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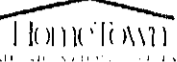
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## School taxes dip as home values rise

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL  
Staff Writer

The typical Novi homeowner could buy a pack of Wrigley's chewing gum and have five cents to spare from the savings under the 1998-99 millage rate in the newly adopted \$45 million Novi Community Schools budget.

Novi homeowners will see a .003 mill decrease in their school tax rate (thanks to a larger than expected jump in the State Equalization Value of Novi properties this year. Home values rose 9 percent.

Proposal A restricts property taxes, with increases to be triggered by the lowest of three fig-

ures: the change in the SEV, the Consumer Price Index or 5 percent. At 2.7 percent, the CPI is this year's operative figure for homeowners.

So with the SEV higher than expected, said Jim Koster, assistant superintendent of business, the millage levy has to go down because it's spread around to more homeowners.

That translates to a .30 cent decrease next year for the owner of a \$200,000 home. A mill is \$1 for each \$1,000 of assessed value on a home. Assessed value is set at half the market value of a home.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Ginny Burnham retires after 17 years at the wheel of the Novi school district's transportation department.

## Busing director starts new journey

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL  
Staff Writer

Ginny Burnham won't miss the 5 a.m. phone calls from bus drivers saying they can't make it to work, but she will remember the 31 years, four months and 10 days she spent at the Novi Community School District.

The retiring Director of Transportation spent her last days this

week organizing the fleet of buses that take thousands of kids to and from school every day.

She will be replaced by Dan Tooman, who previously worked in the transportation system for the Ann Arbor School District for 11 years.

Burnham, who grew up in Walled Lake, took the job of bus

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Photo by TOM HIBBELN

Alan Rothenberg, a Johnny Reb, shows how to attack with a bayonet.

## Gettysburg

Novi men to reenact Civil War on 135th anniversary of battle

By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

When it comes to city government, not everybody sees eye to eye on everything, but Novi Historical Commissioners Alan Rothenberg and Alan Kohring plan to grab guns and actually start firing at each other this week.

On July 1-3, they'll take to the field on opposite sides with some 15,000 other reenactors in honor of the 135th anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg. Rothenberg will be a Confederate; Kohring, a Yankee.

Civil War reenactors never forget an anniversary, at least of a battle.

"We like to refer to this as a war that never ends. When we finish Appomattox, we'll start up again with Manassas," Rothenberg said.

A first sergeant of the Fourth Texas Company E, the Lone Star

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Submitted photo by George Kohring  
Historical Commissioner Alan Kohring, in full Union Army dress with sons Jason, 15, and Brian, 12.

## Teams juggle fields waiting for ground to seed

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL  
Staff Writer

When will Novi High School soccer and football players be able to dig their cleats into new ground?

According to school administration, not until sometime in the Fall of 1999 for the high school stadium and not until sometime during 1999 for the Novi Middle School and practice fields. The clay on the sites is being removed, the earth regraded, drainage corrected and seed planted as part of the \$17.3 million bond issue passed by voters in March.

Yet, six parents with grim faces told the Novi Board of Education, June 18, they were misled and unhappy with the timetable. They were under the impression the fields would be done in time for the spring season.

"I would not have voted for it (the bond) had I known these fields were not going to be ready," said Terri Arrington.

However, President Ray Byers said they must have misinterpreted information passed out about the bond. While it does say "construction" will be completed in August of this year for the middle school and in September of 1999 for the high school, the fields need six months to a year afterwards to seed.

"Eight years ago when we redid the football field we rushed the process," said Byers. "When we're done we will have a better facility than we've had before."

In the meantime, the schools will have to find somewhere else for students to play.

"Next year is going to be a difficult year," said Byers. "It can't be done overnight."

According to Athletic Director John Fundukian, the high school teams may use the Parks and Recreation fields at Eight Mile and Napier or could end up playing all games at away fields. Renting a stadium is also an option.

But for the parents at the meeting, the parks and rec fields are certainly not an option.

"They are rock hard and you're going to have injuries," said Bruce Gibson.

"My husband would rather my daughter play on the parking lot the fields are so bad," said Arrington. "If someone gets hurt I guarantee you're going to have a lawsuit on your hands."

"I don't understand why this can't be done for the fall," Gibson added.

"You don't want to put a lot of money into it and have it all ripped up," said Jim Koster, assistant superintendent of business. "That's crazy."

Did Novi schools mislead residents about sports field work, or did voters just misinterpret their words. A commentary appears on page 16A.

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## Cop lands second role in major motion picture

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL  
Staff Writer

In his first major motion picture role, Novi Detective Paul Stulgross played a dead Confederate in "Gettysburg."

In his latest appearance on the big screen, Stulgross plays a live character standing over a dead guy smothered with fake blood, which was actually sweet-and-sour sauce.

"It made me hungry for Chinese food," he said.

Stulgross has a brief appearance in the newly released movie "Out of Sight" with stars George Clooney and Jennifer Lopez. Filmed in Detroit, the movie revolves around a federal marshal who tracks then falls in love with a bank robber. Stulgross plays a Detroit detective and spent a winter day at the corner of the I-75 freeway and Mack Avenue last year. The actor made \$100.

"They filmed a couple of different shots but they cut a lot of it out," he explained.

Lieutenant David Butler helped get Stulgross

the part after a local casting agent called looking for detectives to play extras in the movie.

"I wasn't about to do it," Butler said. "He'd already been in a movie so I said, 'You're the movie star.'"

Stulgross, along with some other Civil War reenactors from Novi, played a soldier in the 1993 movie "Gettysburg" filmed in Pennsylvania.

This time he and a couple other real cops from the Wayne County and Detroit Police Department had to turn over their weapons for fake guns and lab coats. They stand over a shooting victim in their one and only scene. Stulgross doesn't have any lines, but he and the officers may have saved the movie's credibility by pointing out that detectives don't wear lab coats.

Some of the detective's fellow officers have gone to see the movie, and most of them are giving him a good teasing about his ten-second stardom.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Continued on 18 Stulgross had a part in "Out of Sight!"

## Community Calendar

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

**Novi Rotary**  
The Novi Rotary Club meets at noon at the Novi United Methodist Church at 41671 Ten Mile Road. For information, contact Bob Linnbright at 380-6500.

**Monday, July 6**  
**TOPS**  
Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Meadows Clubhouse on Napier Road. For more information, call after 6 p.m. (248) 344-2167.

**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 Lahti at 348-6019 (evenings).

**Tuesday, July 7**  
**Seniors meeting**  
The Novi Center Seniors will hold their general meeting at 11 a.m. in the Community Center of the Novi Civic Center.

**Civil Air Patrol**

The Sixgate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Novi Middle School, 25209 Tuft Rd., from 7:30-9 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information call 349-2669.

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

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

**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.

**Amateur Radio Club**  
The Novi Amateur Radio Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. For more information call 348-0009.

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

**Wednesday, July 8**  
**Seniors potluck**  
The Novi Senior Social Club will gather at noon in the Novi Civic Center for their monthly potluck luncheon.

