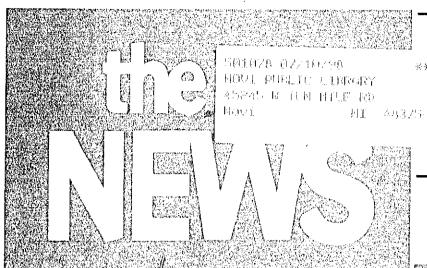
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Gov. Engler to tour Novi tech center

WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

Michigan Governor John Engler will be in town Feb. 26 to check out computer technology at Novi-Community Schools,

Slated to appear in the Instructional Technology Center between 12:30 and 1:15 p.m., Engler is expected to get a hands. on tour of the district's technolo-

gy.
"He will visit a couple of classrooms, a computer lab and then we will gather in the Forum where he will address parents, students and the community," explained Lisa Bur, communications coordinator at Novi Schools.

According to Bur, Engler chose Novi for its long-term commitment to integrating technology into aca-

"We learned be wanted to use Novi as an example of how technology can be used in the schools," she explained.

Part of what drew the governor's attention to the area was Novi's appearance as one of the first 50 schools in the nation to belong to the Family Education Network. The network allows users to access information about each school in the district including schedules, lunch menus, announcements and sports

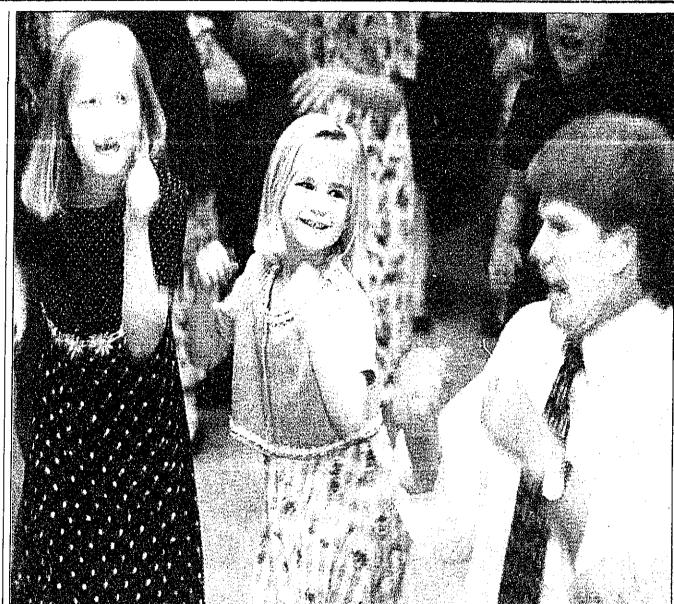
results. In addition, parents have direct access to the staff's e-mail addresses.

During the month of October, the site received 8,775 visitors or

By linking up with the Family Education Network, the district is able to offer more than 8,000 pages of such information as local, state and federal educationrelated news and articles on various topics. The address is: http://familyeducation.com/MI/

Novi schools have received commendation from local and national groups for being on the forefront of technology use in the classroom. The 5,000-plus students in the district have access to more than 2,000 computers, 12 scanners, five Internet servers and 280 television sets. In addition, all schools can access an interschool cable television sys-

Novi was one of four districts to be chosen by Engler for a visit. Oakland Schools, the intermediate school district for the county, asked Novi to submit an innovative school program for Engler to peruse. The governor already visited Troy, Lake Orion and Waterford schools.

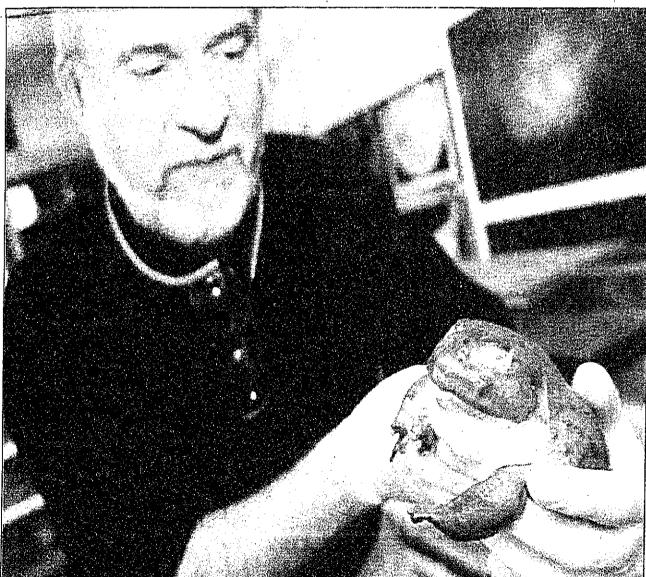


Dancing the night away

Lyndsey, 7, and Chelsey, 4, can hardly believe their dad, Patrick Korte, knows how to do the chicken dance like that. Dad and his dates danced the night away last Friday in the

Novi Civic Center during the sixth annual Daddy-Daughter Dance, sponsored by Novi Parks and Recreation. More photos appear on page 13.

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Dwight Sleggreen, teacher at Cooke Middle School and frog fancier, shows off one of his favorite amphibians.

Swampy Serenade

Volunteers needed to count frog and toad sounds

By Jan Jeffres • Staff Writer

Frogs and toads don't fare so well with humans. They get no respect.

We cat their legs. We use them to sell beer. We take their names in vain by listening to music by groups with names like Toad, The Wet Sprocket and plastering slogans like "To find a prince, you've got to kiss a lot of frogs" on T-shirts. For decades, as a public school rite of passage, we dissected them. Worst of all, we pollute and bulldoze their watery homes.

Now, after all this, frogs and toads are doing us a favor.

The tiny beings are alerting us to problems that may exist in their habitat - and ours.

For the first time ever, volunteers are being recruited in a 60-mile swath including Novi, Northville, Walled Lake and Salem Township – for a mid-March through mid-May survey of the local frog and toad populations. It's all part

of the 1994 Rouge River Remedial Action Plan.

Frogs and toads are good indicators of habitat and water quality ... because they absorb water through their skin and part of their lifespan is in the water," said Lara Spears, staff ecologist with Applied Science & Technology of Ann Arbor, which is running the pro-

"You get a much more complete sense of the environment. It's not just looking at the quality of water, but the

complete ecosystem. This area, at the head waters of the Rouge River, was selected. Spears explained, because the river is cleaner than further downstream. Not that pollution doesn't exist. For one, lawn fertilizers get washed into the water course here as well as further down

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Expo traffic woes to be addressed

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

Stuck in traffic for 45 minutes in the Town Center parking lot, within sight of Novi Road but unable to get to it. Ron Wirkus began to worry about his health.

Wirkus, a Novi resident, has a heart condition. And if he needed medical help, he wondered whether emergency personnel would have been able to get to his car. The traffic jam occurred in

the early afternoon on Sunday, Feb. 1, as a result of the Spring Home & Garden Show at the Novi Expo Center.

"It was downright dangerous," Wirkus said. "If there had been a medical emergency, it would have been impossible to get to the car. Had there been a car fire, it would have been a disaster. The cars were so tightly packed, and there was no place to go."

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St. Joe's plans center at Sinai Hospital site

The Ann Arbor-based St. Joseph Mercy Health System has plans for an 130,000-square-foot outpatient health care campus on 70 acres at the southeast corner of Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook roads, with a late 1998 groundbreaking eyed.

Forty acres at the same location were targeted by Sinai Hospital for

but Sinai backed out in early 1997 after a merger between that hospital and the Detroit Medical Center. St. Joseph's preliminary

designs call for an ambulatory facility with primary, specialty and support services, to include a 24-hour emergency services center; cancer care; non-invasive cardiology testing; women's health

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Community Calendar

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Monday, February 23

Mid-winter recess ends Mid-winter recess ends. Novi school district students return to classes.

City Council

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

Arts Council

The Novi Arts Council Executive Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

City Council

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

Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Meadows Clubhouse on Napier Road. For more information, call after 6 p.m. (810) 344-2167.

Tuesday, February 24

Business Network International

The Novi chapter of The Business Network International, meets from 7-8:30 a.m. at Kerby's Koney Island at Eight Mile and Haggerty roads. For information, call the BNI regional office at (734) 397-9939.

The Novi Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Big Boy Restaurant on Novi Road, across from the Novi Town Center.

Parkview PTO

The Parkview PTO will meet at 7 p.m. at the school.

ZONTA

The ZONTA Club of Farmington/Novi meets at 6 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel (between Seven and Eight Mile roads., off I-275), ZONTA International is a worldwide classified service organization of executives in business and the professions, working to improve the legal, political, economic and professional status of women. For information and reservations, call(313) 538-8043.

Civil Air Patrol

ished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information call 349-

Youth Assistance

Novi Youth Assistance board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Novi Community School Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Rd.

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

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

Band rehearsal

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

Camera Club

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

Chess Club

The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m.



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UPDATE by John Goodman



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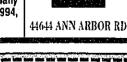
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Lions Club

The Novl Lions Club will meet at Kim's Gardens at 6:30 p.m. for dinner mation, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m. followed by a meeting.

Seniors business

The Novi Senior Social Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center Center. For more information call 348-0009. for its regular monthly business meeting.

Thursday, February 26

Business Network International

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Monday, March 2

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

Tuesday, March 3

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Seniors meeting

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

Civil Air Patrol

The Sixgate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Novi Middle

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

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

Board of Appeals

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

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Amateur Radio Club

The Novi Amateur Radio Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic

Wednesday, March 4

Athletic Boosters

The Novi High School Athletic Boosters Club will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in room 107 of the high school.

Planning Commission

The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Thursday, March 5

Business Network International

The Northville chapter of The Business Network International, meets from 7-8:30 a.m. at Kerby's Koney Island at Eight Mile and Haggerty

Saturday, March 7

Novi Cooperative Preschool

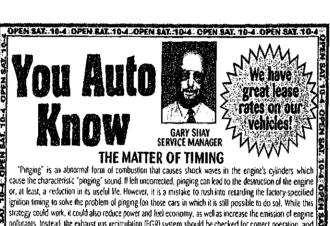
The Novi Cooperative Preschool is having an Open House from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The school is located in the United Methodist Church, 41671 Ten Mile Road, just west of Meadowbrook Road. The preschool is not affiliated with the church. Applications are being accepted for the 1998-99 school year for both the 3-year-old and 4-year-old classes. For more information, call (248) 349-3223.

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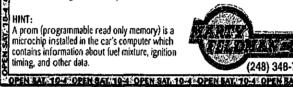
Library Board

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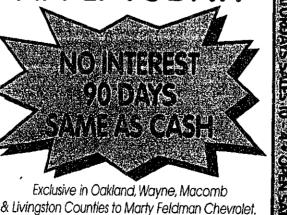




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Handicapped patrol tickets illegal parkers

Bob Russman funally found his calling last year when he joined the - parked in a spot marked with blue

Novi Police Handicapped Patrol. they investigate. The retirce from West Bloomfield was prone to contacting police on - just hand it to them or put it on his cell phone upon seeing cars—their windshield," Russman sald. parked illegally in handicapped

himself. "I got sick and tired of telling Slonim of Farmington Hills. "And people they were parked illegally. the community at large will People just laugh at you," Russman — acknowledge us giving us a thumbs said. When he heard Novi had a - up or a high five.' volunteer program, he decided to

The six men, all retirees, volun- volunteers say. Altered expiration teer several hours a week each to dates on permits are not a surprise patrol parking lots in search of to the volunteers. And often times people who park in handicapped people let their permits expire with designated spaces without permits, no thought. Others keep the per-

The group is authorized by the mits on the seat, on the floor, in the department to issue violations, side pocket or on the visor instead which result in a \$100 fine and a - of handing from the rear view mirtrip to court. The patrollers take - ror as required. photos of the offending ears as evi- "It's a real pain the neck." dence and turn them into the Russman said, "You have to look police department through all that. "It's been real effective," said If the permit is not properly dis

their job very seriously." gets a warning. "Police officers can't be every-Russman said they hand out five parking and getting away with it,"

The volunteers dress in uniform, fluctuate a cap, jacket and shirt with the — The handicapped patrol uncovhandicap patrol ID. The team of six ered a problem in Novi, said works shifts on Tuesday typically Russman. If the handicapped pole from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. patrolling signs aren't posted, the volunteers the shopping centers and busi- by law can't give tickets. And nesses around Novi in their according to Russman, many parkmarked patrol vehicle equipped ing lots don't have the posts.

"On some Saturdays we go out to live in Novi, with additional expo

More volunteers needed to train for parking squad

Chief Douglas Shaeffer, "They take played but still valid, the driver

Novi Police Officer Diane There is virtually no cost to the MacGregor teaches the two hour program, MacGregor explained. An hass volunteers must take to be old police car was repainted for part of the Handicapped Patrol. them and the department already Started last year, the program is had Poleriod cameras. She said she starting to pick up speed. The cur- only had to buy jackets, shirts and Novi Senior Center in past weeks to recruit new blood. Two new people handicapped permit is not entirely are expected to take the course in a difficult. Applicants must pick up

week, MacGregor said. Anyone interested in being part of the volunteer patrol unit can who must sign it and return it to apply at the Novi Police Station on the state office. There is no cost, Ten Mile Road. You don't have to be she said. driver's license and no criminal 348-7100.

program, said those numbers can

While only a few of volunteers

MacGregor noted that getting a application at Secretary of State office, take it to a family physician

a senior citizen, said MacGregor, For more information, call the but you must be 18, have a valid Novi Police Department at (248)

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Call for details.

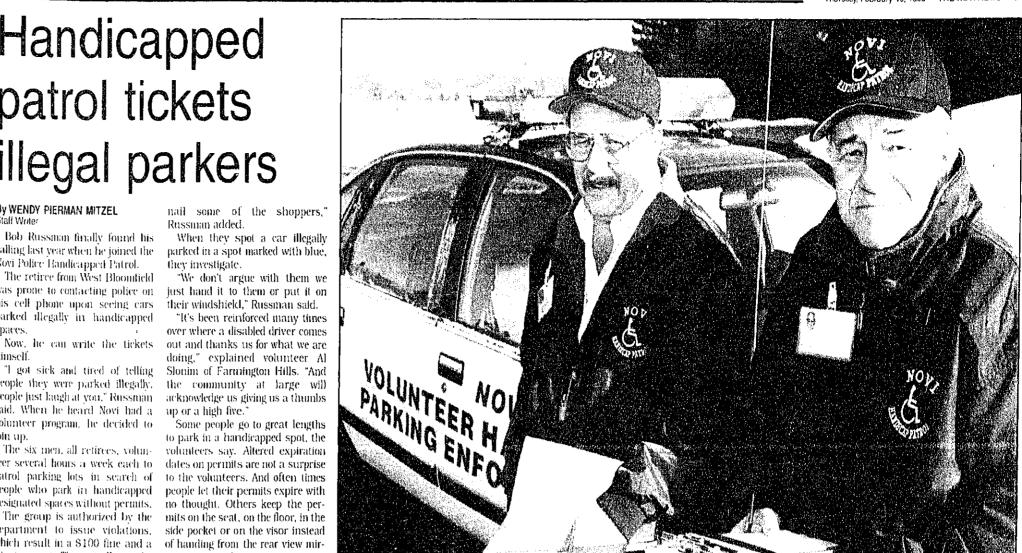
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Tickets in hand, Novi Police Handicap Volunteer Patrol members John Beach and Bob Russman are ready to bust illegal parkers.

where all the time so people are to six citations a day. Office Diane sure Slonim believes the numbers knows no boundaries," he said. MacGregor, who coordinates the will grow. "It just proves that (the need) selves."

"The gentlemen certainly enjoy it—said Macgregor.

"We're not just doing this for our- and I think the community enjoys "They're very passionate about it, from the positives we get back," handicapped parking," she said.

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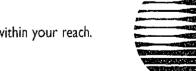
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- Dwight Sieggreen

Teacher, Cooke Middle School

students who didn't like to do this, profes-

At the Living Science Foundation, workers

"Actually, they're pretty smart. They sit

still and let the food come to them," he

Frogs live about six to 12 years in the wild,

Northville school district ended classroom with faces that look like they're out of Disney toads and frogs live will be filled with a male

Not that they're stupid, Tanner said.

Includes Northville and part of Novi

Survey may indicate health of the Rouge watershed

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The survey is a joint project conducted by Friends Of The Rouge, the Surface Water Quality Division of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, the Southeast Michigan Council of Covernments, Northville Township and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

In future years, toad and frog monitoring is expected to be extended to other Rouge River communities.

"Surveying for the presence or absence of different frog and toad species will help us to identify high-quality wetlands habitats, so those habitats may then be protected," she said.

Because frogs and toads are susceptible to changes in water quality, the survey has implications for human health. By keeping track of species over time, we may be able to detect the develop lands which otherwise appear laws in place protecting the enviundisturbed.

Early detection can help head

While there have been reports of Finding frogs and toads in this If the background hum of road

fancier - at Cooke Middle School eity.

water and swamp habitats is and toad voices. lematic in the Third World coun- ence to the females of their it," Spears said.

When a representative of The Living

Science Foundation shows up at a local

school, kids may reach for the adorable wal-

laby or silken chinchilla, but hands go

behind their backs when a frog or toad is on

"When we take a frog into a school, that

will be the last touched animal, just because

people think of warts," said Living Science

problem, you bring them in and they don't

room full of them, including an African

"Frogs are interesting creatures, they real-

He agrees with Tanner that frogs are not

multitude of colors you wouldn't dream of." dissections.

and Costa Rican Red-Eyed Tree Frogs.

"I like frogs," Sieggreen said.

"People catch them out in the wild, no

Slimy or not, the creatures have a strange,

America, Asia and Africa, all close kin to our I can pick them up."

world traveler Dwight Sieggreen has a class- by human beings.

Program Manager Chris Tanner.

By JAN JEFFRES

muted markings.

own Michigan varieties.

Count those frogs

Volunteers who find the idea of helping with the Frog and Toad Survey absolutely riveting can take their choice of one of three training sessions in this

 Saturday, February 28 – 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Northville Township Hall, 41600 Thursday, March 5 - 7 p.m.

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pre-register, call Lara Spears at (313) 426-1200.

ronment, Steggreen said! "They are indicator species.

Worldwide, the frog population woodlands consultant Linda shift their listening location. Sleggreen, a teacher - and a frog lands are dotted throughout the sometime between one-half hour

One theory is that the ozone toads will be a unique way to observation, each carefully logged layer is thinning and ultraviolet spend a spring evening, onto forms provided to them. rays are having a negative impact. Volunteers won't be out individuon frogs and toads, he explained. ally counting frogs and toads, Another is that pollution of the what they'll do is listen for frog come to sign up.

wouldn't dream of.'

something most people want to pet.

subtle beauty of their own, with bright or as opposed to a touch and feel creature," wasn't necessary," Sieggreen said.

Sieggreen wrote the on-line lesson plans

But kids at Cooke Middle School in that are companions to the now-playing PBS generally aren't able to establish the same

Northyille don't have to wait for a visit from series The Living Edens. For the program sort of personal rapport with the amphib-

The Living Science Foundation to see "Manu, Peru's Hidden Rain Forest," ians that are possible with small mammals.

Poison Frogs of the Amazon, which can

While his seventh grade students get to

parents were probably forced to do in school, tor-free, in captivity.

Ridgeback Frog, Madagascar Tomato Frog see less dangerous frogs, unlike what their but about 12 to 20 years when held, preda-

these kids won't be chopping any frogs. The

shape, they're an attractive species with a instead examines model frogs and on-line trouble hanging on to Bright Eyes, a gor-

ly are, if you look at their design and their frog dissections about five years ago and cartoons. Last week, Tanner was having chorus

Sieggreen said.

tion is a regular feature at Novi and thumband extremely fragile. A touch from a that." Northville schools, with exotic livestock that human being could injure them. I spray

amphibians of the type you won't find in Sieggreen's lesson plan includes the Dart-

Science and social studies teacher and cause blindness and even death if touched

"The Costa Ricans

During winter, frogs stay dor- Watershed mant underwater at the bottom of ponds or swamps, while toads burrow deep into soil. As the weather warms, a young frog for toad's) fancy turns to love and they converge on breeding sites. What surveyors will do is moni-

water habitat to reproduce.

tor the gentle serenade of amorous frogs and toads. In their training sessions, 'to be held in Novi, Northville and Salem Township. each volunteer will get a tape that will help them memorize the tones in order to distinguish between the various froggy fugues when in the field.

The survey itself should only take three minutes on a given evening. The trick is going to be watching the weather report and going out in the early evening

hours." Spears said. "If it's windy at night, you won't hear them. They don't call very ment of subtle problems in wet- tries, which typically have few much, they get dried out. They have to stay in the water and stay

To do the survey, the night air off water quality, ground water. They fill you in on how things are temperature must be above 46 recharge and floodwater control happening all over the world," he degrees. A lightly raining evening is Ideal.

mutated frogs in other areas of the area will hardly be a major chaltraffic is too great - not an unusu-Rouge River watershed, Spears lenge, with Novi alone home to al condition around here - volunsaid none of have been detected in three lakes. Shawood Lake will be teers will be encouraged to wait for a prime hunting ground, said Novi a different time of the evening or is declining, said Dwight Lemke, adding that prime wet- Listeners will head outdoors

after sunset and midnight, spend-Signing up to survey frogs and ing about three minutes per

> Anyone who is interested is wel-"We'd like to have as many peo-

becoming unhealthy for amphib- Male frogs and toads, like male ple as possible involved, because lans. Pollution is especially prob-songbirds, advertise their pres-we'd like people to have fun with

Slimy or not, frogs have a ribbeting appeal for enthusiasts

"Frogs are interesting creatures, they really are, if

you look at their design and their shape, they're an

attractive species with a multitude of colors you

"I think it's more of a look-only creature, sionally, a lot of us looked at that and felt it

includes toads and frogs from South them with water when I work with them, so future career in medicine or the sciences, he American Marine Toad's secretions, when

Fascinating Frog Facts

More than 3,400 species of frogs and toads exist worldwide, only 13 of them in Michigan.

 As an amphibian, a frog or toad begins life in an egg laid in the water, then transforms to a fishlike larva, commonly known as a tadpole or polliwog.

gotten a handful of liquid? The toad is releasing water secreted in its skin to scare away predators and to make itself smaller, so it can flee danger more

Female frogs or toads sands of eggs in spring, but only a dozen or so of each batch will live to maturity. Fish and turtles gobble the rest.

 Hormones play as much liwogs as they do with humans. They trigger dramatic changes as the tadpole develops lungs then front legs. The tadpole's tail is absorbed and digestive system develop to prepare the creature for a diet of insects. All of this enables a frog or toad to emerge onto land as an adult.

 Toads can be distinguished from frogs by although still moist, habitats. A toad has shorter legs, so takes shorter leaps than a frog.

· Frogs and toads are coldblooded, which means they do not produce inner body heat, but are denendent on outside

temperatures. The Bull Frog is the only legal game animal of these critters. Frog hunting season begins the Saturday before Memorial Day and closes Nov. 15.

• Male frogs improve their ing out their throat or special sacs at the side of their throat, creating a resonating chamber.

 A single Cricket Frog, a species becoming rarer in Michigan, can gulp down 4,800 insects in a year. A thousand of them would do in 4,8 million insects.

