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Sidewalks may head to ballot

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Novi residents could be asked to approve a several million bond issue this fall that would play connect the sidewalks with Novi's "non-motorized transportation system."

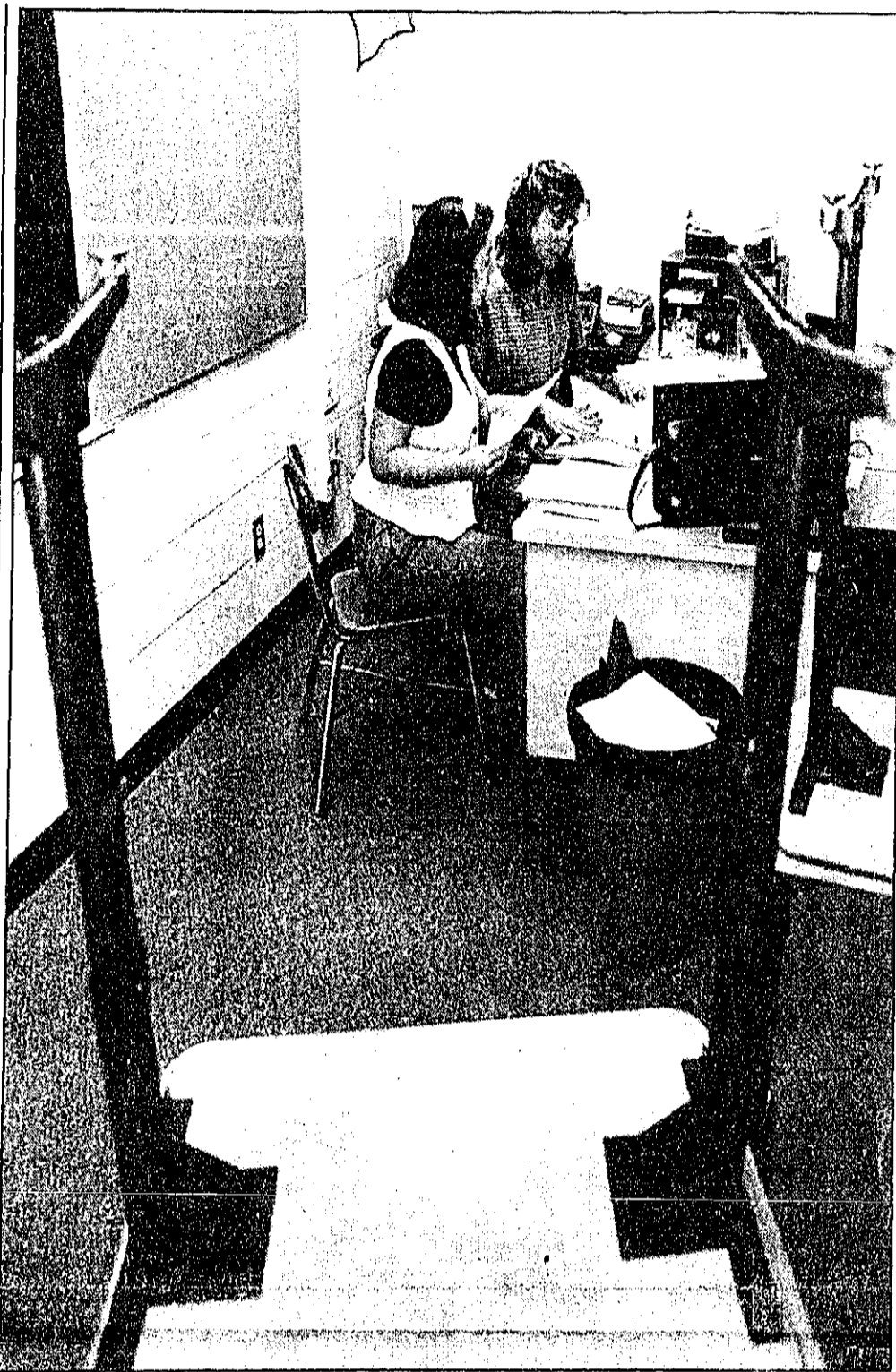
Novi now requires developers to install sidewalks on property that fronts Novi roadways, but it wasn't always that way. Many of Novi's older portions still have no way for walkers, joggers or bikers to get around town.

How, city officials pondered, can the city encourage people to get out and about in the fresh air and not provide them with the safest route?

"The goal is to have developers in the community bring in sidewalks and that's happened but we're still missing large portions in the city. The only way to put them there is if the city embraces a city-wide program," explained Mayor Kathleen McLallen.

Brought to the attention of the council by a group of Novi Middle School students a few years ago, the sidewalk issue has been in the research stage until now.

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Spanish III teachers Bridget Barnes, left, and Lisa Meyer prepare for their upcoming semester at Novi High School by going over a syllabus in room stuffed with desks ready to be righted.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Back to school

Teachers prepare for arrival of students

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

It's not Beaver Cleaver's classroom. FishBall, Jeopardy and hand puppets are just some of the methods to be used to teach Novi High School students about math, history and science when they start back to school Aug. 25.

Six young teachers heading into Novi High School got a crash course in teaching under the 85-minute class period block schedule last week by teachers Kathy Pasquantonio and Sandra Moulin.

The two, along with several other Novi teachers, have been attending seminars on creative teaching methods. They will share the seminar with other teachers this fall.

Novi High alumnus Jamil Wilkins, a new part-time teacher at the school this year, said the advice helped.

"If you make learning fun, kids will learn more and be more willing to accept information," she explained.

The key to teaching under the block schedule is to be creative and complete five or six tasks in each class. For instance, a lecture, a question and answer set, moving chairs around to form groups or com-

pleting a one-minute essay.

Teachers can play music that relates to the subject or show movie clips, but not whole movies. Plopping kids down in front of a two-hour movie teaches them less than if the class analyzes short, important segments of the movie.

Pasquantonio said the new teachers can use pertinent novels, music and movies to supplement the curriculum and add depth to the study.

Pasquantonio, a literature and history teacher, said she reads aloud to her students, sometimes in character.

"Students love to be read to," she said.

A big must in teaching under the block schedule is to keep moving. Teachers should walk around the room while lecturing or asking questions. Students should be required to get up and move during class.

"If you don't keep moving you're going to lose them," Pasquantonio said.

She said she's found different devices for keeping the students' attention. One of them is FishBall. She tosses a brightly colored fish hackey sack to a student and asks a question. If that student doesn't know the answer, he or she tosses the FishBall to

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Ten Mile Road widening issue resurfaces

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

There's a five-lane design in the latest report on Ten Mile Road between Novi and Haggerty roads, but it's not the same plan that was so vigorously opposed by residents last year.

At the Aug. 25 meeting, the Novi City Council will take a look at four potential visions for Ten Mile Road, plus the option of simply doing nothing.

Recommended by city consulting engineers JCK & Associates is a \$7.66 million strategy calling for the expansion of Ten Mile to five lanes from Novi Road to Meadowbrook Road, three lanes from Meadowbrook Road to Haggerty Road and a bridge over the railroad tracks.

"We're going to put it out and see what happens. I think the engineers feel the it ought to be five lanes all the way through, but they aren't going to get approval there," Novi City Manager Edward Kriewall said.

In their report, the engineers

TRAFFIC COUNTS

Actuals, July 1995

Ten Mile, Novi Road to Meadowbrook 24,733

Ten Mile, Meadowbrook to Haggerty 22,336

Projected traffic counts

Ten Mile, Novi Road to Meadowbrook 39,000

Ten Mile, Meadowbrook to Haggerty 31,000

Projected increase by percent

Ten Mile, Novi Road to Meadowbrook 58

Ten Mile, Meadowbrook to Haggerty 39

Source: City of Novi's Thoroughfare Plan

note that the three-to-five lane option will not be as efficient as

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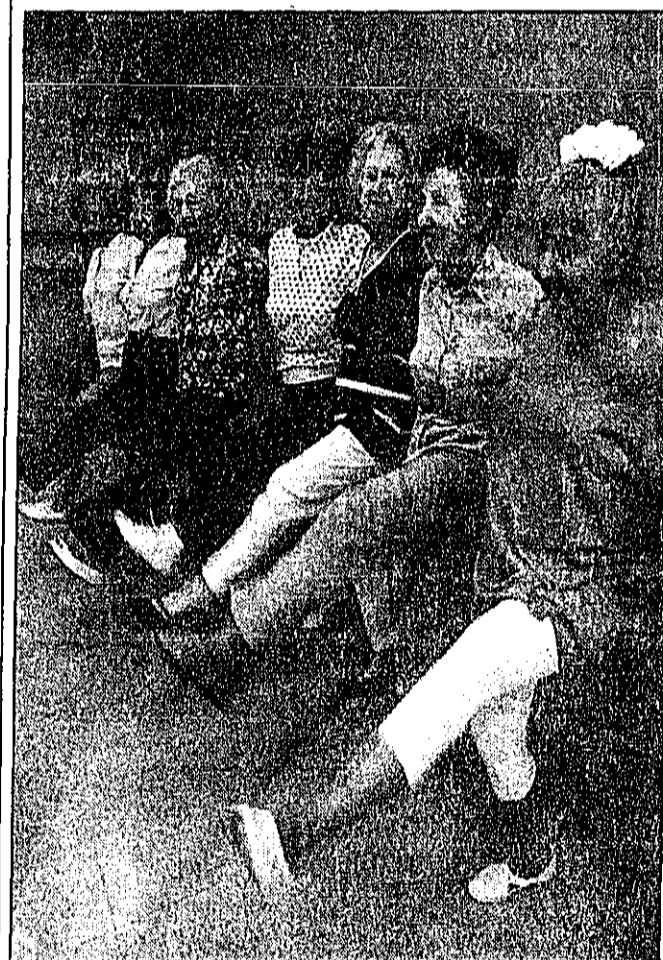


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Seniors rehearse musical

Kicking up their heels, in preparation for the upcoming Senior Citizen Musical Calendar Cavalcade of Chorus, Comedy, Chorus-line and Classy Costumes, are (from left) Virginia Whing, Ollie DiAngelo, Eleanor Malchie, Iris Rehnland, Helen Weiss, Philomena Abernathy and Anne Okonski. The show will take place at the Novi Civic Center on Friday Sept. 5 at noon and Sunday Sept. 7 at 3 p.m.



Munish Bazaz

Novi grad drowns on canoe trip

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

A Novi family is mourning the loss of 22-year-old Munish Bazaz who died this past weekend in a canoeing accident in Big Rapids.

According to Big Rapids Public Safety Director Kevin Courtney, Munish and about 45 of his fraternity brothers were on a canoeing excursion Saturday, Aug. 16, when his canoe overturned on the Muskegon River.

Courtney said Munish and

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Representative Nancy Cassis brought her Task Force on Senior Citizens to Novi Tuesday.

Seniors speak to task force

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Predictions made last week about what local seniors are thinking about when it comes to state government were pretty accurate.

They're thinking about roads, just like everybody else.

But they are also concerned about senior housing and the quality of care in nursing homes. About 80 turned up for a town hall meeting Tuesday at the Novi Senior Center sponsored by State Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi.

Novi resident Monika Jackson won the applause of her peers when she discussed her worries over the quality of care in nursing

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Community Calendar

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

Thursday, August 21

Optimist Club

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

Bereavement support

A monthly bereavement group meeting will be held from 7:30-9 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, between Novi and Taft roads. There is no fee to attend. The meeting will be facilitated by Dr. Michael Meyer. The topic of discussion will be "Talking Grief One Step at a Time." There will be a brief prayerful reflection during the meeting by a member of the clergy from the area.

Monday, August 25

City Council

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

TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Meadows Clubhouse on Napier Road. For more information, call after 6 p.m. (616) 344-2167.

Beach closes

The beach on Walled Lake at Novi's Lakeshore Park closes today for the week.

Tuesday, August 26

ZONTA

The ZONTA Club of Farmington/Novi meets at 6 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel between Seven and Eight Mile roads, off I-275. ZONTA International is a worldwide classified service organization of executives in business and the professions, working to improve the legal, political, economic and professional status of women. For information and reservations, call (313) 538-9043.

Civil Air Patrol

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

Youth Assistance

Novi Youth Assistance board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Novi Community School Educational Services Building, 25346 Taft Rd.

F.E.M.A.L.E.

The Novi area chapter of F.E.M.A.L.E. (Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge) meets at Providence Mission Health Center, 39500 W. Ten Mile Rd., Conference Room A. For more information call Janet at (610)476-5834.

Band rehearsal

The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School.

Camera Club

The Novi Camera Club meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. For more information, call Hugh Crawford at 349-5079.

Chess Club

The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all

players are welcome. For more information, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m.

Business Network International

The Novi chapter of The Business Network International meets from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at Kerby's Koney Island, at Eight Mile and Haggerty Road. For more information, call the regional office at (313) 844-3432.

Wednesday, August 27

Lions Club

The Novi Lions Club will meet at Kim's Gardens at 6:30 p.m. for dinner followed by a meeting.

Seniors business

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

Thursday, August 28

PTO meeting

The Orchard Hills School PTO meets at 7:30 p.m. at the school. For information, call (248) 471-4928.

Friday, August 29

Business Network International

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Saturday, August 30

Beach opens

The beach on Walled Lake in Lakeshore Park reopens for the Labor Day weekend.

Monday, September 1

Labor Day

City offices, the Novi Recycling Center and the Novi Public Library will be closed for the holiday.

Beach open

The beach on Walled Lake in Lakeshore Park opens for the Labor Day weekend. Labor Day will be the final day of the season for swimming at Lakeshore Park as the beach will be closed for season afterward.

Tuesday, August 2

Taxes due

Today is the last day on which payment of 1997 city and school property taxes will be accepted without penalty at the Novi Civic Center.

Seniors meeting

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

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Menopause Support Group

Providence Medical Center's Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., hosts a monthly menopause support group from 7:30-9 p.m. for women with concerns about menopause. Call 380-4115 for more information.

Board of Appeals

The Novi Board of Appeals will meet at 7:30 p.m.

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'I'd like to think I'm wrong'

Transcripts explain rationale in judge's decision to reduce CSC charge

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

"I'd like to think I am wrong in this, Mr. Prosecutor. I just don't think I am." 52-1 District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie said April 8 after reducing the criminal sexual conduct charge against a 23-year-old woman.

Last week in Pontiac, Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Denise Langford Morris overruled MacKenzie, binding Daniel Crippen over for trial on charges of third degree criminal sexual conduct, a felony. MacKenzie had reduced the charge to fourth degree CSC, a misdemeanor.

Crippen allegedly entered the home of a sleeping 22-year-old Novi woman and assaulted her in August 1996 after she woke to find him standing over her wearing thigh-high fishnet stockings, tight shorts, a ruffled shirt and a cloth over his face. He entered the apartment she shared with her fiancée through the patio door, removed her shorts and fondled her, police said. She did not resist because she thought it was her fiancée, she said. She had fallen asleep with her fiancée on the couch, but he later moved to the bedroom before Crippen allegedly entered the apartment.

Langford Morris said the prosecution proved the necessary element of force or coercion for the felony charge, pointing out that his face was concealed and he went along with her assumption that it was her fiancée. Langford Morris said MacKenzie had abused his discretion.

Although MacKenzie said he can-

not comment on the now widely publicized case, he encouraged Oakland County Prosecutors to explore other arguments in the case, according to court transcripts from the March and April hearings.

MacKenzie originally found no evidence of force or coercion as alleged by the Oakland County Prosecutor's office, but told assistant prosecutors there might be alternatives in case.

"It does seem to me that there is another theory which this could be a criminal sexual conduct three and I'm prepared to hear arguments on it in that the complainant was asleep at the time that this matter began," MacKenzie told assistant prosecutor John Reiser in March. "Under the statute, if the person is physically helpless - and that includes sleeping - it may well constitute criminal sexual conduct in the third degree."

"Mr. Prosecutor there is clearly no force or coercion and you will not persuade me that there is. I am open to discussion with regard to physically helpless," he added.

Reiser did argue that Crippen began to masturbate outside the patio, therefore the act began while the victim was sleeping, and "she was physically unable to communi-

cate because of the grogginess with which she would have awakened."

The defense attorney, Robert Musilli, however argued she was "clearly awake" when Crippen approached her that morning and cited her testimony.

MacKenzie also directed Reiser to prepare an argument that would allow a felony home invasion charge in the case of a high misdemeanor, the fourth degree CSC. Home invasion can be charged if someone enters a home with the intent of committing a felony or a larceny while another person is lawfully there.

"My interest here is that if I find that there's a CSC 4 and there is an entry, would that still constitute home invasion. And I don't know that it will. I don't think that it will, but I'm certainly open to a discussion on that," MacKenzie said.

Before MacKenzie ruled, he gave the prosecution and defense 21 days to file briefs to uncover alternative arguments and met with them again in April.

Still, MacKenzie was not convinced with the prosecution's argument of force and the addition of a home invasion charge. The prosecution argued Crippen could have committed a felony sexual

assault or worse if the victim had defended attorney that Crippen, released earlier on bond and an electronic tether, was to go nowhere near the complainant.

"If I get a phone call from a police officer that says that this witness has seen hair or hair of this young man, even by accident, he'd going to be flouting himself at a millon-dollar bond," he explained.

Crippen's attorney, Musilli, called it "an entry without asking."

"Once he's in he appears to be invited to engage in the contact that he did engage in," Musilli said.

MacKenzie bound over the suspect to circuit court on the charge of fourth degree CSC along with an additional entry without owner's permission charge.

"The defendant did engage in sexual contact or penetration with the complaining witness without her consent or knowing consent, in this case I mean it was mistaken identity and she would never have consented in this particular instance. And I think that enough to establish the crime," MacKenzie said.

The judge emphasized to the defense attorney that Crippen, released earlier on bond and an electronic tether, was to go nowhere near the complainant.

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Daniel Crippen

Circus featured at this year's Victorian Festival

By LEE SNIDER
Editor

The days of yore are upon us. Northville's annual street party, the Victorian Festival, is almost here. The city's time machine is revving up, and festivalgoers are getting ready to return to the glory days of Northville's historic past.

