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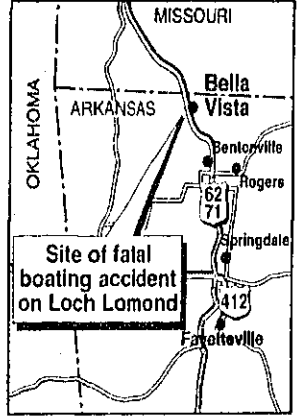
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Community in mourning

Tubing turns to tragedy as runaway boat kills Novi mom, daughter in Arkansas

Novi residents killed in Arkansas boating accident



SOURCE: Benton County Sheriff Dept.

By WENDSY WHITE
Staff Writer

The community is mourning the loss of a Novi mother and daughter who were killed in a boating accident on a lake in Bella Vista, Arkansas last week.

Kristen Marie Warnke, 18, who graduated from Northville High School in 1998, and her mother, Susan Jane Warnke, 46, suffered serious injuries after they were struck by a runaway boat around 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 6.

"It's very definitely the most serious boating accident to have occurred in the history of Bella Vista as far as I've determined," said Lt. Ken Farmer of the Benton County Sheriff's Office, who was called to the scene.

Although the accident is under

investigation, Bella Vista police said it appears Susan Warnke was driving a 60-horsepower outboard fishing-type boat on the waters of Loch Lomond, a 500-acre lake in the retirement and resort town of Bella Vista, Arkansas.

Her sister Serra Quakenbuse, 42, was a passenger in the vessel. Behind them, Kristen Warnke and her sister, Katie Warnke, 16, were being pulled on an inner tube around the lake.

At some point, Susan Warnke and Quakenbuse were thrown from the boat, possibly after it hit a wave, police said.

The boat continued to run through the lake at nearly full throttle and began to circle the four women, Farmer said.

The rope that attached the inner

tube to the stern of the boat was cut or broken but police said they are unsure when or how.

Susan and Kristen Warnke were struck by the hull and propeller of the boat, police said.

Serra Quakenbuse and Katie Warnke escaped injury, police said.

"At some point in time the boat did alter its course and began to loop outside the area where they were. At that time some people stopped to pick them up," Farmer said.

He said it appears all four women were pulled from the water onto a pontoon boat and taken to the Loch Lomond Marine.

Police said an ambulance rushed the injured to Bates Medi-



Kristin Warnke, left, paused for a photo with friends Joshua Brugeman and Ashley Ossola at graduation in June.

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City gets preview of planned senior housing complex

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

A pent-up demand is out there, city officials predict. And soon it may be met.

Residents of the adjacent Meadowbrook Glen subdivision, as well as some older residents looking for lower-rent housing in Novi, got a sneak preview Tuesday night at Meadowbrook Commons, the city's concept plan for a \$11- to \$12-million senior citizen housing project.

"Senior housing has been a dream Novi has been pursuing through many committees and many years," Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver said.

"We just think there's this kind of need in Novi."

Groundbreaking could begin as early as spring 1999, with a year's end completion date projected.

Within a week, a rezoning application for the project is expected to be submitted to the city. The site is now zoned for R-4, the

highest density single-family housing, but will need an RM-1 zoning for multiple housing.

In a month or so, the site plan will also be turned into the city.

To be built on 14 of almost 19 acres of land on the west side of Meadowbrook Road, south of Ten Mile, the architects, Stegal/Tuomaala Associates of Farmington Hills, have designed a two-part plan.

A three-story building will offer 154 units ranging from 500-square foot, one-bedroom apartments to 900-square foot, two-bedroom apartments. Target rent prices are in the \$500 to \$600 range.

For more independent living, 40 attached ranch buildings will be built.

"These are as close to a single-family home as we can design. You enter into your own entrance to your own unit," architect Al Tuomaala said.

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The courtyard of Waltonwood, a senior complex in Rochester Hills, is similar to how the Novi senior housing will appear.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Take your best swing

More than 80 teams from across the country gathered in Power Park for the ASA 16-under Girls' fast pitch national championship. Play-

ers, like Leslie Palmer from Missouri, tested their skills on the ball diamond. Details in the Sports section on page B8.

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Council questions police HQ bond costs

By JAN JEFFRES
and JEREMY McBAIN
Staff Writer

The Novi City Council unanimously approved the ballot language for the police building bond Monday, but some council members questioned how the amount of money now requested, \$3.5 million, could have grown so significantly from the 1996 failed bond request of \$2.5 million.

"We're a million bucks up," Council Member Bob Schmid said.

And Mayor Kathleen McLallen expressed "a lot of concern" about the proposal, adding that she had "reservations" about asking the public for the money, unless the city can clearly explain the need for the construction.

Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver said architects consulted by the city advised construction costs have gone up 40 percent, since the original repair estimate, which is three years old.

The new sum also includes an upgrade to the police department's telephone system.

If the ballot question passes, it will trigger a millage rate of 0.15 mills. An owner of a \$200,000 home would pay an additional \$15 per year for the next 15 years.

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Council hangs up on AT&T antenna

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Refused the call and slammed the phone down.

That was the Novi City Council's final answer Monday to a March request by AT&T to convert a 62-foot light at the Power Park baseball fields into a 150-foot tall wireless communication antenna.

About 139 residents in the Novi Civic Center area signed a petition opposed to the

monopole. The petition language contended that the antenna would be an obstacle to the use of the park as a ballfield and might expose the city to risk and liability.

"This particular property is the City of Novi's and what has come forward is that the property owners have said we don't want it here," said Council Member Craig DeRoche.

Now, an AT&T spokesperson said the firm may seek to locate the pole on Novi High School land, next door to Power Park.

To fill service gaps in its cell phone system south of the freeway, AT&T hoped to lease 1,400 square feet and replace an existing 62-foot light pole at the baseball fields with the monopole.

In return, the city would have received a \$20,000 upfront payment and \$9,000 per year for the first five years. Novi would have also pocketed 25 percent of the revenues collected by AT&T if they leased the pole out to other cell

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Pucker power

Annual 'Lemonfest' a tribute to this sour fruit

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Invite a few people over, toss a few burgers on the grill? Forget that. For some, summer's the season for super parties.

Take Brookland Farm homeowners Sue Boss and Ted Martin. Last weekend, they joined with a 13-year-old friend, Kelly Rooney of Ann Arbor, to throw the fifth annual Lemonfest, a private celebration of citrus glories.

Some 60 people gathered at the Novi Township residence for a Hawaiian luau with a theme color of yellow and a menu featuring sweet, sour and tangy treats, all full of lemon.

It all started with the games of one upmanship Martin and Kelly began playing when she was very small. By the time Kelly was eight,

she insisted that she liked lemons best. Martin responded by wiring lemons onto a dogwood tree into his front yard, proving his greater veneration of the fruit.

"This to me is the neatest thing, the pairing of the generations and the arguments over who likes lemons more," Boss said.

"It just grew into Ted and Kelly's annual Lemonfest."

Things began ripening to a state that has, Martin said, "gotten a little out-of-hand."

Attendees of the first, eight-person festival started spreading the word and the crowd began arriving. Each time, a different approach is chosen; last year, the Lemonfest went country-western. Mainly, it's a family event, drawing out-of-town visitors, including



Submitted photo

Julie Rooney lounges in a sarong before an artificial beach setting at the 'Lemonfest.'

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Community Calendar

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

Thursday, August 13

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

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

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

Monday, August 17

ABWA
The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association meets at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, at 42100 Crescent Blvd. Social hour is set at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to all working women. For reservations, call Carol Ensey at (313) 462-0588. For membership information, call Bettie Johnson at (248) 960-9559.

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. (810) 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 Lahiff at 348-6019 (evenings). Visitors are welcome.

Tuesday, August 18

Garden Club
The Novi Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

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

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.

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, August 19

Planning Commission
The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

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

City Council
Novi City Council meets in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd.

Tuesday, August 25

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.

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

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Northville library faces challenge on open meetings

By WENDY WHITE Staff Writer

Apparently in violation of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, Northville District Library Board committees have been discussing matters of administration, finance and policy without keeping minutes for public record.

Chaired by library board members the special committees meet at irregular intervals to discuss special topics relevant to the library.

"They were discussing things like retirement, things that would directly affect us," said Andrew Mutch, the library's computer technician. "As far as we know the meetings weren't posted. We couldn't attend them because we found out after the fact. We know there's no minutes for these meetings. They've been less than open."

Mutch is a Novi planning commissioner.

The alleged OMA violations were discovered by library employees seeking reasons behind changes to their pay and benefits.

Library employees originally sought the information because they are in the process of joining the union of American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

"The staff has been seeking to obtain background information about the deliberations that led the Library Board to adopt the policies it has passed. We have discovered that much of this information is simply not available," said a letter to the newspaper signed by six library employees.