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

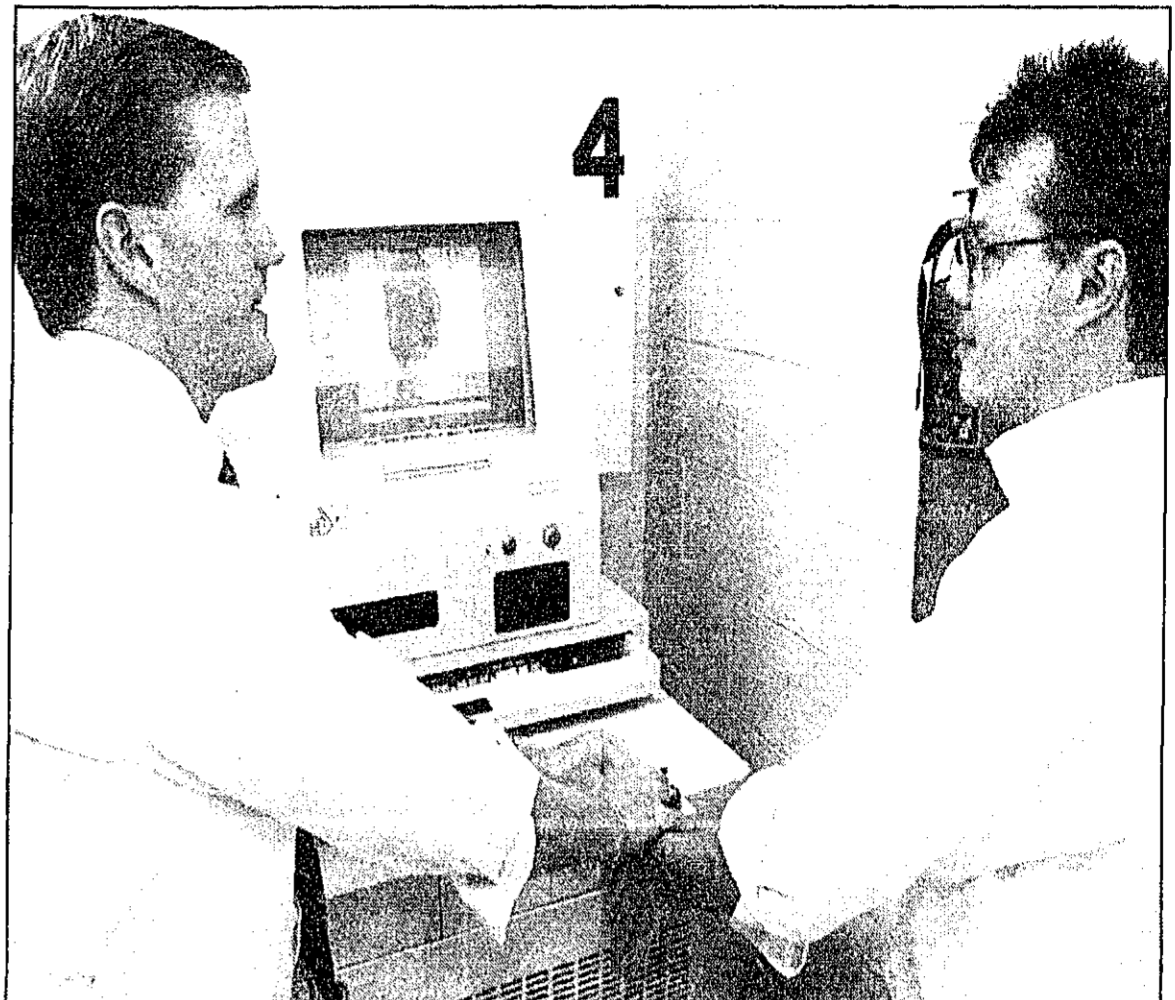
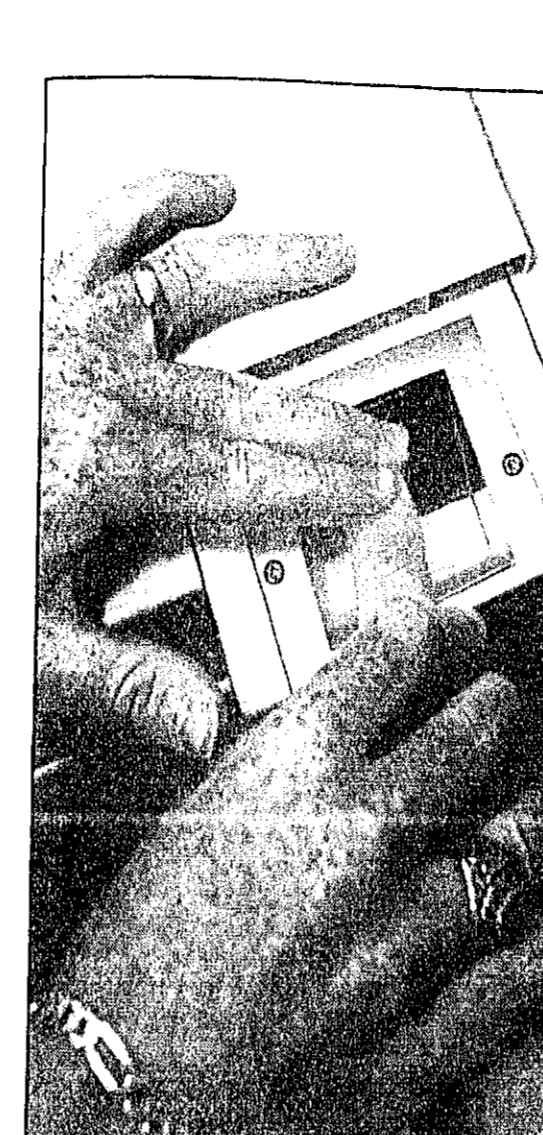
**SPARK**  
The Society for the Preservation of American Racing Knowledge, the all-volunteer support organization for the Motorsports Hall of Fame of America, meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center. The meeting is open to anyone interested in supporting the Hall of Fame and Museum.

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

**F.E.M.A.L.E.**  
The Novi area Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge Chapter meets at 7 p.m. at the Providence Mission Health Center, 39500 W. Ten Mile Rd., Conference Room A. The purpose of the organization is to offer support for mothers who have chosen to interrupt their careers to care for their children. For more information call Janet at (248)476-5834.

**Thursday, July 9**  
**Parks meeting**  
The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

**Novi Rotary**  
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Left, as a scanner paints a glass window with a bright beam of color, Novi Police Detective Tom Lindberg takes a sample fingerprint for the station's new digital system Monday morning. Above, Lindberg, right, finds a willing volunteer in dispatcher Al Squier to test the department's new digital fingerprinting station.

## Book 'em

### Novi police have hands on new technology

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL  
Staff Writer

Booking criminals at the Novi police station is happening much more efficiently with a new computerized fingerprinting system, according to Detective Tom Lindberg.

"We get a much higher quality fingerprint," Lindberg said. "It also takes less time to book a prisoner."

The new Live Scan Fingerprint Equipment was installed May 26 and after a week's worth of training, most of the department is skilled in using the equipment.

As opposed to inking white cards with fingerprints, with this system fingerprints are rolled onto a glass containing a camera underneath. The camera shoots upwards, taking the photo and inputting it into the computer.

Currently, the printout is sent to the Michigan State Police Northville Post for analysis but in the future it will enable police to fingerprint a suspect and receive identification and criminal information within seconds.

That won't happen, though, until the Oakland County jail system and state police, which hooks into

the Federal Bureau of Investigation, are connected to the same system, Lindberg said. The beginnings of the process will take place in a few months when Oakland County installs a high-powered transmission line, a T-1 line, to the Novi station.

The \$52,000 piece of equipment was purchased with a \$36,000 federal grant and \$16,000 matching funds from the Novi department's drug forfeiture fund. Bought from Digital Biometrics in Minnesota, Novi garnered a good price working with a consortium of other Michigan departments.

Although not operating up to its full potential, the system already lets Novi officers know if they have a clear print. Previously, the prints had to be sent out to the state police and if unclear had to be sent back and retaken.

"When it's done right it's a tremendous difference," said Lindberg. "It's a learned technique."

"We get a much higher quality of fingerprint."

Detective Tom Lindberg, Novi Police Department

### Time to sign up for autumn pre-school

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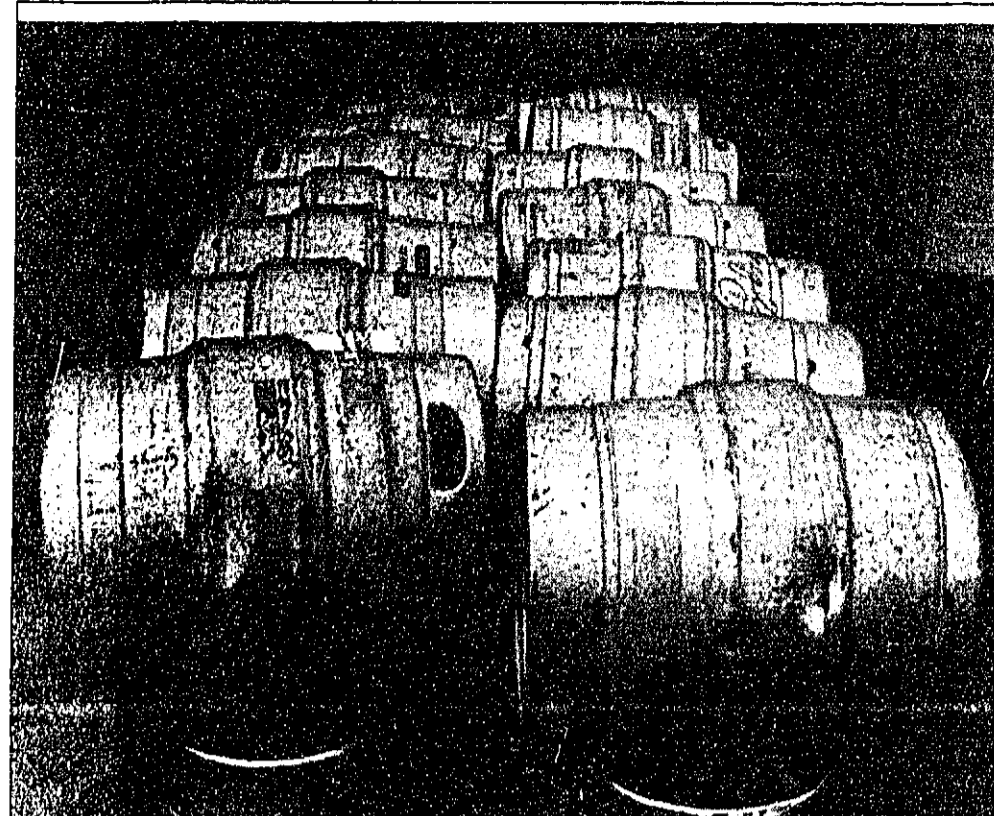
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# Brew up a name for festival beer



By JAN JEFFRES  
Staff Writer

If your beverage of choice is a nice, cold beer, here's your chance to name your own brew.

Laval Color Brewing Company is creating a special beer for the Michigan 50s Festival, but no one's figured out what to call it -- yet.

The general public is invited to brainstorm and come up with the perfect moniker for both the lager and its beer version. Most likely, the winning name will have a touch of the fifties about it, like Be-Boo Beer, festival manager Jane Thomas said.

