

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Mother Marie Gaab, and other moms of FEMALE, like White Rabbit Toys because it provides their kids with wholesome, educational toys. Joshua Gaab, 2, likes it because you can play with the toys before mom buys them.

Local moms honor toy outlet

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

It's much easier to shop when your stroller actually fits down an aisle or you know a changing table for your little one is close by.

Hoping to encourage more businesses to recognize the needs of families and praise those who already do, Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge of Novi hands out a Family Friendly Business Award each year since 1994.

First it was Paristan, next it was Target. This year, the winner is White Rabbit Toys in the Novi Town Center.

"FEMALE believes that family friendly policies not only help parents on their job of raising children but also help businesses be more competitive," explained South Lyon

resident Marie Gaab, a chapter member.

White Rabbit Toys, a children's store focused on providing educational toys for kids, received the nomination for several reasons, Gaab said. The store provides a clean bathroom with built-in changing table, a chair for nursing moms, large aisles for strollers and toy displays children can test out before parents buy.

"On my first visit to this store last month I was able to browse through their huge selection of stickers, puzzles and most of the store while having a clear view of (my son) at the train table," Gaab said in her nominating letter.

Not only does FEMALE take into account the store environment, but the store policies.

The store offers flexible schedul-

ing so employees can get kids off to school in the morning and be home for them after school lets out. Employees with sick children are given the flexibility to deal with the inconvenience and parents can bring children to work on snow days, half days and vacation days.

"We understand your family comes first. We understand what's really important," said Joie Mellos, general manager of the stores in both Novi and Ann Arbor.

"I like to have all the employees work together more so as a family and when we do that I think it projects to our customers," she explained.

Gaab said that with 68 percent of American households made of families with children, the positive changes in the way business does business makes a big difference for

both workers and customers.

It's becoming increasingly important, she said. Just look at the statistics.

The U.S. Department of Labor estimates by the end of the century two-thirds of new workers will be women, 75 percent of which will become pregnant during their working years.

In addition, the number of female workers in America with young children increased to 52 percent in 1997 from 11 percent in 1960.

"One of the goals of (FEMALE) is to legitimize the status of the family and the role of the care giver and to educate and motivate business and government to meet the needs of the family," Gaab said.

Needy students get special back to school shopping

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

It's back to school time and for many area kids, the event will be heralded by the donning of new clothes.

But not everybody's parents can afford to rack up those credit card bills. That's where several stores and a fast-food restaurant are stepping in to pick up the tab for a catered shopping spree - and backpacks full of goodies - for 20 youngsters.

Saturday, at 7:30 a.m. they'll have about \$150 to \$200 each to use to buy new school clothes at Mervyn's in Novi Town Center.

"The Mervyn's out here is awesome," said Novi Youth Assistance Director Claudia Walter.

The children come from financially disadvantaged backgrounds and were selected by Novi Youth Assistance and its counterparts in three other communities. Eight of the kids are Novi residents, five are from Walled Lake, three from South Lyon and four from Farmington.

For the clothes, Mervyn's is matching donations from each of the cities.

Shopping before the store is actually open can work up a bit of an appetite. That's why the McDonald's at Twelve Oaks Mall is serving a McBreakfast for the kids, who range in age from 6 to 17.

New donations kept coming in this week, Walter said.

The Target Store in Livonia is giving each student a backpack full of school supplies; while The Target Store in Commerce Township is providing calculators.

"They're going to get some really neat stuff. They'll each have a lot in their backpacks."

Claudia Walter
Novi Youth Assistance Director

In Farmington Hills, Beds, Baths and Beyond came up with cash for toys, Bill Reilly's State Farm Insurance is sending markers and candy, while Staples in that city is providing scissors for each kid. Staples in Commerce Township is sending over pens, pencils and markers.

"They're going to get some really neat stuff. They'll each have a lot in their backpacks," Walter said.

The parents will drop the shoppers off at the store, where they will be met by volunteers from the communities and from Mervyn's, who will help them shop.

"They can get underwear, pants, shoes, clothes for school, not radios and things," Walter explained.

While Walter is in her second week at the Novi job, she's no newcomer to the area. She grew up here.

Earlier, she arranged a similar project with a Mervyn's store in Madison Heights.

"It's a great project, everyone's been so supportive, it's been amazing," she added.

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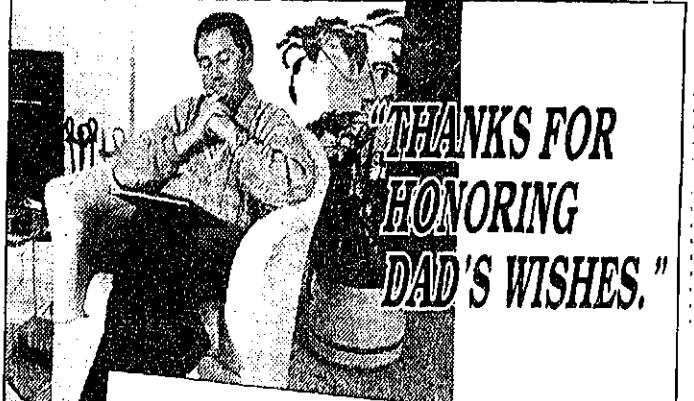
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If your car is burning out of control, get away from the vehicle because of the threat of explosion from the gas tank. However, if you have a fire extinguisher handy in the car, you might want to nip a small smoking fire under the hood in the bud before it reaches the flash point. When you purchase an extinguisher for your car, be sure it is rated for the common type of auto fires. MARTY FELDMAN CHEVROLET wants you to be safe - we like our customers, and we want to keep them coming back! For Chevrolet and Geo sales/leasing, pre-owned sales, and satisfaction guaranteed service, call us at 348-7000. We're located at 42355 Grand River, Novi. Scheduling service? Ask about extended hours & free shuttle service.

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REAL ESTATE WEEKLY

By John DiMora



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Whether it consists of several pages of big type or a few of fine print, a real estate purchase agreement is a serious document. In most areas, there are "boiler plate" forms that spell out what each party agrees to do by certain dates and what happens if either side breaks the contract.

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Man does not go easy with police

Police News

A 36-year-old Walled Lake man was arrested kicking and screaming by police officers July 29 after he was pulled over for having a cracked windshield.

According to the report, the man was pulled over about 4:30 p.m. on Ten Mile Road near LeBoist in his 1984 Fifth Avenue.

Police said he began to swear and yell at the two officers who asked him repeatedly to calm down. He could not provide proof of insurance so the officers planned to cite him for defective equipment and no proof of insurance.

The man refused to take the ticket, threw it in his car and began to walk away. After officers asked him to stop, he went back and threw the ticket on the ground. That's littering, another ticket, the officers told him.

"It wasn't fair, you are out to get me," he reportedly said, becoming belligerent. Officers were forced to arrest the man who resisted and continued to scream and swear. He kicked and screamed while trying to escape the police patrol car, according to the report.

DRUNK DRIVING

A 43-year-old Ferndale woman was rushed to Providence Hospital after police arrested her for drunk driving and discovered she had a 0.13 blood alcohol level, four times

the legal limit.

Police were called to the scene of a car accident July 30 about 10 a.m. by a 65-year-old Walled Lake man whose car was hit by the woman as she cut him off near Tollgate Farms on Meadowbrook Road.

There were no injuries.

Police spoke to the woman appeared to be disoriented and intoxicated. She did not recall the accident and said she was just trying to find her way to Orchard Lake Road to go to work.

Officers said she failed sobriety tests and refused a breath test until she was taken to the station. When police discovered her high blood alcohol content, emergency medical services were called to transport her to the hospital.

DRUNK DRIVING, TOO

Police arrested a 28-year-old Manassett driver for drunk driving and cited his 40-year-old passenger from Salline for having an open beer in the car July 28.

According to the report, a patrol officer spotted the man's car as it entered the I-96 freeway about 10

p.m. and saw the car swerve onto the shoulder and drift across lanes on the road.

The officer activated lights and sirens to pull the car over and noted that the two passengers appeared to be trying to hide something in the car before the driver pulled over to the shoulder.

The officer said driver appeared drunk and failed sobriety tests. He said he had several beers.

The male passenger gave police a cold, opened can of Busch beer that was under the seat.

LAPTOP TAKEN

A Farmington man told police the window of his 1995 Honda was broken out and his laptop computer and suit case were taken from the car parked along Orchard Hill Road July 29 about 12 p.m.

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SMALL FIGHT

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STUNT ARTIST

A 20-year-old Novi man was stopped and cited for popping a "wheely" on his motorcycle on Ten Mile Road July 28, police said.

According to the report, the man did not have a license for the motorcycle and was cited for careless driving.

CREDIT CARD FRAUD

Novi Police arrested a 25-year-old Detroit man for credit card fraud July 29 after he attempted to buy a \$3,000 laptop computer from Sears with a fraudulent credit card.

UNCOVERED

Unknown suspects removed the headlight covers from an Oldsmobile Achieva parked on Glenhaven Circle on July 27.

The male passenger gave police a cold, opened can of Busch beer that was under the seat.

CAR COMMODITIES

A South Lake Road resident discovered someone threw eggs, ketchup and mustard all over his 1989 Eagle Premier about 9:30 p.m. July 29.

Police said two of the tires were also punctured with some sort of blade.

Novi Briefs

Officers honored for response

Wixom Police officers Marty Harp and Gary Hamlin have been selected by the National Association of Police Organizations to receive the coveted "Top Cops Award." The officers were selected for this award because of their immediate response and actions at the shooting incident at the Wixom Ford Plant on Nov. 14, 1996.

Officers Harp and Hamlin were two of the first responding officers at the scene of the incident and when they entered the plant, they were immediately fired on by the suspect, Gerald Atkins. The officers returned fire and took cover. Over the next 20 minutes, according to a release issued by Wixom Police Chief Lawrence Holland, the two pursued the suspect through the plant, which is approximately 5 million square feet in size, and has over 3,000 employees.

The officers tenacious pursuit prevented the suspect from barricading himself in the plant, and they eventually forced him out of the plant and into a drainage culvert, where he was eventually captured," Holland stated in the release.

During the incident, the suspect shot and killed an executive at the Ford Plant and shot two Oakland County sheriff deputies. "The officers responded to an extremely dangerous police scene, placing themselves in a life-threatening situation to pursue a suspect who fired over 100 rounds of armor-piercing and tracer ammunition from an assault weapon and, these actions were deserving of the Top Cops Award."

Scouts hold car wash

Boy Scout Troop No. 54 is having a car wash to raise funds for troop equipment on Saturday, Aug. 23, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Novi United Methodist Church on Ten Mile west of Meadowbrook, across from Farmer Jack's.

Team collects bottles

Northville Sting-U13 girls will collect returnable bottles and cans on Saturday, Aug. 16. Please leave any donations on your porch. The girls and parents will begin collecting at 10 a.m. on Saturday in Northville and Novi. Money earned from the donations will be used for soccer equipment.

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ics as the history of the car, its original design philosophy and initial concept. Its debut in the 24-hour race at the '96 Daytona, the manufacturing and aerodynamic process, as well as performance improvements and vehicle specifications will also be discussed.

The museum is located inside the Novi Expo Center. Admission is \$6 which includes a tour of the

10,000 square foot museum displaying different types of race vehicles. The museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will

reopen at 6:30 p.m. for special Saturday, Aug. 23, 1997 RACE for tickets or more information.

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The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for a Water Service Materials according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid Packages are available at the Office of the Purchasing Director.

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WHAT THE BUDGET IS

The proposed Budget sets forth the revenue anticipated to be available to the Road Commission and the sources of that revenue. The Budget also designates the proposed use of these funds, including the Operating Expenditures of the Road Commission and the proposed Road Improvement Program.

ADVANCE COPIES ARE AVAILABLE

Copies of the proposed 1998 Budget and related information will be available one (1) week prior to the Public Hearing. They may be obtained by contacting the Finance Department of the Road Commission for Oakland County, 31001 Lahser Road, Beverly Hills, Michigan 48225 (Telephone (810) 645-2000, ext. 2237 or TDD (810) 645-9923).

Copies of the proposed 1998 Road Improvement Program will be available one (1) week prior to the Public Hearing. They may be obtained by contacting the Engineering Department of the Road Commission for Oakland County, 31001 Lahser Road, Beverly Hills, Michigan 48225 (Telephone (810) 645-2000, ext. 2265 or TDD (810) 645-9923).

WE HOPE YOU WILL PRESENT COMMENTS

The Board Meeting and Public Hearing are held in accordance with the provisions of Act 2, P.A. 1968, as amended by Act 621, P.A. 1978, Act 43, P.A. 1993 (2nd executive session), and Act 267, P.A. 1976, as amended.

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MONDAY, JULY 28
Medical, 41108 Vincent, 7:35 a.m., Squad 1.
Fire alarm, 42450 Twelve Mile Road, 8:20 a.m., Engines 1, 2.
Gas main leak, 39581 Twelve Mile Road, 11:13 a.m., Engine 1.
Fire alarm, 42450 Twelve Mile Road, 11:31 a.m., Engine 1.
Injury accident, Ten Mile and Haggerty, 11:55 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 24500 Meadowbrook, 2:15 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 39607 Ronayton, 3:14 p.m., Squad 1.
Gas leak, 21845 Cumberland, 3:31 p.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 27500 Novi Road, 4:25 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 42756 Brookstone, 9:56 p.m., Squad 1.