Now in its ninth year, the 1997 installment of the Northville Victorian Festival will feature all the glamor, fascination and fun of its eight grand predecessors.

"Everyone loves the Victorian Festival," said Laurie Marris, the executive director of the Northville Community Chamber of Commerce, which sponsors the event. "It's a to-die-for fantasy for the people who love to dress up, and a real treat for those who like to watch and just have fun."

According to Marris, the central event of this year's festival, set for Sept. 12-14, is a "circus without animals." Members of the Victorian Festival, is almost here. The city's time machine is revving up, and festivalgoers are getting ready to return to the glory days of Northville's historic past.

"Whenever people would gather 'round in a semi-circle, they'd have a circus. That's where the name comes from."

Chamber Executive Director Laurie Marris

where the name comes from." Marris said the Wallendas will perform their feats of wizardry in the bandshell area, and, in true turn-of-the-century fashion, will set up barrels for people to sit on and enjoy the show.

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Gang graffiti found in local field

Gang graffiti and what could be a satanic altar were found by a Novi Bike Patrol officer in a field north of Nine Mile Road near the railroad tracks Aug. 13.

Police said the officer was looking for stolen property, marijuana plants or evidence of field parties when he stumbled upon a group of extinguished fires and bottles of beer.

Nearby, a railroad electrical box was covered with gang markings. The officer said a "crude attempt" had been made to build an altar from a large rock, painted with a blue cross and surrounded by several smaller rocks.

HIT AND RUN

A 37-year-old Novi man was arrested Aug. 16 for drunk driving, domestic violence, possession of dangerous fireworks and open intoxicants in a motor vehicle after he rear-ended another vehicle and fled the scene.

The incident occurred about 5 p.m. while Novi Police were searching for the man connected with an earlier domestic violence complaint. Officers received a call from a driver who said he was hit by a green Ford Truck and the driver took off after he refused to take \$200 in exchange for not reporting the incident.

Officers located the truck in the Thomasville parking lot on Grand River Avenue and questioned the man who appeared intoxicated. Police found an opened 40 ounce

Police News

bottle of beer in a bag on the front seat along with some illegal fireworks.

After failing sobriety tests, police took the man to the station to wait for booking and arraignment.

HOUSE PARTY

Novi police arrested a 20-year-old Livonia woman and a 20-year-old Farmington woman for underage drinking Aug. 13 after police found an open house party on Christina Lane.

The 19-year-old resident was

detained for holding the party. Police were alerted by neighbors and arrived on the scene about 11:30 p.m. The officers could see alcohol in the house and in the hands of minors through the front door.

All of the minors were given breath tests.

HOUSE RANSACKED

An 18-year-old North Rockledge resident returned home Aug. 13 to find someone had broken into her parent's home, let the family dog outside, stole a pager and a gun and left 15 to 20 22 caliber bullets in the middle of the floor in a pile.

Police said the front door bolt was unlocked and there was no sign of forced entry. The garage door was also open. The home was ransacked.

BATHROOM GHOST

An unknown person has been using the toilet of a Lakeview Court resident, police said. The 26-year-old woman made a report to police after finding the toilet seat up and bathroom stems moved around on two different occasions.

INDECENT EXPOSURE

An 18-year-old Wixom woman and her three female friends told police a man exposed his buttocks to them in the parking lot of Novi Bowl on Aug. 14.

The women said a 30-year-old man came up to them and said he was headed to a hot tub party and would they like to see his swimsuit. The women said nothing and the man disappeared behind a vehicle.

According to the report, he returned minutes later wearing only a thong bathing suit and asked them how the back side view looked as his buttocks were exposed.

The women ran inside the bowling alley to alert management but the man was gone when police arrived.

CAR FIRE

Novi police found a burning car in a field northwest of Hickory Woods Elementary School Aug. 16. According to the report, the vehicle was stripped and was identified

as a Dodge Stealth or Mitsubishi 3000. The Novi Fire Department arrived to extinguish the flames.

DRUGS FOUND

A 19-year-old Novi woman who sped past a Novi Police officer and tailgated another was pulled over and arrested Aug. 14 for having open alcohol in the car and speeding. Police also found a baggie of a mushroom-like substance in the car along with a one-quarter full bottle of Jagermeister.

She was uncooperative, police said, and tried to run from the officers. She was taken to the station where she became belligerent and kicked an officer after refusing to take a blood test. She was taken to Botsford Hospital for treatment.

CHECKS CASHED

A 70-year-old Novi man discovered two books of checks were stolen from his dresser at the Grand Court Retirement Apartments sometime this year.

Police said the man received notice from the bank his checking account was low in July and that someone had been cashing his checks since December of 1996. More than \$2,000 was written from his account to stores like Kroger and Bath and Body Works, police said.

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

Novi Briefs

Drive-in movies in Novi.

OK, you drive in to the parking lot of the Novi Civic Center, park your car and carry your lawn furniture to the north lawn, but it's still a grand old way to enjoy a warm summer night.

On screen will be Walt Disney's 101 Dalmatians Friday at 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department and the Novi Community Federal Credit Union, tickets are \$3 in advance or at the gate. Bring your own blankets and chairs.

To purchase a family picnic deal with four tickets, four slices of pizza, four beverages and four bags of chips for \$16, call in advance. Add \$4 for each additional family member.

The gate opens at 7:30 p.m., the Motor City Brass Band performs at 8 p.m. and the movies is expected to begin at about 9:45 p.m.

In case of rain, it'll be shown indoors.

For information, call 347-0400.

Society Hill put on hold

Society Hill, a 301-unit apartment complex slated for 37 acres on the west side of Novi Road at Twelve Mile, won't be going up in the near future. The Solomon Investment Group, project developers, received last week a one-year extension of their site plan approval from the Novi City Council.

Playscape movie premiere

You're cordially invited to a movie premiere Sunday. At a party to honor 1,200-plus volunteers who helped make that new castle dominating the horizon at Eight Mile/Napier Road will be the first showing of "Community Spirit, The Building of The Tim Pope Memorial Playstructure." The video was filmed by the crew from the Southwest Oakland Cable Commission.

It's all happening at the Novi Civic Center from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., with the video airing at 2 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. Food will be served.

While the event is focusing on thanking all those hardworking volunteers, everybody else is welcome, too, committee member Becky Staab said.

The day will also be a fundraiser for the project. From the get go, the playstructure committee's said they aim to build up a perpetual maintenance fund for both up keep and possible expansion of the play place.

Sunday, several playstructure souvenirs will be on sale to help collect that money. Among them will be a copy of the video at \$15 each, T-shirts and aerial photos of the playstructure. Equipment donated to the project by Stanley Tools will be auctioned off. In addition, a silent auction of assorted merchandise and services provided by local business is planned. Raffle tickets will also be on sale.

Cable meetings discussed

The Novi Board of Education will hold a special meeting Sept. 4 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss cable television communication. It will be held in the Educational Services Building on Taft Road north of Ten Mile Road.

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Youths arrested for home break-in

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Three Novi teenagers, all 13 years old, were arrested Aug. 7 after they broke into a home on Malott Drive and stole two rings. Novi police said last week.

According to the report, one of the teens wanted to sell the rings to pay for a high phone bill at home. According to Det. David Molloy, the teens — two females and one

male — were in the neighborhood visiting friends when they decided to crawl through an open window of the house.

Witnesses saw two of the teens climb inside the house. The third helped them get in the window, Molloy said.

The teens are accused of stealing a man's gold wedding band with 22 diamonds and an Onyx class ring both worth more than \$1,000.

Nothing else was disturbed in the home. Officers tracked down the suspects who were riding their bikes in the neighborhood. The teens were questioned in front of one of the girl's grandmother about the incident. The teens said they gave the rings to a friend. Police spoke to the boy who turned over the rings and said one of the suspects told him they were his grandfather's and he didn't want them.

The teens left behind fingerprints and palm prints.

Molloy said the teens were involved in a break-in of the Fuerst Home in June. They were directed to Novi Youth Assistance at the time because no damage was found.

The three will be sent to probate court on home invasion charges.

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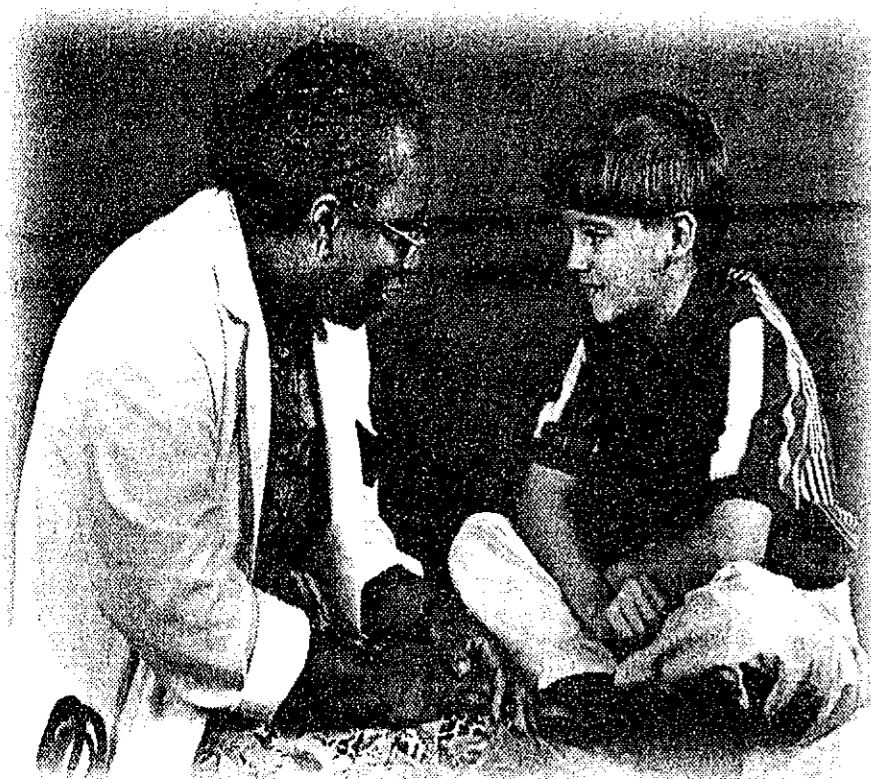
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City makes buildings smoke free

Puff on this. In order to qualify for federal grants, Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer has asked that the Novi Police Department become a totally smoke-free building.

Last week, the Novi City Council approved a first reading of an ordinance banning smoking in all municipal buildings. The new regulation must next pass a second reading.

"I would support it not because

it's a federal requirement, I abhor that. I would support it because it's the socially correct thing to do, regardless of whether it's required or not," Council Member Ed Kramer said.

Several council members expressed concerns about smokers congregating outside the civic center main entrance.

"Applying to come into the building is a customer. For them to look at or go through that or bring

children through that is unacceptable," Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford said.

Under consideration is restricting smoking at the civic center to outdoors near the east and west building entrances. City Attorney David Fried cautioned the council to "think hard" before going ahead with a proposal to ban smoking in an area 50 to 100 feet around the city buildings. The federal government, in creating its smoke-free

policy, dropped a plan to do that.

City Manager Ed Kriewall asked that the council permit smoking in the fire station apparatus room and the Department of Public Works garage, but that didn't go over well.

"You have people in there who are not smokers. When you ban, you're better ban the whole thing or you're going to generate more problems than you solve," Council Member Robert Schmidt said.

Homes for foreign students sought by organization

The American Intercultural Student Exchange, a nonprofit educational foundation, is seeking local host families for high school foreign exchange students for the 1997-98 school year.

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Supreme Court upholds public right to see teacher personnel records

Two area lawyers were part of the celebration after the Michigan Supreme Court ruled the public may see the personnel records of teachers and public school administrators.

The high court threw out 4-3 the unusual "reverse FOIA" suits brought by the public school employees, who sought to block parental inspection of their records under the Freedom of Information Act.

Dawn Phillips-Iterz, a Bloomfield Hills attorney representing the Michigan Press Association, filed an amicus (friendly) brief arguing the records were public property.

So did Michael R. Shippee, a Farmington Hills resident practicing in Bloomfield Hills, on behalf of the Michigan Freedom of Information Committee Inc., of which he is chairman.

"We conclude that the Freedom of Information Act compels the disclosure of the appellants' personnel records," said the court majority. "Because the requested information consisted of information related to the appellants' public employment, we hold that the appellants' personnel records are not within the privacy subsection."

It was signed by Justices James H. Brickley, Dorothy Comstock Riley, Elizabeth Weaver and Chief Justice Conrad Mallett Jr.

Losers were Saranac teacher

Christine Bradley, whose records were sought by a parent of one of her pupils, and the Lansing Association of School Administrators, whose records were sought by the Parents Support Group. Saranac and Lansing administrators intended to release the records until Bradley and LASA filed suit.

The high court rejected their arguments that releasing the records "would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy."

That exemption, in sec. 13(a) of the FOIA, applies only to "intimate or embarrassing details of an individual's private life," said the court.

Next, Bradley and LASA argued that "communications and notes

pertaining to corrective or disciplinary actions, complaints filed, and performance evaluations. As for the administrators, their requested records contained administrative performance reviews.

"Significantly, none of the documents contain information of an embarrassing, intimate, private, or confidential nature, such as medical records or information relating to the plaintiffs' private lives."

The court noted the employees didn't even allege there was personal information - they sought to block their performance records in public jobs.

Next, Bradley and LASA argued that "communications and notes" of an advisory nature could be exempted. Not so, said the court.

"First, the complaints from parents are not 'communications and notes within a public body or between public bodies' because the documents were created by parents, not by the school district."

LASA argued that the law exempts "medical, counseling, or psychological facts or evaluations."

It said their performance evaluations are "counseling evaluations."

No again, said the court, because "counseling" does not appear to include an employment relationship.

The Supreme Court said the Court of Appeals erred in trying to exempt the records under the common-law rule of privacy because an applicable statute always surmounts a conflicting common-law rule.

The court told the Saranac district it went too far in redacting (blacking out) a memo from the principal to Bradley. The copy Saranac proposed to release said: "You must (blank). There are (blank) and (blank) all (blank) on (blank) and (blank). You were given several (blank) by other teachers plus the (blank) you already have. You have lent of (blank) to (blank) these (blank) in. Take care of the situation."

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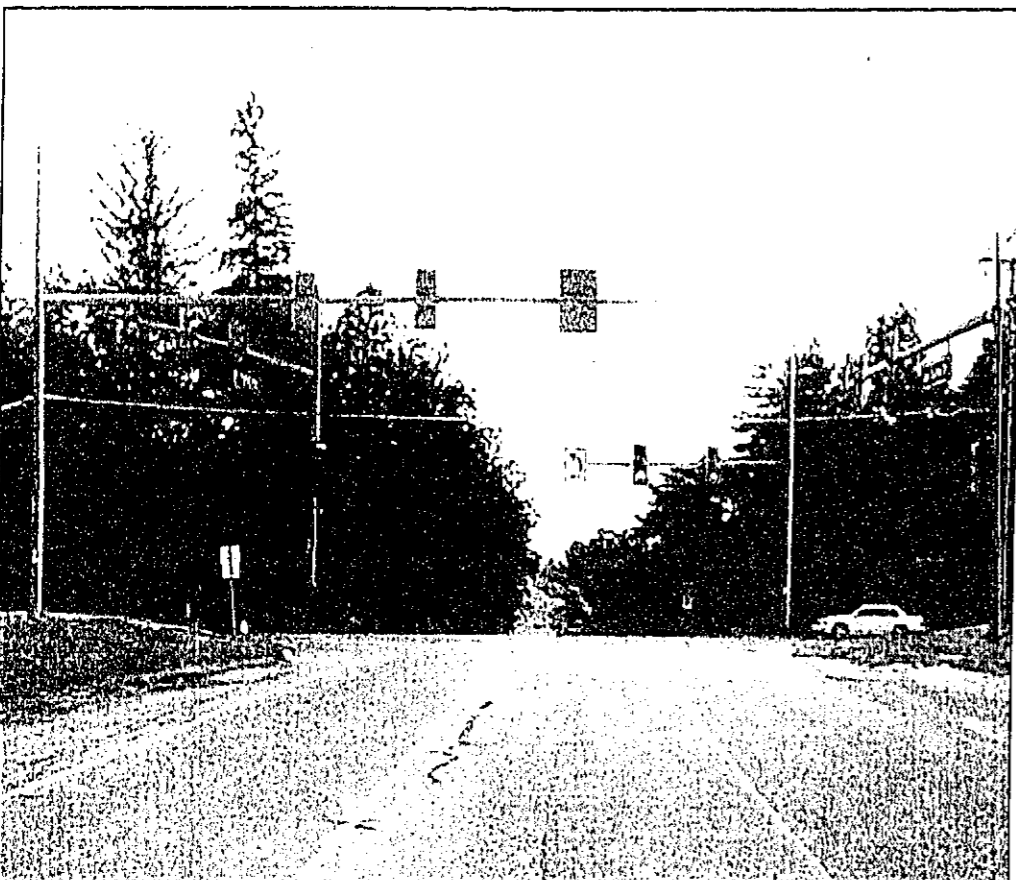
Council rejects proposal for mast design

Motorists will brake for red lights suspended from mast arms at several key Novi intersections, but a move by Council Member Rob Mitzel to have them installed throughout the city was stalled.



A computerized view of Nine Mile and Taft with the span wire design ...

Several months ago, Mitzel first made a pitch for major mast arms at major roads and modified mast arms at smaller roads, to create what he contends would be a more attractive image for the city.



... and another with the mast arm design.

But the council resoundingly overruled these fixtures at most streets in town.

Council Member Richard Clark said mast arms would hurt the city's rural flavor, which he characterized as a "blight on the landscape."

Traffic lights installed on span wires with wooden poles cost \$87,000 per intersection, while on wire with steel poles, that's \$99,000. Mast arms for the signals cost \$121,000 per intersection but last longer than 40 years.

