dance or whistle at any moment during the group's performances.

Hadsall has played with The Bluegrass Disciples and has performed as a solo folk act. He lives in Birch Run.

Pooh Stevenson, mandolinist and occasional cellist, has been playing acoustic music in Michigan for over 12 years. Stevenson has played with Lady of the Lake, The Dennis Cyporyn Band and Counterpoint. She also studied bluegrass at South Plains College under the tutelage of Alan Mundie and Joe Carr.

Stevenson has recorded with several groups. Also a writer, she has recorded her own composi-

tions. Originally from Grosse Pointe, she lives in Dossou.

Banjoist/composer Dennis Cyporyn is best known for his work with his own band, The Dennis Cyporyn Band won five honors at the Detroit Music Awards, and has had several nominations from IBMA and The Motor City Music Awards.

Four CDs of original acoustic music got the group wide notice and bookings everywhere from Meadowbrook to Baker's Keyboard Lounge. The group has performed live on WDET-FM several times, and has played at the Ark and the Detroit Festival of the Arts.

Cyporyn has lived in Michigan all his life and currently makes his home in Highland.

Acoustic bassist Christie McNeil lives in DeWitt. Among McNeil's credentials are stints with jazz, bluegrass and folk bands.

In addition to her bass laying, McNeil is an accomplished guitar and piano player. Her daytime gig is as a school social worker in the Ionia Intermediate District. She has a degree in music therapy.

Jan Krist Band

Jan Krist's new release on Silent Planet Records, *Curious*, is in many ways her strongest work to date.

Her previous releases, *Decapitated Society* and *Wing and a Prayer*, received generous reviews. The editorial staff of *Billboard* magazine was so impressed with *Wing* that it featured the record in a "Spotlight" review. However, the reception for *Curious* could outstrip that of Krist's earlier work and earn her a place in the pantheon of American singer/songwriters.

"With *Curious*, we had more of a budget to develop the songs," Krist said.

The label supported the project, giving me and my production company, G.F.M. Productions, complete artistic freedom.

Krist and company used that financial and creative freedom to bring in the best musicians and technicians available to work on both sides of the microphone.

Two of the cuts on *Curious*, "Time" and "Walking Wounded," were produced by Jim Dickinson, who has worked with the Texas Tornados, Ry Cooder, the Rolling Stones, and the Spin Doctors, to name a few.

"Working with Jim Dickinson was a real education for me," Krist said.

Despite the exceptional caliber of the talent, Krist said her artistic concerns were not overlooked in the production process.

"The producers didn't seem to feel like they had to scribble their names on it musically," she said. "They asked me how I felt and how I intended the song to develop, then we worked it up and let the tape roll."

Jim Perkins & Stone Circle

Farmington might be a long way from Ireland but Jim Perkins and Stone Circle can bridge the culture gap in a hurry.

"I'd describe our music as high-energy Celtic and American folk," said Perkins, a Farmington resident and the lead vocalist of the group. "We like to play both traditional and contemporary Irish and American music."

Perkins says his group has only been together formally for a couple of years, but all the members are friends from way back.

"We've known each other for a long time," Perkins said. "We've been busy playing the pub scene and local festivals."

Perkins - who, in addition to singing, plays guitar, pennywhistle and 5-string banjo - has done a lot of work as a solo performer. The Michigan Renaissance Festival and Greenfield Village are a couple of

his regular stops.

Though most of the members of Stone Circle are "homegrown," the Perkins words, bassist Frank Kennedy hails from Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Besides bass, Kennedy plays a type of Irish drum called a bodhran.

Other members are Alan Cavn, who plays mountain dulcimer and guitar, and Steve Walen, who plays the fiddle.

Jim Perkins and Stone Circle haven't made any recordings yet, but they remain in high demand at local performing venues. The group is booked to appear at the Highland Games at Greenmead in Livonia on Aug. 2.

And then there's always St. Patrick's day.

"We play at about five pubs and a couple of bookstores that day," Perkins noted.



Jan Krist



Tom and Rita Rice

A message from Tom

Because I like to think that the glass is half-full, rather than half-empty, I want to use this final message to the public to recall all the great times we've had together over the years.

It was exactly two decades ago when we set up a stage on the back porch of our old music store and spent a chilly afternoon listening to folk and bluegrass music.

Now, 20 years later, the whole thing is about to draw to a close. By now, most of you know that this Sunday will mark the last of the Northville Folk & Bluegrass Festivals.

When I think of all that you and I have been through and accomplished together over the past 20 years, my heart becomes filled with emotion. As many of you know, the festival was a fund-raising event in the fight against Huntington's Disease.

That devastating illness claimed two people who were very dear to me - folk legend Woody Guthrie, who was a great influence on my life, and my one-of-a-kind sister, Donna Jarski.

Donna died in 1974, but before she passed on I promised her I'd do everything I could to help combat the sickness that took her life. Inspired by that promise and by my love of music, I started the Northville Folk & Bluegrass Festival, an annual celebration of life and fellowship.

Our efforts over the years helped make a big difference for the cause. The after-expense receipts of 20 years of festivals enabled us to donate more than \$100,000 to the Huntington's Disease Foundation. While that amount is hardly enough to sponsor research leading to a cure, every little bit helps.

One of the most satisfying developments of my life came in

1994 when I learned that the Human Genome Project had identified the gene that causes Huntington's Disease. It's the first step toward a cure. A cherished moment occurred when Dr. Francis Collins, one of the medical scientists working on the Human Genome Project, attended the festival and even climbed up on stage with us for a little music making. The good doctor is a pretty fair strummer, if I do say so myself.

And, of course, I'll always remember how Woody's wife, Marjorie Guthrie, would attend our musical tribute to her late husband and address the audience directly. Like Woody, Marjorie was a real charmer and a great story teller. Though we lost her when she died in 1984, I could always feel her presence in the crowd during the festival.

I want to take this last opportunity - on behalf of my wife Rita and I - to express my unending appreciation to everyone who helped make the Northville Folk & Bluegrass Festival such a great success for so many years. To all the business operators who purchased advertising and contributed funds to the festival, and to the performers who reduced their rates to keep our overhead low, I offer my profoundest thanks. And, of course, my deepest gratitude goes out to all the festivalgoers without whom our concerts wouldn't have been possible.

Thanks to all.

And don't forget. There's one more afternoon of music and magic to enjoy. See you all at our familiar spot at Ford Field Sunday, July 27, for the 21st Annual Northville Folk & Bluegrass Festival. It just might be our best celebration yet.

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Michael King

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King's initial break came in 1988 when his band Rebel Heels signed with Atlantic Records. King co-wrote all of the group's material and worked closely with producer Rupert Hine on the band's third album, *One By One By One*.

Along with his work on Atlantic Records, King secured a publishing deal with EMI.

After establishing himself in music circles, several of Detroit's finest bands sought out King's expertise as a producer.

King is also the owner of The Mission Studio, a 24-track recording facility where he has worked with Hershell Boone of MCA Records, the solo artist Stacia and various independent producers and record companies.

New King is again focusing on his solo career as a singer/songwriter. His first solo album is expected to be released this fall.

King's wide range of unique material allows audiences of all ages and persuasions to enjoy his performances. King's major influences include Paul Simon, Peter Gabriel and James Taylor.

King performs throughout Michigan and is an active voice on the Detroit music scene.



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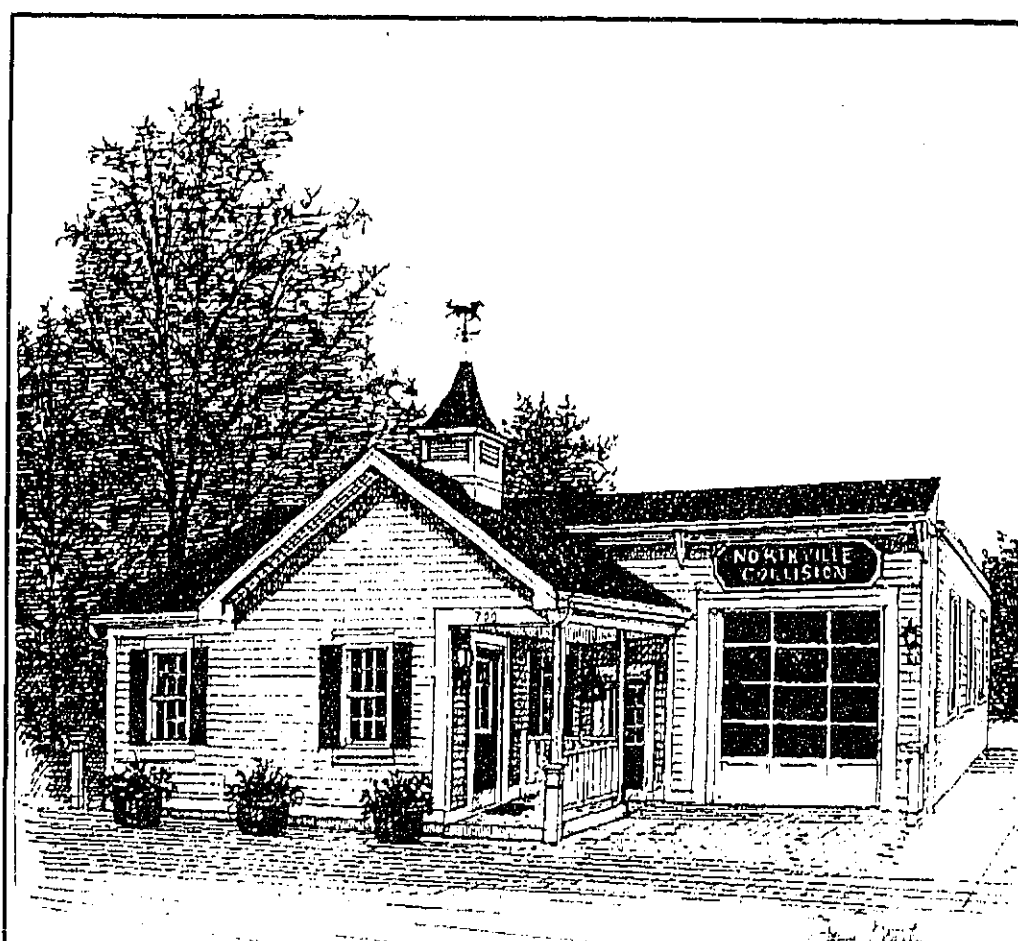
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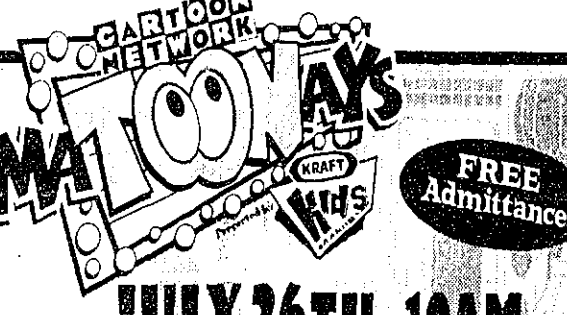


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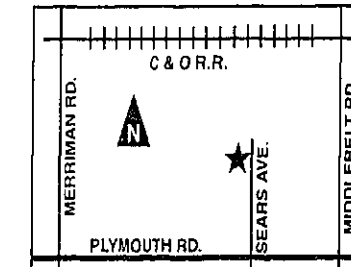
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As We See It

Bad break for Novi; Clark not in the running

With all the flurry a couple weeks ago of over who is running for mayor and city council, a bad news bomb was very quietly dropped.

Council Member Dick Clark is not seeking a term on the council. Clark was appointed to the job in November 1995, to fill out the last two years remaining in Council Member Tim Pope's term. Pope died a few weeks before Clark's appointment.

At the time, there was a mini-controversy, not that it focused on Clark personally. At issue was that rather than posting the position and holding open interviews, as they do for city boards such as the planning commission, the council chatted on the phone about potential candidates and narrowed in on Clark. He was appointed without debate.

After Pope's May 1995 car accident, the council, reduced to a six-member group, was often deadlocked on issues. The idea, explained Mayor Kathleen McLallen and others, was to find someone who would work well with the team.

Clark, a lawyer, brought two terms' worth of planning commission experience to the council table. When it comes to elected officials appointing someone to their legislative body, rather than holding a special election, the concern is always that the newcomer will be a "rubber stamp" for the majority.

But that wasn't the case with Clark and it also doesn't seem to be the case with the council's most recent appointee, Ed Kramer. Kramer is finishing off former council member Nancy Cassis's job.

Over this past year and a half, the wisdom of the council's choice in selecting Clark has been apparent. He hit the ground running.

Not only is he not a yea-sayer to the



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majority, but Clark often strikes out on his own.

Clark is an independent thinker and that's good. He offers incisive commentary on the issues at hand, which he always thoroughly understands.

On council, he demonstrates leadership skills, often pulling forth motions to get the action rolling.