TUESDAY, JULY 29
Water rescue, Charlotte and Shawood Lake, 3:05 a.m., Squad 2.
Investigation, 29797 Montmorency, 4:08 a.m., Engine 2.
Investigation, 196 and Taft Road, 4 p.m., Engine 1.
Service, 27123 Larose, 4:44 p.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, Novi Road and I-96, 4:56 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 41487 Cornell, 7:27 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 24031 Glen Ridge, 9:15 p.m., Squad 3.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30
Medical, 624 Fielderhouse, 1:23 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 24500 Meadowbrook, 7:11 a.m., Squad 1.
Balloon accident, 21860 Chase, 7:52 a.m., Squad 3.
Service, 40352 Harrison, 10:16 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 31016 Beachwalk, 10:25 a.m., Squad 2.
Fire alarm, 42445 Ten Mile Road, 11:21 a.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 11:40 a.m., Squad 3.
Car fire, Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook, 12:03 p.m., Eng. 1.
Injury accident, Pontiac Trail and West, 4:25 p.m., Squad 2.
Injury accident, Ten Mile and Novi Road, 6 p.m., Squad 4.
Injury accident, I-96 and Novi Road, 6:12 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 43407 Grand River, 6:26 p.m., Squad 4.

THURSDAY, JULY 31
Medical, 20800 Woodland, 8:15 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 2206 Novi Road, 1:14 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 24500 Meadowbrook, 3:15 p.m., Squad 1.
Car fire, 26200 Town Center, 3:24 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical, 41620 Manor Park, 3:59 p.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, Haggerty and Thirteen Mile, 4:57 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 624 Fielderhouse, 8:03 p.m., Squad 4.
Investigation, 24432 Simmons, 9:45 p.m., Engine 4.
Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road, 9:47 p.m., Squad 3.
Investigation, 22313 Peachtree, 10:19 p.m., Squad 2.
Injury accident, Old Novi and Decker, 10:42 p.m., Squad 2.

FRIDAY, AUG. 1
Medical, 27021 Arro, 4:12 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 24848 Old Orchard, 9:44 a.m., Squad 1.

SATURDAY, AUG. 2
Car fire, I-96 and Novi Road, 8:05 a.m., Engine 1.
Medical, 27500 Novi Road, 12:30 p.m., Response 507, Squad 1.
Gas main leak, Grand River and Haggerty, 2:56 p.m., Engine 1.

Library Briefs

Computer Down Time

Due to a change in the moving schedule for the library's consortium headquarters, projected date for computer down time is Aug. 14 from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m., not July 31st as previously stated.

The Novi Public Library will be experiencing an interruption in computer service on Thursday, Aug. 14 from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m. This is due to the relocation of the central computer at the consortium headquarters. Service is expected to be restored by 10 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 15.

The online public catalog will not be available during this computer interruption, but staff will assist patrons in locating materials. Internet service will not be functioning. Most circulation services will still be available, but the library will not be able to access specific information about patron accounts, and will not be able to renew books. Bring a library card to charge out materials.

Chamber Notes

Monthly Chamber Luncheon

The Novi Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 19, at the Novi Hilton. The speaker will be Linda Margolis from the Detroit Institute of Art. Non-members are welcome. Call 349-3743 for reservations.

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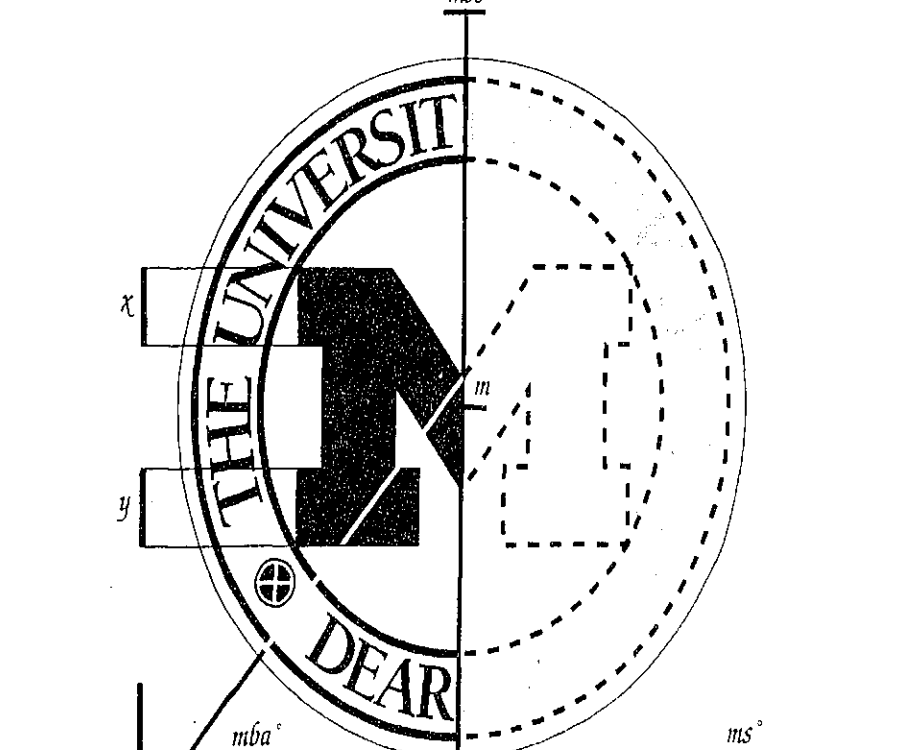
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Putting those dancing shoes on

Casey Denoyer, 7, puts on her tap shoes during a recent Novi Community Education Tap and Jazz dance class held at the Novi Meadows Elementary School. The class, taught by Kristen Patee, introduced youngsters to forms of tap and jazz dance.

City avoids suit trial by paying contractor

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Rather than let the case go to trial, the City of Novi has agreed to pay Champagne-Webber, Inc., the construction company hired to widen Twelve Mile Road, a \$375,000 settlement.

In 1995, Champagne-Webber sued Novi for \$1.073 million in a dispute over cost overruns the firm said were created by the city's delay in arranging the relocation of utility poles.

A court-appointed mediation panel ruled that Novi should pay the contractor \$575,000. Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson said. Instead, the two parties recently reached a settlement that requires the city to hand over a \$375,000 check.

Rather than going to trial, the city decided to pay, Watson said, because "there was some potential liability in it."

In the lawsuit, Champagne-Webber charged that Novi was in breach of contract because utility poles in the way of the Twelve Mile Road widening were not removed on time, delaying the project several months. The Twelve Mile Road widening was part of the 1990 voter-approved road bond issue.

Last month, the Novi City Council agreed to the settlement. "It was a number of things happening at the same time," Watson said, explaining that the city agreed in forwarding an agreement for the pole relocation to Edison.

If Detroit Edison poles are in a public road right-of-way, the utility company must relocate them at its own expense, Watson explained. If they're not in a public right-of-way, Edison expects to be compensated

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for the removal. Under the construction bid approved by the city, Champagne-Webber was to start work July 21, 1993 and finish by Oct. 1, 1994, but the firm anticipated September completion date. Instead, everything was wrapped up Dec. 16, 1994.

Champagne-Webber contended that both the city and the contractor agreed that the job needed to be done quickly to coordinate with the building of the Haggerty Connector interchange. Champagne-Webber also held the Michigan Department of Transportation contract for the Connector.

In September 1996, in answer to Novi's motion that the case be dropped, James Case, the lawyer for Champagne-Webber, cited city documents in presenting the contractor's case. He said the records show that in 1991, Novi contacted Edison about moving the poles and Edison agreed to do the work for \$39,000.

In 1992, Novi's city engineers JCK & Associates recommended that the city enter into an agreement with Edison. While the city council passed a resolution in April 1992 authorizing Edison to move the poles, the relocation agreement wasn't executed by the city and Edison wasn't paid until September 1993.

Edison sent a second proposed relocation agreement to Novi in January 1993.

"Defendant then simply neglected to pay Edison to perform the work until September 30, 1993, more than two months after the project was supposed to have started," Case wrote in his response.

"The correspondence indicates that the City of Novi and its engineer (JCK) assumed all responsibility for coordinating the work with Edison and that the engineer blamed the entire problem on Edison."

Watson said the city didn't forward the agreement to the utility. "It was just sitting because they (Edison) didn't make an issue of it," Watson said.

"Edison did some pole removals for MDOT. Our people saw that and just assumed that any work was also going to be done on the city part of project."

Champagne-Webber originally sought \$1.073 million, along with interest, costs and attorney fees, to compensate it for, among other items, the stopping of work at its paving and batch plant. Champagne-Webber calculated that it lost \$469,000 due to idle equipment during the delay, \$179,000 for paying staff, \$134,000 for office overhead, \$2,360 for wage rate increases and \$168,000 for job site overhead.

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Organic Lawns' license suspension upheld by judge

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Organic Lawns of Novi's appeal of a state ban suspending their pesticide applicators license for six months was upheld recently by an Oakland County Circuit Court judge.

On July 9, Judge Alvin Gilbert ruled that the Michigan Department of Agriculture proved its case that the company violated the Michigan Consumer Protection Act and the Michigan Collection Practices Act.

Gilbert upheld three counts issued against Organic Lawns by the MDA, which charged that the firm made "false, misleading, deceptive or fraudulent misrepresentations concerning pesticide safety."

After a series of hearings, the MDA in April this year suspended the company's pesticide applicator's license for six months and slapped an \$8,000 fine. Organic Lawns appealed this to the Oakland County Circuit Court, saying the suspension would put the six-year-old company out of business.

Steven Malach, a lawyer for Organic Lawns, contended in a petition to the court that the state's decision was "arbitrary, capricious, clearly an abuse of discretion" and that the decision to suspend the license was based on a 1994 advertising matter no longer used by the company.

Malach argued that the four counts of the MDA complaint should have been dismissed because the Michigan Attorney General's office and Organic Lawns already reached an "assurance of discontinuance" agreement.

There have been no allegations, Malach contended, that Organic Lawns "alleged acts or omissions have caused any injury or damage to any person, property, animal or environment."

The MDA first notified Organic

Lawns on June 19, 1996 that it found the firm violated nine provisions of the Natural Resource and Environmental Protection Act.

Among the charges was that the firm applied pesticide on a homeowner's lawn in 1994 without her consent. Gilbert upheld the state's determination that the company applied a pesticide without first entering into a service agreement, as required by state regulations.

Organic was charged with two counts of selling and offering for sale a pesticide not registered with the State of Michigan, J & J Soil Conditioner. Gilbert found that was "a harmless error" on the part of Organic Lawns.

In addition, the company was given a violation by the state for failing to maintain complete records of general use pesticide applications.

In her opinion, Gilbert wrote that "Organic failed to provide the pesticide name, amount applied, concentration, target pest and rate of application."

Among the evidence supplied by the MDA was a flyer referring to J & J Soil Conditioner as non-toxic and an insecticide.

"It was determined that J & J Soil Conditioner was a pesticide and by labeling it as 'non-toxic,' misleads the public as to its safety," Gilbert noted.

Gilbert referenced two videos distributed by the firm, one of which stated that "these materials are natural and won't harm your family, pets or the environment." She ruled that Organic Lawns violated a state rule by its advertising claim of absolute safety and in a second video, implied inaccurately that the spray was endorsed by a state pesticide specialist.

The judge also agreed with the state's contention that Organic Lawns did not provide a precautionary warning, as mandated by the state, when applying pesticide on a client's lawn in 1995.



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As We See It

Our advice to lawsuit plaintiff: Go get 'em

The case of Randy Jay Arceri vs. the City of Novi and Alan Amolsch is a strange one, with a particularly Novi flavor.

In September 1994, Arceri, a Howell resident, parked his car in front of his place of employment, Farmer Jack Supermarket on Ten Mile Road, and draped over it a sign backing Libertarian Party congressional candidate Jon Coon.

Along came Ordinance Officer Alan Amolsch, who issued Arceri a ticket for violating the sign ordinance. Arceri, says his lawyers Aaron Speck and Kathleen Harris Rivera, had never gotten a ticket before and was highly stressed. He had to take time off from work — and lost wages — to fight it at the 52-1 District Court, Novi.

There, he won.

In February 1995, Judge Brian MacKenzie ruled that the local ordinance applied to signs on buildings, structures or parcels of land and a car was none of the above.

Nevertheless, Rivera said Arceri became disillusioned with the political process. This was his first time to actively back a candidate. The ticket and the ensuing battle caused him emotional trauma, she said.

In September 1996, Arceri sued both the city and Amolsch, seeking over \$10,000 in damages and charging that his constitutional rights and civil rights were violated.

While each person becomes disillusioned differently, it seems that the system was vindicated when Arceri won his day in district court. We can't see that he was greatly damaged. If his case prevails — and we think it should — the fairest resolution would probably be a few thousand dollars and attorney fees.

On the other hand, it's about time someone took the city on in this issue. Lawyers for Novi's insurance carriers have asked that the case be dismissed. If not, it could go to trial as soon as September. They contend that Novi's ordinances totally prohibit banners.

Arceri's side argues that ticketing him for posting a political banner violated his freedom of speech. They're right.

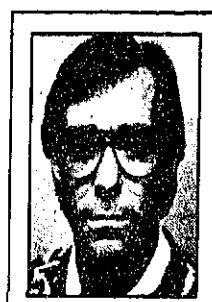
Yes, political signs and banners clutter up the landscape at election time, but it would be an even uglier world if they didn't. Campaigning for the candidate of your choice has been a fundamental right in this country since its founding.

When Novi regulates the size of signs in public rights-of-way, no problem. But Arceri's car was on his own vehicle.

His lawyers have put together their case by talking to all kinds of people who have been cited by the city for



She's a tough little interviewer



Michael Malott

I'm lazy. You know that, right? That's why nobody would hire me for a real job and I had to become a journalist.

That's why I fathered children too. Figured I needed someone to wash the dishes and mow the lawn.

That turned out to be a bad move though because I didn't realize how much effort it takes to raise kids to the point they can start doing housework.

Now Samantha is 9 and it is time for her to start earning her keep, time for her to start generating some copy for the newspaper. Like my column this week.

When Samantha learned that children's entertainer Mark Thomas and Max the Moose would be at the Michigan 50s Festival, she decided it was time to get answers to some tough questions. Just what is a Ripple Snipple Snort anyway?