City Manager Ed Kriewall made a pitch for leaving span wires at the traffic lights at Nine Mile and Novi roads, an aesthetic grounds. And Council Member Robert Schmidt, in opposition to the mast arms, said that along non-corridor roads, foliage might have to be cut down to place the mast arms poles.

Mitzel suggested that modified mast arms, with illuminated and decorative street signs might be the best option, citywide.

Time Warner raises rates, adds channels

Time Warner subscribers will pay a buck more to watch HBO, and one Southwest Oakland Cable Commission trustee had a lot to say about that.

On the other hand, subscribers will see two new offerings. Animal Planet debuts on Channel 42 and the Classic Sports Network on Channel 63.

Time Warner notified customers in their monthly bill of the increase, which is due to "escalating program licensing fees," the statement said.

"They stuck it to us again by a dollar," said Farmington Hills Mayor Aldo Vagozzi, who serves on SWOCC.

The commission represents Novi, Farmington Hills and Farmington Hills. Time Warner had no choice, said Bob McCann, general manager.

The increase for HBO was the first in ten years and the \$8.95 a month fee still keeps the company in the lower tier for premium service costs.

Time Warner added HBO 2 at no extra cost to subscribers more than a year ago, McCann added.

"Our costs for HBO continue to increase," McCann said. "Our premium rates are, if not the lowest, one of the lowest in the entire country. It's gotten to the point where we don't want to do it, but we're in a position where we just have to raise the rates for HBO."

News of the rate increase hit Farmington Hills city Council members asking at their meeting last week whether another potential cable savior might land in the area.

Novi grad stars her own play

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Karey L. Hart only graduated from Novi High School in 1995, yet she's already written and is starring in her own play.

Coasters & Promises will open tonight at the Southfield Centre For the Arts, as the third offering of Jack-In-The-Box Productions, a group of theater lovers mostly in their 20s.

The director is 19-year-old Jennifer Rembez, the founder of the production company.

Watching the words she typed into a computer become live scenes on stage has been an exciting experience for Hart, an acting student at Oakland University.

"It's wonderful. It's like watching a little piece of you right in front of you," she said.

"We have a wonderful cast. It's all bringing different things to it. I never thought I'd see in the play. They're really making it their own."

It's a story of a group of twenty-something people who fall in love, try to wriggle out of commitment and who happen to act in plays.

She cautions that the language is a touch racy, because that's how twenty-somethings talk.

"I'd say this is a very college-oriented play. This is very realistic as to how we speak, we're not always as articulate and poetic as we'd like to be," she explained.

Hart wrote the play in March. She calls it a mix of funny and serious moments and says she put "a little bit" of herself in the main character.

"It's about a young woman named Elaine who is trying to work past her emotional demons so she can get on in life and learn how to trust again," she said.

As Hart describes it, the writing process was pretty casual. She'd already written one play. This time, she was tinkering with the keyboard when it all jelled.

"I just happened on the computer and it was pretty late and I wrote the first scene. I thought this might be a good idea and I wrote the second scene," Hart said.

"There was a point when I got to page 12 and there was no end in sight."

Now a Walled Lake resident, Hart moved to Michigan when she was 16 and appeared in a number of plays at Novi High School, including "The Diary of Anne Frank," "Arsenic and Old Lace," and "Kismet." In high school, she also directed "The Monkey's Paw."



Karey Hart and Matt Hammond star in Coasters & Promises.

Kennedy Center Theater for Young People in Washington, D.C.

"I was a wonderful program, very, very strict. If you showed late, they didn't ask you back," Hart said.

Today, she's passing on some of what she learned by teaching acting to elementary school children in Rochester.

Hart's a junior at Oakland, where she's appeared several Oakland University Studio Theater productions, including "The Secret Garden," "All My Sons" and "Fiddler On The Roof."

"I'd like to do films so I can make enough money to do theater. I love the stage. There's no other feeling in the world when you're on the stage live. You've got one chance to get it right and if you do make a mistake, no one's going to know," Hart said.

Coasters & Promises by Karey L. Hart will be performed Aug. 21, 22 and 23 at 8 p.m. in the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, between Nine Mile and Ten Mile roads.

Tickets are \$5. For tickets, call (313) 422-6JKB

Pier 1 continues revival of Town Center corridor

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Pier 1, the imported home furnishings store, is docking at the Novi Town Center.

Currently, renovations are going on at the 8,500 square foot location formerly occupied by Shoe Carnival, next door to Michaels.

That space has been empty about a year and a half.

"What it really does is continue a pretty significant revitalization of that corridor," said Ernie Reno, communications director for the Linder Company, which manages Novi Town Center.

Liners in the northern section opened in the Things section part of the mall.

Reno said the Town Center is currently in discussion with other potential tenants.

"But we're really not at the point where we can reveal who they are," he added.

Based in Fort Worth, Texas, Pier 1 boasts 727 stores located in 47 states, Puerto Rico, Canada, Great Britain and Japan. Pier 1 was launched in 1962 and the corporation's web site indicates it is the world's largest importer of rattan, brass and candles.

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Governor names area residents to sit on state governing boards

Gov. John Engler has appointed area people to three state boards.

JUVENILE JUSTICE Sixteen persons were named to the board of the Michigan Strategic Fund, the state's lead business development finance agency. His term runs to Dec. 31, 1999.

Brandon is president, chief executive officer and director of Valassis Communications Inc., a retired probate judge and attorney, representing the general public.

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STRATEGIC FUND David Brandon of Plymouth was appointed to the board of the Michigan Strategic Fund, the state's lead business development finance agency. His term runs to Dec. 31, 1999.

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University of Michigan where he earned a bachelor of arts degree in education in 1974. He is founder and president of the David A. Brandon Foundation, a member of the Young Presidents Organization, and a trustee of St. Mary Hospital in Livonia.

DENTISTRY BOARD Susan P. Herrera of Bloomfield Hills was appointed to the state Board of Dentistry for a term expiring in 2001. The board is responsible for the examination of persons prior to their beginning practice.

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT

TOP 97-035

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greystone Construction, Inc. is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to place a temporary office trailer for construction supervision on the Mainstreet Court project site, located on the north side of Main Street, west of Market Street, beginning September 1, 1997. A Temporary Use Permit can be granted for a period of not longer than six months.

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

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on August 27, 1997 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to August 27, 1997. (8-21-97 NR, NN 29601)

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 18.595 - ZONING MAP AMENDMENT NO. 595

CITY OF NOVI ORDINANCE: PART I: That Ordinance No. 84-16, known as the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Novi, is hereby amended by the amending of the Zoning Map as indicated on ZONING MAP AMENDMENT NO. 595, attached hereto and made a part of this Ordinance.

PART II: CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of any Ordinance in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

PART III: WHEN EFFECTIVE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be necessary for the protection of the public peace, health and safety and is hereby ordered to take effect fifteen (15) days after final enactment. It shall be published within fifteen (15) days of adoption. The effective date of this Ordinance is August 26, 1997.

MADE AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Novi, Michigan, this 11th day of August, 1997. Copies of the Ordinance Amendment may be purchased or inspected at the office of the City Clerk, Novi, Michigan, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., local time.

KATHLEEN S. McALLEN, MAYOR
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To rezone a part of the SE 1/4 of Section 15, NE 1/4 of Section 22 and NW 1/4 of Section 23, T1N, R8E, City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan more particularly described as follows:

All of that "Ratoad Subdivision," a subdivision of part of Lot 17 of "Supervisors Plat No. 3" of part of the SE 1/4 of Section 15 and the NE 1/4 of Section 22 as recorded in Liber 54A, Page 84 of Plats, Oakland County Records, said "Ratoad Subdivision," being recorded in Liber 92, Pages 16, 17 and 18 of Plats, Oakland County Records.

Also all of said "Supervisors Plat No. 3"

Also, beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Grand River Ave. and the west line of Section 23 (nominal centerline of Novi Road); thence South 1051.78 feet along said west line; thence S70°45'00"E 275.49 feet to the SE corner of Lot 42 of "Novi Gardens Sub" of part of the NW 1/4 of Section 23 as recorded in Liber 60 Page 18 of Plats, Oakland County Records; thence North 479.43'; thence S65°12'30"E 280.30 feet; thence N41°25'03"E 67.55 feet; thence S70°40'00"E 420.00 feet; thence S88°50'00"E 80.00 feet; thence N00°05'00"W 20.57 feet; thence S70°35'20"E 572.03 feet to the SW corner of parcel 22-23-176-004; thence N00°09'00"W to the centerline of Grand River Ave.; thence northwesterly along the centerline of Grand River Avenue to the point of beginning. Excepting therefrom, beginning at a point on the centerline of Grand River Ave. said point being South 85.68 feet along the west line of Section 23 (nominal C/L of Novi Road) and S70°40'20"E 523.66 feet along the centerline of Grand River Ave. from the NW corner of Section 23; thence continuing along said centerline S70°40'20"E 200.39 feet; thence S19°53'27"W 351.77'; thence N70°41'16"W 218.68 feet; thence N02°08'45"E 150.95 feet; thence N89°47'05"E 64.14 feet; thence N19°19'40"E 205.25' to the point of beginning, being parcels 22-23-102-022 and 22-29-102-024. Containing 47.5 acres more or less.

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Tops issues for council and commission

Officials meet to name issues they see as top priorities

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

"The biggest crisis the city is facing is a varied tax base," according to Mayor Kathleen McLallen.

McLallen, the Novi City Council and Planning Commission met last week to prioritize the biggest concerns facing the two groups and the city itself.

The 13 members determined a variety of development needs to be a top priority in Novi.

McLallen the tax base is currently 52 percent residential. That needs to change or else residents will bear the weight of higher taxes. Planning Commissioner Chair Eda Weddington pointed out the commission has been concerned with bringing high-tech industry and other non-retail commercial business to Novi.

"We have enough stores," she said.

McLallen said in discussing that and other issues, the members need to look at the realities of Novi, not the myths.

For example, she said, many people believe there are rural farms to be saved in the city. The truth is, she said, is the only farms in Novi are small farms owned by Margaret and Larry Schmidt and the Earl family.

"There are no sustaining farms

in this area," she said. "We've got to deal with what's really out there."

Weddington said the commission also must continue to focus on ordinances and applying them to development. Novi is the place to build, she said, therefore the city

can be stringent about getting the most from developers.

"I don't think it's our job to make it easy for developers," Weddington explained.

Commissioner Arthur Vrettas agreed. "We need to control devel-

opment in a reasoned fashion," he said, chastising any steam rolling by developers.

Another commission concern is building infrastructure for the growing city.

Commissioner Kim Thomas

Capello said he would like to see the Taft Road extension move forward to get to the office and industrial parks.

Capello also said it's time for the Grand River Avenue corridor study to come off the back burner. For a

number of years a group has studied how to improve the look and quality of Grand River Avenue but has yet to make a large proposal.

Council member Robert Mitzel cautioned the two bodies about naughting down issues and objectives before the November elections. Five seats are up for election and the make-up of the council could change completely.

He said his concerns before leaving his seat this fall is architectural control, and the filling in of small parcels in mostly developed areas of Novi and how that will affect current property owners.

Vrettas said architectural control is important. He cited his disappointment in "cookie cutter" subdivisions popping up on Novi's landscape.

McLallen said perhaps some ordinances need to be revamped to accomplish variety in housing styles. She called the current ordinance "pretty mashed potatoes."

Environmental issues also rang a bell with the group. Storm water retention, woodland and wetland preservation as well as problems with newer development and poor quality wetlands within them were all brought up.

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

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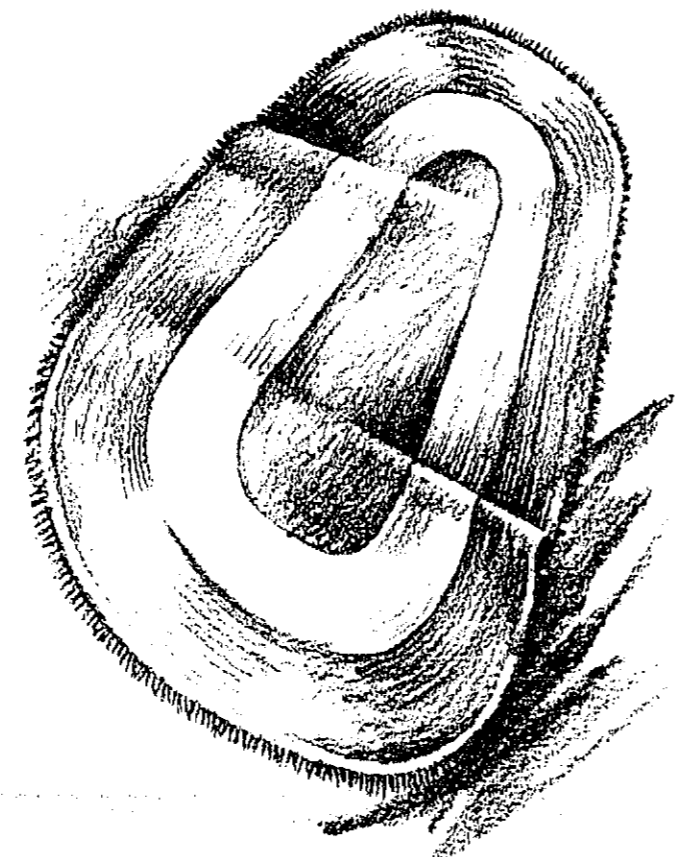
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William Shatner, Captain James Kirk in the original Star Trek series and numerous feature films, addressed fans at Creation Entertainment's Star Trek Convention Saturday in the Novi Expo Center. Shatner told his fans of his personal experiences resulting from his Star Trek fame, like the time he was let off of a speeding ticket by a California highway patrol officer, who gave him the Vulcan hand salute and told him to, "Live long and prosper." These days, Shatner runs a horse farm in Kentucky.

Photo by BARBARA ORTO



Math is top subject of study at Oakland Community College

Whether they love it or not, more students are taking math than any other subject area at Oakland Community College.

In part, says math instructor Jon Lundgren, it's because new handheld computers "have thrown a lot of drudgery out of computations. It no longer takes sheer, brute force to draw a graph."

"It's an exciting time to be teaching math and science, and working with new ways to integrate it into the curriculum," said Lundgren, a West Bloomfield resident who has been on faculty since the two-year college was founded in the mid-1960s.

"I used to be that (four-year) liberal arts degree was very valuable; you didn't need a math background," he said. Today it's needed in business — his class on the Royal Oak Campus last week worked on calculating the marginal cost of producing one more unit of a product — as well as in technical fields and economic.

"Of all the disciplines, math generates the greatest amount of cred-

it hours. We (OCC faculty) are here to teach. And we have tutoring labs," he said.

Ten years ago a classroom visitor wouldn't have seen students holding TI-82 portable graphic calculators (their surfaces are the size of a dollar bill) or an instructor working so fast.

Lundgren showed a Math 171 (analytic geometry and calculus) class how to take a formula like $Y = (X+1)^2$ and convert it into a U-shaped line on a graph in seconds. "This is pioneering technology — 15 minutes versus a manesecord," Lundgren chuckled. "That's the good thing. But you don't want it to become a crutch. I don't allow them to use a graphic calculator on part of the test."

OCC would like every math student to have a TI-82, but they are expensive to some — \$90 to \$95. "At Highland Lakes Campus, we used some technology money from the millage (approved by voters in 1995) to buy a set and loan out about 90. Students can check them out. At Highland Lakes, we require them for all algebra and trigonometry classes."

OCC course offerings also include geometry, finite math, statistics, differential equations, linear algebra and math for business and for elementary teachers.

The slide rule is obsolete. Lundgren still has one. He brings it to class to show it as kind of an antique curiosity, like an oil lamp or a quill.

Is there any test score evidence to show students learn more with the TI-82 enables an instructor to teach graphical concepts far more quickly?

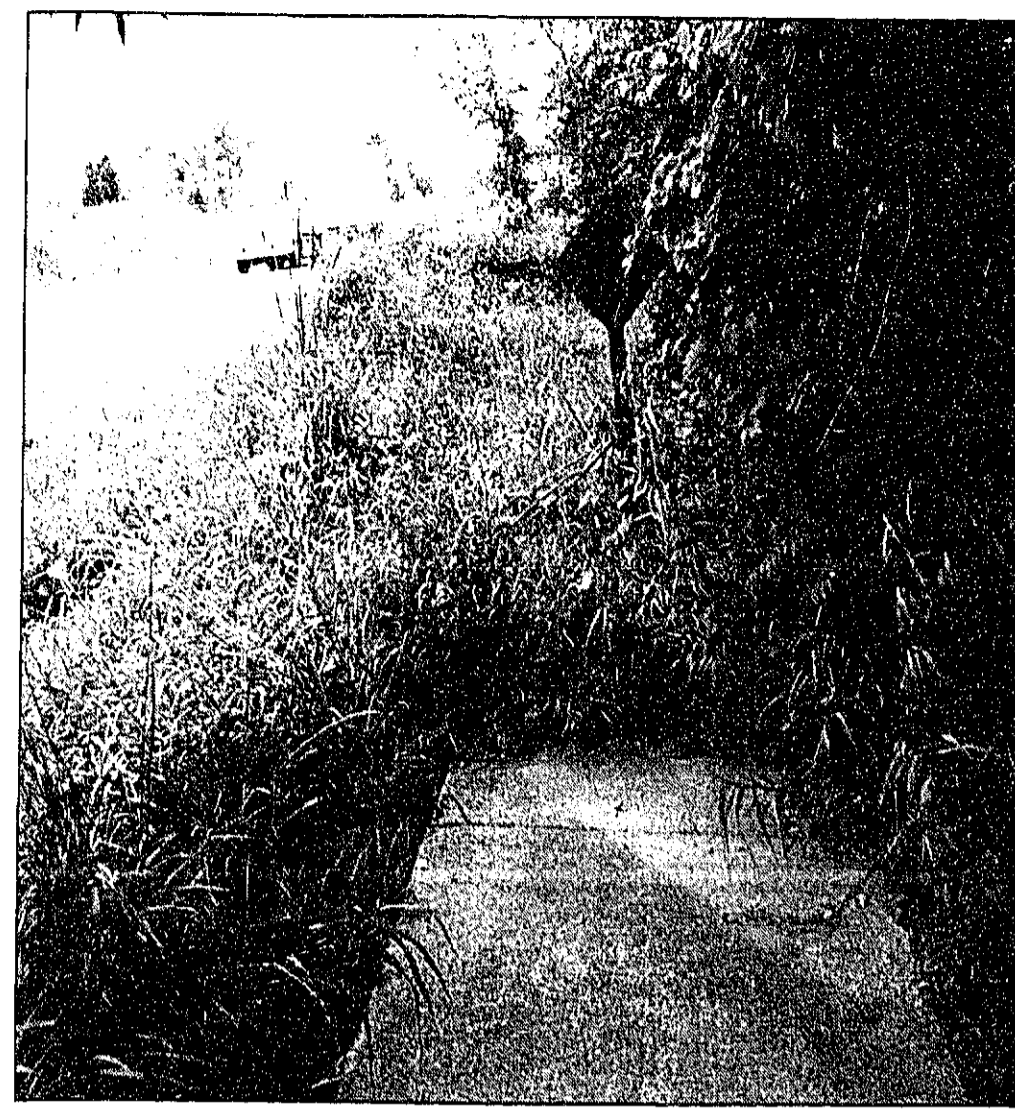
"We know it subjectively. We pack more information into a demonstration; we can give more examples in the same amount of time. Time is precious," he answered.