Bull Frogs are the only Michigan species that varies from that buggy diet. They've been known to chomp other frogs, fish and even baby ducks.

geous green Red-Eyed Tree Frog from the growls or grumphs, however you spell that," SOURCE: Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Ever picked up a toad and

lay hundreds or even thou-

havoc with the lives of poland sprouts first hind legs, into its body, while its jaws

their lumpier skins and their ability to live in drier,

Frogs have webbed feet,

"When we take him into schools, they

jump and kids try to catch him and can't,"

The Plymouth location has two poisonous

African Ridgeback frogs. One of them,

Pickles, eats 20 crickets, two baby rats and

The eat-or-be-eaten theory doesn't hold

"If an animal takes a bite out of them.

their chances of survival aren't great,"

1. This guy is a pig. He'll grow as big as a

The Living Science Foundation also hous-

Toad-licking has become popular in some

ingested by humans, cause hallucinations,

In the 1940s, the toads were released in

Australia to eat pests such as beetles, rats

and mice infesting the sugar cane fields, but

"In California, there's a \$10,000 fine if one

Sometimes, but not too often, the room at

of these gets out, because it would destroy

agriculture and a lot of other animals

have since become a plague themselves.

here, because wise is the animal that steers

clear of an African Ridgeback.

"My opinion is, you don't need to slaugh- es a poisonous South American Marine

Dissection is better left to students with a drug-using circles, because the South

Some of the frogs are cute little critters The Living Science Foundation where the

Tanner said.

ceeds will be donated to various charities including the Oakland County Child Abuse and Neglect Council, D.A.R.E., Special Olympics, Novi Parks and Recreation leagues and Novi High School scholarship grants.

The Novi police All-Stars include: Officers Kevin Rhea, Michael Warren, Paul Leslie, Tom Lindberg Larry Lemerand, Scott Tewes, Todd Anger, Kevin Hebert, Eric Tapla, Mike Rogers, Kevin Heaney, Steve Balog, Randy Mince and Mark

The following Detroit Lions will team up against the cops: Luther Tommie Boyd, Pete Chryplewicz and Hessley Hempstead.

Participants in the Special Olympics will be at the game as honored guests. All students currently in the D.A.R.E. program were given free family passes. The football players will sign

autographs at half-time. Tickets for the event are on sale now and will be available at the door. They are \$15 per person, or couples pay \$25 and family tickets (six people) are \$40. For more information, call (248) 347-3430.

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who've been stealing returnable pop bottles from restaurants in Novi struck again on Feb. 1. Police Police News Novi struck again on Feb. 1. Police sald, this time, the men were seen taking 15 crates from behind the Mobile gas station. A customer reported seeing the incident, but there was no description of a getaway car.

POSSESSION

Police said a 29-year-old West Bloomfield man was arrested and cited for drunk driving and possession of marijuana Feb. 9, after police stopped his car which was speeding down Novi Road near Sandstone Drive at 2 a.m. Although the officer smelled

alcohol on his breath, the man denied having anything to drink. He also denied having any drugs in the car, but the officer found two marijuana pipes with marijuana residue in the ashtray.

A breathalyzer test showed a 0.11 blood alcohol level, above the legal limit. When the officer arrested the

around a stopped Novi school bus man, he became belligerent and Jan. 30. refused to get in the car. According to police, the bus driv-He put his feet on either side of the back door when police tried to get him in the backseat.

Fourteen members of the Novi

police force will face off against six

members of the Detroit Lions on

the Novi High School basketball

court tonight to compete in the

Police Officers Association annual

The benefit basketball game

begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi

High School gymnasium. All pro-

fundraiser "Hoop-Law."

explained the incident. The police door cracked. When officers got the man to the police station, he continued to be lights flashing at Duchess Court bond each. and Greening Drive to help a handuncooperative, giving police inac-

leapped student on the bus when

an Astro van pulled around the bus

and took off.

According to police, the 34-year- of the road, not loading or unload-

curate personal information.

A Lord & Taylor employee was When police contacted the arrested Feb. 1 for allegedly embez- woman, she acknowledged she zling hundreds of dollars of design- drove around the bus but said the driver routinely sits in the middle

old Orchard Lake man was seen by ing students. store security leaving the store with She said she did check for kids two shopping bags and putting before she drove around. them in a locker. He then returned to work and at SHOPPING

the end of his shift went to retrieve Two 17-year-old girls from Howell and Milford went on a shop-When security asked him to pro- ping adventure Feb. 1 but paid for duce a receipt he said he had none. only a portion of the merchandise

items from DKNY, Tommy Hilfiger According to police reports, the girls were seen in Sears taking five clothing items into the fitting

Inside the bag were clothing they picked out.

A 42-year-old Novi woman was They came out with three and warned by police after she drove bought only one of the items. Security officers followed the girls who went to leave the store

When confronted by the officers. er called the department with a the girls produced a Hudson's bag license plate number and with the two missing items inside. They were taken to the Novi The driver was stopped with police station and released on \$50

Someone smashed the window of a white Ford Taurus in the Novi Hilton parking lot, Feb. 5. Police said a cell phone was taken from

A 77-year-old Novi woman called to report a care worker may have taken \$70 from her purse, Feb. 2. According to police, the woman hired a Farmington Hills based company to help in the care of her ailing husband. However she found money miss

ing during one of the visits. Police said the company is looking into the matter.

A 45-year-old Wixom man with four prior drunk driving convictions was arrested Feb. 4 in Novi when he failed to heed a no turn on Police said the man appeared

intoxicated when he was pulled over on Grand River Avenue He failed sobriety tests and registered a 0.13 blood alcohol level. above the legal limit.

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

Indulge yourself with one of life's necessities - books - and help out the Tim Pope Memorial Playstructure Feb. 28-March 1, Borders Books and Music at Novi Town Center will donated 15 percent of book sales purchased with a special coupon to the

The coupon can be found in the recently mailed Novi Parks and Recreation Brochure or picked up at the Novi Parks and Recreation office

at the Novi Civic Center. When the money comes in, it will be used to purchase additional seat-

ng and tables for the play area. Local craftsman Scott Gross has remedied that. He has completed a

vooden logo emblazoned with the title that will be placed above the entrance to the popular play palace, built last spring at the Novi

Community Sports Park on Eight Mile Road.

ChillyWilly winners Novi's annual Chilly Willy Festival on Jan. 31 at the Novi Civic Center

was an award-winning kind of event. Here's who took home the honors: CHILLY WILLY CHILI COOK-OFF

First Place - Rocky's of Northville Second Place - Guernsey Farm Dairy Third Place - Maria's

Best Dressed Chili Booth - Doubletree Hotel SUPER SCORE-O GAME WINNER

Matt Henry, who took home a family four pack of Vipers tickets. Snow Sculpture Contest, Family Division First Place - Amy, Scott and Nick Fraser

Second Place - Ben and Theresa Drafta SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST, FRIENDS DIVISION First Place - Arny King, Jenny Kish and Jennifer Mai

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT First Place - Bob Lewis and Chet Sieler Second Place - Pauline Berry and Doug Thomas Third Place - Penny Thomas and Jason Meyers BRIDGE TOURNMENT

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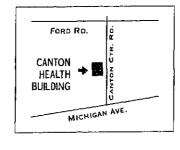
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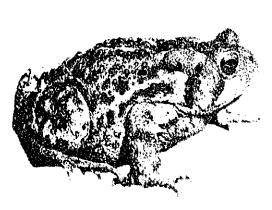
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"Frankly, because we had a number of Amazon sporting coral red-colored eyes and Tanner said. Species to be included in the Frog and Toad Survey:



Eastern American Toad

Famous for its wart-ridden brown skin, this two- to four-inch long critter is commonly seen in gardens throughout Michigan, where it prefers to hang out in woodlands and shady backyards munching insect pests. Its throat and belly are white, peppered with black.

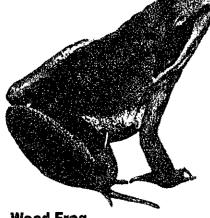
American toads get romantic in April

to May in shallow ponds. Eggs trans-

form into tadpoles, then toadlets in June or July. To thwart predators, a toad will secrete an untasty liquid from its skin. Contrary to folk myths, this secretion

Toads serenade with a prolonged trill. SOURCE: Michigan Department of Natural Resources

does not cause warts in humans.



Wood Frog

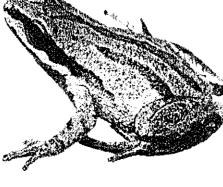
With its eyes swathed in a dark "robber mask" and a sporty white stripe on its upper lip, the wood frog steps out in shades of brown or tan. As its name says, the two-and-half-inch long local life form prefers the woods.

and April in ponds that are preferably still ice-covered. Tadpoles grow up about two months later. Wood frogs sing out in what has been

They reproduce themselves in March

described as a "ducklike quack" or "a lot of chuckling."

SOURCE: Michigan Department of Natural Resources

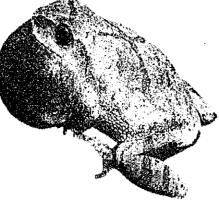


Western Chorus Frog

Ranging in size from an inch to oneand-a-half inches long, this brown frog is the only one of the species being surveyed that lives strictly in the Lower Peninsula. Western Chorus Frogs sport a racing stripe that runs through the eye, from the nose to the top of the front leg. Rarely seen after the March through May breeding season, they call damp meadows, marshes and woodlands home. Temporary ponds and flood sites are preferred for mating rites. Tadpoles grow up and sprout legs in two to three

This frog's rasping trill, a "creek" that rises in pitch, has been compared to the noise made by strumming the smaller teeth of a plastic comb.

SOURCE: Michigan Department of Natural Resources



brown or tan. The tiny frogs (one-inch to one-and-

They get their name from the highclub together at spring breeding ponds.

SOURCE: Michigan Department of Natural Resources



Northern Spring Peeper

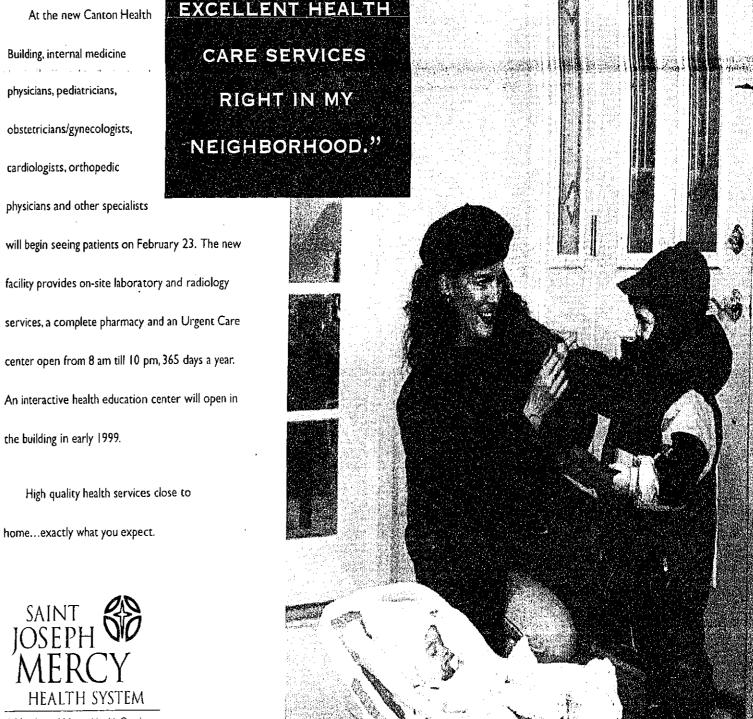
A dark "X" usually - but not always marks the spot on the back of these little fellows, who come in shades of

half inches long) breed in ponds and

swamps in March through May.

Tadpoles grow up in two to three

pitched peeps they emit after the breeding season, in the late summer and fall. This can become quite a resounding chorus when many males











The Log Book

The following is a complete list of Department for the week ending Feb. 15. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the engine and squad number which responded to the call.

MONDAY, FEB. 9

Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 2:09 a.m., Squad 3. Medical, Novi Library and Ten-Mile, 11:09 a.m., Squad 3. Medical, 40211 Washington,

1:24 p.m., Squad 1. Medical, 22472 Norfolk Court. 2:27 p.m., Squad 3. Vehicle fire, I-96 and Novi Road,

2:40 p.m., Engine 1. Building fire, 24649 Venice Drive, 3:21 p.m., Engines 1, 4. Medical, 24267 Weathervane, 4:13 p.m., Squad 4. Fire alarm, 41268 Llewelyn, 5:19

p.m., Engines 1, 3. Injury accident, 29723 Charlemagne, 8:40 p.m., Squad 2.

TUESDAY, FEB. 10 Medical, 23975 Harvest Drive, 8:32 a.m., Squad 3. Medical, 20800 Woodland Glen, 1:09 p.m., Squad 3.

Medical, Expo Center-North Lot. 2:14 p.m., Squad I Medical, 44102 Cottlsford, 2:54 p.m., Squad 3. Medical, 29776 English

7:44 p.m., Squad 2. Medical, 45182 West Road, 10:03 p.m., Squad 2.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11 Fire alarm, 41550 Grand River. 5:58 a.m., Engine 1.

should attend, they should call

and friendship...

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do not know which school a child immunization records.

Relax in a setting of warmth

Wire down-car fire, 41252 11:48 a.m., Squad 3 the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Vincenti Court, 6:05 a.m., Engine Medical, 46309 Cordoba Drive,

6:46 a.m., Squad 4.

10:09 p.m., Engines 1, 3.

THURSDAY, FEB. 12

7:52 a.rn., Squad 1.

FRIDAY, FEB. 13

a.m., Squad 1

a.m., Squad 3.

10:51 a.m., Engine 1

11:34 a.m., Squad 1.

Register kindergartners now

at the school of attendance for istration: proof of residency, certi- and Village Oaks parents, and 7:30

1998-99 kindergarten. If parents fled birth certificate and up-to-date p.m. for Novi Woods and Orchard

Fire alarm, Soccer Zone and 3. Grand River, 7:20 a.m., Engine 1. Injury accident, 41729 Cherry Injury accident, Grand River and Hill, 3:06 p.m., Squad I. Meadowbrook, 11:38 a.m., Squad Medical, 47250 Ten Mile Road, 4:27 p.m., Squad 4. Medical, 41484 Belder, 3:09 Medical, 31207 Barrington, 5:03 p.m., Squad 2.

p.m., Squad 2. Medical, 45182 West Road, 3:39 Building fire. West and Beck p.m., Squad 2. Road, 10:50 p.m., Engines 1, 2. Fire alarm, Novi Meadows School, 4:38 p.m., Engines 1, 4. SATURDAY, FEB. 14

Squad 4.

Investigation.

Injury accident, Haggerty and Car fire, I-96 and Novi Road, Eight Mile Road, 5:26 p.m., Squad 10:28 a.m., Engine 1. Medical, 22000 Meadowbrook. Wires down, Haggerty Road-10:37 a.m., Squad 3. Hilton Hotel, 5:44 p.m., Engine 3. Medical, Twelve Oaks-J.C Medical, 43700 Expo Center Penney's, 12:09 p.m., Squad 1. Drive, 5:49 p.m., Squad 1.

Fire alarm, 25529 Arcadia, 2:21 Medical, Grand River and p.m., Engine 4. Meadowbrook, 6:24 p.m., Squad 1. Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road Fire alarm, 42868 Potomac. 4:32 p.m., Squad 3. Medical, 45182 West Road, 8:58

Medical, 1313 Mariga, 1:28 p.m.

Meadowbrook, 2:11 p.m., Engine

p.m., Squad 2. Injury accident, I-96 Rest Stop Medical, 24410 Willowbrook, 10:46 p.m., Squad 1. Medical, 45182 West Road, Trash fire, Eleven Mile and 11:13 p.m., Squad 2. lannys Road, 12:29 p.m., Engines

SUNDAY, FEB. 15 Medical, 23623 N. Rockledge. 8:40 a.m., Squad 3. Medical, 24634 Bashtan, 8:28

The following is required for reg- March 10 at 7 p.m. for Parkview

A parents-only Kindergarten Call the school buildings for reg-

Roundup is scheduled for Tuesday, istration details and times.

Fire alarm, 44831 Yorkshire. 8:43 a.m., Engines 1, 4. Medical, 22604 Woolsey, 9:3-Fire alarm, 26075 Lannys, 11:33 Fuel spill, Twelve Oaks-Blue Lot, a.m., Engine 1. Medical, 41550 Grand River. Medical, Twelve Oaks-Hudson's, 1:36 p.m., Squad 1.

Medical, 41550 Grand River, Medical, 20856 E. Glen Haven,

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cal for 1998 will be putting a the Hoy, Brent Ciaverilla, Matt Venue, the direction of choir director Paula production of Rogers and Brandon Bear, Aimee Garrison, Joyner Clinard Clinard will be lammerstein's Carousel.

March 26, 27 and 28 at 7:30 p.m. high school. Tickets go on sale Feb. Phil Magcalas, Frank Sebastian, 23. For more information call Novi Hgih School at 449-1500.

Carousel is a musical about the life of a man named Billy, played by senior Eric Anderson. The love of Billy's life will be played by senior Julia Dolken, Several other lead Morrison, Anneliese Woolford, characters are Carrie, played by Betsey Staab, Erin Quinn, Jennifer played by senior Jeremy Rafalko; Sheffield, Maria Rose, Cassie Lin, production. Senior Melissa and Jigger, played by senior Pat Beth Bovair, Kendra Carter, Nicole Qatsha. Other members of Kaminski, and Courtney Cloutier, nical director and sophomore Carousel will be Tricta Lutes. There will be approximately 120 Nancy Alexandris will be the stu-Lindsey Root, David Langham, people involved in the production. dent production director.

Akash Kumar, Hilary Nims, Jessica assisted by several others. Band Performances are scheduled for Kellogg, James Torrence, Mike instructor Scott Boerma will be Wahlstrom, Jason Lilly, Terin directing the orchestra. Bridget in the Fuerst Auditorium at the Urick, Charlie Staab, Jim Benton, Barnes is the assistant production Andrew Nickols, John Kohl, Joe Blisko will be the technical direc-Loruss, Katie Copp, Danielle Franz, tor. Novi alumni Kristen Patee will Anne Fileta, Lizzie Greenberg, Mary be choreographing the musical, Laubacher, Katle Seller, Megan Sandra Main will be assisting Breedlove, Krystin Hoag, Katle Clinard during rehearsals, Norm Miller, Karen Winkelmann, Janet Norgren will be directing the lighting. There are two student direcsenior Jeannie Smith; Mr. Snow, Boueri, Kristen Sullivan, Teresa tors that are also involved in this

Ten chosen for Motorsports hall

(Sports Cars), the late air racer and drivers and non-drivers.

The tenth annual class of raise the total Hall of Fame mem-sports for at least 20 years. A panel inductees is as follows: four-time bership to 94 from a total of nine of historians, retired competitors, indy 500 winner Rick Mears (Open different categories. The categories | journalists, and prior inductees Wheel), pioneer NASCAR driver of eligibility are: Open Wheel voted for the final selections. Buck Baker (Stock Cars), drag rac- Racing, Stock Cars, Drag Racing, ing driver, builder and owner Sports Cars, Motorcycles, Ceremony will take place in Detroit Dyno" Don Nicholson (Drag Powerboats, Air Racing, Historic on Wednesday, June 3, at the his-Racing), the late CanAm and (pre World War I), as well as an At-toric State Theater. Formula One champ Denis Hulme Large category that includes both

Wittman (Air Racing), the late Hall of Fame is extended to any numerous racing and high perfor-Mercury outboard builder and person who has driven, piloted, mance vehicles. industrialist Carl Kiekhaefer owned, designed, built, supported, (Powerboats), 4-time AMA Grand maintained, prepared or promoted contact the Motorsports Hall of National Champion Carroll motorized vehicles in pursuit of Fame at 1-800-250-RACE. Resweber (Motorcycles), the late speed, distance or other records; or

Ten new Heroes of Horsepower - Indy car erew chief Clint Brawner - in racing, endurance, or other comhave been elected to join the (At-Large) and a pair of legendary petition. An inductee must have Motorsports Hall of Fame of indy car drivers. Tommy Milton been retired for at least three years America located at the Novi Expo – and Jimmy Murphy (Historic). — — or must have been engaged at the These ten new inductees will top level of his or her area of motor-

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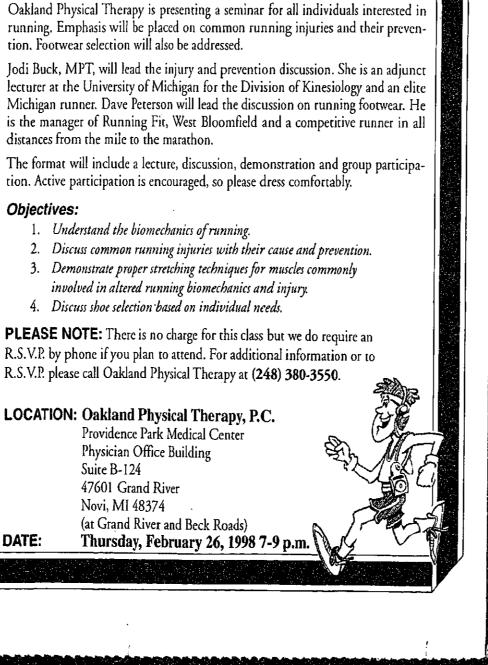


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Security's cause for alarm, family business proves

By JAN JEFFRES

Pinhole cameras in the celling. "It's kind of fun, it's "man traps," electronic scanning of hands and retinas, just what type kind of James Bond, of business is this family in?

Security Corporation's the name, security's the game and the field's come a long way since Northville resident Robert Holloway launched ing back and saying, do you his business in 1975. Before ven-remember when we were only \$10 turing out on his own, he was a banking equipment engineer working for the Mosler Safe Company, that makes bank vaults.

"At the time, we were doing the When I started out, that was a brand-new concept," he said. Now, things are really getting

Bond," said Jana Fetters, sales manager and Holloway's daughter. With crime rates escalating over the past 20 years, fear of terrorism growing and more cases of hostile employees or ex-employees attacking a place of business, the world's become more security-minded.

All of that hasn't hurt in expanding a business that designs, installs and monitors security systems. While Security Corporation deals mainly with commercial clients, such as banks, hospitals, post offices and the U.S. Federal vices to private homeowners.

The company now logs in \$10 million in annual sales. In all service transactions for 2,000 November, Security Corporation customers at 5,000 locations are moved from long-time Royal Oak digs into a new, 16,000-square-foot building on Roethel Drive in Novi. Security Corporation also has offices in Ohio and Indiana.

"Back when we were \$1 million

"We hope to continue growing. In accessed doors, can keep an

"It kind of fun; it's kind of James

Indiana. Alarms alert Security Corporation first and a staff mem-

Reserve, they also offer their ser- Two and all the activities are very well-recorded," Fetters said.

In Michigan, Ohio and Indiana monitored at the Novi site. The computers tell the staff how to react to each particular incident or emergency. Access to the room is available only by using a special card system and a generator is or \$1.5 million a year, I never available in the event of a power dreamed that we would end up this outage. A man trap, a small hall-

Security Corporation Sales Manager

million? Today, the firm employs 105

people, among them Holloway's sons Robert Holloway II, vice president of operations and Randal first automatic drive-throughs. Holloway, sales manager of a spinoff company, Safetell. The family moved to Northville in 1969, but Fetters has jumped the border and now lives in Novi.