On his first recording, Thomas sang about a magical little being called a Ripple Snipple Snort that lives in his back yard, dances on the roof, then "goes poof." Then the kids have to look for him everywhere, in the doghouse, on the swings. Watch out, he might be eating all your cookies.

It's one of my kids' favorite songs. (OK, mine too.) Still, Sam wanted some answers about this Ripple Snipple Snort character she'd never heard of before.

She interviewed Thomas after his Thursday afternoon performance at the 50s Festival. Her questions and his answers were as follows.

Samantha: How did you learn so much about them?
Thomas: You know where the Ripple Snipple Snort kind of came from? I really like Dr. Suess. Do you like Dr. Suess?

Samantha: Uh-huh.
Thomas: That's where he came from. I decided that I like Dr. Suess so much that I would write a song kind of like what Dr. Suess would do. Ripple Snipple Snort came right out of my imagination.

Samantha: How would we recognize one if we saw one?
Thomas: Well, he'd be on a roof and he'd go poof.
Samantha: I think we already knew that because we have the first tape.

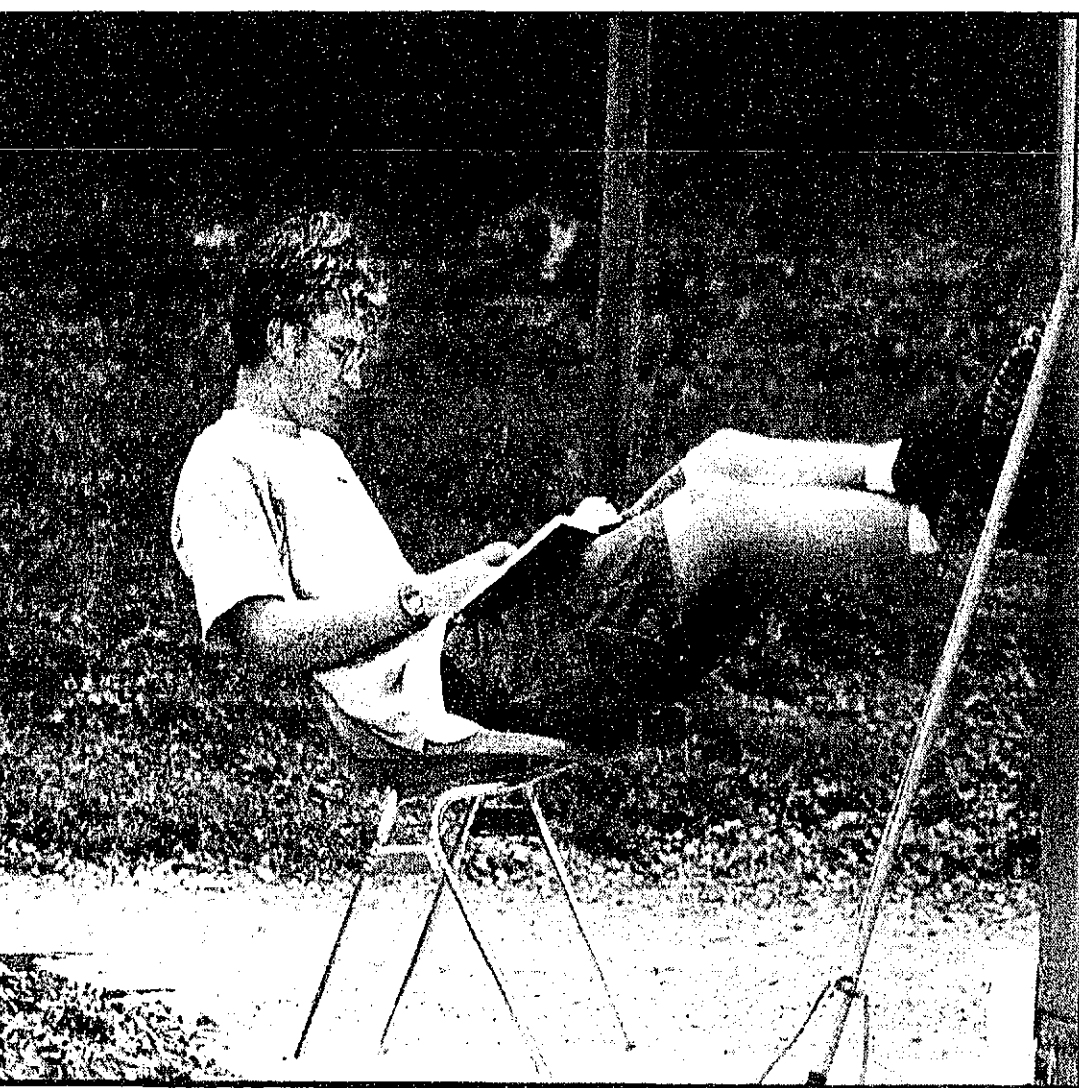
Thomas: Okay, well, you'd have to use your imagination. And a Ripple Snipple Snort would be what you would imagine it would be. A lot of children send me pictures of what they think a Ripple Snipple Snort would look like, and know what, they are all different.

Tough little interviewer, isn't she. Now, Samantha, for your next assignment ...

Michael Malott is the Managing Editor of The Novi News and The Northville Record. He can be contacted by phone at (810) 349-1700 or by e-mail at novinews@ntonline.com.

In Focus

By John Heider



In-between checking in cars at Lakeshore Park, Novi Parks employee Bob Gatt hits a book for a quick read.

Summer reading

What havoc on the roads



Lee Snider

from all?

Actually, this newspaper joined the chorus of observers urging conservative Gov. John Engler to hold his nose long enough to sign a tax-hike bill into law. So we really can't complain about all the construction on the freeways and surface roads in the area. The pothole-ridden pavement desperately needed a good going over.

But what havoc all the resurfacing has wrought! There are detours and closed entrance ramps all over the place. The other day I jumped onto south 275 to go to Canton and ended up in a grazing pasture somewhere outside of Monroe. OK, I exaggerate a little but you just can't get around the way you

could before all the work began.

Closer to home, the resurfacing of the public parking lot at Main and Wing in Northville has been a hassle for those of us who work nearby and use the lot everyday. Actually, I don't mind parking on the street and hoofing it a little, but it's hard to find a safe walking route into the office here on W. Main. A couple of times, I've had to walk in the street and hug the shoulder tightly to avoid the cars zipping through the narrow lanes.

Just imagine the chaos when they start working on Center Street, though it might be a while before that happens.

Fortunately, work on the parking lot over here at the west end of town is proceeding nicely and it won't be long before the concrete is poured and the whole surface is redone. It's already starting to take shape (it's Tuesday as I'm writing this) and the fresh new sidewalks and streetlight islands look terrific.

I guess I shouldn't complain, fun as that is, because the few months of inconvenience we're experiencing will result in years of safer, more comfortable driving. But you have to wish there was a Samantha Stevens around who could just twitch her nose and get the whole thing done in a nano-second.

It sure would make things a lot easier for us drivers. The cows could graze more peacefully too.

Lee Snider is the editor of The Northville Record.

Special thanks to library volunteers

To the Editor:

A Beary special thank you to all our teen volunteers!

(The Novi Library) couldn't possibly offer all the summer activities that we do without the help of our teen volunteers. This year we had almost 80 kids willing to help out during their summer vacation.

Volunteers had to have completed the sixth grade, and be willing to commit to two hours a day, one day a week for six weeks. They helped register kids for our Be Eager About Reading program, put away picture books, helped with crafts, helped with crowd control, and graciously did anything we needed help with. Our sincere thanks!

The volunteers included: Melissa Barman, Francesca Bennett, Kelly Bolling, Jessica Cash, Jerry Chang, Emily Coffield, Megan Colligan, Dana Crawford, Megan Crissman, Natalie Cripp, Megan Duda, Sarah Dupell, Erica Dumm, Sara Dzwonkowski, Katherine Evarina, Katie Fannon, Amanda Farrell, Maria Filipowiska, Gabi Frask, Amy Frazier, Erin Gibbons, Alison Gillette, Steven Grant, Holly Graziano, Lizzie Greenberg, Kristin Hamer, Matthew Haugen, Steven Hanlon, Richard Harris, Mikhula Humbad, Mami Ito, Miho Ito, Yuta Ito, Diana Krause, Anshu Kumar, Ellen Lawrence, Betsy Lewis, Kim Lis, Chang Liu, Joseph Lunn, Vidya Mahadevan, Joseph McCarthy, Alyssa McCreedy, Anna McDougal, Mary McDougal, Cheryl Mensah, Roger Mensah, Jackie Michon, Angela Moran, Jennifer Najjar, Rekha Nath, Andrew Nickels, Kimberly Norman, Alexandra Oliveira, Mariana Oliveira, Jaclyn Panella, Mona Patel, Laura Pilcher, Teresa Pizzorini, Andrea Rice, Rachael Royczki, Jacqueline Sabourin, Christian Santos, Nolan Santos, Divyesh Sarman, Joe Schleringer, Stephanie Simmons, Katie Simney, Steven Szalony, Lisa Thibert, Matt Thibert, Gina Thomas, Alyssa Tomasik, Allison Troutman, Neelam Vashi, Dan Waingright, Jonathan Weirmer and Rebecca Wilkehart.

Letters

Why did council keep camera off

To the Editor:
Anyone who tuned in to the City of Novi's cable Channel 13 on the Sunday before the July 21 city council meeting noticed that the video camera was running and just focused on the city seal mounted on the front of the city council table. Why wasn't the council's agenda for the July 21 meeting being displayed? And why didn't the video equipment work that

Monday evening?
Was it because there was a water rate increase for all of the Novi taxpayers buried deep within the council's agenda for deliberation and passing sometime late that evening?

Or was it because there was also a city sewer rate increase for all of the Novi taxpayers buried next to the water rate increase and also slated for deliberation and passing sometime late that evening?

Or maybe it was because there was also the ice arena property purchase (which the Novi taxpayers never approved or disapproved) and the debate that evening might include "Pork Barrel Avenue No. 6" being constructed for a cost of \$1,012,000 of taxpayers' money (and perhaps increasing?).

Is this some council conspiracy to keep the cameras off and the resident taxpayers (and voters) in the dark about what is going on? Why wasn't the equipment checked out early Monday morning or even Sunday?

Remember, there's a silver lining to every cloud. Parents — follow these tips to harness the power of TV in a positive manner.

P.S. Last week's article covered tips for younger children (from preschool to elementary). If you didn't catch it, call me at 473-7266 and I'll mail or fax you a copy.

Mary Linda Calderone is the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission. The next SWOCC meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 30, at 7 p.m. at SWOCC. The next council meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. at SWOCC.

Using TV for positive parenting



Mary Linda Calderone

Classroom, a public service initiative of the cable television industry that provides schools with free basic cable service and commercial-free educational programming.

Use TV to capture your children's curiosity. Encourage them to go to the library to learn more about issues or ideas raised by programs they like. When sensi-

tive topics are raised on TV, seize the opportunity to open the discussion. Ask how your kids feel about it; explain how you feel.

Look for connections to books. A movie may be based on a book; a plot line in a sitcom or cartoon may have come from a story; or your kids may become interested in a subject that's covered in a book. Either way, encourage them to read more about it, and then compare what they've read to what they've seen. Were characters or scenes from the book left out? Why?

Learn geography from TV. Weather reports, news reports, documentaries, even sports all take place somewhere. Keep an Atlas or globe near the TV set, and see where those places really are. Make a game of it by putting pins in every location you've "seen" on TV.

Discuss point of view. Who's telling this story, whether it's a news report, a documentary, or a movie? How would it have

been different if someone else — a different character, or the subject of the news story instead of the reporter — had told it?

Turn the sound off and add your own narration or sound effects. What kind of music do you think is being played to go with the pictures? What kind of music would be totally wrong?

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Family kept music alive in Novi



Barbara Louie

ences right here in Novi.

The Bishop family of Novi had a long tradition of musical talent that lasted for several generations.

It all began with Hooper and Betsy Bishop of Massachusetts. Their son Levi married Dorcas Reed, and the family moved to Michigan in 1836. At least four of Levi and Dorcas's 11 children had musical talent or had offspring who did.

Their daughter Carrie, who was born in Novi in 1840, was reportedly "the possessor of an excellent high soprano voice, so she was especially remembered for her beautiful singing in Novi and (the) surrounding area," according to a family history of the Hooper Bishop family written in 1950.

Her youngest sister Alice, born in Novi in 1849, just one month before their mother's death, "showed evidence of a high, clear soprano voice" even at an early age.

Alice took her singing seriously and prior to her marriage in 1867 to Novi's Delos Flint, studied voice and piano with Frederick Pease of Ypsilanti. Alice instilled in her five children her love of music.

Her son, Loren, born in 1869, attended Michigan Normal School (later to be known as Eastern Michigan University) in Ypsilanti after high school. It was there that he received musical training in singing and directing.

In 1897, Loren married Julia Partridge, a pianist, and the two of them entertained at community and church affairs throughout Novi and the Detroit area for many years.

Loren's sister Maud was another singer of note in the family. Maud "used her alto voice in the choir" frequently at the Novi Baptist Church.

Two other sisters of Carrie and Alice Bishop, Sarah and Amanda, had offspring who shared in the musical talents of the family.

Sarah Bishop and Hal P. Sly were married and their daughter, Sarah Adelaide, had a "sweet singing voice" as a small child. Sadly, the young Sarah contracted scarlet fever at age four, which destroyed both her hearing and her "sweet voice."

Her Aunt Amanda's children were a bit luckier. Amanda Bishop married Rev. Jesse Boyden, a missionary. Their son Frank and his wife Mary both had musical talent and sang in church choirs and other musical events.

Frank helped organize and direct a community chorus in Novi with other members of his family, and the popular group became well-known in surrounding communities.

Frank "had a deep bass voice and was able to use it in church choirs until late in life."

Frank's son Horace, born in Novi in 1891, "inherited his parent's musical tendencies," as did his children.