The winner will take home a variety of Michigan 50s Festival memorabilia, tickets to events and some of that soon-to-be-renowned beer.

Last year, Laval Color sold memorabilia at the fest, but this year they won the beer concession away from Coors.

This year's Michigan 50s Festival runs July 22-26.

Got down your suggestion and mail it ASAP, along with your name, address and phone number to the Michigan 50s Festival, P.O. Box 187, Novi, MI, 48376.

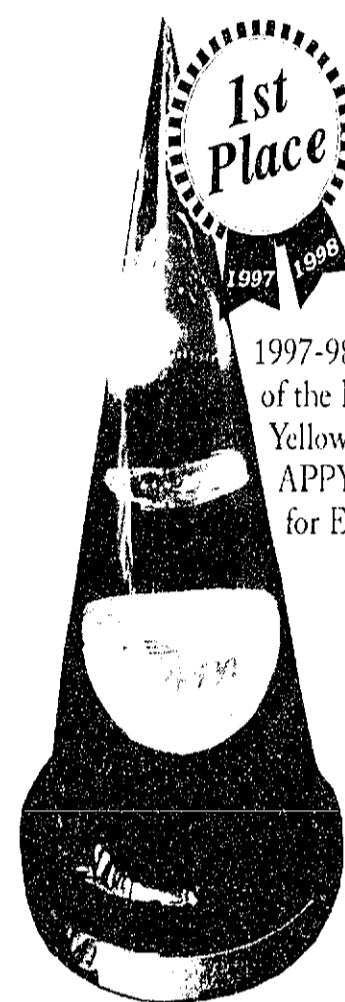


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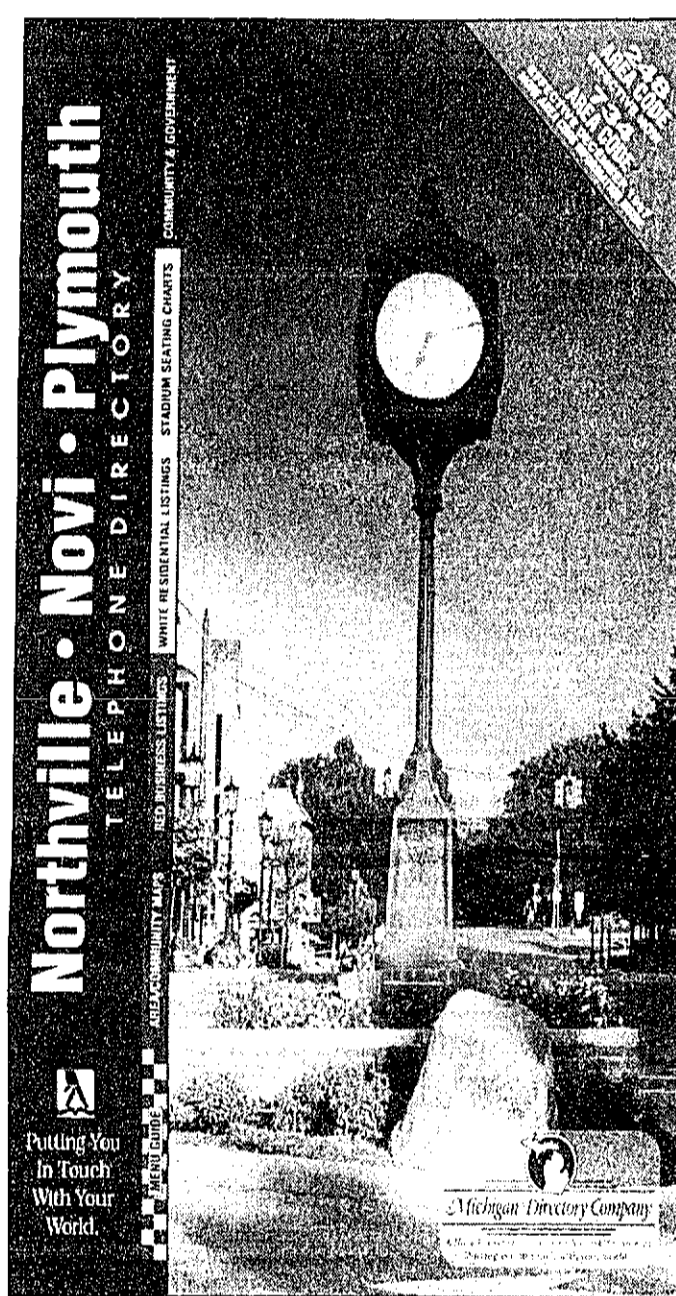
## Art critics

Northville Art in the Sun attendees pause to look at a display of ceramic walkway stones during the recent festival.

Signs of past pleasures at a previous Michigan 50s Festival; each year the brew is in demand.



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# BB gunner goes on shooting spree

A number of cars and home windows were shot out by pellet guns the night before and during the early morning hours of June 23, according to Novi police reports.

A woman sitting in her car about 1:25 a.m. on Park Ridge escaped injury as rifles in a passing vehicle shot a pellet gun at her driver's side window, police said.

The woman said it appeared to be a sport utility vehicle or mini van, but could not give a better description because the headlights were coming at her. Police said the safety glass on the car shattered but did not break, protecting the woman from harm.

Three other cars in the Meadowbrook Glens subdivision were also shot at and damaged that morning.

A sleeping Meridian resident woke just after midnight to the sound of a pellet shattering the front window of his home, followed by the sounds of a car speeding away.

A few streets over on Lidene, two car windows were shot out. Police said the damage was "malicious and consistent with other incidents the same evening."

On Heathshire, the rear window to a mini van was shot out in the same manner.

**OPEN SAYS ME**  
An Oxford Street resident told police someone entered his open garage the morning of June 23 and took two cell phones from two dif-

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ferent cars, police said.

**HARD SALE**  
A saleswoman for Artesian Jewelers in Twelve Oaks mall made a sale, but lost her pinky ring in the deal June 23. According to police reports, the woman was asked by a customer to try on a ring. Additionally, the customer requested she take off her pinky ring because it was distracting. The customer bought the ring but the saleswoman didn't realize until an hour later she neglected to put her own ring back on. By then the \$1,000 object was missing.

**HEATED UP**  
Two furnaces worth \$4,000 were stolen from a house under construction on Somerset June 24. Police said the units were in the living room, uninstalled, and suspects entered the house through the front window. The items were removed out the back patio door. Found near the door was a pager, which police called and left a message.

**PHONE CALL**  
An unknown suspect took a cell phone from the glove box of a car on Chippewa Trail sometime during the week of June 21-27. Police said the car may have been unlocked.

**STEAL PLATE**  
A license plate was taken from a Dodge Shadow on Villagewood June 27, according to police.

**DRUNK DRIVER**  
A 31-year-old Northville man was arrested for drunk driving June 28 after he registered a 0.15 percent blood alcohol content during a breathalyzer test.

According to police reports, he was stopped after an officer saw his car swerving on Haggerty Road about 2:30 a.m. Although the officer was transporting two people in his vehicle, he was authorized to make a stop because of the potential danger, especially after the man straddled both lanes of traffic. A second officer arrived within minutes to assist. The man appeared and smelled intoxicated, police said. He told the officer he had two or three beers at a friend's house. He left out letters while reciting the alphabet and failed other sobriety tests, police reported.

He was arrested and taken to the police station until sober.

**DRUNK TOO**  
A 35-year-old Novi woman on her way back from the Detroit fireworks June 27 was pulled over by police about 3:30 a.m. Police said she was speeding on Novi Road near Sandstone and drove left of center. She admitted she probably had "too much" to drink. Police said she failed sobriety tests but did not release results of a breathalyzer test.

She was arrested and taken to the police station until sober.

**CITIZENS WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THE ABOVE INCIDENTS ARE URGED TO CALL THE NOVI POLICE DEPARTMENT AT 348-7100.**

# Verbal shots are fired in Lansing over gun bills

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

One view is that the new "shall issue" gun bills will result in a flood of pistols in Michigan.

Another view is that the new bills require so much paperwork that administrative costs will rise.

A seven-bill package is before the state House of Representatives. It divides both parties and lawmakers from this area. Here is a primer to guide you through the debate.

**7. The Michigan Constitution** says: "Every person has a right to keep and bear arms for the defense of himself and the state." It's more broadly worded than the U.S. Constitution, which speaks of a militia.

Michigan currently is a "may issue" state: county gun boards composed of three people from law enforcement may issue permits to CCW (carry a concealed weapon). The gun board need give no reason for denial - the only such power in Michigan's extensive licensing program.

The reform bills would make Michigan a modified "shall issue" state - expanded gun boards shall issue a CCW permit to a person who meets the qualifications but may deny one - with a written explanation - to an applicant they think is unsafe.

That's why one side fears a flood of pistols while others say paperwork will explode.

**PANEL VOTES 9-7**  
The package is House Bills 5551-7. The House Oversight and Ethics Committee last week reported them to the House floor. The lead bill, 5551, was approved on a 9-7 vote with one absent. Here is how they voted:

**YES - Democrats (4)** Pat Gallagher of Drummond, Deborah Cherry of Burton, Ling Brewer of Holt, and Debra of Westland. Republicans (5) Dan Gustafson of Williamston, Larry DeVuyst of Ithaca, Mike Goschka of Brant, Chuck Perricone of Kalamazoo and Harold Verbeke of Wyoming.