What Holloway says they offer their clients is peace of mind, peace of mind they monitor from a 24hour a day, 365 days a year secured Central Station Alarm Monitoring Center at the Novi location. There, employees eveball computers that tell them if a fire has broken out or a robber has commenced a bank heist at locations in Michigan, Ohio and

ber then dials 9-1-1. "The police are notified we have a hold-up button from Teller Number

"Some of these we can't even mention because of the security. We'd be shot if we talked," Fetters In high security areas, where banks keep major cash deposits, security takes a Star Trek turn. way between two security-card

Lori Pearse completes a work order for one of 2,000-plus customers handled at the Security Corporation on Roethel Drive. "It's kind of a little bit gruesome. range from NBD, the U.S. Post. The hand print screening, makes

Office and the U.S. Federal Reserve Bank, Consumer Power, Ford pulse, since you cane take a hand Motor Company to Northville's Mill from someone," Holloway said. also installed security at a military employees have extremely long, curling false or natural fingernails, because the hand must lie flat to

be scanned, Fetters added. In the case of a robbery, police seek copies of the event caught on company will install systems for closed circuit TV cameras installed \$400 and up that will, besides pro-Hand scanners read an individual's by Security Corporation. That can tect a home from burglary, monitor you know you're protected. There's palm, but even more state-of-the-exciting, Fetters said, "to think a home's temperature, make sure a certain warmness. After awhile, art technology is moving towards your camera has pictures of that, the sump pump is working, and they won't go to a grocery store retinal scanning, Holloway said. A shots of a burglar on the FBI's detect flooding, smoke and carbon without turning it on," Holloway person's retina is believed to be most-wanted list."

even more individualized than their Security access systems also One problem with standard

make it easier for an employer to keep track of employees. "Access really does away with homeowners aren't home, they

to employees, you're giving them a With a professionally-installed syscard. If they leave the job, you don't tem, the control center is alerted. With current fashion trends, one care if they walk away with a plas-Holloway said. "It really helps to control the hos-

tile employee coming back." While home security isn't a major

focus for Security Corporation, the

smoke detectors, Holloway said, is sure you have a temperature and a keys. You're not passing out keys won't be there to hear the alarm.

"We've done historical homes trick in installing a hand scanner is the card. They take the employee's that being in Northville, you have making the system work when name out of the computer," to be careful you don't change the appearance, plus it's a bugger to run wires in a historical home, Fetters said. Her son Richie, now 10, could

already operate the family's home

Nominees sought for Jaycees' top service award

nominations for the 26th annual teer in the schools - the Novi in the community. Distinguished Service Award, the Jaycees want to know about it.

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Dr. James N. McGuire, Senior Pastor of the Ward Evangelical

Grand Sakwa to allow for the con
The major hallways are a full into additional classrooms and of trying to find a buyer for the Presbyterian Church, in the almost complete main sanctuary.

reduce the personal income tax to Senate Bill 317 on March 20, 1997.

Room with a pew

Ward Presbyterian Church can able to seat 1,500 faithful

Evangelical Presbyterian Church is more than just big. It's huge

size of the soon-to-be-opened parish is necessary for the number of programs the 4,200 members

want to participate in. "This is due to the simple fact that we have so many people who Northville Centre. The money Ward to allow two 18-wheel trucks to want to get active in our church made from the Grand Sakwa deal, pass side-by-side. but the space isn't there," McGuire coupled with bank loans and a

very beginning, McGuire said Ward - price tag of the facility, McGuire - larger sanctuary to be constructed Presbyterian began its search for a said. new loc ation in the mid-1980s est, but because of lack of meeting—airy theme to itself.

back then, and it's really tight

our church, but they drove around.

With those realities staring Ward's leadership in the face, the of Six Mile and Haggerty Roads. sold to Farmington Hills developer—which seats about 300.

Bill Bullard (R-15th District) and Bullard, vice chair of the Senate billion in savings to all taxpayers—the groundwork to further reduce—Committee.

Cassis, Bullard push for state income tax rate cut

"An across-the-board tax cut taxpayers.

his eighth annual State of the State rate of 4.4, percent, beginning in "The strong and healthy economy also already been introduced, of Michigan need more tax relief."

3.9 percent over five years was The bill would reduce the income benefits all taxpayers in the state; A companion bill - House Bill taxes, we can't rest on our laurels," cuts," Bullard said. "I look forward cudorsed by Gov. John Engler in tax over five years from its current it is not selective," Bullard said. 4710, sponsored by Cassis - has Cassis said. "The working families to being able to offer residents the

At 200,000 square feet, Ward "This was due to the simple fact that we have so many people who want to get active in our church, But Dr. James McGuire says the but the space isn't there."

on the building's south side.

"I get asked that question a lot,"

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membership capital funds drive, replaced in a few years. McGulre Going all the way back to the helped underwrite the \$47 million said future plans call for a new.

As for the design of the new • McGulre said that in terms of when membership at the church church McGuire said functionality fire and security construction, grams had trouble getting off the heavily that esthetics, though the building in all of Northville ground not because of lack of inter- interior carries a very open and Township. Special sensors built traffic would be spread out over

McGui erson taking a stroll fire. through the main corridors of the complex would end up walking 1.1 faiths are facing gradually declinentrances to the church should "There are people who tell me miles. It's a fact McGuire said he's ing membership numbers, Ward's also help to alleviate the gridlock, they would have loved to come to considered in more ways than one. Sunday head counts have shown as would the dual entrances from "A lot of residents like taking slow but steady growth. What's the both Six Mile and Haggerty. the parking lot for half an hour and walks at Indoor places like Laurel Park," he said. "I was thinking Ward's present location on about how nice it would be to open. McGuire said. "I think it has a lot

> The main sanctuary can seat smaller chapel on the building's Ward, the church leadership decid-

2000. The cut would result in \$3 Michigan is now experiencing lays Cassis sits on the House Tax Policy

taxes and pass along the savings to

said, have been located at nearby office space totally separate from the main church location.

The interior of the church is

comprised mostly of a dark sandy colored brick and cream-colored walls. A gray-blue carpeting adorned with dark blue and naroon squares covers the ground, Where many churches decorate their windows with stained glass. McGuire said the building designers and architect favored going with heavily tinted standard glass, reserving colored glass for a very small number of areas.

Not everyone living near the prospects of Sunday morning traffie near the church. McGuire said was becoming so big that new pro- and purpose was considered more. Ward may be the single safest, he expected some amount of congestion, but pointed out that the into the church help funnel fresh three services at 8:30, 10, and Just how big is the church? air to the building in the event of a 11:30 a.m.

> Furthermore, McGuire said the In a day and age when many widening of roads near the

The church has even gone so far as to look at installation of a traffic signal, but that idea requires the Farmington Road in Livonia is up the building for exercise walk- to do — genuinely — with a cominvolvement of Northville Township mitment to our families and neigh- authorities as well as Wayne County officials.

"I am proud of the fact that I was

Teen center grant wins EGEROPOSAL cautious city approval

accused of not caring about kids, Novi City Council members were dle-school kids at places such as council wasn't given all the backreluctant last week to commit tax. The Soccer Zone, the historic Novi - up material. money to what could ultimately. Township Hall and another locabecome a \$375,000 per year after—tion in the north end. school program for local middle-

On the other hand, with the program from the sixth grade to rake in \$232,000 in federal grant grant in November. money. The grant, proposed by the Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer federal funds. Communities That Care Coalition, warned that in future years, the \$142,000 matching share from the - the city would need to pick up the - their middle-schoolers. eity, \$86,000 of that cash and the slack. By the fourth year, no more "It's wonderful. The problem is it—and the city will be on its own.

rosts a whole lot of money," Council Member Bob Schmid said. This will escalate year after year. Shaeffer said. The program would Kathy Mutch said. It will take a lot of guts for someone target middle-school kids to sway sitting on the council to say, this is—them from destructive behavior. a good program but then propose to discontinue it because it's they want a place to be with their no alternative."

The upshot is that the council people to come in because it will be member Father Leslie Harding of agreed to seek the federal money, open to all kids who live in the City Church of the Holy Cross, told the with the understanding that Novi of Novi," said Beth Belter, program council. may ultimately decline to except coordinator. the cash. Communities That Care equivalent to an annual tax levy of been done by volunteers," he said.

Coalition is to return to the council 0.25 mills, City Manager Edward with a business plan for the project - Kriewall said. The city has one-mill and a list of other similar services - left to levy for its general fund, but available for local kids. CTC Coalition, a group of leaders - rate could have a negative impact

from all segments of the Novi com- on the Novi's bond rating, he munity, aims to reduce juvenile added. behavior problems through a two- "The long-range cost is very, very part approach. The target group is stiff and we have some concerns sixth, seventh and eighth graders, with that," Kriewall said.

Kids to design billboard

more details, especially about a While they didn't want to be The first proposal is to offer business plan. Shaeffer said the after-school recreation to all mid-plan is already in place, but the

CTC Coalition's second proposal a tactical error," said Mayor is to extend the DARE anti-drug. Kathleen McLallen.

West Bloomfield and Farmington can only be leveraged by a federal grant would decrease and. Hills offer a similar program to

> federal money will be forthcoming sitting on street corners under the Novi kids use drugs at a rate school and function as a normal higher than the national average, human being," Council Member

"It still has a lot of work to be The cost of the program would be done. A lot of work has already

"We are the seven stewards of the city's money. That might have been

Council Member Laura Lorenzo grant deadline days away, they did- include the eighth and ninth grade. suggested the issue could be taken n't want to say no to the chance to The coalition first applied for the to the voters after the program faced the second year reduction in

influence of drugs, unable to go to

"The problem in Novi is too many children going unsupervised for "They want a place to hang out, long periods of time when there's friends. We will not charge these It's an excellent program, CTC

school program for middleschool children, to help steer them away from drug use and other behaviour problems.

> Federal funds of \$232,700 would pay for: One full-time supervisor, \$51,500.

■ The Communities That Care

 Three part-time site supervisors, \$38,800. Twelve part-time recreation aides, \$46,500. Parent training, \$3,000. Computer equipment,

\$10,000. Bus transportation, \$10,800. Supplies, \$12,000. Lease of facilities, \$59,600. Local contributions of \$142,788 (including donated use of township hall and

school consultants) would One more city DARE officer, Lease of facilities, \$39,800.

School consultants, \$17,000.

Obituaries

Coalition is proposal to create JOSEPHINE KRIZANIC a \$375,000 per annum after died Feb. 10, at Novi Care Center.

> She was born Aug. 6, 1911. Ms. Krizanic was survived by her brother, Edward Hutman of DEAN WHITE Wixom; and several nieces and

Service was held on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home, Interment was in Oakland Hills Cemetery, and Agnes (Graham) White.

died Feb. 12, at Huron Valley American Legion Post 235. He was Hospital. He was 64. Mr. Preville was born May 26, 1933. Mr. Preville was a veteran. He

Farmington Elks and the Telephone Pioneers. He is survived by his wife, Carol; sons, Timothy and Mark; stepchildren, Lynn Polisano and Robert and Christopher Schafer; sisters, Shirley Monforton and Patricia

Ulivi; and nine grandchildren. Services were held on Monday, Feb. 16, at O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi.

Association of Michigan, 18860 W. Josephine Krizanic, 86, of Wixom Ten Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48075-2689 would be appreclated.

Dean White of South Lyon, formerly of Northville, died at his residence on Feb. 8, at the age of 72. He was born March 24, 1925, in Floyd County, Va., to Milford Lanie

Before retiring in 1986, Mr. White served for 39 years as a track inspector for CSX Railroad. His memberships included Donald F. Preville of Walled Lake Northville V.F.W. Post and Brighton an Army veteran of World War II. Mr. White is survived by his wife,

Evelyn G., whom he married in was employed with Michigan Bell September 1989, in Toledo, Ohio; for a total of 41 years, 20 of which son, James D. (JoAnn) of was with the Yellow Pages. Mr. Northville; daughter, Leigh K. (Pat) Preville was a member of the Durkin of Oxford; step son, Glenn (Kim) Klocke of Novi; sister, Thay, Bonnell of Howell; six grandchildren and one great grandchild. Mr. White was preceded in death by his first wife, Emogene White, in

December 1985. Services were held on Thursday Feb. 12, at MacDonald's Funeral Home with Dr. Gary Bruland of First Baptist Church of Howell officiating. Interment was in Lakeview Memorials to the American Lung Cemetery, Howell.

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Reaching Out To The People Of Our Community

One of the areas of church memchurch's building committee began around 1,500 members. But since bership that has seen particularly is hoping to acquire its occupancy a search for a new location. About many other church ceremonies big growth McGuire said, is the 135 acres of land were eventually (weddings, funerals, etc.) don't youth programs. With well over service taking place March 29. purchased at the northwest corner have that many people attending, a 2,000 young people attending That, McGuire said, assumes all

office space at its present location church leaders are in the process struction of the recently-opened 36 feet wide. That's enough space meeting rooms for youth programs. Livenia church location.

cut taxes 24 times.

for non-smoking campaign The Oakland Tobacco Reduction New this year, the Coalition has necessary building inspections are Action Coalition announces its added a contest for Oakland But a portion of that land was west side has been constructed, ed to convert the already-cramped approved. McGuire said Ward's third annual billboard contest for County third, fourth and fifth

discourage teens who do smoke to March 13. played on four roadside billboards obtain entry forms, call Kathleen in Oakland County. Additional Altman (248) 424-7125 or Michelle

Oakland County middle schoolers. graders. "The Breathe Easy" place-Sixth, seventh and eighth graders mat contest asks kids for their are invited to submit entries of billideas promoting the theme "Kids board messages that discourage Need Clean Air...Don't Smoke Near teens from starting to smoke or Us." The deadline for entries is quit. The winner's entry will be dis-

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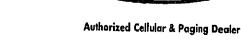
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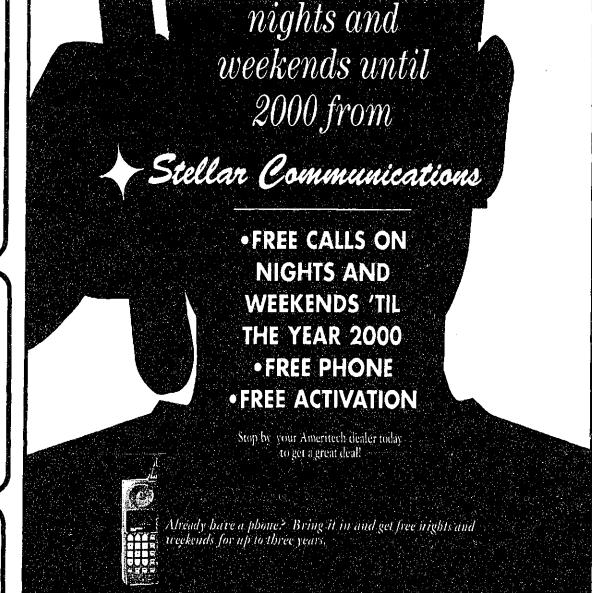
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City considers major rezoning for R & D firms

an ordinance to bring high techordinance where their hopes are," city consultants. The

"We need to take some sort of action," Weddington said at a Feb. increases from an estimated 4,600 4 commission meeting. "The devel-residential trips in a 24 hour periopinient community is anxious to od to 27,800 under OST, would be see if the City of Novi Is serious more easily handled by M-5, traffic

ignation and zoning specification to

Under an OST zoning classifica- those opportunities."

More than a year after creating vices is the lowest of all land uses.

as said by Planning Commission between M-5 and Haggerty Road is Their hopes are in the M-5 because it is largely undeveloped, Haggerty Connector corridor will have high visibility and will be between Twelve and Fourteen Mile separated from residential property by the new roadway.

The additional traffic, which consultant Rod Arroyo said. In The Novl City Council and plan- addition. Thirteen and Fourteen hing commission decided in a joint. Mile roads would need to be

The only real obstacle is the large number of woodland and wetland Capello's industrial/office park on wildlife habitats, according to

long pursued the "Office Service" want to move ahead and capture type of development," said City

tion expensive computer equip- "I think we're headed in the right ment and other technology can be direction," said City Manager Ed counted as inventory and taxed Kriewall. "More developers in the along with property taxes, accord- past 2-3 weeks have called spurred ing to city consultant Brandon on by the OST zoning. They claim Rogers. Although the numbers can there's a scarcity of sites. There's a fluctuate from year to year, count- lot of opportunity out here if we get

Outdoorama hits Novi Expo Center

Michigan boasts more recre- be something for everyone. ational activities than any other state, and the 25th annual

At the ten day sport and travel mals around their abode. show nearly 400 exhibits will fea- And during Kid's Night, children ture the latest in fishing, hunting—can fish in a trout pond sponsored Representatives from conservation clubs and travel and outfitting des- Bear. tinations from throughout North

The event will be ushered in Feb. 20 by a bluegrass festival with four the Children's Home of Detroit Midwest bluegrass bands perform-

Later, families will get the chance—though there are none in the area. to see live Wolverine exhibits, witness a lumberlack spectacular and are expected to visit Outdoorama meet local rocker Ted Nugent who's with the weekends being the busi-

The event is sponsored by the Feb. 20 through Sunday March 1. non-profit Michigan United Conservation Clubs, with the pur- and \$3 for children 12 and under.

resources and kind of promote it if \$5 for children. Soczek, spokesman for the MUCC at Novi Rd. and I-96. said. "The show's focus has an educational theme. It's basically hours call 347-3000. Outdoorama the only venue where you will find the Michigan Department of Fish and Wildlife Services under the same roof, both promoting the

and outdoor safety. According to Soczek, Michigan is state has more registered boats, p.m. issues more hunting and fishing homes than any other state. Due to the outdoor opportunities that shortage of guides, vendors and

John Bueter, owner of Bueter's Öntdoors at 120 E. Main in downtown Northville will be there iémonstrating fly tying at a booth sponsored by the Department of Yatural Resources and the and the pros and cons of feeding Michigan United Conservation wildlife

§"Any young person that wants to learn how to lie a fly, come on out. [till be a good opportunity," Bueter said. "It's an absolute ball. Every time we can pass the joy of the sport on, it's just a great time." ueter said he has enjoyed visit-

years that he has participated in event. Ideas for many of the are generated at Outdoorama. "What I am interested in is the

guides, the locations, the places dvertised," Bueter said. "And wapping fish stories with guys

a perfect place, say consultants,

Grand River Avenue. A site plan Linda Lemke, city environmental

and Technology" master plan des- the high tech market while it's hot. number of contacts regarding this I am anxious to see OST on map Planning Director Jim Wall. "The and being used," said Weddington. City of Farmington Hills has been "It has fremendous potential to popular for quite a number of diversify tax base and bring in high—years, but their development sites

present "An Evening of Backyard

for prizes in the wildlife challenge

will explain why Michigan is Soczek said over 100,000 people

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public to Michigan's natural able, priced at \$10 for adults and

The Novi Expo Center is located For more information and exact highlights include:

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The Lumberjack Spectacular Award-winning lumberjacks will show off their timbering skills, including log rolling, ax throwing Saturday, Feb. 28 I & 7 p.m.

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Monday, Feb. 23, 4 p.m.

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1,630 ACRES OF ZONING CHANGES PROPOSED FOR NOVI

The Novi Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on April 1 at 7:30 p.m. to discuss changing the 680 acres between M-5 and Haggerty Road north of Twelve Mile Road, master planned for Residential Agricultural, to Office Service Technology. Other study eyed for change are:

Approximately 300 acres bounded by Twelve Mile Road, M-5, I-96 and Twelve Oaks Mall.

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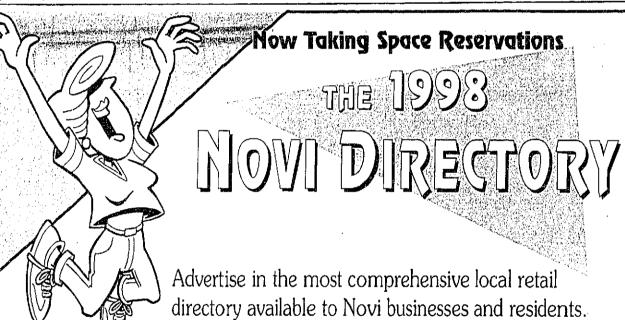
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Expo Center traffic jam spurs city concern

Wirkus said he believed the traffic Jams on Novi Road resulting from Expo Center shows are hurting the city, driving people away. He said he would like to go to other Expo Center events, but was afraid to, and he wondered how many others will avoid Novi as a result of the traffic lams

City officials, however, aren't in a

"It's really two days a year there's a problem," said Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall, "None of the other shows have an impact."

Nevertheless, Kriewall said, traffle consultants are addressing complaints from residents. The city has invited consultants and the county road commission to attend

a meeting to discuss the issues. "We're going to look at making some possible changes either redirecting traffic or maybe even closing Novi Road from Grand River north to Crescent Drive during the Spring Home & Garden Show in need to do something, if only for traffic from shoppers than from Into the lots."

organizers say they draw an esti- Christmas shopping season. mated 200,000 partiers for the five

Expo Center lets out," Khoury blocked there's nowhere to go." lot for us here. Overall it's a post-cerned about the traffic flow and southward to Grand River. The area for future shows, he said.

being in the Town Center area. Novi Expo Center. There are only River under the city's road plan. lem," said Kriewall. way commercial and retail is cen- to the traffic volumes in the Town approved by voters last year and tions in general with the installatraffic is the expected result. In improvements in the last five years next year. Kriewall said the money said, "You roll through there pretty said

Ring road may solve congestion woes

Some day, New Orleans may not be the only Crescent City.

loop around its bustling and still by the Country Epicure. under development downtown.

Last week, the Novi City Council River Avenue. made a formal offer of \$400,000 for the business site, with an addithe rights of way from the in the southeast section. tional \$32,560 for the trade fix- Wyndham Garden Hotel to the tures if moved by the owner or Country Epicure.

January," Kriewall explained, "We fact, said Kriewall, there is more to process vehicles and get them to connect the Town Center road good,"

Expo show-goers. Novi Fire Chief Art Lenaghan parking help, but not enough. He is Association of Southeastern said traffic is a problem for the working to pave the way for more traffic heading into the Town run shuttles to off-site parking lots Michigan estimates 50,000 people department throughout the city, parking and may consider a park- Center or going eastbound on to alleviate congestion during heavaltended the four day show. As a but mostly in the Novi Road area ing structure. When the Expo Grand River, he said. comparison, the Novi 50s Festival during Expo Shows and the Center first opened, the amount of

Bill Khoury, manager of Grady's response, time becomes a big fac-change things. Center, sees the traffic in mostly a problem," he explained, "We usual-to finish the ring road around the grant.

But the city is also moving this project in a future road bond- grant was \$384,000 from the city ahead with the section that will ling program," Kriewall wrote. and \$200,000 from Novi Novi is busy acquiring rights-of- run through the northeast quad- "The necessity for this project Industries/Progressive Tool, as way for extending Crescent rant of Grand River Avenue and will be very apparent in the years well as rights-of-way from adja-Boulevard, a ring road that will. Novi Road, exiting to Grand River—ahead as we will be able to divert—cent businesses.

In a recent report to the Novi Road intersection that is headed will from the Novi Expo Center to Currently, negotiations contin- City Council, City Manager Ed. for southeast Novi." ie with Thompson Glass, needed - Kriewall said that Novi is continuby the city to complete the \$1.51 ing to "press" the Trammel Crow been working with the city on the money will running a bridge over million stretch in the northwest. Corporation for the right of way negotiations with the Dallas-based the Rouge River, something for quadrant, which will be construct—needed to bring the northeast seg—Crow Investment Trust. ed with voter-approved road bond ment of the ring road from Crescent Boulevard to Grand Novi's proposed downtown at grant money.

The city already assembled all Grand River Avenue to Novi Road

Bowman said shuttles to off site election in a couple years. "Any delay in response especially underestimated. That's why the Grand River, it is going to make ment" complex and Twelve Oaks to a medical emergency or fire facility is working with the city to quite a difference," Kriewall said. Mall officials are working together

"Obviously we, too, are con- Center is set to wind east and the cops out of the Expo Center. Show be extended so the crowds congestion within the city," said entrance road to the Expo Center "It's not like the city isn't doing period of time, but with no luck.

will be part of an upcoming bond

traffic from the Grand River/Novi

Main Street, which connects

Even Main Street siphons off "We really think when Novi Road Kriewall said that developers of parking needed may have been is widened between Ten Mile and the proposed Galleria "centertain-

But that will be two to three years to solve traffic issues in the area. American Grill in the Novi Town for. Any time delay can create a Kriewall said once the city plan off while the city walts on a federal especially on Twelve Mile Road positive light, gaining customers by end up going into an oncoming town center area is complete, much in response to concerns that accommodate traffic from Novi lane, that's really all you can do. of the congestion should be allevi-police direction of traffic may have. Road west: "We get a lot of fdiners) after the The problem is with both lanes ated. The road in front of the fouled up the computerized Fast- Kriewall said the city's also Wyndam Hotel in the Novi Town TRAC system, the city may keep requested the Home & Garden

He added traffic is just part of Blair Bowman, president of the will cut west and south to Grand anything to deal with this prob-Kriewall agreed and said with the certain times we contribute heavily. The Expo Center drive money was "We have improved traffic condition the Home & Garden Show.