Horace's son Robert, a 1941 Northville High School graduate, served in the U.S. Navy during World War II as musician, 2nd Class. According to the Bishop genealogy, Robert "served under Admiral Kincaid, playing the drum, saxophone and clarinet, in a dance orchestra, and singing in a quartet."

The Bishop family singers may not have had an award-winning story written about them, but they kept the sound of music alive in Novi for over 100 years.

Barbara Louie is a local historian and the author of No. VI on the Trail.

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Obituaries

BERTHA LEARNED

Bertha Learned, 97, of Novi died Aug. 1, at Charter House of Novi. Mrs. Learned was born April 30, 1900.

She is survived by daughters, Beatrice Thayer and Doris Kingsbury; six brothers; three sisters; six grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and one great great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert.

Services were held on Monday, Aug. 4, at the Detroit First Church of the Nazarene in Northville with the Rev. Gary A. Slusher officiating. Interment was in Northview Cemetery, Dearborn.

HELEN M. HENNING

Helen M. Henning, 86, died Aug. 4 in the Greenery Extended Care Facility in Farmington. Mrs.

Henning was born in Detroit on May 12, 1911, to Harvey and Margaret (Barch) Carter. Mrs. Henning was a resident of Novi prior to entering the nursing home.

Mrs. Henning was a clerical worker and cashier for the Federal Department Stores prior to her retirement.

She is survived by two daughters, Patsy Murley of Commerce Township and Carol Demoss of Brighton; nine grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Services were held today, Aug. 7, at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville. The Rev. Leslie F. Harding of Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Novi officiated at the service. Interment was in Woodmere Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial contributions to the Michigan Cancer Foundation would be appreciated.

Lawmakers' slate full for the fall

With the 1998 budget and road taxes out of the way, the Michigan Legislature will have a full plate of work when it returns to Lansing the fourth week of September.

Some jobs involve state regulation of churches, consumer protection and an effort to push term limits onto congressmen.

'RELIGIOUS FREEDOM'

The Senate Judiciary Committee on Sept. 23 will receive Rep. Kirk Profit's House Bill 4376, designed to correct the effects of a U.S. Supreme Court decision.

Profit, D-Ypsilanti, said his bill would protect against state laws and local ordinances which would prohibit the constitutional right to free exercise of religion. It would prohibit laws and ordinances from

restricting the exercise of religion unless the unit of government demonstrates an interest.

The House overwhelmingly approved his bill July 10.

The Supreme Court on June 26 ruled in favor of the city of Boerne, Texas, in what was essentially a zoning case. The city had denied a building permit to expand St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Parish because it was in a neighborhood zoned for historic preservation.

The parish challenged the city's refusal of a permit, citing the federal Religious Freedom Restoration Act. The city responded by challenging the constitutionality of that act and won in federal court in San Antonio. That act was passed in 1990 as Congress responded to an Oregon group which argued it had

a constitutional exemption from Oregon's narcotics laws.

The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans reversed and was itself reversed by the Supreme Court.

The highest court ruled 6-3 that Congress exceeded its power in passing the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. The opinion by Justice Anthony Kennedy said struck down as a "considerable intrusion into the states' traditional prerogative and general authority to regulate for the health and welfare of their citizens."

CONSUMER BILLS

House Democrats will push a 27-bill package of consumer protection laws.

Three would crack down on telemarketing fraud. One requires that

all companies soliciting business by phone give buyers a three-day option to cancel purchases. Others prohibit pre-recorded automated dial solicitations and require phone solicitors to stop calling when the consumer terminates the call.

Mortgage insurers would be required to notify borrowers when they have reached a 20 percent equity in their property.

OTHER BILLS:

- Prohibit stores from requiring Social Security numbers or credit cards for check verification.
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- Extends the "lemon law" to leases.
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HEALTH NOTE
by Dennis E. Enger, P.T. and Patricia Westerbur, P.T.

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While the benefits of aerobic activity and weight-bearing exercise are well-known, most people are less familiar with the effects of flexibility training. Perhaps that is because its purpose is not to reduce long-term health risks, but to improve the quality of life. Flexibility is defined as the range of motion of a joint or group of joints that is determined by the joint capsule and the muscles and tendons that support it. Flexibility training not only promotes a wider range of motion, but it can also result in a more symmetrical body, better posture, improved balance, relief of muscle cramps, and alleviation of low back pain. Moreover, stretching feels great, right from the moment it is first attempted.

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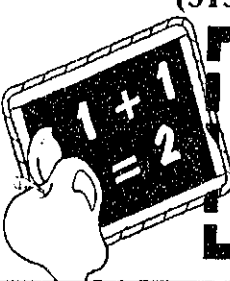
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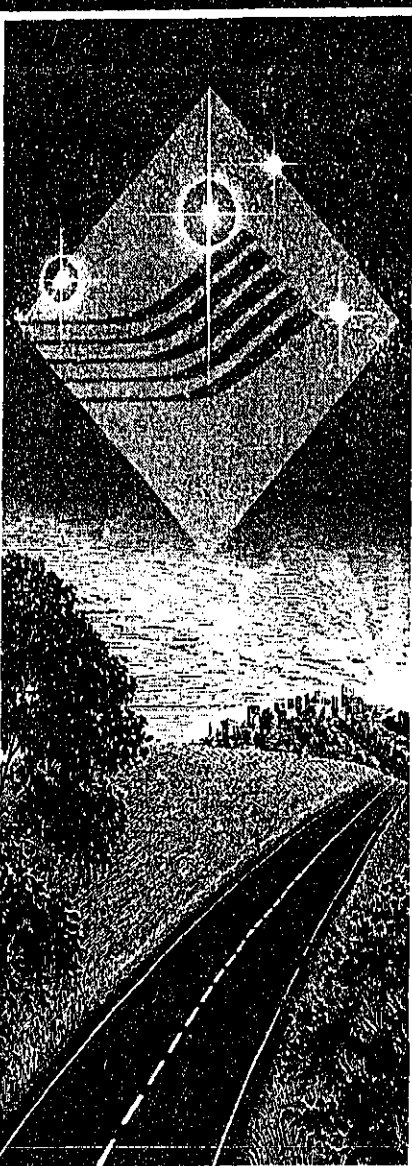
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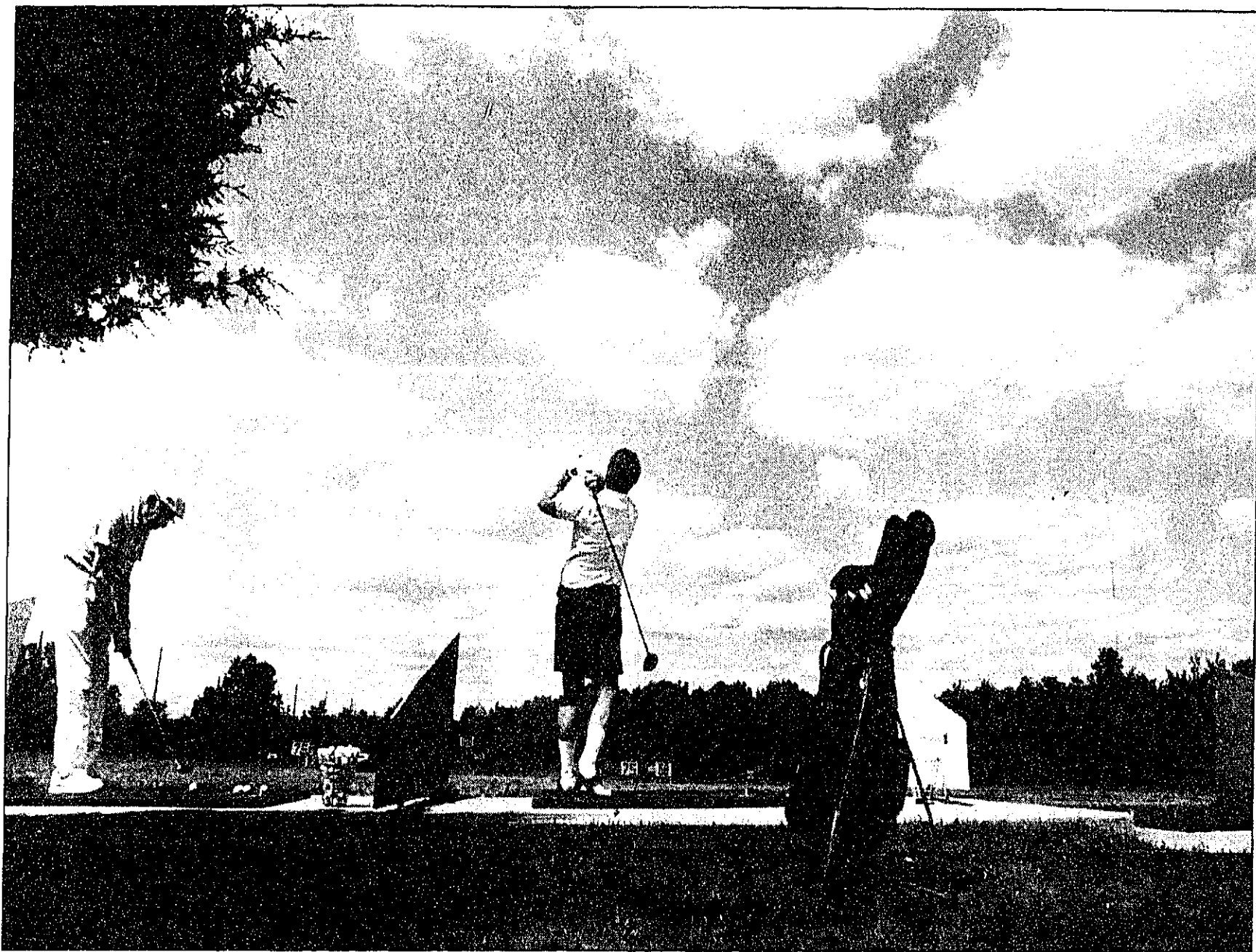
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Howard Lynn, left, was among golf enthusiasts working on their swings at the Novi Oaks driving range facility in Novi last week.

ANY ONE FORE GOLF?

It's not who wins that counts, but how you play the game.

And for tens of thousands of people in Michigan, that game is golf.

In 1996, there were about 20,000 participants in the first ever Michigan PGA Learn to Golf Series, according to Adrian Charlton, assistant manager at Bavarian Village Ski and Golf.

Last year was the first time a retailer and the Michigan PGA (Professional Golfers Association) had come together on such a venture.

Now in its second year, the program that started in early spring and ends Aug. 31, has probably already exceeded that number.

Designed for beginners, the series allows a new golfer to take lessons from a certified PGA pro at about 200 different courses in southeast Michigan, according to Charlton.

"You have to be a beginner," he said. "It's not like going out and getting lessons for really cheap."

"We're looking to build a new base of customers through this, instead of trying to get a certain share of the current market," Charlton said.

Two Novi residents, Howard Lynn and Brett Powell, decided to fine tune their game recently and signed up for the series.

Lynn took up golf four decades ago but put the clubs away for about 25 years.

"I'm a terrible golfer and my handicap is close to 20," said Lynn, a retired electrician who now runs a consulting business.

"I found the worst thing to do is read magazines," he said. "Whatever capability I have went down the tubes."

Lynn, who dusted off his clubs a few years ago and now plays once a week, said his game has improved after he took lessons through the Learn To Golf Series.

"I was pitiful, now I'm semi-pitiful," Lynn jokingly said. "You can't start out with a collection of faults and expect to develop a good swing."

Brett, 16, spends a couple of hours a day practicing his golf swing. Over the past year and a half, he has picked up everything he knew about golf from his dad and his relatives.

The son of Don and Laura Powell, Brett found, through his first two lessons, that he needed help with his swing and chipping.

"The little points help out here," Brett said. "When I'm on the course they pop into my head."

The Novi High School student is thinking about trying out for the golf team in the fall.

Lynn, however, enjoys the fresh air and sunshine aspect of the game.

"I'm really not ready to go on tour or join a team," he mused.

The three lessons in the Learn To Golf Series cover "Fundamentals and the Short Game," "Game Etiquette, Equipment and the Full Swing" and "Woods and Specialty Shots."

Lessons are taught by participating Michigan PGA pros. In this area, that includes pros at Salem Hills golf course in Salem Township and Novi Oaks in Novi. A PGA pro is certified and has met PGA standards.

Children as young as four and five can start by just swinging a club but for lessons, children need at least a 15 minute attention span, according to Paul Moran, PGA golf pro at Novi Oaks. The Learn to Golf Series takes children as young as 8-years-old.

"It's always good to take a golf lesson," Moran said. "The thing is you'll know why you did this good and why you did this bad."

"Golf is muscle memory," Moran said. "It's trying



Beginning golfer Brett Powell, left, gets some hitting instruction from PGA professional Paul Moran last week at the Novi Oaks driving range.

to get your body to learn to take the club back properly. It's gearing your muscles to work together. It's sometimes a humbling game to do that."

Jason Wright, the assistant golf pro at Salem Hills, has heard a variety of reasons as to why people decided to take golf lessons. Some say they want to

give it a try to see if they like it, maybe because their spouse, friends or business associates play. Others just want to check it out.

The majority - about 80 percent - of Wright's new golfers are women.

"I strongly recommend just getting involved right

off the bat with an instructor so you don't pick up some bad habits," Wright said. "There's more to it than meets the eye."

The three, 45-minute lessons focus on the fundamentals of the game, rules and regulations, equipment, when and how to use irons, woods and drivers, and etiquette.

Golf etiquette is a lot of common sense, according to Wright.

"You have to more or less be thinking about what's happening out there," he said.

"Treat a golf course as if it was your own," Wright said. "That is the biggest thing. Don't just go out and destroy wherever you walk."

The biggest problem of beginners is slow play. Being considerate of those following behind is another important thing to remember.