"I haven't done a study of test performance, but I'd say they definitely do better. And they can sit at home and play with it."

"We're in the process of very rapid change. We have de-emphasized computation. We emphasize higher order skills."

Lundgren also emphasizes that improving math at OCC is a team effort. "Twice a year we have a meeting of the math faculty. It's formally enshrined in the faculty contract."

"There's a voluntary calculator committee. We go to conferences of the American Mathematics Association. Each of us goes about every three or four years," he said.



This sidewalk on Ten Mile Road doesn't go too far before it dead-ends into a swampy area. The same happens to the sidewalk in this area on the north side of Ten Mile Road.

Connector sidewalk plan may appear in election

Continued from 1

Novi City Council members Robert Mitzel and Kathy Mutch prepared a draft of a new set of standards for Novi's sidewalks and a plan for an estimated \$5.5 million bond issue that would add 21 miles of sidewalk to connect what the city already has in order to lead residents to city parks, schools and libraries.

They presented the plan to fellow council members at a special meeting Aug. 13. Council members Hugh Crawford and Robert Schmidt were not in attendance.

The connections would be built to match existing walks when short, or follow the new guidelines adopted last week when built in longer portions. New sidewalks, built by both developers and the city, will be eight-foot-wide asphalt pathways available for use by everyone from walkers to in-line skaters.

The asphalt is less costly than concrete and the widening of the paths and is less likely to have cracks, according to Mitzel.

"If you're a runner, (asphalt) is a little easier on the knees and ankles," he explained. Wooden boardwalks would be

"The goal is to have developers in the community bring in sidewalks and that's happened but we're still missing large portions in the city."

Mayor Kathleen McAlleey

required to connect areas over wetlands and sensitive areas.

The widening of the paths from five feet allows for many users at one time and makes it easier for stroller access, too. The council members said a variance is possible for parts of Novi that would be adversely affected by the larger paths, such as homes along Nine Mile Road and Meadowbrook Road.

The council will explore curbing and redoing drainage ditches along Meadowbrook Road north of Nine Mile Road and south of Ten Mile Road to put in sidewalks but stay out of residential yards. This could cost additional funding in a bond issue, the council said.

While the group OK'd the revisions and asked the city attorney to explore a bond issue, Council member Richard Clark had some cautionary words.

He said the sidewalks could be as unpopular as the nature paths that Novi explored earlier in the decade.

"I don't want to be the one throwing cold water at things," Clark said. "... People still go to point A to point B by car."

He said maybe the city shouldn't be increasing its financial obligations in light of the millions of dollars in bond issues passed last year for new roads and a fire station.

Clark also worried about increasing the liability of the city by putting in sidewalks.

"If someone goes running down there and trips and gets hurt, we're going to get sued," he explained.

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Teachers hired by schools

The Novi Community School District has hired 20 new teachers for the 1997-98 school year. The following is a list of the new staff members, their school and subject:

- Kathleen Alexander - Village Oaks, Speech and Language.
- Elizabeth Baker - Novi Meadows, Reading.
- Erin Bruce - Novi Meadows, Special Education.
- Any Chernusle - High School, Japanese Language and Asian Studies.
- Kathryn Crompton - Middle School, Seventh Grade Language Arts.
- Jerry Davis - Novi Meadows, Gifted and Talented.
- Allison Fraleigh - Novi Woods, Special Education.
- Jane Fungfeld - Village Oaks, Reading.
- Michelle Galecka - Middle School, Language Arts and Math.
- Lori Garner - High School, Special Education.
- Erica Giordano - High School, Counselor.
- Sherry Griesinger - Parkview, Second Grade.
- Deanna Houldsworth - Village Oaks, Special Education.
- William Kelp - High School, Health.
- Abha Mangrulkar - High School, Vocal and Instrumental Music.
- Mark Merritt - High School, Special Education.
- Joanne Peurach - Middle School, Eighth Grade Language Arts.
- Pamela Poirier - Novi Woods, Reading.
- Margaret Rauen - Parkview, Special Education.
- Jennifer Semeyn - Parkview, Fourth Grade.

BACK TO SCHOOL	
Students in the Novi Community School District head back to classes, Monday, Aug. 25 for a half day. Aug. 26 is the district's first full day of classes.	
Novi High School	7:20 a.m.-10:18 a.m.
Novi Middle School	7:50 a.m.-10:50 a.m.
Novi Meadows	9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
Parkview Elementary	8:15 a.m.-11:20 a.m.
Novi Woods Elementary	8:45 a.m.-11:50 a.m.
Orchard Hills Elementary	8:15 a.m.-11:20 a.m.
Village Oaks Elementary	8:45 a.m.-11:50 a.m.
Novi Community Preschool/Kindergartens	First day of school is Aug. 26



New teachers Jamil Wilkins and Bill Kelp hear an introduction to the block schedule.

School Briefs

Students travel to Texas

Eight Novi High School students traveled to Dallas, Texas this summer to give a presentation at the Sixth Annual Josten's Renaissance National Conference. Graduates Mike DiClaudio and Scott Shepley as well as students Marisa Hernan and Derek Ho were the keynote speakers to an audience of more than 700 educators and students. Teacher Craig Sharp and Assistant Principal Tom Evans traveled with them.

Refresher courses given

Eleventh and Twelve grade students at Novi High School who need to retake the High School Proficiency will do so on September 16, 17, 18, 23 and 25. Sixty-nine students attended refresher courses this month taught by Novi teachers.

New administrators hired

Two new administrators were hired by the Novi Community School District over the summer. Francine Smithson, formerly a consultant for the district, is the new Director of Curriculum Services and will report to Assistant Superintendent Rita Traynor. The position is newly created. Debby Braur will fill the role of Director of Community Services for the district, a new position. She was formerly supervisor of publications for the Farmington School District. She will report directly to the superintendent. Both women will be paid a salary of \$78,147 pro-rated from their start date.

Assistant principal announced

The Novi Board of Education welcomed new Novi High Assistant Principal John Lawrence to the job Aug. 14. He fills Dr. Jennifer Cheal's position as she moves to the principalship. "We are so excited he has the opportunity to join the high school," said Rita Traynor, assistant superintendent of instruction. "There hasn't been one person who has said to me, 'Why hire John Lawrence?'" Lawrence said he was thrilled with the opportunity and thanked the staff and administration for 24 years of support in the district. "I think you're going to be wonderful for the high school and the high school will be wonderful for you," said President Ray Byers.

Teachers get ready for the arrival of students

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another student and so on until the question is answered. If no one knows, then the teacher knows the information wasn't learned. Pasquantonio suggested the teachers find a style of their own. If they don't have a personality that stands out, she suggested they buy props or clothing that goes with their topic and line of study. "Figure out your style, find out what it is," she said. Use humor, she suggested. But if kids don't get the jokes, it's not funny and only makes them feel self-conscious. Adjust to the age of students. Younger students need to be spoken to in softer voices. The teachers were encouraged to use visual teaching in their classrooms. They toured history teacher Lynn Barry's classroom alive with Elvis, Nixon, JFK and Martin Luther King posters all over the walls. "Tell me you're not interested in this room," Pasquantonio said. "This room doesn't distract, it connects."

"Right now it's the only thing in my office," he said, both laughing and choking back tears. "I will miss the students very much. I want them to know that," Miller said.

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The Fire Log

The following is a complete list of the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Department for the week of Aug. 17.

MONDAY, AUG. 11

Medical, 22844 Cottage Court, 3:06 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 3:14 a.m., Squad 3.
Pole fire, 39415 Ten Mile Road, 5:29 a.m., Engine 3.
Medical, Grand River and Court, 11:57 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 43350 Crescent, 12:15 p.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, 43442 West Oaks, 1:34 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 39555 Orchard Hills, 1:55 p.m., Squad 3.
Fuel spill, 27500 Novi Road, 2:17 p.m., Engine 1.
Service, 25021 Davenport, 2:41 p.m., Squad 4.
Injury accident, Twelve Mile and Novi Road, 6:13 p.m., Squad 1.

TUESDAY, AUG. 12

Medical, 22301 Solomon, 3:03

a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 45182 West Road, 7:11 a.m., Squad 2.
Injury accident, Novi Road and Twelve Mile Road, 8:25 a.m., Engine 1, Squad 1.
Medical, Lot 94 and Kingsley Lane, 11:12 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 24277 Novi Road, 12:51 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 25617 Jackson, 12:51 p.m., Squad 3.
Injury accident, Pontiac Trail and West, 1:05 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 41108 Vincenti, 1:27 p.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, Novi Road and Twelve Mile, 2:15 p.m., Squad 1.
Investigation, 24650 Willowbrook, 3:16 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 43055 Crescent, 8:05 p.m., Squad 1.
Building fire, 24400 Novi Road, 8:19 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Building fire, 41000 Vincenti, 8:36 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical, 42177 Pelston, 9:27 p.m., Squad 3.

Fire alarm, 21111 Haggerty, 9:31 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Injury accident, 1-96 and Novi Road, 10:51 p.m., Squad 1.
Fire alarm, 26233 Kentucky, 11:46 p.m., Engine 4.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 13

Medical, 40310 Franklin Mill, 1:23 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 39584 Blakeston, 8:15 a.m., Squad 1.
Fire alarm, 24713 Willow, 9:30 a.m., Engine 1.
Medical, 23713 Stonehenge, 1:25 p.m., Squad 3.
Fuel spill, Ten Mile and Roma Ridge, 4:09 p.m., Engine 4.
Medical, 114 Bernsstadt, 6:16 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 29833 Pierre, 7:29 p.m., Squad 2.

THURSDAY, AUG. 14

Trash fire, Old Dutch and Napier, 1:22 a.m., Engine 4.
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 4:10 a.m., Squad 3.

Car fire, Eight Mile and Haggerty, 4:35 a.m., Engine 3.
Service, 39584 Blakeston, 8:05 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 39584 Blakeston, 9:26 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 45182 West Road, 11:52 a.m., Squad 2.
Trash fire, Vincent Court, 12:22 p.m., Engine 1.
Car fire, 1-96 and Novi Road, 12:42 p.m., Engine 2.
Service, 39584 Blakeston, 7:27 p.m., Squad 1.

FRIDAY, AUG. 15

Medical, 1442 Nardere, 2:23 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 1-96 and Novi Road, 2:49 a.m., Squad 2.
Service, 39584 Blakeston, 9:24 a.m., Squad 1.
Fire alarm, 23301 Myrtle Forest, 10:38 a.m., Engine 3.
Fuel spill, 1-96 and Novi Road, 10:51 a.m., Engine 1.
Injury accident, Novi Road and 1-96, 1:54 p.m., Squad 1.
Fire alarm, 42450 Twelve Mile Road, 3:10 p.m., Engines 1, 2.
Medical, 42177 Pelston, 3:35 p.m., Squad 3.
Fire alarm, 25005 Trans-X, 5:37 p.m., Engines 1, 3.

SATURDAY, AUG. 16

Fire/medical, 114 Monticello, 2:49 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 45182 West Road, 7:31 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 43525 Gahway, 7:48 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 1-96 and Novi Road, 12:47 p.m., Squad 1.
Service, Royal Crown, 1:50 p.m., Engine 3.

Medical, 45155 Ten Mile Road, 4:55 p.m., Squad 3.
Service, 39584 Blakeston, 5:57 p.m., Squad 1.
Car fire, Novi Road and Thirteen Mile Road, 9:27 p.m., Engine 2.

SUNDAY, AUG. 17

Medical, 22586 Terrace, 12:12 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 1103 East Lake, 1:35 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 41414 Clinton, 10:28 a.m., Squad 2.
Fire alarm, 42705 Grand River, 4:06 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Service, 39584 Blakeston, 5:40 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 1275 East Lake, 5:59 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 39584 Blakeston, 8:50 p.m., Squad 1.

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EQUAL HOUSING LENDER

Miller says he'll miss Novi students

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Trustees of Novi schools publicly expressed their high opinion of former Novi High School Principal Arthur Miller during the Aug. 14 meeting after reminiscing about his time here during a going away dinner hosted by the school board and administration.

"This man gave us five tough years with all that had to be done," said President Ray Byers.

Miller is leaving for the principal-

ship at Grosse Pointe South High School after spending five years at Novi High, seeing it through building renovations and major curriculum changes.

Trustee Julia Abrams said Miller brought pride to Novi High. "You taught the students to respect property and each other," she said.

Miller was also credited with surviving the children of five of the board members.

"You were always the high

school's biggest cheerleader," said Trustee Ann Newton.

Byers gave Miller a plaque of recognition and a Wildcat baseball cap, a gift from the students who for the last few years were banned from wearing hats in school. He received a standing ovation from the meeting audience of staff and administration and the board.

The change, meanwhile, has been bittersweet for Miller who arrived in his new office to find an empty room. He told the board he

stood in his empty office contemplating the lack of a desk, chair and other necessary amenities when a package arrived.

It was a picture of the Novi High School cheerleading team, a gift for his new place.

"Right now it's the only thing in my office," he said, both laughing and choking back tears.

"I will miss the students very much. I want them to know that," Miller said.

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supply widening the entire stretch of road to five lanes, a proposal that was successfully blocked by homeowners living along Ten Mile Road.

"This type of improvement will create a congested area analogous to placing a one-inch water pipe in the center of a two-inch pipe system," the report noted.

Over the next five years, the engineers forecast that if nothing is done, traffic will be so congested at all three intersections along Ten Mile Road that motorists will experience 60-second or longer delays. The Haggerty/Ten Mile intersection has already reached this level.

According to the report, were the five-to-three lane alternative to be built, traffic would be so improved that the "unacceptable" stop-and-go pattern would be experienced only at Ten Mile eastbound from Novi Road to Meadowbrook Road, during morning and afternoon rush hours.

With the railroad bridge, motorists would no longer have to wait for the 16 or 30 trains that pass along the CSX track daily.

In 1993, the city applied for a grant for the road widening and approval by the Michigan Department of Transportation in

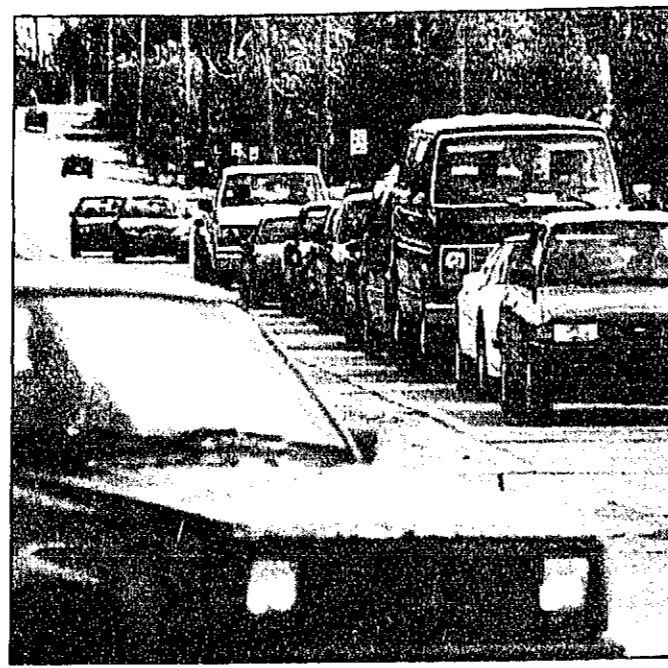
SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS

Plan One
No change to Ten Mile Road at all
Rated as an "unacceptable" delay of over 60 seconds or more for drivers.

Plan Two (engineers' recommendation)
Cost: \$7.66 million
Five lanes Novi Road to Meadowbrook Road
Three lanes Meadowbrook Road to Haggerty Road
Bridges over railroad tracks
Rated as a delay of 5 seconds up to 60 seconds, the limit of "acceptable."

Plan Three
Cost: \$5 million
Three lanes Novi Road to Haggerty Road
No bridge
Rated as a delay of 5-15 seconds to 40-60 seconds.

Plan Four
Cost: \$1.5 million
Intersection Improvements only
Rated as a delay of 60 seconds or more, "unacceptable."



Traffic backs up along Ten Mile Road.

PHOTO BY JOHN HEIDER

options. The July 28 report is the outcome.

At present, Ten Mile from Novi Road to Haggerty Road is two lanes wide with right turn bays and left turn bypass lanes. The Novi/Ten Mile Road intersection has a four-lane approach, while Meadowbrook Road and Haggerty Road intersection have five-lane approaches.

THE ALTERNATIVES:
Alternative One: Do nothing. Engineers don't recommend this.
Alternative two: Engineers' choice. Five lanes from Novi Road

to Meadowbrook Road, a bridge over the railroad tracks and three lanes from Meadowbrook Road to Haggerty Road.