"It's a popular show, people are tered in that section of the city. Center. We've made a lot of the project should be completed tion of the Fast-TRAC," Kriewall coming out of the woodwork," he MORE TO COME

Upcoming development in the Novi Road/l-96 area that could add traffic to already congested

 Society Hill, a 10-building. 301-unit apartment complex on 34 acres of property at the corne of Twelve Mite and NovI roads. The luxury apartment project is designed to resemble the Saddle Creek complex at Novi and Ten Mile roads, with tall, stacked buildings with studio- to four-bed-

. To the west is a concept proposed by Biltmore Properties. Approved for a rezoning, the development company would be able to build an estimated 191unit condominium complex on 32 acres along Twelve Mile Road just west of Novi Road. The long, narrow property was zoned for large lot homes but master planned for multiple housing and office use.

 Main Street Novi is now under construction at Grand River Avenue and Novi Road, It's Novi's concept of a new "old downlown." The \$50 million project will offer approximately 600,000 square feet of retail, office and restaurant space. An adjacent Main Street Village Aparlment community is nearly finished.

· Marriott Hotels - A four-story Courtyard by Marriott and two three-story TownePlace Suites buildings by Marriott are set to go next to the Town Center. The site encompasses approximately 15 acres north of Eleven Mile Road and includes more than 200

· West Oaks Galleria, a 676,885-square-foot centertainment complex with a multiplex movie theater and five restaurants, is proposed for 70 acres west of the West Oaks I and II shopping centers. If built, after Twelve Oaks, it would be the second biggest mail-type develop-

St. Joseph-Mercy eyes Novi for new medical center St. Joseph-Mercy, unlike Sinat, "It's exciting for us with the tion, which will aid administrators" Because St. Joseph Mercy wants. Novi community development spe-

nostics and a pharmacy. The target "Our strategic vision is to be a this time is a childbirth center at Oakland County."

leading regional health care deliv- the site. ery system and emphasizes growth our system, particularly in communities that have indicated a strong hour stays. interest in using the high-quality, compassionate services we pro-

Joseph Mercy Health System.

Media Relations Manager Margo Burrage said.

vide," said Garry Faja, CEO of St. Pediatric Urgent Care facility on Faja said. Twelve Mile Road, had been site available at the site, at this point, years, Burrage said.

Mercy Health Services will build While additional land will be searching in Novi for about five offices, to include conference and

care services.

The non-profit health care corpo- County to expand Mercy Health Planning Consultant Brandon ates 35 hospitals in Michigan and Sinal's three-phase plan for Novt ration has had a marketing firm Services' coverage area and Rogers said. and the need to increase access to culminated with a short-stay 200-conduct research locally, which increase access to our system," bed hospital facility for 24- to 72- found that Novi residents would be Faja added. likely to use a St. Joseph Mercy "The medical staff has indicated" planning staff, the corporation has McPherson Hospital in Howell.

which already operates the Novi of the Ann Arbor hospital high, ' network."

care; doctor's offices; and affiliated has no plans for a 24-hour growth in the Novi area, with the in building relationships between to construct three, three-story cialist Khanh Pham said. operations such laboratory, diag- overnight facility in Novi, said new population moving in," corporate employees and health buildings, the hospital is expected date for completion is spring 2000. Burrage. Also not in the eards at "We are really excited to work in "We are excited about working Office Service-2 category, which

St. Joseph Mercy Health System, facility and ranked the reputation strong interest in expanding our not yet submitted a request for

to come in for a rezoning to the vet," he added. with communities in Oakland would permit the building height, tal, the health care system oper-

The best advice he can give is to

Novi Road past Progressive Tool,

which the state Department of

The city seeks court condemna-

tion to acquire road rights-of-way

from the Expo Center/Addell

For it's part, the Expo Center will

trying to find solutions.

ilv attended shows.

Thompson Brown Realtors has to Grand River Avenue. The bond

One portion of the ring road is Transportation wouldn't cough up

To the northwest, along with the Family Children's Trust.

discussed its goals with Novi's Community rezoning or a site plan to the city. ed to this story.

 Along with the Ann Arbor hospi-Iowa, including St. Joseph Mercy Although St. Joseph Mercy has Hospital in Pontiac, Saline Wendy Pierman Mitzel contribut-



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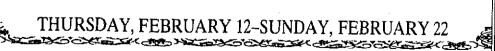
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There will be a Public Information Meeting on Thursday, February 19, 1998 a 7:00 p.m. for the Nine Mile — Novi Road Intersection. The meeting will be held a the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, in Council Chambers. The public s invited to attend this meeting to discuss questions and/or concerns with this pro

(2-19-98 NR/NN 819915)

CITY OF NOVI

There will be a Public Information Meeting on Thursday, February 26, 1998 a 7:30 p.m. for the Willowbrook Subdivision No. 2 — Rear Yard Drainage Project. The meeting will be held at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, in Conferance Room 8. The public is invited to attend this meeting to discuss question (2-19-98 NR/NN 819920)

CITY OF NOVI

There will be a Public Information Meeting on Tuesday, February 24, 1998 a 6:00 p.m. for the Meadowbrook Road Paving Project. The meeting will be held at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, in Activities Room. The public is invit ed to attend this meeting to discuss questions and/or concerns with this project. Th purpose of this meeting is to discuss Final Plans and proposed paying of Meadov brook Road from Twelve Mile Road North to Thirteen Mile Road (2-19-98 NR/NN 819913)

CITY OF NOVI

CHANGES ARE MADE IN DETERMINATIONS OF THE CITY OF NOVI, OAK AND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BASE (1% ANNUAL CHANCE) FLOOD ELEVA-TIONS AND ZONE DESIGNATIONS UNDER THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSUR ANCE PROGRAM

On May 3, 1993, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) identi fied Special Flood Hazard Areas in the City of Novi, Michigan, through issuance of a Flood Insurance Bate Map.

The Associate Director for Mitigation, has determined elevations and zone des ignations of the flood having a one-percent chance of occurrence in any given year (base flood) for additional locations in the City of Novi. The base flood elevations and zone designations amend the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map for the community. This modification to the effective Flood Insurance Rate Map reflects new hydro logic and hydraulic analyses and more detailed and up-to-date information for Sha Creek than that used to prepare the May 3, 1993 Flood insurance Rate Map for the City of Novi. As a result, a base flood elevation and flood hazard designation (Zon-

AE) have been added to the Flood Insurance Rate Mao in the area between Inter state 96 and Grand River Avenue. The proposed base flood elevations for Shaw Creek are as follows: Base Flood Elevations (NGVD) 1 **Effective** Revised Location Just upstream of Interstate 96

ust downstream of Grand River Avenue Elevation in feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum The changes are made pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protect ion. Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234), and are in accordance with the National Floor Insurance Act of 1968, as amended. (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448) 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CRF Part 65. Under the above-mentioned Acts of 1968 and 1973, the Associate Director for

nity to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program, the community will be using the new base flood elevations and zone designations to administer the floodplain management measures of the National Flood Insurance Program. These base flood elevations and zone designations will also be used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents. Upon the second publication of notice of these changes in this paper, any per son has 90 days in which he can request through the Chief Executive Officer of the

ditigation, must develop criteria for floodplain management. In order for the commu-

community that the Associate Director for Mitigation reconsider the determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on knowledge of changed conditions new scientific or technical data. All interested parties are on notice that until the 90-day period elapses, the Associate Director's determination to modify the base flood elevations and zone designations may itself be changed. Any person having knowledge or wishing to comment on these changes should nmediately notify:

The Honorable Kathleen McLallen

Mayor of the City of Novi 45175 West 10 Mile Road. (2-12-98 819031 NR/NN) Novi, Michigan 48375-3024

CITY OF NOVI

There will be a Public Information Meeting on Thursday, February 26, 1998 a 7:00 p.m. for the Nine Mile — Beck Road Intersection. The meeting will be held a the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, in Conference Room B. The pub fic is invited to attend this meeting to discuss questions and/or concerns with th project. (2-19-98 NR/NN 819918)

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 98-45.26**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 98-45.26. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF SURDIVISION CONTAINED WITHIN SECTION 2.00 ORDINANCE NO. 77-45, AS AMENDED

THE CITY OF NOVI SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE. The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, February 9 1998. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection a the office of the City Clerk during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing

TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION

ORDINANCE NO. 98-28.36

(2-19-98 NR/NN 819908)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 98-28.36, AN ORDINANCE TO ADD SUBDIVISION XXII TO DIVISION 3 OF ARTICLE III OF CHAPTER 34 OF THE NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO CRE-ATE A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT CHARGE FOR SANITARY SEWER IMPROVE-MENTS CONSTRUCTED WITH THE BECKENHAM ESTATES SUBDIVISION

AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 98-28.35. The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective filteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, February 9 1998. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing (2-19-98 NR/NN 819903) TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF NOVI COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT: Please Take Notice that the Board of Education of Novi Community School Disrict, Oakland County, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in the school district on Saturday, March 28, 1998. TAKE NOTICE that the following proposition(s) will be submitted at the special

BONDING PROPOSAL Shall Novi Community School District, Oakland County, Michigan, borrow ne sum of not to exceed Seventeen Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$17.300,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of erecting, furnishing and equipping a new elementary school and constructing, equipping, developing and/or improving elementary schoo playgrounds, outdoor physical education/athletic facilities, fields and struc-

tures, and developing and improving sites? THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE LIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 1998, IS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1998, PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON THURSDAY FEBRU ARY 26, 1998, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL BOND ELEC

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office or your county, city or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' office: are open for registration This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Novi Community

School District, Oakland County, Michigan, CAROL ELFRING (2-12-19 -98 NN 819023) SECRETARY, BOARD OF EDUCATION



for Dads, daughters on Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is always special in Novi, it's when the Parks and Recreation Department hosts the annual Daddy-Daughter Dance, Above, a Dad and his dates arrive at the Civic Center, At left, daughters leave Dad behind for a moment to join in the Locomotion, Lower left, Dads and daughters share a special song. Below, some daughters have eves only for their Dads, but Brianna Blossfeld, 4, has an eye on some nachos, too.



PHOTOS BY HAL GOULD

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 98-162

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance 98-162, AN ORDINANCE TO ADD ARTICLE VII TO CHAPTER 7 OF THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROHIBIT PORTABLE TOILETS ON LAND ZONED RESIDENTIAL EXCEPT WHEN USED ON A CONSTRUCTION SITE, PUBLIC PARK OR SCHOOL FACILITY OR PURSUANT TO A PERMIT.

The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after it adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, FEBRUARY 1998. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing

(2-19-98 NR/NN 819921) TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 98-125.11**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinanc Jo 98-125 11 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "BUILDING AREA" CONTAINED WITHIN SECTION 37-2 OF THE NOVI CODE OF ORDI NANCES, AND TO AMEND SUBSECTIONS 37-8(b), 37-8(c), 37-9(a), 37-26(c AND 37-30(e). OF SAID ORDINANCE, TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF TREES AND WOODLANDS USE PERMITS.

The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after it adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday. February 9 1998. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing local time. (2-19-98 NR/NN 819905) TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 98-112.01**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance 2. 98-112.01, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 34-127 OF THE NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, AND TO DELETE SECTIONS 34-150, 34-151, 34-151 AND 34-153 OF SAID CODE, TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR MANDA TORY CONNECTION TO THE CITY OF NOVI SANITARY DISPOSAL SYSTEM. The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, February 9 1998. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing (2-19-98 NR/NN 819899) TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

NOTICE -- CITY OF NOVI **REQUEST FOR BIDS**

SOFTBALLS The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for the Softballs according to the specications of the City of Novi. Bid packages are available at the Office of the Purchas-

Bids will be received until 3:00 P.M., prevailing easiern time, March 04, 1998, a hich time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be addressed as follows:

CITY OF NOVI CAROL J. KALINOVIK, PURCHASING DIRECTOR 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd.,

Novi MI 48375-3024 All bids must be signed by a legally authorized agent of the bidding firm. ENVELOPES MUST BE PLAINLY MARKED AND MUST BEAR THE NAME OF THE BIDDER.

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(2-19-98 NR, NN 819911)

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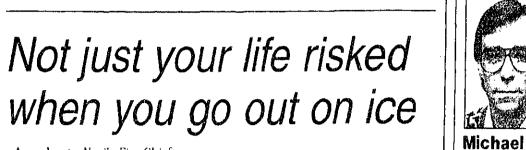
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mended that people should just stay off

"Don't go on the ice. It can't possibly be sale," Art Lenaghan said.

Since then, the temperature has barely dipped below freezing. There have been days in the 40s, and rain has further contributed to the thaw to the point that by the weekend there may be no ice left.

on Walled Lake. (Cycles use heavily to put it to the test in real life. studded tires to gain traction on the poke a lot of holes in it.)

You may be willing to take the risk to pursue your favorite wintertime sport, but what you need to realize is that you are really risking a lot of other lives as nothing against winter sports. They are well, like those of the firefighters and great fun. They are great way to stay police who will be called when you fall active during the colder months. in, like the innocent but well-intenthe professionals arrive.

Even if they let you drown, some poor



Government

The Novi Fire Department has invest-Yet in the past week, we've witnessed ed this year in new equipments, boats ice fishermen braving the warm to pur- and floatation devices, and it has sue their catch on area waters. Some trained to get better at ice rescue take kids with them. We've spotted efforts. That's great and we applaud the fresh snowmobile tracks out there, department's efforts. But we see no We've even spotted motorcycles racing good reason why anyone should rush

There ought to be a law that says ice, so the sport of ice racing has some- when silliness results in a need for times been described as being like rid- attention from emergency personnel. ing a pair of circular saw blades. It the person saved should pay for the seems a bit silly to go out on thin ice cost of the rescue operation. There riding a device specifically designed to should be, but it probably isn't possible to define "gross stupidity" in a manner sufficient to hold up in court.

And since there isn't, common sense should be the order of the day. We have

But the weather has been unseasontioned bystanders who may make a ably warm most of the winter so far. valiant attempt to pull you out before And if it is not enough for enthusiasts to use caution and care to protect their own lives, they should at least be courdiver is going to have to take a lot of teous enough not to make extra work unnecessary risks to jump into the for the folks assigned to the job of near freezing waters to pull your body plucking them out of the water should

Time to look for volunteers to honor in Jaycees' DSA

efforts on behalf of the community.

honors breakfast March 14. The deadline for nominations is Feb. 27.

the spirit of volunteerism in Novi and boost the sense of community than most other programs combined. The Novi Jaycees deserve a lot of credit for this function and their continuing But just being nominated is in itself

But they can't do a thing without So look around. See if you can find success of this program.

city has to offer. The list of past win- award.

It rolls around only once a year, and ners includes folks like last year's winthe time is now to honor some hard ner Tom Marcus, Pam Superfiskey, working local activist for his or her Gerry Stipp, Rob Mitzel, Robert J. Pfeiffer, Kathy Mutch, Margaret The Novi Jayeees are taking nomina- Schmidt, Victor Cassis, Charles tions for the 26th annual Distinguished Kureth, Patricia Gilberg, Rev. Leslie Service Award, to be handed out in its Harding, Ernest Aruffo, Dr. Terry Neilson, Joseph Toth, Joseph Brett, Diana Canup, Carol Anne Donnelly. This award has done more to spur Jeanne Clarke, Rev. Karl Ziegler, Gilbert Henderson, Kathy Crawford, Don Grevengood, Richard Faulkner, Don and Laureen Burch and J. Fred

efforts to support community involve- an honor. It places one among an elite class of citizen activists in the city.

input. Nominations are the key to the someone whose efforts haven't been recognized, but should have been. See Of course, winning the award is great—if you can spot the person who deserves honor. And the list of names of past this year's DSA, and then fill out a form DSA winners represents the best this to nominate them this prestigious

Handicap patrol is sweet revenge against violators

empowered retirees to go out and write up to \$100.

handicapped parking spaces. a handicapped space. And with that, this law seriously.

Sweet revenge! Novi police have violators can get tickets costing them

tickets to those who illegally park in It certain satisfies our sense of justice to see retirees writing up these tickets, The members of the Novi Police instead of having to put up with the Handicapped Patrol are trained, then- occasional smirk they get from ableare expected to submitted photographs bodied lawbreakers. But most of all, it of the scofflaw's car illegally occupying is nice to the city taking enforcement of

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Editorial Distinction. Why? Because they are the NNA and SNA awards every year. We often bring back MPA

But there is only one JOY award is handed out every year, only one YAED. And newsies who have failed to make pulled in some of those NNA and SNA honors, not to mention plenty of MPA plagues.

So when The Novi News and The Northville Record swept the HomeTown employee appreciation dinner Thursday. Feb. 12. I thought it was really something to crow about. The Yearly Award of Editorial Distinction went to Wendy Pierman Mitzel and Bob Jackson for a project they put ogether called "Child's Play?: Despite safeguards, accidents do happen." The article examined accidents in the Northville and Novi school districts, based on the incident reports that district officials must fill out whenever someone is injured on school property.

The piece was not what you'd call an expose, since Bob and Wendy learned that the school districts work hard to keep their facilities safe and generally respond promptly when there is a problem. Despite the best intentions, they

What is the most coveted award — found out that a child gets injured almost every day in the in journalism? No, not a National districts, about 10 percent badly enough to need medical Newspaper Association award. attention, Classrooms can be the most dangerous place, surprisingly, due to equipment failures and because of stu-Association—award. No, not—dents hurting each other, especially at the younger ages. And we learned that playgrounds and athletic fields are another high producer of student inhuries.

It was, frankly, the kind of piece every community newspaper should do on a periodic basis, to check up on the accident rates in the school system to see how safe kids are while they are entrusted to the care of local educators.

Then Bob Jackson was named the Journalist of the Year. Jackson, if you know him (and who in Northville docsn't) is very active in the community. That's what the JOY award is based on, community involvement. Giving out the award, Executive Editor Phil Jerome explained how impressed he oughest to get. HomeTown reporters rake in a handful of —was when he found Jackson and his wife sitting on a bench in downtown Northville on a Sunday afternoon, chatting with whomever was passing by at the time, just getting to know folks in town. Of course, for a very long time, that wasn't uncommon. Many mornings when I was coming into it even to finalist status for our own company awards have—the office, I'd spot Bob hanging around on the street corner, drinking a cup of coffee and chatting with folks who

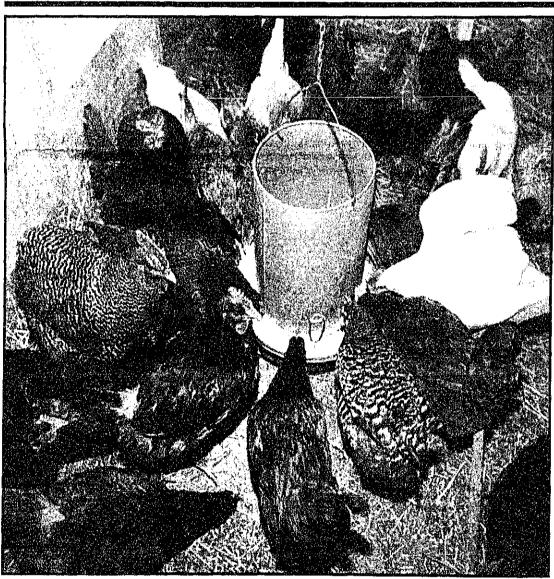
 Jackson's community involvement goes way beyond that, those top awards this year when they were handed out at He seems to be everywhere in town and know just about everyone. He so often frequents one local restaurant that they've given him his own booth. And the thing I most admire him for is that he once offered himself up as the target in a dunking tank at a town festival as part of a local

> In any case, Wendy and Bob have worked hard for it. They deserve those awards. I'm just glad to see they have been recognized for their efforts. Congratulations to them

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In Focus

By John Heider



Chow time

eagerly take to their feed recently

Poll lends some interesting facts



We'll be running a total of three After looking at enough misspelled names in one sitting, Awards, which will be followed by There is a prize awarded to a per- while others included the restaurant where the employee what have you got to lose by

Dipple

We have just concluded the were at record levels. There were more to go on. 30 percent more respondents this year over last.

The results are being published in two parts. Best Overall Restaurant appears today on B1. Best Chef and Waitperson will be announced Feb. 26, also on Bl.

There were some interesting tidbits of information 1 noticed while compiling the 17 categories which, besides Best Overall Restaurant, include things from the best soup to best salads and best steaks to best seafood. First though, the most frequently misspelled restaurant

Restaurant. Some of the names found in the balloting included Charles Deli, Charly's and Charlie's. I guess it doesn't matter where the apostrophe is, as long as you know where your favorite restaurant is located. Apparently, others make the same mistake as I do when referring to the Dandy Gander restaurant, which was voted

the best place to eat breakfast - incorrectly referring to it

was Charley's Delt & Grille, voted Best Inexpensive

polls during the first four months I had to refer to something more official than my memory of 1998 in the Living/Our Town which was getting a little confused at this point. I turned to section. Currently running is the the Yellow Pages of the phone book only to find an incor-People's Choice Academy rect spelling of Charley's Deli. Most of the respondents had a favorite waitperson like the Look Alike Contest in March. Sue, Karen, Kim or Rodney. Some included the last name.

son selected randomly just for worked. Others did not, which sometimes made it hard to returning a completed ballot. So match up the waitperson with the right restaurant. In the Best Inexpensive Restaurant category, the generic response coney island is not a good one. You see, there's Joseph's Coney Island, Koney Island Inn., and Kerby's

eighth Northville Record/Novi Coney Island to name three. You probably know exactly News Restaurant Poll. Responses which coney island is the best in town, but I need a little It was nice to see so many new restaurants included this

year - Poole's Tavern, Sizzlin Sticks, Steve & Rocky's, Rebeccas, Panera Bread, No. VI Chophouse, Rebecca's, I enjoy tabulating the ballots.

I always look forward to the little comments in different categories like "Who cares, I hate salad," and "No good burger to be found." Even though the deadline for submitting a ballot was Jan. 31, about a dozen ballots came in after that, which would have changed the results in at least one category.

You snooze you lose so to speak. So get those ballots in on time next year. It makes it so much more suspenseful for the tabulator.

Carol Dipple is the feature editor for the Northville Record

Playing the money shuffle game



sure politically correct.

Despite all the soaring language in the neighboring states such as Ohio. Before we State of the State speech, much of what go plunging into another orgy of prison Engler wants to do in the coming fiscal year construction, wouldn't it make sense to will be paid for by those nasty people at the take a serious look at just why Michigan's federal government in Washington, D.C. costs per inmate are so much higher than

in the state gasoline tax. What about the governor's office. nice idea of subsidizing health insurance — So who gets the shaft in the governor's for 156,000 uninsured children? Paid for spending plan? by a \$64 million federal grant.

And where does the \$500 million for the much touted program in toxic waste tion appropriations by just 1.5 percent in kid's tuition at college, don't call me. Call cleanup and improvement in state parks the coming year, well below the rate of the Governor's Office at (517) 373-3400. come from? Borrowing, that's where. The inflation. There is no doubt that if his recgovernor wants to issue bonds, which is ommendation holds, universities will have

The only notable home grown increase in blame college trustees for raising tuition. the \$8.77 million general fund budget proposed by Engler is for - remember, it's an benefited during the past two fiscal years 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppow-

say, is in the house another 5,400 inmates. More pris-state spending on colleges and universities details. And reading ons means more spending on prisoners, -well below the rate of inflation for the past the fine print in the and the governor wants to channel another 20 years - suggests that just two years of state budget pro- \$56 million to the \$1.4 billion we already catch-up are not enough. posed last week by spend on the Michigan Department of Gov. John Engler Corrections, a 4.2 percent increase.

