

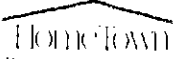
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City faces issue of ugly buildings

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

It's so ugly, Novi resident Marilyn Corbett wrote in a letter to her local government, it looks like a prison, a fortress.

It's an eyesore, said former Novi City Council Member Richard Clark, who plans to boycott the Novi location.

What's inspiring these strong reactions? The Best Buy and a new strip mall at Eight Mile and Haggerty roads, according to the complaints echoing through city hall.

"I'm a little chagrined that Best Buy would want their name and logo associated with that building ... I've dropped quite a few dollars at Best Buy, but not at that one, because it is a disgrace," Clark said at a council meeting in October.

In December, the council will discuss ways to improve the city's architectural review process, partly in response to this development. Council Member Bob Schmid also places the Oakland County 52.1 District Courthouse on the list of unlovely buildings.

"Basically, they made us do what they wanted and they don't like it."

High Pointe Center executives

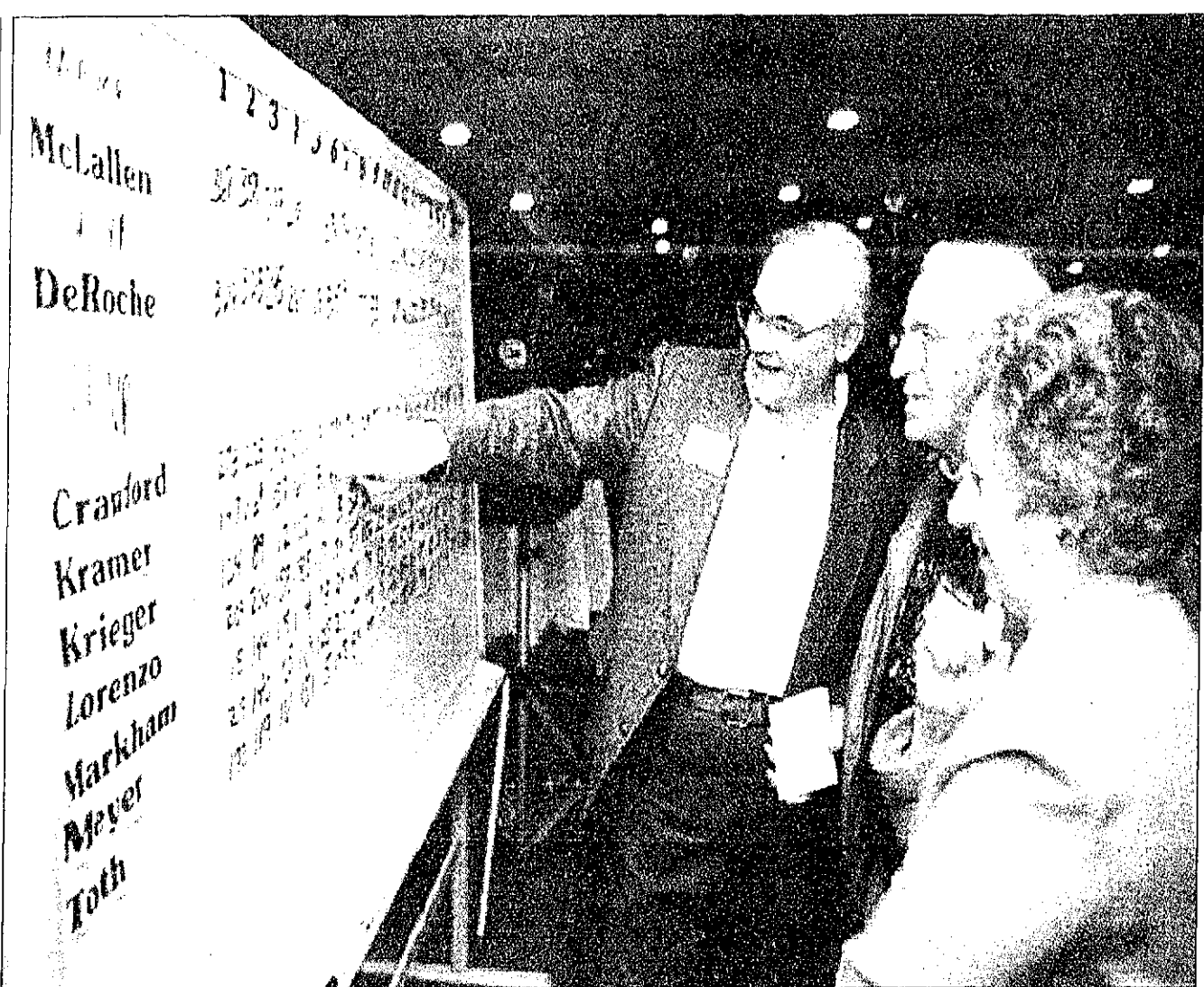
But evaluating aesthetics is one of the most subjective parts of the planning process. Community Development Director Jim Wahl said. He suggested that residents' input be sought on the issue.

Corbett gave hers. "The Best Buy looks forbidding and gives a very bad opening impression to people arriving via 275. I am not the only person who thinks this; people who don't live in Novi but drive in to shop or visit tell me the same," she wrote to the council.

"I have lived with my family in Novi for almost 18 years; we used to have good policies about development and community needs. It no longer seems the case."

The "big box" Best Buy store in tan, dark blue, powder blue,

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Ed Kramer counts votes as they are tallied Tuesday night, resulting in his election to city council.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Ballot issues bite the dust

Lorenzo, Kramer, Crawford win seats on City Council

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Some people just don't give up. Like Angelo Lorenzo, who after two failed attempts, is now on the Novi City Council.

"Three times is obviously the charm. I appreciate everybody's support and now the work begins. I think I'll be able to jump in," Lorenzo said at a party that drew the victors of Tuesday's election to the Novi Expo Center.

"I treated this like a normal



Tuesday. I sat home and did chores. It's a pleasant surprise."

She'll join top vote-getter in the council race, incumbent Hugh Crawford, who won 19.12 percent of the votes for one of the three four-year terms. Lorenzo took 17 percent of the votes, 3,110 to Crawford's 3,497.

Ed Kramer -- appointed a year ago to fill a council vacancy, was appointed again Tuesday -- this time by the voters. Just under 15 percent of them opted for Kramer, who took 2,700 votes.

Tuesday's election drew 24,566

percent of Novi's registered voters; out of 30,597 voters, 7,516 showed up at the polls.

Kramer was beaming at the Expo Center bash.

"I'm elated. It feels like a big load off my shoulders. I'm happy and elated and relieved that we came to a successful conclusion," Kramer said.

Crawford, a life-long Novi resident, is in for a fourth term.

"I had a lot of people working

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Service groups honored by Rotary

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Everyone likes a little appreciation.

On Nov. 13, several leading civic groups of Novi will take their turn in the limelight at the first annual Community Service Clubs Appreciation Dinner.

The event, which will be held at the Novi Civic Center, is the brain child of Novi Rotarian Dr. May Sanghvi, who is co-chairing the event with former city clerk, Gerry Stripp.

For the first time, to be honored for their service to the community will be the Novi Lions, Optimists, Goodfellows Jaycees, Michigan 50s Festival and Novi Youth Assistance.

Dr. Sanghvi said he initially approached Mayor Kathleen McLallen with the idea and she encouraged him to get it rolling.

"We thought we'd start with a small appreciation dinner and build on it," he explained.

"Hopefully, we'll expand this and bring all the volunteers together ... The idea is not to leave anybody out. The idea is to start on a small scale. I know there are many other groups in Novi that do wonderful work."

Besides honoring people who have volunteered time and money

to the community, the event also gives members of the various organizations a time to get to know one another and swap information about their upcoming events. Dr. Sanghvi explained that it would be helpful for the groups, so they don't plan fundraising activities and other big events on the same dates.

"We are all pulling in the same direction. If we all pull together, it would make a difference," he added.

This time around, it's anticipated that 200 people will attend the dinner. In the future, that could grow to 1,000, Dr. Sanghvi predicted.

Appearing as guest speaker at the dinner will be James Haveman, Director of the Michigan Department of Community Health, which provides service for mental and public health, substance abuse and is charged with running the state Drug Control Policy, Medicaid and Services to the Aging.

The cost for the 6:30 p.m. catered evening is \$12.50 per person; checks should be made out to the Novi Rotary Club. Reservations need to be received by Monday, Nov. 10, to the attention of Dr. Sanghvi, 22579 Shadowpine, Novi, MI 48375.

Hospital certificate rejected

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

After an eight year struggle, Providence Hospital was once again turned down in its quest to build a full hospital at its Grand River Avenue location.

As part of an extended court battle, the Michigan Department of Public Health on Monday for the second time denied Providence the certificate of need required to transfer 188 of its 459 beds at the

Southfield Hospital to Providence Park in Novi.

Providence plans to thoroughly review the state's decision, said spokesperson Amy Middleton.

In May, an Ingham County Circuit Court judge ordered the state health department to conduct a new review of Providence's COX application using criteria that were in place in 1989. When the MDPH first turned down Providence on the grounds that

the area already has too many hospital beds, the medical center appealed that decision to the circuit court.

"Although the process has been a lengthy one, we believe that the community continues to support Providence in this effort and that the availability of the resources requested will further enhance the delivery of high quality health care to Novi and the surrounding communities," Brian Connolly, presi-

dent and CEO for Providence Hospital and Medical Centers, said Tuesday.

Novi needs a hospital, City Manager Ed Kriewall said.

"Even though there has been this hue and cry about too many hospital rooms in the metro area, when you have a community of 45,000 people, we ought to have some beds. This is not a minor community," he said.



Novi resident Kjell Johnson prepares to bag leaves at his Hampton Hill home for pickup by Laidlaw waste disposal.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Fires could lead to fines

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Before you strike that match, think twice.

Local ordinances in Novi and Northville ban open fires without a permit. So fall bonfires and leaf burning are prohibited and could mean up to \$500 in fines.

"The only permits we give out is a camp fire permit," said Lt. Ron Lane at the Northville Township Fire Department.

The permits can be obtained by filling out an application and paying the \$10 fee.

In order to get a permit, residents must agree to burn only wood or leaves, no garbage, in a two-foot square pit approved by the fire department. Fires must be at least 50 feet from structures and have access to a garden hose for safety reasons, Lane explained.

The Northville Township department issued 33 such permits so far this year. But according to Lane, it still gets called to illegal fires without permits.

Novi's Fire Chief Art Lenaghan said Novi used to allow open burning up until 1995, when a new ordinance banned all open fires except for camp fires with a

permit.

He used to get 150 to 250 requests a year.

"We were probably one of the last cities to allow open burning on that sort of scale," he explained. It was a carry over from when the city was more rural and farm-like, he added.

Since the switch, the department has seen very few problems and about five requests per year for a permit, which is free in Novi.

"The people are great about it," he said. "Frankly, it's not a problem here."

The permitted bonfires in Novi can be five-foot square but are also inspected by the fire department.

In addition, camp fires around Walled Lake are not required to have a permit as long as they are within 30 feet of the water and follow safety precautions.

But said, Lenaghan, "If we get any complaints we'll go up there and put it out."

This does not include people who live on retention ponds, he added.

Construction barrel fires for warming up crews are also per-

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Community Calendar

In late year organization's activities, regular meetings or special events listed in the Community Calendar, send information to Community Calendar, The Now News, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

Thursday, November 6

Novi schools

The Novi Schools Board of Education will meet in regular session in the Educational Services Building.

Optimist Club

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

Monday, November 10

City Council

The Novi City Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Library Board

The Novi Library Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi library building.

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. (248) 344-2167.

Community Education

The Novi Schools Community Education Advisory Board will meet at 7 p.m. at the Educational Services Building on Taft Road.

Band Boosters

The Novi High School Band Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. at the high school.

Tuesday, November 11

Veterans Day

City offices and the city recycling center will be closed for the holiday.

Wednesday, November 12

Seniors potluck

The Novi Senior Social Club will gather at noon in the Novi Civic Center.

Civil Air Patrol

The Sagate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Novi Middle School, 25289 Taft Rd., from 7-9:30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information call 349-2989.

Beautification Commission

The Novi Beautification Commission meets at 7:15 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Audience participation is welcome. For additional information contact Ernie Amilo at 348-9136.

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 Savaniller, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m.

CHADD

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders of South-Western Oakland County, serving the Novi school district, will hold a support group meeting at the Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Rd., between Eight and Nine Mile roads at 7 p.m. A \$5 donation for non-members is requested. CHADD is a non-profit parent based organization formed to better the lives of individuals with attention deficit disorders and those who care about them. For information, call (248) 349-5925.

Middle School PTO

The Middle School PTO will meet at 7:15 p.m. at the school.

for their monthly potluck luncheon.

AARP Meets

The Walled Lake Area Chapter of the American Association of Retired People holds its monthly meeting at 1 p.m. at the Walled Lake Community Education Center, formerly Walled Lake Middle School, 615 S. Pontiac Trail. Any community member 50 or over is welcome to attend. Call 960-8444, or 491-6299 for more information.

Lions Club

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

SPARK

The Society for the Preservation of American Racing Knowledge, the all-volunteer support organization for the Motorsports Hall of Fame of America, meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center. The meeting is open to anyone interested in supporting the Hall of Fame and Museum.

Youth baseball

The board of directors of Novi Youth Baseball meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting is open to the public.

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

The Novi Area Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge Chapter meets at 7 p.m. at the Providence Mission Health Center, 39500 W. Ten Mile Rd., Commerce Road A. The purpose of the organization is to offer support for mothers who have chosen to interrupt their careers to care for their children. For more information call Janet at (248) 476-5934.

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By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

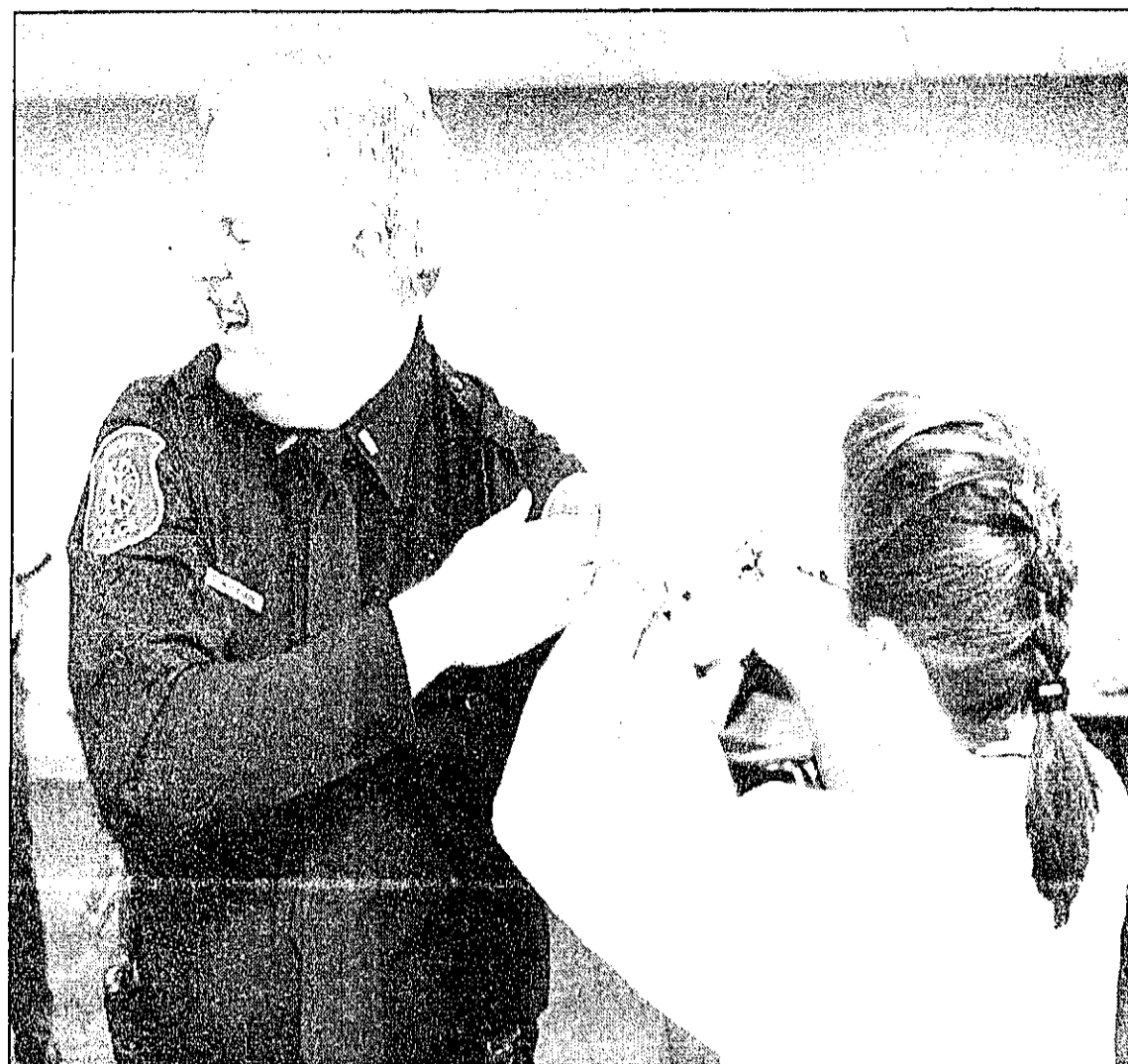
Novi High School teachers and administrators got out of the classroom and into the kitchen last week, flipping burgers and attending to the drive-through at the McDonald's on Eight Mile and Beverly roads.

"I don't think a mean french fry," said the smiling chef, principal at the school.

It was one of five high school teachers taking part in McDonald's Day, Oct. 29. The group, including Assistant Principal John Lawrence and teachers Barb Cline, Heidi Bagley and Michael Aveni, took turns taking and running orders, passing the drive-through orders, and cooking McAngels.

It was phenomenal, Cline said. "It was incredible."

The drive was a key element for a partnership between the high school and McDonald's. Details of that partnership are still worked out, but will most likely include the marketing and life skills classes, according to Lawrence.



Ouch!

LL Tim McNamara of the Novi Police Department grimaces slightly as he receives a flu shot at the Novi Civic Center from Nurse Ellen Leach of the Oakland County Health Department. The shots were given out last Wednesday and most employees of the city of Novi were encouraged to get the preventive measure.