Alternative Three: Three lanes from Novi Road to Haggerty Road with intersections upgraded, but no railroad bridge.

Alternative Four: This version only calls for intersection improvements, including widening to five lanes at Ten Mile and Novi roads and the six-lane approach at the eastbound Ten Mile and Haggerty Road intersection.

The report concludes this would be an insufficient upgrade to Ten Mile.

Cost: \$7.66 million

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Cost: \$1.5 million.

Novi seniors speak out to Republican Task Force

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homes. Jackson's husband is an Alzheimer's disease patient in a nursing home. Jackson urged the state legislators to pass laws requiring more nursing employees per patient in the homes, as well as a bill that would run criminal checks on the employees.

"Their rights should not be violated just because they are demented. When their bodies ache, it is not acceptable that they have to soil their pants because no aides are available to take care of their needs," Jackson said.

Cassidy, a member of the Republican Task Force on Senior Citizens, set up the local session with seniors in her district and state representatives Harold Voorhes, R-Wyoming; Patricia Goehaux, R-Birmingham; Judith Scanlon, R-Brighton; and Andrew Raczowski, R-Farmington Hills.

Ultimately, a report will be issued after similar sessions are held statewide.

"So often today people are feeling so disillusioned, disappointed and even cynical about their government because they see it so far removed from them, maybe not even listening to you," Cassidy told the crowd.

"We want to get close to you, we want to hear from you, we want to

Obituaries

IRENE R. FITZGERALD
Irene R. FitzGerald, 77, of Novi died Aug. 15 at the Providence Park Medical Center in Novi. She was born July 20, 1920, in Birmingham, England.

Mrs. FitzGerald, a homemaker, lived in Novi for the past 20 years. She is survived by her husband of 56 years, J. Thomas of Novi; son Allen (Mary Madonia) of Taylor; daughters, Diane Gerard Skelly of Woodhaven and Jeri Lynn (Norman) Lynn of Dayton, Ohio; and four grandchildren: Lori Dixon, and Michael, Jeffrey, and Kevin Byrd.

Services were held on Monday, Aug. 18, at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington. The Rev. Rick Lockard of Woodhaven Free Will Baptist church was the officiant. A private burial was held in Parkview Cemetery of Livonia.

Memorials to the Motor City Theater Organ Society, 17360 Lahser Road, Detroit, MI 48219 or the Michigan Cancer Foundation, 29350 Southfield Road, Suite 110, Southfield, MI 48076 would be appreciated.

LYLE H. JOHNSON
Lyle H. Johnson, 57, died Aug. 16, in Northfield Place Nursing Home in Whitmore Lake. He was born Feb. 11, 1940, in Farmington Hills to Homer and Edna (Springer) Johnson.

A lifelong resident of the area, Mr. Johnson owned and operated the Dumont Taxidermy Shop until 1995.

Surviving Mr. Johnson are: daughters, Darlene Johnson of Plymouth and Christine Schott of Acworth, Ga.; son, Glenn of Detroit; mother, Edna (Arthur) Hazen of Howell; sisters, Lillian Killeen of Honor, Mich., and Evelyn McLeod of Zepher Springs, Fla.; and grandsons, Matthew Schott and Christopher Olson.

Services were held on Monday, Aug. 18, at Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home with the Rev. James P. Russell, First Presbyterian Church of Northville, officiating. Interment was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

Memorial contributions to the charity of your choice would be appreciated.

Novi grad drowns in canoe accident over weekend

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Wildcat wrestler. He was studying mechanical engineering in his last year at GMI Engineering Institute in Flint and was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.

"He had a great job lined up," said Rajesh. "Everything was all set and he was just starting to enjoy life."

Munish was born March 13, 1975, in Chandigarh, India. He is survived by his older brothers Rajesh and Deepak, Bazzaz, and parents Atar and Aruna Bazzaz of Novi.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at the Santlee and Son Funeral Home in Garden City.

Munish was a 1993 Novi High School graduate and four year

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As We See It

What in the heck was that judge thinking?

What in the world was he thinking? That's been the general reaction from the public to a ruling by Judge Brian MacKenzie that reduced the criminal sexual conduct charge of a Wixom man accused of sexually assaulting a Novi woman last summer.

The facts in the case are pretty clear. Even the defendant's own attorney admits Daniel Crippen entered the sleeping woman's apartment and fondled her. She awoke to find him standing over her, dressed in fishnet stockings with his head and face covered with a "turban-like" garment.

The woman had fallen asleep on the couch with her boyfriend, but he'd gotten up and moved to the bedroom. So when Crippen started fondling her, she thought it was her fiance and went along. The assault included fondling and digital penetration. Then Crippen left and she realized her fiance was sleeping in another room.

Crippen was arrested the next day peering into the same woman's apartment while police had the complex under surveillance.

During the preliminary exam hearings in March and April in 52-1 District Court, MacKenzie felt there was not enough proof to bind Crippen over to circuit court on a felony sexual assault charge and reduced it to a "high" misdemeanor, dropping the charge from third degree criminal sexual conduct to fourth degree CSC.

We know the judge to be a socially conscious man who has been praised for his work developing programs to combat domestic violence. We know he is not callous or insensitive to women's concerns. And that's why the decision was especially difficult to digest.

We still believe the judge should have bound Crippen over on the higher charge. MacKenzie, according to court transcripts, said he believed that the element of force by concealment or surprise under the law does not apply in this particular case. We disagree.

And we're glad Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Denise Langford Morris decided last week to overrule MacKenzie, based on an appeal by the prosecutor. The case will now head back to 52-1 District Court with the CSC third degree charge restored.

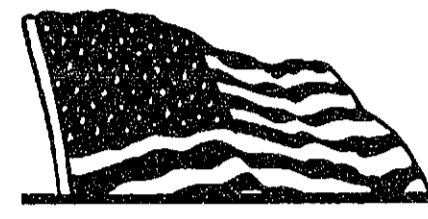
Bring more hearings

What the crowd of Novi senior citizens, gathered Tuesday in the Novi Civic Center to address the Republican Task Force on Senior Citizens, said were their big concerns shouldn't have come as a surprise to anyone who deals with public policy issues.

Nursing home care, post-hospitalization housing for mental patients, multiple school millage elections and the condition of local roadways all came up as items of concern to Novi's elderly.

The membership of the Republican Task Force on Senior Citizens, including State Representatives Nancy Cassis, R-Nowi; Harold Voorhees, R-Wyoming; Patricia Godchaux, R-Birmingham; Judith Scranton, R-Brighton; and Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills, took it all in. Whether the discussion will translate into legislative action will have to wait to be seen.

But what was very positive about the session was that state lawmakers came to Novi for their hearing. In the past, it seems like lawmakers have always had their favorite venues for such hearings - Detroit, Pontiac, Lansing, Grand Rapids, Escanaba. Try getting to Escanaba to address a legislative committee.



Government

Crippen certainly concealed his identity. According to police, he said in interviews that he was walking along looking in windows when he noticed her sleeping on the couch and that she was not wearing underwear under her shorts. He walked in, uninvited.

This has to be considered coercion or concealment. The woman testified that had she known it was not her fiance, she would not have participated in the act. When you fall asleep next to someone you love, you expect that is the person you'll be waking up next to.

If the law does not apply here, going to sleep could turn out to be a very dangerous act for women, or for anyone for that matter. Falling asleep in an unlocked house, dozing on the beach or in the park, or snoozing in a backyard hammock could be interpreted as consent to have sex with whoever happens by.

If MacKenzie is correct, there would be no recourse under the criminal sexual conduct statute. Frightening.

According to court transcripts, MacKenzie did encourage the prosecution to explore other harsh alternatives and was not so callous as to toss aside the woman's testimony. He did not act recklessly, as far as we're concerned.

But we believe he did make a mistake.

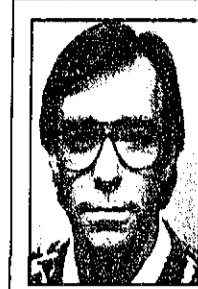
When the case goes to the jury, the 12 members could interpret the law as did Langford Morris and convict Crippen of a felony. Or they could rule not guilty.

But it will be up to the jury to decide if the higher count sticks.

If it turns out MacKenzie was right and the count doesn't stick, it's a precedent that gives women reason to be scared.

And it will require quick action by the state Legislature to repair this hole in the law.

Things get busy in the fall



Michael Malott

ELECTION TIME

City council gets more active this time of year, not just because its work load typically increases in the fall, which it does, but because there is an election coming up this November. Notice the number of stories in the paper lately about the various bond issues being proposed for the ballot.

More important of course is the race for city council. Candidates have noted that the lack of a contest for the mayor's post will allow for more attention to those vying for council seats. And that is true. The last few elections have turned into mayor's races.

Got an issue for the council? Now's the time to make it known, to bring it up with council candidates and the newspaper. Early in the race is the best time for folks get their issues on the table so candidates can wrestle with them. We'd like to hear what's on residents' minds.

COMPUTERS ARE WONDERFUL THINGS If you've been trying to send anything to *The Novi News*' e-mail address over the Internet in the past few weeks, we haven't received it.

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

entrepreneurs I know who believe anything government can do, they can do better. How do you reply to their somewhat justified claim that government employees are often inefficient, ineffective and unmotivated?

My fishin' buddy, an insurance claims adjuster, and I explored this at length when they weren't biting one Saturday morning.

His work experience is that 85 percent of insurance claimants just want their losses restored; 10 percent will try to chisel a few extra bucks; and 5 percent are crooks.

I had already come up with identical numbers: 85 percent of people want to do an honest day's work, pay their share of taxes and raise their families in peace; 10 percent goof off and cut corners on their work and taxes; and 5 percent are evil and should be imprisoned, sterilized or disbanded.

These percentages hold, we agreed, whether the group is Catholic, Buddhist, Baptist, white, black, yellow, green with purple polka-dots, in business, in trades, in professions, or in government. There always is an 85-10-5 breakdown.

No religious, ethnic or economic group has a monopoly on virtue. None is totally rotten.

Business and government are different. First, businesses seek market niches. Private freight companies carve out small package markets over frequently used routes. They don't attempt to do what Congress, 200 years ago, said the post office should do: unify the nation politically by delivering a one-ounce letter for the same price to any corner of the continent.

Government serves everyone. Public schools take anyone who can walk or be wheeled in the door. Private schools tend to skim the cream.

Second, government's powers - hence its flexibility - are limited by constitutions and laws. To offer a new product, such as a state park, it must go through two legislative chambers, an annual appropriations battle or the voters.

Government can't make a snap decision the way a business executive can - and in a republic, we wouldn't want it to have that power. Nor can government raise its prices, in secret and overnight, as business does.

Government was decades ahead of business in lowering hiring bars on the bases of race and gender.

I get annoyed at liberal Democrats who protect the rights of ethnic groups, welfare recipients, sexual perverts and draft-dodgers but then castigate corporate man-

Profit doesn't always motivate



Tim Richard

Reader Arlene Victor wrote in response to my column castigating Mackinac Center for saying business always does things better than government.

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In Focus

By John Heider



Patience is a virtue

Learn about your neighbors



Wendy P. Mitzel

Tom the Patrolman died this month. We called him that because the 80-some-year-old man would walk the five houses from his small ranch to the end of the street and back several times a day.

It helped his poor circulation, he said. In the summer, he wore shorts and a white V-neck T-shirt. In the winter, a brown coat and a bright orange knit cap.

Steve, my husband, and I first met Tom when we moved into the old-style Livonia subdivision last year. The homes are close together, so it's easy to talk to your neighbors over the fence. You can't help but wave across the yard when you walk out back.

Tom, standing in his driveway chewing tobacco, would hold his hand up high in a kind of salute each morning as I left for work and each night I came home. In the morning he'd yell, "Don't work too hard." In the evening he'd ask, "How's it going?"

Many times during our long weekends of painting the trim or cleaning the gutters, Tom would often tell us to slow down. "You work too hard," he would say. Tom the Patrolman kept an eye on all the neighbors. He got our mail and newspapers when we went out of town. Once, he watched my home from a chair

on his driveway when the men came to refinish the wood floors. I didn't ask. He just did it.

A couple months ago, the Patrolman suffered a "near stroke" and was rushed to the hospital. He was supposed to gather the mail for several neighbors. "Make sure you get everyone's mail," he told his wife Helen on his way to the hospital.

Tom came home and after a few weeks began patrolling the end of the street again. Steve made it a point to go outside and talk a while with Tom each time he passed our front window.

We went on vacation earlier this month and returned on a Sunday night to bad news. Tom was out walking one day and as he got to the end of the street to turn right back around, he collapsed dead of a heart attack.

Steve and I told Helen that night how lucky we had been to have met her "Tommy" and now have a wonderful memory.

I bring it up because I've often heard Novi residents complain about their neighborhoods. That in the winter everyone stays indoors with the heat on and in the summer the air conditioning clicks on and the doors stay closed. I've heard many complaints about how residents don't know who lives next door to them. Or across the street.

If that's true, I suggest everyone go find out. You may come to know someone like Tom the Patrolman. It may not be too late.

Wendy Pierman Mitzel is a Staff Writer for *The Novi News* and *The Northville Record*.

Unfair to cast arena negatively

To the Editor: This letter is in response to Joseph Toth's several letters dealing with the proposed ice arena project. We have not responded prior to this because of the many issues that were involved in acquiring the property, designing the road, bidding the road and securing necessary easements.

Now that the project is about to get underway, it is appropriate to respond to the many issues raised by Mr. Toth.

The first issue has to do with the location selected for the ice arena. The City of Novi conducted an extensive study of available properties throughout the community and determined that this general location best served our community from an access and zoning perspective. We had earlier attempted to locate this facility in a residential area (Right Mile and Beck Road). This location, although attractive from a financial standpoint, received considerable opposition from the residential areas in southwest Novi. Due to the industrial look of the building itself, it was determined that this project should be developed in an area that is zoned industrial. This is where we ended up near the intersection of Ten Mile and Novi Road.

The Ten Mile and Novi Road area was very centrally located with easy access and available utilities. The site specific was deemed by everyone involved to be a very optimum location.

Mr. Toth likes to poke fun at the terms and conditions of this property purchase. Quite frankly, this acquisition was very favorable to the City of Novi. Property in this area zoned light industrial can easily command \$120,000 per acre. This number was recomputed this date (Aug. 18) with industrial real estate specialists. The City of Novi was able to acquire the site (19 acres) for \$60,000 per acre. In addition, the seller deducted the estimated cost of the roadway construction for the site to Novi Road (to the tune of \$688,000) from the purchase price. The net cost of the property was \$232,000. The \$232,000 is to be funded by the Building Authority from revenue derived from the operation of the arena. Mr. Toth did get one number approximately right ... the cost of the 19 acres of property is \$12,210 per acre.

As with all major construction projects such as this, there is an ancillary amount of roadway approach work, etc., that we would have encountered no matter where we built the project. The true amount of the additional road work may be in the neighborhood of \$250,000. We have been able to leverage some Oakland County Road Commission traffic signal grant funds to offset the cost of signaling the intersection.

There is no question that the acquisition of this site was a significant bargain for the community. In addition to the discounted purchase price, we were able to leverage the West Bloomfield Sports Club onto the site adjacent to the ice arena. These are both fantastic recreational opportunities for our Novi families.

As an added bonus, this area will be opened up for additional development that will bring light industrial tax base to our city.

This bond issue was not voted on because the Building Authority plans to retire the debt and operate this facility on revenues derived from the sale of ice time. Communities are able to operate ice arenas with little or no burden on the taxpayer.

As to the plaque that Mr. Weiss has requested to be placed in the ice arena recognizing the discounted property values, he is going to pay for same.

It is unfair to cast this project in a negative light given the amount of work that has been put forth by citizens. Community Clubs of Novi, the waiting hockey players, Building Authority, staff and city council. We believe the project is extremely beneficial to the community and will be a credit when completed.

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State was land of fever and chills



Barbara Louie

Though 19th century Michigan was often advertised as the land of milk and honey, to some early settlers it was known as the land of chills and fever.

Early area settler C.B. Stebbins wrote about his agonizing encounter with Michigan's legendary plague.

"I had heard that people in Michigan had a disease called fever and ague; but I was like the sinner who knows that misery is the usual result of sin, but hopes himself to be an exception to the rule; and I took the risk with little thought. Had I known what was in fact before us, I would about as soon have taken my bride by the hand and walked into the lake as to bring her to suffer what we did.

"In July 1839," he continued, "more than half of the population were on the sick list. My family consisted of my wife, myself and a widow.

"Mrs. K. was attacked by ague, and was so prostrated that for a day or two she was deranged. When she was hardly able to walk across the room, my wife and I were, in the same hour, with apparent health, stricken down with what was called chill- fever - a most malignant form of ague. In half an hour we were practically helpless.

"Mrs. K. crawled about to wait upon us a little through the day, and during the night we were alone. In three days there were not five persons in the village able to give aid to others. Some of the time both my wife and I were deranged."

Doctors were of little use, as "our doctor was one of the sick." Recovery was slow, but it did come.

"We were able to be up in a few days, but I did not work for three months. Yet, strange as it may seem, there was not a single death from the epidemic in those terrible three months."

In the fall of 1831, just months after young David Clarkson arrived in Northville from New York, he too had suffered from the debilitating sickness. He wrote about it in his memoirs:

"Every other day about nine o'clock the chills would come on, then I would climb the ladder,

pile on all the bed clothes I could find and crawl in, shake for an hour or two and then the fever would last for several hours. The next day I would be around and able to do some chores.

"And so it continued for weeks, until I was so weak that I could scarcely get up the ladder to go to bed. The medicine given me was Peruvian bark and brandy, three times a day on the well days, and a good big dose next morning.

"Almost every body who came here at that time had the ague and fever. Some would have it very light, others had what they called dumb ague. They had the bones ache and chills and fevers, but did not shake, and the fever was terrible.