I suppose no one should be surprised at Coming into an the priority given to making more slam election year, the space. After all, prison inmates don't vote, governor wants and the political pros say there's no down state general fund, side to a sitting governor's wanting to the main source of spend more on warehousing criminals.

spending, to grow just 1.5 percent, less however, is that he doesn't say a thing than inflation and, therefore, by any mea- about the fact that costs per inmate in Michigan prisons are considerably above Remember the \$200 million in extra other states? The idea of a Blue Ribbon highway repairs? Comes from additional Commission on prison costs, so far, has federal highway aid, as well as an increase been received with a cold shoulder from the

Colleges and universities, mostly Engler wants to increase higher educa- What you get the increased bill for your another way of saying he wants to borrow no choice other than to bump up tuition the money and let his successors figure out yet again. But, heck, most college kids

election year - prisons. The governor wants from appropriations in excess of the infla-

the devil, as they to spend \$180 million to build space to - tion rate. But a quick look at the history of

State Sen. John Schwarz, chair of the Senate Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee and the Legislature's main authority on spending for colleges and universities, will hold hearings on the state of state funding for higher education in Ann Arbor at 10 a.m. Friday. Another will be held at 10 a.m. March 2 in Oakland discretionary What's curious about Engler's proposal, University's Meadowbrook Hall.

"There's no need to sound alarmist right now," said Schwarz, pointing out that the Legislature traditionally works to find extra money in the state budget to keep tuition at state colleges low.

But that will be especially tough this year. Because of a Supreme Court decision, the state will pay \$1.1 billion to school districts to settle a suit over funding for special education. And Engler wants to do a tax cut in an election year, not to mention the extra spending on prisons.

That's budgetary politics in an election

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown don't vote, and the governor can always. Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes

Marriage not to be taken lightly

Letters

I felt compelled to respond to the 15-year-old "name withheld ... regarding his concerns with divorce. First, I am in total agreement with his views that divorce—case, (on the other hand, I have—adult and mature marriage. "does nothing but mess up a fami- observed certain divorce filings ly." Anyone who read his letter trigger a rapid reconciliation and would be sympathetic for his situation and for other children of divorce. It really isn't fair to the

abused spouses, dysfunctional I would encourage this young families, and real-world parental man to not be discouraged and to pathology that is truly scary. parents. Marriage is a lifelong com- the 1970s because of the cruelty mitment that should be entered associated with so-called "fault" into with the utmost of care and divorce, subverting the entire legal partner is the most important deci ___nario_imposed a "life sentence" or __responsibility. Congress, and _the __to Nov. 1. sion one will make in their lifetime. in some cases, a "death sentence" and is a decision far too many peo- upon couples. ple take too lightly, as evidenced by the much too high divorce rate.

Keeping this in mind, and for the a mistake has been made. you look elsewhere for your moral compass. Perhaps if you look close-

what they would like us to believe, sands, or tens of thousands, of bat next ten years, the big question ridiculous policy by increasing the making people get together before because of so-called divorce do with this surplus? marriage or "whatever," be careful reform. ernment to make your decisions for society refuses to answer: Are there claim to the pot of gold at the end you is a very foolish thing to do if too many divorces? or, are there of the balanced budget rainbow. of voters during the time they head you value your freedom. Do you too many marriages? We need a Constrained for years by the pubreally want to give up that kind of license to drive a car ... but not to lic's desire to eliminate the deficit,

control of your life? the better you'll be at choosing the you only try the same thing, you "easy divorces." The gut-issue is will be happy with every day. Most Beware, however, anytime elected one that created the deficit in the strong along the banks of the importantly, do not underestimate officials want to "fix" what are seri- first place, Congress should con- Potomac, but I am confident that the value of faith and religion in our social and moral problems. If tinue the efforts to rid the budget the virtue of allowing individuals to building and maintaining a mar- our legislators want to "fix" divorce, of wasteful spending so the keep more of their hard-earned riage and family.

No fault divorce not the problem

The Feb. and Feb. 12 editions

contained anonymous, but poignant and painful letters addressing most serious consequences of divorce, authored by a young child and adult professional. I have no problem signing my name to this letter or expressing opinions which reflect the results of 25 years in divorce litigation:

 Several hundreds, if not thousands of my cases, have never, not once, involved entry of a single divorce judgment which was not painful, difficult, and the product of significant soul-searching by one

• I have never, ever seen a single instance of haphazard, "silly," or foolish conclusion of a divorce

Cut would put

president reached agreement on a

Washington were rightfully

An alarming number of lawmak-

nlus on their pet projects.

in federal taxes since 1981.

James J. Harrington III The suggestion that divorce is

 No fault divorce was enacted in preparation. The choice of one's life process, and in a worst-case see- good year for the advocates of fiscal moves tax-filling day from April 15

"too easy" is universally refuted by

 "No fault" divorce only takes admit that he had an affair with spousal support/alimony, and scape in our nation's capital. For a winners and losers among over-Miss Flowers. I would recommend division of property require appor- generation, policy considerations taxed Americans. Make no mistake. Divorce is now viewed in the context of their

The real question is one which ers are lining up to stake their bear a child? We have to pass a these free-spending members of future. Moving tax-filing day closer If you are certain that something — competency test to go hunting, but must be done, start with yourself, we just...make kids? Our society your family and your friends. One "applauds" young, immature and of the best pieces of advice on naive children who "get married" selecting a marriage partner came after procreation? If they don't get First, it's always dangerous when from Dr. Cotter, an instructor at married, we applaud them anyway politicians begin making plans. Congress has made a commitment OCC. The "Cotter Cafeteria Theory" and pay them money in the form of so called welfare? We support a all of the indicators suggest that an confident that my proposal will states that the more times you go TV/movie/cable culture where "if there will be a surplus, we don't significantly influence the debate through the line in the cafeteria, you are in love, you must marry ..." have one yet. Second, surplus or over what is included in this bill. things you like and don't like. If year 2000. The problem is not wastes too much money.

"should marriage be easy?" another spending spree like the of the federal government still runs then they should make marriage American people can receive the money is stronger and will eventu-John Parker harder to get. And also children ... tax relief they deserve.

harder to get. Do not "fix" no fault divorces the damage has been done. ture brides and grooms.

Do fix impulsive, naive, imma- capital gains tax relief, estate tax Do fix procreators who are not average family will still end up payprepared to offer their children the ing more in taxes this year than it

child tax credit, tuition tax credit, relief, and expanded IRAs), the Messenger

womb of a sincere, committed, spends on housing, food, and

Letters to the editor

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Even with the tax cuts provided

in last year's budget (\$500 per

needs before being required to finance the whims of Washington's political class. Until this is the case, the fight for lower taxes must continue I have introduced a bill, the Taxpayer Relief and Protection Act. that would provide the American people with a \$170 billion of tax

rage. Working Americans should be

allowed to take care of their basic

relief over the next five years. This proposal contains three provisions. t cuts marginal income tax rates by 5 percent across the board. It eliminates the marriage penalty in the standard deduction. And i One of the major criticisms levied plan to provide the American peo- against last year's tax relief pack-

• I have observed, on occasion, ple with the first balanced budget age was that many Americans, pricouples remarry and revow, when since 1969 and the first reduction marily single adults without children, were left out. An across the current allegations of infidelity, the fault out of the issue whether with a strong economy has dramate everyone who earns a paycheck President of the United States did "divorce" will be granted - issues of ically changed the political land- and stop the practice of picking The second provision of my bill will inject some fairness into the

ly you may have a different opinion a "political" issue. There are major impact on the deficit. But with the tax code. Under current law, marof the "strong family relationship" and significant economic forces. Congressional Budget Office esti-ried couples receive a smaller stanthat they show in public: it may who stand to gain - or lose - if mating that the federal government dard deduction than they would if very well be in private their rela- Michigan's No Fault Divorce Law is will generate budget surpluses they were single. The Taxpayer tionship is entirely different from repealed. There are also thou exceeding \$600 billion over the Relief and Protection Act ends this As far as the government step- tered and abused spouses who will now being bantered around the standard deduction for married ping in to put a limit on divorce, or have their suffering magnified nation's capital is: What should we couples to an amount equal to what they would receive if they

ensure that taxes are on the minds Congress seem bound and deter- to election day should increase voter turnout and make it harder for politicians to raise taxes in the

with money they don't have. While to vote on a tax cut bill this year. I bill will be a tough battle. The Therefore, instead of engaging in desire to expand the size and scope Rep. Joseph K. Knollenberg

R-Bloomfield Hills

must be stopped

To the Editor: More than Bill Clinton's use of illegal drugs and smiling on his reflection and recollection; his many trusts and dalliances with ladies of the evening, his refusal to serve in the Armed Forces, his sofourn to foreign countries to organize, participate, and lead demonstrations in contradiction to our country's policies - his ideological preferences for big government, burdening redistribution of income, and the reordering of world order priorities will prove to be more damaging to our welfare. We must stop both the message and the messenger.

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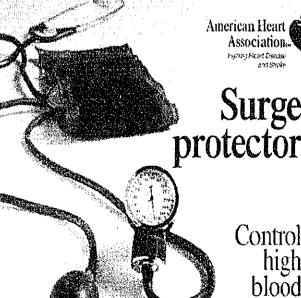
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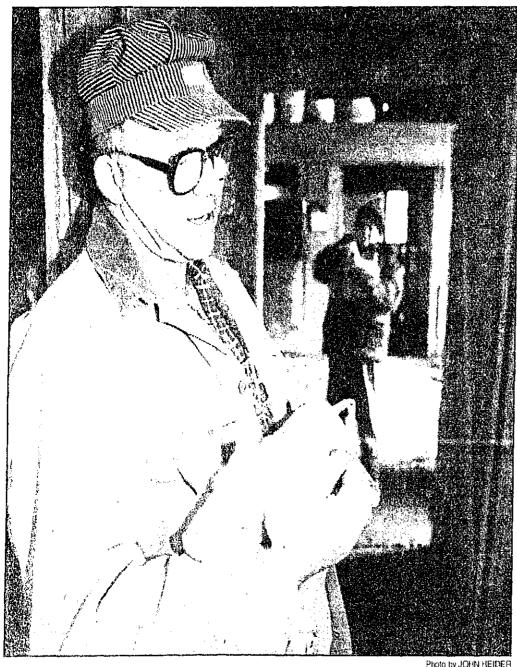
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As Northville Old Village School student Brendan Keith, 13, holds onto a barn cat in the background. Maybury State Park farmer John Beemer talks about his efforts with OVS special needs kids

Farmer John

Children with special needs cultivated by Maybury staffer

By WENSDY WHITE

John Beemer is modest about the work he's done for children with special needs.

For 20 years, Beenier has tended to the land and animals at the Maybury State Park farm. For the last six, he has invited children from Northville's Old Village school to assist him.

"They feed the chickens, gather eggs, sweep the floor, feed the rabbits, kittens, ducks and geese. I quite often feel the animals are theirs," Beemer said. "They're the ones who take care of them."

Twice a month, a bus load of students with varying mental and physical disabilities visit the farm. Brendan Reith, 13, is one of them. When he arrives, he walks purposefully to the barn, fills a bucket with chicken feed and grabs a basket for collecting eggs.

Although his language skills are out from underfoot as he enters the coop. He knows just what his duttes are. He gently removes the eggs from the straw, and safely packs them in Styrofoam contain-

Without realizing he is learning, Keith gains language and math skills as he counts the eggs out loud and cooperates to get the job

play with the resident kittens or newborn piglets.

"It's just to give them something to do, give them some responsibility. That's my goal," Beemer said. "Whatever I can do, I do, to reach that goal.

According to teachers, the students look forward to their Maybury visits all day, and the hours Beemer puts into making those visits possible have finally been recognized.

Nominated by the staff and students of Old Village, he's been named an honor award recipient by the Michigan Federation of the Council for Exceptional Children.

Beemer will accept his award during a banquet at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids on March 5.

"I've just been so impressed with his ability to interact with the students and explain things to them in nominal, Keith shoos the chickens—a way they understand," Clinton-Cali said. "He treats them with such respect and high expectations that the students want to achieve things just to please him."

Parprofessional Ethel Anderson, who has accompanied the children on faunts to the farm for years, said on top of gaining academic knowledge, the children acquire social skills there.

"Above all they learn kindness great. It's an honor."

His reward is being permitted to and independence," Anderson said. "That's what's really been so wonderful for our kids, showing them how to take care of things. No matter what John is doing, he'll stop and take time to explain what he's

doing for the kids. Beemer lives right on the farm, off of Eight Mile Rd. west of Beck, with his wife Norma. Together they have three children, and a brand new grandchild born Dec. 29. Their St. Bernard Mitzy looks on from the farmhouse porch as Beemer

This spring, he will use horses to plow 40 acres of land for growing corn, oats, wheat and hay for the

He'll take a day off in May to host a family hay ride, which gives the disabled students a chance to show their parents all they've learned.

And there will also be other classes to attend to; over 200 school groups are slated to visit the farm this fall.

Despite the patient work Beemer has devoted to sharing the farm with students of all abilities, he is reluctant to gloat over his recent award.

"I think it's great but I don't think I should be getting it. I don't deserve it, these guys do," he said, motioning to the children. " Seeing what they can accomplish is just

In a world of technology,

people make the difference.

Fire hits Oxford Inn Wednesday

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

A raging fire swept through the Oxford Inn restaurant on Grand River Avenue during the early morning hours Wednesday.

According to Novi Fire Chief Art Lenaghan, the damage is estimated at \$150,000 to \$175,000.

"The call came in at 2:19 a.m. When we arrived the place was pretty well charred with smoke and the fire had broken through the

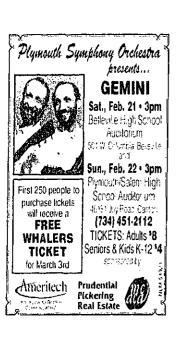
Most of the damage was heat and smoke related, but structural damage to the roof and beams was assessed. He expects the place will be closed for several weeks

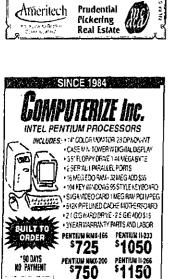
Two engines responded to the blaze, which was spotted by a passing Novt Police patrol car. It took about 40 minutes to get the fire under control, the chief said, but the department and Oakland County Sheriff's fire investigators were on site until 6 a.m.

"We've pretty well determined it was electrical," Lenaghan said.

Windy, rainy weather conditions brought electrical wires down last night, but that's not necessarily the cause, he said.

"It was accidental. There was certainly nothing suspicious about it," Lenaghan added.







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THURSDAY February 19,

<u>1998 NORTHVILLE RECORD/NOVI NEWS RESTAURANT POLL</u>



Rocky Rachwitz and the winning team at Rocky's of Northville enjoy yet another victory.

Three Cheers for Rocky's!

By CAROL DIPPLE

Competition for the top slot in The Northville Record/Novi News Restaurant Poll is usually pretty close and this year was no exception.

For the third year in a row, Rocky's of Northville received the most votes for the Best Overall Restaurant of 192 respondents to the poll which ran during the month of Jan-

moved back into second position after being absent from the top three last year.

MacKinnon's Restaurant/in

1. Big Boy Restaurant, 20800 Haggerty

2. Big Boy Restaurant, 26401 Novi Road,

3. Bob Evans Restaurant, 26425 Novi

4. Border Cantina, 21420 Novi Road,

5. Boston Market, 43363 Crescent

6. Charley's Deli and Grille, 16873

Haggerty Road, Northville Twp.

9. Edward's Caterer, 116 E. Dunlap,

10. Emily's, 505 N. Center, Northville

11. Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall, 108 E.

12. Grady's American Grill, 43350

13. Guernsey Farms Dairy, 21300 Novi

14. Jets, 1053 Novi Road, Northville

15. Little Italy, 227 Hutton, Northville

16. MacKinnon's Restaurant, 126 E.

17. McDonald's, 39700 Five Mile,

7. China Cafe, 24299 Novi Road, Novi

8. Dandy Gander, 333 W. Main, Northville

Road, Novi

Road, Novi

Boulevard, Novi

Northville

Main, Northville

Road, Northville

Main, Northville

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First Annual

Crescent Blvd., Novi

ond to third this year.

In the Best Inexpensive Restaurant, Charley's Deli & Grille in Northville Township, moved up from second place capturing first by a slim margin over Border Cantina who had not been in the top three since 1996 when it was rated first. Dandy Gander in Northville returned to come in third, having dropped from the second place slot it occupied in

There was a lot of juggling in Border Cantina in Novi other categories as well. Although Dandy Gander remained the Best Breakfast Restaurant for the third year in a row, Guernsey Farms Northville dropped from sec- Dairy in Northville and Bob

18. McDonald's, 39555 Six Mile,

19. McDonald's, 42665 Twelve Mile

20. Papa Romano's Pizza, 117 E.

21. Papa Romano's Pizza, 39711

23. Pizza Cutter, 340 N. Center,

22. Papa Romano's Pizza, 21520 Novi

24. Pizza Cutter, 24289 Novi Road, Novi

25. Poole's Tavern, 157 W. Main Street,

26. Red Lobster Restaurant, 27760 Novi

27. Rocky's of Northville, 41122 Seven

28. Starting Gate Saloon, 135 N. Cen-

31. Wendy's, Haggerty, Northville Twp.

29. Tuscan Cafe, 150 N. Center,

30. Uptown Cafe, 160 E. Main,

Northville Twp.

Dunlap, Northville

Grand River, Novi

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Where to find Northville

and Novi's favorite restaurants

Guernsey Farms Dairy came in second and Bob Evans came in third this year. Neither ended up in the top three in 1997.

Worth noting is that MacKinnon's has been voted the Best Restaurant for Desserts since the poll began in 1990 except for one year in 1991, when the former Crawford's Restaurant was voted as having the most delectable sweets. There was no poll in 1994.

between two pizzerias vying to be top slice since the poll began in 1990 is the Best Pizza category. This year's winner.

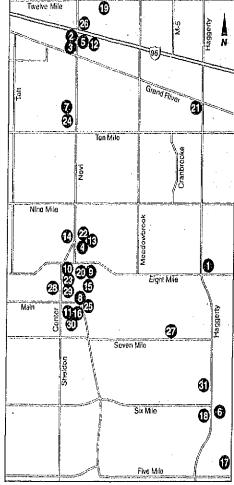
Evans Restaurant in Novi Pizza Cutter, has been voted switched positions from 1996. number one for all but one year, 1991, when Papa Romano placed first. Papa Romano tied with Pizza Cutter in 1995. Newcomer Jet's in Novi jumped right into the game and ended up in second position. Papa Romano came in third this year.

Popular eatery

wins top spot

Another new restaurant. Poole's Tayern in Northville. also managed to end up in the top three in Best Gathering Place, a category that was Another category that has added in 1997. Border Cantina seen fierce competition came in first. Rocky's finished second with Poole's in third.

> For complete results, see the accompanying story.



Winners of the 1998 Northville Record and Novi News Restaurant Poll

Best Overall Restaurant

- 1. Rocky's of Northville
- 2. Border Cantina
- 3. MacKinnon's Restaurant

Best Inexpensive Restaurant

- 1. Charley's Deli & Grille
- 2. Border Cantina 3. Dandy Gander
- **Best Breakfast Restaurant**
- 1. Dandy Gander
- 2. Guernsey Farms Dairy 3. Bob Evans Restaurant
- **Best Sandwiches** 1. Charley's Deli & Grille
- 2. Flocky's of Northville 3. Genitti's Hole-In-The-Walf

Best Desserts 1. MacKinnon's Restaurant

2. Tie - Rocky's and Border Cantina 4. Tie - Emily's, Edward's Caterer,

- Guernsey Farms Dairy

Best Coffee

- 1. Tuscan Cafe 2. Rocky's of Northville
- 3. Big Boy Restaurant

Best Salad

- 1. Rocky's of Northville
- 2. Tie Uptown Cafe and MacKinnon's Restaurant
- 4. Grady's American Grill

Best Pizza

- 1. Pizza Cutter
- 2. Jets 3. Papa Romano

Best Burgers

- 1. Rocky's of Northville
- 2. Starting Gate Saloon 3. Poole's Tavern

Best Seafood

- 1. Rocky's of Northville
- 2. Red Lobster Restaurant 3. MacKinnon's Restaurant

Best Ethnic Food

- 1. Border Cantina
- 2. Little Italy
- 3. Tie China Cafe and

Charley's Deli & Grille **Best Fast Food**

- 1. McDonald's
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Best Soups

- 1. Rocky's of Northville
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- 1. Rocky's of Northville
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Best Gathering Place

- 1. Border Cantina
- 2. Rocky's of Northville
- Poole's Tavern

Readers' comments

"Bright and cheerful. You're made - ing and friendly (Steve & Rocky's)." -very welcome (at Northville Crossing). Always Courteons." - Connie Wilson

"Northville lost a great place to eat when the original Crawford's sold their restaurant. No one has filled in the gap." - Pat Allen

"What about vegetarian, friendly, best dinner rolls as categories." - A. Schmidt

ory? (There's so many now.) - Susan

Wheian "Really love the pizza at the Start-

ing Gate." - Burbara Leeds

Al-Ghishan

"Emily's is one of the best restaurants in the world - and we've traveled all over the world!" - Susan Soris

"The restaurants have always been great in Northville/Novi and new ones are coming." - Joseph Anstett

"We need more seafood restaurants in the area. How about someone talking Joe Muer into reopening his restaurant - say in the old white house manor or at Red Timbers?" -Gary Susalla

"J. Alexanders is the best restaurant I've ever been to. I'm so impressed with them I've attempted to try to work there." - Wayne Worosz

"New and very, very accommodat-

M. Weenert "Too bad with the more expensive

restaurants coming into our area, you should have a price range on restaurants. Otherwise everything is fine." – Aldo Mastro "Panera Bread is the kind of place

I've been watting for! In addition to an amazing variety of pastries, bagels and great lunches, the service is "How about a new restaurant cate- wonderful." - Teresa Pilarz

"Must be using clones at the Cutter - pizza's consistently good." *– Richard*

"Restaurants now impose music on "Nothing beats (Charley's). The us. They risk us turning around and cleanest restaurant in leaving when rap and rock disturb Northville/Novi (1997 Poll)!" – Lara good meals and conversation. Are you a rap/rock bar or a restaurant?" – Dan Boland

> "For all around home town cheerslike atmosphere, there's no place like Gatzbys." - Fred Young

> "I can't tell you how much we enjoy Dandy Gander. The food is excellent and the atmosphere is very relaxed. Also, they keep the coffee coming which is very important when you're eating breakfast." - Shannon Moore

> "Rocky's is wheelchair accessible which is important. They will adjust the menu for bland diets. Very accommodating." - Marion McKirnan

"Unlike the previous two years, I still find MacKinnons to be a wonderful gathering place with a welcoming atmosphere and the finest gourmet dining experience." - James McLeod

The 1998 Northville Record/Novi News PEOPLE'S CHOICE ACADEMY AWARDS

People's Choice

Academy Awards

Northville Record and Novi News

Which of the 273 eligible movies will win "Best Picture of the Year" according to the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences? You'll have to wait until the 70th Academy Awards is televised on March 23.

But in the meantime, if you had a chance to decide which movie of 1997 was a cut above the rest or which actor or actress gave an

outstanding performance, how would you vote? Now's your chance. Fill out the following People's Choice Academy Awards ballot and return it to The Novi News/Northville Record, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

All ballots must be received by Feb. 27. One ballot will be selected at random to receive dinner and a movie for two compliments of

The Novi News/Northville Record.