"Keep up with the group that's ahead of you," Wright said. "Don't fall behind."

The last thing to do is tell the next group to play through, according to Wright. If you're beginning to fall behind, it is better to pick up the ball and toss it on the green to keep up.

About 80 percent of the participants in the program at Salem Hills are women between the ages of 20 and 50, according to Wright.

"It is a great response," said Wright. "More than I anticipated."

Participants sign up at one of the 12 Bavarian Village stores in the state. In our area, there is a store in the Novi Town Center.

Participants pay as they attend each of the three lessons and get a Learn To Golf packet which includes information about the program, a free two packet of Top Flite balls and a Learn To Golf lesson registration card. Lesson appointments are made directly with the participating golf pro.

"You are never too young or old to pick up the game of golf," Wright said. "Anyone can play it. It just takes time to get going with it."

Fees are \$15 per lesson per person for groups of four to eight players; \$25 per lesson per person for semi-private groups of two or three players, and \$30 for private instruction. Lessons include teaching clubs, if necessary, and a bucket of balls.

Upon completing the series, new golfers receive a signed Michigan PGA Learn To Golf Series certificate, a \$20 Bavarian Village bonus savings certificate and a free round of golf at Garland, Boyne, Shanty Creek and Crystal Mountain resorts.

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Charter House welcomes feathered residents

By JEANE CLARKE
Special Writer

To continue with the philosophy of making a more home-like atmosphere at Charter House of Novi, several new additions by the names of TKI, Charcoal and Cinder (cockatoos) have made their home in the activities department. In addition, Misty, a parakeet, makes his home with resident Helen Zack and Cutie is the name of the parakeet in Rita Cowling's room. Out in the front area are Pette and Sweetie, parakeets. Also residing in the activities department is Brandy, a dwarf rabbit. Residents enjoy watching the birds. Deposit money from turned in pop cans is used to purchase bird food.

The Cook Club, led by local resident and volunteer Paul Kemp, recently grew to a group of nearly 30. On the menu was chicken stir fry. At another time, the club met on the patio and an old Bay State recipe of making mini-pizzas on the grill was used. Sticky buns and roasted corn is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 11.

Paul also sponsors a reading group on Wednesdays. His selections include: reading poetry, reciting from the *Renaissance* magazine, and *Chicken for the Soul* by Robert Fulcher.

New volunteer coordinator Pat

Novi Highlights

done the 400 mile bike trip to upper Michigan.

The evening will include music by Black Jack, a silent auction at 2 p.m., a sports auction at 7 p.m., hourly raffles, and a 50-50 drawing. Admission will be \$1. Food and beverage will also be available. Donations include: jewelry, hair and beauty certificates, entertainment packages, sports and fitness, arts and crafts, golf passes, kids face painting and much more. There is still time for donations of goods and services to Janell at the Novi Carrier Annex at 40100 Grand River, No. C.

JERRY BURKOWSKI BENEFIT

A silent auction and raffle will be held on Sunday, Aug. 10, from 2-10 p.m. at Mr. B's Farm, 24555 Novi Road between Grand River and Ten Mile roads. This fundraiser for Jerry Burkowski is being sponsored by Letter Carriers of Novi, Livonia Green Mead, and the Novi Lions Club. A letter carrier, Burkowski has been diagnosed with melanoma and is currently under treatment. Residents on his route have also joined in this project.

Although he has had melanoma for 15 years, he has been an avid runner and biker and has participated in the *Detroit Free Press* marathon. In addition, he has

the band is appearing at the Civic Center in Novi.

The concert will be held outdoors tonight and everyone is encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs or blankets. The Novi Parks and Recreation staff will be serving refreshments and providing other "goodies." In case of rain, the concert will be held inside the Civic Center.

The program will include classical music, show tunes, a variety of American music of the last 40 years, with selections from *Phantom of the Opera*.

The 40-member band ranges in age from high school to senior citizens. Practice is held every Tuesday evening under the direction of conductor Jack Kopnick, who has been leading the group since 1992. Kopnick has a very extensive background in music and is presently an emeritus member of the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association. He has retired from 38 years with the Allen Park public schools where he taught both vocal and instrumental music. Instruments in the band include flutes; clarinets; bass clarinet; alto, tenor, and baritone sax-

ophone; French horns; cornets; trombones; euphoniums; tuba and percussion.

Community members who are interested in volunteering their talents can receive detailed information tonight at the band concert.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

A new addition to the Sunday services is the Family Praise and Celebration Service where the entire family worships together at 9 a.m. Music is provided by guitarists Gary Chomin, Roger Caswell, Ron Korte, and Karen Bonan. The overhead projector is used for congregational singing and a short message by Pastor Gary Elfiner follows. Coffee, juice and donuts are available in the hospital room following the 9 a.m. service.

Sunday School continues at 9:45 a.m. with classes for everyone including nursery through the adult class. Traditional services are from 11 a.m.-noon, with church time activities in the lower level (Flint Hall) for preschoolers in one group and the primary and junior age in another. Nursery service continues to be offered at this time as well. Sunday evening services are at 6, with an ice cream social following next Sunday evening's service. Each family is

encouraged to bring its favorite ice cream and toppings to share.

The last Sunday morning service of the month is for baptisms, dedication of babies, and welcoming new members into the church family. The evening service is very informal and is dedicated to the singing of praise hymns and testimonies.

Pastor Elfiner is bringing a new series in the 11 a.m. service entitled "Becoming a Contagious Christian," a practical plan of touching the lives of friends and family members.

The next Discipleship 201 series will start at the 7 p.m. Wednesday service. It is designed for those who are interested in learning more about First Baptist of Novi. It will cover the history, mission, values and structure of the church, as well as the philosophy of ministry and statement of faith, beliefs about accountability, stewardship, and ordinances of the church. Certificates will be presented to those who complete the course.

For more information, contact the church office at 349-3477.

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

Kudos

Members of the National Association of Social Workers-Michigan Chapter recently elected Novi resident **MARLENE KNIGHT, MSW**, as a Region 3 board representative. Her term began July 1 and will end June 30, 1999.

Knights is currently a managing partner of the Incident Management Group, an international crisis management, security and violence prevention consulting company located in Southfield.

Knights has consulted with Fortune 500 companies in the areas of Critical Incident Response, Violence Prevention, Threat Assessment, Threat Management and Re-Engineering. Some of the many organizations she has consulted include the UAW at General Motors and Chrysler, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, and the U.S. Department of Education.

She assisted the U.S. Postal Service in Critical Incident Response and site-logistics after the mass shooting at the post offices in Royal Oak in 1991 and Dearborn in 1993. She also assisted in the debriefing after the Oklahoma City terrorist bombing in 1995 and after the air disasters of two Northwest Airlines flights in 1991.

IZUMI SUZUKI, Novi parent and business owner, was recently named innovator of the year by the Greater Detroit Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO). The NAWBO awards committee particularly mentioned Suzuki's creation of the annual Japan adventure award, an expense-paid guided tour of Japan from Hokkaido to Hiroshima.

NAWBO, headquartered in Washington D.C., is the only dues-based national organization representing the interests of women entrepreneurs. NAWBO was established in 1974. The Michigan Chapter was chartered in 1980, and it became the Greater Detroit Chapter in 1989.

The area chapter has some 400 members, with 60 chapters nationwide.

JUN SUZUKI MYERS is in Yokohama this summer, performing with a small ballet group. She is one of four featured dancers, the other three being male dancers from the Tokyo Ballet Co.

After Jun's recent performance, a Japanese car magazine did a Tokyo Motor Show preview issue featuring her as their model.

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Letter carriers rally round friend

By CAROL WORKENS
Feature Editor

Novi mail carrier Jerry Burkowski had a mole removed 14 years ago and went on to lead a very active life, until 10 weeks ago when he was diagnosed with systemic melanoma.

Now the 42-year-old Novi resident is fighting for his life.

A benefit for Burkowski will be held at Mr. B's Farm at 24555 Novi Road in Novi from 2 until 10 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 10.

His fellow mail carriers decided to organize a benefit to help pay the medical bills. The Novi Lions Club, of which Burkowski is a member, is helping with the benefit 100 percent.

"Part of his treatment is considered experimental so they (family) don't know how much the insurance is picking up," said Janell Thompson, a Novi letter carrier and coordinator of the fund raiser.

Burkowski, who has been a letter carrier for 20 years, the past three of which have been with the Novi Post Office, has been off work since his treatments started less than two weeks after he was diagnosed. His mail route included Ten Mile between Tolt and Novi roads, the Orchard Ridge subdivision, the Clark subdivision, Glenda Street, and Linda's Hair and More on Grand River.

Burkowski began suffering from back and knee pain in February but attributed it to his recent downhill skiing trip.

"He thought he had the flu," said his stepdaughter, Kelly Schmidt. He had temperature, cough, and was really tired. So tired that he had to go home from work early.

"That was very unusual for him," said Schmidt who lives in Farmington Hills.

Burkowski saw his doctor several times before finally urging him to run some tests when his condition did not improve. A chest X-ray detected a spot on his lungs.

Burkowski is finishing his second cycle of treatments.

A treatment session includes

three days of in-patient chemotherapy with Dtc and cytarabine followed the next week by five days of biological therapy which includes injections of interferon, alpha and interleukin 2 as an outpatient.

On Monday Burkowski was admitted to the hospital because of swelling. He was feeling better on Tuesday according to Schmidt and was able to keep some foods down.

"Melanoma is very aggressive

they tell us and very fast moving," said Schmidt who has one sibling, Kim Deinek, who lives in South Lyon. "He has it in several locations in his internal organs. They need to hit it as hard as they can in order and try and get it."

Burkowski and his wife, Sue, also have a six month old grandchild, A.J.

During the winter, Burkowski kept fit on his Nordic Track and treadmill. Every summer he completed the 400 mile Dalmac Lansing to Mackinac cycling event. He also ran frequently during the week and ran in a couple of marathons.

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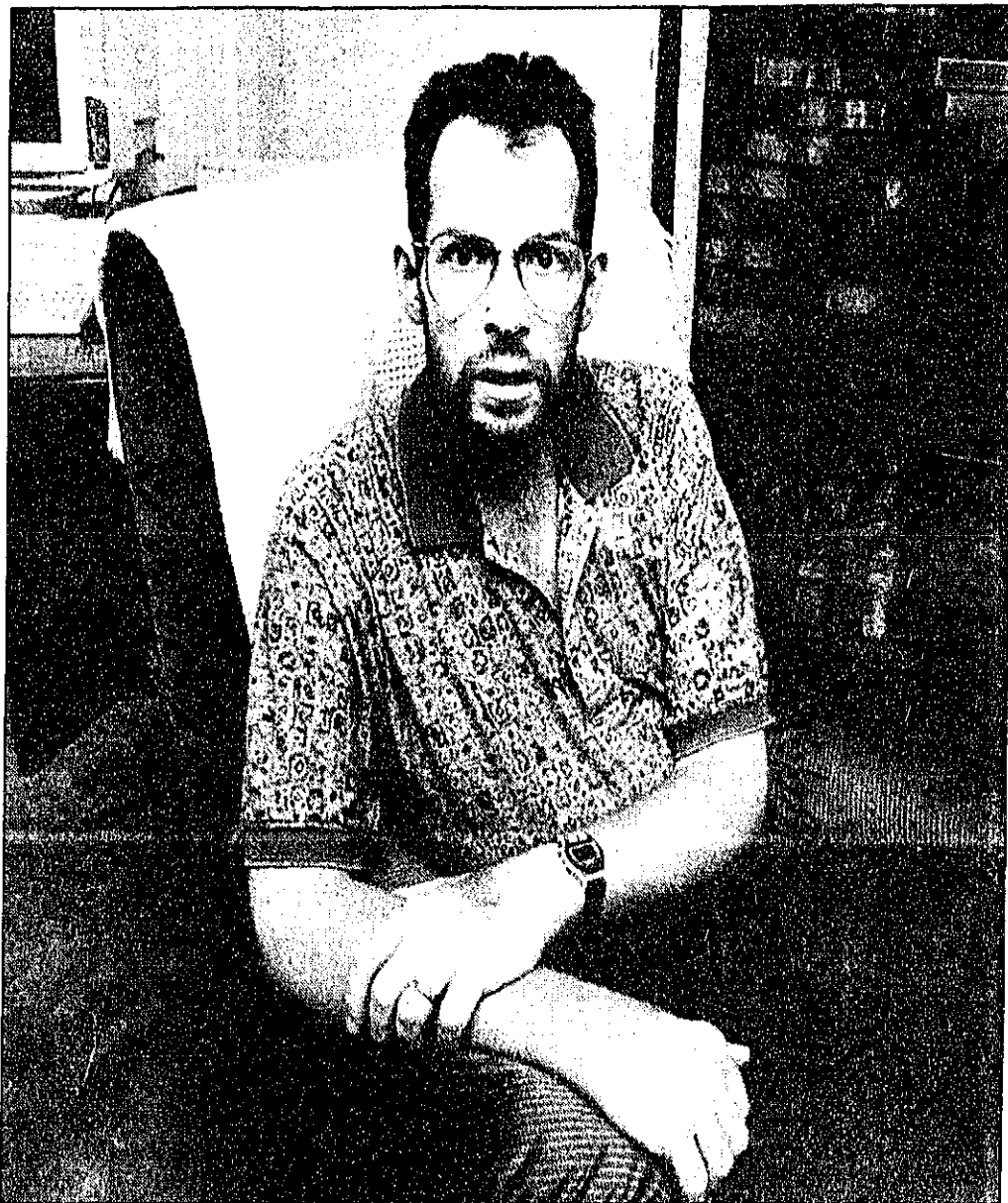
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The benefit will include a silent auction, a sports auction, raffles, 50-50 drawings and entertainment.

Raffle items include \$1,500 donated by Burkowski's relatives toward home or office lighting; a stereo donated by Century 21 Farmington and a television. Music will be provided by Black Jack and Undefeated. Both groups are also donating their time for the fund raiser.