**NO - Democrats (5)** Jim Agee of Muskegon, Mike Hanley of Saginaw, Kwame Kilpatrick of Detroit,

and Ted Wallace of Detroit and Paul Wojno of Warren. Republicans (2) Frank Fitzgerald of Grand Ledge and Andrew Reicher of Grosse Pointe.

**ABSENT - Ilona Varga, D-Detroit.** Spokesman for the reform movement these days is Rep. Howard Wetters, D-Kalamazoo, a relatively liberal member from Bay County. Assisting him is the former leader of the movement, Alan Cropsy, R-Detroit, one of the House's more conservative members. Cropsy led the failed effort two years ago.

Wetters took a lot of heat from fellow Democrat Agee when the panel met June 23.

**HOW IT CHANGES**  
Here is how Wetters and Cropsy outlined key changes:

• Current law gives the county board discretion, and the applicant must demonstrate a need. In practice, many counties issue permits only to cops, ex-cops and well-connected business people.

The reform bills are "shall issue," but allow the gun board to deny a permit where it feels the person may be a danger to himself or someone else. The denial must be in writing and may be challenged in court.

• Current gun boards have three members - prosecutor (chairman), a sheriff's representative and a State Police representative.

The reform bills expand the board to five with two civilian members appointed by the county board for executive, in Wayne, Oakland and Bay); one civilian member must be a certified instructor.

• The reform bills require 12 hours of training, including four hours on a pistol range. They would make Michigan one of the strictest states on pistol training.

• An applicant would have to be a Michigan resident for a year (versus six months for voting). But a temporary license could be issued sooner for those in need - for example, a woman who has received a personal protection order from a court.

• Current law allows a convicted felon to apply after eight years.

An applicant would have to have a clean criminal record - never convicted of a violent felony or violent misdemeanor, no felony charges pending, never acquitted of a crime on grounds of insanity, not under a court order of legal incapacity, not under a court injunction regarding carrying any firearm, and so on.

A convicted felon never would be eligible.

• A new twist: Making false statements in an application would be raised from a misdemeanor to a felony punishable by four years in prison and a \$2,000 fine.

• An applicant's mental health and juvenile records could be examined by the gun board, though it would be done in closed session.

• The state would make available a pamphlet explaining all gun laws. But in another interesting twist, the pamphlet would be compiled by the Legislative Service Bureau rather than by the State Police.

• Current law provides for a series of fees totaling \$49. The reform package allows the gun board to set a single fee ranging from \$49 to \$100.

• The reform package sets time constraints on government for taking fingerprints to making decisions.

• New punishments are created for violations - e.g. for carrying a pistol without alcohol in one's system, failing to carry one's permit while carrying a pistol, or carrying a pistol into a restricted area.

• Private property owners may post signs prohibiting CCW on their property.

Agee and Wetters tangled on the question of who opposes the new package.

Wetters said nearly all law enforcement groups now are neutral or taking no position. He said Detroit residents in polls indicate support for the package.

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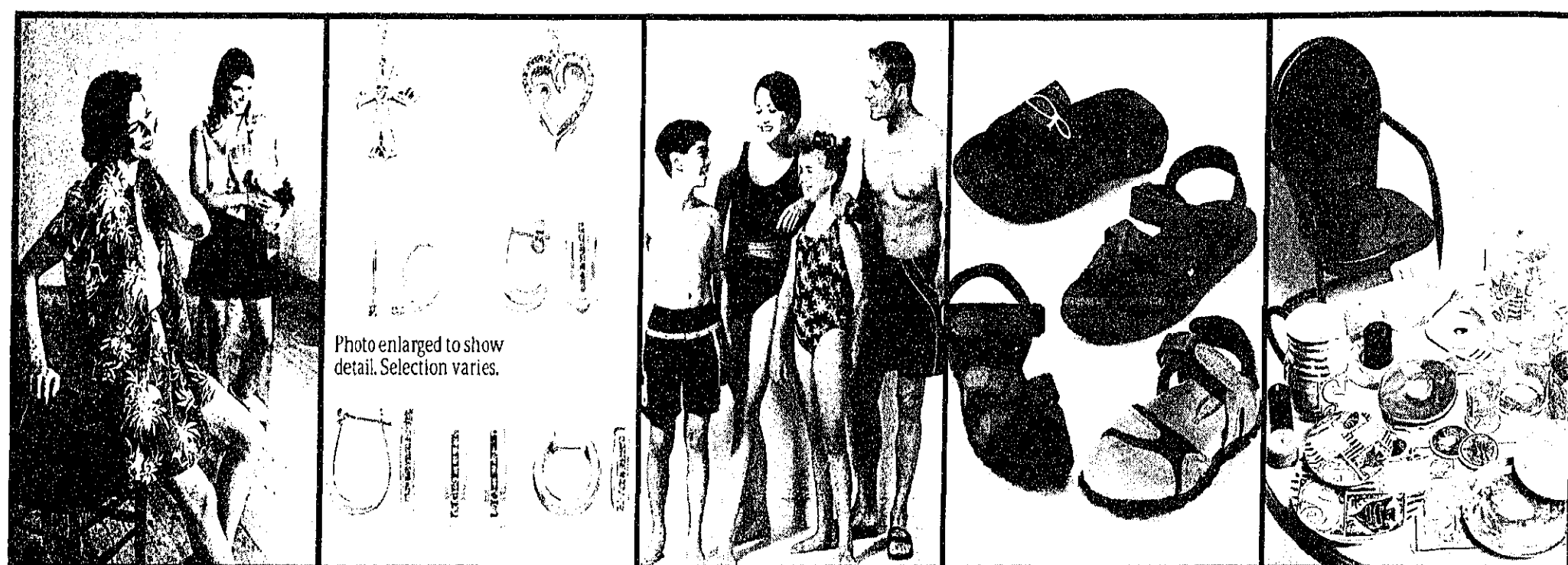
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**Fire Log**

The following is a complete list of the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Department for the week ending June 28. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the engine and squad number which responded to the call.

**MONDAY, JUNE 22**  
Medical, 44468 Sussex, 6:59 a.m., Squad 1.  
Investigation, 41646 Sleepy Hollow, 10:55 a.m., Squad 2.  
Fire alarm, Meadowbrook and Ten Mile, 2:10 p.m., Engines 1, 3.  
Medical, 45182 West Road, 6:29 p.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 1317 East Lake, 7:37 p.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 23332 Cranbrooke, 8:09 p.m., Squad 3.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 23**  
Medical, Fourteen Mile and Novi Road, 1:16 a.m., Squad 2.  
Fire alarm, 24062 Tall Road, 7:01 a.m., Engines 1, 3.  
Medical, 40235 Grand River, 11:17 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 27021 Arro, 12:38 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 43500 Gen-Mar, 1:16 p.m., Squad 1.  
Gas leak, 45746 Irvine, 5:19 p.m., Engine 3.  
Medical, 41555 Grand River, 6:24 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 22502 Morrison, 10:22 p.m., Squad 3.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24**  
Fire alarm, 25875 Novi Road, 6:03 a.m., Engines 1, 4.  
Fuel spill, 41390 Ten Mile Road, 8:52 a.m., Engine 1.  
Medical, 24802 Apple Crest, 9:09 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 44720 Ten Mile Road, 10:26 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 41550 Grand River, 12:59 p.m., Squad 1.  
Tree fire, 24749 Joseph, 9:39 p.m., Engine 1, Response 505.  
Investigation, 40460 Village Oaks, 11:35 p.m., Squad 3.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25**  
Medical, 24734 Old Orchard, 2:57 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 22222 Brookshire, 9:18 a.m., Squad 3.

Medical, 40000 Eight Mile Road, 10:14 a.m., Squad 3.  
Gas main leak, 45572 Addington, 2:02 p.m., Engine 4.  
Medical, 41730 Manor Park, 6:35 p.m., Squad 1.  
Propane leak, 20985 Woodland Glen, 6:54 p.m., Engine 3.  
Wood chip fire, 40400 Grand River, 9:09 p.m., Engine 1.  
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 11:18 p.m., Squad 3.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26**  
Investigation, 27000 Sheraton, 12:07 a.m., Engines 1, 2.  
Medical, 235 Linhart, 1:03 a.m., Squad 4.  
Wires down, 30260 Montmorency, 3:10 a.m., Engine 2.  
Medical, 31088 Beachwalk, 4 a.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 44773 North Hills, 9:04 a.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 22819 Renford, 9:24 a.m., Squad 3.  
Fire alarm, Gateway 2000, 2:15 p.m., Engines 1, 3.  
Medical, 25878 Mulberry, 3:04 p.m., Squad 4.  
Medical, 27793 Novi Road, 4:20 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 45065 Pontiac Trail, 4:37 p.m., Squad 2.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27**  
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 1:47 a.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 2026 Austin, 8:50 a.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 24427 Old Orchard, 10:05 a.m., Squad 1.

Medical, 22502 Mansion, 10:12 a.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 613 South Lake, 8:14 p.m., Squad 2.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28**  
Medical, 22502 Mansion, 12:16 p.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 42108 Roscommon, 6:35 a.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 43700 Gen-Mar, 7:51 a.m., Squad 1.  
Fire alarm, 42100 Crescent, 1:32 p.m., Engines 1, 2.  
Medical, 45182 West Road, 6:21 p.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 43045 Nine Mile Road, 9:08 p.m., Squad 3.