We suspect, to the dismay of some of those who appointed Clark, he frequently takes a minority dissent role, along with several council members, including Bob Schmidt and Bob Mitzel, over issues such as Harvest Lake of Novi.

Now, both Mitzel and Clark are out of the running.

Clark keeps an eye out for the bottom line when it comes to spending taxpayer's money and residents have said they think he's listening to their concerns.

He said he decided not to seek a term of his own in November, because of career demands.

It's rugged, after all, to juggle employment, private life and the very time-consuming job of city council member. And the way a council member wins his or her bread has to come first. Clark held out the possibility that when things ease off at his workplace, he may seek election in the future.

We suspect that would be a move welcome with local voters. He's been an asset to the council.

School board chose wisely in holding off on construction

There are no guarantees in life.

So the Novi Board of Education's decision last week to delay a construction on the Eleven Mile and Wixom Road site intended for the new middle school was the responsible thing to do. You don't build on land you don't own.

The school district is in touchy negotiations between the owners of the land, Delta Trucking Company and the City of Novi. The city will purchase 100 of the company's 900 acres and swap 50 acres to the district for the Fuerst Farm.

After dragging on over two years, the deal is expected to wrap up soon. A current delay is that Delta Trucking simply won't sell the 100 acres until the Novi City Council approves an area plan for the \$500 million Harvest Lake subdivision.

It's on the council's plate this Monday.

By waiting for RUD approval, Harvest Land is assured that the 100 acres will be included in the subdivision plan. This gives the developer 100 acres worth of density credits for extra houses.

Meanwhile, the school district has awarded bids to contractors now spinning their wheels.

Last week, Delta gave the district permission to begin work, with the understanding that the contract will be signed soon.

The trustees said they just weren't comfortable with that.

"There's too much unfinished business. Intuitively, I'm not comfortable," school board Vice-President Julia Abrams.

In fact, last week's special board meeting turned into a Weiner roast. Board President Ray Byers said that he did not trust either Weiner or the organization he represents.

While the board's mudslinging could not be termed polite, their frustration is apparent.

Although the delay is costing the district money, it's smart to hold off on the construction. With the strange negotiations and length of time taken to get this far, there's no absolute guarantee the district will ever own the land.

Once it begins investing time and money into the property, the district is stuck. As the schools' attorney put it last week, it's a calculated risk. If the district begins building, it essentially means the board accepts whatever terms the other party offers.

The board met again this week; now, construction will begin next week, if the Harvest RUD is okayed.

Rather than get itself into a situation it can't get out of, the school board is better off being gun shy. It's not as if the middle-schoolers are out in the streets.

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Jan Jeffers

People always ask me, how can you stand sitting through four- and five-hour Novi City Council meetings? Hey, I'm never bored.

Because when it happens that a long and scintillating council debate is focusing on the line, fine point of some matter I'll never write a news story about, I let my mind wander. Of course, this rarely happens.

But just when I think my mind has wandered down a path that might be original, someone's always been there first. And that brings me to last weekend's International Bluesfest in Novi, USA.

In fall 1996, during one council meeting, I was thinking about a possible career change. Public relations fascinates me. Every now and then, some PR-type will mail me the media some directive informing us to no longer use the word "Kleeneex" in our stories, but instead refer to the commodity as "disposable tissues available in six designer packages coordinating with every home decor."

Journalists love this stuff. We either laugh and throw out the letter or laugh and hang it up on a bulletin board so we can refer to it for continued amusement.

And I thought, I can do that. I can write those letters. I can find a group with a bad PR image and convince them to hire me. Organized crime, for example. Everyone picks on them. I don't know why, they're ORGANIZED. They probably use Franklin Planners. And shoe trees. I'll bet they have fabulous closets.

When I got back to the office I typed out a letter I

could use when I apply for work as PR consultant to the mob. That's the kind of thing I like to do on company time.

Here's the draft:
To align our client's image with the 1990s, please use this terminology in reference to the Mafia.
Mob - Team
Godfather - Team leader
Hit - Existential transition
Hitman - Transitioning enabler
Hood - Person of brown
Yo - Affirmative
Cement Overshoes - Anti-floatation devices
Switch - Individual communications initiator
Prison - Restricted egress housing
Turf - Proprietary domain
Gang War - Divergent territorial assertiveness
Moll - Companion bimbo
Deportation - One-way European holiday opportunity
Don, Mafia Dons - Brad, Mafia Brads

So this has been sitting in my computer for a couple months while I think, how do I apply for this job? Who do I send my resume to? Or is it, to whom do I send my resume?

Then, this week I got the press packet on the International Bluesfest, Novi, USA. And I find out I am light years behind the times.

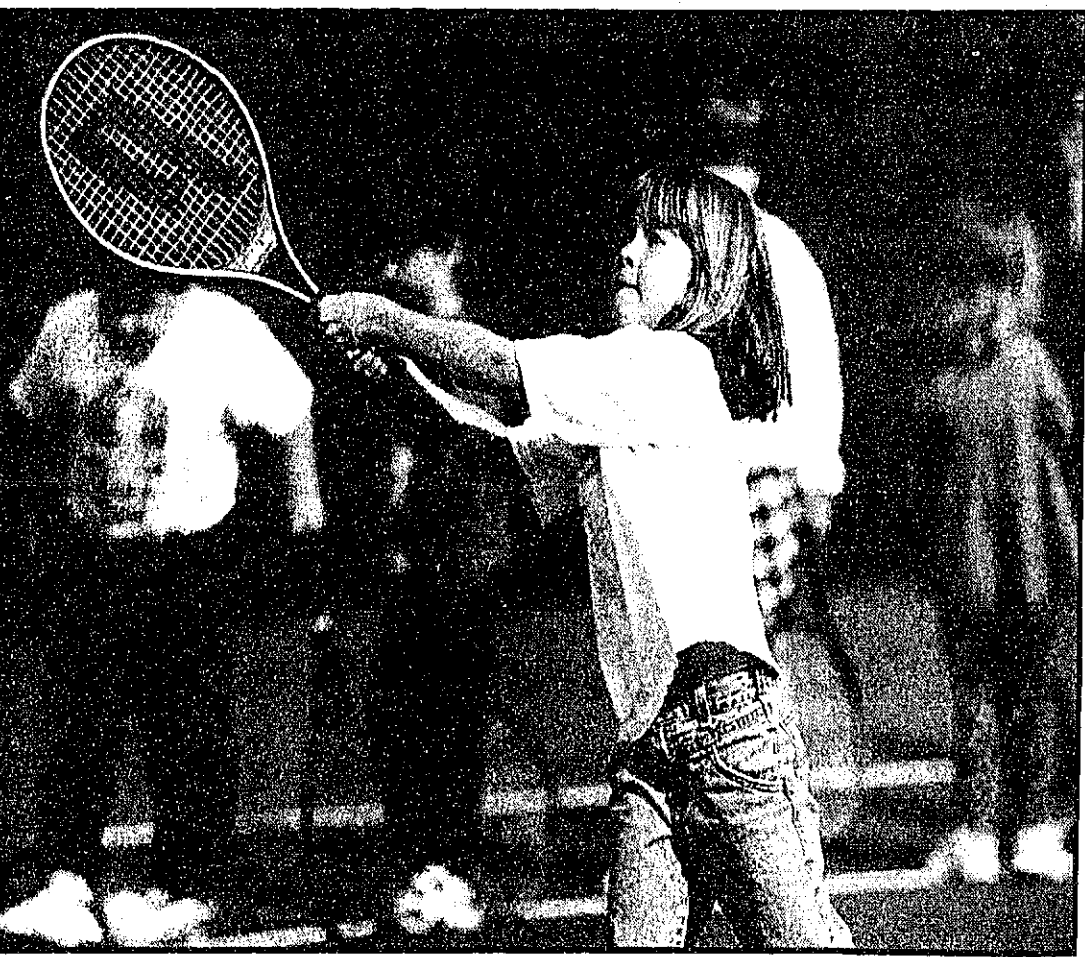
On the material on Don Novello (Father Guido Sarducci), who'll be emceeing the festival's Motor City Blues Awards on Saturday, I learned he played the role of PR consultant to the mob in "The Godfather III."

That means that if they're writing that kind of a role into the movie, the job's already been taken.

Jan Jeffers is a staff writer for The Novi News and The Northville Record.

In Focus

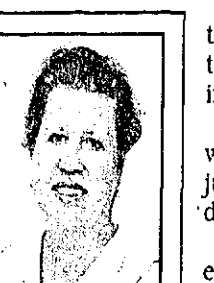
By John Heider



Good form

Seven-year-old Kelsey Baskins takes her best shot at a tennis ball during lessons in Northville.

A mind full of lots of things



Linda Arnold

Why did I volunteer to write this column? What was I thinking? Who was I trying to impress?

After all, it's only my second week on the job, and I'm still just a temporary employee. I don't owe anyone anything. But there I sat in my first editorial meeting, and suddenly I couldn't control my waving arm when editor Lee Snider asked who wanted to write next week's column.

Whatever, I volunteered, and now I have to write it. The big problem becomes what to write about. They said it could be about anything — but no one here seems to know that editorial carte blanche sometimes is just too much for my thought process to handle. I tend to obsess. Like I'm doing now.

This shouldn't be so tough. ... I wrote an editorial column twice a week in college, but we had Vietnam, Woodstock, drugs, frat hazings, George McGovern, Richard Nixon, Harol Jane (a "blast from the past" for aging Yuppies like me), sit-ins, demonstrations and other cool stuff to write about. Maybe I haven't

lived here long enough, but so far I haven't found any hotbeds of controversy here in Northville/Novi.

So raging controversy, for me, isn't going to work, and I still don't know what to write about. Now I wonder ... what could you want to know from a 47-year-old transplanted Toledoan (by way of Winchester, Va., by way of Syracuse, N.Y., oh yeah, we lived in Grand Rapids, Mich., for awhile, too)?

My daughter thought I should write about our stupid, but lovable, dog. Even though he can't read, guilt still keeps me from doing this. (After all, he's the only one in our house who's always glad to see me and never complains about dinner.)

I guess he can be summed up by likening him to how Lloyd Benson said to Dan Quayle, "You, sir, are no John Kennedy." Other dogs would say to Murphy, "You, sir, are no Lassie."

So this is dragging on, and I still haven't gotten to a point. But maybe you've gotten a little insight as to who I am. (Good, I hope.) Or you now know you need to call the paper and give this poor reporter a topic to write about.

I truly wish I had something inspiring or profound to say, but I don't. But that first editorial column in man years is finally under my belt! Thanks!
Linda Arnold is a (topic challenged) staff writer for The Northville Record and Novi News.

Native Americans have own rules



Tim Richard

It has long been apparent that casinos are for suckers. The lone gambler can't beat the house's odds. Some casinos pump in extra oxygen so that the gambler won't feel fatigue and will gamble longer. If the sucker runs short of cash, there are automatic teller machines, or the house will accept your credit card and mount your debt.

Now we learn that the situation is worse than we thought it was. Slate Rep. David Jaye, the maverick Republican from northern Macomb County, tried to curb some of the wrongs of Indian-run casinos with an amendment to the casino bill that sailed 107-4 through the House of Representatives July 1. Speaker Curtis Hrelt, D-Detroit, ruled Jaye's amendment was "not germane" to the bill, so no vote was taken.

In sum, Jaye argued the Indian tribes have the best of two worlds. They are Michigan residents in terms of benefits but a separate nation if a non-Indian wants the same rights on an Indian reservation.

Jaye gives me credit for pointing out certain abuses about Indian courts to him. I give Jaye the lion's share of the credit for

following up with more research. "The Michigan and U.S. constitutions which protect our civil liberties are tossed aside as soon as you walk through the door of an Indian casino," he said. Items:

- Judges - "Indians can vote to elect Michigan local, county and state judges and all other Michigan politicians, but Michigan citizens cannot vote to elect Indian tribal judges."
- Trial - The gambler who is hurt, has his civil rights violated, is sexually harassed or gets into a dispute on Indian grounds, including casinos, has his case tried by an Indian tribal council — with no appeal.

- Attorney - If you are charged in a Michigan court and can't afford an attorney, the court will appoint one. You have no such right in an Indian court.
- Secrecy - Michigan government is subject to the "sunshine" laws — the Open Meetings and Freedom of Information acts. "All Indian trials, Indian political meetings, Indian bureaucratic rule-making and all other Indian government operations are exempt" from state sunshine laws.

Journalists in Mount Pleasant told me they have tried to learn how much the Indian casino there pays in taxes. Big secret. The press had to find out from the state Treasury Department in Lansing.

- Other taxes - Indians are exempt from property taxes that run schools and municipal services, the single business tax and transportation fund taxes. Jaye

thinks they should either "pay the same state taxes or only sell to members of the Indian tribes and their dependents, like the military PX stores."