Admission to the benefit is \$1. Mr. B's Farm is located at 24555 Novi Road in Novi. For more information, call Janell Thompson at 478-5278.

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Wedding



Charlotte and Paul Salow

Charlotte Ann Priest and Paul Ronald Salow were married Aug. 2, 1997, in a double ring ceremony at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Lansing, Mich. A reception was held at LeBaron in Lansing. The bride is the daughter of Robert and Linda Keller of Lansing. She graduated from Everett High School, Lansing, in 1990, and received her degree from Ferris State University in 1995. Attending the bride as maid of honor was Lisa Biasi.

The groom is the son of Ronald and Elaine Salow of Novi. He graduated from Novi High School in 1989, and was awarded a degree from Ferris State University in 1994. Serving as best man was Robert Lathrop. Ushers were brothers of the bride, David and Kevin Priest, and the couple went to Traverse City for their honeymoon and now reside in Lansing, Mich.

Singles

SINGLE PLACE, an adult ministry for single people at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, meets for brunch at Northville Crossing at 12:30 p.m. on Sundays. On Aug. 13, Single Place will have dinner at Sandowner at 6 p.m. followed by a presentation by Walt Stasiński on "The Lighter Side of Success: Humor in the Workshop" at 7:30 p.m. at the church. The cost is \$4. For continued fellowship, the group will go to Getzies after the presentation.

A Divorce Recovery Workshop will focus on networking, stages of grief, legal aspects of divorce, spiritual help and forgiveness, stages of divorce and relationships on seven Thursday evenings from Aug. 7 through Sept. 18 from 7 until 9:30 p.m. in the Library/Lounge. The cost is \$30. Workshop leaders include Dr. Dick Todd, David Jerome, attorney, Associate Pastor Jim Russell, Sue Anker, MSW, and psychologist Lynn Vaughn. Niagara-on-the-lake Shaw Festival Trip departs at 7 a.m. on Aug. 23 and returns at 11 p.m. on Aug. 24. The group will see Two Mrs. Carralls and The Chocolate Soldier at the Royal Theatre. The cost is \$238 with a \$100 non-refundable deposit due now and the balance due on Aug. 13. Activities for the month of August include a walk in the park every Saturday at 10 a.m. and volleyball every Sunday at 6 p.m. For more information about any of the Single Place programs or to register, call 349-0911.

SINGLE POINT MINISTRIES of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road at Six Mile in Livonia, invites you to join over 450 single adults every Sunday morning at 10:45 a.m. for fellowship and encouragement. Rev. Paul Clough delivers messages to help singles in their life struggles. Coffee, donuts, conversation and Christ are always present. SPM has a program and activity for every age group and life situation. Single Parents meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m. in the Calvin Room. The group offers support, fun, fellowship, vacations and other activities. Free child care is available. Single Point also offers other groups which are open to all singles. Upcoming activities include a rally on Aug. 15; "Rethinking Marriage: When Thinking Marriage" seminar on Aug. 23; summer volleyball on Thursdays, weather permitting, at 6 p.m. until dark at Rotary Park on Six Mile between Merriman and Farmington Road; biking on Sundays at various locations; outdoor tennis on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays at Rotary Park in Livonia; Talk Talk Talk It Over at 7:30 p.m. in Knox Hall with "Inner Peace - Does Your Inside Feel What Your Outside is Saying" with Aggie Richards on Aug. 8 and "Trust and Commitment" with Debra Bugle on Aug. 22; and a seven week Divorce Recovery Workshop beginning Sept. 16. For further information about Single Point Ministries call (313) 422-1854.

FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONALS is a non-profit group for singles ages 25-40 who share common interests and want to form new friendships. Membership is not limited to the Farmington area. The group participates in over 350 activities per year. Every Monday night the group meets at the Maples of Novi on Fourteen Mile for euche, pinocche and dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$7 for members and \$8 for non-members. Cash bar and munchies are available. Upcoming activities include volleyball at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesdays at Racquetball Farmington on Nine Mile west of Farmington Road; tennis at 6:30 p.m. until dusk every Thursday at Shawans Park; and volleyball which begins anytime from 6 p.m. and goes until dusk at Heritage Park every Tuesday. There will be a Single Mingle-Dance at the Marriott Hotel on Aug. 15 from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. A Cedar Point trip by motor coach is planned for Aug. 16. For details call the FSP hot line at (248) 851-9909.

THE CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB OF DETROIT is for single Catholics 21 and older who have bachelors degrees and are free to marry in the Catholic Church. Upcoming activities include outdoor volleyball on Aug. 12, 19 and 26 at 6:30 p.m., and co-ed softball on Aug. 10 and 24. For more information call (810) 271-4213.

Church Notes

Additional summer Wednesday worship services will be held at 7 p.m. The service is informal fun (can wear shorts). Pastor Brad Gee invites those who will be out of town for the weekend or not able to attend Sunday services to join **HOPE LUTHERAN** for singing, Holy Communion, and meditation on Scripture. Sunday worship services at Hope Lutheran take place at 8:30 and 11 a.m. There is a 9-9:45 a.m. Family Learning Hour, and Wednesday Worship Services are at 7:30 p.m. For more information or to register, call the church at (248) 553-7170. Hope Lutheran is located at 39200 West Twelve Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

The popular Summer Organ Series concludes Sunday, Aug. 10, with a performance by Joanne Vollandorf from 7 until 8 p.m. at **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE**, 200 East Main. Vollandorf will discuss the pieces in her program in detail. A reception in Ball Fellowship Hall, where guests may greet Vollandorf, will follow the performance. A free-will offering will be accepted and child care will be available at each program for \$2 per child. The concerts are part of a year-long Fine Arts Series sponsored by the church. For more information, call the church at 349-0911.

CHURCH OF TODAY, WEST, which meets at Village Oaks Elementary School, 23333 Willowbrook in Novi, offers services at 9 and 11 a.m. Church of Today, West also offers Sunday services and youth education at both services. For more information, call the church at (248) 419-8900.

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

CHURCH DIRECTORY For information regarding rates for church listings call: The Northville Record or Novi News 349-1100	CHURCH OF TODAY-West (Unity) Village Oaks Elementary School (South of 10 Mile or Willowbrook) (810) 473-0700 Services at 9 & 11 AM Children's Church 9 & 11 AM Men's Bible Class 9:45 AM
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FOR FUN TIMES SW, 19, 5'4", 180lbs., red hair, hazel eyes, bubbly, enjoys going to church, spending time with children, good times, seeking fun-loving SW, 18-25, Ad# 675

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LOVES TO CUDDLE! Baptist SW, 30, 5'7", brown eyes, warm, caring, cheerful, enjoys traveling, doing things, walking, reading, music, seeks honest, humorous, educated SW, with similar interests, Ad# 623

SAME LINES & DISLIKES? Protestant SW, 22, outgoing, honest, sincere, attends Christian concerts and activities, enjoys fishing, walking, music, seeks honest, sincere, outgoing SW, Ad# 781

GOOD-HEARTED Corical SW, 45, 5'5", gentle, honest, easygoing, outgoing, enjoys most sports, seeking intelligent, trustworthy, kindly, good-looking SW, Ad# 285

CAPTIVE MY HEART! Non-denominational SW, 32, 5'9", tall, freckled, blue-eyed blonde, attractive, humorous, intelligent, enjoys flower gardening, music and the great outdoors, seeks personable, compatible SW, Ad# 814

FATHI GIVES STRENGTH! Protestant SW, 55, good-humored, bubbly, likes Christian concerts, garage sales, antique, walking, seeks honest, caring, mature SW, Ad# 773

LET'S MEET! Non-denominational DW, 28, tall, freckled, friendly, extroverted, likes walks in the park, playing tennis, seeks understanding, affectionate SW, with a good sense of humor, Ad# 1011

A BALLROOM DANCER Catholic SW, 68, widower, enjoys cooking, caring, looking, sewing, quiet, friendly, looking for dancing, for educated, honest, supportive, humorous SW, with good morals, Ad# 304

THE FUNNY SIDE Catholic, tall-framed DW mom, 35, outgoing, humorous, enjoys time with family and friends, strong faith, seeks honest, communicative, happy, social DM, with children, Ad# 602

LOVES GOD! Protestant SW, 26, outgoing, creative, attends Christian activities, enjoys rollerblading, fishing, seeks humorous, fun-loving SW, with an adventurous side, Ad# 937

LOVES PETS SW, 27, fun, outgoing, employed, enjoys rollerblading, walking, exercise, seeks nice, funny, honest, caring SW, Ad# 470

QUALITY TIME Professional, easygoing SW, 34, Baptist, enjoys craft shows, time with daughter, searching for a good SW, who enjoys hiking, tennis and reading, Ad# 624

JUST WATCHING Baptist SW mom, 38, 5'11", 125lbs., humorous, easy-going, shy, enjoys movies, TV, dining out, reading, roller-skating, seeking honest, patient SW, Ad# 627

WHY NOT YOU? Baptist DW, 26, honest, outgoing, affectionate, enjoys picnics, walks, movies, seeks honest, humorous, understanding SW, Ad# 197

COLOR ME HAPPY Upbeat, positive SW mom of one, 31, enjoys celebrating, country music, dances, seeks independent, strong, sharing SW, Ad# 121

FRIENDS FIRST Baptist SW, 19, nice, caring, enjoys shopping, cooking, enjoys going to church, Ad# 591

IN NEW CHURCH SW, with no religious preferences, 24, beautiful, caring, likes walking, no conversations, moves, volleyball, poetry, country music, seeks honest, trustworthy, loyal SW, Ad# 273

FAMILY LOYALTY Catholic SW, 55, cheerful, hardworking, attends Christian concerts and activities, loves gardening, children, animals, seeks honest, healthy SW, who is a practicing Catholic, Ad# 624

CONFIDE IN ME Protestant SW, 33, optimistic, down-to-earth, home owner, enjoys reading, antique, seeks caring, down-to-earth SW, NS, with similar interests, Ad# 234

A LITTLE BIT CRAZY SW, 48, happy, carefree, enjoys snowmobiling, the lawn, playing pool, shooting darts, seeks fit, active, romantic, fun-loving SW, who is a little bit dandy, Ad# 214

BE NICE Methodist SW, 24, upbeat, happy, goal-oriented, enjoys caring, outdoor activities, dancing, Ad# 235

FAMILY ORIENTED Catholic SW, 33, warm, fun-loving, enjoys craft shows, antique shopping, concerts, music, seeks honest, clean-cut, fun-loving, hardworking SW, Ad# 226

SENSE OF HUMOR Humorous Catholic SW, 25, enjoys boating, sports, country music, karaoke, camping, seeks loving, caring, loyal, sincere, fun SW, Ad# 281

LIKES POETRY Protestant SW, 29, caring, sensitive, Type 'I' personality, likes dancing, volleyball, bowling, music, seeks honest, warm-hearted, stable, NS, compatible SW, Ad# 197

ON THE SHY SIDE Family-oriented SW, 38, Protestant, easygoing, humorous, enjoys movies, country music, dancing, seeks outgoing, considerate SW, Ad# 917

ATHLETIC Catholic SW, 35, fun-loving, enjoys recreational tennis, swimming, the theatre, movies, seeks honest, open, spontaneous, well-matched SW, NS, Ad# 484

GOOD WITH KIDS? Baptist SW, 27, humorous, down-to-earth, caring, enjoys watching cartoon, seeks down-to-earth, fun-loving SW, with similar interests, Ad# 777

WORK TOGETHER Active, kind SW, 50, enjoys looking, coaching, travel, enjoys going to church, seeks kind, trustworthy, adventurous SW, Ad# 703

BELIEVES STRONGLY Friendly outgoing SW, 31, Christian, enjoys reading, hiking, fishing, rollerblading, tennis, seeks fun-loving, honest, caring SW, who is fun and serious-minded, Ad# 222

OLD FASHIONED WOMAN Protestant SW, 21, 5'5", 150lbs., enjoys the outdoors, boating, country dancing, seeks honest, humorous, reliable, compassionate SW, Ad# 455

A CUT ABOVE SW, 45, enjoys boating, traveling, church, movies, music, seeking honest, intelligent, caring SW, who is a special someone, Ad# 345

MY KIDS NEED A DAD Methodist SW mom, 31, 4'10", 200lbs., marriage-minded, enjoys going to church, sports, reading, time with her kids, seeks nice SW, for relationship, Ad# 912

JUST BESS WHAT MY WISH IS? Protestant, happy, lucky SW, 41, bubbly, likes reading, writing, doing just about everything, seeks friendly SW, to share the joys of life, Ad# 245

COMMENTARY MINDSET Catholic SW mom, 33, fun-loving, smart, enjoys country dancing, rollerblading, seeks fun-loving, caring, seeks SW, with similar interests, Ad# 328

WALK LIKE A PATRIOT! Non-denominational SW, 42, easygoing, bubbly, adventurous, enjoys Christian activities, boating, country dancing, seeks honest, humorous, reliable, compassionate SW, Ad# 455

LOOKING FOR LAUGHTER? Bachelor SW, 28, outgoing, intelligent, confident, dedicated to his job, family, relationship, shy, until enjoys fishing, gardening, seeks outgoing, loving SW, Ad# 919

ADORE CHILDREN Catholic SW mom, 21, sincere, fun-loving, honest, student, enjoys movies, reading, sewing, dining out, time with daughter, seeks honest, sincere, fun SW, Ad# 419

HAPPY PERSON Catholic SW, 27, affectionate, adventurous, enjoys animals, enjoys going to church, seeks honest, humorous, caring SW, for possible relationship, Ad# 259

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SENSE OF HUMOR SW, 45, 5'8", reddish-blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys movies, music, seeks nice, sensitive, rugged, humorous SW, for possible relationship, Ad# 741