And the categories are:

Best performance by an actor in a leading role:

Best performance by an actor in a supporting role:

Best performance by an actress

in a leading role:

Best performance by an actress

Best costume design: ____

in a supporting role:

Best cinematography:

Best picture of the year:

Best animated film:

Best visual effects: _____

Number of movies I've seen at the theater

Number of movies I've rented

during 1997: _____

during 1997: _____

PLEASE NOTE: The following name and address blank must be filled out, Ballots without this information will be discarded.

AARP chapter to disband after eight years

can Association of Retired Persons - Kreza and Dorothy Wootem will No. 4967 is being closed, with handle final details of closing out due to several reasons as present- national level. ed by Mary Weborg, vice president. dance has declined and more sentor city coordinator, for her 347-0410 for information. recently, the chapter lost eight assistance. Mary Martiny.

The group was formed in 1990 by members of the Lakes Area NOVI JAYCEES Resource Network. They felt there was a need for this organization.

tinuation of making the Vials of keeper for the Detroit Rockers. party. Life through the efforts of Rose Also recognized by the Novi Haynes will be available for a time. Youth Assistance at the breakfast ANOTHER WAY PREGNANCY These vials contain medical infor- will be a high school student who CENTER mation of the party who called for has earned the "Youth Recognition emergency attention. It is suggest. Award." They are looking for the

Weborg at 624-2554.

The Jaycees are in need of 1997 at the Michigan House of Repre- first fund raiser sponsored by the the Activities Center. Clothing is Many activities have been planned and they wanted to best serve the volunteer nominations from the sentatives; and a "Visit with center since their move to the Vie-needed for 3-18 months in spring for the youth including meetings interests of the sentor citizens in community, either individual or an Bunny" on Saturday, April 11. torian House on Grand River and summer weight, if possible. on Sundays, 8-9 p.m. and the organization. Nominations must Those working on the "Bunny" across from Pier 1 Imports. They Brand new items include sleepers, recently held Newcomer's Night, Originally, AARP No. 4967 had be in by Feb. 27. The Distin- visit are Scott Mercier and a recre- are available to anyone in the Novi undershirts, receiving blankets, 100 members with informative guished Service Award Breakfast, ation coordinator with Parks and and surrounding areas, and con-cloth and disposable diapers, etc. programs featuring "55 Alive;" honoring volunteers, will be held Recreation. "Visit with Bunny" tinue to reach out to women and Also needed are used but in good local speakers from the city and at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 14, coupons will be available at Borteens facing unplanned pregnantic condition car seats for toddlers, library; Mr. Lynch of the Lynch at Vic's World Class Market. Nomider's Books, April 18. These cies. The center offers information, double stroller, and a haby bed Funeral Home; Dr. Weisner, nation forms are available at the coupons will help raise funds for material assistance, spiritual help, with slats no more than 2 1/4 other churches will participate in Detroit Education; and many Civic Center information rack the chapter. Fifteen percent of the emotional support, and lay countrices apart. All gifts are to be an "All Night Happening." Included more. The group was also involved - near the Parks and Recreation - price of the book when purchased - seling. in charity work: providing gloves, office. Questions can be directed that day will go to the Novi. There are several comfortable a monetary gift, please make the swimming, racquet ball, basketsearfs and hats for needy school to the Jaycees at 348-NOVI. Co- Jaycees. children; collecting food for chairmen of the event are Steve. Past events enjoyed by the mem-the new offices for confidential nancy Center. For more informassization and skating - going from one place to Thanksgiving food baskets; col- Drahozal and Matt Servinck. bers were: bowling with friends counseling. They recently received tion, call Carol Ann Donnelly at another. For more information,

lecting personal items for the Guest speaker at the breakfast will from the Farmington Chapter, a a Victorian sofa and chair from the 349-8553. homeless; and many more. Con- be Ryan Firmerty (The Goose) goal classic movie night, and a holiday Barn Antiques of Northville and a Christian Service, under the

ed that the vials be stored in the "behind the scenes" volunteer, not annual coffee house, will be held. Counselors are always in need.

The local chapter of the AmeriWottowa, Mary Blyth, Catherine
Novi Highlights

regret and a deep sense of loss—the chapter on the state and—necessarily one who has received—on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 7-—Volunteers logged approximately recognition for their achievements. 10:30 p.m. at the Michigan Theo- 1800 hours in counseling, calling. \$10 at the door.

The Jaycees are also sponsoring Those appearing include Mike information can call 471-5858. members to death including their For information about the near- an essay contest, "American and Jackle Dunckley and Compawell liked and respected president, est AARP chapter, call Mary Dreams - Through the Decades," ny, Richard Hovey and the Mid- CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY night Choir, Jeff Fletcher, Alysia at Novi Middle School. Future events involving the Kay, the Trinity Church Worship

Jaycees are: Wally Ball, March 1 Team, and special guests Jerry Pregnancy Center will be held after Thursdays, 7-9 p.m. and Fridays, and 15; attending a mock session—and Michaella Jacoby. This is the mass on Feb. 28 and March 1, in—9-11 p.m. in the youth center.

> much needed vacuum and paper direction of Mrs. Donnelly, assistshredder from individuals. Also ed with a birthday celebration at available on the second floor of the Marton Oakland-West, a Ryan center is a large conference room Senior Residence. They arranged

This past year, the staff was in presents and supplied birthday contact with over 450 women; they balloons. supported them during their pregnancies and even after the birth of

Thanks go to not only Masson Forms are available at the Novl logical Seminary. Seating is limit- organizing and distributing mate- clean-up, transportation and food. This past year, the chapter atten- for his help but also Carol Kehoe. Youth Assistance office or call ed and advance tickets are \$8 or rial goods, and assisting with fund. If you can help in some way, raisers. Anyone wanting more please call 349-8553. This is a

Plans are in progress for the Inter-Faith Rotating Shelter, April

18-25. Help is needed on the following committees: child care. spiritual, hospitality activities. program where the church hosts poor and homeless families.

The Youth Ministry, under the direction of Gail Dullack, has a A baby shower for Another Way - drop-in center for young people on They are also assisting at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen Feb. 19,

Saturday, Feb. 21, the Holy Family youth along with seven brought in unwrapped. If donating in the event will be volley ball, and friendly-atmosphere rooms in check out to Another Way Preg-ball, movies, bowling, pizza and Ice call 349-8837, extension 245.

where the next Volunteer Training the party, served cupcakes and Jeanne Clarke. Should you wish to "Starry, Starry Night," the third Seminar will be held April 23-25. rice crispy bars, which were baked contact her with information for by parish members, passed out this column, call 624-0173.

Church Notes

Mile Road in Northville, will offer a Divorce Recovery 200 East Main Street. On Sunday, worship and well as Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. Workshop on Thursday evenings beginning Feb. 26 church school are held at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Child care For more information, call (248) 477-6296 through April 16 from 7 until 8:30 p.m. for divorced is available at both services. and separated persons of all ages.

For more information, call (248) 348-9030.

CHURCH OF HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL, 46200 Parenting, New Mothers Club, on the first Wednesday — middle school and senior high school students. of the month at Holy Cross from 12:30 until 2 p.m. with a variety guest speakers and which offers the 7:30 p.m. opportunity for new mothers to network, share and make new friends.

Guest speakers include nurses, physicians, exertor, at (248) 349-0911. cise physiologists and dietitians speaking on subjects pertaining to new mothers such as post partum shape and traveling with a newborn. Light refreshments are served.

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For more information, contact Rev. W. Kent Clise, senior pastor, or Rev. James P. Russell, associate pas-

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For more information, call (248) 349-1144.

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For more information, contact New Life Lutheran Church Pastor Ken Roberts or his wife, Marilyn, at

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Dad writes book to help kids understand divorce

By CAROL DIPPLE Feature Editor

become even more perplexed,

and April. The brainchild of Livonia Campbell has created a fun little years ago, the series is geared to could identify with. very young children to help them understand divorce.

son Daniel at the book readings houses, and the fifth at a sports calling (888) 887-7557. which are scheduled for Saturday, April 4, at Borders Books and Music at the Novi Town Center in Novi at 1 p.m. and for Tuesday, March 24, at 11 a.m. and on Wednesday, March 25, at 7 p.m. at Barnes and Noble at Six Mile and Haggerty roads in Northville. Some of the activities in the first book are right from real life such as Dandy's comment that dad's

mashed potatoes are too lumpy, like they have rocks in them. Campbell began the series partly for Daniel's purposes, to show him he still had a family.

"We weren't as they say a traditional family but that he went back and forth to each house and I wanted to show that mom and dad still exist and dad loves you and mom loves you even though they both aren't with you every day," he said. "That's what got me started in writing it."

Campbell said when Daniel was 5 and his mother was engaged to be married, his son said "I thought you were married to mom."

Mike Campbell has written a book for children on coping with their parent's divorce.

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After getting encouragement event. Other books will include from friends with whom he had activities with grandma and Being a very young person in a discussed the idea, Campbell grandpa, aunts and uncles, meetbig people's world can be pretty searched the bookstores and ing mom's boyfriend and dad's

like divorce and youngsters can books dealing with divorce in the a step-brother. way he planned to present it. Both Barnes and Noble in "A lot of the books in the divorce Northville and Borders Books & section just tried to deal with all up," he said. "As the series grows, Music in Novi will be carrying the problems," he said. "I thought people can purchase the book as Dandy The Chipbear's ... From Day that the kids at that younger age, they need it or as the situations at Dad's, the first book in a series because of seeing my son grow up are coming up." geared to children 7 and under through it, he didn't need any neg-

> and that he still has a family." As the series grows, Dandy the

confusing. Faced with a concept libraries and didn't find many griffriend, and may even introduce "They will focus on all normal divorce situations as they come

Campbell has also started the who's parents will be or are ative. He just needed to know Chipbear Cub Club. Children get a divorced. Both stores have also there was love there. He needed sticker and a newsletter where scheduled book readings in March - the positive aspects which exist - they can share fun things they did with dad or mom.

"I want them to have ownership resident Michael Campbell six character that children of divorce of Dandy," he said, "Somebody they can identify with."

The book is available for \$6.95 Chipbear will be in all sorts of see- at Barnes and Noble and Borders When possible, Campbell, who narios. Campbell has the first four Books or can be ordered for \$8.70 has been divorced for nine years, books focusing on Dandy's trips from Dandy Creations, P.O. Box will be joined by his 11-year-old back and forth to mom's and dad's 51692, Livonia. MI 48150 or by

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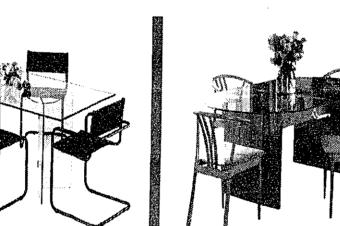
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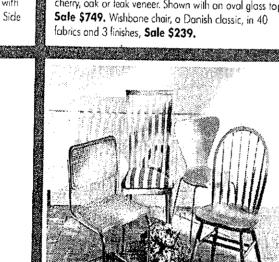
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Wedding



Angela and Andrew Stevers

Angela Marle Pertile and Andrew Venice lace and delicate beading. Harrison Stevers were married. The bride wore a white, sleeve- announce their engagement. Sept. 20, 1997, at St. Paul's Pres- less gown in brocade, crisscross-Rev. Dr. Thomas P. Eggebeen offi-trimmed in delicate Venice lace. West Bloomfield. She is employed chauffeur. marriage by her brother, Jack Guy matching three tiered brocade. Novi, and also serves as a Karaoke. July 22, 2000. Pertile. Following the ceremony, a headpiece complemented the included white roses, lilies, steffiat the Italian American Club.

The bride is the daughter of nos and draping ivy. June Pertile of Northville. She is The groom is the son of Wanda studying for her degree in public. Stevers of Detroit and Gary Stevrelations and is currently the pub- ers of Farmington Hills. He has an The next Older Women's League was drafted into the women's Army lic relations consultant at Oakland associate's degree in quality man- [OWL] meeting will be held on and served for 3 1/2 years, two Oral Surgery in Novi.

Reunions

LIVONIA STEVENSON HIGH

SCHOOL: Class of 1978, 20-year

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ples at (248) 380-8906.

July 31, Novi Hilton.

Joan at (248) 349-5463.

Erin Cauley of Northville, Brides- He is employed at Clips and Liberty Street in downtown Farm- craft via radar coming from occumaids were Bri McJenkin and Clamps in Plymouth as their qualington. One of our chapter mem-pied Europe to bomb London and Michele Hagen, both of Northville, ity assurance technician. and Trudi Kerr of Detroit. Serving Serving as best man was Jef "Women in the Military," as flower girl was Lexi Victoria - Kopko of Canton. Groomsmen - A few months ago, the media - tion. Forsyth, niece of the groom. The were Chris Spielman of Redford, gave much publicity to discriminamaid of honor and bridesmaids. Tony Shin of Canton, and Michael. tion and sexual harassment of that Ann met her husband-to-be, a were floor length sleeveless gowns. Kerr of Detroit, Jason and women in the military. One participality for the RAF. They married, in burgundy, with matching sash. Michael Pertile, both of Northville, ular incident was the case of the had a daughter, and moved to the and quarter length gloves. Their were ushers and Nicholas Stevers B-52 pilot, Kelly Flinn. Serving United States in 1951. Ann and bouquets consisted of white roses, served as ring bearer. steffinos and draping ivy. The The couple honeymooned in are two different scenarios, and dren in the U.S., one of whom is a flower girl wore a white, floor Aruba and are now residing in perhaps nothing much has son, a pilot in the Air Force, stalength, full dress decorated with Detroit.

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Engagements



Richard Forsyth/Alice Dixon

Richard Forsyth and Alice Dixon hostess and D.J.

Richard is the son of the late The bride-elect is the daughter Lawrence and Geraldine Forsyth. byterian Church, Livonia, with the ling in back with straps of brocade of Frank and Norma Sundria of He is a substitute teacher and a

clating. The bride was given in White quarter-length gloves and a at Nustar Insurance Agency in Their wedding is planned for

reception for 170 guests was held chapel length gown. Her houquet to the bottom American Clark "Women in the Military"

enlist in the ATS (Auxiliary Territo- four grandchildren. was rejected because of her age. chapter of OWL include residents

However, when she was 19, she of Novi and Northville.

agement, and is studying for his Monday. March 2, beginning at 7 years in active duty in southeast-Attending as maid of honor was bachelor's degree in metallurgy. p.m., at the Farmington Library on ern England, plotting enemy airbers, Ann Whitworth, will speak on other targets, and after the war ended, stationed at another loca-

> during wartime and in peacetime her husband had two more chilchanged in 50 years ... or has it? tioned in Wichita, Kan. The Whit-As a teenager, living in Scotland worths, residents of Farmington during World War II. Arm tried to Hills, enjoy retirement and their rial Service), when she was 17, but Members of the Farmington



Kelly Williams/Eric Strayer

Lynn and Carol Strayer of Novi LLP. announce the engagement of their The groom-elect is a 1992 gradson, Eric Richard, to Kelly Joan uate of Stevenson High School, He Williams, the daughter of Greg and also graduated from Michigan Joan Williams of Livonia.

University in 1997, where she was and Development. a member of Gamma Phi Beta The couple became engaged in sorority. Kelly is now employed as - June of last year. A May wedding an accountant at Ernst & Young is planned.

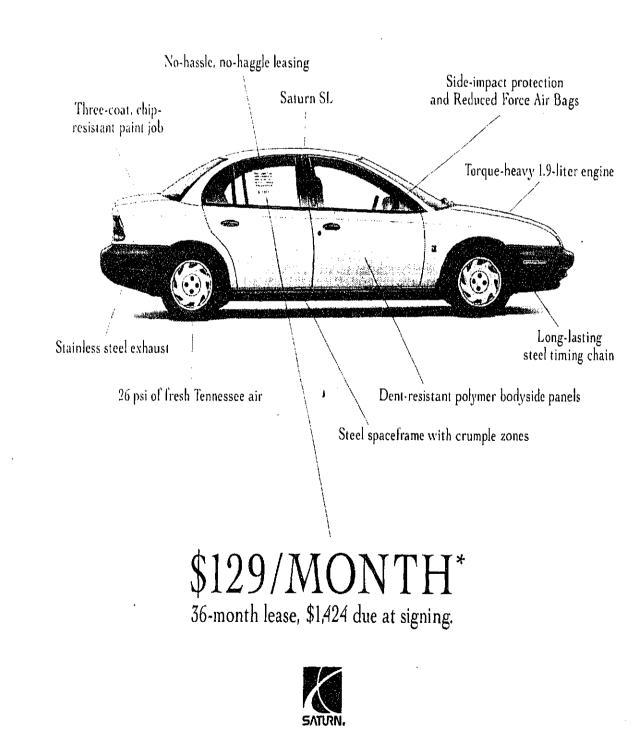
State University in 1997, where he The bride-elect is a 1993 gradu- was affiliated with Delta Tau ate of Ladywood High School. She Delta. He is currently employed as graduated from Michigan State an engineer at Nissan Research

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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 to 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

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with David Blake or an open forum which will discuss "Is Marriage for

On Fridays, the group meets at 5:30 p.m. at Mulligan's of Northville.

A Walk in the Park is scheduled every Saturday at 10 a.m. in Heritage

A Growth Workshop on "Redirecting Your Life from Stress to Balance"

Expo '98 "Meeting on Earth: Beyond the Mars/Venus Syndrome," by

Susan Baranoff, is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 28, from 9 a.m. until

A Divorce Recovery Workshop is scheduled for March 12 through April 30 from 7 until 9 p.m. The cost is \$30. No workshop will be held on

For more information about any of the Single Place programs or to

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

Every Monday night the group meets at the Maples of Novi on Four-

teen Mile for euchre, pinochle and dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$7 for

members and \$8 for non-members. Cash bar and munchles are avail-

Other upcoming activities include a A Single Mingle on Feb. 20;

Tobogganing at "The Fridge" on Feb. 21; a Sunday Brunch with the

Canadian Singles Group on Feb. 22; a Metropolitan Single Professionals

Contra Dance and Instruction at Henry Ford Museum on March 1; a co-

ed golf league meeting and sign up on March 1; Fun and Fine Dining at Too Chez on March 5; Single Mingle with Metropolitan Single Profession-

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with Tom's Oyster Bar on Thursday, Feb. 19, followed by the Old Wood-

will be held on Feb. 19 and 26, and March 5 from 7 until 9 p.m. with

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speaker William Rowell. The cost is \$27.

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Show at the Novi Expo Center on Saturday, March 7.

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Road, at 12:30 p.m.

Air Force Airman NICHOLAS J. SINGLE PLACE, an adult ministry for single people at First Presbyte-SCHOENBORN has graduated rian Church of Northville, meets Thursday evenings in Fellowship Hall from basic military training at at 7:30 p.m. Lackland Air Force Base, San Every Sunday, the group worships at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary fol-

Antonio, Texas. During the six weeks of training, Schoenborn studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special. training in human relations. He is the son of Lyn M, and Earl W. Miller of Novi,

Recognized for outstanding scholastic achievement and excelience. TIFFANY MICHELLE De VOS was inducted into the National Honor Society at the University of Michigan last October. De Vos is the daughter of Kathy and Jim De Vos of Novi.

DAVID J. GALIDO, MICHAEL A. DICLAUDIO, and JASON W. WENZEL have been named to the Dean's List at Albion College for the fall '97 semester. To receive recognition, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or better at the completion of the semester.

Galido is a sophomore at Albion and a graduate of Novi High School. He is the son of John and Theresa Galido of Novi

DiClaudio, a freshman, is the son of Alice DiClaudio of Novt. He able. also graduated from Novi High

Wenzel is a junior and the son of William and Nancy Wenzel of Novi. He is a graduate of Single Mingle on Feb. 27; Games Night and Light Dinner on Feb. 28: Northwille High School.

Named to the Dean's Honor Roll at Michigan State University for fall semester '97 was JULIE A. HARRIS of Novi. The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes all full-time undergraduates who earn a 3.5 or ward Grill on Feb. 26. better grade point average for the

Harris is a sophomore majoring in zoology. She has been on the Dean's List for each of her first gles 35 and over, meets every second Tuesday of each month. three semesters. She was a Valedictorian of the

1996 graduation class at Novi High School. 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

MICHELLE LYN DeWITT has been named to the Dean's List at Bowling Green State University for the fall '97 semester. To receive honors, a student must achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average. DeWitt is a senior majoring in education and human develop-

ment. She is the daughter of

Sharon DeWitt of Novi.

grade point average.

PAUL M. ENFROY and SHARON MATSEY, part-time students of Siena Heights College Metro Detroit Program in Southfield, have been named to the Academic Achievement List for the first semester of 1997-98. Students must attain a 3.5 or better

Enfroy earned a 4.0 grade point average for the semester. Full-time student WILLIAM J. CAROLIN, also enrolled in Siena Heights Metro Detroit Program. was named to the Dean's List for his high academic achievement for

the same period. Full-time students must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average while carrying at least 12 credit hours.

JASON BRADLEY CLEMENS from Novi was named to the Dean's List for the 1997 fall semester at Lake Superior State University, Students must attain at least a 3.5 grade point average or better. Clemens is a sophomore major-

The following full-time Novi students have been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for fall semester at Lawrence Technological University: JAMAL E. ABOUELJOUD, JOSEPH AXISA. YUNG TSUNG D. CHANG. STEPHEN D. DONOHUE, CAR-SON A. EDMONDS, CHERYL A. HENRY, MARINA G. IVANOV, JIL A. LASHBROOK, PAUL B. MOOTE, and SCOTT M. NEHER.

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MAY, senior, English; LAURIA

OPPERMAN, freshman, hospice

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junior, communication arts;

SHANNON R. WARNER, junior.

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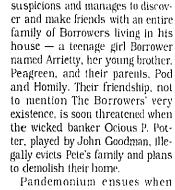
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dolls on the floor of her home, doing it."

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WOODY

"We were lucky getting Jim appeared together previously as mations. Broadbent and Celia Imrie," says the henchmen in "101 Dalmageared to audiences of all ages. lain, we wanted a larger than life the real little people being matted Directed by Peter Hewitt ['Bill and character and John Goodman was in by the magic of visual effects.

series of internationally beloved - He threw himself into the role and - things."

continued to publish the ed-Kingdom filming on location in role."

ELISABETH

Ted's Bogus Journey"). Starring always top of the list." That choice was a big thrill for

His "101" co-star Hugh Laurie

ple for the roles of the Borrower

the NOVI

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on Flora Newbigin and Tom Felton.

says, "I hope with a family like The

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Their world exists surprisingly nearby. Under the floorboards and between our walls lies the fascinating, diminutive world of The Borrowers. It is a secret place where missing socks are used as beds, pens become bridges. postage stamps decorate walls. and walnut shells are helmets.

One young boy. Pete, has his suspicions and manages to discovplan. It is a race against time as er and make friends with an entire. They set out to save their home family of Borrowers living in his house — a teenage girl Borrower Neighboring Borrowers come to named Arrietty, her young brother. their aid, led by Spiller, a swashand Homily. Their friendship, not nious makeshift rocket car. existence, is soon threatened when —chases in drain pipes, and a series the wicked banker Ocious P. Pot- of comical misadventures in an ter, played by John Goodman, Ille- obstacle-laden milk bottling factogally evicts Pete's family and plans ry, The Borrowers prove that size

Ocious P. Potter (John Goodman) says his final words to the

of soft cheese...It's a great role." — John Goodman on his

"I get electrocuted,

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Clock family in "The Borrowers."