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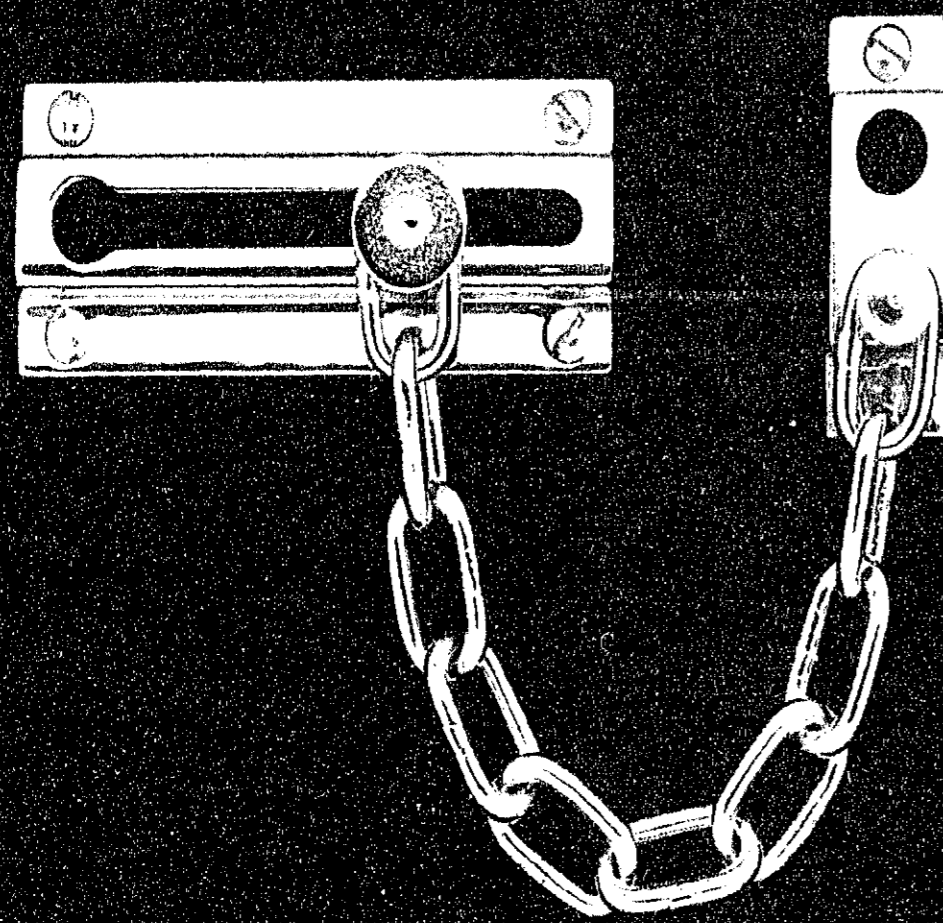
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Deer forced out by development

On the move, deer are colliding with automobiles in the area

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Last month, a disoriented deer ran through the Novi Town Center and West Oaks Mall, slamming into glass windows before it located a woody area nearby and went for cover.

But most of the time, it's on or alongside the road that deer are often spotted. And it's those deer that cause up to 60 car-deer crashes a year in Novi.

"Most people don't realize that," said Lt. Tim McNamara with Novi Police. "And it's just about time to have them come out."

Because of the construction throughout

the community, deer are being displaced and becoming more visible in Novi. A population increase in deer statewide also contributes to the problem.

McNamara said police officers on midnight patrol can attest to that effort. Deer are spotted anywhere from Ten Mile and Haggerty roads to the western edge of the city.

It's nighttime in Novi, when the nocturnal animals graze the area, that driver's need to be concerned about.

"Often times people will ask me what they can do to avoid a deer-vehicle crash," said Novi police Sergeant Terry Whitfield.

"Stay aware, awake, alert and sober, and wear your seatbelts,"

Deer move in herds, so if you see one, there's likely others around, McNamara added. If you see one, he explained, slow down and move through the area slowly. And continue to be cautious of traffic around you.

Police estimate 68,000 deer were hit by motorists in Michigan last year, and more than half the state's deer-vehicle crashes occurred in southern Michigan, near cities and on main highways with heavy traffic.

Whitfield said to pay special attention in areas where deer crossing signs are posted.

"They are an excellent reminder for driving cautiously in areas where the deer population is the heaviest," he explained.

Because deer are unpredictable when faced with headlights, blowing horns and fast-moving vehicles, it is important to heed speed limits, he said.

While there have been no human fatalities in Novi due to the crashes, McNamara said dozens of deer must be destroyed each year because of injuries from the accidents.

Monthly speaking, deer-vehicle crashes are a \$100 million problem in Michigan, according to police. The average crash

results in \$1,600 worth of damage, most from the entire front end of the car. Deer can weigh 200 to 300 pounds and move at speeds of 40 mph.

In Michigan there are an average of 186 deer-car crashes a day, one-third on rural two-lane roads. Whitfield said these crashes can and do result in human deaths and injuries.

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Miracle on Main Street parade nears

The Northville Business Association is planning another "miracle" kickoff to the Christmas shopping season.

The association's "Miracle on Main Street" parade and the Northville Chamber of Commerce Christmas Walk are only a little more than three weeks away.

Bands, bands, floats and animal groups will highlight the parade, which will continue the elaborate tradition the association established last year.

The association has formally requested permission to have the streets of the central city closed beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21.

That time is tentative, however, and the city might decide to have the parade start at 6 p.m. the same as last year, according to City Manager Gary Ward.

The parade route starts a loop, beginning and ending at the Community Center, 303 W. Main.

The Chamber of Commerce Christmas Walk is scheduled for noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23. Carriage rides with Santa, entertainment acts at the downtown handshel, special discounts at retail stores and children's games are all part of the fun.

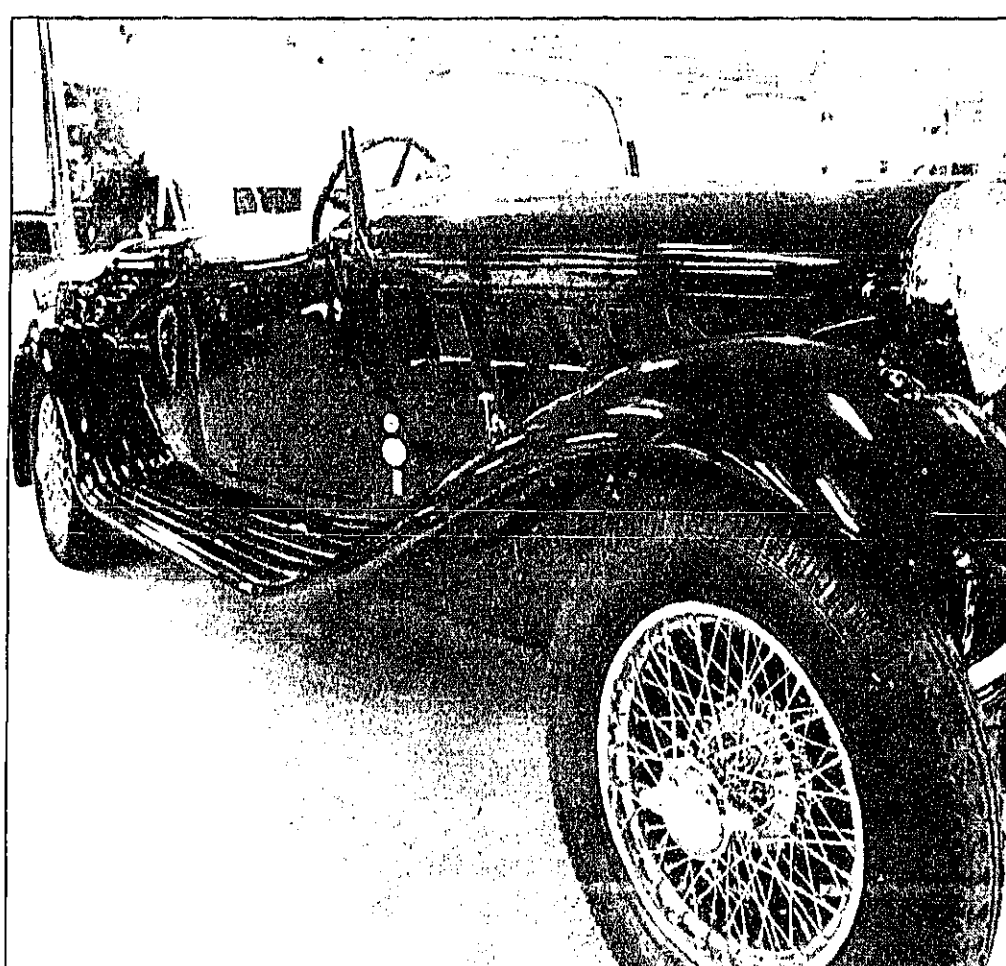


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It's a classic

A 1932 Sport Phaeton - asking price, \$425,000 - was on display and for sale at the Fall Classic Car Auction in the Novi Expo Center.

Nov. 2. The show features more than 400 vintage automobiles, ranging in price from \$1 million to \$15,000.

Chamber Notes

The Novi Chamber of Commerce is an association of business and civic leaders whose purpose is to work together with the community to develop and promote the businesses and general interests of the City of Novi.

Community involvement

The chamber has finalized a purchase order for the Main Street Clock, thanks to the donations of Novi business people. Donations have totaled \$23,500 to date. The four-sided clock will have "City of Novi" on two sides and "Novi Chamber of Commerce" on the other two sides. Installation at the corner of Main and Market streets will be sometime in 1998.

Events

This year's \$5,000 Chamber Shopping Spree Raffle has a new twist: the big winner will get to spend \$5,000 at any Novi business or chamber member business during a one-day shopping spree. The winner will be chauffeured around town in a limousine and be treated to lunch at *Top Chef*. Second and third place winners receive deluxe overnight stay packages at the Doubletree Hotel and the Hotel Baronette. Only 100 tickets will be sold for \$100 each. Tickets are on sale at the chamber office and through chamber's directors. The drawing will be held Dec. 16, at the Doubletree Hotel, during the chamber luncheon. Call 349-3743 for tickets.

Luncheon

The monthly chamber luncheon is set for Nov. 18 at 11:30 a.m. at Vic's World Class Market in Novi. Non-members welcome. Call 349-3743 for reservations.

Novi students set to perform *Fame*

The Novi High School Drama department will perform *Fame*, the story of students in a New York arts and music school, Nov. 6, 7 and 8 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Forest Auditorium in Novi High School. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for seniors and can be purchased at the door.

NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 97-043

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that S.R. Jacobson Development Corporation is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to place a construction trailer on Lot 94 of Vista Hills Subdivision, located east of Novi Road and south of Decker Road, from November 1997 through May 1998. 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 200 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, November 12, 1997, at the Novi Civic Center, 45715 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to November 12, 1997.

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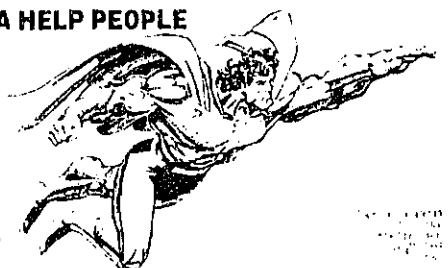
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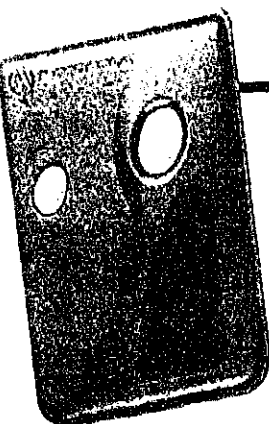
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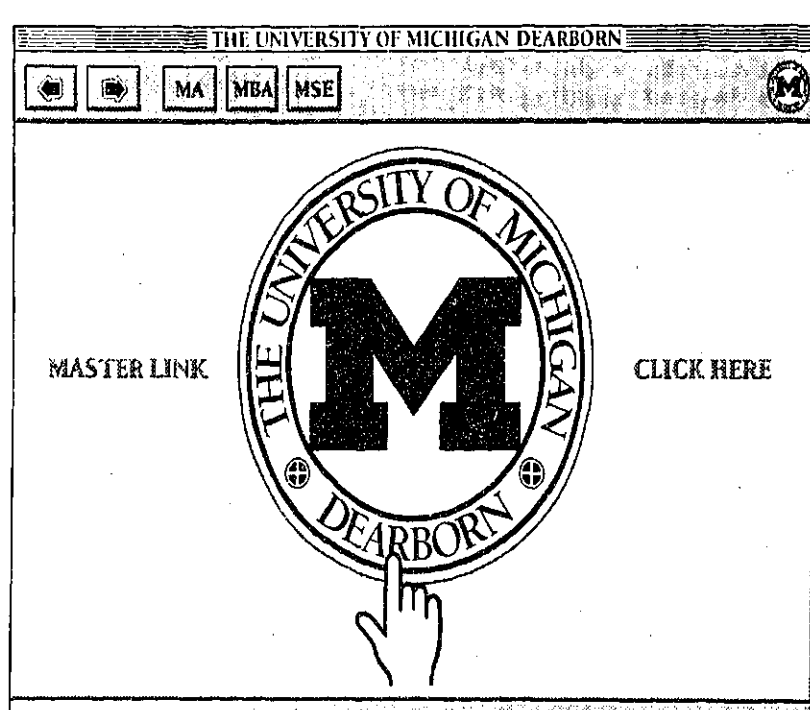
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By Tim Richard
Staff Writer

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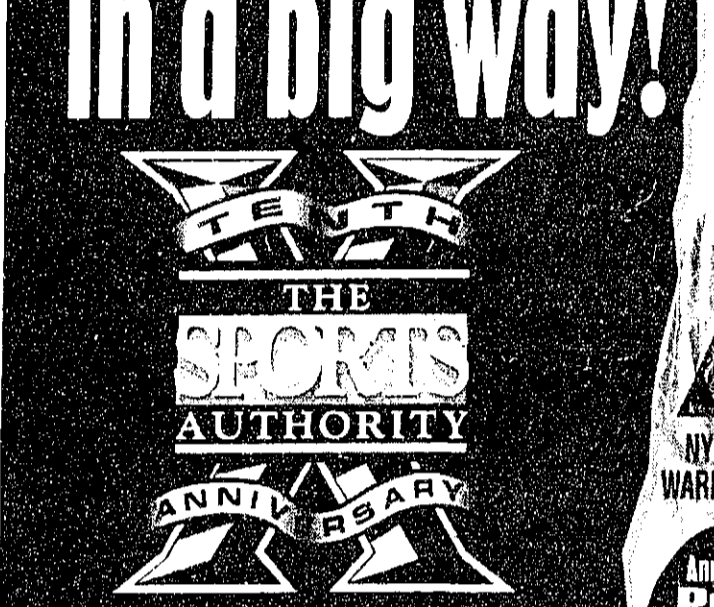
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Timbers closes after fire causes business troubles

By Wendy Pierman Mitzel
Staff Writer

The dining room, without answer, the sign says closed. And the parking lot sits empty.

"From 1978 to 1992, (the Timbers) never had a losing season."

Timbers Seafood Grille, a Novi staple since 1979, closed its doors last month after a few rough years recovering from a 1992 accidental fire.

That was until the November fire gutted the building, caused an estimated half million to one million dollars in damage and put the business in poor shape financially. According to Constantine, the insurance assessment "undervalued the property, thus requiring Miller to borrow several hundred thousand dollars to rebuild. The restaurant reopened in June of 1994 but never recovered from the debt incurred by what was reported as \$760,000 in renovations.

But Jack Haggerty, who ran the Bahamas Comedy Club at Timbers, moved to the Farmington Civic Theater when the restaurant closed last month.

Miller almost gave up the restaurant in 1992, actually, just before the fire broke out. He and partner Billy Statoropoulos were planning to sell, but after the fire Miller bought out the business and kept it as his own.

The property is zoned for light industrial, but Constantine said he's confident a restaurant will open there soon. In the meantime,

Miller bought out the restaurant in 1992, actually, just before the fire broke out. He and partner Billy Statoropoulos were planning to sell, but after the fire Miller bought out the business and kept it as his own.

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Parents begin work on all night party

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

For Novi women are leading the Senior All-Night Party this year, gathering donations and setting the tone for the graduation night party created to keep Novi's 352 senior students safe and give them a final farewell.

"They're so surprised when they walk in because we try to transform everything," said one of those women, Denise Shipley. "We decorate every inch."

But to transform Novi High School into a grand castle or Hollywood as done in the past, the parent volunteers need all the help they can get. That means in the form of nearly 100 parents each year and several donations.

"We pretty much take anything because my personal goal is I would like to be able to see each kid get at least one raffle prize," Shipley said.

SENIOR PARTY

The Senior All-Night Party at Novi High School is set for June 6, 1998. Preparations have already begun to collect donations, decorations, food and prizes for the safe and fun event for the graduating class of 1998. In order to keep the cost of the students' tickets to \$30, the party committee is asking for all the help it can get. Donations and checks can be sent to the Class of 1998 All-Night Party Attn: Denise Shipley 2507 Laramie Drive Novi MI 48374. For additional information call (248) 349-7282.

Shipley, Coleen Stevens, Donna Roemer, Terry Waller and Vicky Abbott, started with about \$800 this year to get things moving. By the end of the year, all the parent volunteers gather prizes, food and entertainment as well as design and build, paint and assemble the secret set that becomes Novi High School's Senior All-Night Party stage.

"What we really need help with is a building to help house our decorating," explained Shipley.

The group hopes to meet weekly from January to June in what would be a secret location from the students. The committee needs water, electricity and heat at the site. And plenty of room to work.

"It's amazing what a group of creative parents come up with," said Shipley.

So far, the committee sent out letters to local businesses asking for donations as well as asking parents for cash donations to be used to deposit on entertainment. Acts are booking earlier than ever, Shipley said, with many of the area high schools also holding the event. In addition, many businesses like to get the donations in before the first of the year because they are tax deductible.

Coleen Stevens said the letter to the parents was a success. Half of the senior class already purchased their tickets.

"A lot of parent's weren't aware of it," explained Stevens. "They knew of it but they didn't know what it's all about."

The entire "work" is, according to Shipley, Senior All-Night parties are a regular event at many high schools after the tradition began in



Senior All-Night Party steering committee members Denise Shipley, Donna Roemer and Coleen Stevens drag out some of the decorations used in prior year's parties.

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Car thefts again on the rise

Last year, there were 62,900 motor vehicles reported stolen in Michigan, an 8.7 percent increase from 1995.

The number of motor vehicles stolen last year, however, is still considerably lower than that of the peak year, 1984, when 78,009 motor vehicles were ripped off.

Motor vehicle thefts reported in Wayne county in 1996 rose 13 percent. Other larger counties such as Genesee and Kent also experienced increases in this type of crime in 1996.

Auto theft increased in 49 of Michigan's 83 counties last year.