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## Northville goes all out for Fourth of July



By CHRIS C. DAVIS  
Staff Writer

The red, white and blue will be out in force next week as Northville continues the tradition of celebrating the Fourth of July in grand style.

It's been a mid-summer spectacle in Northville and Northville Township for 130 years, and has brought out crowds that have lined city and township streets.

The theme of this year's celebration is "Happy 100th Birthday, Northville Township." The township has been honoring its centennial since January and will continue to do so through the remainder of the year.

"It's one of the biggest celebrations you're going to find in the Northville community," said Northville mayor Chris Johnson. "It has all the attractions you'd expect to find in an old-fashioned festival. We always manage to draw big crowds, and for good reason."

In Nov., the Fourth of July is quieter, as the city prepares for the Michigan 50s Festival later in the month. However, it's also like parade day in Village Oaks subdivision.

In Northville, last year's parade was witnessed by an estimated 25,000 people.

Johnson said the day held a personal meaning for him.

"It's just about the only day when our entire family is able to

get together," he said. "There are members of my family who tell me they block out time to come to Northville just because of the sort of celebration we have here. It really is something special."

Township supervisor Karen Woodsides said the festival helps showcase the local history and flavor of the Northville Community.

"The Celebrate Northville committee has done an outstanding job in getting the event coordinated," she said. "This has been an absolutely wonderful celebration through the years, and I'm sure it's going to be better than ever this year. It's an event that helps bring people together and establishes new traditions and friendships."

The day begins early, when the annual parade kicks off. As far as the parade itself is concerned, organizers have said it will be a bit of a departure from the norm, as no single grand marshal has been selected. Instead, several of the area's longest-standing residents will be selected and lead the procession through the streets of Northville.

After that, the day will be filled with celebrations of American independence and our colonial past at the Mill Race Historical Village and in downtown Northville. Bands will be playing in the Northville gazebo near Main Street and Mary Alexander Court throughout the holiday.

The day wraps up as the sun

goes down when fireworks will be launched from the hilltop of the DEI facility at Six Mile and Sheldon Roads. It's a display many say is every bit as good as the fireworks display for the Detroit/Windsor International Freedom Festival.

Onlookers numbered greater than 40,000 last year, the fourth year the city has launched fireworks. Displays in years past used to take place near Northville High School.

"There won't be any shortage of flags and marching bands for the day, however, with only a week to go, there appears to be a severe lack of volunteers for the day. Celebration organizers are asking any interested persons to be at the Northville Downs parking lot at 8:30 Saturday morning.

Sonia Swagart, one of the parade coordinators, said unlike past years, those offering their time will only need to listen to a brief presentation minutes before the parade to learn what to do. In the past, volunteers were asked to meet a few days before the event to learn about their responsibilities.

The celebration is listed in the Michigan Summer Travel Guide, along with dozens of other Independence Day activities across the state.

Interested in volunteering or learning more about Northville's Fourth of July celebration? Call the hotline at (810) 808-3566.

File photo  
What's the Fourth of July without a File and Drum Corps band, dressed in Revolutionary gear?

### Fourth of July doings next-door

Here's a rundown of the events being scheduled for Independence Day in Northville and Northville Township.

**9:30 a.m. — NATIONAL ANTHEM** (Northville Bandshell): Pre-parade activities kick off the morning followed by a demonstration of the Flying Aces Professional Frisbee Team.

**10 a.m. — PARADE** (Downtown Northville): Main or minor, the traditional route from Northville Downs, Griswold to Main Street, through downtown Northville to Rogers Street and back to the Downs.

The parade will have several grand marshals, as many long-time township residents will be riding at the front of the cavalcade, com-

memorating the 100th anniversary of the township.

The parade will also include a children's bicycle contest and parade of family pets.

**11 a.m. to 4 p.m. — OLD-FASHIONED DEMONSTRATIONS** (Mill Race Historical Village): Northville's living history site will be host to reenactors, a puppet show, children's games, facepainting, magicians, historical lectures, a demonstration of amateur radio, pet adoption and more.

**2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. — ROCK CONCERT** (Northville Bandshell): It's an all-ages afternoon show featuring Baked Potato.

They're a six-member rock 'n' roll/blues band just back from gigs in

Madison, Wis. During the summer, Baked Potato plays at local venues, cafes and colleges around the Midwest.

**7 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. — PRE-FIREWORKS CONCERT** (Northville Community Park): The Schoolcraft Community Wind Ensemble will perform an evening of patriotic music including the 1812 Overture and the music of John Philip Sousa.

**Dusk — FIREWORKS** (BFI Facility): In case of rain, the annual spectacle in the sky will be rescheduled for July 5 or 6. Skies should be dark shortly after 10 p.m.

### Fireworks dos — and don'ts

Here are some things you should know about fireworks safety:

Only the smallest of fireworks may be purchased or possessed in Michigan. They include: flat paper caps, sparklers, flitter sparklers, toy snakes, signal flares, blank cartridges, toy cannons, toy rifles, toy

trick noise-makers, and toy guns approved by the state police.

Clear a well-ventilated area at least 10 feet in diameter of all debris and place a full bucket of clean water nearby. Follow lighting directions included with each item. Only allow those who are lighting

fireworks within the designated space. Onlookers should stay outside the perimeter.

After lighting the fuse, get away.

If an item fails to ignite, don't try re-lighting it. Assume it's live.

### Don't forget to brush that dog or kitty for the July 4 Pet Parade

All of Northville's pets (and their owners) should make plans to join the annual Kids Pet Parade, one of the features of Northville's Fourth of July Celebration.

Typically, companion humans and their friends go all out for this. Costumes are not mandatory, but not unusual, either.

Rules for judging are simple.

Owners and pets should be at the east gate Northville Downs at 9:45 a.m. The pets will be sent out early in the parade. Owners need to provide a leash for their pet and bring scoopers or whatever to clean up any messes the animal may make.

Bringing water and a water dish is highly advised.

And don't forget those tasty biscuits. A parader gets hungry.

Looking for a pet of your own? Michigan's Anti-Cruelty Society will bring a few dogs and cats out who are looking for a home.

Northville Township's Petsmart will also be at the parade with a veterinarian.

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on the north lawn of the Novi Civic Center.

Park in the 10 Mile/Novi High School parking lot, or the South Civic Center parking lot. Please feel free to bring a picnic dinner, lawn chairs or a blanket. The concert will be held inside the Civic Center in case of inclement weather. The event is free of charge and refreshments will be available. For more information call the Novi Parks & Recreation Department at 347-0400.

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That was the case with Nov resident Martin Bogart, who survived the bloody battle of Chickamauga in Georgia, was taken prisoner and eventually shipped off to the notorious Andersonville Prison. He was Oakland County's last Civil War survivor when he died in 1938, at age 98.

Bogart was one of 13 Civil War Union veterans, who whether they originally hailed from Novi or not, now dwell here eternally.

He was in the 22nd Michigan Infantry Regiment Volunteers, which recruited in Novi. Of 198 men from the 22nd take prisoner, 122 died.

Bogart told his grandson, Glen McGuire, in the following letter original spelling retained, that when the Rebel shells were flying in the Union Army's direction at Chickamauga:

"You ought to see how polite we were and how nicely every man bowed his head and ducked every

time he heard one of those screaming things coming through the air ...

"We had orders to hold that ridge on a matter what the sacrifice ... there we held from noon till dark ... just at dusk, our ammunition gave out and the Johnnies had advanced on our right and left, as we could tell by the yelling and finally they closed in on us with guns pointing us in the face and a command to throw down your guns and lie down on the ground.

"And I can tell you I wasn't long in obeying."

Bogart was then 23.

He had more to say about his time in Belle Isle prison near Richmond than Andersonville. Belle Isle was bad, but Andersonville, he wrote, was far worse.

Of Belle Isle, Bogart recalled: "How the poor fellows did suffer with the cold for it was cold for that climate and not a small of fire all winter. You could see men walking the floor any and all times night and day to keep warm.

"Our rations there was corn jacks half baked or none at all many a day and pea soup ... The peas were so buggy that the water they were boiled in could be skimmed off by the quart."

The following list of Union veterans buried here is from several manuscripts in the Novi library, including a handwritten manuscript by Geoff Liebrauot.

Buried at Novi Cemetery on Novi Road:

**Charles Cadwell** - Enlisted in Company A, 10th New York Heavy Artillery.

**Martin Crane** - born 1817, enlisted in Company K, Fourth Michigan Regiment at Adrian in 1861. Buried at Novi Cemetery.

**George E. Smith** - born 1836, enlisted in Company D of the 5th Michigan Cavalry Regiment, commanded by Gen. Gustav, at Novi in 1862. This regiment served at Gettysburg.

Captured Sept. 1964 at Charleston, Virginia and released

June 13, 1865.

**Daniel Dunham** - born 1829, enlisted in Company H of the Sixth Michigan Cavalry Regiment in Caledonia in 1862. His regiment served at Gettysburg, Dunham was promoted to sergeant the day the battle began.