"Some men would work every other day and have the ague until they wore it out. Sometimes however it wore them out. No pen can tell what the early settlers suffered from this terrible disease. Whole families would sometimes be all shaking or burning with fever at the same time. Afterwards Quinine came into use, and doctors learned how to treat ague. Then it was not so bad."

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Public Access

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

MONDAY, AUG. 25

10:00 a.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine
 10:30 a.m. — The Cutting Room Floor
 11:00 a.m. — Christian Singles Today
 11:30 a.m. — Fitness Motivators
 12:00 p.m. — The Elegant Life: Bed and Breakfast
 12:30 p.m. — (con't)
 1:00 p.m. — Adventures with Pirate Pete
 1:30 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Village Cafe Dearborn
 2:00 p.m. — Financial Strategies
 2:30 p.m. — Travelin' On: Pacific Northwest
 3:00 p.m. — Lost Gold Biography: A History of Rock n' Roll
 3:30 p.m. — What's Cooking: Pesto Ravioli
 4:00 p.m. — Out in the Open
 4:30 p.m. — (con't)
 5:00 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
 5:30 p.m. — Lawyers Roundtable
 6:00 p.m. — School of Ministry and Mission
 6:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
 7:00 p.m. — Critter Connection
 7:30 p.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine
 8:00 p.m. — Creature Feature
 8:30 p.m. — (con't)
 9:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
 9:30 p.m. — Groove Session: A Native American Journal

TUESDAY, AUG. 26

10:00 a.m. — Legislative Forum
 10:30 a.m. — Specs Profile
 11:00 a.m. — Law Talk: Rick Inatome
 11:30 a.m. — (con't)
 12:00 p.m. — Summit University
 12:30 p.m. — (con't)
 1:00 p.m. — Drawing Men to Christ
 1:30 p.m. — (con't)
 2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
 2:30 p.m. — Motorsports: Life of an Indy Car Mechanic
 3:00 p.m. — (con't)
 3:30 p.m. — Stage Door Canteen
 4:00 p.m. — (con't)
 4:30 p.m. — (con't)
 5:00 p.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine
 5:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
 6:00 p.m. — Rock Soup: AzUR
 6:30 p.m. — (con't)
 7:00 p.m. — Mr. Blue Fuzzy Show
 7:30 p.m. — Financial Strategies
 8:00 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Oxford Inn with Village Cafe
 8:30 p.m. — Fitness Motivators
 9:00 p.m. — Let's Talk with Ben Marks
 9:30 p.m. — (con't)

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 27

10:00 a.m. — Life Matters
 10:30 a.m. — Excellence en Route
 11:00 a.m. — Patterson and Company
 11:30 a.m. — The Capitol Report
 12:00 p.m. — School of Ministry and Mission
 12:30 p.m. — The Way, The Truth, and The Life
 1:00 p.m. — Study in Scripture
 1:30 p.m. — AMVETS

2:00 p.m. — Restoration Now
 2:30 p.m. — Christian Singles Today
 3:00 p.m. — Impact Video: Geoff Moore and the Distance
 3:30 p.m. — Groove Session: A Native American Journey
 4:00 p.m. — Critter Connection
 4:30 p.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine
 5:00 p.m. — Creature Feature
 5:30 p.m. — (con't)
 6:00 p.m. — Welcome to the New Millennium
 6:30 p.m. — (con't)
 7:00 p.m. — Adventures with Pirate Pete

7:30 p.m. — Options for a Balanced Life: Effective Discipline for Children
 8:00 p.m. — Novi Street Beat Live
 8:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
 9:00 p.m. — Expansion: Rap Music
 9:30 p.m. — Rock Soup

THURSDAY, AUG. 28

10:00 a.m. — The Job Show
 10:30 a.m. — The Happiest People Alive
 11:00 a.m. — Abundant Life Arabic Ministries
 11:30 a.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
 12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy

12:30 p.m. — Madonna Magazine
 1:00 p.m. — Praise, Praise, Praise
 1:30 p.m. — That's Italian
 2:00 p.m. — Rock Soup
 2:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
 3:00 p.m. — Mr. Blue Fuzzy Show
 3:30 p.m. — Adventures with Pirate Pete
 4:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Rick Inatome
 4:30 p.m. — (con't)
 5:00 p.m. — Shaarey Zedek Productions
 5:30 p.m. — (con't)
 6:00 p.m. — Home for Life: Stains and Finishes

6:30 p.m. — Pet Show
 7:00 p.m. — Show Me Show with Tatiana
 7:30 p.m. — Farmington Hills Police Journal
 8:00 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
 8:30 p.m. — Christian Singles Today
 9:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Rick Inatome
 9:30 p.m. — (con't)

FRIDAY, AUG. 29

10:00 a.m. — Law Talk
 10:30 a.m. — (con't)
 11:00 a.m. — Open

11:30 a.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
 12:00 p.m. — Adventures with Pirate Pete
 12:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
 1:00 p.m. — Critter Connection
 1:30 p.m. — Groove Session
 2:00 p.m. — Open
 2:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
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SAME TIME NEXT YEAR?



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Barbara and Emerson Dewhirst display a photo taken at one of Barbara's previous family reunions. More than 130 family members attended a recent gather of Barbara's clan.

Reunion is like a convention when the numbers are in the thousands

By CAROL WORKENS
Feature Editor

Gillian Mashni, the owner of the Gi Gi and Co. salon in Novi, recently attended one of the country's largest family reunions in July.

Four thousand of her relatives, a group called the American Federation of Ramallah, Palestine, met in Dearborn.

Reunions began with just a few families 39 years ago. All are descendants of a father and his sons from Ramallah, Palestine.

"In the beginning, a few families

used to meet somewhere annually and it kept growing and got more organized," Mashni said. "This one, we broke all the records. This is the biggest one we've ever had."

Also called conventions, the annual celebration begins with a welcome dinner and party on Wednesday and continues with a variety of activities through Sunday morning. On Thursday an event is planned outside the hotel and on Saturday, a big family night is planned.

"Every night there are recep-

tions," Mashni said. "One for the younger group and one for the older group with a deejay for the kids and a band for the adults."

"The big parties are at night and everybody attends," she said. "They stay up all night long. I don't think I got to bed before 4:30 a.m. and that was early for me."

During the day optional activities like sightseeing or shopping are planned.

"I used to go to every function

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Family passes torch to the next generation

By CAROL WORKENS
Feature Editor

Barbara and Emerson Dewhirst, residents of Northville for 10 years, have planned plenty of family reunions in their day and now the "children" have taken over.

One of eight sisters and a brother, Barbara said their days of getting the troops together are over.

"It was time to turn it over to the next generation," she said. "Because we've done it so many times years back, it's the next generation's turn."

So Brighton residents Ginger Edison and David Wilson, the children of Barbara's sister Bobbie, organized the whole thing.

"Now we're the older ones sitting around watching our children and grandchildren," Barbara said.

Wearing colored-coded T-shirts, 130 family members, all descendants of Fred and Estella Groves of Redford Township, converged on Chilson Park in Brighton on July 6.

Keeping in mind the six men in her family who wouldn't be caught dead wearing pink, including Emerson, their two sons and three grandsons, Barbara got her reservation in early and chose turquoise T-shirts. For the late-comers, the pickins' were slim.

"We were running out of colors. We had at least eight," Barbara said. "It was just like a fashion show, all these colors running around. Everyone stopped and wondered what was happening."

"They did a heck of a good job," Barbara added.

The reunion began at sun up with a big cookout breakfast dished up by Barbara's brother. It ended at sun down.

Family members received updates during the month preceding the reunion.

"I thought that was kind of neat," she said. "The young people on computers can do that kind of stuff."

Each family brought their own food and drinks, unlike in the past when each family brought a dish to share with a meat entree.

"We found that this worked out very well," because so children are selective eaters, she said. "With everybody cleaning up their own table, it cleared up real fast."

Torrential rains had everyone scurrying for the shelter of the pavilion at one point during the day. The cost of pavilion rental had been split between Barbara and her siblings. Throughout the day, the games for children were announced by age group and the prizes were handed out.

"All these shirts came running," Barbara said. "It was so adorable."

Games for adults were available for those who wanted to participate. Under the pavilion, card games were going on. One participant brought out the golf clubs and it didn't take long before a group of men were hitting plastic golf balls.

Not something that was orga-

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FAMILY REUNION ACTIVITIES

- Make a family tree. From a simple chart to a complete pictorial genealogical map, relatives will get a kick out of finding their branch and looking up other family members.

- Bring old photos that were never properly identified. Have everyone take a look at the pictures to see if they can identify the relatives in the snapshot. Indicate who brought each picture to avoid any confusion.

- Reunions may be a good time to return any borrowed items. Even if you don't remember, the lender may recognize the lost tool, etc.

- Remember the name tags, especially at large family gatherings. It helps people relax if they don't have to worry about not remembering a name. Childhood photos can be added to name tags. Color-coded name tags can help sort out from whom a member is descended.

- Make a video or audio recording of the reunion and family members, especially older relatives, so that others can enjoy, remember or learn about their background.

- Begin a time capsule of memorabilia, like photos, audio and visual tapes and a scrapbook, which can be brought to future reunions and added to year after year.

- Cookbooks and family history books can be sold at reunions to generate money to help fund future get-togethers. Heirloom recipes are also a nice way to pass on traditions. Priced to sell, other items imprinted with the family tree can also be sold.

- Research all the ethnic groups in the family and celebrate the ethnicity through themes, activities, and food.

Suggestions are from *Reunion Magazine's* Summer Home Page at <http://www.execpc.com/~reunions/>

Reunions Magazine also has a Workbook & Catalog.

Check with bookstores and libraries for family reunion planners and handbooks.



Photo by HAL GOULD

Gillian Mashni's uncle Samir is president of the family's group and was in charge of the reunion this year.

Volunteer



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Ron Ehlert has been a volunteer with NYA for 10 years.

Ehlert is hoping to make a difference

By CAROL WORKENS
Feature Editor

A boy doesn't have to be fatherless to benefit from the Northville Youth Assistance program.

Ron Ehlert, who has been a resident of Northville along with his wife, Catherine, since 1974, has volunteered for the better part of a decade with the NYA program. In that time, he has been a mentor to two boys - the first for about three years until the boy and his mother moved away when she remarried, and the second who is now a junior in high school.

"In many ways you are doing things a parent would do but in many other ways you are doing things a friend would do," he said.

Ehlert met his current client when he was about 10-years-old.

Both boys have fathers. The first didn't see his father very often and the second sees him

every other weekend.

With his daughter grown and married, a nice job and a lovely home, Ehlert became a volunteer as a way to give back to the community.

"Northville has been very nice to me," he said.

When it was his client's mother's birthday, Ehlert asked the boy if he had ever made a cake. When the answer came back no, he suggested they go to his house to make a birthday cake to take to his mother.

"His mom was on cloud nine," Ehlert said. "That's where you get your little rewards."

Other activities Ehlert has enjoyed with the boys include a visit to the Toledo Zoo, to the library, miniature golf, and a University of Michigan basketball game. Sometimes they have gone

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It's A Fact

There are only four days left until the school bells toll in the Novi district.

Novi Boy Scouts are awarded 57 merit badges

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

A successful Summer Camp for Advancement was held by Novi's Boy Scout Troop No. 407 this year with Mike and Paul Goebel obtaining the rank of STAR and Josh Kade obtaining both Tenderfoot and Second Class. Josh Wainner completed the PATH program and has a few more requirements to complete before reaching Tenderfoot and Second Class.

The merit badge program went well with 13 scouts completing 57 merit badges: Mike Garbaick received rifle, pioneering, forestry, sculpture, basketry, mammal study and pet care; David Owens, sculpture, bird study, motorboating, pottery, golf, astronomy and pet care; Jon Welmetr, reptile study, nature, mammal study, small boat sailing, canoeing and astronomy; Ryan Bates, camping, rowing, environmental science, canoeing and astronomy; Phil Dixon, first aid, wilderness survival and rifle (partial-archery); Mike Goebel, camping, woodcarving, forestry and canoeing; Paul Goebel, rifle, nature and lifesaving; Nick Burika, rifle, woodcarving, motorboat, lifesaving and fishing; Jeff Gisi, canoeing, shotgun, astronomy, rifle (partial-camping); Joel Kade, shotgun, astronomy, rifle (partial-environmental science), first aid, wilderness survival, pottery, fishing (partial-archery); Charlie Lucas, environmental science, sculpture, canoeing, astronomy; and Richard Ward received sculpture and mammal study.

The boys received their merit badges at camp and will receive recognition and their cards at the Fall Court of Honor troop picnic, Tuesday, Sept. 23.

The first troop meeting will be Tuesday, Aug. 26. A troop committee meeting will be held on Monday, Aug. 25, to make plans for September.

NOVI PUBLIC LIBRARY

The library has something for everyone with programs planned by Jane Brown and Margi Karp-Opper. Also helping in the planning is Melinda Schaler who just recently joined the library staff. There is a wide range of services, books, etc., available, from children's programs to senior citizen programs.

The senior section is located on the left side of the library near the magazine display. There is always a timely display on the bulletin board which changes every month. Presently, the display includes titles of books under the headline of "Summer Super Eating." Among the list of cookbooks (in large print) are: *Fannie Farmer: New York Times Cookbook After 50: Nutrition, Music for Quers 50*, etc.

Also available in the senior section are booklets and pamphlets such as "Changes and Choices Regarding the Legal Rights of Senior Adults." Information is also available regarding support groups, volunteering, and help with prescription costs. A booklet

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entitled "Living Wills and Durable Power of Attorney" is also available.

The close of the children's summer reading program was celebrated with an ice cream social. Some of the interesting results of having a summer reading program included: 970 registered for the "Be Eager About Reading" program; and 195 registered for the "Bear Claw Book Club" for fifth graders, for a total of 1,165 readers. There were 4,620 books read in the "Be Eager About Reading" and 1,114 in the "Bear Claw Book Club," which was up from 781 in 1996.

Also included were craft programs, special events, listening days, a Celebration Day, workshops, and project days. The library extended its thanks to the teen volunteers who helped so much this summer.

Information for fall's Storytime registration is available. The lottery system will be used again this year to determine the number of registrants which will be accepted. Also available at the library is the new Novi Preschool and Child Care Directory.

Sunday hours of 1-5 p.m. will return for the fall on Sept. 7.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The congregation recently held a surprise celebration in honor of

comed the new sixth graders and said goodbye to those leaving for the ninth grade.

The "Lunch-Bunch," a new singles group, meets after the second service on the second Sunday of each month. Call 553-7170 if you are interested.

NOVI PARKS AND RECREATION

Another family-oriented program sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation and the Novi Community Credit Union will take place on the north lawn of the Civic Center on Friday, Aug. 22, at 7:30 p.m. Gates and concessions will open at that time with a moon-bounce for the kids, sponsored by JCK & Associates; an 8 p.m. performance by the Motor City Brass Band, sponsored by the Novi Arts Council; and following at 9:45 are fireworks, 101 Definitives, featuring Glenn Close, will be shown. Those attending are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets for sitting as the program will be held come rain or shine. Arrangements have been made to move inside in the event of inclement weather.

A new support group that meets twice a month has been formed where women share personal experiences with prayer time following. Any women interested should call Associate Pastor Deborah Ferguson at 553-7170.

Pastor Bill Hopper of St. Andrew-Redeemer Lutheran Church in Detroit, was a special guest at a recently held service. His is a soup kitchen ministry and Hope has an ongoing commitment to this ministry. Throughout the year members help with the soup kitchen. In addition, food items are collected and brought to St. Andrew Church and given to the needy.

Last week the Junior High visited the Rolling Hills Water Park in Ypsilanti at which time they welcomed the new sixth graders and said goodbye to those leaving for the ninth grade.

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Listening is a big part of a volunteer's job

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to Hines Park and sat on the swings and talked, played cards with help with homework, or gone out to supper.

"There's a thousand different things you can do with kids, things I hadn't even thought about with my daughter that you learn," he said.

With his first client, Ehler sometimes just shot basketballs. "The purpose of this program is to be a friend, and what do friends do? Play basketball, go to the Northville Library to do research on school papers, help with math problems and concepts," he said.

Ehler tries to give his client the benefit of his experience in terms of looking at things in his life that are happening that he can't really explain.

"The approach you have to take is to be a friend, listen, point out alternatives, try to get them to see the direction they want to go in," he said.

"If you've been a parent to somebody it's hard to put yourself in the position of friend," he said. "What these kids need is somebody to listen to without being judgmental. As a volunteer it's hard not to talk sometimes, it's hard to listen, but that's what you have to do."

NYA has optional monthly meetings where volunteers can share different insights into what works with kids.

"It is interesting to find out how other volunteers treat different situations," he said. "Each volunteer is different, each client is different. The primary thing is you have to be willing to share a part of your life."

"I think the program is a terrific program. You get them when they are very young and you sort of release them or they naturally gravitate away at 14, 15, or 16," he said.

"All you can hope to do is to give them a little different perspective."