- Scholarships - Indians get preference for \$12 million in free college scholarships, regardless of wealth. Most Michigianians can get scholarships based only on need. "Indians don't have to maintain attendance, passing grade point averages nor progress toward a degree like everyone else," Jaye found.

To his credit, Gov. John Engler has tried to end this bonodoggie. His attitude, quite correctly, is that the needy and able should get student aid regardless of whether their ancestors arrived via Ellis Island or the Bering Strait.

Meanwhile, a non-Indian couple is trying to sue the Chippewa Tribe over a 1996 crash in which tribal officer Chad Smith ran a red light en route to a non-emergency situation and piled into their car. Smith wasn't operating his siren or emergency lights. The injured folks charge negligence. The tribe contends that as a sovereign nation, it is immune from the lawsuit, and state courts have no jurisdiction over matters involving the tribe.

The matter is pending in Isabella Circuit Court. The plaintiffs haven't lost yet, but one should be stunned by the tribe's arrogance.

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

Mayor missing the mark on issues

To the Editor:

I watched with tremendous sadness and disgust as the wrath of Mayor McCallen's sword intentionally slapped the face of two, long standing, caring volunteers in our community. I then read the letter from Joe Toth (former council member) regarding the mayor and council's blatant disregard for the Computer Advisory Committee and I wondered: "Has Novi been captured by a group of arrogant, egotistical, hypocritical aliens from another world or has the total disregard of citizens and misuse of power by some city officials become so routine as to be perceived as acceptable practices in the City of Novi?"

Whatever happened to JFK's quote: "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." It seems to me that Laura Lorenz and Gwen Markham, along with the Computer Advisory Committee, did just that. These people didn't volunteer for "name recognition" — like some others have — they volunteered in an effort to help make Novi the best it can be. They volunteered to sit at the table and debate pro's and con's, agree and disagree, and to work out the problems of our city by finding solid solutions. And I think they did an outstanding job.

Granted, Ms. Lorenz did not apply for reappointment to the Planning Commission. I wonder why? Could it have been because the council has decided several times in the last year to "overtune" the Planning Commission's decisions? Could it be that Ms. Lorenz felt in her heart that by disagreeing with Mayor McCallen she wouldn't be reappointed? Maybe she didn't want to go through the public humiliation dropped on Robert Taub by this same mayor.

Computer Advisory Committee members — don't feel you are alone. This mayor has demonstrated to me that she is selective in acknowledging committees. The Traffic Road Committee went unnoticed, unrecognized and even uninvited to the Appreciation Dinner in 1996, until one of us asked why we were not on the guest list. (An oversight — I'm sure.) You are to be commended because you cared enough to get involved and share your talents on behalf of this city. What a selfless sacrifice that deserves a proper word of appreciation. I admire anyone who gives of themselves so willingly.

Madam mayor, have you learned nothing regarding the Open Meetings Act this year? Wasn't it just this year that you allowed secret ballots during a council meeting? Wasn't there some 86 violations of uncovered (by me) regarding a lack of audience participation on council agendas? Wasn't it this year that you were instructed, by the city attorneys to place an "Audience Participation" on each and every council meeting agenda, regular and special? Wasn't it you who delivered the city-addressed Andris letter to the council packets under the disguise of "personal mail"? You who (selectively) interrupt residents during audience participation to remind them of the "three minute" rule. I find it amazing that, based on the amount of distractions you have (i.e. concentrating on the timer and being sure you're able to locate the "panic-button"), you can actually hear/listen to what the residents are saying. Accessible government? Open door policy? User friendly council? Words, madam mayor, just words. (Perhaps that "remedial course" would prove a wiser investment in Novi's future than a \$6.2 million golf course?)

You have accomplished some good things, though. • The Novi Road widening. Oh, that's right, the court forced Novi to open the new section of Decker Road during the lawsuit that Sandstone Vistas filed. Thanks to Mr. Nowicki for finding funds to pay for improvements to see it through. What a joke when you cut the ribbon on that one.

• Well, there was Main Street. Maybe no one cared that you gave a developer a nice piece of city-owned property the taxpayers bought.

• You were honest when The Novi News editor asked if you had allowed secret ballots ... oh, I forgot ... Mike Malott printed that you had directly lied to him.

• The RUD was rewritten ... through it was written with the help of a developer who will most definitely benefit from its rules while the community gains little or nothing.

• Eleven Mile Road and Wixom Road were paved. I wonder if the newly rewritten RUD had anything to do with these? Certainly the people on Eleven Mile didn't want it paved. Seems to me we've finally got the answer to exactly who benefits from these two.

And, although it is entirely your right to appoint, isn't it interesting that the entire current Planning Commission have individually been appointed by you. You view differences of opinion and open debate as "dirty laundry." But then, who cares about the future consequences of any action, let's just "move forward."

Thanks, Joe Toth, for your ever-elucidating and eye-opening letters. They have been filled with information and facts, and some very interesting points to ponder. And to think, I didn't have to pay for copies or file a formal Freedom of Information Act request. I simply subscribed to The Novi News and you there were. And, as a new golfer, I agree that the golf course — pipe dream — is far too great a risk and cost to the children and taxpayers of Novi.

I can't wait for the citizens to "clean house" in November.

Ruth A. Hamilton

with prisoners of war.

He says, "Being involved in the project was a little bit of deja vu for me. I was born in a fishing village called Roseto, in the Abruzzi area of southern mainland Italy. When I see the fishermen in the video, it reminds me of my days as a child watching the fishermen go out in the morning."

The Regional Cultural Center of Italy has acquired the documentary for its library in Palermo. The documentary was donated to them by Dr. Singer.

Check your TV listings for days and times. This is a story that appeals to all. Whether you're Italian-American, a traveler, a fisherman or just plain believe in the nobility of work, you'll enjoy watching this fine documentary.

Mary Linda Calderone is the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission. The next CAC meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. at SWOCC. The next SWOCC meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 23, at 4:30 p.m. at Farmington City Hall.

Water safety a must in summertime

Recent news stories have reported injuries and deaths on Michigan's waters. Drowning has been cited as the second leading cause of accidental death among children. Experts say many accidents can be avoided if people keep in mind some simple but important safety tips.

Dexter Shurney M.D., vice president and corporate medical director for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, recommends that every pool owner take first aid and CPR classes and learn drowning prevention techniques.

Children near water should be supervised at all times. It takes only seconds for injuries to occur in a pool. No one will hear a child drown or sink in a pond or pool. Therefore, adults must keep their eyes on little ones at all times.

Parents should never permit potentially dangerous activities, such as throwing someone in the pool, or running near the pool area.

Studies indicate that parents should begin formal swimming lessons with children who are at least 3 years old. It is also recommended that children as young as six months of age be introduced to swimming as a form of fun, and to familiarize them with activity in the water.

Dr. Shurney adds that it is advisable to wait approximately 20 to 30 minutes before entering the water after eating.

The area around the pool should be fenced in to prevent little ones from wandering into the pool area. The area should be well-maintained. It's also wise to keep a phone near the pool.

Personal flotation devices (PFDs), or life vests, are approved by the U.S. Coast Guard as the only reliable flotation devices for use in boating.

"It always helps if parents make their children comfortable with using PFDs by having them practice putting them on and wearing them in the water," Dr. Shurney says. "By doing so, children will be less likely to panic if an emergency situation arises."

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Schools	Design
Multi-family developments	Color
Single family subdivisions	Condition of plants
Industrial buildings	Maintenance of bed for plants
Offices	Overall maintenance of property
Places of worship	Use of city tree, shrub and flower
Shopping centers	(Tree — Red sunset maple)
Individual businesses	(Shrub — Meyer's Blue)
	(Perennial flower — day lily)
	(Annual flower — begonia)
	Overall best

Nomination forms must be postmarked no later than July 31. The deadline of the Beautification Commission judges is final.

Mail forms to: Lou Marlin
Public Information Director
City of Novi
45175 W. Ten Mile Road
Novi, Michigan 48375-3024

Beauty panel takes contest nominations

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

What do Sonny's Catering, Novi Woods Elementary School and Chase Farms subdivision have in common?

They were among the winners in the 1996 Novi Beautification Commission's annual city beautification contest.

The event honors those who make their little corner of the world, in this case Novi, lovelier to the eye with green growing things. Past winners have ranged from residents with green thumbs to professional landscaping firms.

The deadline date for submitting your favorite place is July 31.

Eligible are schools, multi-family developments, single-family subdivisions, industrial buildings, offices, places of worship, shopping centers and individual businesses.

Guess what landscapers get extra Brownie points for? Use of official City of Novi plants: the tree, the red sunset maple; shrub, Meyer's Blue; perennial flower, day lily; and annual flower, begonia.

But the judges, who include master gardeners, also look at things like presentation and maintenance of the property and the flower beds.

Mail nomination forms to: Lou Marlin, Public Information Director, City of Novi, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan, 48375-3024.

School test gets praise

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Michigan's 11th-grade high school proficiency tests won warm praise from a top international educator.

"Those responsible and involved should be congratulated," said Dr. Willard Daggett, president of the International Center for Leadership in Education Inc. based in Schenectady, N.Y.

But Daggett also warned the State Board of Education about how to "avoid sabotage from the normal group of naysayers to any reform efforts." The warnings were to inform students, teachers and parents about the tests' purposes and techniques.

Daggett has spoken several times in Michigan to legislators and educators about modernizing the curriculum to make graduates more employable.

He directed the Legislature's 1994 project in which 10 "model schools" created high-standard curricula. He was previously a manager in the New York State Department of Education.

Not only do the HSP tests cover basic concepts in math, science, reading and writing, but Daggett said they require "the application of knowledge and cognitive skills to real-world situations."

A major goal of Michigan's two-year-old tests has been to emphasize multi-step problem solving rather than one-step calculations and memorization. Another goal has been to integrate academic disciplines rather than test them in isolation.

In particular, Daggett praised the communications tests (reading and writing) for "requiring the complex cognitive skills of analysis, synthesis and evaluation within real-world problem situations."

For the math and science tests, however, he urged "a greater degree of integration of knowledge." In general, Daggett called Michigan's tests "similar in several positive ways" to European and Asian exams his center has studied.

Daggett said the tests were serving another main purpose by being geared to the core curriculum required for 10th graders.

Daggett gave Michigan these tips for avoiding misunderstandings about and opposition to the HSP:

- College admissions officers need to explain how student achievement is measured — test scores, grades, extracurricular activity, teacher recommendations, and standardized college entrance tests.
- Teachers should be included as tests scorers "so they gain an understanding of what is really expected of students."
- Both work-bound and college-bound students need assemblies to hear the rationale for more complex learning.
- Sample answers from students should be used to demonstrate to parents, teachers and students what is meant by proficiency.

Parents have had their students boycott the HSP in some suburban districts, fearing that a high score would do no good and a low score would harm one's chance of college admission.

Daggett questioned "the example of the valedictorian who was purportedly refused college admission because of weak HSP results." He suggested that "an understanding of the full context of that example might lead to a different conclusion."

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10:30 a.m. — The Cutting Room Floor
11:00 a.m. — Christian Singles Today Testimony
11:30 a.m. — Wise Guys
12:00 p.m. — Turning it Around: Good News, Good Views
12:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
1:00 p.m. — Adventures with Prate Pete
1:30 p.m. — Options for Living a Balanced Life: Older Adult Issues
2:00 p.m. — Financial Strategies: Earl Washington
2:30 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Oxford Inn
3:00 p.m. — Show Me Show with Tatiana
3:30 p.m. — Pet Show
4:00 p.m. — Motorsports: Life of an Indy Car Mechanic
4:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
5:00 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
5:30 p.m. — Lawyers Roundtable
6:00 p.m. — School of Ministry and Mission
6:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
7:00 p.m. — Critter Connection
7:30 p.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine
8:00 p.m. — The Elegant Life: Bed and Breakfast
8:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
9:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
9:30 p.m. — Groove Session

TUESDAY, JULY 29

10:00 a.m. — The Light to the Nations: The Truth Will Set You Free
10:30 a.m. — Specs Profile
11:00 a.m. — Law Talk: Richard Paul
11:30 a.m. — (cont'd)
12:00 p.m. — Summit University
12:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
1:00 p.m. — Drawing men to Christ
1:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
2:30 p.m. — The Elegant Life: Bed and Breakfast
3:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
3:30 p.m. — Pet Show
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5:00 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
5:30 p.m. — The Day We Stole TV
6:00 p.m. — AMVETS
6:30 p.m. — Restoration Now
7:00 p.m. — Christian Singles Today
7:30 p.m. — Ready or Not
8:00 p.m. — Groove Session
8:30 p.m. — Critter Connection
9:00 p.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine
9:30 p.m. — The Day We Stole TV
10:00 a.m. — The Day We Stole TV
10:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
11:00 a.m. — Wise Guys
11:30 a.m. — Novi Street Beat Live
12:00 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
12:30 p.m. — The Light to the Nations
1:00 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
1:30 p.m. — Critter Connection
1:45 p.m. — Groove Session
2:00 p.m. — Wise Guys
2:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

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11:00 a.m. — Patterson and Company
11:30 a.m. — Pet Show
12:00 p.m. — School of Ministry and Mission
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
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6:00 p.m. — Hickory Woods Tom Sawyer
6:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
7:00 p.m. — Adventures with Prate Pete
7:30 p.m. — Wise Guys
8:00 p.m. — Novi Street Beat Live
8:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
9:00 p.m. — The Light to the Nations
9:30 p.m. — Rock Soup

THURSDAY, JULY 31

10:00 a.m. — The Job show
10:30 a.m. — The Happiest People Alive
11:00 a.m. — Abundant Life: Arah Ministries
11:30 a.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
12:30 p.m. — Madonna Magazine
1:00 p.m. — Praise, Praise, Praise
1:30 p.m. — Tat's Italian
2:00 p.m. — Rock Soup
2:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
3:00 p.m. — The Light to the Nations: The Truth Will Set You Free
3:30 p.m. — Adventures with Prate Pete
4:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
4:30 p.m. — Praise, Praise, Praise
5:00 p.m. — A Short History of Novi Farms
6:00 p.m. — Show Me Show with Tatiana
7:00 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Oxford Inn
7:30 p.m. — Farmington Hills Police Journal
8:00 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
8:30 p.m. — Christian Singles Today
9:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Richard Paul
9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

Obituaries

Marion R. Golbesky

Marion R. Golbesky of Novi died June 23, 1997, in Boistford Hospital, Farmington Hills. She was 79. She is survived by her husband, Edward.