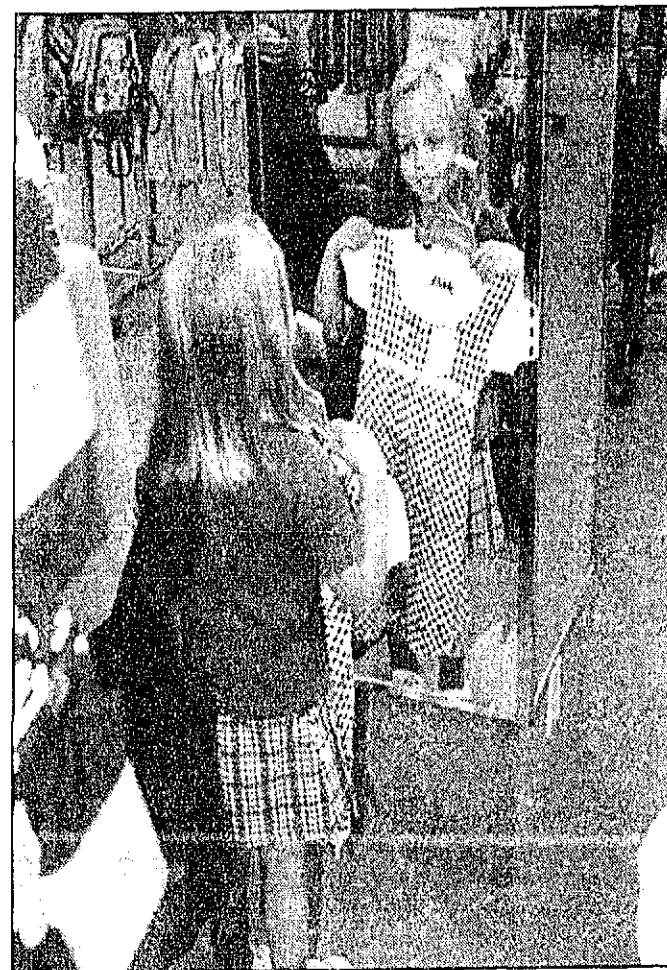
The letter also stated that committee meetings were held in private homes and portions of meetings were closed to the public without legal reasons.

"There appears to be a pattern of either omissions or deliberate withholding of important information that does not allow either the staff or concerned members of the public access to vital public records and information," the letter stated.

Mutch said in some cases the only record that the meetings were held at all were references found in the minutes of the full library board.

Library Director Julie Herrin confirmed that no minutes were recorded for at least eleven meetings this year.

"It is a very complicated situation. The employees are very dedicated and extremely hard working.



Above, Megan Moran, 6, of Novi, checks out a dress at Mervyn's. At right, top, she looks for the perfect set of socks. At bottom are some of the NYA kids and volunteers.



Mervyn's hosts shopping spree

Not every kid in town has access to an open line of credit. To help financially disadvantaged youngsters with those nagging academic needs, Novi Youth Assistance and Mervyn's at the Novi Town Center hosted the second annual Back-To-School Shopping Spree.

Saturday, beginning at 7 a.m., 30 children from five communities - Novi, Farmington, Birmingham, South Lyon and Walked Lake - had

a chance to snop up some freebies, including breakfast, clothes, backpacks and school supplies. NYA Child Welfare Worker Claudia Walter said the spree is a "great example of community pulling together to help kids." This is a program that keeps growing; last year, 20 kids were sent off to school with the help of NYA and the local business community.

Mentors needed

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Novi schools hire new Community Ed director

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

To Bob Stech, community education is not just for a certain group of people. It is an all-encompassing tool that can educate the entire community.

Stech said Novi Community Education offers a wide range of programs and classes for children and adults. These programs include anything from alternative education and adult education to physical fitness and dance classes.

"We have always offered something that touches someone in the community," Stech said. "We are constantly searching for programs

"My door is always open to trying new things."

Along with this, Stech is searching for new programs that may interest the community. With each suggestion, he explores what it would take to bring the program to the community.

"I am looking at community education as it stands now," he said. "My door is always open to trying new things."

Bob Stech
Novi Community Ed. Director

But, Stech does not have any immediate changes planned for community education in Novi.

"First and foremost is to learn about the community and see what resources are available," he said. Stech's fact-finding start has included meetings with several different entities in Novi. He has met with parks and recreation, businesses in Novi and private recreation facilities. Each meeting was designed to find how community education can work alongside with these groups.

"We're all in this together," he said. Stech became director of Novi Community Education July 1. But, while he may be the new guy on the block, Stech brings 22 years of educational experience as assistant community education director for Brighton to Novi.

Furthermore, Stech is executive director of the South Eastern Livingston County Recreation Authority, which is a program he helped to design.

SELERA is a joint operation between several Livingston County townships. The City of Brighton and Brighton school with the goal of providing recreation for children in the Brighton community.

Stech currently lives in Brighton with his wife, Diane - who has been a teacher and counselor for 21 years at Scranton Middle School in Brighton and his son Ryan, who will be a ninth grader at Brighton High School.

Stech's daughter, Lesia, is a student at Miami University in Ohio.

Novi Community Education will be publishing their fall brochure Aug. 24, which will list a complete array of classes offered through community education. Registration begins Aug. 31.

For more information about Novi Community Education, call (248) 419-1200.

Teen police academy planned

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

After seeing success with the Lakes Area Police Academy, the Novi Police Department is planning an additional academy for high school students.

The program is modeled after the adult police academy, but is for students in grades 9 through 12. Novi Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer said. This will be the first time the program has ever been given in a high school.

He said the program is designed to get students familiar with local law enforcement and how they can use law enforcement in their daily lives.

"One of the original concepts behind community oriented policing is to get acquainted with the community," Shaeffer said. He added this program is not designed to make the students into police officers.

But, while the program may be modeled after the popular adult police academy, there will be some differences.

Shaeffer said there will be a few areas that are in the adult program that will be taken out of the youth program. Such as, due to its graphic nature, participants in the high school program will not visit the medical examiner. They will also not visit the police firing range to test fire a gun, as is done in the adult course.

Shaeffer added the discussion about sex crimes that is given in the adult course will be given in the high school course, but it will be downplayed.

"We will have to tone it to the age group we are talking to," he said. "They will still receive a good perspective of law enforcement."

Officer Larry Lemerand, one of the officers planning the academy, said the program is still being planned, but he is hoping to start classes towards the end of September.

He said classes will range from 15 to 20 students and the program will be six to eight weeks long.

For more information on the Teenage Police Academy, call Officer Lemerand or Sgt. Matt Conquest at 348-7100.

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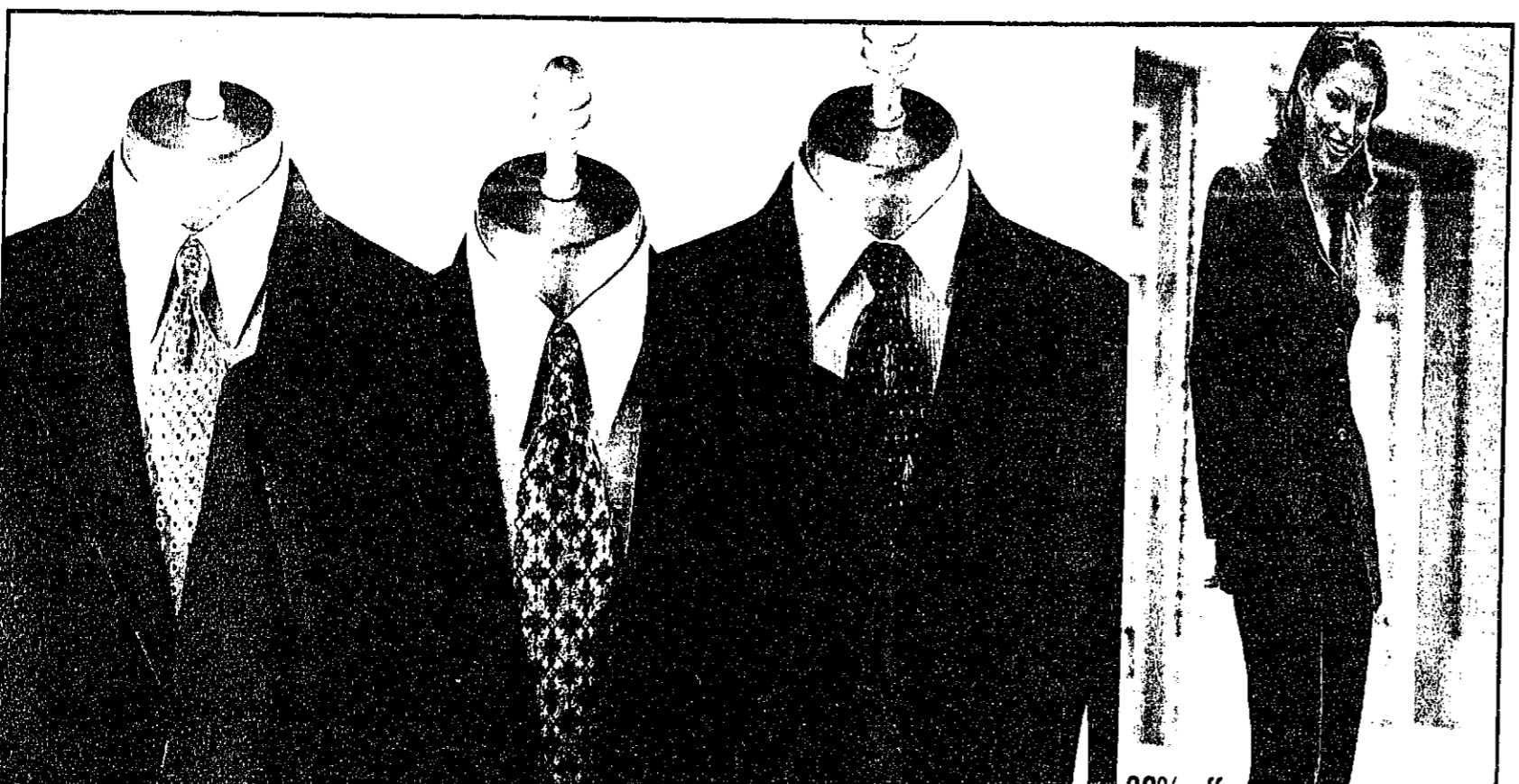
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Auto thieves hit Fountain Park

Four vehicles parked in the Fountain Park Apartments parking lot were damaged after break-ins sometime between 10:30 p.m. Aug. 6 and 12:30 a.m. Saturday.