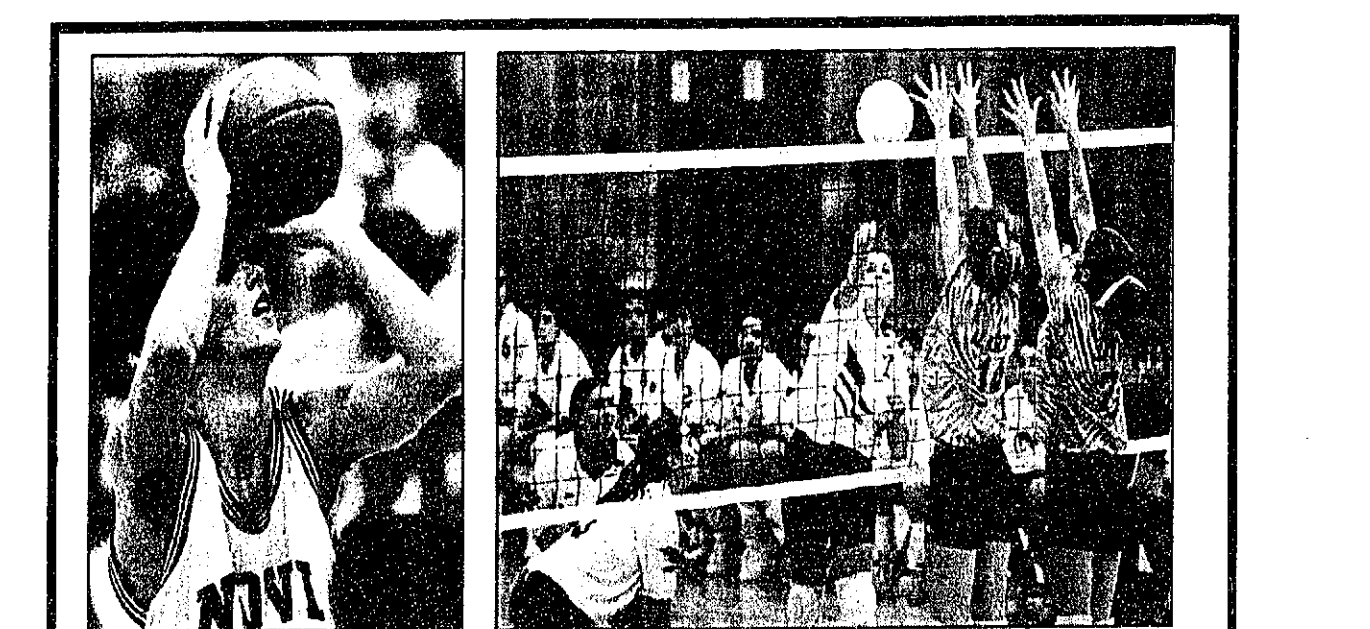
The NYA has a booth at the Victorian Festival every year and Ehler and his clients have worked the booth.

"You go where your relationship leads you," he said. "It's what you as a volunteer feel comfortable with."

"If I can do it an hour a week or so," he said. "It's time well spent."

The next volunteer training session begins Sept. 29.

For more information, call the NYA Director Mary Ellen King at 344-1618.



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Garden of the Month

Cottage garden overflowing with vibrant color, fragrances

By PATRICIA ZIELKE
Staff Writer

At the home of Sue Boss on Brookwood Drive in Brookland Farms, I was greeted by Mutt and Jiff who, either by design or by circumstance, are English spaniel/busky/lab mix breeds.

The energetic duo led me up a curving stone path to an amazing English cottage garden which is embraced by a 3-foot high pre-Civil War gated iron fence endowed with a patina only time and the elements could have produced.

Towering above a fence line of cast nettle yucca (Integrated purple/white) are plump yellow snapdragons peeking through the twisted fence grill. Flowers are everywhere.

The home built three years ago, is a handsome Cape Cod with an English accent, and the garden's design punctuates the English influence. Flowers abound on both sides of a path leading to the front porch.

Some of the plantings include shasta daisy, varieties of bush roses, gossamer looserstrife (an old timer), lithrum, rudbeckia, spidertwort, mallow, balloon flowers, spider plant, red, pink and white phlox, and obedient plant (Sue said, "The reason it's called 'obedient' is when you gently move any small part of the flower to another position, it will obediently stay").

There are coral bells, purple palace, dwarf astilbe and galardia. Also, according to Sue, garden rue, planted near the home's entrance, brings good health and good fortune. Moving away from the more traditional window box plantings, Sue has combined creeping Jenny and violas with very attractive results.

The entire landscape is vibrant with color and architecturally pleasing. My attention eventually led up on old-time hollyhocks and delphinium planted along the walk and close to the porch.

Nostalgie - a gentle nudge back

in time when I was a small child in my mother's garden making dolls from wood clothespins and Holly-hock "dresses." And the sentimental journey continued as I spotted a worn, but vintage, combination wood and iron lounge chair standing in a corner of the porch just waiting to hold an exhausted gardener on its comfortable old lap.

At the sides of the porch, two Japanese maples stand in the company of holly, cone flowers and lady's mantle. Between stepping stones is lemon thyme, almost every ligularia known to man, hot pink yarrow, Johnson's geranium and ornamental grass called trembling leaf.

Moving around the side, a waterfall spills over large flat rocks into a 3 1/2-foot deep pond kept clean by a biological filtering system. The pond, with heating distance of the master bedroom, is home to frogs, toads, gold fish and a big turtle who roams the neighborhood.

The pond's inhabitants live among pickerel weed, parrot's feather, four-leaf clover, iris, ligularia, snake grass and marsh marigolds. If insomnia hits, the fountain doesn't count sheep - they count "croaks and ribbits, ribbits, ribbits."

Not only amphibians are cared for there. Bird feeders, butterflies and bird houses have been placed throughout the garden to accommodate transients or permanent guests. And a variety of plants, such as tealils, comprise a growing banquet table for the flying feathered.

Now we're closing in on vigorous vegetable and herb gardens which continue to produce varied selections of garden treats. The family has already enjoyed an abundance of sweet strawberries. They must harvest the fruit quickly, however, before Jiff (who thinks he's a human) runs through the patch chomping off the berries he wants for lunch.

Another tid-bit from Sue: Plant chamomile between walk stones, and when you stray from the stones pressing the chamomile underfoot, (ouch!) the plant produces a pleasant aroma.

Along the back path is a small hidden cove with an entrance stone inscribed "secret garden." Wild ginger, trillium, Jacob's ladder, bouncing bet, fern, iris and a number of other wild flowers grow there, plus plants started from seeds. Many of the plants will be transplanted to the main garden.

Just when you think the garden journey has ended you can almost hear the Boston ivy climbing up the chimney, while close by, trellises host moon flowers and passion flowers on their long ascent. Along with a 150-year-old bonnet and an akela vine purchased from Mathal Gardens are cupid's dart, blue morning glory, asters, a butterfly bush, love in a mist and menara.

In front of steps leading to a spring porch and sun room, Sue is nurturing patches of Irish moss, which are very durable and growing in decomposed granite. A collection of violets and pansies find protective shelter near an east wall and bloom throughout the winter. The area seems to be a micro climate insulated from the killing frost.

This enchanting garden began three years ago after excavating 2 1/2-feet of dirt which was replaced with rich workable soil.

Much has been accomplished in a short time, but Sue's garden plans are still unfolding. Beds will be added and some will be changed. However, from my point of view - it's just perfect as it is.

Patricia Zielke is a member of the Country Garden Club of Northville, which is affiliated with the Women's National Farm and Garden Association.



Sue Boss's English cottage garden has an abundant variety of flowers and ground cover.

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Cop has to choose: uphold the law or protect his idols

In the city of New York, a crime is committed every eight seconds. But just across the river in New Jersey lies a quiet town called Garrison, where some of New York's finest return home. It's a place where the local sheriff owns the badge — but the big city cops own the town.

Garrison Sheriff Freddy Hellin (Sylvester Stallone) always dreamed of becoming one of them — but now he's discovered something that could force him to choose between protecting his idols and upholding the law.

Directed by James Mangold, "Cop Land" is a gripping police drama about a community of corrupt cops and the local sheriff who is pushed by a big-city Internal Affairs Investigator (Robert De Niro) to take them on.



Robert De Niro and Sylvester Stallone in a scene from James Mangold's "Cop Land."

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Opening Act

Royal Oak up first for Wildcats

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

If there is a team primed for a title run at Novi High, it's the basketball squad.

The Wildcats have been maturing and building for several years. Now players like Jessica Kenny, Katie Copp and Kristen Sullivan are ready to take Novi to its first Kensington Valley Conference title since 1993.

"I feel we can contend for it," said coach Dennis Cichonski. "We have good chemistry and a good mix of kids."

Howell won the league title last year and Brighton finished second. The Highlanders made it all the way to state quarterfinals.

Cichonski said the two schools are still the ones to beat until someone else proves otherwise. "Until one of us can do it," he said, "you've got to look at Brighton and Howell as the leaders of the conference."

Novi opens the season Tuesday at Royal Oak Kimball then plays at Walled Lake Western a week from today.

The Wildcats are coming off their best season since the championship year of '93.

Novi got off to a 9-1 start and eventually finished at 14-7 overall.

Amy Edwards and Lindsay Drury, both starters, graduated. They'll be tough to replace, but Cichonski feels he has the personnel to do it.

Start with the three seniors,

Kenny, Sullivan and Copp. Kenny lead the Wildcats in nearly every offensive category last year. The point guard can do it all, score, rebound, pass and defend.

"She'll be our floor general," Cichonski said.

Sullivan will play at shooting guard. She struggled a bit her junior year, but figures to come back strong this season.

"Her shot wasn't there consistently enough," Cichonski said. "If she can get hit her shots consistently, we'll keep off balance. It'll make us a better team."

The coach said Sullivan's all-around game has improved. She can do more than hit the outside jumper, in other words.

"She's worked hard on going to the basket," Cichonski added.

Copp moves from center to power forward this year. The coach said the move will allow her to show more of her offensive skills.

"She can drive to the basket and shoot that 12, 15 or 18-foot jumper," he said.

The other two-fifths of Novi's starting lineup will be a pair of sophomores.

Kristen McGlinnen will get the nod at center. At 6-foot-1, she's got the size to rebound and contest shots.

"She's a very diligent worker," Cichonski commented. "She'll give us some inside strength."

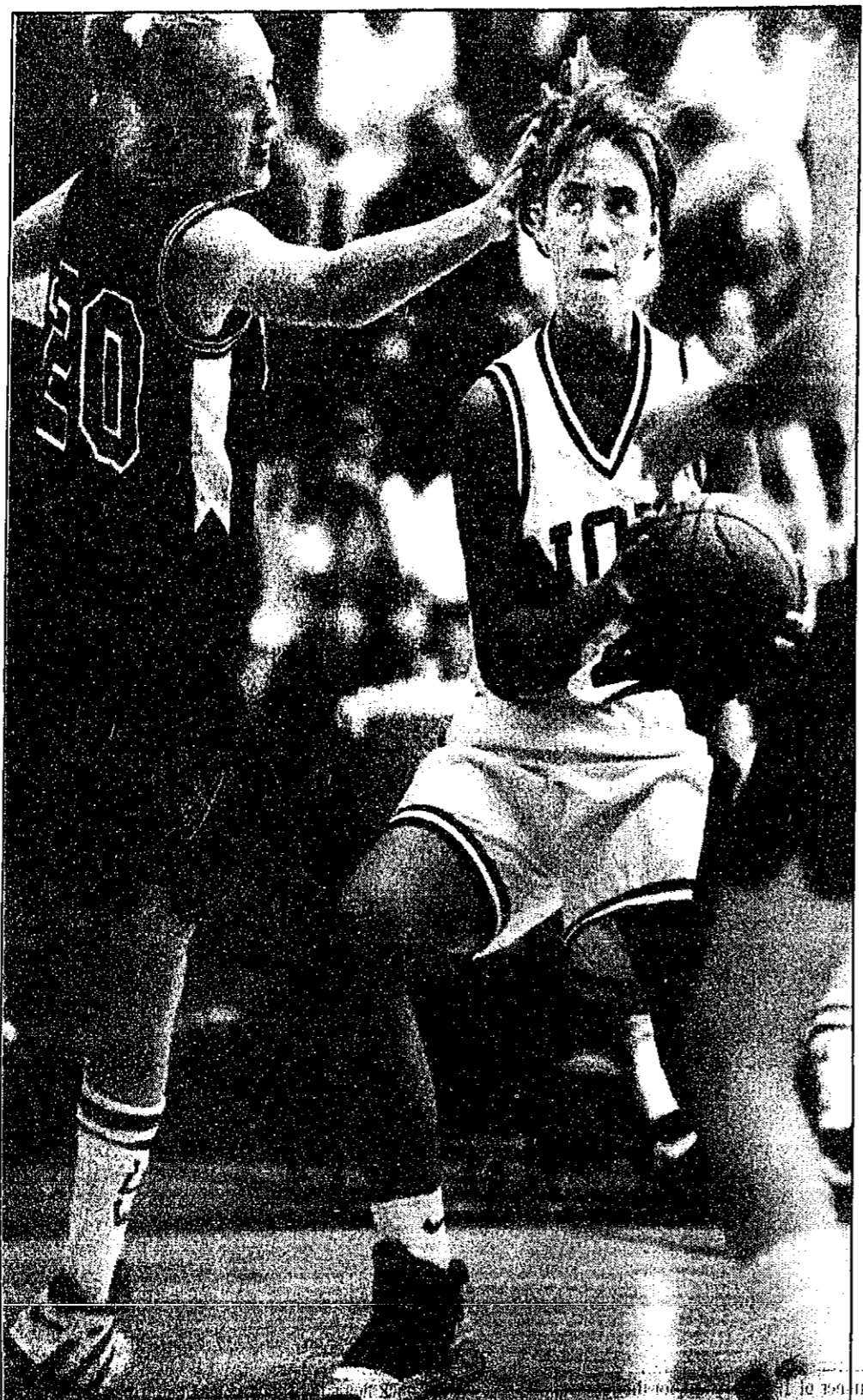
Kelly Bendernagel will play at small forward. The coach

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Novi High opens its basketball season Tuesday at Royal Oak Kimball. Here's the Wildcats' regular season schedule:

Date	Opponent	H/A
8/28	WL Western	A
9/2	WL Central	H
9/9	Harrison	H
9/14	Farmington	H
9/16	South Lyon	H
9/23	Hartland	A
9/25	Huron	A
9/30	Millard	H
10/9	Howell	A
10/14	Lakeland	H
10/16	Brighton	A
10/21	South Lyon	A
10/23	Hartland	H
10/28	Millard	A
10/30	Kettering	A
11/4	Howell	H
11/6	Lakeland	A
11/11	Brighton	H
11/17	District	TBA

All games start at 7 p.m.



Continued on 9 Kristin Sullivan will be one of Novi's main offensive weapons this season.

Golfers face rebuilding year in Kensington Valley race

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

In the days of Woody Hayes and Bo Schmebcher, the Big Ten was known as the Big Two and the Little Eight.

This year's Kensington Valley Conference golf race may take on characteristics of that bygone football era. Except it could be the Big Four and Little Three.

According to Wildcat coach John Peace, Brighton, Howell, Hartland and South Lyon are the cream of the league crop this season. Novi, Millard and Lakeland are a notch below.

"All of us will be vying for fifth, sixth and seventh," Peace said of the three schools. "There will be a gap between teams. Last year, six teams were within about 10 strokes of each other [at the conference final]."

Novi had one of its most talented teams ever a year ago. But because the KVC, which had three squads finish in state's top 10, was so strong, the Wildcats finished no better than sixth.

"We only finished sixth," Peace said, "but we were among the top 20 in the state."

Graduation losses have left Novi in a "rebuilding" mode, the coach said. Guys like Mike Marchak, Chris Chirgwin, Jeff Fannon and Jon Kobylarek have all moved on.

About 50 golfers tried out for this year's team. Peace said he plans to keep about 15 of them for next year's varsity.

"We had lots of freshman try out," he added. The longtime coach had his varsity lineup in mind for yesterday's season opener at the Farmington Invitational.

Senior Derek Ho will claim one of the top six spots. A second team All-KVC performer last year, Peace said he's trying to get his game in shape.

"He's been shooting in the low 80s," he said, "but I think he'll get into the 70s."

Ryan Schriber moves up to varsity from JV. A senior, no Wildcat has worked harder on his game for the fall campaign.

"He has improved a lot," said Peace, "especially in the tempo of his swing."

Ron Oppat also moves up to the big time this year. He's a senior that's capable of shooting in the low 40s for nine holes.

Peace said the Wildcats do not have any "star" players. But he does have a team with a lot of potential, especially in the younger ranks with the sophomores and freshmen.

"We're probably a year or two away from being 320 [for 18 holes] or better," he added. "I see a lot of good freshmen and sophomores here."

The coach those youngsters have a chance of moving up from JV during the season.

"It's going to be wide open," Peace said. "We'll have challenges throughout the year."

"What I see happening is some of the younger ones coming up and challenging."

Conference title in kickers' reach

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

For the first time in a long time, Brighton may not be a lock to win the Kensington Valley Conference soccer title.

"With an experienced and talented lineup returning, Novi may be able to unseat the longtime kings of the throne. According to coach Brian O'Leary, the Wildcats and Hartland both have a legitimate chance at the league crown."

"Those three teams could be in any order at the end of the season," said O'Leary, who added that the Eagles are on the upswing. "We only beat them by one goal twice last year. They tied Brighton."

"I think they can finish anywhere from first to third." Novi finished second in the KVC last year and posted an excellent overall record of 15-4-1. The Wildcats also made it the district semi-final before falling to Canton.

"It was a good first year," said O'Leary, who begins his second season as coach of the Wildcats tomorrow at Walled Lake Central at 7 p.m.

Novi did lose several significant players from last year's team. John Irimescu was the team's leading goal scorer. John McShane and Andy Gatt, a forward and midfielder, respectively, were captains.

"We lost more leadership than anything," said O'Leary.

"This might be our best chance to win the league."

BRIAN O'LEARY
Novi high soccer coach

The Wildcats are returning eight starters, however. The coach says it's a strong group.

"This might be our best chance to win the league," O'Leary commented.

Among the returners are goalies Mike McShane and Joe Hart. Both juniors, the duo split time last year.

O'Leary said he's looking for one of them to step forward and take a majority of the playing time. Neither has emerged as the leader in scrimmages so far, though.

"We're pretty solid in [the] goal," said O'Leary.

Novi will have plenty of experience on defense.

Seniors Paul Tylly and Miles Olson will anchor the fullback corps. Paul Ansara and Matt Smith are juniors that will see plenty of time as will sophomore Frank Raburn.

"All of them are pretty much even," O'Leary said of the group. "All played a lot last year."

The Wildcats gave up about a



Nobuto Mori (left) will play forward for Novi this fall.

goal a game. O'Leary said his fullbacks were a big reason why. "We did a good job of keeping things tight," he added. "I think our goals against will be real low again this year."

Alan Lyskawa spearheads Novi's offensive attack from midfield. A second-team All-State performer last year, O'Leary said everything flows through the junior.