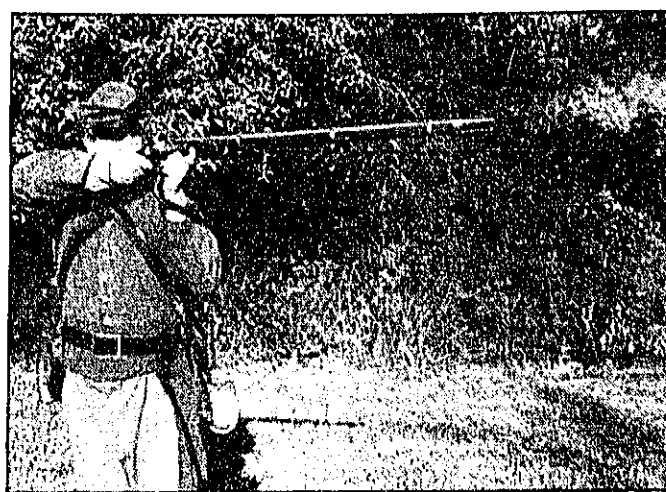
**Walter Abbey** - born 1827, enlisted in Company I of the 22nd Michigan Infantry Regiment Volunteers in Novi in 1862. This regiment took heavy casualties at the battle of Chickamauga, but he was one of a handful who survived.

**Henry Moore** - born in 1843, enlisted in Company A of the 22nd Michigan Infantry Regimental Volunteers at Farmington in 1862. One of the regiment who survived Chickamauga.

**Mr. Bush (First name not given)** - enlisted in Company A, 48th New York Infantry.

**C. or G. Z. Pratt** - enlisted in Company H, 73rd U.S. Connecticut (?).

Buried at Knapp Cemetery on



Historical Commissioner Alan Rothenberg fires his musket.

Nine Mile Road:

**William Draper** - born 1929, enlisted in Company E of the 30th Michigan Infantry Regiment at Novi in 1861. While in training in Tennessee, he became ill and was sent home. He died shortly thereafter in Novi.

**Duane Cook** - enlisted in Company C of the 30th Michigan Infantry Regiment in 1864. The

## Novi men head to Gettysburg to reenact Civil War battle

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guards, he's a Gettysburg veteran. In 1992, Rothenberg and 5,000 other men reenacted the battle for Ted Turner's \$30 million movie, "Gettysburg."

Kohring is a first-liner at the Pennsylvania event, which takes place on a farm near the battlefield, which is now a national park. He portrays the second sergeant in the 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry, Company E, from Ypsilanti, while sons Jason, 15 and Brian, 12, are the drummer boys.

"It's a neat hobby, if you love history like we do and you love the period of time, the 1860s. My sons and I enjoy meeting new people, but what really draws us is reliving history," said Kohring, a teacher in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

"You're stepping back in time."

Another member of the 17th Michigan is Novi Planning and Community Development Director Jim Wahl, a self-described rookie who was lured into the hobby several years ago, not long after he

purchased a home in Maryland five miles from Antietam battlefield.

"I really enjoy it. It's a way to teach history to people who have an interest in it," Wahl said.

"It honors the people who made the sacrifice for what we have today, a lot of young men who didn't have the chance to be an old guy like me."

White guns and artillery will be loaded only with blank powder, real shooting will take place at this week's reenactment. Cameras from six film companies will be rolling.

Some 35,000 spectators are expected to turn out for a glimpse at what the 1863 battle that tipped the war in the north's direction might have been like.

"You're kind of a quasi-celebrity. I'm not Harrison Ford, but it's the Walter Mitty kind of thing," said Rothenberg, who is a partner in a machine tool company.

"The virtual reality of living history allows me to get a glimpse back of what it was like."

His wife, Colleen and his daughter, Megan, 5, will portray war refugees from Virginia. In her little

leop skirt, Megan's typically a hit with photographers.

For the fighting boys, the fun of it is camping out and roughing it. While they'll have hardtack - a bland biscuit made of flour, water and salt - and beef jerky to savor, another regiment will also be running a cooking tent.

"It's very primitive. You sleep on the ground and what you carry is what you eat. It's pretty much the way it was, camping-style. You carry your shelter, some sleep on the ground under the stars," Kohring said.

Certain concessions will be made to modern times. Tankers will haul in fresh water, porta-johns will be set up and showers are available for those who can't live without them, but only in a neighboring town.

In a reenactment, potential dangers are sunstroke, dehydration and flash powder burns.

"It's not the same running in running clothes and running in a wool uniform and carrying 25 pounds of gear. I don't know how they did it. They were poorly fed,"

said Wahl, a marathon runner. In September, he'll launch his own movie career. Wahl was recruited by the National Park Service to appear in a movie about Antietam.

"They said I was the right size. I was the right weight and I didn't look too old," he said.

"Presumably, I will be marching through the cornfield. I presume I'll either be shot down or dead."

The 1998 version of the battle of Gettysburg is expected to be exciting.

"When you go into a battle you're going to reenact, you have a lot of shots going off, the sounds of screams. A lot of confusion," Kohring said.

"A lot of guys will just fall down, either because it's so hot they don't want to go up or your commander will tell you we need to take a few hits."

"You're not supposed to have surrections, where you're dead and get back up again."

This is not a cheap hobby. Along with the traveling, outfitting a soldier, uniform, gear and gun, costs

about \$1,200. Rothenberg, who portrays an actually soldier, Paul Ripley of Waco, Texas, wears a uniform that includes blue wool pants that could have been grabbed from a dead Union soldier. Outside of the world of reenacting, he's been sometimes criticized for portraying the Southern side. But most Southerners weren't slave owners.

And Rothenberg said he was attracted to the role of the underdog.

"Somebody has to do it, so when we have a battle there are Confederates," he explained.

"These men were not people fighting for slavery, they were fighting for their families and their homes."

Rothenberg finds a certain charm in the manners of the mid-1860s.

"People lived by a code of etiquette and ethics that is rare today. Today, our society is so casual," he said.

"I'd like to see formality and etiquette and manners come back. We can learn from the 19th century."

If you're interested in becoming a Union Civil War reenactor, send your name, address and telephone number to: The 17th Michigan, P.O. Box 2410, Dearborn, MI 48123. Or call Alan Kohring at 349-0745.

If Texas is more your style, contact Alan Rothenberg at his e-mail address: [@speedlink.net](http://www.speedlink.net/~tvcoc).

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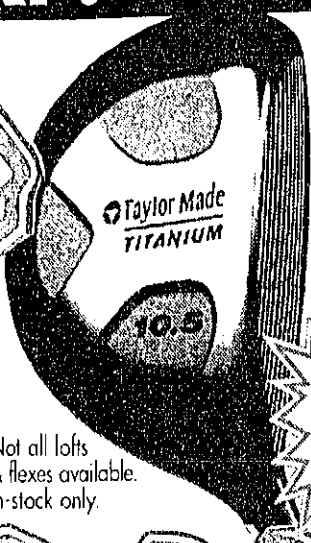




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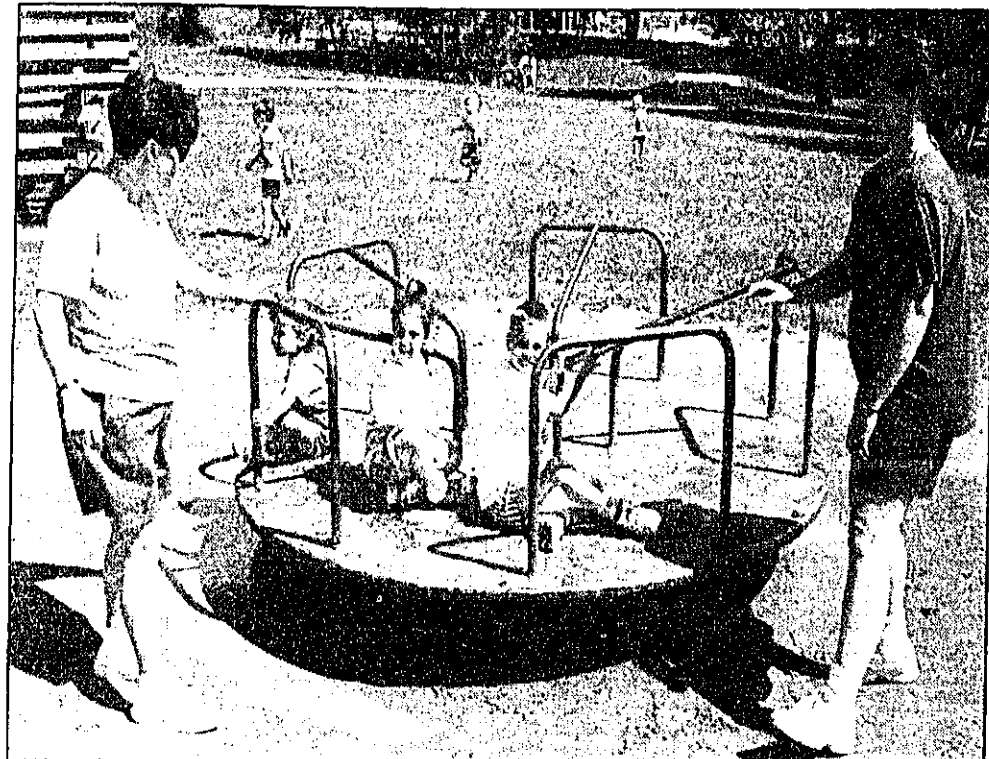
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The Novi Newcomers' Moms and Tots Interest group met at Maybury State Park recently. An alternate meeting place during inclement weather is Twelve Oaks Mall.