"During recent years, tremendous resources have been devoted to fighting this crime," Leanne Snay, executive director of Michigan Association of Insurance Companies, said. "Although we have had success in this area, it is apparent that we must continue to work cooperatively to combat this crime."

State motorists typically pay from around \$50 to several hundred dollars a year per vehicle for theft insurance coverage. Rates vary according to factors such as geographic location and value of the vehicle. Protection against theft losses is included in "comprehensive" coverage, an optional part of the auto insurance policy.

"Why is auto theft increasing? Many of those involved in anti-auto theft efforts here attribute part of the increase to more fraudulent insurance claims.

"Insurance companies are stepping up measures to reduce fraud losses," Snay said. "These include creating special investigative units to train insurance personnel to identify suspicious losses and are actively involved in organizations which have been established to combat such fraud."

One such program, funded by auto insurers, pays for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of thieves and chop shop operators. Citizens can call the tip line at 1-800-242-HEAT. Help Eliminate Auto Theft, with information on stolen cars and suspected auto theft activities. Qualified HEAT tips are rewarded with up to \$1,000 each for information that

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NEW BILLS

- Sen. Robert Grube, R-Northville - SB 718 prohibiting convicted criminals from suing victims, police, prosecutors or "Good Samaritans" for personal injuries they receive if they report a crime. "We need to stop these frivolous lawsuits at the court house door," said Grube, a member of the Judiciary Committee that will take up the bill.
- Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton - Senate Resolution 105 asking the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Quality to start a "Take-a-Minute" campaign encouraging users of forests, rivers and lakes at the end of their activities, to spend one minute per hour parking up trash. SR 105 is in Bennett's Natural Resources Committee.
- Rep. Frank Fitzgerald, R-Grand Ledge - an amendment to House Bill 5080 to create a 13-member commission to study school calendar problems. Senate and House committees have reported out bills requiring public schools to wait until after Labor Day to start classes, but the tourism-backed bills are unlikely to win passage. "Our current school calendar is based on an agrarian society that disappeared decades ago," said Fitzgerald. The commission would report by Oct. 1, 1998.

APPOINTMENTS

Gov. John Engler has appointed: Craig Culba, Birmingham, to the Board of Real Estate Appraisers, which licenses those specialists. Culba is senior vice president of Michigan Condominium Corp. His term runs to June 30, 2001.

Phillip L. Smith, Grand Ledge, to the Electrical Administrative Board, which recommends electrical code rules and grants annual licenses. Smith is owner of Magna Electric in Lansing. His term runs to Aug. 10, 2000.



"King and Queen" for the upcoming Madrigal Dinner, Jeremy Rataiko and Julia Dolken, don their royal costumes in a preview of what attendees will see Dec. 13 and 14.

Madrigal dinner scheduled

Tickets go on sale next week for the Novi High School choir's annual Madrigal Dinner Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 13-14.

Each year the choir transforms the high school into an old English castle. Many late medieval and early renaissance characters roam the halls entertaining lady and lord alike. The entertainment includes traditional old English feast songs and madrigals. A special musical entertainment follows the four course dinner. The dinner is catered by Two Unique, of Birmingham.

Performances are set for 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, and 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 14. Tickets are \$25 per person and are available by mailing orders to Novi High School Choirs Madrigal, 24062 Taft Rd., Novi, Michigan, 48375. Ticket orders should include the number of people and the date requested. Tickets will be on sale from Nov. 10 through Dec. 5. Checks should be made payable to the Novi High School Choir Boosters.

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What to do with those leaves

By WENDY WHITE Staff Writer

It's that time of year. The leaves are falling, and your Novi residents are stuck holding the yard waste bags.

The city of Novi doesn't provide garbage or leaf pick-ups, according to Keith Ann-Jiraski, the founder of Novi's Waste Handling Association.

The majority of Novi residents belong to one of 85 homeowners associations who've formed the Waste Handling Association, which contracts garbage and leaf removal with the Ludlow company.

According to a state law passed in 1995, yard waste must be separated from regular trash and clearly identified.

"There are two ways to present the waste at the curb," Jiraski said.

She said yard waste can either be put in a container of choice that's clearly marked with a "yard waste" sticker, or it can be stashed in a brown composting bag which resembles a garbage bag with holes in it.

"In this bag can go anything compostable," Jiraski said, "including leaves, pumpkins and branches."

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can also be hauled or tied at the curb.

At Ludlow, the service comes with a fee of \$8.90 per month which also covers the recycling of other materials. Contract fees with other companies vary.

Residents who don't belong to the WHA and who choose not to contract and outside service have three options.

"They can haul their own leaves to a local drop off site, they can create a backyard compost pile, or they can leave the leaves until next year."

"But remember, composting sites do close in late fall," Jiraski said.

Novi FD sports a new look

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

In 1978, local women were trying out a modified version of the Annie Hall look and styling their hair like Farrah Fawcett. Men wore three-piece suits, often in plaid - a very bold plaid - and grew their hair down over their car fenders. Disco was hot.

And those who put out the flames, the Novi Fire Department, sported a change in uniform, donning light blue shirts and navy trousers.

Since then, styles have ranged from punk to preppy to beyond, but the Novi Fire Department remained fixed to their 1970s image. After all, navy pants and light blue shirts are a classic.

But not anymore. This is 1997 and the Novi Fire Department has a dapper new look. It's strictly navy.

The modernized uniforms have been a hit, it seems.

"So far, they're great. I like them a lot," said Fire Protection Officer David McLeod.

Back in 1978, *The Novi News* featured a story on local men with fashionable beards, as well as pro and con columns about a new trend for women, four-inch spike heel shoes.

Also that year, Novi hired a new fire chief, Art Lenaghan, whose long sideburns were captured for posterity in news photos. One of the first things Lenaghan did is institute a fire department policy restricting men to hair cuts shorter than the top of their collars. At the time, the shoulder-length hairdos favored by some male firefighters were seen as a safety hazard.

Women on the force had to neatly trim their hair, or they could pile it up to fit under the firefighting hoods.

"Today, it's about time to upgrade the department's whole image," the chief said. With the old uniforms, the staff didn't look too spiffy when going out and meeting the public, he explained.

As a first for the Novi Fire Department, employees now have their own cloth insignia patches on their sleeves, designed by Firefighter Jeff Littleton and Fire Protection Officer Gordon Puchman.

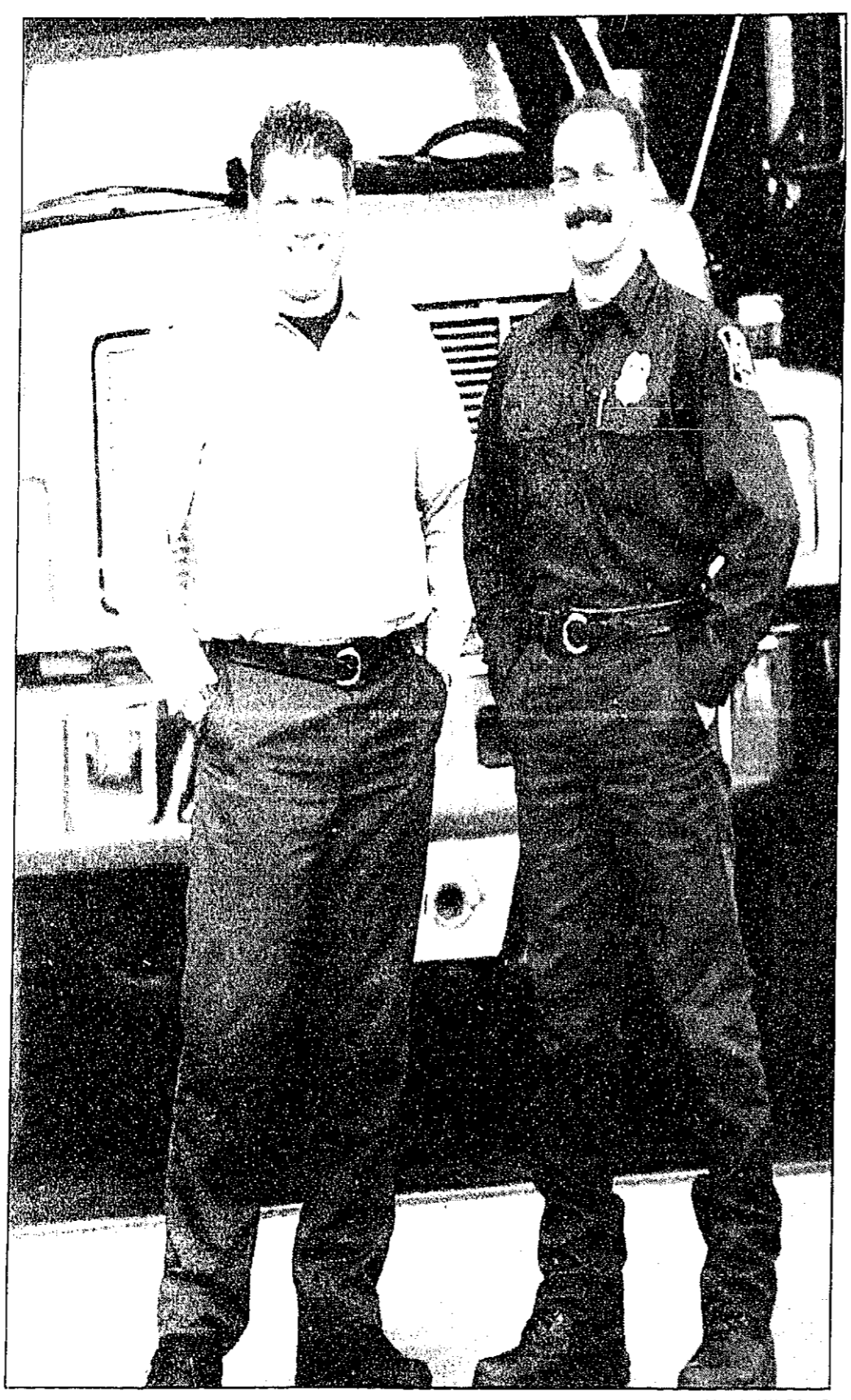
"I always said, 'the last thing I do before I retire is buy you patches.' It's kind of an inside joke. We're the last department without patches," Lenaghan said.

"But I told them, 'You can cancel the cake and stop being happy all the time. I'm not retiring.'"

The patches feature the City of Novi logo, between a ladder and a fire plug, on the Maltese cross traditional fire department.

"We're trying to keep it conservative," Lenaghan added.

Previously, the department had a contract with a company that provided the uniforms and also laundered them. They were industrial-



Before and after. On the left, auxiliary firefighter Mark Wilson wears the Novi Fire Department's old uniform while, on the right, Fire Protection Officer Andy Pless is in the new style.

type clothes and often the chief wasn't too pleased about the quality.

"When the people go out and have to give a public education talk, the problem was, the quality that they were getting from the company, wasn't up to it," Lenaghan said.

"You could see where they had ripped off a name tag and shipped it out."

The light blue shirts also showed a lot of dirt, especially when someone had to crawl under a fire engine and do repair work.

Now, only officers will wear light blue shirts - new light blue shirts. Lenaghan is keeping his white shirt, but the new patches will be seen on each sleeve.

The \$8,000 price over was authorized by the Novi City Council for the 1997-98 budget. The new uniforms were purchased from the lowest bidder on the order, Allie Brothers of Livonia.

Each full-timer will get eight trousers at \$12 apiece, eight long sleeve shirts at \$12.50 each and eight short sleeve shirts at \$11.50 each.

Paul-on-call firefighters received one pair of pants and two shirts. But they don't always wear their uniforms. When fire alarms go off at 3 a.m., say, any old civilian garb goes.

"Just come on in," the chief said.

Local rules prohibit all but recreational camp fires

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While some camp fires are permitted, Wayne County and Novi ordinances ban leaf burning of any kind at any time. It's completely out of the question, Larc

Lenaghan said it's a no-no due to safety concerns and air pollution issues.

"The unhealthy smoke put out by leaf burning with respiratory problems - could cause problems," he explained.

How to compost in your own backyard

Here are some tips for operating your own backyard compost pile.

Plan it:

- Choose a spot near your garden or near where you will use the finished compost.
- Pick a dry, flat spot. Avoid low-lying areas where water might collect.
- Keep your neighbors in mind when you choose a location. Try to keep it out of sight with landscaping or fencing.
- You will need something to keep your pile organized. Bins range from inexpensive pallets tied together to elaborate versions sold by local retailers.
- Minimum recommended size for a compost pile is 3 feet by 3 feet in order for the process to work well.
- Build it:
- To get your compost pile off to the right start you'll need the following ingredients. Start with a

layer of branches at the bottom to allow air to circulate. Then build one layer at a time until your pile is about 3-4 feet tall.

- Brown material (carbon) - dried leaves, twigs, shredded branches, straw, saw dust.
- Green material (nitrogen) - fresh grass clippings, green leaves, vegetable and fruit peelings, coffee grounds - could cause problems.
- Air - to add the aerobic decomposition.
- Water - water the pile as you build so the material is moist but not soaked. This allows the micro-organisms that are vital in making compost to thrive.
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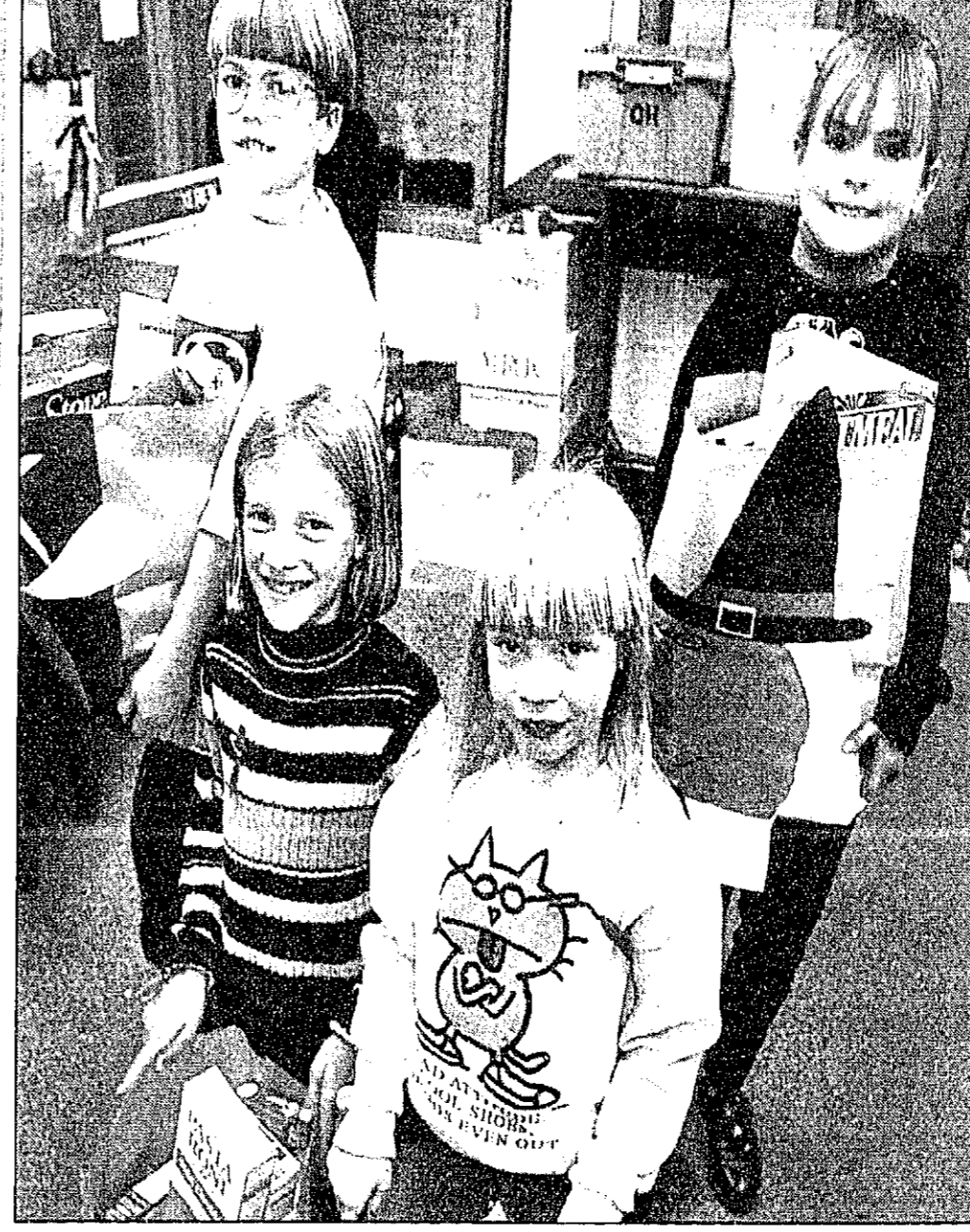
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Lois Gdowski's Orchard Hills' third grade class collected food in October and donated it to the food bank at Holy Family Church in an effort called "Trick or Treats So That Others Can Eat." Four of the many students involved were (standing) Craig Chupinsky, Stephanie Jaussi and (below) Emily Esbrook and Ruthanne Burke.

Trick-or-treating for the needy

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer

Some Novi students learned a new meaning for "trick or treat" this year.

Many teachers at Novi schools turned the Halloween holiday into a lesson all its own by teaching kids to give as well as receive.

Lois Gdowski's third grade class at Orchard Hills completed a service project last week called Trick or Treat So Everyone Can Eat. The students decorated grocery bags as Halloween characters and filled the bags with non-perishable food items collected from home and friends.

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Novi High graduation site moved to Plymouth Arena

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer

No more waiting for the weather report. Novi High School graduation ceremonies move indoors this year to the Compuware Arena in Plymouth.

The location switch solves problems encountered by rainy days and a growing student population.

"Ours is a numbers issue," explained Dr. Jennifer Cheral, principal at Novi High. "That's why we had to seriously look at moving to another site."

For more than a decade, commencement ceremonies have been held outdoors at the Athletic Stadium. Which was fine in good weather. But rain has been known to force the event indoors to Forest Auditorium, which limited the number of guests who could attend.

The auditorium, which holds 1,024 people, isn't large enough to hold the 355 graduating seniors and even three of their guests.

"Simple math tells you we've got a problem," Cheral said.

Cheral said after meeting with class officers as well as a committee of students, parents and staff members, the high school decided to sign up for a spot at the 4,000 seat stadium where the Wolverines hockey team plays.

According to Jim Roster, assistant superintendent of business, it will cost about \$2,500 to rent the facility as opposed to more than the \$3,000 is cost in overtime and rental equipment to prepare for the event.