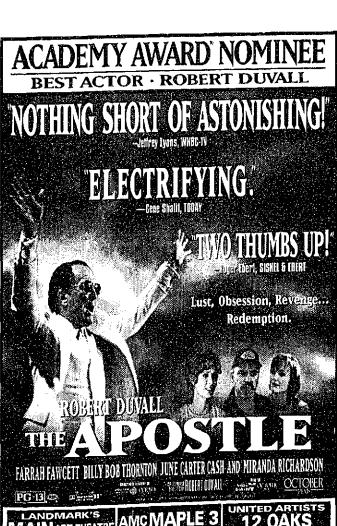
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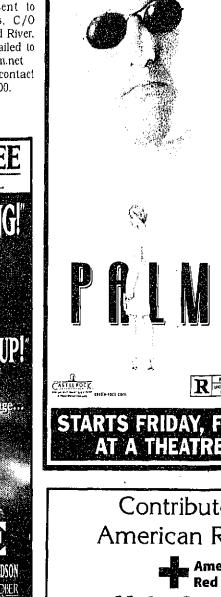
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"The Borrowers" is an action- Tim Bevan. "Jim is one of Britain's - tions." In addition. Goodman - also joined the cast to give a bilaripacked, special effects-filled very best actors. He and Celia filmed many sequences con-ous reading to the role of Officer adventure from PolyGram Films make a terrific team. With the vil- fronting imaginary Borrowers — Steady "The script," says Goodman, "has universal appeal and is children, Arrietty and Peagreen ["Bullets Over Broadway"), Celia director Peter Hewitt. "John Good- incredibly funny and is made more Clock. Imrie, Mark Williams, Hugh Laurle man is an actor I have always so by Peter Hewitt who is very inventive. He seems to have about "The Borrowers" is based on the - as the bad guy was very appealing. - five thousand ways of doing - many actors before finally deciding Goodman clearly relished the "There is a freshness with Flora The first Borrowers book was pub- Explaining his attraction to the role of Ocious Potter making him and Tom which an audience will lished in 1952, the concept having project, Goodman says, "I thought "wilder and bolder" and submitting respond to. Flora came in to the originated in Norton's childhood—it was a great story. I was keen to—himself to many make-up incarna-—auditions early and we kept recallwhen she used to play elaborate—see it on the screen and that was a—tions. "I get electrocuted, bitten, ing her as a benchmark. It soon games with small painted china good indication that I would enjoy forked, insulted and burnt, not to became obvious she was the one." mention being the target of 400 Summing up this unique and Immediately successful, Norton He spent five weeks in the Unit- gallons of soft cheese...t's a great ambitious production, Tim Bevan adventures of her four-inch people West London and Shepperton Stu- Casting the role of Goodman's Borrowers, audiences will be dios. Goodman, who describes partner-in-crime, Exterminator absorbed by the story and, above When it came to casting, the Ocious Potter as "the meanest Jeff, the producers went for Mark all, enjoy the magic." producers decided to make the man in town," shared scenes with Williams who was about to break. And about that missing sock or Borrowers themselves English and British comedy actors, Mark through in features with his much pen? Better check under your Williams and Hugh Laurie, who praised performance in "101 Dal- floorboards, very carefully.

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said the 1979 Novi High School graduate. "I used to roam the woods around my house when I was a kid, now it's all subdivi-Thompson moved back to Novi in 1996 from California and chose to work as a limo driver for the

"Novi has changed quite a bit,"

The Individual Group in Southfield to allow for more flexibility for days off to shoot photos. But it has it drawbacks. "When I'm out driving sometimes I see scenes I would like to stop and shoot. It happens to me-

no matter where I'm going or what I'm doing," he said. "Things catch The parks in this area have an abundance of what Thompson did

not find among the tall Redwoods "One thing I've noticed is that squirrels, chipmunks, and rabbits—once they see my work they want—him. He had to stop shooting, are all used to people. They don't go seurrying off when they hear

Thompson was doing weddings and portraits out in northern California where he had his own busi-

ter way to support what I really wanted to do," he said, "One thing in the exhibit. up with photography especially was taken in the mountains of tripod on his shoulders with thun- 347-0400.

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For more information, call (248) 14. April 18 and 25.

BORDERS BOOKS: Kid Brother For reservations or more infor-

will be making an appearance at mation, call (248) 349-0522.

For more information, call the

SWEET CHARITY: Remaining

performances for The Plymouth

urday performances are at 8 p.m.

the Novi store in the Novi Town

Center on Friday, Feb. 27, for a

The jazz trio will perform cuts

from their self-titled, debut CD as

iperformance from 7 until 9 p.m.

Water Tower Theatre on the cam- dinner.

uditions on Monday, March 2, Feb. 26, at 10 a.m. to discuss Par-

Water Tower Theatre on the cam- Barnes & Noble is located at Six

p.m. for the May production of For details, call (248) 348-0696.

pus of Northville Psychiatric Hos- Mile and Haggerty roads in

There are roles for five women For more information, call Bor- 6302.

to hang it on the wall," he said. "Ideally I would like to be submitting and selling images to the

ting of a smoky club.

TRINITY HOUSE: Auditions for blues, to Latin, to electric fusion. works of art for this event.

p.m. at Trinity House Theatre, will be available at the store, locat- Mile Road and I-275 in Livonia.

38840 West Six Mile Road in Livoed at 43075 Crescent Boulevard in For reservations or more infor-

Bones by Margaret Lawrence will 23.

GENITTI'S: The interactive com-

edy dinner theater now through

April at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall

Capers on Feb. 20, 28, March 7,

Genitti's is located at 108 E.

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is Trial by Error!

Tickets are \$7.

more accessible," he said. "Birds, something that won't sell but then shot, the mosquitoes were biting toast," he said. drive to the nearest store to get—through mid-March. Selling art prints is a tough insect repellent and drive back to racket so Thompson is pursuing - the mountains to continue the - works monthly at the Gate VI

> For the waterfall photograph in Ten Mile in Novi. Viewing of the calender companies and stock the show, also taken in the moun-exhibit is possible during the tains. Thompson was standing hours the Civic Center is open. There are some interesting sto- knee deep in water in a gully with

Craig Thompson is exhibiting a selection of his nature and animal photographs at the Gate

color photography, is that the stu- California which was thick with der and lightening overhead.

VI Gallery located in the Novi Civic Center through mid-March.

dios all say the same thing, they mosquitoes. The whole time "I think I was pretty lucky to get some of the smaller wildlife is don't want to devote space to Thompson was trying to get the out of there without becoming

> Local artists can exhibit their Gallery located in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West

Local artists interested in ries behind several of the photos a metal tripod when a thunder- exhibiting at the Gave VI Gallery storm swept in. The only way out should call the Novi Parks and A wildflower print in the show was to walk downstream with the Recreation Department at 1248).

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lymouth Theatre Guild will hold Oprah Book Club on Thursday, lunch. Tickets are \$50 per person and For more information, call (248) can be obtained by calling (313)

WOMEN TOGETHER: A day-

Road in Farmington Hills. For details, call (248) 737-0110. themselves called for duty if the present the annual St. Pat's Fun Admission is \$2 for adults and Theatre Guild's production of jury box is full, but there are Run and Pancake Breakfast on \$.50 for students ages 5 to 17.

dle School next to the YMCA. Non-runners are welcome.

YOUTH ARTIST CONCERT:

variety of acts including comedy. For more information, call the Orchard Lake and Commerce The performances are free and dance, stand up, alternative to PSO office at (313) 451-2112.

Submit items for the entertuin - an excellent opportunity for those folk music drama story telling ment listings to The Northville of all ages to enjoy jazz in an envi- and multimedia performance in a MARDI GRAS: Jambalya and Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main, ronment other than the usual set-cabaret-style environment on jazz combine for a gala Mardi Gras celebration on Friday, Feb. 20, at March 6, 7, 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. The trio, Rich Kowalewski on Gourmet coffees and homemade Schoolcraft College, 18600 Hagbass, Kerry Lundquist on piano, baked goods will be available. gerty Road between Six and Seven

and Rob Emanuel on drums. Visual art will be displayed on the Mile roads. incorporate elements from many walls and the furniture, as local Dine on a traditional New different genres - from Jazz, to artists change average tables into. Orleans meal beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Waterman Campus Center, followed by the SCool JAzz be held on Sunday, Feb. 22, at 3 bers of the group will stick around Trinity House Theatre is located singer's mellow tones and dancing p.m. and Tuesday. Feb. 24, at 7 to sign copies of their CD, which on the northwest corner of Six to the music of Tom Saunders and

Tickets are \$30 per person and mation, please call (313) 464- may be ordered by calling the Department of Marketing and Development at (734) 462-4417.

ARSENIC & OLD LACE: The be discussed at 7:30 p.m.; the The cost is \$35 and includes Dixieland Band.

BOOK SIGNING: Jeffrey R. TOYS: The Plymouth Historical Caponigro will sign copies of his Museum has a special exhibit new book The Crisis Counselor relating to the history of toys and from 7 until 9 p.m. on Wednesday, other childhood memorles, includ-Feb. 25, at Borders Books, Music ing antique dolls, teddy bears, & Cafe at 30995 Orchard Lake push and pull toys, trains and

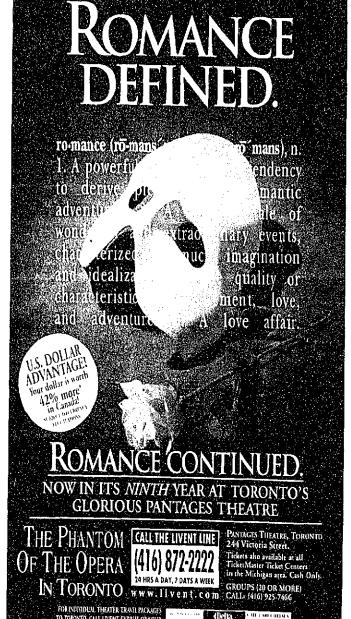
rocking horses. South Main Street in Plymouth. FUN RUN AND PANCAKE Hours are Wednesday, Thursday, BREAKFAST: St. Mary Hospital and Saturday from 1-4 p.m. and Audience members may not find and the Livonia Family YMCA will Sunday from 2-5 p.m.

Sweet Charity will be February 20. always other jobs available as, Saturday, March 14, at the Livo- Children under 5 are admitted nia YMCA, 14255 Stark Road. A free. The family rate is \$5. Soupy Sales has been booked one-mile begins at 9:30 a.m., a 3- For details, call (313) 455-8940 mile at 8:30 a.m. and a 5 mile at General seating tickets are \$11 in All dinner theater presentations 9:15 a.m. Entry fee is \$12 per include the restaurant's famous entrant before March 1, \$17 after munity College is presenting a All performances are at The seven-course, family-style Italian March 1. Preregistered runners four-part jazz series on Fridays at are guaranteed a long sleeve T- 8 p.m. at the Smith Theatre on the bus of the Northville Psychiatric For the kids there's the mini shirt and breakfast - all the pan- Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055

For details or a registration form call (734) 261-2161 ext. 314.

Gemini will be the guest artists of the Plymouth Symphony Orches-AROUND THE HOUSE: Trinity tra at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 22, well as Latin jazz favorites that are House announces the premier of at the Salem High School auditorian intricate part of the band's live Around the House, featuring a um.

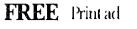
Hospital, 41001 West Seven Mile luncheon and show Beanie Baby cakes you can eat - plus sausage, Orchard Lake Road in Farmington juice and coffee. Registration Hills. The last performance in the begins at 7:30 a.m. at Forst Mid-series will be Johnny Trudell on Feb. 20. Individual performances are \$12 each. For more information call (248) CLASSICS ON THE LAKE: St.



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THE BOTTOM LINE Catholic SW mom, 30, 5', blue-eyed blonde, SWCF, 28, 5'2", medium build, outgoing, humorous, energetic, enjoys bowling, softenjoys taking walks, gardening, cooking quiet times at home, seeks down-to-earth mily-oriented, slim, romantic SWCM, 32physically fit Catholic SWM, 30-38

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED SW mam, 34, 5'3", outgoing, light smoker, enjoys lishing, camping and church activi-ties, seeks an honest, hardworking SWM, aways, log cabins and animals, seeking spontaneous, independent SWM, to share over 34, for a relationship based on trust.

Outaging SWF, 27, 5'11", brown hair, blue eyes, employed, enjoys fishing, hunting 40, to share same interests. Ad#.2394 and computers, seeks a caring, humorous

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VIRTUOUS WOMAN

eyes, outgoing loves sports and the outdoors, quiet evenings, taking walks, danc- 35-40. Ad#.6087

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relationship, Adv.2155 enjoys camping, fishing, walks, nature, animals, seeks warm, sincere, honest SWCM

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ous, honest DWCM, 45-55, with similar interests, S. Lyon area, Ad#,1004 GOD LEADS MY LIFE Born-Again DWC mom, 41, 5'4", slender

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sibly more. Ad#.4144 ONCE IN A LIFETIME Professional, fun-loving SWCF, 30, 5'2", N/S, humorous, enjoys rollerblading, swimming, water skiing, the outdoors, walks, tooking for

intelligent, outgoing, childless SWCM, 25-35, Ad#, 1515 AVID READER Protestant SWF, 22, 5'5", participates in

Bible study, enjoys walks, concerts, movies, 25-33, with mutual interests Ad#.1997 YOU JUST MAY BE THE ONE Catholic SW mom of three, 22, 5'10', outgo- SWF, for lasting relationship. Ad#.4321

HEART OF GOLD Kind-hearted SWCF, 50, 5'5", from Ann Arbor, enjoys dancing, camping, family and speciator sports, wants to meet

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THEFT ONG RELATIONSHIP employed, interests include country and hockey, seeks honest, caring ball, family time, spending time with friends, SWCM, 30-45, N/S. Ad#.9420

LET'S GET AWAY. include bowling, golf, rollerblading, casinos, dining out, movies, seeking honest, loyal similar interests. Ad#.4139 Catholic DWF, 40, 5'5", blonde hair, hazel SWCM, 43-53, for monogamous relation-

Protestant DWF, 53, 5', 110lbs., N/S, educaled, warm, fun, wilty, enjoys dining out, cooking, day frips, music, seeks profession-SWF, 31, 511, shy, single mom, enjoys out- al SWM, N/S, for possible long-term reladoors, concerts, hockey, soeks DWM, under tionship. Ad#.3334

DWCF, 42, 5'2", 100lbs., blue-eyed blonde, Pretty, full-figured DW mom, 32, 59°, blonde bubbly, financially stable, has no children at home, great sense of humor, seeks DWCM, 38-44, who is nurturing, kind, sensitive and honest, to have fun with. Ad#,4567

> loyal, sincere, lives in South Lyons, likes drives, walks, TV, movies, dining out, cards, seeks compatible, trusting humorous KNOW HOW TO SHARE? Chipper SWF, 25, 5'1", long black hair, shy,

bowling and dancing, seeks sincere S/DWM, friends, seeks SWM, 24-28, no kids, preferably never married. Ad#,7557 NO HEAD GAMES Sell-emplayed DWCF, 60, 5'2", from Brighton, enjoys travolling, animals, sports, being outdoors, seeks friendly SWCM, 55-

ANY CHEMISTRY? Catholic SWF, 35, 5'8", tall, slender, educatgreen eyes, enjoys fishing, bowling, golling, dogs, dancing, seeks honest, hardworking, ed, active, N/S, likes travel, dancing, fitness, elegant evenings, seeks lively, humorous fun-loving, employed, enjoys skiing, dining SWM, 30-43. Ad#.2213 fun-loving, employed, enjoys skiing, dining out, music and more, seeking employed handsome SWM, 31-40, who wants to settle

A BRAND NEW START Bashlul DW mom. 34, 5'6", blue-eyed WWWCF, 39, 5'4", autgaing, Iriendly, likes blonde, enjoys movies, going out, being outbowling and horseback riding, taking walks, doors, seeks nice SWM, to share thoughts seeks honest SWM, 36-43, who has a strong

> Baptist SWE 50, 5'3", brown eyes, warm, caring, cheerful, enjoys traveling, dining, plays, walking, reading, movies, seeks honest, sensitive, educated SM, with similar

LET'S MEET tionate SM, with a good sense of humor.

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Catholic SWF, 38, humorous, friendly, enjoys playing hockey hunting, fishing, rollerblading, tennis, seeks attractive, enjoyable SM, who is fun and serious-minded. Ad#.2229

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Ann Arbor area, desires more children, D/SWF, 45-50, to share quality time with. ATTRACTIVE SWM, 28, 6', medium-build, dark hair, blue eves, enjoys sports, movies, music and

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GET TO KNOW ME SWCM, 40, 6'1", 205lbs., brown hair, blue eves, outgoing, humorous, enjoys dining out, children, movies and church activities, seeks a SF, 35-45, Ad#.8816

SOLITARY MAN from Saginaw, participates in Youth ministry Handsome SWM, 36, N/S, attentive, creenjoys music, seeking down-to-earth SWCF, ative, honest, witty, enjoys animals, birding, 21-32. Ad#.4224 cooking, country life, fishing, seeks adorable, genuine, metaphysically-minded

FRIENDS FIRST Ambitious SBCM.33, 5'5", 230lbs., muscular, focused, outgoing, loving, affectionate, loves the Lord, enjoys the outdoors, and more, seeks SWCF, under 35, for serious relationship. Ad#.8915

HEART TO HEART Shv SWM, 34, 6'3", 220lbs., brown hair, green eyes, loves being outdoors, skiing, SWCM, 45, 5'9", medium build, from boating, seeking a trustworthy, open SWF, Brighton area, likes dancing, bowling, dining out, seeking a SWCF, under 55, N/S, for 25-45, for friendship, possible relationship.

DW mom. 33, 5'5', Catholic, participates in Outgoing, honest SWCF, 38, 5'2', blue-eved SWM, 34, 6'3", enjoys being outdoors, long youth ministry, professional, seeks marriage minded Catholic, SWM, 30-42. Ad#.3399 blonde, enjoys soccer, sports activities, seeking SWCM, 35-45, for friendship. SWF, 27-40, for friendship, possible long cards, diring out, seeking SWCF, 42-53.

A NEW CHAPTER being with family, camping, dancing, sports. Cheerful SWCF, 38, 5'4", full-figured, never Warm, caring DWCM, 40, 5'10", hobbies are Catholic DW dad, 40, 6', 175lbs., brown seeks SWCF, 30-38. Ad#.1414 HERE HE IS

> Handsome outgoing DWM, 27, 5'11" enjoys playing ice and roller hockey, movies and music, dining out and more, seeks a SWF. Ad#.1270 NEW TO DATING

50, for friendship, Ad#.4952 HARLEYS & BLUE SKIES SWM. 26. 6'1", honest, dependable employed, enjoys working out, snow skiing. hot rods, dining out and more, seeks a SWF,

TRUE BLUE hair, outgoing, friendly, never married, seeking fit, cute, bright SF, under 38, for possible

DWCF, 45, 5'4", blue-eyed blonde, hobbies SWM, 18, 5'7", outgoing, enjoys going out, SHY GUY

> 25, for a relationship. Ad# 4187 BELIEVE IN LOVE DW dad, 35, 5'10", dark brown hair, brown eyes, outgoing, honest, caring, enjoys evening cuddling, the outdoors, long walks,

A SOUL MATE Catholic WWWM, 56, 5'8", N/S, non-drinker, caring, enjoys sports, music, exercising, quiet times, good conversation, good riends, seeks attractive, feminine, SWF, 40-

STEAL MY HEART

under 49, who is young-at-heart. Ad#.3037 GENUINE LOVE SWCM, 21, 6'1", 200lbs., brown hair, quiet enjoys basketball, baseball, volleyball, movies, dining out, long walks, seeks a laithful, honest, caring SWCF, 19-25, to develop

a serious relationship. Ad# 1964 LET'S SPEND SOME TIME Handsome DWM, 26, 60, 198lbs, energetic,

HELLO SUNSHINE DWM, 41, 6', light smoker, romantic, loving, employed, enjoys Bible study, movies, nature, gardening, music and family activi-

DWCM, 40, 5'11", shy & reserved, enjoys movies, dining out, seeking SWF, 30-50, for a companion, children welcome. Ad#.7275 RARE FIND

for long-term relationship. Ad#.8149

EMOTIONAL MATURITY minded, Ad#, 9763 Professional DWM, 41, 6', 200lbs., enjoys ALL ALONE flying, antique cars and romantic dinners by

the fire, seeks honest SWF, under 45, chil-IRRESISTIBLE YOU

SWCM, 20, lives in Whitmore Lake, looking ful, happy, enjoys golfing, bowling, sports, for SWCF, 18-35, who is outgoing, fun-loving and employed. Ad#.5237

Professional, easygoing DWC dad, 52, Profession DWM, 34, 57", reddish-blow

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honest, enjoys biking, dancing, animals, being outdoors, from Brighlon, seeks athletc SF, under 45, who is young-at-hearl. FOLLOW YOUR HEART

Never-married, Catholic SWCM, 33, 5'9",

animal lover, from the Livonia area, enjoys movies and sporting events, seeks Catholic SWCF, Ad#, 8978 CONTACT ME DWC dad, 37, 6', laid-back, reserved

genuine, employed, stable SWCF, 33-43. ed, good listener, easy to get along with, loves the outdoors, pels, working out, seeks SCF, 22-34 Ad#.4425 PICK ME! SWM, 20, 6', enjoys sports, movies, seeking Protestant SW dad, 19, 6'1", shy, likes

seeks compatible SWCF, under 27, to LET'S TALK OVER COFFEE friendship, maybe more. Ad#.2025 SWM, 25, 5'7", dark hair, blue eyes, N/S. enjoys movies, camping, hunting, travel, seeks honest, slender SWF, 19-27, with Catholic DWM, 42, 6'1", from Brighton

similar interests. Ad#.7900 THE SEARCH IS OVER SWCM, 31, 6'2", dark hair, blue eyes, easygoing, great sense of humor, lives in South Lyons, interests include the movies, sports,

Protestant DW dad, 41, 6'2", 205lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, good-looking, enjoys sports, camping, the outdoors, seeking SWCM, 36, 5'9", shy and reserved, enjoys Protestant SWF, under 41, who is caring Star Trek, bicycling, seeking humorous and family-oriented, Ad#,1212

Young-al-heart DW dad, 41, 6', 180lbs., red Protestant DW dad of two, 39, 6'1", brown hair, outgoing, friendly, enjoys conversation, hair, green eyes, nice person, lives in fishing, camping, seeks SW mom, 25-41, for Plymouth area, likes walking, coaching possible relationship. Ad#.4373 ports, singing in choir, seeks DWCF, 21 MR. NICE GUY! 48. kids okay. Ad#.3121

hair, green eyes, employed, enjoys traveling. enjoys remodeling, gardening, biking, Catholic SWF, 22-35, N/S, who is marriage

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DWC dad, 32, 5'8", 140lbs., dark hair hazel eyes, fit, goal-oriented, sincere respectable, loving, likes fishing, motorcy cles, seeks loyal, mature SHCF, 28-36

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enjoys sports, rollerblading, seeking SWF 18-25, for frien Iship first. Ad#.5664 AFONE TOO LONG Personable SWCM 40, 5'10", tro Hamburg, enjoys movies, watching TV

STRONG FAITH IN GOD

Church-going DWCM, 29, 6', open-mind

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animals, seeking sincere, honest, caring

Catholic DWF, 35-46, no children please

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lependable SF, with similar interests

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rollerblading, seeking honest, sincere

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Baptist SWM, 38, quiet-natured, enjoys

BE DEPENDABLE

dancing, movies, seeks caring, under

standing, trustworthy SF. Ad#.1031

kind, caring, considerate SF. Ad#,7100

Ad#.1954

golfing, biking, seeking sincere, honest SWCF, 32-38, Ad#, 6633 CALL & WE'LL TALK SWM, 30, 5'10", 165lbs., N/S, trustworthy sports, seeks SWF, 19-32, who is physical

A DESCRIPTION OF SMILES Active, optimistic DWCM, 51, 6', reddish brown hair, blue eyes, employed, partici pates in Bible study, enjoys biking, reading

travel, working out, seeks adventurous romantic, fun-loving S/DWF. Ad#.2020 ing wrestling history. INCURABLE ROMANTIC SWM, 38, 5'10", 170lbs., blue eyes, inter ests include tennis, golf, bowling, seeking compassionate, humorous SF, 25-40, for

loving relationship. Ad#.5921 three-straight years CHARMING DW dad, 27, 6'5", 200lbs., hobbies are out door activities, snowmobiles, movies, shooting pool, horses, stock cars, seeks fun SWF, 22-32. Ad#.4240

> to put that behind us and him, and they did. concentrate on Pinckney and

The tournament draw has Novi rounds taking on Pinckney in the first

tend for the district championship at approximately 5:30

last with 57 points.