WIG TIGHT HEAR Protestant SW, 22, 5'6", blue-eyed blonde, intelligent, best actress, children, going out and staying home, seeking romantic, humorous SW, who loves cooking, for dating, maybe more, Ad# 495

FUNNY Outgoing SW, 38, enjoys social dining, boating, fishing, the outdoors, seeking loyal, honest, caring SW, Ad# 169

YOUR RELIGION? SW, 18, funny, outgoing, enjoys Christian activities, collecting baseball cards, seeks fun-loving SW, Ad# 911

A GREAT GUY Catholic SW, 30, fun-loving, happy, enjoys remodeling, gardening, taking rollerblading, seeking honest, sincere, kind, caring, considerate SW, Ad# 710

YOUR RELIGION? SW, 27, outgoing, adventurous, fun-loving, enjoys volleyball, music, bike riding, seeks outgoing, adventurous SW, NS, who enjoys traveling, Ad# 363

CHUCKLE WITH ME Presbyterian SW, 26, funny, happy, active, likes golf, ice hockey, rollerblading, hunting, seeks kind, patient, listening SW, Ad# 971

PROFESSOR SW, 61, humorous, outgoing, interests include sports, having dinner out, seeking kind, caring, outgoing, honest, humorous, faithful, responsible SW, Ad# 336

MIND BARRIER! Baptist SW, 38, quiet, natural, enjoys fishing, wood-working, gardening, hunting, no outdoors, seeks intelligent, responsible SW, to relate with, Ad# 163

MARRIAGE-MINDED! Born-Again SW, 24, outgoing, caring, loving, caring, enjoys motorcycles, camping, seeks trustworthy, honest, respectful SW, who is willing to communicate, Ad# 197

BE DEPENDABLE! SW, 49, outgoing, professional, gregarious, happy, enjoys golfing, bowling, sports, dancing, movies, seeks caring, understanding, trustworthy SW, Ad# 103

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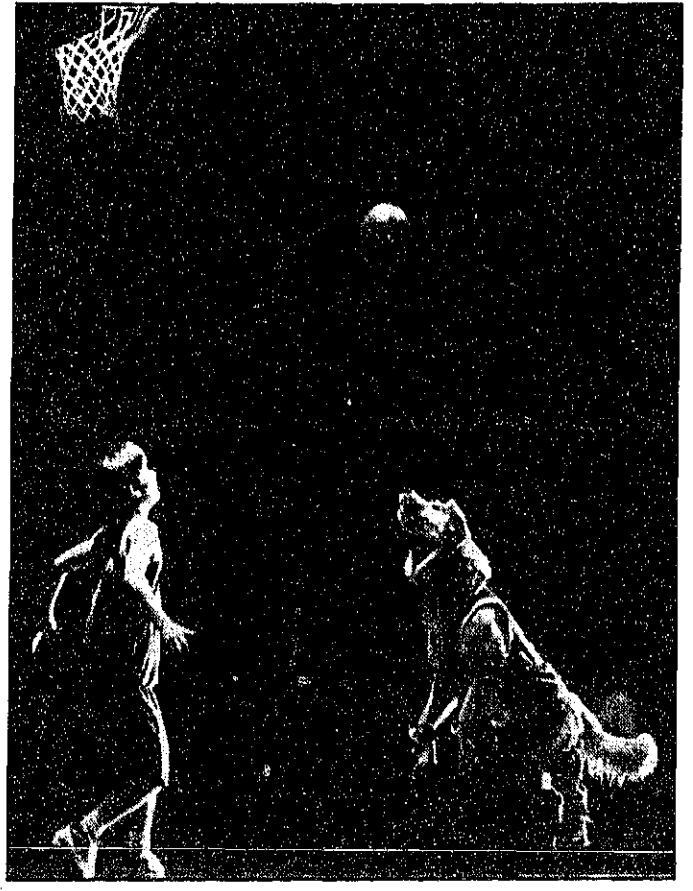
Dog helps boys' hoop dreams come true

By Arianna Layton SPECIAL WRITER He sits. He stays. He shoots. He scores. Walt Disney Pictures' "Air Bud" is the heartwarming story of a lovable stray dog who befriends a lonely boy. And if just so happens, the canine has an amazing basketball hoop shot.

Rebounding from his father's untimely death, 12-year-old Josh Fraum (Kevin Zegers) moves with his family to the sleepy town of Ferncliff, Washington. The new kid on the block, Josh has friends of the brute while rallying the town's school team to the state basketball finals.



Among his other credits as appearing in NBA half-time shows and guest-starring as Comet on "Full House" opposite Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. DiCiccio and Buddy spend much of their time making personal appearances around the country, including responsible pet ownership.



Josh (Zegers) assists his dog Buddy who astounds a cheering crowd of fans with his extraordinary on-court antics. Buena Vista Pictures distributes.

Director Smith said that while working with animals is often a challenge, Buddy is a natural actor. "You never expect animals to do what you want them to, but Buddy was always on his marks. He responds well to the camera, and thanks to the good work of his trainer Kevin DiCiccio, we had a perfect dog to act with."

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Robbins entertaining in 'Nothing to Lose'

By Amanda Cuda SPECIAL WRITER Tim Robbins has always been an extremely engaging, funny actor. But I never realized just how good he was until I saw him in "Nothing to Lose." In the movie, Robbins stars as Nick Beem, a successful advertising executive who resorts to robbery after his life seemingly falls apart at the seams.

He comes home early one afternoon and walks in on what he believes is his wife making love to another man. When Nick sees his boss' cuff-links on the counter, he jumps to the obvious conclusion and walks out without saying a word. Distraught, he drives around endlessly and ends up in a cliché "bad neighborhood," where a thief (played by Martin Lawrence) demands his wallet at gun-point. But instead of handing over the

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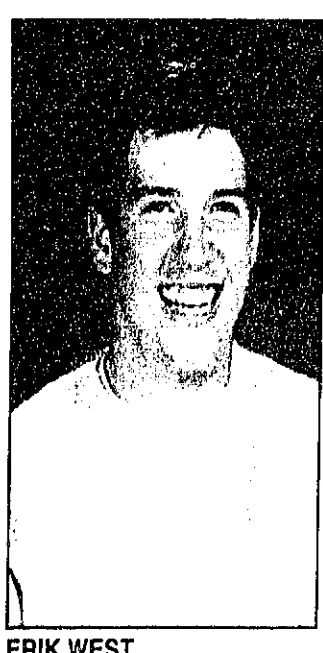
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Golfer sharpens skills on tour



By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

For high school golfers, summer is the most important season of the year. It's the best opportunity for linksters to get out and work on their game. A few months of solid play can also mean the difference between varsity and junior varsity status.

Such is the case for Novi resident Erik West. A senior this fall at Detroit Catholic Central, he's been competing all summer in the Power-Built Michigan PGA Junior Tour.

"My goal is to shoot in the high 70s," said West. "I've shot 70s twice so far this summer."

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ERIK WEST
Novi golfer

"I hit the ball pretty well when I was younger," West commented. "When I was 12, I hit a hole-in-one."

He's continued to play and improve since then. West even gave up baseball this summer to concentrate on his game.

"Baseball was my main sport," he said. "I played summer ball every year until this year."

West has stayed busy on the Power-Built tour competing about every other week. He has traveled around the state to play in tournaments.

West's best showing came locally at a one-day tournament at Salem Hills. He won the May tournament with a score of 71.

"Right around par usually wins," West

said of the tournaments he competes in, which is for golfers 18-years-old and under.

This is his first full summer of competitive golf. He said he competed in a few tournaments last year and got his feet wet. While he has had a couple of other good finishes, West said consistency has kept him from doing even better this summer. The key for him, he added, is keeping the ball in play off the tee.

"My short game is probably my biggest strength," the Catholic Central golfer said. "Seven iron to wedge is the best part of my game."

One of West's biggest tournaments this summer was the Michigan Junior Amateur Championship. The guest was well over 6,500 yards in length—almost as long as some professional layouts.

West shot 176 for the first two rounds of the tournament and missed the cut by 14.

"I didn't play very well," he said.

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Coyote tougher than given rating

This week's Now News continues a series of weekly golf reviews. Our goal is to provide you, the reader, useful information and tips on playing favorite courses in the area.

Coyote Golf Club is the subject of this week's review. If you would like to see a particular course reviewed this summer, please contact us at (248) 437-2011 or (810) 349-1700.

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Mr. B's blanks Benny's Pizza

Here are results from Novi Parks and Recreation Softball games for the weeks of July 28-Aug. 3 and July 21-27.

Monday, July 28
In Division II games, Wisne edged Sports Library 8-6, Library Pub beat C & A 20-1, Pioneer whipped DRI 17-4 and Henkel defeated Lakes Baptist 23-2.

In Resident League action, Gatsby's defeated Novi Fire 18-6, Hodges Supply beat JCK 32-3, and IST edged Brasserie 15-8.

Tuesday, July 29
Division III leader WISNE beat Library Sports Pub 8-6. In other games, Reliable beat Hackers 24-6 and Mr. B's defeated GB Sales 9-6.

Wednesday, July 30
Library beat the Landing Strip 28-19 in Division I. Other games included Pulle's 11-9 win over Pritchard, Mr. B's 25-15 win over Bosco's and Kickers 10-8 win over Boulder.

In Division II, Rocky's beat Graco 16-10 while Green Machine kept its first place position with a win over High Sticking 6-4. Team No. 6 beat Cooper 14-11 and Library Pub beat Kitchen Solvers 12-10.

Monday, July 21
Cadillac Cafe beat Benny's Pizza 7-5 in Division I action. Novi Merchants downed SS Softball 29-23, Novi Bowl edged Sheehan's 16-15, Starclippers whipped Mr. B's 24-18 and Novi Merchants downed Mr. B's 20-13.

In Division II, Pioneer beat Henkel 14-13, Sports Library edged Sports Pub 22-20, and C &

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New York Bayside wins fifth straight NABF Series

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

A team that wins back-to-back championships is often referred to as a "dynasty" these days in the sports world.

By capturing their fifth straight National Amateur Baseball Federation World Series title Saturday in Northville, the New York Bayside Yankees can legitimately be called a dynasty.

The Yankees edged a gritty East Cobb, Ga., squad 6-5 at the high school field to take the tournament. William Ryan provided the winning margin with a solo home run in the top of the seventh. New York's second round-tripper of the inning.

"I thought the home runs were the icing on the cake," coach Ron Seltzer said. "But East Cobb kept coming back. They never quit."

It was New York's seventh World Series victory since 1983.

The path to Saturday's finals wasn't an easy one for either club.

Bayside edged Livonia 5-4 to open the tournament Thursday. The Yankees then beat the Lexington Bulls and New Jersey Abcocon Comets on Friday to survive pool play and qualify for the semi-finals.

New York edged the Indiana Bulls 6-5 in the semi-final for the right to play East Cobb.

The Ringers came from behind to beat Northville 10-6 Thursday. Georgia then edged the Indiana Bulls 3-2 and blanked South California 13-0 in Friday's games. East Cobb whipped New Jersey 14-7 in the semi-final.

The tournament's two undefeated teams squared off at 4 p.m. Saturday.

New York drew first blood with a pair of runs in the top of the third inning. An East Cobb error allowed Dustin Edwards to score from third. A double by Juan Miranda brought home the second run.

The Yankees made it 3-0 in the top of the fourth as Jason Santiago picked up an RBI single. East Cobb fought back in its half of the inning.

Kyle Dunn reached base on an error and Charles Gutherie followed with a double. A sacrifice fly by Mark Ithenburg and a single by Todd Buchanan made it a 3-2 ball game.

The teams traded runs in the sixth.

New York scored on an RBI double by catcher Charles D'Elia. Georgia got the run back thanks to a



New York Bayside won its fifth straight NABF World Series in Northville Saturday.

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Sports Shorts

Cross Country Tryouts

Novi High's boys' cross country team will hold its tryout Aug. 11. Interested runners should report to the lower level lockerroom at 8 a.m. All freshmen must have a physical exam. For more information, call 449-1506.

Tennis Tryouts

Tennis tryouts will start on Monday, Aug. 11, at the Novi High tennis courts from 8 to 11 a.m. All 10th-12th grade girls should report on this date. All freshmen girls should report to the high school courts on Thursday, Aug. 14, at 8 a.m. Necessary paper work can be obtained at the athletic office of Novi High School.

NYBL baseball tryouts

Novi Youth Baseball will tryouts for its 1998 travel teams Sept. 13 and Sept. 20 from 4-6 at Power Park in Novi. Players will be picked for the following teams: 12 year olds-Novus Varsity, 13 year olds-Novus Nemesis, 14 year olds-Novus Heat, 1996-97 League Champs, 1996 Regional Champs, 1996 World Series Team and 15 and 16 year olds-Novus Lightning/Athletes.

The age cut off is July 31 for all players. For more information, please call Dave Ray 347-7731.

Colts

If you are interested in tackle football, the Northville-Novus Colts football league is interested in you. The Colts league has openings on its varsity football team. The league is looking for players who are 11-14 years old (by Sept. 1) and weigh 155 pounds or less. The league is also looking for cheerleaders 11-14 to join the varsity squad.

The association is run by interested parents and volunteers. The teams use top quality equipment. All helmets are NOSCAE certified. Players get to keep their game jerseys. Cheerleaders keep their personalized sweatshirts.

The registration fee is \$200. A copy of your hospital birth certificate is required.

Call the Colts at 380-5445 for more information.

Basketball Tryouts

Novi High's girls' basketball team will hold tryouts for the upcoming fall season on Aug. 11.

Junior varsity tryouts will be held from 2 to 3:30 p.m., freshmen 4 to 5:30 p.m. and varsity from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All tryouts will be held at the high school gym.

PEG beats Novi Fire 14-1

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A forfeit to Lakes Baptist.

PEG whipped Novi Fire 14-1 in a Monday Resident League game. Brass Craft beat JCK 19-13 and Gatsby's beat IST 18-6.