"It's a lot of work to set up for a graduation," Roster said.

Cheral added it's a better option than trying to accommodate the event in the gymnasium, which has no air conditioning and would only hold 2,000 people.

"We're excited. It's a beautiful site," said Cheral, adding it's only seven miles from the high school.

She said the art students will create a backdrop and school effects will be brought into the arena to give it a homey touch.

The arena also has a restaurant inside, which makes for a convenient place to hold a luncheon after the ceremony, Cheral said.

An added benefit of the new digs is a switch to a Saturday, June 6, 11 a.m. ceremony. It allows for the Senior All-Night Party committee to gather more volunteers for the night event as well as allow for easier clean-up the next morning.

"We're excited about it being Saturday night," said Cohen Stevens with the Senior All-Night Party steering committee.

"This way we don't have to worry about parents getting up for work the next morning."

Cheral agreed, saying the switch to the arena will solve a lot of problems.

"We're not breaking a tradition," said Cheral. "We're beginning a new one."

OCC radio station gets a boost

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer

WOBX-FM, a 10-watt campus radio station, may get louder and more professional if plans work out at the Orchard Ridge Campus.

"There is no academic program. It has been closed," campus president George Keith told the board of trustees. But campus officials and an ad hoc group of 12 students are exploring a co-curricular agreement with Spets Howard School of Broadcast in Southfield.

Tom Patterson, assistant station manager, said he hopes to see WOBX 90.3 on the FM dial (now from a class D station 10 watts) on a class A 100 watts and stereo.

UNION INPUT
Carolyn Harrison, representing Teamsters Local 214, praised the

replace a departed employee through Dec. 15.

Stephanie B. Lee, financial aid officer, Auburn Hills, effective Nov. 4, to replace a resignation.

Wanda F. McCord, financial aid officer, Royal Oak, effective Nov. 4, to replace a resignation.

Fam M. Lyons-Borris, promoted from administrative assistant to assistant to the chancellor, handling board minutes and other arrangements.

Blues Couture, representing AFSCME Local 2042, said the college's "de-funding" of classified positions was a violation of the contract covering 200 employees. She said the union is threatening a "class grievance" against the college.



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Obituaries

GORDON P. BLEDSOE

Gordon Paul Bledsoe, 68, died Nov. 3, at his residence in Novi. He was born Feb. 28, 1929, in Detroit. During his career, Mr. Bledsoe was vice president of the Bank of Commonwealth in Detroit, prior to that he was employed at Michigan National Bank, Detroit until 1960, and the Public Bank in Detroit until 1964. Mr. Bledsoe was a homebuilder and, according to his family, a great handwerker. He, along with his family, built a family cabin in Cadillac. Mr. Bledsoe was one of the original hunter-safety instructors for the state of Michigan. He served as church fundraising event consultant for several years, and was a member of the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce and the Detroit Rotary. Mr. Bledsoe held a pilot's license and was an avid hunter and fisherman.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Therese, whom he married in November 1950 at St. Bridget Church in Detroit; sons, Curtis, Martha, Eric, Harold and Christopher; daughters, Catherine, Georgia, and Felicia; brother, Harold; sister, Gloria Haraloff; 13 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Visitation time will be from 2-9 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 6, at Hreney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington. An 11 a.m. Mass will be held on Friday, Nov. 7, at Holy Family Catholic Church on Meadowbrook Road between Ten Mile and Grand River. Nov. 7 interment will be Nov. 8, in Cedar Cemetery, Cedarville, Mich.

DAVID MCLAUGHLIN

David (Moose) McLaughlin, 67, died Nov. 2, at his residence in Northville. He was born June 1, 1930, in Philadelphia, Pa., to Zeta and Catherine (Harrod) Aldridge. Mr. McLaughlin moved to the community in 1966. He was a self-employed representative in the manufacturing industry, and his memberships included: ISA, Iovonia Elks, American Legion Post No. 147 of Northville, and the Novads Travel Club.

He is survived by his wife, Carol (Higgins), whom he married in March 1954; sons, Dennis of Harper Woods, Thomas of Plymouth, and Matthew of Northville; daughters, Connie Sherman of Novi and Carol of Delaware; sisters, Eleanor Montague and Lillian Eisenhard, both of Pennsylvania; and 11 grandchildren.

The 11 a.m. funeral services were held today, Nov. 6, at St. James Catholic Church in Novi. Father James Cronk officiated at the service.

Arrangements were made by Castelle Funeral Home Inc., Northville.

Memorials to the Karmanos Cancer Institute or the Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia, MI 48154 would be appreciated.

JANICE L. AEBEL
Janice Lee Aebel of Novi died Oct. 30, at St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia. She was 61. Mrs. Aebel was born Feb. 1, 1936. She is survived by her husband, Jim; son, Larry (Beth) Plank; daughters, Robin (Michael) Sullivan and Dawn (John) Sumner; and 11 grandchildren.

FRANCES M. TAMM

Frances M. Tamm, 81, died Oct. 23 at her residence in Farmington Hills. She was born June 10, 1916. She is survived by daughters, Marilyn (Steve) Zavar, Chris (Charles) Tankard, and Patricia (Kelvin) Eagle; sons, Larry (Elaine) and Mike (Lisa); and 12 grandchildren.

Services were held Oct. 26, at Holy Family Church in Novi. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were made by O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi.

Memorials to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

ROBERT H. HOPKINS

Robert Howard Hopkins of Ferndale died Oct. 18 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He was 73. Mr. Hopkins was born Jan. 11, 1924.

He is survived by Betty, his wife of 48 years; sons, Robert and Larry (Nancy); daughters, Karen (Dennis) Matyszek and Jane (Douglas) Blawie; ten grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Mr. Hopkins was buried from the

BERT L. PARSONS JR.

Bert L. Parsons Jr., 74, of Novi, formerly of Farmington and Detroit, died Oct. 14, at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He was born April 2, 1923, in Keokuk, Iowa.

Mr. Parsons graduated from Central High School and received a degree in business administration from Michigan State University. He was also a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity while at MSU. For ten years, Mr. Parsons was owner of Fluor Cleaners on Grand River in Farmington, of which he sold in the early 1980s. His memberships included the Farmington Elks Club No. 1986, and the Lion's Club of Farmington. He had also been a colonel in the Boy Scouts. Mr. Parsons was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II.

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He is survived by his wife,

ago; sons, Gary (Marlene) of

Hamburg Township and Scott (Debbie) of Livonia; daughter, Kathryn Skube of California; and six grandchildren.

Services were held on Friday, Oct. 17, at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington. The Rev. Dan Rimon of Grace Freewill Baptist Church, Taylor, officiated the service. Interment was private.

Memorial contributions to the Michigan Humane Society, P.O. Box 214182, Auburn Hills, MI 48321 or Farmington Area Lions, P.O. Box 2372, Farmington Hills, MI 48333 would be appreciated.

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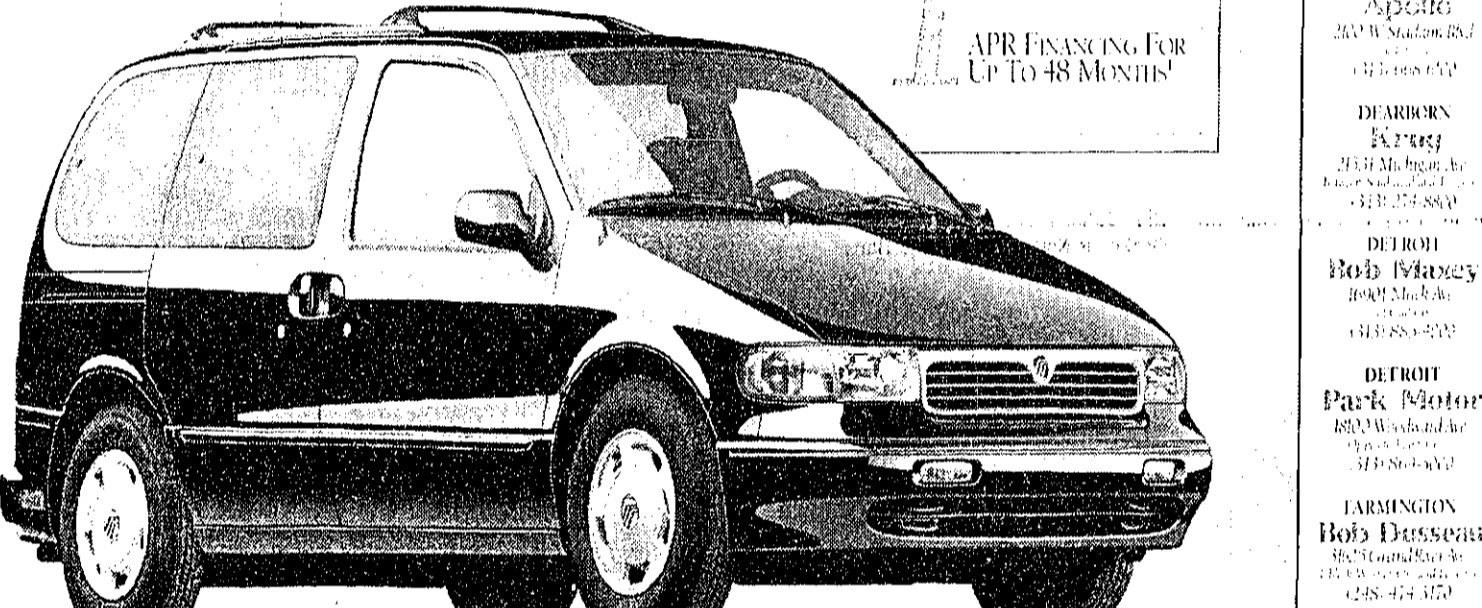
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City may review design standards

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yellow, red and several shades of gray - was the first to go in at the high Pointe shopping center. Along with the On The Border Mexican eatery, a second big box store, featuring home accessories, will round out the complex.

Corbett contrasts High Pointe at Eight Mile and Haggerty Road with what she finds a classier development, the shopping center in Northville at Six Mile and Haggerty roads.

Novi community development specialist Kianhi Phana explained that what puts people off about Best Buy is its prominent elevation and the facade's paint job, which includes several shades of gray.

"There's not much you can do about it. It's done. I can't see someone taking down the facade and putting the normal flow of business to improve it. They could paint it, but that might cost \$16,000 to \$50,000," he said.

"Best Buy normally isn't an ugly building. If you look at it on Telegraph Road or in Ann Arbor, they're not an ugly store. That building in particular is just ugly."

The architects of the building are Walt Eye Associates, the same architects in charge of the Novi Main Street project. Phana said the Main Street design is expected to have a flair that should be a crowd-pleaser.

He agreed that appearances count at Eight Mile and Haggerty Road, which is at the crossroads of four cities: Farmington Hills, Novi, Northville and Livonia.

The building was approved by the city staff, consultants and

planning commission.

A spokesperson for the developers of the High Pointe shopping center, Northeast Professional Pavilion Limited Partnership, said they have discussed the issue with city staffers.

"The city council along with the planning commission basically told us what was acceptable in terms of the building and color. It was basically a very high profile center for the city. Basically, they made us do what they wanted and they don't like it," he said.

"It cost a lot of money to do it the way the city wanted it."

At the request of the Novi City Council, the facade of the On The Border restaurant was completely redesigned.

In researching the issue of architectural control, Novi's planning consultants over the summer investigated 22 communities, including Grosse Pointe Shores, Huntington Woods, Dearborn and Brighton Farms.

Currently, Novi regulates the exteriors of non-residential construction through a building materials chart and a facade design review process. The chart covers materials such as brick, concrete, stone, glass and roof shingles.

While the review is done by planning consultants Brandon Rogers and JCK & Associates, some projects then move onto the planning commission and city council, as well.

"The way the present ordinance is going is not too bad. We missed a few buildings, the buildings slipped through the cracks," Doug Nicks, of JCK & Associates, told the council in late October.

Suggestions from the consultants for possible change include reevaluating the materials chart and the creation of an urban design review board.

"The construction process involves many people who have valid opinions and a vested interest in the built environment, but what don't have training in the visual arts," Rogers noted in a recent report.

It should be stressed that there is not one 'correct' solution, rather a number of designs are appropriate. The standards will not advocate one particular 'style' or historic period... This will encourage creativity and variety and discourage what might be a tendency of the public to feel that the standards 'cramp their style.'

Then there's the old saying, beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

"It's hard to reject someone on color. That's a subjective interpretation. What you deem ugly, like yellow, is inspiring to someone else," Phana noted.

While the city needs to look at its facade restrictions, Council Member Kathy March cautioned that it won't be easy.

"It's simplistic to think we can come up with good design through some kind of form," she said.

"I'm not sure there's any way to legislate good design." Something's got to be done, according to Schmidt.

"Somewhere along the line, the city's lost its identity as a quality community. We insisted people put up quality buildings," he said.

City council members believe the Best Buy at Haggerty and Eight Mile is a particularly ugly building.

Photo by HAL GOULD

Senate votes to ease sentences for cocaine possession

There's a little light at the end of the prison tunnel for 220 inmates serving life sentences with no parole for drug dealing.

The state Senate has passed two bills softening the law that provides "death in prison" for those who deal in large quantities of a controlled substance. The Oct. 30 vote was 30-6.

Some senators said the bill still is too harsh, and others said it's too weak.

"This law will send a clear message to drug dealers," said the sponsor, Sen. William Van Regenmortel, R-Jenison.

Area senators voting yes were: Bill Bullard Jr., R-Milford, Bob Geale, R-Northville, George Hart, D-Deerborn, Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, and Alvin Wheeler Smith, D-Salem.

Opposed were: Mike Boardman, R-Birmingham, Loren Bennett, R-Canton, and Matt Dumaskis, R-Lake Orion.

"As a former police officer," said Boardman, "I know the percentage for someone actually caught, convicted and sentenced for a crime is extremely low. A first-time offender is more accurately called 'first time convicted.'"

"Secondly, 650 grams is no small quantity. Its street value, depending on the strength, is anywhere from \$65,000 to \$200,000. A first-time 'mule,' meaning a carrier of drugs, is unlikely to be handed that amount unless they are trusted to know quantity to their associates."

Boardman, who was joined by Bennett and Dumaskis in the formal protest, quoted an Oakland County assistant prosecutor as saying, "I have not come across anyone who is a low-level player or

a mule or a carrier, and I wouldn't characterize any of the ones from Oakland County as low-level people."

Boardman said one-third of those 200 serving 650-life sentences were convicted in Oakland.

A third reason Boardman was opposed is that "it's known in the drug networks how severe Michigan law is." He said prosecutors already have power to negotiate down the charge in return for information from a defendant.

Sen. Smith voted for the bills but called them "only marginally better" than the 1978 law. "This bill leaves the prosecutors in charge of the system. They are the accusers, they are the triers, they are the people in control of the sentence."

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Novi voters reject pool, sidewalks

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

It's going to be difficult to pass "about any kind of proposal right now," said Novi City Manager Ed Kramer, after two million dollar proposals were voted down by the voters.

Both the \$4.5 million aquatic facility proposal and \$4.7 million sidewalk construction proposal on the Nov. 4 ballot were turned down by voters.

The pool lost with 81 percent of voters saying no, or 1,608 to 1,174.

The sidewalk question had a 62 percent "no" vote, or 1,568 to 2,811.

"We were disappointed but will learn from here and see what happens," said Dave Sherman, with the Citizens for Novi Community Pool committee.

The committee's work is done, the next actions are left to the city council, he said.

Don Davis, parks and recreation director, said the voters had their say and the city will respect their decision.

Members of the 40- to 50-member citizen registered ballot question group, the Committee Opposed to the Novi Aquatic Facility, spent much of the night at Terry Margolis' Abington Lane home celebrating.

"I think that from the first moment things came in, it was clear it was going to be voted against," said Margolis. "I think the information we were able to give out made a huge difference."

The group mainly opposed the location of the site at Powers Park off Fair Road, the size of the venue, the increased traffic in their area and what they felt were vague representations of the cost and financial projections of the plan.

The group's lawn sign campaign was in part funded by private developer Glenn Healey, who hopes to build a sports and pool complex in Novi. But Kramer said he wasn't too sure if that made a large difference in the result.

Kramer said that along with residents' disclaim of paying additional taxes, it appeared the organized opposition to the pool defeated the proposal and the high cost of the sidewalk proposal did that plan in.

Mayor Kathleen McLallen said it wasn't clear whether the voters wanted "no more taxes" or people just didn't like the ballot issues.

"People will more often vote no for a not well-presented ballot issue. I think the sidewalk and pool issues had good value. We didn't do a good job selling them," she said.

"If we're going to do this again, if we're going to put something on the ballot, it deserves a better presentation than we gave it," McLallen added.

Sherman said the pool committee's recommendation was to complete additional research on the issue before putting it before voters. He said it's unfortunate that wasn't done.

Novi voter Paul Kemp said he wasn't convinced by either ballot issue.

"I hate black asphalt sidewalks in the first place," said Kemp, a resident since 1961. "And what started out as a summer pool is now a summer resort... it's a yuppie status symbol."

Village Oaks subdivision (which has its own pool) and Precincts 3 and 4, which votes at Village Oaks Elementary School and Novi United Methodist Church, registered the most opposition to the aquatic facility with 92 percent of those voters saying no.

Ninety-one percent of absentee voters also said "no."

Seventy percent of voters in precinct 13 (Faith Presbyterian Church), which included Abington Subdivision and many of the anti-aquatic facility members, registered a no vote.