Services were held June 26 at Holy Family Church. Interment was in St. Hedwigs, Dearborn Heights. Arrangements were made by O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home of Novi.

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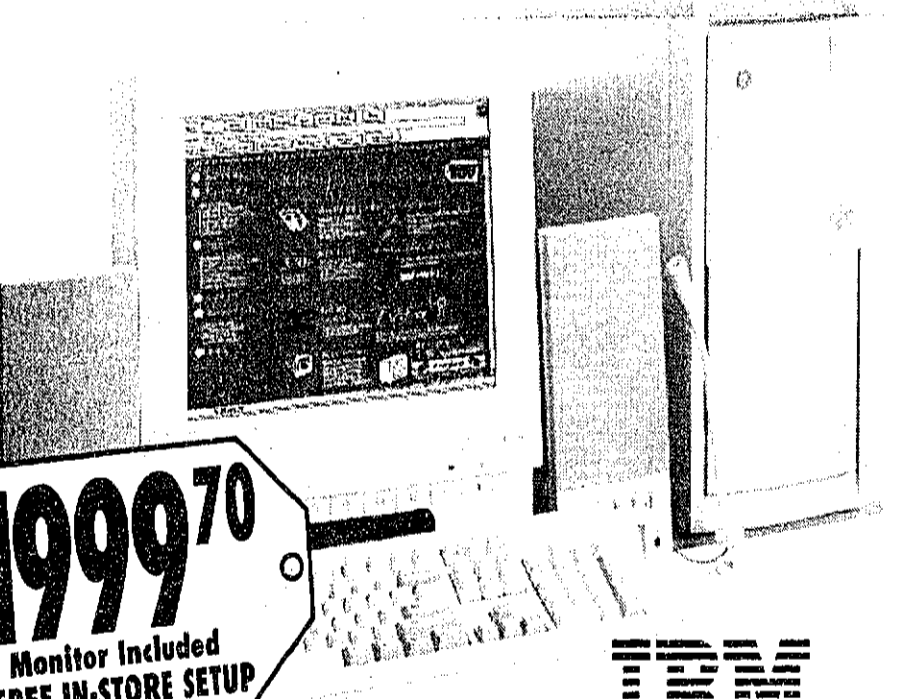

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Physical therapist Pam Govender has been working as a volunteer with the GEMS group on Friday evenings at the Livonia YMCA for over three years.

Pumping Iron

Aquatic exercise provides optimal conditions for people with multiple sclerosis



Photo by HAL GOULD

Doris Colling enjoys the exercise portion of the evening.

By CAROL WORKENS
Feature Editor

Like precious stones valued for their beauty and perfection, a group of people with multiple sclerosis have come to discover the inner qualities that make them jewels.

Group Exercise for Multiple Sclerosis (GEMS) was founded four years ago by Northville resident Doris Colling. Unlike other groups, which may meet one or twice a month, GEMS meets every Friday evening for aquatic exercise at the Livonia YMCA. A meeting follows and a speaker is featured about once a month.

Members get in the water and move their legs in ways they haven't been able to move in years. Leg and arm exercises include stretching, step aerobics and barbells.

"The heat is very bad for MS people," Doris said. "They can't get in a pool that is too heated."

People with MS have problems that are quite different from those suffering from arthritis, according to Doris.

"It is difficult to exercise except in the water," said Emerson, Doris's husband of six years. "The water acts as a heat exchanger."

"It started out with exercise and support and ended up adding education and socializing," said Emerson. "So it is at least a four-

legged stool now."

Support is an important component for the members.

"It is the glue that has held this group together and made it so tight," said Doris, 64.

Members share information on doctors, medication, treatment, hospitals and other programs for handicapped people.

From about a dozen members in 1993, meetings now average about 45 people a week. GEMS has 85 members - 55 have MS and the rest are care givers or spouses. Not all go swimming. Some just come for the meetings.

When Doris was diagnosed 11 years ago her doctor told her not to bother exercising, people with MS don't have the energy to exercise properly.

"One of the problems you have with a chronic disease, either because of your attitude or your friends, they often don't know what to say and they suddenly don't visit you as much, don't talk to you as much mainly because they don't know what to say, not because they are cruel," Emerson said.

The highlight of the week for Diane Harmon, 45, of Northville is Friday night and looking forward to the warm, familiar faces of the GEMS members she has come to know over the past three years.

"It was the best thing my husband and I ever did because of the emotional support and the true friendships we have made," said Harmon, who was diagnosed nine years ago. "The group really focuses on our abilities to live good lives. We don't focus on what we can't do, we try to spend it on who's able to do what."

Group members range in age from their 20s to their 70s, and nurses, accountants, attorneys, a pharmacist and a neurologist are all included. The average member is in his or her 40s.

Whereas some MS groups are designed for singles, for care givers, or for individuals based on degree of severity, GEMS is open to everyone - the newly diagnosed, the marginally handicapped, all ages, singles and couples. Spouses even come to the meetings when the person with MS can't make it.

"More handicapped people need to come out of their house," Doris said. "If you hide and if you're embarrassed people won't have the opportunity to accept you."

Nobody in Doris's family had MS. Doris, always a healthy, active person, tried to cross her left leg and couldn't while exercising one day. A visit to the doctor resulted in the diagnosis of MS, an erosion of the nerves in the brain, optic nerve and/or spinal cord.

In hindsight, Doris thinks the onset of the disease could have occurred when she was 29 and her body felt numb. A neurologist couldn't find anything and in five days the numbness went away.

"To make an analogy, it's like an electric cord being frayed," Emerson said. "The brain is telling the nerve to Doris's legs to do something and the message is not getting through. There's nothing wrong with Doris's legs, the nerves just won't give them the message from the brain."

The medication available today only eases the attacks or makes them fewer and farther between. There is no cure.

"I pictured a circle and I was always on the inside and doing what everybody does normally and all of a sudden a doctor says you have MS and that takes you out of that circle and puts you on the outside looking in at all these people. You ask yourself, 'how can I be on the outside looking in when I've always been on the inside?'" People look at me differently.

"I've never been sick or handicapped and I just don't know how to behave like that," Doris said.

Members are there for each other when they move from one step to another as their disease progresses. Developments may include resistance to using a cane, wheelchair or scooter.

"There is the flip side - is it a crutch or is it a freedom machine?" Emerson said of the

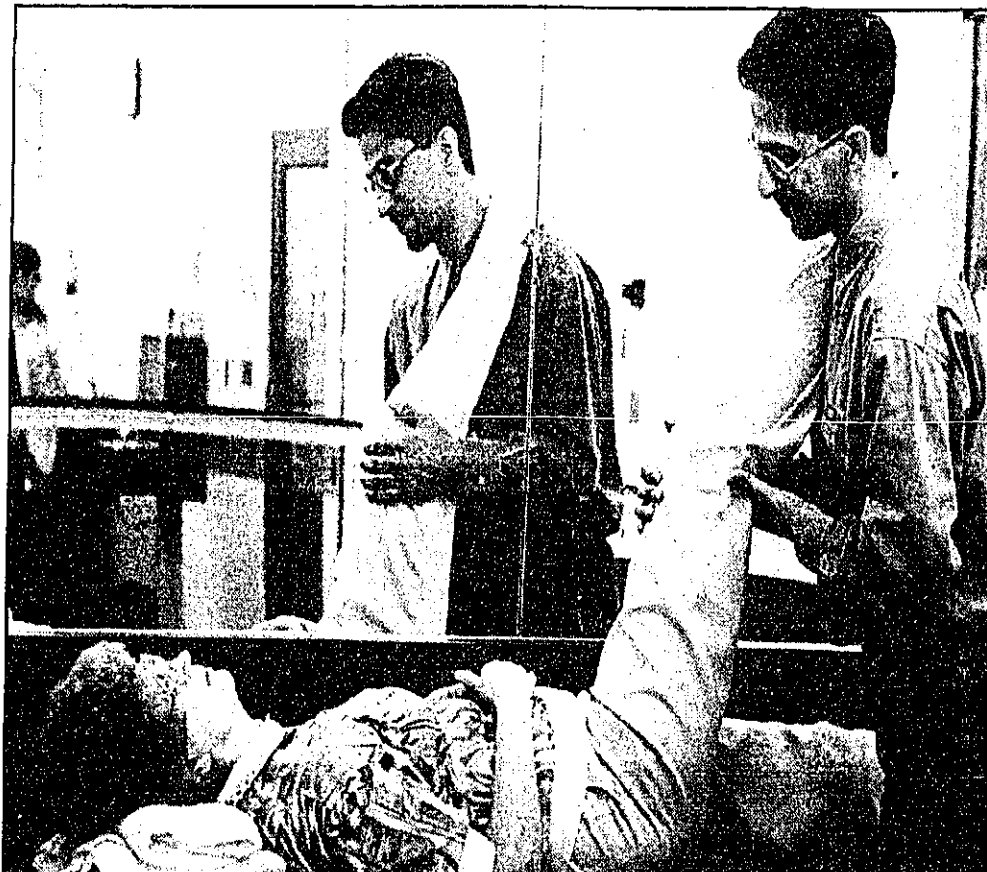


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Physical therapist Pawan Galhotra works with Mary Ann Mitchell at a GEMS meeting.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

What is MS?

Multiple Sclerosis is a disease of the nerves, not of the muscles. Muscles atrophy from disuse due to an inability of the nerves to convey messages to the muscles and other organs.

Exercise

While there are many forms of exercise and physical therapy that can be adapted to the needs of individuals with MS, aquatics is often recommended because it provides optimal exercise conditions.

The buoyancy which water provides helps a person with MS gain greater range of motion as the effects of gravity are essentially eliminated.

Heat worsens MS symptoms for many people. Water helps to dissipate any body heat generated by exercise. Heat not only causes an increase in symptoms for many, but people with MS may have impaired heat-loss mechanisms.

An ideal water temperature of 80 to 84 degrees Fahrenheit is recommended.

Source: National Multiple Sclerosis Society

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Donations needed for letter carrier benefit

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

Area businesses wishing to donate merchandise and services to the Jerry Burkowski Benefit will be held Aug. 10 at Mr. B's Farm in Novi should call Donna Morgan at 349-9147.

Burkowski is a Nov letter carrier who has systemic melanoma. He and his wife Sue are residents of Novi.

The event will include a silent auction, raffle, 50-50 drawings and entertainment.

WHITEHALL HEALTH CENTER
The annual garage sale at Whitehall Health Center will be on Aug. 1 and 2 with donations to be brought in on July 28-31. The community is encouraged to stop by at the sale. Their donations will be accepted at this time also.

For additional information, contact Kathy Israel, activities director, at 349-2200.

The residents have created a vegetable garden of tomato, pepper, and cabbage plants in the patio area. The garden was raised to the level of residents in

wheelchairs, enabling them to help with the weeding. Visitors are encouraged to visit the garden area.

Assistant Fran Sino has created "Coffee Talk," a meeting with the residents enjoying coffee and conversation over the morning newspaper. Later in the day, you will find Sino with "You and Me" visiting residents who are unable to participate in the activities.

A new program, "Nail Care," which also includes nail polishing, is being conducted by teen-age volunteers.