Tuesday, July 22
Library Sports Bar beat Library Sports Pub 19-8. In other Division II games, WISNE beat Lou LaRche 14-10 and Matt Brady's beat NAC 10-8.

In Division III, Library Sports Pub beat Reliable 16-11, Library Sports Pub beat Dunbar 14-8, TSC beat Hackers 14-7 and No Stars edged Reliable 21-19.

Wednesday, July 23
In Men's Division I action, Hodges' Pizza beat Boulder 22-13 and Pritchard beat Kickers 21-20. Library Pub beat Pulle 13-8 and Mr. B's beat the Landing Strip 15-

13. Division II leader Kitchen Solvers beat Graco 24-13. Rocky's beat Cooper 18-4. Team No. 6 beat Green Machine 14-11 and High Sticking beat Library Sports Pub 8-6.

Thursday, July 24
Just three games were played in Division I. Novi Industries beat Telecorp 16-0, Wolverine downed County Epicure 13-3 and CMC Telecom beat South Lyon Hotel 15-10.

In Division II, JCK beat Team No. 3 13-6, Starting Gate beat Brock's Bombers 28-3, Rocky's beat Piedmont 26-9 and DOC was a 19-1 winner over Choo Choo Express.

Friday, July 25
In co-ed Division I, Kosch's beat Victor Associates 18-8. Victor

Associates bounced back to take a 14-11 win over Copper Mug.

Copper Mug won its second game 23-15 over McDowell. Hennessy's Pub beat Dye Hards 14-11. TPS downed Dye Hards 13-12, and Hennessy's Pub beat Library Pub 13-12.

In the co-ed Gold Division, Cottage Inn beat Crosswinds 16-4, NA Manns beat Mr. B's 11-7 and Frigates downed MDI 5-4. Co-ed Blue Division winners included Rashid, VIP Carpet and Drillers.

Sunday, July 27
Conceptual beat Library/Ford 11-8 in Division II action. Eaton Air topped Erie's Auto 10-5 and Conceptual defeated Erie's 9-3.

In Division III, Library Sports Pub beat Papa Romano's 20-17 and Helonemen 8-3. Motion Control topped Helonemen 7-6.

Bayside wins 5th straight Series

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pair of New York errors.

The game took on an air of drama in the seventh.

Richard Conte, New York's third baseman, led off with a solo homer to make it 5-3. Two batters later, Ryan lofted a fly ball to left. It didn't appear to have enough power behind it to make it over the fence. But a helping wind pushed it over and made it 6-3.

With next batter John Wesley on the mound, the game appeared over. But it was clear

from the start of the bottom of the seventh that the big right hander was running on empty.

Wesley allowed a walk and an RBI double to Drew Latoro to make it a 6-4 game. Seltzer pulled Wesley after the double in favor of Adam Schwartz.

Thomas Clark greeted him with an RBI single to make it 6-5. Schwartz then retired Dunn on a fly ball for the second out.

Gutherie walked to put runners on first and second with two out. Ryan Quilliam followed with a sharp grounder to third, but Conte snagged the ball and tagged Clark to end the game.

Seltzer was proud his team hung on.

"That was nothing but heart from this team," he said. "We kept fighting, we kept improving and we won."

The diminutive manager said his bullpen was tired. But he did the job.

"Each guy gave me one toning," Seltzer said. "I couldn't ask for more."

Northville 1-2 in tournament

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

At the highest levels of competition there's often a fine line between winning and losing.

A dropped pop up, wild pitch or stranded runner at third base can be all it takes for the other team to steal a game. When you have the opportunity to close the door, in other words, you'd better close it or plan on leaving the tournament early.

The Northville Broncos had chances to take all three of its World Series games over the weekend. But a couple of mistakes and missed opportunities kept the locals from advancing past pool play.

"We were in a position to win all three games," coach Stan Sosztek said. "But when you play good teams you can't give them the opportunity to get back in the game."

Northville did. In its two losses.

Needing a victory to move on to the semi-finals, the Broncos faced the Indiana Bulls Friday. Northville fell behind 7-2 after four innings and tournament elimination loomed certain.

But the Broncos bounced back to tie the game in the fifth inning. Jason Santelu started the rally with a double and made it a 7-3 ball game on a single by Kip Sosztek.

Justin Waineo was then hit by a pitch to load the bases. Frank Garcia followed with a sacrifice fly to bring in a second run. Northville added four more runs on back-to-back two-out doubles by Andy Borda and Ben Keckle.

"Andy Borda kept us in the game," said coach Sosztek.

Coyote Golf Club tougher than course rating indicates

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The 18th hole will change soon, getting a new elevated tee box to the left front of the wetlands. A new tee box is also being built on four.

Jayne's tip to golfers new to Coyote is to practice putting.

Greens at Coyote average 7,500 square feet while most courses average about 5,000. "Ours are extremely huge," Jayne said. "You are going to hit some greens and you're going to have some long putts."

The greens can also be rather fast, but Jayne said none of them

are impossible to sink a putt on.

One isn't so easy to hit though. Coyote's second hole, a 144-yard, par three features a large sand pit in front of the green. Just behind the green is very murky water. A well positioned shot is advisable and not at all impossible. If you can't do that you have to decide whether or not to hit out of the sand, or hit uphill back onto the green from the water's edge.

Water doesn't come into play on many holes and the biggest hazards to look out for are the wetlands. The back nine is fairly wide open. The front nine, however, is a different story. Trees become obstacles from the fourth hole on and can be a nuisance for most of the middle holes on the front nine.

Number five, a 355-yard par four plays short fairways and many trees. It's close to 200 yards to the dogleg and the fairway is narrow. A good shot off of the tee puts the golfer in good position to be on in two, but don't go near the trees and stay to the left of the fairway.

It's hard to tell this is Coyote's first full season and the challenges of the course make a golfer want to go back and master it, but take some extra tees, the boxes are hard.

West sharpens skills on tour

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summer was the Michigan Junior Amateur Championship. The three-day event was held in Houghton Lake at the Guest Golf Club in late July.

West shot 176 for the first two rounds of the tournament and missed the cut by 14.

Built tournament at Mystic Creek in Milford. West won't have much time to rest with his high school season starting in about two weeks.

"I'm really looking forward to my senior year," he said.

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Pick health club to fit your needs

As each individual makes his or her personal fitness lifestyle choice, it may be time to reconsider the professional health club option.

Roughly only 8 percent of the U.S. population has found this alternative to fit their lifestyle so far. There are many reasons attributed to this, but largely the health club industry has not met the specific needs of the general public in the past, as reflected in the low overall participation rate.

Things have and will continue to change on the health club front. The numbers also reflect that.

Jan. 1, 1987, U.S. Health Club memberships stood at 13.8 million. Ten years later American health club memberships had increased 51 percent to 20.8 million, up 9 percent from January 1996 to January 1997.

But more importantly, the clubs

are appealing more and more to first-time users. In 1996, some 44 percent of all new club members were first-time buyers.

Health clubs are, and never will be, the fitness solution for everyone. But if you have considered this option but are picturing a dirty, loud dungeon-type facility with very large people lifting tons of weights, or a night club type facility with neon lights, mirrors everywhere, and looking like a fashion show, you may want to reconsider.

As we reach about age 30 we begin to lose about one-half pound of lean muscle mass a year. Unfortunately, our weight either stays the same, or in most cases, increases, which means the ratio between lean muscle and body fat is headed in the wrong direction.

The professional health club will have the tools and guidance to

customize a fitness program to help you reverse this trend. Few people have this knowledge on their own, and find it difficult to sort through the many infomercials and latest books.

Today's clubs have changed, emphasizing comfortable environments, exciting fun equipment, professional personnel and average people as members.

Like anything, you must shop and compare to find the club that fits you and your specific needs. Some general guidelines include:

- Look for a club that has some sort of free, no-obligation trial. That is the best way to see if the club is for you. Talk to the members, use it at different times of the day, see what kind of service you receive. If you don't get excellent service during the trial period you obviously will not get it three

months into your membership.

- Watch out for specials or discounts: some clubs that use these make it difficult to find the real investment. Like anywhere, you get what you pay for - it is difficult to be the best and the cheapest.

- Try at least two or three clubs, evaluating what is important to you, such as convenience, cleanliness, service and guidance, and amenities.

As achieving optimal health continues to become more important for a full, high-quality life and as we become more and more busy, you may find help at a professional health club.

This article was written by Chris Klebba, the president of the Water Wheel health club in Northville. For information, call (248) 449-7634.

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Health Column

ADHD affects many American children

The essential feature of Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) is a pattern of inattention, hyperactivity and/or impulsivity that is more frequent and severe than typically observed in individuals at a comparable level of development. The criteria for the disorder are that some symptoms must have been present before age 7, some impairment must be present in at least two settings, and there must be evidence of interference with social, academic or occupational functioning. Also, the disturbances must not occur exclusively with a psychiatric disorder, and the symptoms must be persistent for six months.

The disorder of inattentiveness, impulsivity, and hyperactivity was first described in 1902 and has been given many names. Since the 1980, it has been called Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder or ADHD.

ADHD affects between 3 and 5 percent of all American children. Without early identification and proper treatment it can have serious consequences, including school failure, depression, failed relationships, and even substance abuse. And there is certainly a lack of self-esteem.

It was formerly believed that these symptoms disappear in adolescence, but it is now known that many symptoms continue into adulthood for 30-70 percent of individuals with this disorder. Adults with ADHD may experience difficulties at work and in relationships, as well as other emotional difficulties.

Children with ADHD generally fall into two categories - those who are mainly hyperactive or impulsive and those who are predominantly inattentive. Some have a mixture of both types.

Perhaps 50 percent of children with ADHD are never properly diagnosed. ADHD is not a specific learning disability. These children are not unable to learn, but they do have difficulty

performing due to poor organization, impulsivity and inattention. However, some children with ADHD also have a learning disability.

This disorder also involves an impairment in the individual's ability to use rules and instructions to guide his or her behavior. As a result, they seem to always be at the mercy of what is happening at any given moment and are less able to work persistently toward long term goals.

Although such problems can make life quite difficult for these children, there are many effective means of managing the behavioral deficits associated with ADHD.

Between 70-80 percent of children with ADHD respond positively to psychostimulant medications. These medications decrease impulsivity and hyperactivity, increase attention and, in some children, decrease aggression.

However, drug therapy should not be used as the only intervention. Classroom success may require a range of interventions and children may respond to different teachers in a variety of fashions. Usually a structured classroom is best.

Parents, who frequently benefit from a support group such as CHADD, can be trained to provide consistent structure and clearly defined expectations and limits for children with ADHD. They should use charting of behavior, positive reinforcement, and time-out. Parents also should be instructed to help their child with peer relationships.

Above all, parents need to be their child's best advocate. Keep in mind that a child may have certain legal rights. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act requires that special education and related services be made available to any child with a disability that impairs

the child's educational performance. Children who have informed, effective parents are better prepared to meet life's challenges.

Children with ADHD do not routinely show signs of serious emotional disturbance. However, if not properly diagnosed and treated, these children can develop significant emotional difficulties.

Adults with ADHD, meanwhile, often experience career difficulties. On the other hand, adults who learn to adjust and to harness their energy and creativity can thrive professionally.

The cause of ADHD is believed to be a slower metabolism of glucose. This is the most evident in the portion of the brain that is important for attention, handwriting, motor control and inhibition of responses. Brain metabolism studies combined with family history studies and drug response studies suggest ADHD's a neurobiological disorder, not a result of a chaotic home environment.

A comprehensive evaluation is necessary to establish a diagnosis, rule out other causes and determine whether conditions are present. Such an evaluation will often include intelligence testing plus the assessment of academic, social and emotional functioning, and developmental abilities. Measures of attention span and impulsivity will also be used, as well as parent and teacher rating scales. A medical exam by a physician is also important.

Ultimately, treating children with ADHD requires a combination of psychological and educational intervention and behavior management techniques.

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Health Notes

Healthy Cooking

(248) 471-8020.

Botsford General Hospital will hold a healthy cooking demonstration on Aug. 14. Tofu, Tempeh and Textured Vegetable Protein. The demonstration will take place at 7 p.m. A \$6 fee will be charged and preregistration required. Botsford on Grand River in Novi. For more information or to register, call (248) 477-6100.

Prostate Support Group

A round table discussion on treatment options will be held Aug. 18 at Botsford Hospital. Offering knowledgeable speakers each month, this support group provides both encouragement and education about prostate cancer, its treatments and the physical and emotional issues associated with it. Meets the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. Free. Botsford General Hospital's 2 East A Conference Room, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 477-6100.

Parkinson's Disease

An intensive seven-week education program, Living with and Understanding Parkinson's, co-sponsored with the Michigan Parkinson's Foundation, covering all aspects of self-care and management. Meets consecutive Tuesday evenings, starting Aug. 19. There is a \$40 fee. Preregistration required. Botsford General Hospital's 3 West Conference Room, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 477-6100.

Sun, Skin and Cancer

Is the depletion of the ozone layer causing an increase in skin cancer? What are the signs of skin cancer? Michael Mahon D.O., a Botsford dermatologist, will answer these and other questions about skin health as well as give tips about protecting your skin, year-round on Aug. 20. Refreshments provided. 1 p.m., \$3 at the door. Botsford General Hospital's Ziegler Center, Community Room 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Preregistration required by Tuesday, Aug. 15. For more information, call

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.

Losing Weight

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.

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.

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: Aug. 25.

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

Diabetes Education

A comprehensive program which includes self-monitoring of blood glucose, diet and meal planning, disease management with exercise, potential complications of the disease, and presentations by a pharmacist and a podiatrist.

Date: Continuously revolving six-week program held on Monday evenings. From 6-8:30 p.m. at Providence Medical Office Center in Novi, Ten Mile and Haggerty roads. Fee: \$20. To register call (248) 424-3903.

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