Heavy campaigns against the pool plan by residents near the proposed site managed to win out over cable television spots and pre-

HOW THEY VOTED																			
Percent by precinct. Nov voters cast their ballots Tuesday, Nov. 4, in the following manner. Winners are listed in boldfaced type.																			
Precincts	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Ab	Totals
MAYOR																			
Kathleen McLallen	368	358	299	279	167	334	94	207	31	101	333	484	220	325	307	91	147	1,035	5,180
Walter	24	13	18	21	31	15	11	9	4	31	17	33	57	5	20	8	14	54	385
COUNCIL, FOUR-YEAR TERM																			
Hugh Crawford	273	225	196	220	113	230	70	127	22	67	221	330	118	189	185	75	85	751	3,497
Edward Kramer	197	169	157	161	136	180	47	84	13	54	176	261	86	154	153	55	63	554	2,700
Eric Krueger	104	89	112	102	44	113	32	52	9	39	112	133	84	84	123	39	47	216	1,536
Laura Lorenzo	209	206	158	185	117	184	57	104	23	104	182	306	214	172	154	77	120	538	3,110
Gwen Markham	115	144	118	114	73	124	44	79	15	79	150	294	165	167	157	63	104	391	2,396
Michael Meyers	219	140	165	169	125	210	47	78	15	50	164	188	89	128	121	40	78	527	2,431
Joseph Toth	192	119	161	151	115	148	59	79	10	71	150	207	98	117	117	49	57	551	2,461
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COUNCIL, TWO-YEAR TERM																			
Craig DeRoche	329	323	295	260	166	315	91	175	33	115	277	402	222	292	255	94	130	972	4,748
Wright	4	7	3	5	8	2	1	2	1	11	4	12	11	2	7	2	5	22	109
BIKEPATH AND SIDEWALK FACILITIES BONDING PROPOSITION																			
Yes	242	180	158	154	133	175	53	93	19	55	218	305	146	195	169	51	92	403	2,841
No	288	267	285	277	149	296	83	174	21	131	265	396	225	248	260	110	138	955	4,568
AQUATIC FACILITY BONDING PROPOSITION																			
Yes	93	84	32	33	54	72	26	31	12	21	167	262	111	106	81	31	64	121	1,406
No	432	365	412	402	228	402	110	240	29	166	318	445	268	338	350	130	165	1,258	6,058

REGISTERED VOTERS: 30,597
BALLOTS CAST: 7,516
VOTER TURNOUT: 24.56 percent

Precincts are located at: 1. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church; 2. Brookstrick Presbyterian Church; 3. Village Oaks Elementary School; 4. Novi United Methodist Church; 5. Oakhurst Elementary School; 6. Holy Family Catholic Church; 7. St. Ann's Catholic Church; 8. Hickory Woods Elementary School; 9. The Grove Church; 10. New Village; 11. New Village; 12. Birchwood Apartments Club House; 13. New Christian School; 14. New Village; 15. New Village; 16. The Grove Church; 17. Church of Holy Cross.



The winners toast to victory. (l-r) Ed Kramer, Laura Lorenzo, Craig DeRoche, Hugh Crawford and re-elected mayor Kathy McLallen.



Scrutinized by the city's parks and recreation department. Residents would have paid an annual tax of \$22.53 for the owner of a \$200,000 home.

The sidewalk proposal, with no major campaigning by either a pro or against group, apparently lost in part due to its price tag. With an estimated mileage of 0.3327 miles, the owner of a \$200,000 home (\$100,000 SEV) would have paid \$83.27 per year.

"It was disappointing," said Robert Mitzel, who didn't seek reelection for council this year. He and Council Member Kathy Mutch

proposed the sidewalk plan. "I thought people would get the information. I didn't think it was necessary to campaign," he explained.

Mutch said she, too, was disappointed the sidewalk plan didn't pass and attributed it to the million dollar figure. However, she said the proposal is worthy enough to perhaps consider bringing it back as a mileage.

Sherman said while talking to people in the community about the sidewalks he got the feeling people just don't trust the council to "do the right thing."

"The former council hasn't earned the trust of the citizens," he said.

"The anti-aquatic facility committee plans to keep an eye on any future recreation plans."

"We think it's a shame this entire issue ever got on the ballot in the first place," said David Landry, a member of the opposition to the pool.

He said attempts by many residents to change the focus from a large facility to a simple pool were "sabotaged" by the parks department and the committee at public meetings.

"Maybe they'll listen to us now," Landry said he would like to wait and see how the Sports Club fills the need in the community before the city decides to try to build again.

But Sherman disagreed, saying the club can't fill the need. He also suggested the residents of Royal Crown, Dunbar Pines and Royal Crown get involved in the city and be part of something positive that could happen with the property.

Margolis said she and the committee have no definite plans to get involved if the city pushes forward with another pool plan, but instead will keep a close eye on city officials and administration from now on.

"It really opened my eyes as to how things work in the City of Novi," she said.

Election adds Lorenzo to city council

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hard. I had a very broad, diversified support from all aspects of the community and it showed," he said, analyzing his victory.

"I'm sincerely appreciative of that."

The three winners of the second-candidate slate — as well as Mayor Kathleen McLallen and one-council member Craig DeRoche, who both ran unopposed — were officially toasted with Piper-Heidsieck champagne by their new council colleagues and former mayor, Matt Quinn. DeRoche will serve two years, filling in the rest of Nancy Cassis's term. The mayor is now entering her third, two-year term.

"Congratulations to those newly elected and to those who are going to be there automatically for the next two to three years," Quinn said.

Coming close to winning a seat on the council but not quite making it was Michael Meyer, who was in the same position in the 1995 race. Meyer won 2,543 voters, 157 votes short of the mark. Meyer's 13.90 percent support was just slightly under Kramer's 14.76 percent victory.

Wednesday, Meyer said it was time to reassess his future role in Novi's political life, but he still seeks to serve the community.

"It's not very comforting to be the highest of the also-rans again... I thought it would be a success, but the people do indeed make the best choice for the city," Meyer said.

"What it's all about realistically is that nothing is lost. You grow a lot through the experience. I'm just grateful for my supporters."

Following on his heels were Joe Toth with 2,461 votes (13.45 percent), Gwen Markham, 2,396 votes

(13.10 percent), and Eric Krueger, 1,536 votes (8.40 percent). In addition, 51 write-in votes were cast.

Kramer said the votes that lost won, putting him in fifth place, was a message to the new council.

"Maybe there's a significant amount of people out there who are disenchanted. Maybe we need to understand that group a little better," Kramer added.

McLallen's 5,180 votes amounted to 93.08 percent of those cast for mayor; 385 of the voters wrote in other candidates.

She said Tuesday night that she's happy to be mayor of Novi. I have no aspirations for higher up the political food chain."

McLallen added that the state of candidates were "very bright" and "very well-prepared," the best Novi's had.

Those elected are extremely knowledgeable about the city, I think Craig will bring a nice, fresh perspective. I think it's a group that's going to work," the mayor said.

"I think that there's a certain enthusiasm in this group. They like each other."

DeRoche took 97.76 percent of the voters for the two-year term, 4,748 in total. In addition, 109 wrote in their own choice for his job.

"I'm very happy. In a lot of ways, it reflects a good election," said DeRoche, who campaigned even though he was unopposed.

Of Novi's 30,597 voters, only 7,516 actually cast ballots, a voter turnout of 24.56 percent.

Former city clerk Gerry Spreng was an election worker at Precinct Seven at Novi Fire Station One on Grand River. There, 136 out of 1,219 voters showed up.

"That's bad," Stipp said.

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Johnson retains post in Northville

Following the most aggressive campaign Northville has seen in many years, incumbent Chris Johnson was re-elected mayor Nov. 4.

But two other faces on city council have changed.

Incumbent city councilman Mark Cryslerman was defeated, with the voters electing Kevin Hartshorne and John Hardin to the two open seats.

In the mayoral race, Johnson garnered 62 percent of the votes to return him to the mayor's position for a sixth term.

More than 50 Johnson supporters gathered in his Main Street home on election night to celebrate his victory over opponent Chuck Keys by 440 votes. Though Keys stood in the rain on election day passing out red carnations and bouquets to voters approaching the polling place, his campaign gained him only 38 percent of the votes.

Eating disorders are topic of seminar

In recent years professionals working with children and adolescents have become more aware and concerned about the problems of eating disorders. Educators, coaches and parents cannot treat such disorders, but they do need to be knowledgeable about the role they can play in prevention, detection and support for young people who may experience such illnesses.

The incidence of anorexia nervosa, bulimia and binge eating is on the rise. Within the population segment where the disorder commonly occurs (white, middle class females), 50 percent report being engaging in disordered eating behavior. Out of those another 50 percent actually develop a diagnosable eating disorder.

Forty-three percent of the victims report onset between ages of 16 to 20. Only 50 percent of those report

ever being cured. The rest continue to suffer or die.

A two hour workshop on this subject will be offered Nov. 20 at 12:30 p.m. in the forum at Northville High School, led by Dr. Mary Clark.

Dr. Clark is a former secondary school and college counselor who specializes in the clinical treatment of eating disorders. She has published several books and articles and has spoken at national and international conferences.

All adults working with children or teenagers in any capacity are invited to attend. Teachers, coaches, counselors, social workers, psychologists, youth workers and parents are all welcome.

Call the high school counseling office, 341-8422, if you plan to attend.



Weather won't stop him

Mountain biker Steve Barron hits the trails of Walled Lake's Lakeshore park last Thursday afternoon. Though the approaching winter has slowed him down some, Barron said that he used to come out to Lakeshore about once a week to ride.

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Student Exchange

Program offers foreign students a different perspective



Sitting in a hammock, listening to music and reading about snowboarding are some of things that exchange student Matthias Egge enjoys doing at the Northville Township home of the LaRiche's. Behind Matthias are Amanda, 12, Joseff, 9, Scott, Dawn, and Steven, 15.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

By CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

Rotarian exchange students, as well as those on various other exchange programs, have had the first quarter to get their feet wet at their respective high schools and to settle in with their host families.

Most have found that there are more similarities than they thought between their home countries and the Northville/Novi area.

Attending Northville High School are Matthias Egge, Eszder Doros and Lukas Scherak. Novi High School exchange students are Mauricio Alonso, Petra Chanova, Marie Bradshaw and Per Gundolf.

Matthias Egge, who is from Switzerland, is participating in the Northville Rotary Exchange Program. He will stay with three host families in Northville during the school year.

During the first four months, he is staying with Scott and Dawn LaRiche and their three children, Amanda, Joseff and Steven.

"We're the breaking-in family," Dawn said. "Rotary likes them to have the opportunity to visit different families because we are all so different."

After staying with the LaRiches, Matthias will move in with Rick and Sue Shaffner and their two children, Kristin and Andrea, for the second leg of his stay before joining Earl and Steli Bovious, and their two daughters, Sabrina and Cassandra for the final four months.

"What is really neat is the affect that you have on someone's life, but we are also meeting other people," Scott LaRiche said.

"You don't have to be a Rotary member to be a host family and you don't have to be a Rotary member's kid to be an exchange student."

Matthias, a senior at Novi High School, has found the stores and the prices much better here than in Switzerland.

Lots of chicken and hamburgers have pleased Matthias's palate.

"We have them at home but not so much," Matthias said. "We eat a lot of Italian at home."

Within two minutes of where Matthias lives in Switzerland there is a French-speaking region, and he has found that the French students at the high school here use a much different accent than what he is accustomed to.

He is also knowledgeable in Latin for translation purposes.

"Everything is an event, Matthias gets to see a lot of neat things," LaRiche said. He has already done Oprey Land and the Woodward Cruise.

Novi Rotary exchange student Mauricio Alonso is visiting with his friend Ken Myers, the son of Izumi and Steve Myers of Novi, who is a Novi Rotarian.

Mauricio has graduated from school in his hometown of Celaya, Mexico, but is attending the 12th grade at Novi High School this year.

Although this is his first visit to Novi, he attended high school in Pennsylvania this past March.

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"I am taking one class, which is good for my career," Mauricio said of his architectural computer class.

The highlight of Mauricio's stay has been attending Michigan State University fraternity parties with his friends. He returns to Mexico on May 29, which is also his 19th birthday.

The Rotary Exchange Program offers an opportunity for Northville and Novi students to stay with families in over 10 participating countries.

"The Rotary is always looking for kids to go outboard and for host families," LaRiche said.

Rotary International is the largest provider of post high school scholarships in the world, according to Rotarian Tom Fry of Novi.

"It is much larger than Fulbright and Rhodes combined," Fry said. "There are 13 different students in graduate work in our district (this year)."

Fry is currently hosting a post graduate student from Yokama, Japan.

Among the students at Northville High School on various exchange programs is Lukas Scherak.

From Baden, Austria, 15-year-old Lukas is staying with John and Wendy Enkemann of Novi and attends the 10th grade at Northville High School. Lukas refers to the Enkemann's 10th grade son, Kurt, as his "exchange brother."

Lukas visited the United States last winter, vacationing with his parents in Florida.

Lukas is finding that most things here are similar to what he has experienced in Austria except for some small items like electric blankets.

"It was not a great change for me," Lukas said. "There are more similarities than differences."

Since English is a required language for the exchange students in their home countries, they have had few problems communicating with their peers. Any problems they do encounter disappear quickly.

"Tests are easier here because it's multiple choice most of the time," Lukas said. "Sometimes, it's a lucky guess."

Lukas has only seven subjects compared to 14 he would have in Austria. He will not have to repeat his sophomore year if his teacher agrees that he has learned the required information. If in doubt, she will ask him to take an exam.

Lukas, who is here as part of the American Field Service (AFS) exchange program, is a member of the French and German (his native language) clubs and plans to join the ski club.

"Winter is my favorite subject," said Lukas, who has been skiing since he was four.

Lukas has been playing the piano for eight years and will soon have an opportunity to keep his skills finely tuned by practicing at a neighbor's home.

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Student Exchange Programs

For information on the Rotary Exchange Program, call:

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Volunteer



Deepa and Steve Cook work on something once a month.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Giving of their time is important for couple

By CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

The word "volunteer" is penciled into Steve and Deepa Cook's daytimers at least once a month.

"It is kind of fun doing it together," Steve said.

Novi residents since March 1996, the Cooks recently volunteered for a shift at the Splendors of Ancient Egypt exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

"We had a friend who is an art lover and she indicated she was going down," Steve said. "It was kind of like a fun get-together. We viewed a portion of the exhibit, volunteered, and then went out to dinner."

While on their two-hour shift, the Cooks provided information for visitors and made sure they didn't touch the exhibits.

The Cooks are also volunteers for a number of other organizations in the metro Detroit area.

"We try to pace ourselves,"

Steve said.

On Oct. 26 they helped prepare, cook and serve lunch for 132 people at the Coalition of Temporary Shelters in Detroit.

A couple of weekends before that the couple was in Troy working on the PBS pledge drive. The focus on the day-long event was children. Steve and Deepa escorted television characters around during their shift and spoke for the characters, who were not allowed to talk, when they were asked questions by children.

They also plan to volunteer during the television station's auction, family fun day and Winterfest Pledge Drive which starts toward the end of November.

"I know they need time more than money," said Deepa, who has been trying to volunteer for three or four PBS functions each

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Church plans dedication of building and ministry

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

The Building Dedication and Ministry Team of Holy Trinity Church is scheduled for 3 p.m. on Nov. 23. Included in the dedication of the new sanctuary will be special guests, special music, prayers of dedication, liturgy of the word, and the first celebration of Holy Communion in the new sanctuary. Everyone is invited to attend the Ministry Fair reception following the service.

Other activities included a post-Halloween party for The Kids of the Kingdom. Group I for kindergarten gardeners through second grade with games, crafts, and treats. Kingdom II grades 3-5 had a treasure hunt with everyone wearing their Halloween costumes. The Primitives will meet for a public book burn on Wednesday, Nov. 19, at 11:30 a.m. Everyone is reminded to bring a sandwich plus a dessert or salad to share. P.O.I. (Parents of Teenagers) have been holding monthly meetings at the parents' homes and are reviewing the video series, "Life on the Edge" by Dr. James Dobson. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 14.

The men's breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 15, at 8 a.m. They will meet at Sam's Restaurant with everyone ordering from the menu. A boys' tag outing was recently held for the junior high youth (grades 6, 7, and 8) with lunch, including the services. From there they went to Plazer-Land.

The Fellowship Board will host a "Getting to Know You" potluck on Sunday, Nov. 16, at 6 p.m. There are many new members in the church and this will be a good time to extend our welcome.

Service projects include a need for turkeys, plus 20 pies for St. Andrew's Redemptor's soup kitchen, a mitten tree in the lobby with all donated items given to the Goodfellow's, and lap robes are being made for a nursing home on West Grand Boulevard.

NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS

The annual craft auction will be held Nov. 18, at Novi Woods Elementary School starting at 6:30

p.m. Not only will this be a fun event, it will also be a fund-raiser for the club.

The club is also involved in the Back Park project, where ten handicapped are featured in the Christian Service Department at Holy Trinity Church.

Distribution of backpacks is designated from the information card and Ann Donnell is in charge of the project. Presents are at the children's table.

Additional craft goals will be collected at the craft auction and used for fundraising baskets for seven needy families in the community.

The club will provide eight needy families (29 people) with clothing and gifts at Christmas time. These also pick a name from the Christmas gift list and buy a gift for that person or child.

The club is also involved in "Working at Holy Trinity," with money being presented to the club. Those working on also earn a discount for themselves for the holiday season. Fall brings additional interest groups with several new ones being planned. Couples Dinner Club is new and will meet four times a year, with those needed losing one dinner and attending three others. The new group, "Stop Smoking Workshop," will meet on the second Thursday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. December plans include the club being responsible for all the cookies at the annual Nov. Light-Up Night, Dec. 1. Held on Dec. 10, at 7:30 p.m. will be the club's annual Christmas Recipe and Ornament Exchange. Everyone will go home with cookies, new recipes and a new ornament.

MICHIGANER SMOCKERS

This local chapter of SAGA (Smoking Arts Guild of America) meets at the Novi Library twice a month, one morning meeting and one evening meeting. Guests are welcome to attend one meeting without charge, after that they must pay \$2 each time they attend. There is also the cost of a kit if one is used while attending. Guests may attend a maximum of

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six meetings per calendar year. Local chapter members must be members of SAGA. Those wishing more information can call the Novi Library.

The Smockers started working on Christmas ideas in September, with different types of angels created: an heirloom ceramic angel and a ribbon and lace angel. At an evening meeting in October, the group prepared and embroidered a Christmas stocking. At the morning meeting, they worked on learning a leather stitch smocking technique. Recently they worked on unique sleeves, smocking and stitching techniques. Final plans are being made for the Nov. 8-9 weekend seminar, Best Western Hotel-Ionia, with the well-known teacher, Cindy Fosse of Taylor, Miss. Classes on Saturday, Nov. 8, will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. featuring instruction in bibs, bonnets,

and bonnets. On Sunday, the morning class will feature shoulder-to-shoulder smocking with tips and tricks; the afternoon class will be advanced smocking and techniques enhancement.

The morning group will meet on Nov. 20, and will have a seminar review and sit-and-stitch with Sharon Schiemmer, who will demonstrate how to make a snowman pin. Final plans will be made for the holiday potluck, and election of officers for the coming year will also be held at that time.

The guild's service project for this year is to make over 100 individual pillows, shaped like a heart or football, for youngsters receiving transplants at Matt's Children Hospital.