Members of St. James Catholic Church will be serving refreshments in the courtyard on Thursday, July 31. Several junior high school students will be participating and earning community service hours at this event. Sunday, July 27, St. James will serve communion to the residents.

Recently, the Sweet Adelines group performed at Whitehall.

Other churches that visit the facility include Novi United Methodist Church and Hope Lutheran Church. The residents met the Rev. Louise R. Ott who

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begin her ministry this month at Novi United Methodist replacing the Rev. Chuck Jacobs. Hope Lutheran Church friends come, sing and socialize while playing Bingo. Refreshments are always provided.

NOVI LONESSES
The July meeting was a potluck picnic held at the home of Maggie Meeker. The membership was encouraged to bring in prospective members. In doing so, plans could be arranged for installation of new members in August. "Doc" Barr, past district governor, would act as the installing officer.

The next LonesSES meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 19, at King's Gardens. Any women in the area who are interested in joining the community-service group this

fall are cordially invited. Proceeds from fund raisers are used locally with contributions to the Novi Youth Assistance, Michigan Eye Bank, Leader Dog School, and Penitence Center. The club recently had the distinction of being the only Lions Club in the state named to the Michigan Eye Bank and Transplant Center Honor Roll of Contributors for 1996-97. Their contribution was over \$1,000.

The LonesSES will host the entertainment tent on Wednesday, July 23, at the Novi Expo Center. During the remainder of the week, Thursday through Sunday, they will join with the Lions in serving hot dogs, chips, etc. in the entertainment tent at Vic's Market. Senior D.J.'s and bands will provide entertainment.

The group had a successful

Euche Tournament in April with over 34 teams participating. They're looking forward to another tournament on Sept. 20, under the direction of Maggie Meeker.

Those who attended in April received prizes which included luxury coffee mugs and facials, golf outings, etc. They have started looking for new and different prizes for the September tournament.

Anyone wishing more information about the LonesSES can contact any of the members or call 348-9098.

NOVI YOUTH ASSISTANCE
Reports of the successful Youth Center, which was sponsored by Novi Youth this year, was heard at the last meeting. Patricia Doyle was director of this successful project.

The drop-in center for those going into the 6th grade in the fall is open from 12:30-6 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the Novi High School cafeteria. There is still time

for this age group to get involved in the many activities available at the center. "Drop-ins" will find movies, impromptu activities, video games (free play) and much more.

This week the youth visited the 52nd District Court and toured the Novi Police Department. Later in the week, the group went to the miniature golf/driving range at the Oasis. A future visit includes the monthly senior dance held at the Civic Center. Not only will the youth be assisting with the dance, but they will also be dancing with the seniors. A popular program, "Monster Mask," is presented by Jeff Ferrer. Several youth will be going to Rainbow Rascal Preschool to read to the youngsters.

The group is continuing their project of supplying clothing, from friends and neighbors, for Holy Family Clothes Closet and non-perishable foods for the Commu-

nity Center. The drop-in center for those going into the 6th grade in the fall is open from 12:30-6 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the Novi High School cafeteria. There is still time

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Social activities, support provide normalcy for GEMS

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scorer. "It's both. We understand people resisting all these things as long as they can but there comes a point when it becomes an independence thing."

Fatigue, balance, and eye and bladder problems are common for those suffering from MS. Fewer men than women are stricken with MS but their cases are more severe and men generally have a longer time accepting the disease. MS shortens life expectancy by about 10 years.

Genetics, sex, climate and race are also factors. In this country, about 350,000 people have MS, according to Doris.

"You try really hard to be normal because you don't feel normal," Doris said. "That's what's nice about the group. If you walk funny nobody cares. If you fall on your face, nobody cares. We've all done it. We're normal to one another."

GEMS members participate in both YMCA and Multiple Sclerosis Society fund-raisers, wearing T-shirts and sweatshirts bearing the group's logo which they designed themselves. Among the handicapped aids the fund-raising efforts have purchased for the YMCA are a lift for the pool, rails in the downstairs shower area and electric elevator doors.

"If I could accomplish two things it would be so nice to see this type of thing grow throughout the country," Doris said. "Also to let other people know that just because you have a disability - and this might mean you tomorrow - you're not any different."

In the beginning Doris handled all the meetings, brought the donuts, made the coffee, got the articles and the grants, and sent out the sympathy cards.

Now when Doris and Emerson go away they know the group can carry on.

"There is this cadre of people who handle all the assignments," Emerson said.

GEMS also has summer and Christmas parties, which include children and grandchildren. In June, 120 people attended a pizza party.

"It is important for children to know that mommy isn't the only one who walks a little funny," Emerson said.

Novi resident Mary Ann Mitchell,

61, joined GEMS three years ago.

"It is not a group that dwells on the problems," Mitchell said. "The people mentioning things that have happened to them it helps you."

Mitchell suspects her first episode with MS came in 1975 when she couldn't stand up. It wasn't until 1980 before she was diagnosed after her left arm became paralyzed.

Mitchell exercises daily using a combination of routines suggested by a physical therapist she has seen on her own and by physical therapist Fawan Galhotra, Galhotra and Pam Goveender, also a physical therapist, have been volunteering their time every Friday after the grant money ran out three years ago.

Because of the deaths two years ago of both her parents within nine months of each other, Susan Young, 50, has not been able to attend many meetings lately.

"Now that our life has settled down I'm thinking about going back," said Young, who was diagnosed with MS in 1987.

"It is good to talk to other people with MS," Young added. "It helps your spouse also to cope with some of the realities of it."

"I like to swim," added Young, who has lived in Novi with her husband Charles since 1972. "Swimming helps to keep you in good shape, stretch your muscles and work your cardiovascular system."

A member of GEMS for about year, Northville resident Dennis Ruff, 47, attends the support group meetings as often as he can with his wife Connie.

"The whole thing is a pretty good package," said Ruff, who was diagnosed in 1982.

"Everybody is going to have a bad day and complain, but when you clap it to your bosom and that's all you want to do is complain ... it's not our group. Our group is not that way," he said.

In the last few years, three MS-related groups have been established in Michigan. A new group has recently formed and is meeting at the Farmington Hills YMCA.

"MS used to drive me, now I'm the driver and MS is just the passenger," Doris said.

For more information about GEMS, call Doris Colling at 380-8523.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

A bloomin' success

The Country Garden Club of Northville's very successful Gardens of Northville Fourth Annual Garden Walk, which was held at Mill Race Village and a half a dozen gardens in

the area on July 16, attracted 750 visitors despite 95 degree temperatures. Many varieties of flowers and herbs were offered for sale at Mill Race Village.

On Campus

Novi residents ANYA GURSKI and MEGHAN PERRY recently graduated magna cum laude from Hope College.

They were awarded graduation honors for outstanding academic accomplishment during their four years of study.

Magna cum laude honors are awarded to graduates who achieved a minimum 3.6 grade point average.

JENNIFER R. KELLOGG and JENNIFER R. LUNDGREN of Novi graduated from Grand Valley State University.

Kellogg received a bachelor's degree in social work and Lundgren received a bachelor of arts degree.

ERIK KENFORD NELSON of Novi graduated from Purdue University last month. He received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering.

Renford also received academic

honors for maintaining a 3.5 or better grade point average for the spring '97 semester.

Also earning academic honors for spring semester at Purdue University was RYAN T. VAN POPERIN of Novi.

Van Poperin carried at least a 3.5 or better grade point average for the semester.

ELIZABETH NEWTON of Novi was selected to attend The National Young Leaders' Conference from July 13-23, in Washington, D.C.

The conference was a leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. Newton participated in a number of leadership skill-building activities.

Newton, a senior at Novi Senior High School, was among the 350

outstanding national scholars attending the conference from across the country.

ROOPAL VASHI, daughter of Ajit and Kamunadi Vashi of Novi, recently graduated from Northwestern University's College of Arts and Sciences with a bachelor of arts degree.

Vashi, a graduate of Northville High School, majored in biology and psychology, was on the Dean's List, and was a member of the Delta Key and Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Societies. Vashi served as a health aide, a resident assistant and dormitory vice president as well as a dormitory senator in the Associated Student Government. She was a dance choreographer for the Indian Students Association and participated in Dance Marathon. Northwestern's largest campus philanthropy.

Part-time students named to the Dean's List at the end of spring quarter at the Detroit College of Business are: DONNA ANN MEDVED and SHARON M. MOGAN, both Novi residents.

To receive recognition, students must achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average at the end of a quarter.

CHARLES DAVID HAWTHORNE of Novi, a full-time student at the Detroit College of Business, was also named to the Dean's List at the end of spring quarter.

Hawthorne achieved a 3.5 or better grade point average at the end of the quarter.

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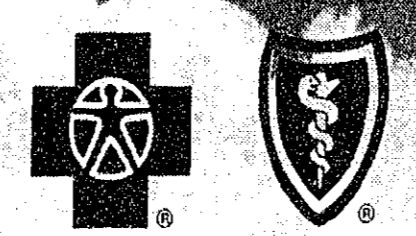
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Wedding



Kenneth and Jennifer Pittman

Jennifer Rebecca Kellogg and Kenneth Dale Pittman were married May 24, 1997, at Mill Race Village in Northville. The Rev. William Walder officiated at the double ring ceremony with the bride given in marriage by her parents. During the rituals, soloist and sister of the bride, Jessica Kellogg, sang "Our Testimony." The music and lyrics were written by the bride and groom. Following the ceremony, a reception for 110 guests was held at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

The bride is the daughter of Michael and Susan Kellogg of Novi. She graduated in April from Grand Valley State University, earning a degree in social work. She is currently employed by the Oakland County Childcare Council in Waterford, Mich.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was her sister, Jillian Skiver of Farmington Hills. Friends of the bride served as bridesmaids: Melissa Valentine of Southfield, and Jennifer Wong and Jennifer Koll, both of Grand Rapids. Sara Reynolds of Baitty, Colo., cousin of the bride, served as flower girl.

The over-the-shoulder bridal gown of ivory satin was designed with ruffled pink roses scattered around the bottom-edge of the gown and cascading down the attached train. The back design of the gown included a large rose-covered bow attached to the waistline.

The headpiece was a cluster of satin pink roses attached to an elbow length ivory tulle veil.

The bridal bouquet of ivory tulle consisted of white and blush roses, white glomielias, white freesia, and baby's breath.

The groom is the son of Ken and Jenny Pittman of Florence, S.C. He attended school in South Carolina and is presently employed at Ashor Drugs Warehouse in Novi.

Serving as best man was his father, Kenneth Pittman of Florence, S.C. Groomsmen were brother of the groom, Christopher Pittman of Florence; friends of the groom, Robert Hiltch, also of Florence, S.C., and John Polaski of Grand Rapids.

The couple took a wedding trip to Charleston, S.C., then on to Florence where an open house was held in their honor at the home of the groom's parents. They returned to Farmington Hills where they now reside.

Engagements



Kristy Heathcoat/William Kappler

Gene and Carol Heathcoat of Grapevine, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristy Michelle, to William Gordon Kappler Jr., the son of Bill and Paulette Kappler of Harbor Springs, Mich.

The bride-elect graduated from Novi High School in 1989, and Central Michigan University in 1994. She is employed with NCR Corp. in Dallas, Texas.

The groom-elect is a 1990 graduate of Harbor Springs High School. He also graduated from Central Michigan University in 1994, and is currently employed by Landry's Seafood Co. in Dallas, Texas.

An Oct. 4 wedding is planned.



Scott Pennebaker/Mary Marcus

Tom and Thelma Marcus of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Scott Pennebaker, the son of James and Connie Pennebaker of Milford.

The bride-elect is a 1988 graduate of Novi High School and a 1992 graduate of Central Michigan University with a degree in marketing. She is currently working for Kellogg U.S.A., which covers the southern portion of the state.

The groom-elect graduated from Milford in 1988, and also attended Central Michigan University. He is currently employed with Mastercraft Development in Milford.

The wedding date has been set for Oct. 4, 1997.

Church recognizes volunteers in youth, VBS programs

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resuming in the fall. Recently, the church family celebrated a volunteer recognition program, where volunteers working with children were recognized. This included Sunday School teachers and aides; nursery workers and substitutes; also VBS and both LOGOS; and Jr. LOGOS workers.

In addition, special thanks to Louise Cafella for assisting with the LOGOS program, Cathy Sheeran and Bev Donohue for the Jr. LOGOS program, and Sheila Henderson for her second year of teaching senior high. They all received a specially designed bookmark. In addition, a picket in the Tim Pope Memorial Playstructure was also dedicated to the volunteers.

For those interested in the LOGOS program - the starting date is Oct. 15 through April 29, tentatively scheduled time, 4:15-7 p.m. The program will also include a 6 p.m. dinner.

The currently-held 7 p.m. Faith's film series will continue through August. Discussion follows with interpretation of the film's Christian meaning and of its impact.