# Howdy, Neighbor!

Local clubs offer chance to socialize, have fun and perhaps even raise funds for community programs

By CAROL DIPPLE  
Feature Editor

Newcomers clubs now include residents who live down the street and in neighboring cities. And membership is not reserved for new residents.

Newcomers clubs have evolved over the last 25 years from serving just new residents in Northville and Novi to those that have resided here for a decade.

Novi Newcomers and Neighbors was founded in 1973 and has a membership of 172 including residents in the neighboring cities of Northville, South Lyon, Farmington Hills, Walled Lake, and Livonia.

"We added neighbors (to the title) because you don't have to be new to join," said Robbi LeRoy, president of Novi Newcomers and Neighbors.

Besides LeRoy, the 1998-99 state of officers includes Linda Arnold, 1st vice president; Diann Graf, 2nd vice president; Theresa Docherty, secretary; and Janice Church, treasurer.

"We have people from all over," said LeRoy. "It doesn't matter if you are new to the area."

The purpose of the Novi Newcomers group is mainly social but they also do fund raising.

The Novi Newcomers and Neighbors have made donations to the Novi Library, the Novi High School, Novi Youth Assistance, the DARE Program. Usually the donations are monetary but last year they bought a sandbox for the Tim Pope Playscape.

Fund raising events this year will include working the beverage tent at the Michigan 50s Festival on Saturday, July 25.

A few members work as volunteers during the Hudson's sales folding clothes and clearing out the dressing rooms and receive 5 or 10 discount coupons worth 20 percent off depending on whether they work a four or six hour shift.

For every hour a volunteer works Newcomers receive \$5.25.

Novi Newcomers also hold an annual craft auction in November. The group is looking to add a new fund raiser to the list.

They also make food baskets for Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter for Carol Ann Donnelly at Holy Family Catholic Church and sponsor families at Christmas.

The Novi Newcomers also provide backpacks with school supplies in September to needy children and provide cookies for Novi's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

The Novi Newcomers sponsor a t-ball team through the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

The 18 interests groups include activities for mothers with young children, sports activities, games, and a book club.

"Activity groups are based on the interests of the current members," LeRoy said. "We are open to new suggestions."

When a member is interested in a specific group which is not being offered, they can put an ad in the group's monthly newsletter.

"It keeps things interesting because the activity groups change," said LeRoy who has been a Novi resident for six years and a member of Newcomers for five.

This year members are showing an interest in forming tennis, bike riding, and family camping interest groups.

Special couples activities through out the year include a road rally, comedy club evening, and a Christmas wine and cheese party.

Members pay \$15 per year in Novi. Membership is comprised mostly of families, but single people are welcome.

The group has monthly meetings beginning with the membership drive in September which is attended by both members and perspective members.

Activities or speakers are planned for the other monthly meetings which run through May.

For more information at Novi Newcomers call the 2nd vice president and membership chairper-

**"We added neighbors (to the title) because you don't have to be new to join."**

— Robbi LeRoy  
President, Novi Newcomers and Neighbors



Mark Shoemaker, chairperson of the Novi Newcomers and Neighbors' golf group, and his wife Pam take a couple of practice swings in their back yard.

son Diann Graf at 347-3124.

Northville Newcomers incorporated in 1986 and currently has 220 members and about 25 active interest groups, according to Maryann Cotterill, past president.

"It's been around longer than that," said Cotterill, "but nobody seems to know exactly how long."

Members of the Northville Newcomers 1998-99 Executive Board include Barb Sturtz, Interest Groups; Linda Arbuckle, Editor; Sandy Tanner, Vice President; Debbie Smith, Treasurer; Lisa Ondrus, president; Rita Mantegna, Membership; Susan Mulski, Ladies' Events; Maryann Cotterill, Advisor; Julia Misslin, Secretary; Gita Khilnani, Membership; Linda Arnold, Ladies' Events; Kari Whitesell, Interest Groups; and Linda Kinnan, Publisher.

Interest groups include bridge, euchre, golf, bowling, games, moms and tots, reading groups, Dining In and Dining Out, Movie Goers, Out to Lunch Bunch, and Stitch and Chat.

"An interest group can form at any time," said Cotterill who started the daytime book club. "The new ones this year include Out to Lunch and Memory Scrapbooks."

Membership was open to neighboring communities after the group talked to surrounding newcomers clubs who had recently opened their memberships.

"As of last year membership was opened to any

interested persons," Cotterill said. "Basically it's a woman's group but there are some things that involved couples, families and children. Sometimes people will find an interest group like bridge that they really enjoy. They get drawn in as a substitute and want to join our group and couldn't so we just changed the rules."

"Some members move away to a nearby community but want to stay active in our groups," she said.

Unlike Novi Newcomers, Northville's club does not do fund raisers and they do not have general meetings. They do have a monthly newsletter and a membership directory for members only. There dues are \$18.

"I know that there are people who have been around ten years," Cotterill said. "It is not just for newcomers it's for women who have had lifestyles changes who are now stay-at-home moms or perhaps their children are off at school and they have some free time or may be newly retired."

Most of the activities do not meet in the summer. The main membership drive will be in September and is attended by new and renewing members. Members also can sign up for interest groups at the membership drive.

If interested in more information call the Northville Newcomers membership chairs at 344-1925 or 374-9298.

## Volunteer



Submitted photo

Marlene Shoebrieger was honored by the Girl Scouts.

## Shoebrieger honored for 25 years of service

By CAROL DIPPLE  
Feature Editor

Marlene Shoebrieger not only received the "Silver Treefoil" Award for 25 years of service but was surprised with the "Green Tree" Award at the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council's 16th annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner.

The "Green Tree" Award is given to volunteers whose efforts have provided Girl Scouts with understanding and enjoyment of the outdoors.

"It sure was a surprise to get the Green Tree Award," said Shoebrieger. "I thought I was just getting the Treefoil Award."

Shoebrieger received the Green Tree Award for outdoor cooking and camping.

She has been a volunteer at the Girl Scout day camp for 20 years, and has also served as a troop leader as well as troop services director.

Shoebrieger joined Troop 5 when her family moved to Northville in 1948. She spent nine years as a girl scout and 16 in adult scouting.

Shoebrieger is currently a troop

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—Marlene Shoebrieger  
Girl Scout volunteer

leader for a group of junior girl scouts at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Northville. She is also associated with a leader who has brownie troop at St. Paul's.

Over the years Shoebrieger has been involved with the outdoor cooking, bicycling and star gazing units at the Girl Scout Day Camp at Maybury State Park but has always done the overnight camping unit.

"I just enjoyed it," she said. "I would sometimes have 17 to 20 girls at Maybury. The ground is getting kind of hard for me so I don't do the overnight anymore."

When Shoebrieger first became involved with overnight camping, she received permission to camp from the owners of an empty field close to downtown Northville.

Shoebrieger is now the co-director of the camp.

"I love it," she said. "I love working with the girls."

Shoebrieger also works the morning latch key program at St. Paul's during the school year.

"I am quite a busy lady with the kids," said Shoebrieger, whose late husband Clifford was born and raised in Northville.

Shoebrieger has a daughter Marjorie, who lives in Northville with her husband Mark Wuggazer. Marjorie, who has been in scouting for 17 years and received the Gold Award a few years ago, still helps out with her mom's troop.

When Shoebrieger conducts the outdoor cooking unit, everything is done from scratch. She teaches

the girls four different ways of cooking and how to wash the dishes and hang them up on a clothes line to dry.

"That is part of scouting," she said.

Some of the new leaders use paper plates and cups.

Her junior troop meets at her home and if they cook, the girls do the cooking. They learn how to measure.

"We don't start from a package," she said. "We start from scratch. That is the only way to learn."

At the same volunteer recognition dinner, Valerie Troschinetz, of Northville, also received the "Green Tree" Award.

The Northville Historical Society - Mill Race Village received the "Best Friend" designation for a 25-year commitment to Girl Scouting. The society has presented many opportunities for service projects to help girls earn their Silver and Gold Awards. Without charging a fee, the society has hosted many Girl Scout events, from troop meetings to award presentations.











# Pheasant Run is for everyone

This week's Novi News contains a review of a very special course. One that is to provide you, the reader, with information and tips on playing private courses in the area.

Pheasant Run is the subject of this week's review. If you would like to see a particular course reviewed this summer, please contact us at (248) 437-2011 or (519) 339-1740.

By Julie Kampinen  
If you have ever wanted to make a golf course fit your style of play, Pheasant Run may be the course for you. Located in Canton Township, Pheasant Run can be both challenging or easy, depending on how you play it.