WHITEHALL HEALTH CENTER

There's always room for more

volunteers from the community who wish to help with the center's new and ongoing programs. Fran Siano of the activities department is looking for individuals, or a group, who would like to assist in a program called "Turkey Feast and Collect." This family program held on Saturdays at 10 a.m. is when residents have their choice of white or whole bread, choice of jellies and jams like currant, honey sugar orange marmalade, etc. The activities department with its four-shelf toaster is looking forward to involving some new volunteers in this project.

Halloween was a big success at the center, with great decorations including scarecrows. Most of the staff members dressed in costume for the party with order and dennis served.

Many youth groups visit the facility. On Wednesday, Nov. 12, The Invernet Club of Novi High School will present a program at 6:30 p.m.

Again in November of this year will be the traditional pie potluck.

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



Photo by PAUL GOARD

It's lookin' like Christmas

At a recent meeting of the Northville First Presbyterian Church Women's Association Alice Masson (from left), Karen Stephens and Shirley Lipa assembled centerpiece for the group's annual fashion show which will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 1 p.m. Association members will model fall fashions from the Dress Barn in West Oaks in Novi. Refreshments and dessert will be served and there will also be door prizes. Babysitting will be available. Proceeds from the fashion show will go to the missions and scholarships. Tickets are \$5 and are available at the church and at the door. For details, call the church at (248) 349-0911 or Pearl Stephens at (248) 349-0090. The First Presbyterian Church of Northville is located at 200 East Main Street.

Singles

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, 24505 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, has planned an informal evening for inactive Catholics who are interested in returning to the Church on Thursday, Dec. 4, from 7:30 until 9 p.m. For more information, call (248) 349-8847.

The sermon on Sunday, Nov. 9, at **NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, 41671 West Ten Mile, will be "A Divine Health Plan."

The church has scheduled a craft show on Saturday, Nov. 15, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Crafts are still needed.

On Wednesday, Nov. 19, from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. the Novi United Methodist Youth will host a Little Caesars all-you-can-eat Pizza "Fund Night." Tickets, which are \$5.50 and include pizza, beverage, salad and dessert, must be purchased by Monday, Nov. 17. The public is invited. Little Caesars is scheduled make an appearance.

For more information, call (248) 349-2652.

CHURCH OF TODAY, WEST, which meets at Village Oaks Elementary School, 23333 Willowbrook in Novi, has services at 9 and 11 a.m. on Sunday. On Sunday, Nov. 9, the lesson will be "Spin Control." Church of Today, West also offers youth education at both services. Opportunities are available for participants ranging from drama to singles to fitness.

For more information, call the church at (248) 449-8900 or check out the web site at: <http://www.cotw.com>

CONGREGATION B'NAI MOSHE, 6800 Drake Road in West Bloomfield, will dedicate a new wing on Nov. 8 and 9. Activities during Dedication Celebration Weekend include a new member Shabbat, Saturday evening dinner and cabaret, and a family concert with a performance by Ilene Sofan and Margie Rosenthal.

For more information, call the synagogue office at (248) 788-0600.

Roses are moved to bed at Tollgate

By CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

Pat Hibbard has put her roses to bed so to speak, all 380 plus varieties.

This past spring, Hibbard moved the roses from Mill Race Village in Northville to Michigan State University's Tollgate Convocation Center at Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook roads in Novi.

For seven years, the roses, which were planted in a bed by one of the historical owners in Mill Race, had been trying their damnest to put on their best show but were failing to thrive because of the mists and shade from near by trees.

"It was just not working out," the rosarian said. "I don't know how they grew, they were not doing well."

The roses were moved to the newly created rose garden between the farmhouse and the convention building at Tollgate.

"I cannot believe how well they are doing right now," she said. "I'm there whenever I can get there because I enjoy it and I love gardening."

Hibbard has been into roses for 17 years and at one time had over 400 roses.

The new gardens at Tollgate, which include the rose bed, were designed to replace the previous 1930's type garden that were not in keeping with the Victorian style of the farm and farmhouse which dates to the 1800s.

The Heritage Garden, also creat-

ed this spring, next to the rose bed is a turn of the century garden which includes perennials, bushes, and annuals from the Victorian era. The Heritage Garden project was funded by a grant from the Americana Foundation whose goal is to preserve farmland and American heritage.

Tollgate Farm was established in 1840 by Samuel Bassett on 240 acres. The property stayed in the family until 1981 when A.H. Meyer bought it to raise German Shepherd dogs. In 1956 Ernie and Elizabeth Morris were hired to manage the farm and its restoration. When Meyer died in 1980, the property went to the Americana Foundation. In 1987 60 acres of the farm were donated to MSU to be used as a regional 4-H educational center and working farm.

Hibbard is one of the founders of the Roses-West Society of Novi, which meets on the first Thursday of each month from 7:30 until 9:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center at 35175 West Ten Mile Road in Novi. The meeting on Nov. 6 will be a round-the-table workshop where the topic will be winter protection. Meetings of the Rose-West Society, which just celebrated its first anniversary, are open to the public at no cost.

"Each of us will give different methods (of protection) and have handouts," she said.

For additional information about the Roses-West Society of Novi, call Pat Hibbard at (248) 449-4626.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Pat Hibbard's roses are thriving in new garden at Tollgate.

Animals are being sought for Lansing parade

By CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

Representatives of Michigan Parades Into the 21st Century will be recruiting horse and animal units and volunteers at the North American Horse Expo this weekend.

The parade is scheduled for Saturday May 16, 1998, in Lansing.

Dates and times for the North American Horse Expo are Friday, Nov. 7, from 5 until 9 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 8, from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 9, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The event takes place at the Novi Expo Center on Novi Road just north of I-96.

Northville resident Nancy Harm and other parade participants will be in booth T717 in parade costumes recruiting volunteers with horse-drawn vehicles, different breeds of horses and equine activities. People with dogs for the parade canine unit will also be sought out.

"We are hoping to increase the number of participants this year because in 1998 the parade will salute the Michigan horse industry and Michigan police in the state counties, towns and cities," said Harm, the parade's equine and other animal chairperson.

"Michigan Parades Into the 21st Century showcased over 35 Michigan horse farms last year. Over 20 different breeds were represented, everything from quarter horses to Friesians.

"It was a magnificent parade last year," said Harm, a Northville resident. "It will be hard to top."

Harm is seeking people for canine entries such as Paws for a

Cause, Canine Companion, Leader Dogs for the Blind and rescue dog associations.

Harm would also like to include an equestrian legends unit of individuals who don't belong to another organized unit. People in that category would represent an equine legend - a historical or movie figure - who rode a horse. One of the prerequisites is to have a well-trained horse.

"Some outfits aren't as difficult as others to come up with," Harm said. "Some would take more imagination and hunting around to get to."

The booth will feature a video of

the equine unit from the 1997 parade, a photo album of all the units in the parade as well as application forms and literature.

"It should be interesting for anyone who has some background to stop by and talk to us," Harm said. "We are also looking for volunteers with horse experience for the parade."

For more information, call Nancy Harm at (248) 437-5572.

Admission to the North American Horse Spectacular is \$6 per day for adults and \$2 for children 5- to 12-year-olds. Admission is free for children under five. Parking is \$4 per vehicle.

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Engagement



Debi Counce/James Lombardi

Jerry and Jane Counce of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Debi, to James G. Lombardi, the son of Guy and Carol Lombardi of Troy.

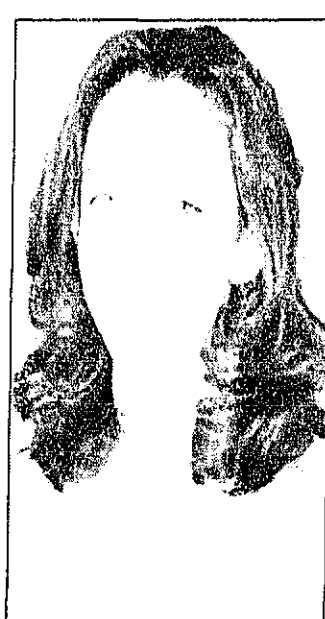
The bride-elect is a 1994 graduate of Novi High School. She will graduate from Oakland University in the spring of 1998, with a degree in human resource development. Debi is currently employed at the Palace of Auburn Hills and the Delphi World Headquarters. The bridegroom elect graduated in 1991 from Troy Athens High School. James is employed at Gregars Inc. and is the chief at Delphi World Headquarters in Troy. James is also part of the coaching staff of the LaSalle Trojans. Their wedding is planned for September 1998.

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DAVID M. MAYLEN III of Crestrose Photography in Novi has earned the PPA Certified designation from the Professional Photographers of America. Maylen earned this designation after meeting rigorous requirements including his artistic, technical, ethical and business competence. The PPA Certified designation is held by fewer than 1,500 photographers worldwide.

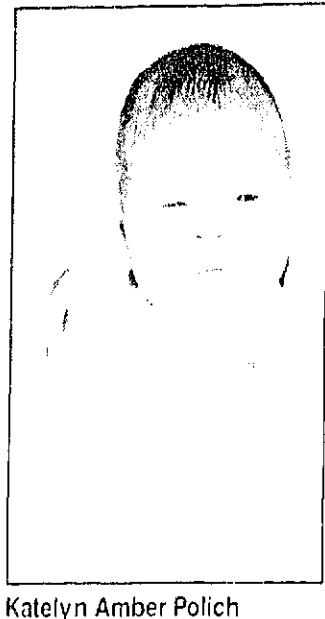
On Campus

KRISTEN VAN TUYL of Novi has been selected to attend The National Young Leaders Conference from Dec. 9 to 14 in Washington, D.C. The conference is a leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. Van Tuyl will be among 350 National Scholars attending the conference from across the United States. During the six-day conference, "The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today," Van Tuyl will interact with leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps. She will participate in leadership skill building and role playing activities. The National Young Leaders Conference is sponsored by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council, a nonprofit, nonpartisan educational organization. Kristen, the daughter of Judy and Cliff Van Tuyl, has a 4.0 grade point average and is a junior at Northville High School. She runs cross country and track, sings in the Concert Choir, is the secretary of the National Honor Society and a member of the German Honor Society and the SADD program, and is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students.



Kristen Van Tuyl

Birth



Katelyn Amber Polich

Michael and Jennifer Polich of Novi announce the birth of their daughter, **KATELYN AMBER**, who was born on Sept. 30, 1997, at 2:33 a.m. The newborn weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 19 and a half inches in length. Katelyn was welcomed home by grandparents Michael and Kathleen Polich of Northville and Florence Pridemore of Richmond, Mich.

Couple plans time for volunteer work

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year since graduating from college. "It makes me feel I'm an active member of the community," she said. "I feel we should all give something back. Time is the easiest thing for me to give because I can make the time." About once a month the couple get involved in something, including Habitat for Humanity's Blitz Blitz. "It makes you feel much better about yourself, which is probably a very selfish reason for doing it," she said. Steve also finds out about volunteer opportunities through friends and through his job with Ford Motor Co. in Allen Park, which has postings in its public relations department. Deepa is employed with Allianz Mutual Insurance in Southfield. "The variety of events we participate in are all different," Steve said. "That gives us exposure to various needs people."

News to share?

Have you recently become engaged? Newly betrothed? Or are you proud new parents? Are you celebrating a big anniversary? Send the information and picture if you have one in *The Northville Record/Novi News*, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, or stop by the office and pick up a birth, engagement or wedding announcement form and we'll see to it that your happy news appears in the paper. There is no charge.

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Singles

SINGLE PLACE, an adult ministry for single people at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, meets on Thursday evenings in Fellowship Hall at 7:30 p.m. On Oct. 30, a four-part program begins entitled "Understanding Love for the First Time." On Nov. 6, Dr. Larry Bersten, author, therapist and professor, will present part two of "Understanding Love for the First Time." Part three will be presented on Nov. 13. The cost is \$4 per person. An open house on Nov. 6 will address "What are the Rules of How to Continue a Proper Relationship?" with speaker T. Valenti, and on Nov. 13 facilitator D. Sweeney will lead the discussion on "Men and Women in Relationships." The group will continue its fellowship at Woody Daddys at 9:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings. The bridge class continues on Nov. 6, 13, and 20 at 7:30 p.m. with Art Greenlee. The cost is \$24. "Dating in the 90s: The Challenge of Reinvesting" is the topic of a three week workshop on Nov. 9, 16 and 23 at 7 p.m. The speaker will be J. Cotter. The cost is \$24 for pre-registration and \$27 at the door. Upcoming events include a dinner and movie on Nov. 15 at the Grand Royal Restaurant and AMC Theater both in Livonia. For more information about any of the Single Place programs or to register, call (248) 349-0911.

HOLY FAMILY SINGLES, a group for separated, divorced and never been married persons, is having "A Day of Reflection" on Saturday, Nov. 8, at the church located at Meadowbrook Road and Ten Mile in Novi. Registration will begin at 2 p.m. followed by conferences, Mass, a catered dinner and fellowship. The donation is \$10 per person. All area single Catholics are welcome and encouraged to attend and to bring a friend. Register by calling the church office. For more information, call Church of the Holy Family at (248) 349-8847.

SINGLE POINT MINISTRIES of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road at Six Mile in Livonia, invites you to join over 450 single adults every Sunday morning at 10:45 a.m. for fellowship and encouragement. Rev. Paul Clough delivers messages to help singles in their life struggles. Coffee, drinks, conversation and Christ are always present. SPJM has a program and activity for every age group and life situation. Single Parents meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m. in the Colum Room. The group offers support, fun, fellowship, vacations and other activities. Free child care is available. Single Point also offers other groups which are open to all singles. Showcases on Friday, Nov. 7, will highlight the musical ministry "First Call" in Knox Hall at 8 p.m. "Where Do We Go From Here?" seminar with Dick Bost will be Nov. 21 from 7 until 9 p.m. and Nov. 22 from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The cost is \$10. Child care is provided. Lunch is available for those who pre-register. BYOS will meet on Nov. 8 at the Livonia YMCA at 8 p.m. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$2 for children 14 years and younger. Talk, Talk, Talk It Over will take place on Nov. 14 for Prime Time Singers and Gentle Brezze, and on Nov. 28 for "Sharing Secrets: Creating Mutually Beneficial Relationships through Disclosure, Assertion and Collaboration," with Lynn Erskine Pierce. Biking outings will be held on Nov. 8 and 15 at 11 a.m. at Haggerty Field. Indoor volleyball meets on Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. in Knox Hall. For further information about Single Point Ministries call (313) 422-1854.

FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONALS is a non-profit group for singles ages 25-40 who share common interests and want to form new friendships. Membership is not limited to the Farmington area. The group participates in over 350 activities per year. Every Monday night the group meets at the Maples of Novi on Fourteen Mile for coffee, pinocle and dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$7 for members and \$8 for non-members. Cash bar and minuettes are available. Upcoming activities include volleyball at 6:40 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Burschtal Farmington on Nine Mile west of Farmington Road; Wed Dinners on Nov. 7, 8, 16 and 30; Feather Bowling and Dinner on Nov. 8; Co-Ed Bowling Leagues on Nov. 16 and 30; Co-Ed Dart League on Nov. 9 and 23; Billiards on Nov. 9 and 23; Road Rally & Dance on Nov. 15; Single Mingle Dances on Nov. 14 and 28 and Dec. 5 and 26; Games Night with Light Dinner on Nov. 22; Sunday Brunch at the Wyndham on Nov. 23; Burger and Movie night on Nov. 29; Whirlwind on Ice: 6: Laser Tag on Dec. 13; and New Years Eve Party on Dec. 31. A Singles Coalition Benefit Dance will be on Friday, Nov. 21, from 7:30 p.m. until 1 a.m. in the Northfield Hilton Hotel in Troy. Admission is \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door and include hors d'oeuvres from 8-9 p.m., DJ and cash bar. Attire is dressy. The evening will benefit Children's Hospital of Michigan. For more information call the FSP hot line at (248) 851-9909 or www.fsp.org

Students settling in with schools, families

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Eszler Dotos, 16, a senior at Northville High School, is staying with Howard and Dawn Ende of Northville and their two children, David and Elizabeth, also students at the school. When she returns to Miskolc, the third largest city in Hungary, she will have to repeat this year, her 11th, as part of the Eastern European country's 12-year school system. Her adjustment is "good," better than she expected. "I was afraid I wouldn't understand the teachers and everything," Eszler said. "The first week I was just sitting in the class. I didn't know what was going on. The grades are better than I expected." Eszler would be assigned 13 classes in her home school, which she says would be harder than the eight she has to select in high school here. Nevertheless, she said she is "enjoying going to the school the most," especially the football and basketball games. "At home we have football games and basketball games but nobody goes," she said. "Here there's spirit week. We don't have those things." Other differences Eszler has found interesting is that the people here are friendlier and person-to-person is much better. Although Eszler has found things more expensive here, Perly Oaks Mall is more beautiful than the malls at home. "Everybody is so nice. [Students] came to me and asked my name and when I was from," she said. "This way I meet a lot of friends. My best family also helped me to find friends."