Upcoming films include: *The Days of Wine and Roses*, *Annie Hall*, and *Kramer Versus Kramer*. The program is free and the evening includes refreshments.

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

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THURSDAY
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Traveling show is coming

Guy Louis and The Chautauqua Express will be town hopping next weekend, with performances at the Novi Civic Center on Thursday, July 31, at 7 p.m. and at the Northville District Library on Friday, Aug. 1, at 2 p.m.

Specialists with stringed instruments such as the mandolin and several guitar varieties, Louis and The Chautauqua Express have been entertaining and interacting with families for 10 years at fairs, festivals, community events, schools and libraries.

The wireless sound system Louis uses allows him to impact the entire audience by extending the stage in every direction.

Some audience members are asked to come up on stage to play or sing while others will be dancing in the aisles.

Chautauqua Express takes its name from popular traveling shows called Chautauquas, which were set up under big tents at the turn of the century.

They offered all types of entertaining and educational performances throughout North America. At their peak of popularity in 1921, 40 million people attended the touring programs in 10,000 communities in the U.S. and Canada.

For additional information about the Aug. 1 concert at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady in Northville, call (248) 349-0203.

For more information about the July 31 performance, call the Novi Civic Center, located at 45175 West Ten Mile Road in Novi, at (248) 347-0400.



Guy Louis

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

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD: Auditions for Neil Simon's *Plaza Suite*, directed by Sandy Rosenberger, will be held on Sunday, July 27, from 5 to 8 p.m. and on Monday, July 28, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Water Tower Theatre, located on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 4100 West Seven Mile Road.

There are roles for seven men and five women in their 20s to late 50s.

Show dates are Sept. 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28 and Oct. 3 and 4.

For more information, call (248) 349-7110.

AUTHENTIC BRITISH BRASS BAND: The Motor City Brass Band is conducting interviews for percussion and BB flat tuba (treble clef) musicians.

Rehearsals are held on Mondays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. with engagements usually twice a month on weekends or in the evenings.

For more information or to schedule an audition, call founder John Aren at (313) 531-7389.

SPECIAL EVENTS

BARNES & NOBLE: Upcoming events include a book signing by Robert Davis, author of *The Phantom Murders*, at the store at Six Mile and Haggerty on Thursday, July 31, at 7 p.m.

A free seminar on "How to Find Employment and Always Have a Job in the 21st Century" by Larry Goldsmith is scheduled for Tuesday, July 29, at 7 p.m.

For more information, call (248) 348-0696.

BORDERS BOOKS: Upcoming events include a book drive in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Bram Stoker's *Dracula* to help the American Red Cross, from 9 to 9 p.m. on July 25 (call the store for an appointment); a viewing of *Rashomon* at 6:30 p.m. on July 24; Jean Agopian performs flamenco music at 7:30 p.m. on July 25; a benefit for Paws With A Cause July 25 with a demonstration 11:30 a.m. on July 26; Sue Burton-Hidalgo discusses past life regression at 2 p.m. on July 26; musician Gail DonAvon appears at 2 p.m. on July 29; Music Club reviews new releases at 8 p.m. on July 29; and Tiddler Time at 10 a.m. on July 30.

NOVI THEATRES: Performances for Novi Theatre's last production of the season, *The Storytellers*, are scheduled for Aug. 1 and 2 at 7:30 p.m. and Aug. 3 at 3 p.m.

The Storytellers is written by Brian Way and directed by Linda Wicket.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$7 for seniors and children under 12. Tickets will be discounted \$1 if purchased in advance.

Performances are held at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 West Ten Mile Road in Novi. For details call (248) 347-0400.

CLOCK CONCERTS: The next concert is scheduled for July 25. The Novi Concert Band will perform.

Concerts are held in the bandshell in downtown Northville from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

For more information, call the Northville Arts Commission at 449-9950.

SOUNDS OF SUMMER: There will be no concert this week because of the Michigan 50s Festi-

val.

Concerts are held on the north lawn of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road in Novi. For more information (248) 347-0400.

PERFORMER'S SHOWCASE: The public is invited to attend the Performer's Showcase performances 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 details, contact the arts council, 347-0400.

CARRIAGE RIDES: Northville Carriage Co. offers carriage rides throughout the year and packages for holidays and special occasions.

For more information or reservations, call Northville Carriage Co. at 380-3961.

THEATER

MARQUEE THEATRE: The musical *Little Red Riding Hood* opens at the Marquis on Aug. 5.

Performance dates and times are Tuesday through Friday at 10:30 a.m. on Aug. 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21 and 22; and Saturday and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. on Aug. 9, 16, 23 and Sept. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21.

Tickets are \$5.50.

No children under three and a half will be admitted.

The Marquee Theatre is located at 135 E. Main Street in downtown Northville.

For more information, call (248) 349-8110.

GENITTI'S HOLE-IN-THE-WALL: McBeBee family members from the east side have just been awarded the Proctologist Clearing House Sweepstakes grand prize and have decided to take a vacation, but no one knows where yet in the interactive dinner theater production of *Vacation: Impossible*.

Performances of *Vacation: Impossible* will be held on Friday and Saturday and occasionally during the week.

The interactive children's mini lunch show, *Genitti's Weird Science*, has performances on Saturdays at 11:30 a.m.

Genitti's is located at 108 E. Main Street in Northville.

For reservations, call (248) 349-0522. Reservations are required.

MUSIC

MR. B'S FARM: Tim Flaherty hosts an open blues jam every Tuesday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Nancy K provides the vocals for the classic and contemporary guitar jazz of the Tim Flaherty Trio every Sunday. Show times are 8 p.m. to midnight.

Mr. B's Farm is located at Novi Road north of Ten Mile.

For details, call 349-7038.

OXFORD INN: The Oxford Inn is located at 43317 Grand River in Novi.

For details, call (810) 305-5856.

COUNTRY EPICURE RESTAURANT: The restaurant offers two non-smoking dining rooms and a smoking dining/lounge area.

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

For details, call 349-7770.

LIBRARY SPORTS PUB AND GRILL: The Library Sports Pub and Grill is located at 42100 Grand River Avenue in Novi.

For details, call 349-9110.

BRADY'S FOOD & SPIRITS:

Live entertainment is offered from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and 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 in Farmington Hills.

For details, call (248) 478-7780.

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 (248) 624-9607.

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

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

SUNSET GRILL: Every Tuesday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. the Sunset Grill has an open blues jam. Rock 'n' roll is featured on Saturdays during the summer from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

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

For details, call (248) 624-8475.

ART

GATE VI GALLERY: Watercolors by Ellen J. Bibby will be an exhibit at the Gate VI Gallery through Aug. 14.

Month-long exhibits of local artists are held in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road in Novi. Viewing of the exhibits is possible during the hours the Civic Center is open.

Local artists interested in exhibiting at the Civic Center should call 347-0400.

ART SOURCE: Art Source, located at 126 Main Centre in Northville, features prints, museum reproductions, art posters, photographs, etchings, and custom framing. Business hours are Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and on Friday until 8 p.m. or by appointment.

For details, call 348-1213.

D&M ART STUDIO: D&M Art Studio features works of various artists in the gallery and cappuccino bar.

Artists interested in having their works displayed should call the gallery, located at 43450 Grand River in Novi. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

For details, call 380-7059.

DANCING EYE GALLERY: Dancing Eye Gallery is located at 150 N. Center Street, Suite A, behind Tuscan Cafe in Northville.

Gallery hours are Tuesday through Thursday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hours on Sunday and Monday are by appointment.

For details, call 449-7086.

ATRIUM GALLERY: Atrium Gallery is located at 109 N. Center in downtown Northville.

The featured artist is Charles Almon. His acrylics on canvas combine impressionist and contemporary characteristics. His largest painting, titled "The Town,"

is 60 inches by 60 inches in soft jewel tones.

Hours are Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.; Friday 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. and noon until 4 p.m. on Sunday.

For details, call 349-4131.

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

Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays, and by appointment.

Call (248) 474-8306 for details.

PAINTER'S PLACE: Owned by Caroline Dunphy, Painter's Place is located at 140 N. Center Street in downtown Northville.

Gallery hours are Tuesday through Thursday from noon until 4 p.m. or by appointment.

Call 349-9544 for details.

MUSEUMS

MOTORSPORTS: The Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame features 75 racing vehicles of all types, covering a 90-year time span. Highlights include a 1965 Novi Indy Special, 1903 Packard Grey Wolf, Art Arfons' first jet-powered "Green Monster," 1960 Miss U.S. unlimited hydroplane, racing motorcycles, Indy cars, stock cars, sports cars and drag racers.

The museum is located in the Novi Expo Center. Admission is \$4, \$2 for seniors and children. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

For details, call 349-RACE.

NEARBY

NATIVE WEST: The featured artist for July will be Carol Grigg, a renowned artist who draws inspiration for her paintings from eastern and primitive cultures and her own Native American heritage.

Native West is located at 863 West Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth.

For details, call (313) 455-8838.

GOLF CLASSIC: The 8th Annual City of Hope Golf Classic to benefit the research fellowship of former Novi resident Phoebe Yauck at the City of Hope National Medical Center and Beckman Research Institute will take place Friday, Aug. 1, at the Bay Pointe Golf Club, 4001 Haggerty Road in West Bloomfield.

There will also be contests, raffles and live and silent auctions.

For more information or to register, call (248) 737-3020.

A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC: The Highland Lakes Campus of Oakland Community College, 7350 Conley Lake Road in Waterford, is presenting the following concerts at 7:30 p.m. at The Pavilion on the campus front lawn: July 29, Jonathan Stars; Aug. 5, Blackthorn; and Aug. 12, Chautauqua Express.

For details, call (248) 360-3186.

TENT PARTY/FUND-RAISER: Al's Copper Mug and the Oakland County Food Bank will host a Tent Party and Fund-raiser on Sunday, Aug. 3, from 2 to 10 p.m., featuring the blues of the Bugs Beddow Band. There will be a 50/50 raffle drawing. A donation of \$1 is requested as well as a donation of a canned food item for the food bank.

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Carl Sagan makes contact with theaters

By Amanda Cuda
SPECIAL WRITER



Elle Arroyo (Jodie Foster) listens for signals from outer space in Warner Bros. 'Contact', based on the best-selling novel by Carl Sagan.

'Hercules' muscled his way into Disney history

Hercules
By HEATHER WADOWSKI
NORTHVILLE

Walt Disney's newest animated classic, "Hercules," is finally in theaters after months of promotion, and the question everyone is asking is, "Does Hercules have the power to be ranked among Disney's brightest and best?"

Sure, Hercules ranks higher than Disney's last two theater-animated classics, "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" and "Pocahontas," but it still can't compare to "The Lion King," "Beauty and the Beast," or "The Little Mermaid."

And while the movie is okay, the score can't compete with last year's "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," which in my opinion was one of Walt Disney's greatest soundtracks ever made.

The question I want answered is, "When will Disney sell out a movie again?" I remember still not being able to get tickets to see "The Lion King" in its third week of release. Now, I saw "Hercules" opening day and the theater wasn't even half-filled. So much for that "Disney Magic," huh?

while searching that heaven — a message that doesn't sound quite human. When the correspondence appears to be coming from the distant star Vega, Elle knows she has happened on something that could change the world as we know it.

Soon, Elle's discovery launches a worldwide initiative to decode the message and determine the alien's intentions. Are alien life forms trying to make contact with earth? Are they friendly? Or does the message spell certain doom for the earth and its citizens?

As scientists, government leaders, and the public at large formulate wildly different theories about the message, Elle finds herself in the middle of an escalating controversy.

The only person she can trust is her faith and persistence pay off when one day she hears a message.

respected spiritual scholar and top-level government adviser Palmer Joss (Matthew McConaughey), who has followed Elle's career and admires her instinct and drive. He is also the only one who shares Elle's reverence for the message.

Together, they struggle to reconcile the conflicting principles of science and faith as the millennium approaches and Elle prepares to explore the secrets of the extraterrestrial message. Will she, in fact, be the first human being to make contact with another world?

Adapted from the Carl Sagan novel by Michael Goldenberg, "Contact" boasts an intriguing premise and a powerhouse ensemble cast. In addition to the immensely talented Foster and up-and-coming McConaughey, the movie features the considerable talents of Academy Award-nominated performers James Woods, John Hurt and Angela Bassett, as well as veteran

character actors such as William Baltzell, David Morse, Rob Lowe and Tom Skerritt.

In addition to the incredible amount of on-screen talent, "Contact" features a major talent behind the camera. Director Robert Zemeckis has helmed some of the most innovative and successful projects of recent years. His films include the blockbuster "Back to the Future" trilogy, the acclaimed "Who Framed Roger Rabbit," which set new standards for combining animation with live action, and the box-office smash "Forrest Gump," for which Zemeckis earned a Best Director Oscar. Like his other projects, "Contact" is sure to be a true original, combining special effects with heart and intelligence.