According to police, someone broke out the drivers side window of a 1985 Jeep parked at the apartment complex and stole a CD player. While investigating the break-in, police found another vehicle, a 1986 Chevrolet pick-up parked in the same lot, with its passenger side window smashed and a missing a radar detector. Officers also found a 1992 Saturn with its rear window broken out.

The owner was contacted and upon investigation of the vehicle, nothing was found to be missing.

PURSE SNATCHED

A 79-year-old Farmington Hills woman had her purse ripped right off her shoulder around 3 p.m. Sunday as she was walking in a parking lot of the Novi Hilton at 21111 Haggerty Rd.

Police said the woman parked her vehicle in the south lot of the hotel and began walking north towards the hotel. At that time, she noticed a man running towards her from the north. He ran up to her and grabbed her purse, where he continued running south.

The woman said she is unsure if the man entered a vehicle or continued through the lot on foot. There were no other witnesses and because of rain, a K-9 track would be useless.

The woman was not visibly

KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR CARS

Police responded to reports of three men looking into car windows on pulling on the vehicle's handles around midnight Friday on Warley Court.

A female witness reported to officers she knew two of the suspects and identified them as a 15-year-old Novi man and a 17-year-old

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The Escort was stopped and the officer allegedly found Brown and other man in the car, with numerous tool packages in the back seat.

After a search of the vehicle, 20 pliers worth \$163.60 were found. Four drill bits and two drill packs, valued at \$117.92, were also found.

All of the items were seized by the officers and returned to Builders Square.

Brown's attorney has waived the arraignment and he has not issued a plea. As of this time, a pretrial date has not been set.

Man hid tools in shirt, then fled

A 44-year-old Detroit man was arrested around 1 p.m. Aug. 4, for allegedly stealing almost \$300 in tools from Builders Square at 43610 West Oaks Drive.

Kerry Brown was arrested by Novi police after employees at Builders Square reportedly chased him out of the store after he allegedly stole some tools.

A Novi officer was on patrol on West Oaks Drive, when he was stopped by a witness who said employees of Builders Square were

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Novi Briefs

Party time

Lake to plan parties?

The City of Novi is traveling all people who are interested in helping with Novi's 30th anniversary celebrations to a special organizational meeting. The meeting, Aug. 24 at 7 p.m. will be in the city council chambers at the Novi Civic Center.

The anniversary happens in 1999.

For more information, call the Novi Public Information Office at 449-1768.

Heading for the beach

The city aims to expand the beach frontage it owns on Walled Lake. On Monday, the Novi City Council a purchase agreement offering the Pull family on South Lake Drive \$205,000 for their property, which is adjacent to the beach in Lakeshore Park.

The price was what the Pulls paid for it, City Manager Ed Krievall said. "We have a very busy beachfront. It's in the best interest of our community to attempt to expand the beach as much as we can," he added.

City council guide

If you find all that action going on at Novi City Council meetings a little confusing, help is available. Novi Public Information Director Lou Martin has prepared a user's guide to the sessions, which includes a message from Mayor Kathleen McAllen.

The one-page handout, available at the Monday night meetings, explains details such as the consent agenda, audience participation and how to send those letters to the council.

In addition, advice on the general courtesies is offered, including the suggestion that audience members refrain from the use of offensive or abusive language.

If you want to meet with the mayor on a one-on-one basis, McAllen's office hours at city hall are Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

Schedule an appointment in advance by calling Lynn George in the city manager's office at 347-0556.

Extra credit

Novi Community Credit Union has earned another 5-Star superior rating, the top rating awarded, from Bauer Financial Reports Inc. of Coral Gables, Fla., the nation's leading independent banking research firm.

This continues Novi Community Credit Union's string of superior ratings, its 13th consecutive 5-Star rating to date.

The award is based on an analysis of the most recent financial data as filed by Novi Community Credit Union with federal regulators, supplemented by historical data.

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HealthNote

by Dennis Engerer, PT, and Patricia Westerber, PT.

KNEE-FRIENDLY EXERCISE

As the most vulnerable joint in the body, the knee accounts for more sports injuries than any other joint. Approximately 20 million people have knee trouble, and those who decide to live with their ailments may be asking for trouble. The most widely accepted treatment for knee pain is the RICE prescription - Rest, Ice, Compression and Elevation. Beyond that, depending on the knee ailment, exercise is also beneficial, particularly when exercising in water. Aqua therapy provides buoyancy that minimizes joint stress while providing resistance that strengthens muscles. Out of water, it also helps to shed some weight. Each extra pound adds four pounds of stress to the knees while walking and up to 25 pounds while performing high-impact aerobics.

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349-3816 P.S. Another widely accepted treatment for knee pain is cross-training, which alternates activities that strain the knee (running) with activities that do not (swimming).

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Quiet moment

This snowy egret, seen at Beck and Nine Mile roads, is an elegant example of the wildlife that shares the city with us. Once almost extinct, the birds are making a comeback these days.

Winners wanted

Beautification Commission seeks nominations for annual awards

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer

It's time to thank the businesses, subdivisions and other developments in Novi which take the time to make the city more beautiful. The Novi Beautification Commission is taking nominations for the city's annual Beautification Awards. Awards will be given out October 1.

The committee is changing this year, taking overall nominations, not for specific categories. And while committee members used to also go out and nominate businesses or subdivisions, this year they will only review the nominations sent to them, said Lou Martin, public information director. Part of the reason is the dwindling number of members on the committee.

"It will be hard for them to judge what they get but at the same time they still want to do this for people," Martin explained. Everyone nominated will be recognized. Some special awards will be given from that group.

"We want to acknowledge the growth and improvement of the area as a whole," said commission member Julie Johnson. Eligible are schools, multi-family

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Lou Martin,
Novi Public Information Director

developments, single-family subdivisions, industrial buildings, offices, places of worship, shopping centers and individual businesses. Anyone can nominate themselves or others.

Said Martin, "It's always a neat event, some places really go nuts." Last year, Glenda's Market, Saddle Creek Apartments and Novi Town Center were among the winners.

Among the winners in the 1996 were Sonny's Catering, Novi Woods Elementary School and Chase Farms subdivision.

All nomination forms by August 31 to Maureen Rush, Public Information Director, City of Novi, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan, 48375-3024.

Third Annual Novi Beautification Awards

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The nominees will be awarded on October 1, 1998 at the Novi Civic Center at 6:30 a.m.

Clean Michigan wins bipartisan support in state legislature

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

The two political parties are united, more or less, on the Clean Michigan bond issue on the Nov. 3 ballot.

Both say vote "yes," and both say "give us the credit."

Gov. John Engler tapped U.S. Sen. Spencer Abraham, a fellow Republican, to chair the campaign, saying he "can't think of a more appropriate person."

"Abraham has been a leader on the federal brownfields cleanup, he has worked to ensure continued research funding for the Great Lakes Environmental Research Labs and Great Lakes Fisheries Commission, and has worked hard to secure funds for pollution-ridden rivers and improve the quality of drinking water."

Engler didn't mention another Abraham skill: As a former state party chair, he knows how to raise money and run campaigns.

Abraham's term doesn't expire until 2000, so his calendar is relatively free this year.

Abraham also uses a term Engler won't admit exists: "urban sprawl."

The senator said the ballot proposal will "create jobs, roll back urban sprawl, improve environmental health and safety, and enhance quality of life for our families."

Among Democrats, only former state Sen. Lana Iballak, now president of the Michigan Environmental Council, decried the Abraham appointment, saying he had no identification with environmental issues.

But her organization now supports the proposal, now that the governor has adopted Democratic amendments.

Democratic House Speaker Curtis Hertel of Detroit put this spin on the issue: "Thanks to action by the House Democratic majority, the environmental bond initiative... is more than an economic development tool. If approved by Michigan voters, it will invest millions not originally sought by the governor in clean water, pollution prevention and lead cleanup."

The major components, if voters say yes:

- \$335 million for urban industrial brownfields.
- \$50 million to upgrade facilities and roads at 53 State parks.
- \$50 million for nonpoint-source pollution control (runoffs).
- \$25 million for sediment cleanups of nine rivers.
- \$50 million for waterfront redevelopment.
- \$50 million for local parks and recreation.