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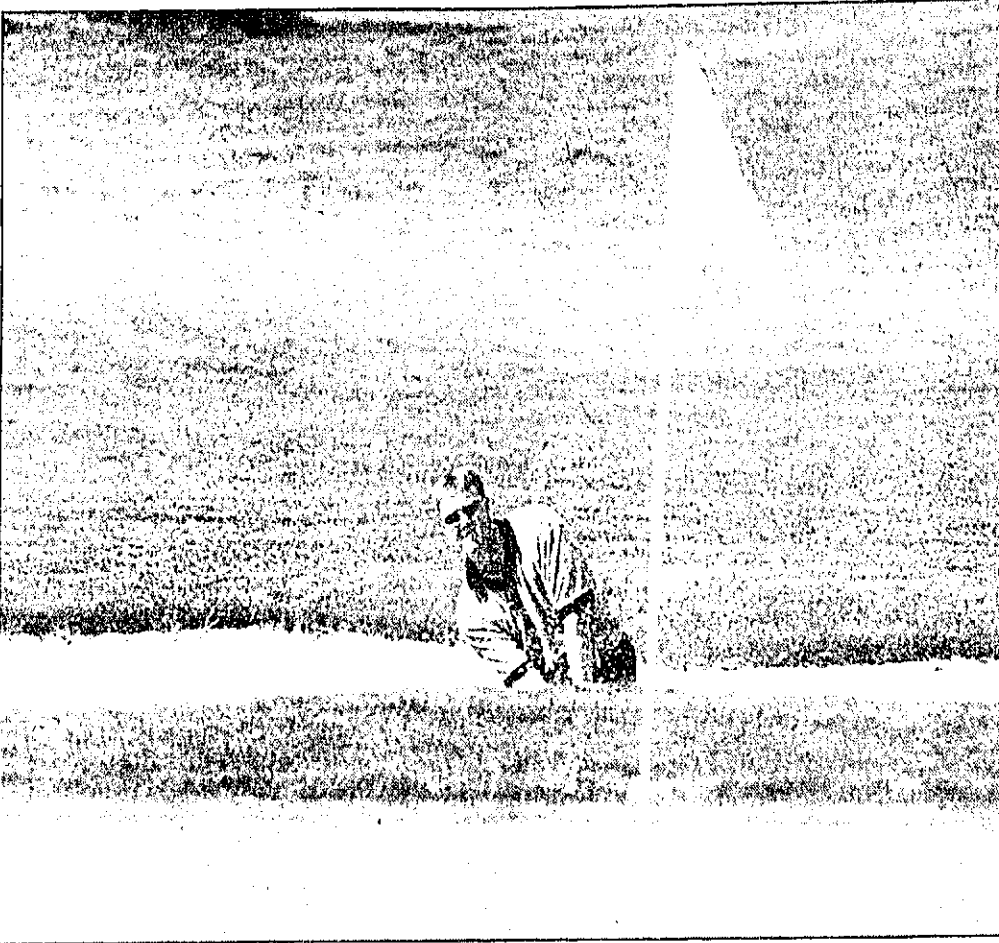


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With four tee locations, Pheasant Run can be as challenging as the golfer wants it to be.

# Super sophs lead Novi

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always makes contact with the ball. She's a good person to have up to bat with runners on base because you know she's going to hit the ball.

Amanda Rice  
Northville junior  
A veteran on a very young Northville squad, Rice earned the respect of opposing players and coaches after a great junior campaign.

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First Team				
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Megan Melchor	Lakeland	senior	2B	
Emily Lahar	Lakeland	freshman	C	
Joelle Frantz	Novi	sophomore	P	
Amanda Rice	Northville	junior	C	
Andrea Zec	Millford	senior	SS	
Nancy Schuler	Millard	senior	C	
Megan Wedell	South Lyon	senior	P	
Brianne Wheeler	Lakeland	junior	P	
Second Team				
name	school	grade		
Sarah Bajorek	Novi	sophomore	3B	
Jenny Gaverly	Northville	sophomore	CF	
Jessica Gilbert	Novi	sophomore	SS	
Morgan Williams	South Lyon	senior	3B	
Erin Lahar	Lakeland	junior	OF	
Adrienne Farrell	Novi	junior	C	
Beth Carr	Lakeland	freshman	3B	
Lauren Barker	Millard	junior	SS	
Andrea Sier	South Lyon	junior	OF	
Honorable mention				
Lakeland - Marisa Digsby, Shawna Rigby				
Millard - Jodi Nounan, Nicole Kozlowski				
Northville - Famko Kawamura, Maureen Kawamura, Maureen Ernaus				
Novi - Judy Naron, Kristin Eberhart, Emily Dananick				
South Lyon - Kreslie Givens, Honnie Williams, AJ Walker				

Megan Wedell  
South Lyon senior  
Wedell finished her high school career by becoming the all-time strike out leader in South Lyon history. She pitched 217 this season for a career total of 617.

Joelle Frantz  
Novi sophomore  
After a stellar freshman season, Frantz followed up with a spectacular sophomore one. She earned first team all KVC honors after batting .417 with three home runs and 35 RBIs. She scored 28 times and led a .622 slugging percentage and led her team in seven offensive categories.

# Fratto adds new show

Novi resident Bernie Fratto's expanded role at Arbor Radio now includes a live sports talk show every Sunday night.



# Expos take on new look, name

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The Novi Expos Travel Baseball team (pictured above) has taken on a new name in 1998. The team will be known as the Prowl, as Michigan CAT has taken over as the primary sponsor this season.

# Health

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## Health Column

# Take steps to ensure long summer

Summertime fun can become summertime blues if you're not careful. Spending time in the emergency room is no fun, especially when you could be enjoying your summer vacation, a family outing, or a day off.

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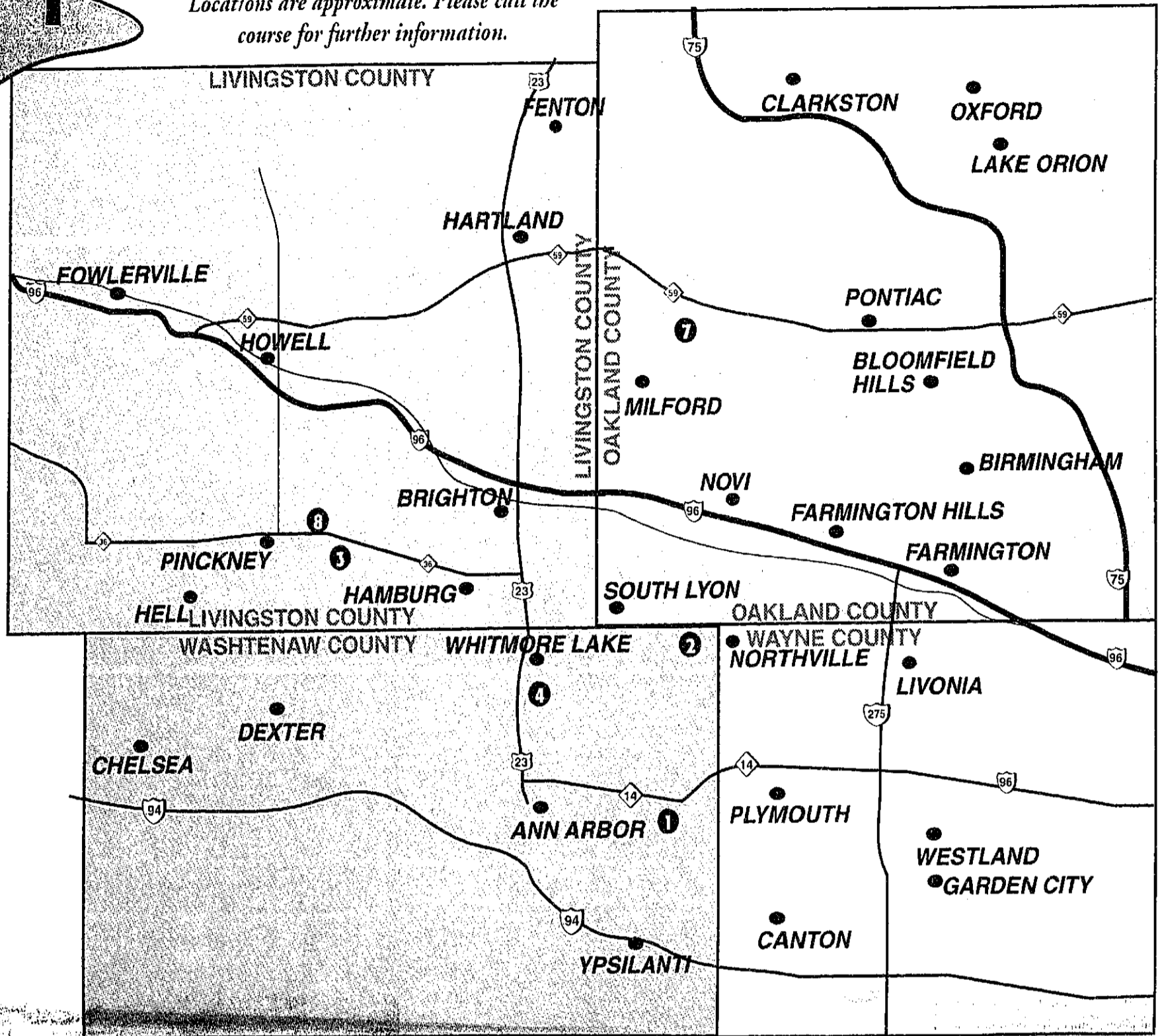
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