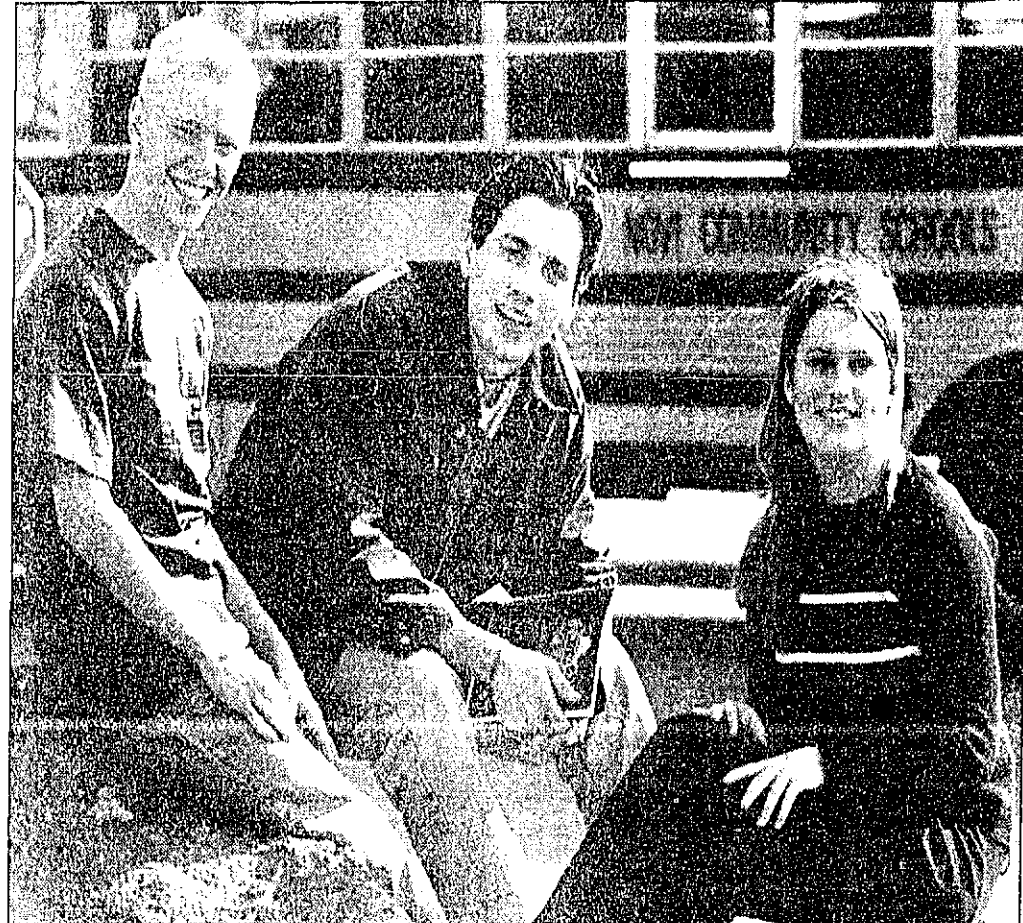


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Exchange students Per Gundtoft (from left), Mauricio Alonso, and Marie Bradshaw are among those staying with families and attending Northville and Novi high schools.

senior at Novi High School, are hosting Marie Bradshaw from Australia. Although Marie is attending the 12th grade at Novi High School, she would be in the 11th grade in her hometown of Williamsburg. She will receive credits for academic classes such as math, science and art. Marie is working on the high school play, helping with makeup and advertising. Per has just finished the cross country season as a member of the team. Both Per and Marie plan to join the track team. Marie's trip to Cedar Point and her experience at the homecoming dinner are some of the highlights of her visit so far. She has also enjoyed trips to Grandview where she has met many friends. Per has found that the school in Novi has more rules than his home school. Both agree their dress was more casual at their home schools. They were surprised at how much makeup is worn by the girls here. "In Australia you don't dress up for school like here," Marie said. "She's kind of a big thing here, which I'm glad. It makes you think about it."

Marie Bradshaw, 17, Petra Chumova, 17, and Per Gundtoft, 17, all exchange students at Novi High School, are participating in three different programs. Per is on the SIS exchange program while Marie is on the Program of Academic Exchange (PAE). Petra is here as part of the American International Student Exchange Program. Per Gundtoft, who is from Fredericia, a city on the west side of Denmark, is staying with Ann and Bill Thele of Novi. Their daughter Liz is in the 12th grade as is Per. In Denmark he was already attending junior college. The Danish school system has just 19 grades. Petra, who is from Slovakia, is living with Carol and Rajko Holjevic of Northville. They have two grown sons and a daughter. "I am very happy to be staying with my host family," Petra said. "I can't thank them enough." Carol and Kent Davenport of Novi and their daughter Christy, a

senior at Novi High School, are staying with Howard and Dawn Ende of Northville and their two children, David and Elizabeth, also students at the school. When she returns to Miskolc, the third largest city in Hungary, she will have to repeat this year, her 11th, as part of the Eastern European country's 12-year school system. Her adjustment is "good," better than she expected. "I was afraid I wouldn't understand the teachers and everything," Eszler said. "The first week I was just sitting in the class. I didn't know what was going on. The grades are better than I expected." Eszler would be assigned 13 classes in her home school, which she says would be harder than the eight she has to select in high school here. Nevertheless, she said she is "enjoying going to the school the most," especially the football and basketball games. "At home we have football games and basketball games but nobody goes," she said. "Here there's spirit week. We don't have those things." Other differences Eszler has found interesting is that the people here are friendlier and person-to-person is much better. Although Eszler has found things more expensive here, Perly Oaks Mall is more beautiful than the malls at home. "Everybody is so nice. [Students] came to me and asked my name and when I was from," she said. "This way I meet a lot of friends. My best family also helped me to find friends."

that we haven't got roads or buildings, or we live in stick houses," Marie added. Petra comes from a small city in Hungary and has 200 fellow students in her school. All 15 required subjects are taught in one classroom and the teachers change rooms. She is looking forward to a trip to Florida in November with the American International Student Exchange Program. She will visit Disney World, the Kennedy Space Center and Daytona Beach. She also went with her host family to Sea World, attended a Back Street Boys concert in Detroit, and attended the opera *The Magic Flute* in Detroit with the high school's German Club. She is also a member of the International Club and plans to try out for the volleyball team. "I am glad that I can be here. It is the most good experience," Petra said. "I met really nice people. I speak better English than I spoke before." Although her classes here will transfer if she passes the necessary exams, Petra plans to retake the 12th grade year in Hungary to attend biology and chemistry classes a second time. "I want to go again because it is very hard to study here because of the language," she said. The exchange students will attend graduation ceremonies and other senior activities as honorary graduates.

Share your recipes with readers in an upcoming feature story

If you've been meaning to send the *Northville Record/Novi News* your holiday recipe for the upcoming feature story about recipes highlighting holiday drinks, appetizers, main or side dishes and desserts that just haven't gotten around to it, procrastinate no more. Work will begin on the photo assignments and story soon. To be included in this upcoming

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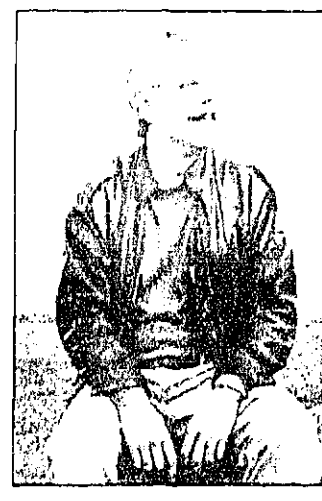
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Jim Akans

Borders hosts singer on Novi's Overture label

Jim Akans has chosen selections from his third CD, *Concerto*, for his performance at Borders Books and Music stores in the area and will come to the Novi Town Center for a performance on Saturday, Nov. 8, from 7 until 9 p.m.

Akans has been working with producer Jade Scott of Overture Records in Novi since 1995 when the local studio produced his second CD, *In Motion*. *Concerto*, Akans' first CD, which is self-titled, was released in 1993.

Concerto blends Akans' direct, melodic songwriting style with the full driving sound of a seasoned, talented group of back up musicians. *Concerto's* journey is filled with musical twists and turns. Akans has also performed at the Seventh House, the Ark, the



MOT artists to perform at Town Hall on Nov. 10.

Cabaret style show at next Town Hall

The Northville Town Hall Series continues with a performance of *Broadway Divas* and *Phantom* by four members of the Michigan Opera Theatre (MOT) on Monday, Nov. 10.

The lectures begin at 11 a.m. at the Holiday Inn West, 17123 North Laurel Park Place Drive in Livonia and are followed by a luncheon. MOT's most popular adult show is a dramatic, cabaret-style review of songs from Broadway's greatest composers. This best-paced collection of hit songs, old and new from the Great White Way of

Broadway features MOT artists Maria Cimarelli, soprano; Hetsy Branson, soprano; Karl Schmidt, tenor; Mark Vondrak, baritone; and Kevin Byrson, pianist. Musical highlights include selections from classic scores of Jeanne Kern (*Shogun*), Cole Porter, George Gershwin, Rogers and Hammerstein, Andrew Lloyd Webber and more. The show will also feature selections from newer Broadway shows including *Phantom* and *Les Miserables*. The two remaining presentations

in the 37th season are author, media personality and energetic storyteller Larry Hedrick on Monday, March 9, and "The God Squad," Bahai Star Gellman and Monsignor Thomas Hartman on Monday, April 29.

For more information or tickets for the Northville Town Hall Lecture Series, call ticket and luncheon chairperson Carmen Kirk at 810-349-7227.

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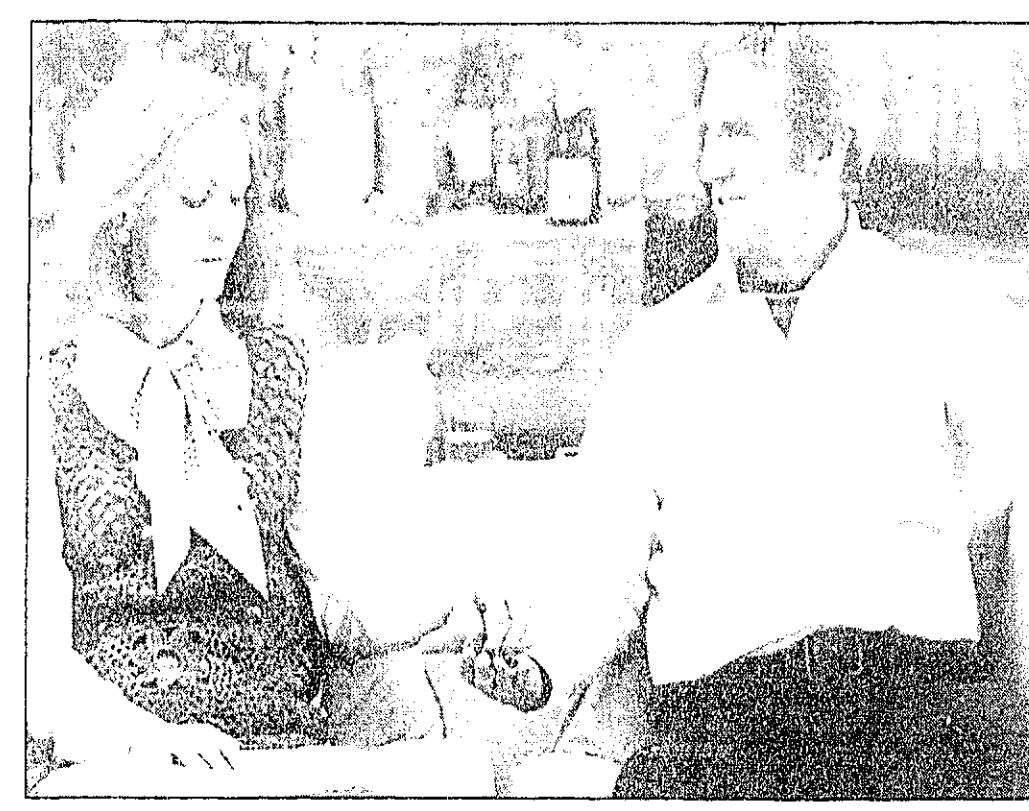
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Human nature revealed in 'The Ice Storm'

It's November 1974 in New Canaan, Connecticut. Waterbury has a tough top with a hard rain. The weather is pouring, and the streets are slick. The town is in a state of total chaos. The town is in a state of total chaos. The town is in a state of total chaos.

The idea of betrayal was in the air. The summer of Love had migrated, in its drug-resistant strain, to the Connecticut suburbs about five years after its initial introduction. About the time America learned about the White House taping system. It was laced with some bad stuff.



Joan Allen as Elena Hood and Jamey Sheridan as Jim Carver swap keys in Ang Lee's 'The Ice Storm,' presented by Fox Searchlight Pictures.

The structure of society is breaking down more in this film than in any early films. Lee says, "The situation is in an adolescent period, experimenting with new things, new rules — even the adults are behaving like adolescents."

Entertainment listing

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ADDITIONS

SWEET CHARITY: The Plymouth Theatre Guild is holding auditions on Nov. 10 and 11 beginning at 7 p.m. at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 West Seven Mile Road in Northville for women and men ages 20 to 60.

MUSIC

TUSCAN CAFE: Tuscan Cafe presents a variety of entertainment acts nightly except Sundays. Weekday performances are from 8:30 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday performances are from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

BARNES & NOBLE: Lyle D. Danforth, Ph.D., will discuss the special needs and relationships within step families on Thursday, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m.

INTERACTIVE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM: Show, "Genie's World Series," offers performers on Saturdays at 11:30 a.m.

GENIE'S: is located at 108 E. Main Street in Northville.

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

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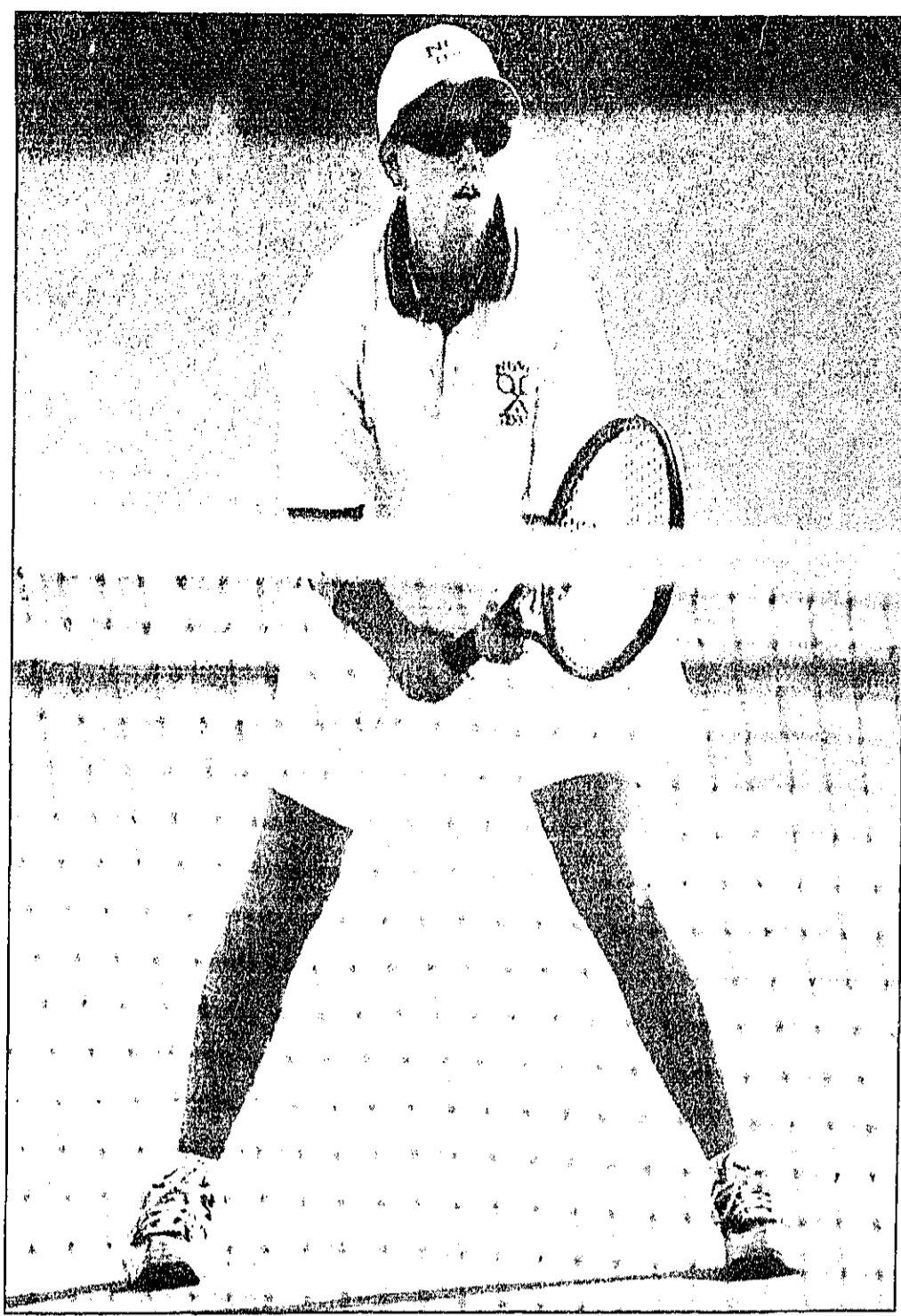
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Novi's Rebecca Rittner and her partner Carole Wineman won the KVC 1st doubles title.

Mustangs top tennis world

At first glance, the all-area tennis team looks very similar to that of the Northville Mustangs 1997 squad. At second glance, it appears the same. Well, take as many looks as you want, and you're going to see the same thing each time.

Making the selection process for the first team easy, Northville finished fourth in the Division II state championship meet Oct. 16-17 and was clearly the cream of the crop of the local tennis scene.

Coach Jim Fillion's Mustangs finished a perfect 13-0 and had a combined 199-21 record at the eight flights. They won six of seven flights at the regional championships. Home towns Newpapers' Central and East offices have chosen an all-area team that truly deserves the recognition it has received. Taking a look at the first team flight by flight:

FIRST SINGLES

KRISTIN SMITH
Northville senior
Smith set a strong base for the Mustangs this year, compiling a 2-2-0 record and leading her team to the regional tournament.

"She was a Western Lakes (WLA) semifinalist and won a match at the state tournament in Midland, Mich. as a four-year letter winner and captain of Northville this year."

SECOND SINGLES

JESSIE MILLS
Northville sophomore
Mills stepped it up in her second season, winning a regional championship while accumulating a 25-2 record. Several times this year Mills played brilliantly at No. 1 singles, preparing her for the jump up next year. A MLAA champion, she received a bye in the first round at the state tournament and went on to win a match before bowing out in the quarterfinals.

THIRD SINGLES

KERRY WOOLFALL
Northville freshman
This freshman sensation creates an interesting scenario for coach Fillion in '98.

"Who will play No. 1 singles? Woolfall played matchable tennis all season, accumulating a 29-1 record. But some of her best tennis came at the state tournament. Playing like a seasoned veteran, Woolfall won the state championship, regional championship and conference championship."

FOURTH SINGLES

JENNY ANDRONE
Northville senior
Northville senior Androne is the shuttle of an excellent singles collection. Androne amassed 27 wins against only two defeats in doubles and singles competition. The senior was a conference champion, a regional champion and also advanced to the state quarterfinals.

FIRST DOUBLES

JULIE GLOCK
Northville junior
KARA ANDERSON
Northville junior
After starting out at No. 2 doubles for Northville, the duo found a home at No. 1 and never looked better. As regional champions, the pair beat Flashing in the second round and led in the quarterfinals at states. They posted a 26-3 record this season.

SECOND DOUBLES

CHRISTINA CHASE
Northville junior
KRISTIN POTCHYNIK
Northville junior
After starting out at No. 1 doubles, this pair dominated almost all challenges. A No. 2 Chase and Potchynik captured conference and regional championships, and led in Oklahoma to the quarterfinals. They were 25-2-1 as a doubles tandem.

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Again, fourth doubles is a flight that is sometimes unappreciated. But when a team is 19-1 and breezes through the conference draw it's anything but unappreciated. They were a sure win each and every time they took the court.