\$20 million for pollution prevention.

\$5 million for lead contamination abatement.

\$80 million for clean water to protect rivers, lakes and streams.

All suburban area legislators supported the package of bills to put the bond issue on the ballot except Sen. Mike Bouchard, R-Birmingham, and Rep. Alan Crossley, R-DeWitt. Rep. Lynn Bankes, R-Redford, missed the vote.

Meanwhile, another group is pressuring Engler and big-city mayors to reveal more than required under a federal Safety Drinking Water Act.

The group is called Michigan Clean Water Action, with spokespersons in Lansing (Nolan Bennett) and Macomb County (Cyndi Roper and Dan Farough).

CWA says the federal law doesn't go far enough. "The EPA rules say that only people who get a water bill have to get the report [of chemical contaminants in their tap water], though the rule asks that utilities make an effort to get the report to all of their consumers."

The federal act requires reports to be sent annually beginning in October 1999. The Michigan group wants Engler and Lansing Mayor David Hollister to respond by this Oct. 15 whether they will require more information in the clean water reports.

So far, no comment from the governor's office.

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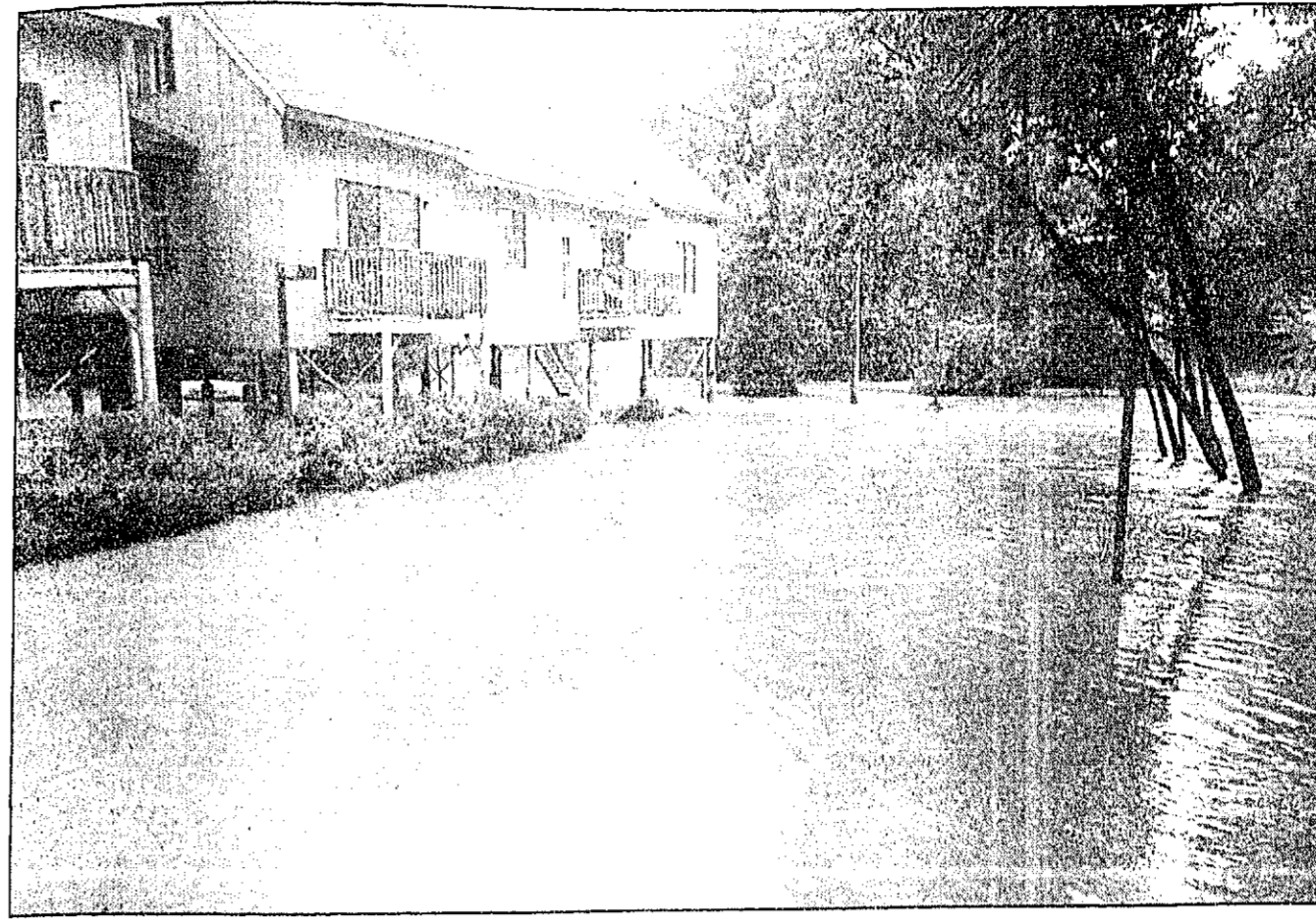
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Rain drops kept falling

Clogged drains sent water cascading onto roads

After a thunderstorm hit the metro area on Aug. 6, eight complaints also came pouring into Novi's Department of Public Works.

Water also came tumbling into the DPW's Delval Drive offices, through a leaky roof.

But by mid-day, most water problems apparently had been solved. However, water was still pooled at Meadowbrook Lake subdivision along Nine Mile Road. Cars

lined the road along Nine Mile, as flooding in the morning made the area impassible.

"What we found in many cases was it's leaves blocking the outlets," said Novi's DPW Superintendent Craig Smith after the storm.

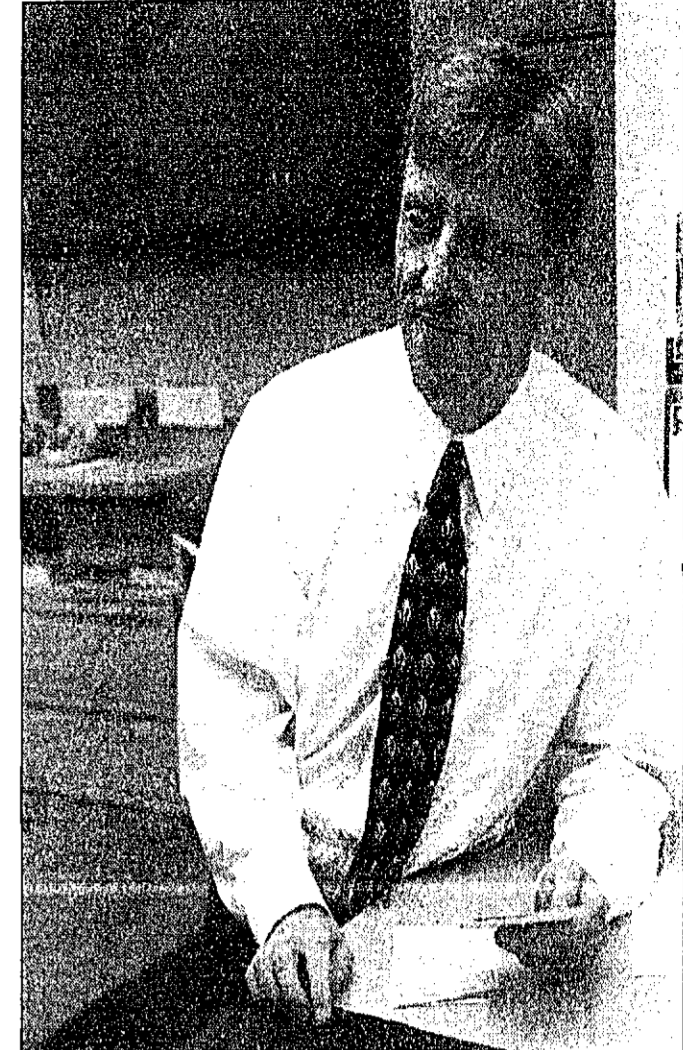
"As soon as we clear the outlets, the water goes down." Beginning at 6 a.m. that day, DPW crews were out cleaning the

drains. Reports included:

- Water over Haggerty Road, near Orchard Hill Place.
- Four feet of water across Centisford Road.
- Flooding on streets in Royal Crown Estates.
- A flooded basement on Pann Trail in Deerbrook and flooding on Burton Court.
- Flooding on Hestip Drive and Gateway Drive.

The lack yard of Tree Tops Apartments, but the buildings on stilts were safe above the deluge.

Below left, vehicles had to plow through water on Nine Mile east of Novi Road. Above, Novi Department of Public Works Superintendent Craig Smith looks at trouble spots on a city map.



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Fire Log

The following is a complete list of the emergency calls of the West Fire Department for the week ending Aug 9. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the engine and squad number which responded to the call.

MONDAY, AUG. 3

Medical, 29884 Crosswinds, 3:35 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 21062 Tall Road, 12:47 p.m., Squad 3.
Injury accident, Eight Mile and Haggerty, 12:58 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 39187 Westminster, 3:51 p.m., Squad 3.
Injury accident, 196 West of Haggerty, 6:16 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 13207 Cresent, 8:47 p.m., Squad 1.
Trash fire, 117 Charlotte, 10:07 p.m., Engine 2.