"We want to get the ball to Alan and let him distribute," he said. "He's a phenomenal passer."

Lyskawa and Mark Churella, a senior, will captain the team. Churella was All-KVC a year ago and brings and element of toughness to the Wildcats.

"He's a physical player," O'Leary said. "He's the most

Accuracy needed at Brentwood GC

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

Brentwood 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) 349-1700.

By JULIE KEMPAINEN
Sports Writer

If you are looking for challenging golf in beautiful surroundings, Brentwood Golf Club is the place to be.

The 18-hole course looks as if it were carved out of its natural settings and it was. There are no ponds colored greenish blue and aside from the bunkers most other hazards are wetlands and tall grassy areas.

In its second full summer, the course is still under some construction in the final stages of its three-year building phase.

One can hardly tell though. Most noticeable is the implementation of fourth tee boxes on each of the holes.

"In some places, because the subdivision had not been developed yet, we couldn't put some of the final tees in until the roads were done," owner Steve Chaplin said.

Once all of the tee boxes are completed and in use, set for next

spring, Brentwood will have the Golf Association of Michigan back out to measure and redo the scorecard.

"The course appears short on the card," Chaplin said. "But until such time as GAM comes out and remeasures it will remain short on the card."

The course, currently measuring 6,054 from the back tees, will measure approximately 6,500 yards next summer.

Four or five of the boxes are already in play, though not on the card. Also, all cart paths have not yet been poured, but are due to be completed next summer.

"It's very topographical," Chaplin said. "We tried to work with the natural features of the layout in building the course."

The front nine, opened four months after the back, is a very different course. You will understand why Brentwood is a cart-mandatory course after playing the open, links-style front nine holes.

A day at Brentwood can start out very ugly as golfers approach the ominous first hole. From the back tees it is 213 yards to clear the wetlands. From the middle tees it still takes a shot of 185 yards to clear the tall, grassy mess. And once the ball is in, there is no getting it back.

Beyond the tall, grassy mess is a gently rolling fairway approach-

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Cagers open at Royal Oak

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described her as a tough-nose player that can drive to the hoop.

"She's got an excellent three-point shot," Cichonski added. "She's a good rebounder and a strong, physical player."

Scoring points shouldn't be a problem for this group.

"The potential is there for us to be a good scoring team," Cichonski said.

Junior Kristen Kearney will be Novi's top sub. She'll play in the back court.

"She's good at picking up our defensive intensity," the coach said. "She's also an excellent passer and sees the floor well. She

gives me what I need off the bench."

Adrienne Farrell will back up at small forward. Her forte is rebounding and defense.

Diana Fallone will back up at point guard. Freshman Erin Quinn will likely play in the front court.

"She gives us some insurance inside," Cichonski said.

Sara Heusel, Jenny Tuck, Erin Spindler and Julie Namm round out the roster. The coach said he'll use his entire roster.

"There was only three games last year where everyone didn't play," Cichonski said.

Kickers ready for KVC title chase

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aggressive player on our team."

Matt Maier and Ryan Rzepka are battling for midfield spots.

At forward, Bill Galloway, Nobuto Mori and Derek Orszkian will get the starting nod. The trio had 23 goals between them a year ago.

Don't be surprised to see Joe Irimescu playing a lot either. The sophomore, who scored 10 goals in 12 junior varsity games last year, has a nose for the net.

"He's going to be a good one," O'Leary said.

The coach says he has a strong team. But, O'Leary added, Novi can't afford many injuries.

"One thing we don't have is a lot of depth," he said. "But we're hoping that will come along."

Rounding out Novi's roster will be: goalie Rusty Herbst, fullbacks

Dan Christopherson and Scott Jette, and forwards Brent Pawlak and Rob Strickus.

When state tournament time rolls around in October, it'll be a little different than years past.

The Michigan High School Athletic Association got rid of class designations A, B, C and D. Schools are now divided into four divisions, based on enrollment, for the playoffs.

Novi will be in Division I, which is for the largest schools (1,315 students or more). Base Line Road rival Northville drops down to Division II.

As a result, the Wildcats will be in a district with Livonia Stevenson, Salem, Canton and South Lyon.

"It'll be the toughest district in the state," O'Leary said.

Sports Shorts

Novi girls fast-pitch tryouts

The 12-year-old and under Novi Madness softball team is seeking players for the 1998 season. The Madness is a girls travel fast-pitch softball team that will participate in league and tournament play during the summer of 1998. Tryouts for the team will be held on the back fields of Power Park at 5:30 p.m. on Sept. 7 and Sept. 14. Eligible players are girls who turn 13-years-old after Aug. 31, 1998. For more information, contact Dennis Haggerty at 347-4298.

Squads Illustrated



Expos

The Novi Expos 9-10-year-old squad recently took second place in the Willie Mays Madison Heights tournament.

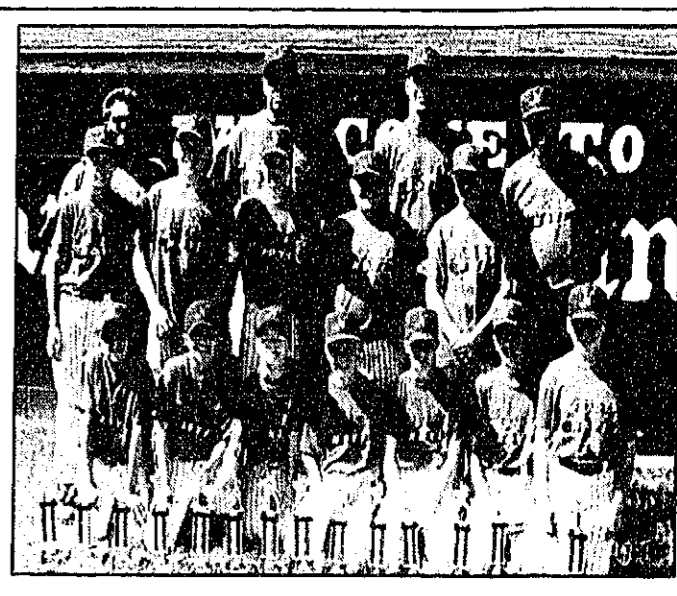
In the opening game, the Expos beat Franklin 6-2. Kevin Cislo pitched a strong game going six innings and striking out four. Offensively, Steve Hart had two hits and a run batted in while Rick Knuth knocked in two runners. Brad Chandler, Matt Crawford and Kyle Margrave each had one hit.

In game two, Novi took an 18-1 victory over the Bloomfield Red Sox. Kevin Cislo led the offense with three hits and three runs scored. Mark Eberline, Mark Moore, Justin Davis and Steve Hart each had two hits. One of Hart's hits was a home run. Justin Davis pitched four strong innings to get the win.

Novi crushed Bloomfield Travel 20-1 in game three. Justin Davis had three hits and scored three runs to lead the offense. Bryan Hornacek, Jeff Engelmann, Kyle Margrave, Rick Knuth and Brad Chandler each had two hits.

Novi posted a 10-12 record this year in the Little Caesars Travel League. Expos previously placed third in the Mt. Morris tournament.

Team members included: Kevin Cislo, Brad Chandler, Mark Eberline, Kyle Margrave, Rick Knuth, Mark Moore, Steve Hart, Matt Crawford, Bryan Hornacek, Justin Davis and Jeff Engelmann. The team was coached by Chuck Cislo, Dan Davis and Glen Margrave.



Novi Expos II

The Novi Expos 11-year-old closed out their season going 3-1 in the Madison Heights tournament and taking second place.

In the opening game, Brandon Cigna broke open a 3-3 tie with a three-run homer to give the Expos a 7-4 victory. John Peters had a pair of hits and Josh Nowicki had a run-scoring single to support Mark Sorensen, who tossed a three-hitter in pitching all seven innings.

The Expos lost a pitcher's duel in the second game as Rochester took a 1-0 decision. Matt Haggerty and Adam Zorza were the only Expos to register a hit as Tom Kucharek struck out 11 and drove in the winning run for Rochester in the last inning. B.J. Humphrey and Matt Nickles held Rochester to four hits over six innings.

The Expos responded in the final two games by defeating Bloomfield 15-4 and the Michigan Rams 12-1. Both games were halted after four innings due to the mercy rule.

Against Bloomfield, Humphrey went three for three and Steve Gawronski, Matt Haggerty and Doug Benton each had a pair of hits. Mike Hart and Jeff Davis held Bloomfield to four hits.

In the season finale, the Expos scored seven runs in the fourth to clinch the victory. Josh Nowicki, Matt Nickles, Mark Sorensen and Jeff Davis each had two hits to lead the offense. Nickles, Sorensen and Humphrey split the pitching duties as they held the Michigan Rams to three hits.

Novi finished 11-7 in the Little Caesars league and 19-14 overall.

Accuracy key at Edgewood course

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ing a green protected by a large bunker. Actually, there is only one hole on the front nine not protected by a bunker, or several bunkers.

Chaplin said the bunkers are made with stark white sand, imported from Ohio. The different sand is used so bunkers stand out and makes the course more aesthetically pleasing, he said.

"The next hole to get the golfer trouble is the fifth, a par four which plays like a par five. Chaplin called it the most difficult hole on the course."

The fifth hole plays uphill and usually into the wind. "Getting to the green in two is difficult," Chap-

lin said.

Six is a par three with about 75 yards of water to clear before hitting the grass. It's not too difficult, but will prepare you for the even trickier 18th.

Unlike the front, the back holes are closer together and a little less forgiving. And you definitely want to stay in the fairway.

"We were trying to work with the land and not to alter things too much," Chaplin said of the differences in the front and back. "The back is a very different nine for the length that it is."

The back is a few hundred yards shorter than the front measures

and features more water and much more challenging conditions.

Getting caught in the grass and off of the fairway may be hazardous to your score. The tall grass will eat the ball and coming out of it isn't easy.

Hole 13 sees off over wetlands, but nothing so frightening as the first hole and doglegs left. After clearing the wetlands, approaching the green is your next task. Making it around the four bunkers that protect it, however, is a different matter.

The 15th hole can also be tricky, teeing off blindly up hill. Safe in the fairway, a second shot is head-

ed downhill to the green.

Sixteen is interesting. A short par four, the elevated green is protected by an enormous bunker. The green is elevated and a shot that won't sit on the green is in danger of rolling through the fringe and off of a rocky cliff.

Also fun in 18. Barely 100 yards from the back tees and only 78 from the front, the green is surrounded on three sides by water. A good pitching wedge will get you there; but beware, two large bunkers protect in front of the green and behind the green is all wet.

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Novi Dojo changes style

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Scott Maczuga is a glutton for punishment.

As owner of Novi Karate Dojo, he decided early this year to switch from Shoto Kan to the Ashihara-style of the ancient Japanese martial art. But it wasn't just a change of names.

Maczuga put himself through months of grueling training to prepare for black belt testing this summer. He took his test, a two-hour marathon of fighting, as part of an international summer camp in Denmark last month.

"I had 20 fights back-to-back with fresh black belts," said Maczuga. "It was full contact. By the end, I felt like a punching bag."

But he survived the test, which was the goal, and earned his black belt in Ashihara. Maczuga led a group of six Americans, several from Novi, to Europe for the camp.

Each of the students had a chance to compete and swap notes with other Ashihara practitioners. Robb Wickham, an assistant instructor at the Novi dojo, Mick Brown and Chrissy Kay all earned honors in competition on the trip.

"It was an excellent camp for everyone," said Maczuga.

Besides the competitions, stu-



Scott Maczuga (left) battled 20 rivals to receive his Ashihara black belt.

dents participated in training sessions each day. As many as four sessions were held per day for up to two hours at a time.

The aim is to build a team for next April's Ashihara World Championships. Maczuga said only one other dojo in the United States is dedicated to the style of karate.

"We've become the U.S. contact (for Ashihara)," he added. "Our dojo is putting the international team together."

After more than a year with the Shoto Kan affiliation, Maczuga decided to change to Ashihara in January. He said he wanted to go

to a style of karate that would be more practical in real life for students.

"Shoto Kan is more robotic," Maczuga added. "It concentrates on forms and how it looks."

"Ashihara is much more fluid and a natural kind of movement. It's a much simpler style of karate."

Shoto Kan took years of intense study and practice for an average person to be able to apply it in self-defense. People can begin using what they learn in Ashihara in a few months.

"It's a system where everyone

can benefit from it in a short period of time," Maczuga said.

Like Shoto Kan, Ashihara does have basic stances and forms for punches, kicks and blocks. But they're easier to pick up and perform, said Maczuga.

So far, his students have liked the switch.

"It's been unbelievable," he said of the response. "Especially with the women. I think it's because it's something they can use to protect themselves."

For more information on Ashihara karate or the Novi Dojo, call (810) 960-1999.

Class covers basics of canning, preserving

Healthy cooking

While warm summer days and fresh fruits and vegetables are still with us, let Chef Larry Janes reveal the secrets of how to keep summer's magic alive all year-round - at least in your kitchen.

On Thursday, Aug. 28, Chef Janes covers the basic of canning and preserving in this fun, informal session. Sponsored by Botsford Health Development Network (HDN), attendees will also have the chance to sample several imaginative (and light) recipes, using "stored" ingredients, they can use to delight their families and friends in the bone-chilling days ahead.

Another session in the HDN's Food Talk series, "Storing Summer's Bounty" will be held at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement, 39750 Grand River Ave. at 7 p.m. There is a \$6 fee and, because seating is limited, pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call (248) 477-6100.

Giving blood

Have you ever considered giving blood and then decided not to because you didn't have the time? If you've ever felt this way, consider the many lives one pint of blood may save for an hour's worth of time. You can give the "gift of life" by donating blood at a Community Blood Drive, held 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Aug. 28, in the St. Mary Hospital auditorium.

Area residents are encouraged to join St. Mary Hospital employees and volunteers in donating blood at this Community Blood Drive, sponsored by the American Red Cross.

St. Mary's is located on Five Mile Road at Levan. Please use the Five Mile Road entrance for the blood drive. To schedule a time to donate, call Cheryl Delaney at St. Mary Hospital, (313) 655-2980.

Newborns

Learn about caring for newborns at St. Mary Hospital's new infant care class on Thursdays, Aug. 28 and Sept. 4, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room A. Participants can attend one or both classes.

Taught by a registered nurse, the first class, "Getting to Know Your Newborn," focuses on the care of your well infant, including feeding, bathing, sleeping and activity habits. The second class, "Caring for the Sick Infant," features infant safety, such as how to child-proof your home, immunizations and signs of illness. This class is not just for parents but anyone who cares for an infant.

Cost of the class is \$18 for one session or \$35 for both. For more information or to register, call (313) 655-1100 or toll free, 1-800-655-1615.

Fathers to be

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a class for new and expectant fathers, "Just for Dads... Childbirth and Beyond," from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 21. The class will meet in the first floor Conference Room near the north entrance off Five Mile.

The class helps fathers understand feelings and changes associated with the birthing process, how to become an active participant in childbirth, and the new role of fatherhood.

The format includes open discussion on attitudes and beliefs about fatherhood and lifestyle changes. The cost is \$15 per person.

Health Notes

Diabetes-Cize

A 10-week comprehensive exercise program co-sponsored by Health Development Network and Botsford Cardiovascular Health Center. This program will help people with diabetes better control blood sugar levels and improve cardiovascular fitness. For information, call (248) 477-6100.

Diabetes and You

This six-week class explores all areas of diabetes self-care. Preregistration and fee required; some insurances cover class fee. Classes are held at Botsford General Hospital, Farmington Hills, and the Botsford Center for Health Improvement, Novi. For more information and to register, call (248) 477-6100.

E-Z Yoga

This six-week class enhances flexibility, strengthens muscles, improves breathing and promotes relaxation. Day and evening classes available, \$35-45 fee. Botsford Center for Health Improvement-tracc, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. For more information and to register, call (248) 473-5600.

Free Foot Screenings

Every Tuesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Botsford General Hospital, Suite 200, South Professional Building, 28080 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. For more information or to make an appointment, call (248) 473-1320, weekdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Heart Disease Risk Reduction

Risk assessment and reduction programs to help modify risk factors associated with heart disease. Fee is dependent on level of programming. Botsford General Hospital's Botsford Cardiovascular Health Center, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Call (248) 471-8870 for more information.

Health Risk Appraisal

Do you know what your health risks are? Botsford's health risk appraisal includes blood pressure, total cholesterol and HDL readings. There is a \$50 fee and appointment is required. Botsford center for Health Improvement-HDN, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. For registration and information, call (248) 477-6100.

Intermediate Water Aerobics

A 50-minute water exercise class for postnatal and post physical therapy patients. Six-week course. \$35 fee and registration required. Botsford Center for Health Improvement-tracc, on Grand River in Novi. For registration and information, call (248) 473-5600.

Child Clinic

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

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Appointments are required. For more information, call: North Oakland, Pontiac: (248) 858-1311 or 858-4001; South Oakland, Southfield: (248) 424-7066 or 424-7067; West Oakland, Walled Lake: (248) 926-3000.

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Community EMS, 25400 Eight Mile Road, Southfield. Fees: \$20 for CPR; \$35, BCLS. For more information and to register, call (248) 356-3900, ext. 258.

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Asthma Education

Individual sessions with a registered nurse provide the tools to better understand and manage asthma. Day and evening sessions available. Families are welcomed. \$20 fee and appointment required. Botsford's Health Development Network on Grand River, Novi. For more information and to register, call (248) 477-6100.

Breastfeeding Basics

Workshop covers the "how to's" of breastfeeding: How to start and maintain successful breastfeeding as well as the answers to questions and concerns of women who are already breastfeeding. \$20. Classes are held at Botsford's Health Development Network in Novi. For information and registration, call (248) 477-6100.

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A multi-stationed exercise and education program designed for the individual with limited experience using fitness equipment. Participants will be instructed on the proper use of weight and cardiovascular machines. Mondays and Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m. \$70. Preregistration required. Botsford Center for Health Improvement-tracc, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. For registration and information, call (248) 473-5600.

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