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As for Disney's latest effort, "Hercules" is a guy-bashing, adventure, comedy, musical romance movie with something in it for everyone ages one to one hundred, which is one of the great things about Disney cartoons. When else do you see children, teenagers, adults and seniors all flocking to see a cartoon?

The answer is never.

"Hercules" earns four and one-half stars out of five. It's funny at times, entertaining, and definitely another Walt Disney classic.

Unfortunately for "Hercules," it's not another Walt Disney masterpiece.

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Katie Copp is playing Junior Olympic basketball.

Hoop Dreamin'

Copp, Sullivan make Junior Olympic squad

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

A pair of Novi High basketball players are gaining invaluable hoops experience this summer.

Kristen Sullivan and Katie Copp are playing with the Michigan Junior Olympic team, which will compete in a national tournament in early August.

"I think it will be great experience," said Sullivan. "It's a higher level of play. Everyone that plays is really dedicated."

"It's been a lot of hard work," she commented. "Three-hour practices are tough."

The duo tried out for the team in early May. Sullivan was about 30 girls from all over the state competed for 15 roster spots.

"All the competition was good," she said, "but there were not a lot of girls."

Players had to have played AAU basketball last winter in order to be eligible for the Junior Olympic team. Sullivan and Copp, who'll be 16 and 17 seniors this fall, played for Michigan Motion over the winter.

"I had a better AAU season than high school season," Sullivan said. "My shot seemed to fall a lot more."

Since tryouts, the team has been practicing about once a week. The Junior Olympic squad's first games came against several top-notch AAU teams.

Copp said her team won those games. She said the Olympic squad plays a quicker style than most.

"This team likes to run the floor," Copp said. "I like the up-tempo game."

The Michigan squad will play in an AAU tournament this weekend in Ohio in preparation for nationals.

Sullivan said the team needs all the experience it can get before the big tournament, which will be held in North Carolina. Players, she said, aren't familiar with each other's styles on the court just yet.

"If I didn't have Katie there it would be really awkward," Sullivan of the Junior Olympic squad.

Neither player was sure of how much action they'd see down in Charlotte. Copp thinks she's most likely to be a role player.

"I don't mind coming off the bench," she said, "as long as I get to play."

Whether or not both play big minutes, they said the experience of playing for the Junior Olympic team will help them this fall in playing for North High.

"I expect us to be pretty good," Sullivan said.

Hodges crushes PEG in rec game

Here's a rundown of Novi Parks and Recreation softball game scores from July 14-20 on July 7-13:

MONDAY, JULY 14

In Division I action, Benny's Star Clipper beat Cadillac Cafe 22-16. Novi Bowl beat Benny's Pizza 26-6. Novi Merchants tied Sheehan's at 17 and Mr. B's beat SS Softball 9-8.

Sports Library edged DRI 14-13 in a Division II game. WISNE trounced Henkel 12-2. Pioneer blasted C & A 24-7 and Library Sports Pub crushed Lakes Baptist 16-3.

In Resident League games, Hodges beat PEG 27-2. PEG bounced back to stop IST 17-13. Gatsby's beat Brasscraft 14-2 and JCK smoked Novi Fire 13-6.

TUESDAY, JULY 15

In Division II, DIA Tool beat Library Sports Bar 6-4. Lou LaRiche defeated Matt Brady's 16-8 and Library Sports Pub beat NAC 21-12.

Mr. B's/TSC beat GB Sales 15-7 in a Division III game. Dunbarton Pines took care of Hackers 21-8. Library Sports Pub beat Reliable 19-17 and WISNE defeated the No Stars 25-7.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

Boulder beat Pritchard 15-12 in Division I. Kickers beat Library Sports Pub 12-7. Landing Strip beat Bosco's 10-9 and Mr. B's beat Pullie 26-14.

In Division II, Team No. 6 beat Library Pub 13-7. Kitchen Savers blanked High Sticking 14-0. Rocky's rocked Green Machine

12-3 and Graco beat Cooper 19-13.

THURSDAY, JULY 17

South Lyon Hotel beat Country Epicure 15-8 in Division I action. Wolverine beat Novi Industries 15-10 and CMC Telecom beat Finesse 6-7.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

Dye Harls beat McDowell 17-4. Kosch's edged Copper Mag 15-11. Victor Associates beat Hennessy's 15-2 and Library Pub beat TPS 17-14. All were co-ed Division I games.

In Division II, VIP Carpet beat Marker Metal 12-10. Rashid beat Presby's 8-7 and Drillers defeated Tylpogon 7-4. Division III winners were Frigates, NA Mans, Cottage Inn and Crosswinds.

SUNDAY, JULY 20

In Division II, Library Pub (2), Conceptual, Eaton, Stricker and Hungry Howies all won. Division III winners were Helinomen and Library Pub.

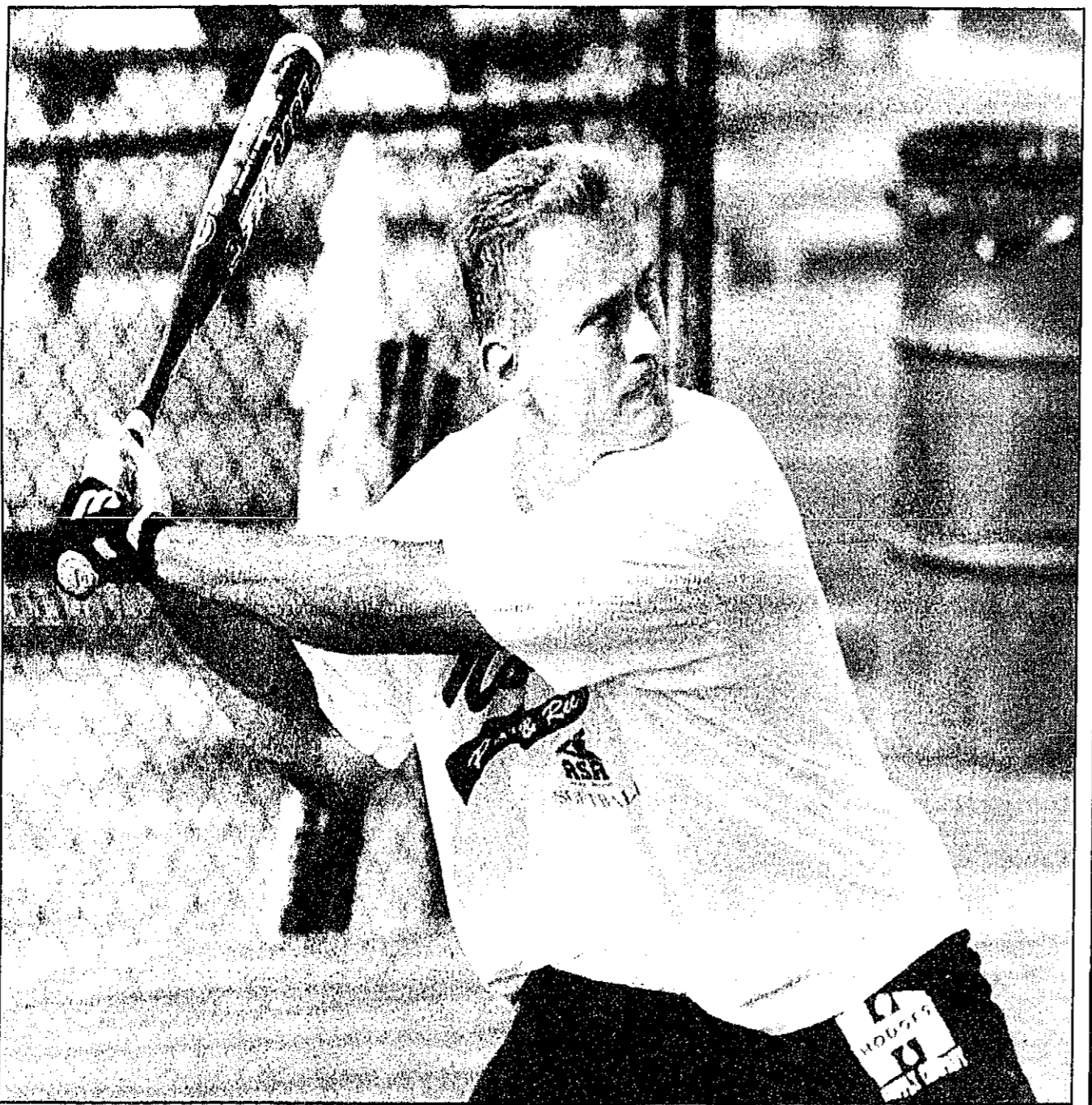
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Cadillac Cafe beat SS Softball 25-18 in Division I action. Novi Bowl beat Benny's Star Clipper 13-2.

In Division II, DRI defeated Kenkel 16-14. Library Sports Pub crushed Pioneer 22-4. Wise beat C & A 13-5 and Sports Library beat Lakes Baptist 19-5.

Resident League leader Hodges beat Novi Fire 19-12. PEG beat Brasscraft 12-10. IST nipped JCK

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Ken Blanchard of Hodges smashes a three-run homer in Hodges 27-2 victory over PEG on July 14.

Local runner defends title

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

With prize money available for the first time, this year's 14th Annual Road Runner Classic in Northville promises to be more competitive than ever.

But don't be surprised if Novi resident Paul Aufderberge defends his title as the open champion. That's because the eight kilometer race is ideally suited to Michigan's runner of the year.

"I think 8K is right in the range where I run well," he said. "I'm expecting very good competition this year, especially with the money being offered."

Aufderberge was named Michigan Runner & Fitness Sports magazine's runner of the year for 1997. He earned that honor by achieving incredible consistency in his performances involving state races.

The 32-year-old won four races, including three five-kilometer runs and one 10-kilometer run. Aufderberge was also fourth in the Detroit Free Press/Mazda Marathon and eighth in the Old Kent River Bank 25K race.



Paul Aufderberge will defend his Road Runner Classic title Saturday. The race will cover eight kilometers.

"I like 5K up to half marathons," he commented.

Not bad for a guy who didn't even start running competitively until his senior year of high school.

Aufderberge went to Harper Woods Lutheran and played varsity sports until discovering cross country and track his senior year. He developed rapidly as a runner and was named All-American during his college days at Hillsdale.

Flying High

Novi Heat earn AABC playoff bid

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

For the second straight season, the Novi Heat has made the AABC playoffs.

The squad of 13-year-olds will play in the North Oakland District in Rochester starting today.

Coach Dave Ray said it's a long shot for Novi to survive the tournament, but the team should be competitive.

"We're going there with the idea of doing the best we can," Ray said. "We're in the 13-14-year-old division. Most teams we'll play will be predominately 14-year-olds."

Novi qualified for the American Amateur Baseball Congress playoffs by winning its division in the Washtenaw Amateur Baseball Association.

"The playoff bid is a reward for our season, and being 19-2," Ray said.

Whatever Novi accomplishes this year in the playoffs will be "icing on the cake," according to Ray.

"The idea is to get in there and get the experience," he added.

The road to the playoffs has been a long one for the Heat.

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DAVE RAY
Novi Heat coach

spring, the Heat was already a well-polished machine.

"We stressed fundamentals," Ray said of the early workouts. "A lot of coaches have commented about how fundamentally sound we are."

Novi tuned up for the playoffs by winning the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League tournament two weeks ago.

A total of eight metropolitan teams participated in the tournament. The Heat opened with a 14-2 win over the Canton Canons.

Catcher Jake Ray provided the offense with several extra base hits. Eric Zorza controlled the game from the mound.

In game two, Novi beat North Farmington/West Bloomfield 20-2 in five innings. Andrew Herpich led the offense with several hits while Tim Moore played sparkling defense at first base.

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Squads Illustrated



Novi Nemesis

Novi Youth Baseball's 12-year-old travel team, Novi Nemesis, clinched a district playoff bid recently with a win over Chelsea. The team is coached by John Ferris, coached by Al Davarskas.

Team members include: Evan Davarskas, George Boneri, Grant Cabert, Tim Gregory, Nick Manella, Matt Niehaus, Jared Ferris, Doug Ray, Ben Sherman, David Slutzerman, Dan Wainright, Kyle Wade, David Kimball and Matt Kolich.



WSSL Soccer

Novi II recently completed a successful spring season in the WSSL girls under nine-year-old division. The squad compiled a 6-2 record.

Team members included (front row, left to right) Kelly Lockman, Sarah Carr, Kaitlyn Gardner, Amanda Diacone; (second row, left to right) Kristine Chalko, Katrina Rydzewski, Megan Stee, Mary Rudzinski, Elaine Rech; (back row, left to right) John Rydzewski (assistant coach), Joe Rudzinski (head coach).

Missing from the photo are Erin Calvert, Kristen Ehelalt, Jessica Reuter, Dave Stee (assistant coach).

Hodges whips PEG 27-2

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14-13 and Gatsby's beat Novi Fire 16-8.