TUESDAY, AUG. 4

Auto lock, Grand River and Novi Road, 3:12 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical, 43075 Cresent, 7:03 p.m., Squad 1.
Building fire, 39630 Karla, 9:20 p.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 24807 Old Orchard, 8:43 p.m., Squad 1.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 5

Building fire, 22004 Solomon, 5:00 a.m., Engine 3.

Medical, 31005 Tanglewood, 6:10 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 29006 Gilkar, 11:33 a.m., Squad 3.
Fire alarm, Novi High School, 11:37 a.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical, 26125 Novi Road, 12:49 p.m., Squad 1.

THURSDAY, AUG. 6

Arching wires, Eleven Mile and Tall Road, 5:28 a.m., Engine 1.
Medical, 38876 Village Wood, 7:59 a.m., Squad 3.
Fire alarm, 21062 Tall Road, 8:01 a.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical, 45182 West Road, 10:07 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 20650 Herre, 3:32 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, Twelve Oaks-Blue Lot, 3:46 p.m., Squad 1.
Mutual aid, Lavinia Fire Department, 4:26 p.m., Response 506.
House fire, 24375 Fairway Hills, 4:35 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical, Powers Park and Ten Mile, 5:18 p.m., Squad 3.
Detail, Powers Park, 5:55 p.m., Response 515.
Medical, 2111 West Lake Drive, 8:43 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 22081 Deerfield, 11 p.m., Squad 3.

FRIDAY, AUG. 7

Medical, 30047 Mountmorey,

3:14 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, Powers Park and Ten Mile, 9:35 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 34123 Heddon Circle, 10:24 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, Powers Park and Ten Mile, 3:06 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, Powers Park and Ten Mile, 3:42 p.m., Squad 3.
Investigation, 17626 Greenwich, 5:39 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 24155 Basham, 6:26 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 15747 Lakeview Court, 8:48 p.m., Squad 2.

SUNDAY, AUG. 9

Fire alarm, 44503 Louvet Court, 3:46 a.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 21108 E. Glen Haven, 6:27 a.m., Squad 3.
Detail, Powers Park, 7:39 a.m., Squad 4.
Injury accident, Novi Road and I-96, 3:03 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road, 3:25 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 23228 Gilkar Drive, 3:28 p.m., Squad 3.
Assist, 23532 Stonehenge, 3:32 p.m., Engine 3.
Injury accident, I-96 and I-275, 3:33 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 42803 Georgetown, 4:38 p.m., Squad 1.
Fuel spill, Nine Mile and Emushore, 11:25 p.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 508 Ekersley, 11:48 p.m., Squad 4.

SATURDAY, AUG. 8

Investigation, 25713 Lochmoor, 4:03 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 41355 Ridge Road East, 4:21 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 45182 West Road, 6:10 a.m., Squad 2.
Detail, Powers Park, 7:38 a.m., Squad 4.
Fire alarm, Crescent Town Center, 10:58 a.m., Engines 1, 2.
Fire alarm, Baranette and Novi Road, 11:55 a.m., Engines 1, 1.
Injury accident, Grand River and Novi Road, 12:46 p.m., Squad 1.

Fire alarm, Grand River and Berk Road, 2:16 p.m., Engine 4.
Response 507.
Medical, I-96 and Novi Road, 5:18 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, Mountmorey Park, 8:02 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 41955 Ridge Road East, 9:52 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 40142 Jefferson, 11:36 p.m., Squad 1.

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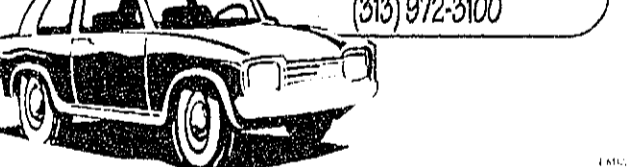
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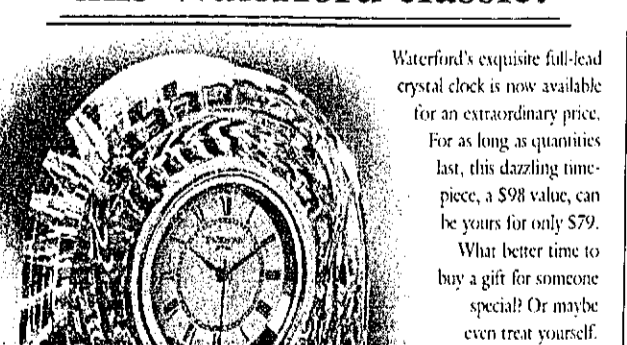
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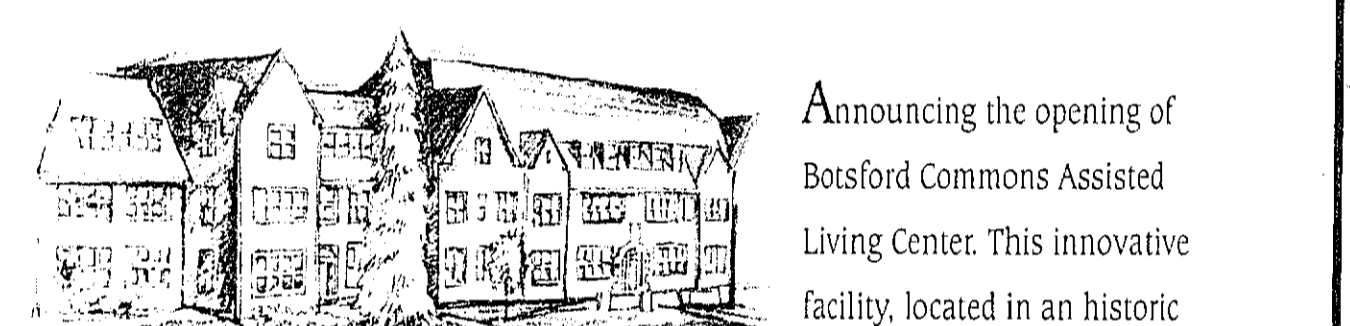
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MONDAY, AUG. 17

10:00 a.m. — The Great Adventure
10:30 a.m. — The Cutting Room
Floor: Julie Gerrens Singer
11:00 a.m. — Christian Singles
Today: The Rev. Yvonne and Eric
11:30 a.m. — Cosby and Company
12:00 p.m. — In the Kitchen with Bry
12:30 p.m. — Options for a Halanced Life: Older Adult Issues
1:00 p.m. — Adventures with Prate Pete
1:30 p.m. — Yoga Relaxation and You
2:00 p.m. — Financial Strategies
2:30 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: La Shish
3:00 p.m. — Family Solidarity
3:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
4:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
4:30 p.m. — Dance with Virginia
5:00 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
5:30 p.m. — Up Close Today
6:00 p.m. — Reading with Tatiana

6:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
7:00 p.m. — Critter Connection
7:30 p.m. — Battle of the Books
8:30 p.m. — Community Comments
9:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
9:30 p.m. — Groove Session: Graduate Steele Band
10:00 p.m. — (cont'd)

TUESDAY, AUG. 18

10:00 a.m. — Legislative Forum
10:30 a.m. — Specs Profile: Entrepreneur
11:00 a.m. — Law Talk: Elmore "Dutch" Leonard
11:30 a.m. — Summit University: Gospel of Thomas No. 11
12:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
1:00 p.m. — Breathing Simplified
1:30 p.m. — Community Living Centers
2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
2:30 p.m. — Center for New Thinking: Emotional Life of Animals
3:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
3:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
4:00 p.m. — In the Studio with Bry: Eric Herald
4:30 p.m. — The Great Adventure

5:00 p.m. — The Way, The Truth, and The Life
5:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen: Michael, Zamir, Doron
6:00 p.m. — Book Talk
6:30 p.m. — Special Olympics
7:00 p.m. — Fitness Motivators: Power Aerobics Mix
7:30 p.m. — Financial Strategies
8:00 p.m. — The Show Me Show: Duane LeFlare Project
8:30 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Steve and Rocky's Marks
9:00 p.m. — Let's Talk with Ben Marks
9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

2:30 p.m. — Christian Singles Today: The Rev. Yvonne and Eric
3:00 p.m. — Dusty Rhodes: A Collection of Love Songs
3:30 p.m. — Groove Session: Graduate Steele Band
4:00 p.m. — Critter Connection
4:30 p.m. — The Elegant Life: Aromatherapy
5:00 p.m. — Aviation Journal
5:30 p.m. — Community Comments
6:00 p.m. — Out in the Open III: Wild Boys
6:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
7:00 p.m. — Adventures with Prate Pete
7:30 p.m. — Cosby and Company
8:00 p.m. — Novi Street Beat
8:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
9:00 p.m. — The Great Adventure
9:30 p.m. — Rock Soup: Lowell Lamm

11:30 a.m. — People Who Make Things Happen: Michael, Zamir, Doron
12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
12:30 p.m. — Madama Magazine: How Kids Cope with Divorce
1:00 p.m. — Praise, Praise, Praise
1:30 p.m. — That's Italian!
2:00 p.m. — Mr. Blue Puzzy Show
2:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
3:00 p.m. — The Secret Place
3:30 p.m. — Adventures with Prate Pete
4:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Elmore "Dutch" Leonard
4:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
5:00 p.m. — Sharey Zedel
5:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
6:00 p.m. — Grip: Kick It In
6:30 p.m. — Founders Festival Parade
7:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
7:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
8:00 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
8:30 p.m. — YMCA
9:00 p.m. — Law Talk
9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