Novi netters make statement with 10 all-area players

Although tennis could be categorized as an individual sport, high school tennis highly emphasizes the word team. This year's all-area tennis team is nothing short of excellent, and when put together creates a formidable lineup worthy of our attention.

The Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) tournament brought the best of the best together for some great tennis action. Novi and Brighton ran away from the rest of the league and tied for the team championship, but several great individual efforts, even by other schools made the draws very interesting.

Lakeland's Kristen Robertson defeated every opponent in the KVC at least once except for Brighton in her senior season and Milford's Molly Heyn spent a great portion of the season undefeated at second singles before meeting up a notch.

Here is an individual breakdown of Hometown Newspapers' Central and East offices' all-area second team:

FIRST SINGLES

KRISTEN ROBERTSON
Lakeland senior
Robertson finished her senior season by beating every opponent in the KVC except the one who got her in the league final, Brighton.

Robertson's highlight of the season included winning the Tennis Tournament.

"She had a really good season," Lakeland Coach Charles Harris said. "She had a very consistent season and was much of her matinee."

She lost to Brighton twice but did take Novi's top player in both meetings.

SECOND SINGLES

MOLLY HEYN
Milford sophomore
Heyn spent the first half of the season winning matches at second singles. She was moved up to first singles later in the season and finished with a combined 13-5 overall record.

Heyn's losses weren't to just anyone. She lost to both the KVC champion and the regional champion.

"Those losses were to the best players," Milford Coach Rich Kyraus said. "She's really come a long way after just two seasons. This was a really good learning experience for her, moving up to number one. She got to see she could compete with anyone out there. She's shown everyone in the KVC she's ready to compete every time she steps on the court."

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Jug goes back to Northville

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enough guys," Osborne said. "No doubt we had a handful of them that were key to us this season."

Offensively, the 'Cats were led by Kelly, who ran for 56 yards and completed three passes for 29 yards. On the receiving end of those passes was Dan Dolph, who also rushed for 41 yards.

Defensively Nate Flecha, who his coach called "pound for pound the best football player on the team," had five first hits and five assisted tackles to lead the way. Kelly had five first hits and three assists.

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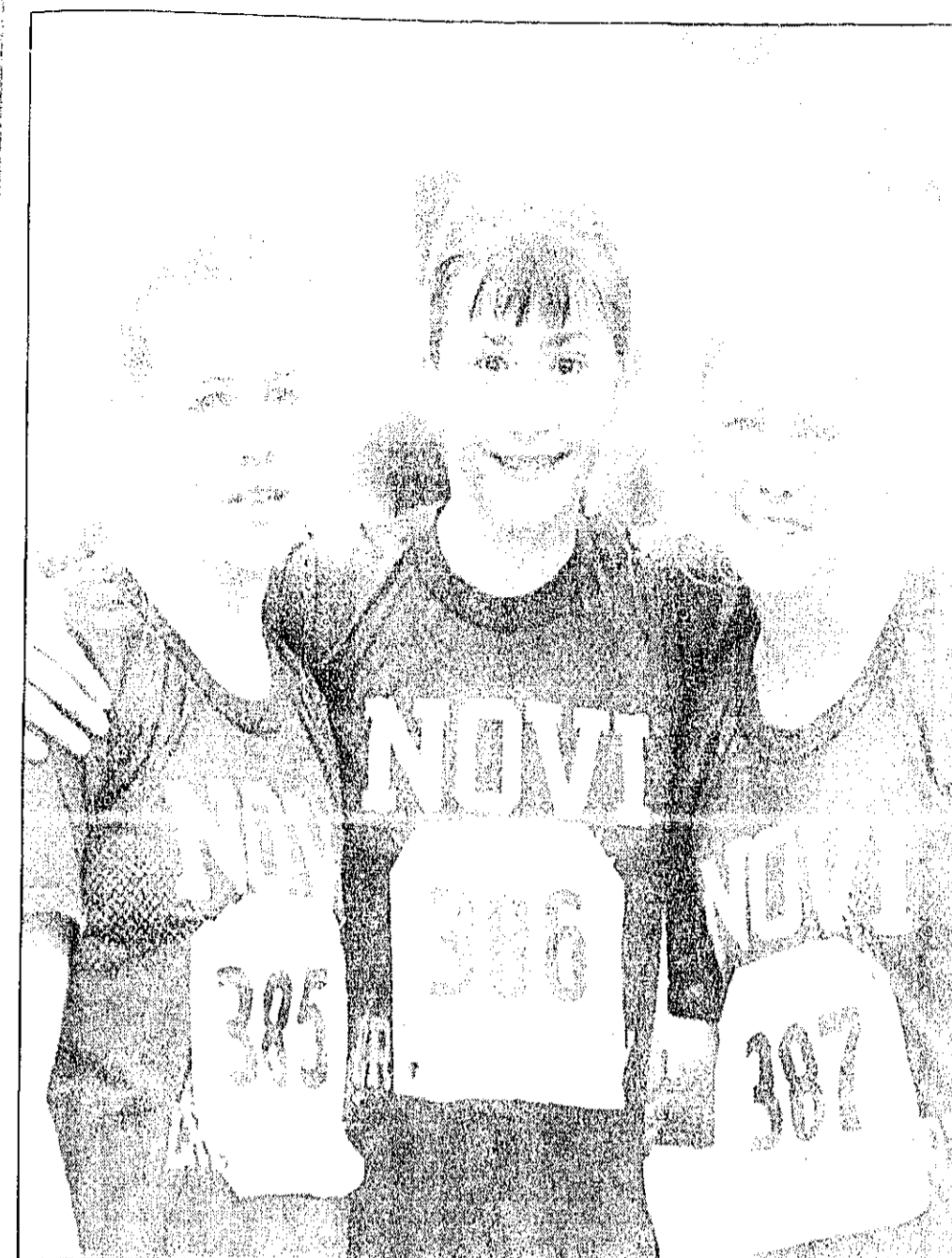
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Alaina Chippone (l), Kristin Echols and Kendra Matheny pose after the grueling race.

Harriers finish strong again

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The top 10 teams finished in this order: Pioneer (89), Rockford (11), Livonia Stevenson (169), Milford (172), Grosse Pointe South (205), Brighton (211), Traverse City Central (213), Grand Haven (267), Novi (283) and Midland (294).

This year Novi again will lose three seniors from the state meet and six overall. The departing seniors are Albright, Matheny, Davenport, Rosabel Chang, Mandi Phelps and Lydia Tabara.

Novi's pack finish of 24 was second best to Ann Arbor Pioneer, the state champion.

Novi stood in the winners circle at the 9th and 10th grade individual meet at Lakeland Oct. 28 after beating out 12 other schools.

Novi had just 73 points in relay events. Salem (81), Milford (92), Walled Lake Central (103) and Walled Lake Western (174).

Elkohl won the race in a time of 20:14 and Stefanow was right behind in second (29:23). Thompson finished 19th in 22:23 and Amanda Farris (22:20) and Britany Albright rounded out the top five. Amber Leahy and Vidya Mahadavin were sixth and seventh for Novi.

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Tankers tops at Mercy

By JASON SCHMITT

As the season begins to wind down and the state meet looming just two weeks away, several members of the Novi girls' swim team had a chance to compete at the Farmington Mercy JV invitational Saturday afternoon.

Novi was the team event with 120 points, 22 ahead of Livonia Salem Prep. Mercy and Royal Oak Ram had finished third and fourth.

The meet was a bit different than the average invitational in that it was comprised entirely of relay events. The Wildcats won six of the 12 relays.

Alaina Mitchell, Jordan Pelton, Madeline Pelton and Colleen O'Neill won the 100 medley relay. Teaming up to win the 200 backstroke relay were Kyle Clark, MarAnn Zakara, Kate Crawford and Melissa Hebert.

Winners in the 200 freestyle relay were Jordan Pelton, Melissa Schneider, Cara DeDecker and Erin Gabbons. Joining the others was the winning 200 freestyle relay team of Hebert, Emily McGeehin, Kelly Zakara and Schneider.

Joanna Bauer, Gabbons, Mitchell, and Clark teamed up to win the 200 medley relay, and DeDecker, Clark,

"I thought we were just going to go an swim, but it was nice that they awarded medals."

Teresa Toranzo-Burton,
Novi swimmer

O'Neill and Crawford won the 400 individual medley relay.

"This was a fun event for the girls," coach Teresa Toranzo-Burton said. "I thought we were just going to go and swim, but it was nice that they awarded medals. It was really nice because it was set up more for the fun."

The varsity squad now travels to South Lyon Saturday in the last invitational before the state meet Nov. 21.

This is the last chance for the tankers to qualify for the season-ending meet.

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Health Column

Substitutes create healthy alternative

With the holidays just around the corner, there is no doubt that most of us will be faced with an overflow of invitations to celebrate the season. Many holiday treats are laden with fat calories that, when consumed, readily convert into unwanted pounds. It is sobering to see how these numbers look when compared with an M-Fit menu of similar recipes that are every bit as delicious (see comparison). In accordance with the dietary guidelines, as recommended by the USDA, our recipes are designed to be lower in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol and higher in fiber.

Trimming the fat from holiday meals may sound like a tortuous task, but here are some simple, painless changes that can keep you from sabotaging your healthy lifestyle.

Traditional Meal - Fat Grams

- 1/2 cup egg nog, 9
- 1 ounce each cheese/crackers, 17
- 1 ounce dry roasted mixed nuts, 15
- 3.5 ounce roasted turkey-light and dark meat with skin, 10
- 1/4 cup gravy, 4
- 1/2 cup sausage stuffing, 16
- 1/2 cup sweet potato casserole, 12
- 1/2 cup green bean casserole, 12
- 1 slice pecan pie a la mode, 31

- 2 chocolate covered cherries, 4.5
- Total Fat Grams: 130.5
- M-Fit Low Fat Meal - Fat Grams**
- Sparkling Cran-Raspberry punch, 0
- Warm artichoke dip with pita triangles, 3
- 1 ounce fat free crackers, 0
- Stuffed boneless turkey with exotic mushroom gravy, 7.5
- 3/4 cup potato carrot medley, 0
- 1/2 cup steamed fresh green bean with julienne of red peppers, trace
- Fresh fruit fondue with chocolate dipping sauce, 0.5
- 2 apricot-almond delights, 1.5
- Total Fat Grams: 12.5

To get you started on that healthy holiday meal is the recipe for warm artichoke dip:

- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 9 ounces artichoke hearts frozen package**
- 8 ounces fat-free cream cheese
- 1/3 cup Parmesan cheese, freshly grated
- dash hot sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon salt, or to taste
- 1/4 cup fresh basil, chopped
- dash paprika

Method

• Heat oil in skillet. Add onions and garlic and saute over medium heat until soft (about three minutes).

• Add artichoke hearts and cover. Reduce heat to low and cook five minutes. Transfer mixture to food processor.

• Add cream cheese, Parmesan and pulse ingredients to combine.

• Add hot sauce, salt and basil. Pulse to combine ingredients. Serve warm, sprinkled lightly with paprika, accompanied by wedges of crisp toasted pita or your favorite fat-free cracker.

• Makes 10 servings. Yield: 2 1/2 cups.

Notes

** If frozen artichoke hearts are unavailable, use two 15 ounce cans (low sodium if possible), drained, lightly rinsed and squeezed dry. Omit the salt in the recipe.

The University of Michigan M-Fit Community Nutrition Education is a department that provides nutrition education to the community. Services include: grocery shopping tours, cooking demonstrations, and supermarket and dining facility programs. For more information or for a copy of this year's holiday recipes please call Nicole Goyarts at (313) 998-6736 or e-mail her at ngoyarts@umich.edu.

Sensible holiday eating saves regrets

Was Halloween an excuse to eat an entire bag of your favorite candy? Will Thanksgiving, Hanukkah or Christmas serve as your reason to splurge on all of your favorite foods? Do thoughts of holiday pleasures tempt you to forsake your knowledge of moderation?

Before the lure of sweet and creamy tastes combined with butter, chocolate and nutty flavors sweep you away, get a grip. The biggest cooking days are almost upon us, so ask yourself the tough questions now before the holidays (and your appetite) reaches the point of no return.

Project yourself to Jan. 1, 1998:

How do you feel? Like the scene of Christmas past in the classic novel *A Christmas Carol*, what do you see when you look back at the 1997 holiday season? Did you dine with reckless abandon or with joyful moderation?

Return to the present - November 1997: Now is the time to choose to eat sensibly during the holidays and all year long. It will include taking time to prepare for eating successfully during this festive period.

Sit and relax for a moment. Visualize the upcoming goodies. See yourself enjoying the holiday season to the fullest. See yourself selecting a balanced menu of foods

that includes a variety of healthy meals, along with a few culinary delights.

Decide not to ignore the part of you that does not want to gain five to 10 holiday pounds. Continue your exercise program and keep eating foods like apples and broccoli. Limit your baking to just a few family favorites and modify recipes by reducing fat and sugar by half.

For example, the popular chocolate chip cookie recipe calls for two sticks of margarine or butter, but by cutting down to one stick, the cookies puff up a bit more and actually taste better.

Another good idea is to look for

recipes that have already been modified. Successful recipe modification happens by trial and error. It may require repeating the recipe to get the taste right.

The most holiday common pitfall - weight gain - can be easily avoided by simply deciding to apply healthy eating habits.

This article was written by Gale Cox, a registered dietitian. She coordinates nutrition programs and conducts one-on-one and group counseling sessions at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement in Novi.

Health Notes

'Surviving the Holidays'

Great ideas/recipes for holiday dining and entertaining. Avoid the holiday "pitfalls" that result in weight gain. Cooking demonstration and taste testing included. There is a \$10 fee. Mission Health Medical Center-Livonia, Tuesday, Nov. 18, from 7-8:30 p.m.

Health Education Library

Books, pamphlets, videos and more on a wide variety of disease and wellness topics. Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi: Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Call (248) 380-4110 for more information.

Speakers Bureau

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Arts and Crafts Show

Providence Hospital and Medical Centers' Fall Arts and Craft Show is being held on Friday, Nov. 11, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the hospital's Fisher Center auditorium, 16001 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield.

Several craft items, donated by Providence crafters, will be raffled off throughout the day with all proceeds going to the hospital's associate assistance program. Hot dogs, baked potatoes, fruit salad, tuna sandwiches, popcorn and refreshments will also be on sale from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Learn About Cancer Seminar

An educational program designed for cancer patients and their support persons. Learn more about cancer treatment, nutrition, managing treatment side effects, reducing stress and more. Southfield, Tuesday, Nov. 18, from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. For more information call (248) 424-5543.

Diabetes and Eye Disease

This session will provide a slide presentation highlighting the importance of annual dilated eye exams for adults with diabetes. Refreshments will be served. The program will be held at Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi on Thursday, Nov. 6, from 6:30-8 p.m. Dr. Frederick Heyner will make the presentation.

Cancer Support Group

Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi every Tuesday from 6:30-8 p.m. Call (248) 424-5543 for more information.

Post Partum Depression

Sessions are held on the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in Southfield. For more information, call (248) 424-3209.

Prostate Cancer Meeting

These meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the last Thursday of each month at the Brass Pointe Restaurant in Farmington Hills. For information call (248) 424-5543.

'Cooking for a Healthy Heart'

Discover new recipes and cooking tips to reduce fat, cholesterol and sodium. Cooking demonstration and taste testing included. There is a \$10 fee. Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi, Wednesday, Nov. 19, from 6-8 p.m.

Fashion Extravaganza

Providence Hospital's Neuro-Muscular Institute (NMI) Boosters will hold their 12th annual "Fashion Extravaganza" at the Detroit Golf Club on Thursday, Oct. 30. The event will include cocktails, lunch and a fashion show by Serv' Elegance. Tickets are \$30. Proceeds will benefit the NMI Boosters' scholarship fund, special needs fund and equipment needs. For more information call Jill Hollowell at (248) 424-5346.

Immunization Clinic

Providence Medical Center-Farmington Hills is sponsoring a series of community immunization clinics. The clinics will offer DPT, DT, Hib, Hepatitis B (for those 19 years and under), and MMR vaccinations. The varicella vaccine will not be available at these clinics. There will be a \$5 facility fee charged per child, but all immunizations will be free of charge. All clinics will run from 4 to 8 p.m. on a walk-in basis. For more information call (248) 865-4000. Clinic dates are on Tuesdays, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, and Dec. 16.

Body Fat Analysis

Have your body fat analyzed done by a registered dietitian. Full printed report with recommendations for exercise and diet to promote health. Please Call (248) 424-3903 for appointment and fee. The program will be held at Providence Medical Center-Farmington Hills/NW, Mission Health Medical Center-Livonia, Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi, and Providence Hospital in Southfield.

Baby Beepers

Monthly beeper rentals available. Stay in touch with your labor partner. Call (248) 424-3332 for information and fee.

Managing Blood Pressure

Free blood pressure checks, open to the public, are being held in the emergency room of Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi, Monday-Friday, from 9-11 a.m.

'Holidays and Caregiving'

Why holidays can be so difficult for caregivers and care receivers? This program provides recommendations for coping with this stressful time of year. Tips and gift ideas for caregivers and care receivers. Mission Health Medical Center-Livonia, Nov. 19, from 7-8:30 p.m.

Parish Nurse

The Parish Nurse Ministry strives to build relationships with local congregations. This service is offered to all fathers to meet the holistic health needs of your members. To learn more about the Providence Parish Nurse Ministry, please call (248) 424-2763.

Weight on the Run

Conducted by an exercise physiologist and a nutritionist, this 12-week program starts with a fitness assessment and nutritional consultation, followed by three weekly monitored workouts and weekly nutritional support. Day and evening classes available. A \$300 fee includes enrollment in the class "ABC of Weight Loss." Botsford Center for Health Improvement-TRACC, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. For more information and to register, call (248) 473-5600.

Eat Healthy

Are you ready to change the way you eat? Do you want to be motivated or learn how to be organized and cook healthy? Join Botsford registered dietitian Gale Cox and Chef Carl Oshinsky and get started on the new you. Participants will take home three entrees. It meets at 7 p.m. Oct. 23. There is a \$30 fee. Preregistration is required. For more information or to register, call (248) 477-6100.

Laurel Park Walking Club

"Walk the mall" for enjoyable, low-impact, climate-controlled exercise - and then have your blood pressure checked (available the fourth Monday of every month, 8-10 a.m.). Free. Laurel Park is opened to walkers 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Saturday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday. Located on Six Mile Road in Livonia (at the corner of Six Mile and Newburgh roads). For information, call (248) 477-6100.

"Living Through Loss"

On Tuesday, Nov. 11, from 7-8 p.m., Providence Medical Center in Novi will offer support and coping strategies to those dealing with loss of family or friends.

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