TUESDAY, JULY 8
In Division II games, NAC and Lou LaRiche tied 8-8. DIA Tool beat Library Pub 18-8 and Library Sports Pub defeated Matt Brady's 23-9.

Two games were played in Division III. Mr. B's No Stars beat GB Sales 15-4 while Dunbarton Pines and Mr. B's TSC tied 14-14.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

Pulle beat the Landing Strip 16-15 in Division I. Library Pub beat Boulder 20-12. Mr. B's/McNish beat Kickers 22-10 and Pritchard beat Bosco's 11-11.

In Division II, Team No. 6 beat High Sticking 15-14. Green

Machine beat GRACO 9-7. Library Pub beat Rocky's 25-16 and Cooper beat Kitchen Savers 15-14.

THURSDAY, JULY 10
CMC Telecom crushed Finesse 14-2 in Division I play. Country Epicure beat Finesse 24-5. Telecom beat Novi Industries 11-5 and Wolverine took care of Telecom 16-4.

Division II leader DOC beat Starling Gate 8-5 while Piedmont beat Choo Choo Exp. 9-5. Team No. 3 beat Brock's Bombers 14-7 and Rocky's beat JCK 9-8.

FRIDAY, JULY 11

Kosch's beat McDowell 13-0 in co-ed Division I. Dye Harls beat Library Pub 13-8. TPS beat Victor Associates 14-13 and Copper Mug beat Hennessy's Pub 14-12.

In the co-ed Gold Division, Cottage Inn beat MDI 13-8. Frigates beat Crosswinds 16-13. Mr. B's beat Crosswinds 14-2 and Frigates beat NA Mans 11-1.

In the co-ed Blue Division, VIP tried Trimount 7-7. Marker Metal forfeited to Trimount. Rashid's beat the Drillers 17-4 and Presby's beat Marker Metal on a forfeit.

SUNDAY, JULY 13

In Division II action, Library Ford forfeited to Stricker Paint. Library Sports Pub beat Eric's Auto 14-3. Eaton defeated Conceptual 20-8 and Hungry Howies forfeited to Stricker Paint.

Division III winners were Library Pub (2), Motion Control and Papa Romano's.

Aufderberge defends title

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He has continued to compete ever since. Aufderberge still routinely puts in 90 to 100 miles each week to stay in peak condition.

"It's hard work, but it's a lot of fun," he said of the sport. "I've found that the rewards make it all worth it."

Aufderberge doesn't plan on hanging up his running shoes any time soon, either. He said he'll start doing more marathons over

the next few years.

"My goal is to run a sub-2:20 marathon," Paul said.

The Novi resident has a pretty good mentor to help him reach that goal — Doug Kurch, the world's record holder for most marathons under 2 hours and 20 minutes.

"If I can stick with Doug," Aufderberge said, "I'll be all right."

For now, he's just planning on

enjoying Saturday's Road Runner Classic.

"It's gotten better over the years since it moved to Northville," Aufderberge said. "It's a more scenic and challenging course."

He won the 8K race by a mere second last year. It won't be easy to win this time around, either.

"It's a pretty challenging course," Aufderberge said. "But there are no killer hills."

Hershey championships held

The Novi Hershey Track and Field Championships were recently held. Here's a listing of winners in each age group:

BOYS 13-14

Justin Stenert won the standing long jump at 8 feet 1-inch. Dan Stevens took first in the softball throw with a toss of 135 feet.

Tim Moore won the 1,600-meter race in 5:30 while Stevens was first in the 800-meter in 2:41. Stenert took first in the 200-meter (27.91) and 100-meter (13.87).

GIRLS 13-14

Michelle Rzepka was first in three events. She won the stand-

ing long jump (8-2), 200-meter dash (29.28) and 100-meter (13.68).

BOYS AGES 11-12

Matt Nickels won the standing long jump (6-8) while Scott Schwarlosek was first in the softball throw (115-5 feet) and the 800-meter dash (3:16). Nickels won the 400-meter dash (1:09.13) and 100-meter dash (14.72).

GIRLS AGES 11-12

In the standing long jump, Meghan Garrity was first (6-6). Stephanie Wainright was first in the softball throw (78-4) and the 200-meter dash (09.16). Meghan

Garrity won the 100-meter dash (16.19).

BOYS AGES 9-10

Eric Zhao won; the standing long jump (6-2), Brett Schwarzlosek was first in the softball throw (74-foot) and Mark Moore won the 400-meter (1:23.09). Zhao won the 100-meter (16.44) and Derek McClelland placed first in the 50-meter dash (8.53).

GIRLS AGES 9-10

Ashley Lapienia won the standing long jump (4-6). Krista Avanti was first in the softball throw (56-foot), 100-meter dash (18.94) and the 50-meter dash (9.66).

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Key component in managed care system is primary care physician

A key component in any managed care system is the primary care physician.

Primary care physicians include family medicine practitioners, general internists and pediatricians, and some plans may include obstetricians and gynecologists. These physicians play an important role in coordinating patient care and directing patients to various other providers and health care settings.

One of the major roles of the primary care physician is to assist his or her patients in accessing preventative care health care education services. In a managed care setting, such as an HMO, the broad range of services mentioned above starts with information and services to keep patients healthy.

Preventative services can range from childhood immunizations to classes on healthy diets, smoking cessation and even education on chronic disease management. The primary care physician can deliver this information or service directly or guide the patient to a network of services designed specifically to educate patients on these preventative issues.

Another major role of this physician is directing access to specialty services. Patients or members of a managed care plan should visit their primary care physician for all their health care needs. The physician will direct the patient to a specialist if needed.

In most managed care plans, financial

arrangements have been made with high quality, in-network specialty providers. The primary care physician knows the in-network specialists and can guide members to these physicians. This saves both the member and the plan money while accessing high quality specialty care.

Since the primary care physician controls the access to higher levels of specialty care, the specialist has a responsibility to report their findings back to the primary care physician - the primary medical source of the patient's overall health care information.

In a non-managed care system, patients often access specialty care physicians on their own and often these specialists treat their specific body part without considering other key areas. Primary care physicians take in all specialty information and make sure these services meet the overall capabilities and total health needs of the patient. Coordination of medications and therapies is an essential part of the primary care physician's job.

In the past, primary care physicians were often called "gatekeepers," in reference to past notions that they withheld care. Today, these key physicians are called "personal care physicians" to reflect the personal care and attention they give their patients.

Knowledge and access to preventive services, directing access to specialty providers and


becoming the single and total source of health care information on their patients have made the primary care physician the key to a successful managed care experience.

Botsford General Hospital has more than 200 primary care physicians practicing throughout the tri-county area. In an effort to make services easier for patients to access, several Botsford practices have a combination of primary care and specialty physicians practicing within a single office - a trend for many physicians' offices.

It is highly recommended that patients in a managed care plan see their primary care physician soon after joining their managed care plan, even if they are healthy. It is essential to start building a relationship with your primary care physician so that they can assess overall health needs.

The "well-patient visits" should be the start of a long and successful relationship with a personal care physician.

Ron Szumski is the contract administration director at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills. If you would like the name of a primary care physician or specialist, call Botsford (248) 442-7900.



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Health Column

Polar bear liver causes vitamin A poisoning

As a light hearted aside, I have listed below some of the most bizarre and interesting facts I have learned as a physician.



Raymond Hobbs

nesia may cause hypoglycemia (low blood sugar).

- The anticoagulant warfarin was discovered

when it was found to be the cause of cattle bleeding after eating spoiled sweet clover.

- The drug digitalis was discovered by William Withering in 1785. He bought the secret for curing "dropsy" from a "witch." The drug is the leaf of the foxglove plant.

- Kuru, a cause of dementia in the Fore tribe of New Guinea, is caused by a slow virus transmitted during cannibalizing infected people.

- The scorpions around Trinidad can cause pancreatitis (inflammation of the pancreas).

- One of the first associations between cancer and the environment was noted in chimney sweeps in England who were found to have a higher incidence of cancer of the scrotum.

- The most toxic plant in North America is the mushroom amanita phalloides. It is called the death cap. Even small amounts can destroy the liver.

- Scurvy, once the scourge of sailors, and caused by vitamin C deficiency, occurs in very

few animals. Only humans, monkeys and guinea pigs need vitamin C. Other animals make their own using a liver enzyme which people lack.

- The name syphilis comes from a 16th century poem by Fracastoruss. It is about the mythical shepherd, Syphilis, who had the disease.

- The only disease in the top 10 leading causes of death 100 years ago that remains in the top 10 today is pneumonia.

- Two-thirds of all the people who ever lived past the age of 65 since the dawn of recorded history were alive in 1993.

Dr. Raymond Hobbs is an internist at the University of Michigan Livonia Internal Medicine Center. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (313) 266-9419.

Health Notes

Childbirth Education

A six-week series designed to prepare the pregnant woman and her support person for the birth experience is being offered at Providence Medical Centers throughout Oakland and Wayne counties. A tour of the birthing area is included. Childbirth refresher and Caesarean birth classes are also offered.

Cost: \$65. For more information or to register, call 1-800-968-5595.

Immunizations

The Oakland County Health Division will be offering an immunization clinic for Farmington and surrounding areas at the Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt Road, south of Eight Mile Road, on Wednesday, Aug. 13, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Immunizations for measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough Haemophilus influenza Type B (HIB) and Hepatitis B will be available.

A parent or legal guardian must accompany a child under 18 years of age. Bring any previous records of immunizations, including notices which might have been sent home from the child's school pertaining to immunizations.

Immunizations will be given at the same time and location on the second Wednesday of every month.

Learn to lose weight, begin burning off body fat, replace will power with new habits, use calorie free stress reducers, and learn to cook lower calorie foods on a budget. The Oakland County Health Division is offering a weight reduction class at the West Office, Health Division classroom, 1010 E. West Maple Road, Walled Lake.

The class will meet five consecutive Tuesdays, Aug. 26, Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. You must preregister by calling (248) 645-1150 extension 85136. Class size is limited so call today for this free class, and register before Aug. 22.

Speech Program

The Speech Pathology Department at St. Mary Hospital is offering a Summer Speech Program for children who could benefit from continuous speech and language services. The program which includes two, 30-minute small group sessions a week, began in mid June and will run through Aug. 22.

The Summer Speech Program is developed and run by speech language pathologists certified by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association who have received training in the treatment of childhood and adult communication disorders. Participation is open to children

with all types of communication problems such as language development, articulation, stuttering/fluency and other voice disorders.

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Providence Hospital and Medical Centers is offering a series of community health programs and support groups in the area. To register for classes, call 1-800-968-5595.

Let's Look at Cholesterol

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Immunization Clinic

Children up to age 19 can receive all necessary immunizations with the exception of the varicella vaccine (chickenpox). Please bring immunization record to clinic.

July 26, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Providence Medical Center-Farmington Hills, 30055 Northwestern Highway. There is a \$5 facility fee. Call (248) 865-4000 to register.

CPR - Recertification

This course is designed for health care professionals who hold a current health care provider card issued by the American Heart Association or The American Red Cross. Adult, child, and infant CPR and choking rescue techniques are covered.

The program will be held on Aug. 12, from 8-11 a.m. at Providence Hospital-Southfield, \$25. Call 1-800-968-5595 to register.

Heartsaver/Basic Life Support

Basic knowledge of heart and lungs, signs and symptoms of a heart attack and stroke, adult CPR, and choking rescue skills will be taught. Please note, this course does not meet requirements for day care providers. Must be 14 years or older.

- Location No. 1: Providence Medical Center-Farmington Hills. Date: Aug. 13.

- Location No. 3: Providence Medical Center-Providence Park, Novi. Date: July 28, Aug. 25.

- Location No. 4: Providence Medical Center-

South Lyon. Date: Aug. 6.

- Location No. 5: Providence Hospital-Southfield. Date: Aug. 5.

Time: 6-9 p.m. Cost: \$20. To register call 1-800-968-5595.

Diabetes Education

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Infant/Pediatric CPR

Basic knowledge of the heart and lungs, household safety tips, CPR, and choking rescue skills for infants and children will be taught. This course includes lecture, demonstration, mannequin practice and video review. Must be 14 years or older.

- Location No. 1: Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi, Aug. 11.

- Location No. 2: Mission Health Medical Center-Livonia. Aug. 21.

- Location No. 3: Providence Medical Center-Farmington Hills. July 30, Aug. 27.

- Location No. 5: Providence Hospital-Southfield. Aug. 19.

Time: From 6-9 p.m. Cost: \$20. To register, call 1-800-689-5595.

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Basic knowledge of heart and lungs, signs and symptoms of a heart attack and stroke, adult CPR, and choking rescue skills will be taught. This course does not meet requirements for day care providers. Must be 14 years or older.

Date: July 28, Aug. 25. Time: 6-9 p.m. Location: Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi. Cost: \$20.

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