Things Happen
8:30 p.m. — Christian Singles Today
9:00 p.m. — Law Talk
9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

FRIDAY, AUG. 21

10:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m. — To Be Announced
4:00 p.m. — Fitness Motivators
4:30 p.m. — Let's Talk with Ben Marks
5:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
5:30 p.m. — Cosby and Company
6:00 p.m. — To Be Announced
6:30 p.m. — Financial Strategies
7:00 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
8:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
8:30 p.m. — YMCA
9:00 p.m. — Law Talk
9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

THURSDAY, AUG. 20

10:00 a.m. — Fitness Motivators: Power Aerobics Mix
10:30 a.m. — The Happiest People Alive
11:00 a.m. — Abundant Life Arabic Ministries

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In the net

Girl courts sporting chance for weekend with Detroit Pistons

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
 Staff Writer

Two free throws at a basketball hoop could net one Novi youngster a weekend with the Detroit Pistons. Eight-year-old Megan Kasha of Novi won the Hoop-Fest's highest prize during the Michigan 50s Festival held July 22-26 at the Novi Expo Center. She will be entered into a drawing in October that will send one lucky kid to a weekend with the Pistons and even a Pistons basketball camp.

The Kasha's were surprised when they found out Megan made the drawing.

"I paid for four shots she didn't even make any shots," her mother Sue Kasha said this week. "My son was the one hoping to get it."

Megan and many other kids at the 50s Festival paid 50 cents for two free throw shots. The shots entered her in a raffle for many prizes, including advancement to a second drawing for the Grand Prize. As the top winner for Novi she received a basketball hat, a

Vernon ice cream soda kit and various t-shirts.

"I like basketball. I play it with my brother sometimes," Megan said. "He taught me how to play but I still beat him."

She said the best part of winning the chance at the Pistons weekend was taunting her older brother Calvin who is 13.

"He wanted to win the most," she said.

Megan's name will be in the drawing with other top winners from festivals around the State of Michigan who also sponsored Hoop-Fests. She and her family could spend a weekend with the Pistons including, among other things, family lodging in Auburn Hills, basketball tickets, dinner at the Palace Grill and a scholarship to Pistons camp.

Hoop-Fest was jointly sponsored by the Detroit Pistons and the Michigan Festivals and Events Association. Youngsters paid 50 cents to try out their jump shots for a chance to win Pistons merchandise.

That. Prepared by Boss, Martin and a few guests was a pungent stew that included: lemon buttered popcorn, Greek lemon potatoes, French bread with lemon basil pesto, two different yellow salads, Greek lemon meatballs, lemon bread, lemon pickles, lemon rice, lemon cake, lemon merange pie, lemon shaped cookies and lemon crumb bars. Plus, there was a 50-gallon cooler full of lemonade for the dipping.

"The menu just goes on and on. She spends days and days cooking," Martin said.

Kelly's favorite was the Greek lemon potatoes.

"They're really, really great," she said.

A main attraction was the smoking, rumbling Mt. Lemon, a volcano built by Martin. He estimates he spent as much as 30 hours building the papier mache structure, which spouted fireworks.

"All day long there were little craters where smoke came out. We hope to recycle it for the neighborhood picnic in Novi Township," Martin added.

After researching Hawaiian dance at the library, Kelly choreographed a hula for Boss and her mother, Julie Rooney, to perform. Costumes were grass skirts and coconut shell tops. Later, the crowd joined in.

"It's really a fun party, it's just really great," Kelly said.

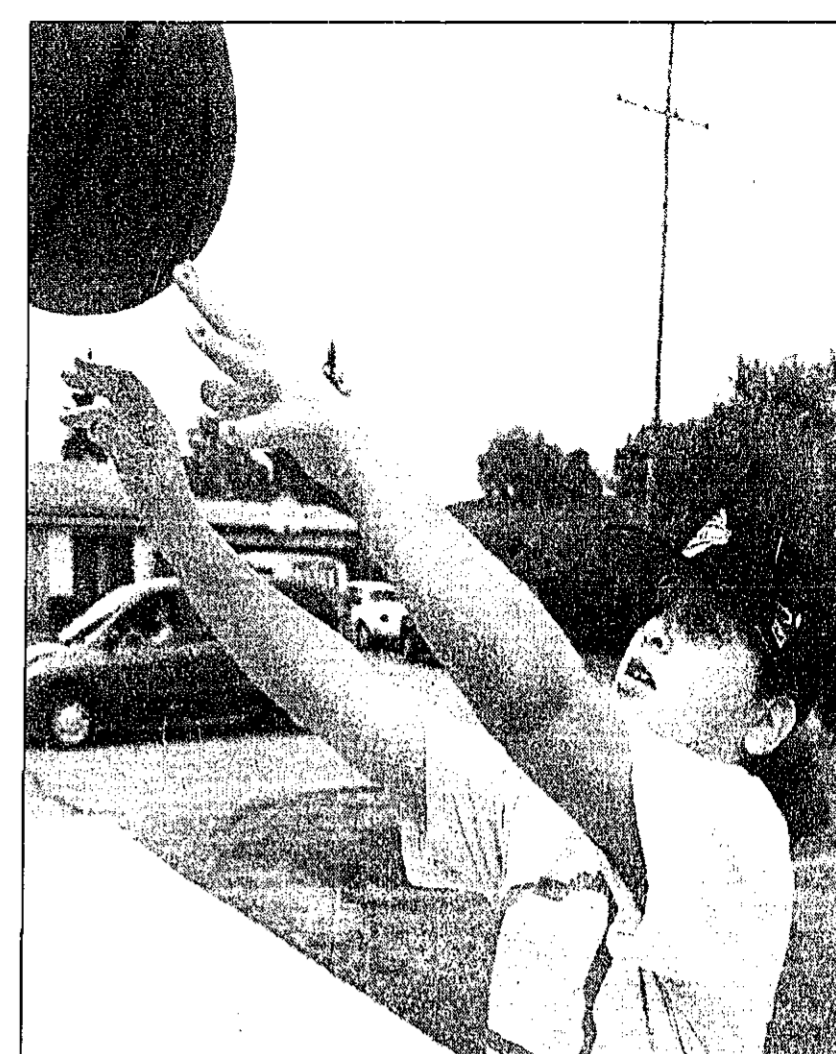
Games included bobbing for lemons, croquet and corn husking. Two pinatas were provided for the kids and one was lemon-shaped.

"The winner of most games takes home a hat.

"This is the most god awful fishing I've ever seen. The winner's supposed to get the hat signed while on vacation, so we know that hat has been in Toronto or Florida," Martin explained.

So who really likes lemons more? Kelly, of course. Martin admits he's not so crazy over the fruit. Kelly, on the other hand, will grab a fresh lemon and munch it the way someone else would bite into an apple.

"I eat them all the time, about every day," she confessed.



Megan Kasha, 8, demonstrates in her driveway her winning style with basketball. She could sink a weekend with the Detroit Pistons. She won that hat at the Michigan 50s Festival contest.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

'Lemonfest' is a special summer party for Novi residents

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from New York, New Jersey and Arizona.

"I have never, it's not 1990, instead of 60," Martin said.

The three work on the party all year long, finally setting the stage the day before each year. Lemon fest is held in late July or early August, when the price of lemons goes down.

"Our problem is, we get a little crazy and obsessed with these things," Martin said.

"It's really crazy but it is fun.

What's so neat is how much fun the families have with the kids.

"This time, as well as the famous lemons wrapped around the tree, lemons boated in their fly pond and a miniature cruise ship was loaded in to launch the tropical theme. An artificial beach scene was set up as a photo backdrop.

Boss is well-known among family and friends for her gourmet cooking.

At the Aug. 8 event, dinner included a roast pig with a lemon in its mouth. The caterer brought

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 98-026

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

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 1998, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to August 19, 1998.

GERRIE HUBBS PERMIT ANALYST (248) 347-0415

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

This request will be considered at 3:15 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 1998, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to August 19, 1998.

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 98-028

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Norwest Mortgage is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow an outdoor radio broadcast of "WXYZ Money Talk" at 24255 Novi Road, located in the Pine Ridge Shopping Center, on August 26, 1998 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26, 1998, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to August 26, 1998.

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NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR "TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANT" (RFP'S)

The City of Novi will receive requests for proposals for "Telecommunications Consultant" (RFP) according to the specifications of the City of Novi.

Proposals packages are available at the Office of the Purchasing Director at 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI 48375.

Bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. prevailing eastern time, Monday, August 31, 1998. Proposals shall be addressed as follows:

CITY OF NOVI
 CAROL J. KALINOWIK, 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 "TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONSULTANT RFP" AND MUST BEAR THE NAME OF THE BIDDER.

The City reserves the right to accept any or all alternative proposals and award the contract to other than the lowest bidder, to waive any irregularities or informality or both, to reject any or all proposals, and in general to make the award of the contract in any manner deemed by the City, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of the City of Novi.