Ryan Churella and Dan Jilg won

his 14th-straight match and for us, but he was one of the big Lyon in the first round, but lost improve to 30-8 this season. The freshman beat Scannell 4- ment."

2 the first time they had met dur- Rumpf lost to Hartland's top

SPIKERS WIN TWO: Volleyball squad take two KVC

of wins last week /11B

matchup best in years /11B

HEAD TO HEAD:

Northville/Novi wrestling

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THURSDAY February 19,

Novi has had enough

NEWS STORES

'Cats stop Hartland, win KVC championship

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

It's been a long 10 years for the Novi wrestling team, But Saturday's Kensington Valley Confer- improved all year long and is ence meet proved the wait was wrestling with a lot of confi-

well worth it The Wildcats came into the winning its first KVC champi-

onship since 1988. Novi accumulated 179.5 points, easily outdistancing second-place chances the Eagles had of mak-

two-straight years and no team move to 32-2 overall this year. had ever won the conference

deal. The KVC is, I think, the he is very good." Churella also strongest wrestling conference in picked up a win over Brighton. the state. "It's very exciting, but we have

Northville this week. We could only enjoy this for one day. Novi hosts the district wrestling

round and Northville taking on South Lyon. The two winners, expected to be Novi and Northville, will con-

With their first championship in 10 years, the 'Cats join first round.

South Lyon and Howell tied for third place with 118.5 points. Novi also placed high in several Milford was fifth (111.5), Brighton other divisions. sixth (98) and Lakeland finished

conference championships at 103 lutely couldn't count on," Huss finals where Faulkner beat How-Churella beat Hartland's Bruce excellent job and on paper we Scannell 7-0 in the finals to win didn't expect him to score a lot at 125 pounds. He heat South individual districts.

ing the regular season, but had control of this match throughout. "Ryan is really having a good season," Huss said. "He has

Jilg continued his dominance tournament undefeated and with a 9-0 win over Howell's shunned the challengers away in Brooks Cozart in the champi-

onship, Jilg improved to 32-2 on the year with early wins over Brighton and Milford. Senior Mark Churella did what Hartland (149.5), and ruined any he has done so well this year at 140 pounds, win. Churella beat

Dale Maskill of South Lyon 13-5 Hartland had won the KVC to win the conference crown and "He opened up a bit Saturday in the finals and it was nice," the "This is fantastic," coach Brad coach said. "When Mark opens Huss sald. "This is definitely a big up his style and just goes after it

> classes would wrestle well for Andy Kalik stayed hot at 171, topping Brighton's David Fuller in the finals 8-4 to pick up a conference title. He also pinned South Lyon and Milford in the first two

Huss knew his top four weight

"I feel great for this kid," Huss noted. "He really wanted to be a KVC champ and he worked hard

Jon Talbot didn't lose a step either, pinning his way to the But he beat South Lyon and Mil-ner to finish third. 215-pound championship. The senior pinned his Howell opponent after receiving a bye in the ond for Novi.

in a time of 2:36. Besides its five championships, the championship.

Novi received a quick lift when unexpected points for his team. Posey beat Faulkner and sent. We've been close before, but the "That was something we abso- him down to the consolation KVC has been tough." said of Rumpl's finish. "He did an ell's Mike Griffin for third place.

reasons why we won this tournato Hartland's Tim Kowal in the second. Reiter came back to beat Lake-



Novi

VS.

Pinckney

Senior Andy Kalik won the KVC championship at 171 pounds for Novi Saturday. Kalik improved to 29-9 with the wins.

wrestler, Brad Lusk, in the finals. land and Brighton's Adam Kushford in the first two rounds. Nate Plecha also finished sec-

The senior topped Lakeland consolation bracket. Brighton, Hartland and Howell as He then went on to pin Mil- and Hartland in the first two Mitchell then beat South Lyon the only KVC champions this ford's James Molnar in the finals rounds before losing to Howell's before losing to Howell in the con-

> Chris Rumpf finished a surpris- meet up with Hartland's John didn't want to be co-champs. ing runner-up, accumulating Posey in the second round.

DISTRICT WRESTLING TOURNAford, lost to Leff Olson of Brighton MENT in his second match to fall to the

District

title

match

Matt Culver 6-4 in overtime in solation finals for a fourth-place Heavyweight Brett Faulkner "The kids really worked hard was seeded second, but had to last week," Huss said. "They They wanted the whole thing

team district action and travel to Ryan Reiter also finished third Adrian Saturday to compete at Winners at both the team and

Matches start at 4p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19 individual districts advance to at Novi HighSchool. regional competition next

Northville

South

Lyon

Swimmers survive scare at Pinckney

boys swim season's in recent hiscome easy as the Wildcats had to mers," the coach said.

kids have a chance to swim," coach Bill McCord said. "But they

ly our B and C relays at the end." came right back. His B and C teams had to make up ground after Novi's top relay vidual medley (2:06.42) and team was disqualified midway David Bliss finished second in the

McCord said he expected that

better to secure the win. But in the end it was the relay grabbing top honors in the 100 team of Jack Fischer, Dan Hen- butterfly (:59.74). dricks, Phil Suchyta and John Pinckney finished first and sec-Jones who beat out Pinckney's ond in three of the next four top relay team. The group swam a events to take an 80-76 lead with 3:41.93 to earn eight points for just two events remaining. Novi's Brian Schoepste and Andrew Jones, Kurtti and LeRoy Sawmiller squeezed in before the [1:33.44]. Pinckney's second team to grab But Dave Tardella came Novi were: Lynch, Jones, LeRoy Hendricks in the 200 freestyle Saturday afternoon. It will be the

is the best in McCord's four seasons at the school.

tory with a pair of victories over but what it came down to was a Pirickney and Fenton last week. real desire to win. I feel it brought The win over Pinckney didn't out some character in our swim-

meet so I let some of our other middle spots to get a win, and they did. Mike Kurtti Dan Lynch, Fischer were better than I thought. I and Jason LeRoy won the 200 thought our team showed a lot of medley relay (1:44.51) to help

through the race for taking off 50 freestyle (:25.42) to keep the score tied after four events. Novi won the next two events, relay team to grab first and one of with Mike Alberty (221.65) and

eighth win of the season. The breaststroke and the relay teams ley relay; Kurtti in the 200 200 individual medley; Lynch in attain state cuts.

'Cats' 8-1 regular-season record "It wasn't so much our depth,

overcome a disqualification in the Novi won more races than final event to pull out a 95-93 vic- Pinckney (7-5), but finished second just twice. That meant that "We were not expecting a close—the Wildcats had to dominate the

character to come back, especial- Novi jump out early, but Pinckney Lynch again won the 200 indi-

2 in the diving and Bill Benton much for Pinckney.



Photo by HAL GOULD

Mike Kurtti won two events in each of the Wildcat's victories last week in the pool.

"It was easily the most exciting medley and 500 freestyle; Alberty Armas, Mike Reynolds and Matt meet of the year," McCord said. "I in diving; Fischer in the 100 but- Ochab in the 200 freestyle relay; give a lot of credit to Pinckney."

NOVI 134, FENTON 51 The Wildcats won 11 of 12 Lynch, Benton, Kurtti and LeRoy Reynolds and Land in the 400

terfly; LeRoy in the 100 freestyle; Bayer in the 100 backstroke; Phil Lynch, Fischer, Jones and Suchy- VanNortwick in the 100 breastta in the 200 freestyle relay; and stroke and Ehenger, Armas, freestyle relay. Novi will send a few athletes to

ton, Tardella, Fischer and Matt the Michigan Interscholastic

Block places at Junior Olympics

The Livonia Junior Rifle team lived up to its national reputation this past week when teammates Kurt Williams and Jeremy Block won three medals in the Junior Olympic Shooting Championships held in Livonia and Grand Rapids. Williams, a senior at

gold medal in Mens 3-position smallbore with a score of 555/600. Block, a Novi High School junior, won the bronze with a

Northville High School, won the

551/600. Williams, firing an Anshutz 1913 rifle will represent Michigan in the Mens 3-position rifle portion of the Junior Olympic National Championships to be held in March at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado

Block, the bronze medalist in smallbore, also took the silver medal in Air Rifle with a 367/400 with an Anschutz 2002. Block will represent Michigan in Colorado for Mens Air Rifle at the Junior Olympic

his other teams to finish third or Jason Zonca (218.05) finishing 1- in the final event proved too freestyle and 100 backstroke; the 50 freestyle: Suchyta in the Benton in the 200 individual 100 freestyle; Derrick Land, Israel

their team. Not to be outdone, only top finish was the winning events and finished second in 10 in the 400 freestyle relav. Brett LeBlanc, Vincent Ehenger, 200 freestyle relay team of Lynch, others as the team rolled over the Grabbing seconds were: Ben-

Bringing home first places for Lasferty in the 200 medley relay; Swim Coaches Association Meet third and ensure Novi of its through with a win in the 100 and Adam Bayer in the 200 med- and 500 freestyle; Tardella in the last chance for several 'Cats to

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Novi takes two in KVC action

By JASON SCHMITT

Novi kept what slim chances it had of winning the Kensington Valley Conference volleyball title alive with a pair of wins over confer-

ence opponents this past week. The Wildcats beat Howell 15-9, 12-15, 15-11 to move to 8-2 in the KVC, a game and a half behind first-place Brighton 9-0. Novi plays the Bulldogs Monday night.

Against Howell, the 'Cats tumped out strong' early, hitting on all cylinders.

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Howell is always consistent, they always 15-13 in a game that went back and forth. play hard," coach Julie Fisette said, "But my girls played well. We passed well and every-

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thing was working for us. It's refreshing to see - to end it and keep Novi's slim conference them play so well during the mid-winter chances alive.

Howell fought back to take the second game, but Novi was too strong in the end. Sara Heusel led the way with 10 kills in the

match. Emily Ernst had six kills and eight solo blocks and Katte Copp added six solo blocks. Last Monday (Feb. 9) the 'Cats needed three games to defeat Milford on the road. Novi won the first game 15-5, but fell a part in the second game (13-15). It rallied to take the third

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"Jessica is a very good server for us." Fisette

said. "She'll be very instrumental in our attack versus Brighton next week." Roemer served four aces in all and had six kills. Heusel again led the team with seven kills and Copp added six. Kristen McGlinnen had

nine solo blocks in the match. Tonight the Wildcats play Lakeland on the road before traveling to Dearborn to compete in the U of M at Dearborn tournament Saturday. Monday's match up against Brighton at home With the game tied 13-13, senior Jessica is senior night for the team. The junior varsity Roemer served out the game, including an acc match is set to begin at 6 p.m.

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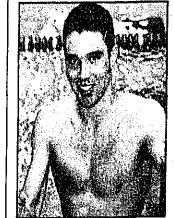
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Mike Alberty-Senior

The senior diver has won almost every meet he has competed in this year including both meets last week. Alberty posted a season-high score of 248.90 to take top honors against Fenton. He also won the competition against Pinckney. He will compete for a spot at states when he competes at regionals March 10.

NOVI ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Erin Spindler—Senior



Spindler has been the lone setter then entire year for coach Julie Fisette's volleyball squad. The senior has played every game for the Wildcats including the last two matches this past week. She set at nearly a 50 percent clip and had four aces as well.

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PRETTY SPECIAL TEAM

Scotty's Specials, a U-10 girls indoor team went undefeated in four games to win the Holiday Tournament Championship hosted by Total Soccer Dec. 28. Team members from Novi included Jessica Barndt, Kelli Corless, Erin Szczypka, Sarah Schmitt, Kristen Haves and Kristen Ehehalt.

POM PON PRESENTS HALFTIME SHOW

from the high school to perform the routine.

The Novi varsity poin pon squad will be performing to the song "Dude looks like a lady" during halftime of tomorrow's Novi/Howell game at Novi High School. The 28 members of the team will be joined by 28 boys

U-11 JAGUARS HOLD TRYOUTS

The 87 Novi Jaguars, a U-11 boys select soccer SOCCERZONE HAS JOB OPENINGS team, will be holding tryouts for the team. To play in this age group the player's birthdate must be on or

immediately indoor and play outdoor with the team dents or soccer moms. Starting pay is between \$6 for the spring 1998 season. The season begins in and \$7 an hour. Good phone, interpersonal and orga-April and ends in June. The team will play one tournament over Memorial weekend as well.

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Gymnastics team tops John Glenn, Clarenceville

By JASON SCHMITT

Clarenceville last week.

each event.

It seems as though these days the Northville/Novi gymnastics team is just counting the days - counting the days until the state gymnastics tournament The team tended to business in a pair of event.

dual meet wins over John Glenn and

The Wildcats topped John Glenn

138.65-130.85 Feb. 9 to remain undefeat-

Missy MacRae won both the bars compe-

tition and the vault with scores of 9.0 in

Northville/Novi also took second on the

bars as Jennifer Rohlfs scored an 8.9.

ed in conference action and overall.

By JASON SCHMITT

Wildcats

match up

well with

Mustangs

If all goes as planned tonight the Northville and Novi wrestling teams will settle their differences once and for all. Both teams feel they are superior, but both coaches are well aware of each others strengths and weaknesses.

"Novi scares the hell out of me," Mustang coach Garnett Potter said. "They have a good team and I think they'll be ready for us."

Northville has been nothing less then spectacular this season, posting a 16-1 record and three invitational championships, including the Western Lakes' title. Not to be outdone, Novi is 17-2 and went through the dual-meet portion of their Kensington Valley Conference untouched and won the conference tournament last Saturday at Lakeland.

"It's one of those that can come down to the heavyweight match," Novi coach Brad Huss said. "There are probably three or four matches that could go either way."

If either team has an edge over the other, it would be Northville. The Mustangs beat the Wildcats in the season opener, 40-22.

"It doesn't matter what the score was, I know Novi is hungry to beat us," Northville assistant Bob Townsend said. "States are their ultimate goal but we're in their way and they're in ours. In reality both teams deserve to go to the staté meet, but that can't happen." Huse and Townsend agree that it could come down to a few matches that determines

the winner. "I think 103, 171 and 189 are important matches." Huss said. "We're going to have to win those matches or they're gonna give us a whoopin. The team that wins that match could go to the state semifi-

The winner of that match will at least advance to the regional tournament the following week at Temperance Bedford



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Spinazze was second with an 8.65. Spinazze won the all-around with a 34.5 and Winn was third with a 33.9. competition with an 8.5 and placing in two "We rested some girls this week," coach other events. The freshman was third on Laura Moyers said, "We're just kind of the yault (8.45) and third on the beam mixing things up right now. Physically (7.9). we're not too injured, just a few nagging

and Spinazze had an 8.65 for fourth.

and was the only Mustang to place in the

Williamson was the team's other winner,

taking the beam competition with a 9.3.

Erica Winn with an 8.8 for second place healthlest team is the one that will probably win the state title." Spinazze came back to grab first in the

Three days later the Wildcats easily floor exercise. The senior scored a 9.15 - routed non-conference foe Clarenceville

129.5-110.5. Although only one team member competed all around, Northville/Novi used its team depth to walk over the Trojans. Monica Fink led the team with an allaround score of 32.8, winning the bars

bars (8.4) as well as the vault (8.7).

Nicole Pelletier grabbed second on the

spots on the vault. Stacey Williamson fied that are about equal in talent, I think the tion with an 8,8 and finished third on the bars with a 7.4.

Williamson finished aton the two events she competed in. The senior won the vault with an 8.7 and the beam with an 8.7.

The meet allowed Moyers the chance to give some girls a rest while allowing others to meet qualifying scores for regional com-

have about 14 girls qualified in the vault. Movers said. The coach added that Northville/Novi has over 10 girls qualified in each of the four events.

The Wildcats host Farmington tonight at 7 p.m. and will be having its parents night Monday against Berkley at home.

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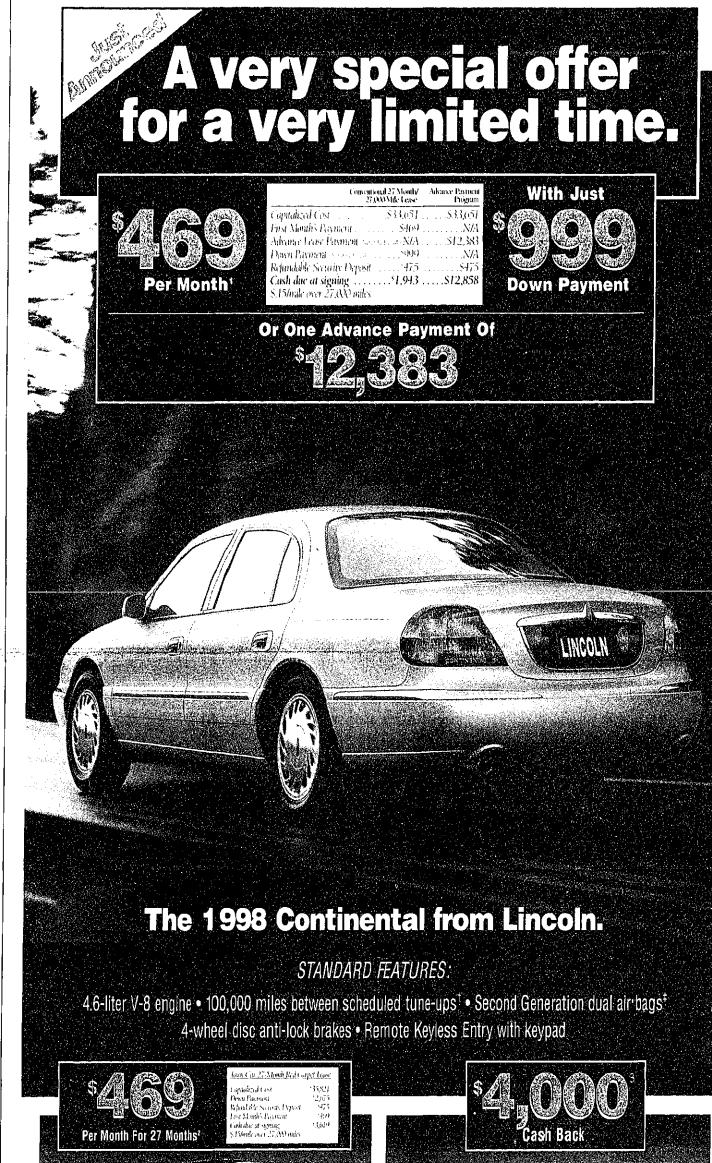
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Romanian karate expert visits Novi

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

If you can't take your people to the karate, then bring the karate to your people.

Well that's exactly what Scott Maczuga has done.

The owner of Novi Karate Dojo has brought a series of Ashtharastyle karate experts to his dojo from different parts of Europe to assist in the training of the Dojo's newly adopted style.

Sorin Popa, a senset from Romania, is the last of five instructors from across the Atlantic to visit Novi. Maczuga met Popa and other instructors in Denmark at an international camp last July.

"He's our grand finale," Maczuga said. "When I first met sensei-Sorin he was extremely helpful. As far as technique is concerned, they (Europeans) were the most advanced we had seen at the

Maczuga spoke with Popa and asked him if he would like to visit Novi and help in changing the dojo over from Shoto Kan to the Ashihara-style of karate:

"Ashihara helps to improve and develop the natural movement of the human body," Popa said of the change in styles. "We want to prove that anybody can do these movements. You don't have to be superhuman."

Maczuga said the style fits just about anyone from five year old

kids to teenagers to adults. : "Europeans have a different strategy that the Americans," Maczuga said. "The Americans are so far behind. We're now trying to play catchup with the rest of the

"Europeans realize that it takes



Sorin Popa (right) will be at Scott Maczuga's Novi Karate Dojo for the month of February.

hard work and patience, but in America we think that if you aren't a black belt after a month it's not worth it. A green belt in

Ashihara is equal to a third or fourth degree black belt here." that style here to his dojo.

"They hold a high standard over there and we want to bring that standard here to the US," he said.

This is Popa's first time in the

United States.

"I've traveled throughout Denmark, but this is very challenging for me to come here," he said. "It's one thing to be the best in your own country, but it's another to Maczuga said he hopes to bring prove yourself in another country. "You can learn something from

Popa will be at the dojo through

the end of February.

Maczuga said this is a prime

time for people to join the dojo. "This is my way of living," Popa said. "To teach a kid something,

The Novi Karate Dojo is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from 12

it's worth all the money in the

If you would like more informa-

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Health Column

largest voluntary health organiza- the dangers of smoking. tion committed to the prevention of heart disease and stroke faunches a nationwide educational campaign. This year's effort con-Disease and Stroke Campaign which was started in September 1997, as a major public awareness effort about women and heart disease. This year's educational message is "Each One, Reach One" to Educated about heart disease and stroke and to share the informaton with other women.

Not only is heart health impormonth, the Michigan affiliate of he AHA targeted the 340,000 Michigan schoolchildren (kinder- weekly, and television viewing is

The American Heart Association gartners through grade 12 at 78 said to be the greatest contributor salutes February as American metropolitan Detroit schools) in a to inactivity and obesity among Heart Month. Each year since campaign to build knowledge of 1963, the AHA - which is the good eating, exercise habits and Michigan children include:

According to the Cardiovascular Health and Nutrition section of the Michigan Department of Community Health, cardiovascular distinues the National Women's Heart ease (CVD) continues to be the major cause of death in Michigan. Children and youth face several risk factors related to CVD. These factors include smoking/nicotine addiction and lack of physical activity. Contributing risk factors urge American women to become are diet, obesity and diabetes. Trends show that smoking is increasing in adolescence, with 90 percent of smokers beginning before age 21. Also, 63 percent of ant to both men and women, it is Michigan high school students fail also a concern for children. This to meet the minimum national standard for physical activity - at least three 20-minute sessions

youth. Other startling statistics of

· One in three children is over-

• Four out of 10 children have high blood cholesterol.

· One out of five African-American girls, one out of six African-

American boys. · One out of 12 Caucasian children has significant blood pressure elevation.

In 1994, the state ranked as the 14th worst in the nation for CVD mortality. Also, 1993 statistics show that Michigan had the 11th worst age-adjusted coronary heart disease death rate in the nation and the state ranked as the 24th worst in the nation for stroke mentality.

From the state level, the Michigan Department of Community Health has implemented efforts in

cardiovascular disease prevention. Initiatives will focus on increasing both public and professional awareness about heart attack and stroke, reducing premature mortality rates, especially among African-Americans, continuing to provide training opportunities that support cardiovascular health professionals, and increasing collaboration among agencies that promote cardiovascular health.

Botsford General Hospital this month introduces its new Institute for Cardiovascular Health, a comprehensive department containing the Michigan Institute for Heart Failure and Transplant Care. It is affiliated with the University of Michigan and the Cleveland Clinic. Programs that are part of the institute include the Center for Lipid Metabolism and Atherosclerosis, Cardiovascular Research, and Chest Pain Management.

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Feb. 26 - Healthy Cooking Demos: "Sensaonal Sandwich Stuffers." Meets at 7 p.m., \$6 ee and preregistration required. Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. For more information or to fegister, call (248) 477-6100.

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The Manic-Depressive and Depressive Assodation support group meets 7:30-9 p.m. on the irst and third Wednesday of each month at the Mission Health Professional Office Center, 39500 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi. Call Vicki at (248) 960-1288.

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March 10

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March 12

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March 18

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March 19

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