CAROL J. KALINOWIK, PURCHASING DIRECTOR (248) 347-0446

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ESTABLISH A BRANCH OF A STATE MEMBER BANK

Michigan Heritage Bank of Novi, Michigan intends to apply to the Federal Reserve Board for permission to establish a branch at 28270 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334. The Federal Reserve considers a number of factors in deciding whether to approve the application including the record of performance of banks we own in helping to meet local credit needs.

You are invited to submit comments in writing on this application to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, P.O. Box 634, Chicago, IL 60690.

The comment period will not end before September 9, 1998 and may be somewhat longer. The Board's procedures for processing applications may be found in 12 C.F.R. Part 262. Procedures for processing protested applications may be found in 12 C.F.R. Part 262.25. To obtain a copy of the Board's procedures or if you need more information about how to submit your comments on the application, contact: Alicia Williams, Community Affairs Office (312) 322-5910. The Federal Reserve will consider your comments and any request for a public meeting or formal hearing on the application if they are received by the Reserve Bank on or before the last date of the comment period.

(8-13-98 NN 844538)

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS SIGN MAKING SYSTEM

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for the Sign Making System according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid packages are available at the Office of the Purchasing Director.

Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. prevailing eastern time, Thursday, August 27, 1998, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be addressed as follows:

CITY OF NOVI
 CAROL J. KALINOWIK, PURCHASING DIRECTOR
 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI 48375-3024

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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, August 19, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider CLEMENS INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY, SP 98-22, located on the southwest corner of Roodhill Drive and Ashbury Drive, seeking PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN and SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVALS.

LOCATION MAP

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning & Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 19, 1998.

NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION
 KIM THOMAS CAPELLO, SECRETARY
 TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

(8-13-98 NR, NN 844756)

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LOCATION MAP

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NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION
 KIM THOMAS CAPELLO, SECRETARY
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(8-13-98 NR, NN 844759)

WE WANT YOUR HELP

Your Board of Road Commissioners for Oakland County wants you to help decide on the

1999 BUDGET FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1999 AND 1999 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Board of Road Commissioners for Oakland County invites all interested citizens and elected officials to present comments prior to adoption of the 1999 Budget and Road Improvement Program. For this purpose, we have scheduled a Public Hearing.

Date: Thursday, August 27, 1998
 Time: 7:30 p.m.
 Location: Oakland County Auditorium, Oakland County Service Center, 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac, Michigan 48341

WHAT THE BUDGET IS

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

ADVANCE COPIES ARE AVAILABLE

Copies of the proposed 1999 Budget and related information will be available one (1) week prior to the Public Hearing. They may be obtained by contacting the Finance Department of the Road Commission for Oakland County, 31001 Lahser Road, Beverly Hills, Michigan 48025. (Telephone (248) 645-2000, ext. 2237 or TDD (248) 645-9923).

Copies of the proposed 1999 Road Improvement Program will be available one (1) week prior to the Public Hearing. They may be obtained by contacting the Engineering Department of the Road Commission for Oakland County, 31001 Lahser Road, Beverly Hills, Michigan 48025. (Telephone (248) 645-2000, ext. 2265 or TDD (248) 645-9923).

WE HOPE YOU WILL PRESENT COMMENTS

The Board Meeting and Public Hearing are held in accordance with the provisions of Act 2, P.A. 1968, as amended by Act 621, P.A. 1978, Act 43, P.A. 1983 (2nd executive session), and Act 267, P.A. 1976, as amended.

If you require accommodation in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, please provide the Finance Department with five days advance notice.

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
 OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN
 BRENT O. BAIR, MANAGING DIRECTOR

(8-13-98 SLH 844729)

As credit cards become increasingly available and easy to use, they are also becoming easier to steal. Unlike pickpockets of the past, modern thieves just need the numbers to commit...

CREDIT CARD FRAUD



Photo by JOHN HEDDER

Novi woman deals with headache of stolen credit card

By CHRIS C. DAVIS
Staff Writer

Superstitious hockey fan that she is, Karen Kasnaic didn't want to purchase Stanley Cup merchandise too early, fearing to do so would jinx the Red Wings' chances of a championship repeat.

So when she went to Mejer the evening of June 16 — with the Wings sitting on a 3-0 series lead — she felt comfortable in buying a rally flag.

Her contact ended there. Kasnaic, a Novi resident, became aware of the dangers associated with stolen credit cards when she left her wallet behind at the store that night. Hundreds of dollars in charges were racked up to her card when store employees took it and went on a mid-night shopping spree.

Luckily, she said, store security was wise to the situation and helped intervene, but her sense of trust of others isn't what it used to be.

"I felt dumb because I couldn't believe I'd done that, but I also feel angry that someone would use something that wasn't theirs," she said.

Kasnaic said she went to the store expecting to make only a couple of purchases. Realizing more goods were needed, she quickly had a shopping cart filled with more items than she'd anticipated buying.

Kasnaic said she wanted to pay by writing a check, which required her to produce identification.

After running the check through the authorization computer and rigging up her total, Kasnaic said she made her way for the exit — unaware the wallet containing her credit cards, about \$120 in cash and personal items had been left behind.

"I found out later the lady who was standing in line behind me tried calling me to get my wallet back to me, but I was already out the door," Kasnaic said.

The woman behind Kasnaic turned the wallet over to the cashier, who placed it under the register for safe keeping.

But it wasn't safe for long. According to store surveillance tape and police reports, the cashier removed a credit card from the wallet before turning it over to store security at the end of her shift. The cashier then went to visit her boyfriend, who works in the delicatessen section of the store, and gave him the credit card.

Later in the evening, reports said, the boyfriend came through his girlfriend's checkout lane, using the stolen credit card to purchase around \$320 in clothing.

Meanwhile, the next morning, Kasnaic said she was in her home and needed to make a telephone call to a person whose number was kept in her wallet. Unable to locate it in her home, Kasnaic said she first thought the wallet must have been left overnight in her car.

It wasn't there. "I knew that I must have left it at Mejer, because that is the only place I'd been with it the previous night," she said.

Kasnaic said she telephoned Mejer management to ask if the wallet had been located. Apparently, the word hadn't fully circulated through the store, and the person Kasnaic spoke with hadn't seen the wallet. She then began the process of canceling her credit cards.

"It was frustrating, because you had to remember all the things that were in there," she said.

"I was really angry, I suppose I was lucky that they didn't use anything else in the purse, but you really want to trust people, and this sort of breached that trust."

—Karen Kasnaic

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Paying attention to receipts, statements key to avoiding many credit card woes

By CHRIS C. DAVIS
Staff Writer

Though there's no exact figure for what credit card fraud costs Americans each year, U.S. Secret Service agent Dave Scouler says it can be summed up in two words:

A lot.

And in the metro Detroit area, it's become an especially bad problem.

"We get a lot of calls from people saying they've been hit, and we're getting more each year," Scouler said. "It's definitely something on the rise."

Scouler said there's good news and bad news when it comes to credit card fraud. The bad news, he said, is that most credit card issuers won't investigate cases where the spending amounts to less than \$30,000.

But that shouldn't deter people from filing complaints with the Secret Service, which not only protects the life of the President, but also investigates counterfeiting and credit card cases, Scouler said.

"Maybe someone charged \$1,000 to your card," Scouler said. "In and of itself, that's probably not enough to have an investigation done. But if we get reports of \$1,000 from you and \$1,000 in charges on the cards of other people near you, we can get a case together which could very well be more than \$30,000."

Scouler said there are any number of ways to scam credit card-holders out of their money, but southeast Michigan has been hit by a few in particular.

One of the more unfortunate tricks pulled by credit card issuers comes from the issuers themselves, Scouler said. Once in a while, employees will search the bank's computer database and pull identifier information —

social security numbers, addresses, and mother's maiden names.

With that information in hand, employees can obtain a false identity and possibly begin making charges to unsuspecting people.

"The bottom line is that when someone gets a hold of your personal information, they can go a long way with it," Scouler said. "You really need to be careful protecting that information."

Another more elaborate scam involves altering the actual credit card. Scouler said some crooks will use a computer and a scanning machine to recode the magnetic strip on the

backside of the card.

Though it sounds complex, Scouler said the alterations can be made with equipment purchased through electronics stores.

Still other thieves will use receipts printed from credit card purchases and use the number printed on the receipt to run up purchases, Scouler said.

And as for those pre-approved credit card applications which arrive in the mail periodically, Scouler said there isn't much that can be done — except to tear up the application before it's thrown away.

"Banks routinely check the demographics of a certain area to mass-mail those applications to people they think would be good customers to have," Scouler said. "If you're not interested in the offer they have, the best thing you can do is completely destroy the application before you dispose of it."

Scouler said getting in touch with the Secret Service gives a complainant the legal advantage of dealing with an entity that has the authority to investigate not just between cities, but also across state lines.

"If you're from Northville Township and discover there have been charges rung up on your card in Sterling Heights and Toledo, you may run into some jurisdictional roadblocks," Scouler said. "You don't want to discount local authorities, of course, but the Secret Service has the authority to work through situations like these."

Scouler or other U.S. Secret Service agents make themselves available for presentations before community, business or civic groups regarding credit card scams. If you're interested, call the Secret Service office at (313) 226-6400.

"From what I've seen, people in the Novi area who come in here are just poor money managers," she said. "We take the non-judgmental approach here. We want to fix the problem if it's at all possible."

Consumer Credit has fixed its share of problems. Lamb said she's saved people from having utilities turned off or cars or homes repossessed. As a whole, Consumer Credit's branch offices across the Midwest have helped people pay back more than \$500 million in debt.

But how does the debt amass in the first place? Lamb said it often starts with credit cards and the minimum monthly payments tied with them.

"A lot of people we see in here are under the impression that if they just make the minimum payment, they'll stay afloat," Lamb said. "That's not the case. You're not digging into the principle, and the interest from that starts adding up in a real hurry."

After a while, the principle grows, inflating the minimum monthly payment.

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Experts give advice on common debt questions

Wondering what to do about your credit card debt? Here are some suggestions from Consumer Credit Counseling of Michigan:

Q: The bills are mounting and I'm not sure I've got enough money to cover them. What should I do?

A: The key word here is "do." Not doing anything is about the worst reaction to take. Your first step should be to contact the credit card companies to let them know about your situation and ask what can be done. Be honest in your communication, and don't be misled into pledging something you can't do, such as making a bigger payment than you can afford. Keep a record of who you talked to (including last names) at the companies, and send any written correspondence as certified mail.

Q: I called the companies and they didn't really help. Now what?

A: Get in touch with a licensed credit counseling company. They're different than credit repair agencies, which generally aren't what they're cracked up to be, according to Consumer Credit Counseling. Ask about getting enrolled in a debt repayment program, which can lower your monthly payments. In the meantime, pay those things which take priority in life — the house, utilities, auto payments and insurance premiums.

Q: How does Consumer Credit Counseling Service make their money? They're a business, too, aren't they?

A: CCCS is a non-profit agency which gets its money through grants from credit card companies and from fees charged to clients based on their ability to pay and amount of debt they're bringing to the table. First consultations are free.

Q: What about bankruptcy? Is that a good option?

A: Only in the most absolutely dire of situations. Bankruptcies cause serious damage to credit reports, and remain on these reports for seven years' time. You're almost always better off to schedule some kind of repayment with creditors. Besides that, the fees charged by attorneys to file for bankruptcy can't be among the debts forgiven should a bankruptcy be granted.

Q: If I enroll with Consumer Credit, what will happen to my credit report?

A: It varies on a case-to-case basis. In some cases, companies which extend credit may look at you unfavorably if you've signed up with CCCS, believing you've not been responsible in your spending habits. However, many companies view a debt repayment program as a good response to financial pressure. Your best bet is to request copies of your credit report from the three credit reporting agencies and to verify that the information contained therein is accurate: Equifax (800-525-6285), Experian (800-301-7195) and TransUnion (800-680-7289). Be warned — you may be asked to enter a credit card number to obtain a copy of the report and then be told your card has been charged to do so.

Easy to be victimized by fraud Council questions police bond costs

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When she contacted her MasterCard issuer, an agent told Kasnaic Mejer's store security division had contacted MasterCard about some suspicious charges which had been made overnight.

A few phone calls later, Kasnaic learned what had happened. "I was really angry," she said. "I suppose I was lucky that they didn't use anything else in the purse, but you really want to trust people, and this sort of breached that trust."

Kasnaic said she's still working through the headache of having credits issued for the fraudulent purchases, and that she's changed the way she carries her wallet.

"I carry so much stuff in my wallet — it's like my whole life is in there," she said. "I only keep one or two credit cards in there now, and I don't carry nearly any cash any more."

Though what happened to Kasnaic didn't turn out nearly as bad as it could have, Northville Township detective Paul Sumner said

the situation could have been much worse — and often is. Sumner said many stores are either ambivalent about asking for identification with credit cards and may go so far as to establish policy not to require ID.

Sumner recalled being a teenager and borrowing his mother's credit card to run errands. Despite the card clearly being designated for a person not even of his own gender, Sumner said he was never questioned by a clerk.

More recently, Sumner said he'd

encountered vendors who've not asked for identification, despite his having written "Ask for identification" on the back of his card.

In Sumner's opinion, a lost credit card is almost as valuable to a thief as finding cash.

"You could take that Visa you just found to just about any store in the mall, and in almost positive you'd never run into anyone who'd stop you from using the card," Sumner said. "It's that easy."

Council questions police bond costs

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"We have to do a much better job of spelling out what this money will be spent for," McAllister added.

Now with the passing of the ballot language comes the challenge of informing the public and getting voter approval for the bond proposal.

City officials, by law, can not campaign for the passage of the millage, but they can create different avenues to inform the public. Such as, McAllister suggested the police department hold an open house so that voters can see where the problems with the building exist.

Klaver said he will most likely organize a police department open house for the public, but he has to meet with Novi Police Chief Douglas Sheaffer to set up a date and time.

In addition, he said, a citizens committee can be created that advocates the passage of a millage, since city administrators cannot.

John Chambers, Novi resident and former member of the council, has expressed interest in setting up that committee.

"The city fire and police were very reasonable with what they are asking for," he said.

Chambers headed up a citizen committee that recommended the original police bond proposal in 1996.

Chambers said he is just waiting for permission from the city to set up a committee and begin campaigning for the proposal.

The city's appeal to the creation of a citizen's group advocating the passage of the bond is great. "A citizens group that might get out and

support a bond issue has a much higher latitude," Klaver said.

He added residents think of these people as their neighbors and this gives them more credibility in the minds of voters.

Klaver also suggested the possibility of using cable television to inform the voters. He said the city has used this outlet before to bring information about ballot issues to the public.

This concern, by the council and city administrators, for keeping the police informed on this issue comes as the result of a police bond proposal that was rejected by voters in 1996.

Klaver said he feels the proposal failed in 1996 because it was one of three different bond issues on the ballot and voters simply did not understand how money gained from the bond was going to be spent.

But, by focusing on informing the public, Klaver said he hopes the city can fully explain what it feels are the needs of the police department.

"If we are able to communicate that, the average voter could understand it," he said.

Klaver said the bond money will be used for repairs to the police department building, some expansion and it will be used to bring the building into compliance with American's with Disability Act requirements.

For example, the front door of the police department is not handicap accessible. With money gained from the bond, the door can be replaced with a larger electric door. Thus making the entrance accessible to all.

Help for credit card users in debt

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If the telephone starts ringing from creditors wondering where their money is, many people start panicking and making ill-advised money decisions, Lamb said.

"People will respond to the credit card company because they're the ones they hear from first," she said. "They'll forget about things like house payments or car loans. You should never do that."

As for so-called credit repair agencies, Lamb said they're not what people think they are, and that people who look into them should use extreme caution.

"The only people who can remove items from

credit reports are the companies themselves," Lamb said. "You really need to be your own watchdog when it comes to your credit report."

By "fixing" your credit, Lamb said, credit repair agencies will use some clever paperwork techniques which may give temporary relief on a credit report, but probably won't have any long-term effects.

One people are back on stable financial ground, Lamb said she advises people to avoid credit cards as much as possible. If one is absolutely needed, Lamb said it's worth taking the time to find one with the lowest interest rate.

"You really want to pay the whole balance off in full each month," she said. "If you can't do

that, get it eliminated in just a couple of months, but don't leave that balance hanging around."

As for when to seek help for credit card payments, Lamb said there are no hard and fast rules, but when financial comfort levels are being questioned, it's a good sign something needs to be done.

"It's most important that people get in touch with us before it's too late," she said.

Getting dragged under by credit card debt? There may be help. Get in touch with Consumer Credit Counseling of Michigan's Novi office at (248) 348-4320. The office is located at 27780 Novi Road, just south of Hotel Baranovette.

Fundraising efforts to begin this month for Rotary

The Walled Lake Rotary Club is gearing up for another fundraiser. Beginning Aug. 26, the Rotarians will be selling Entertainment Books.

The books filled with coupons can be used to save on dining, family activities, movies and hotel accommodations. The Entertainment Books are priced at \$40 per book.

The proceeds of the sales of the Entertainment Books will go towards the various local charities that Rotary supports. This year money will go to scholarships for local high school students, D.A.R.E. program, FISH (an organization giving physical support to the needy members of the community), and Huron Valley Hospital.

Rotarians plan on donating a large sum of money to these charities due to the popularity of the product they are selling.

"Everybody likes these books, they have always been a well-selling item," comments Rotarian Sue Gorniak. "There is such a huge selection (of coupons) this year. They would make a great gift for anyone."

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Credit counseling can help with mounting debt

By CHRIS C. DAVIS
Staff Writer

The window in Candy Lamb's office overlooks Twelve Oaks Mall, where almost anything you could ever want is for sale. Unfortunately, the things people want aren't always the things that people can afford.

Enter credit card debt.

Lamb is a credit counselor for Consumer Credit Counseling of Michigan, a state-licensed, non-profit agency. The service has won the endorsement of several state and national companies and has been featured on "The Oprah Winfrey Show" in the last month.

And in recent years, the number of people Lamb has assisted has been on the rise.

"We're always busy here, but we've seen more people here lately," she said.

Lamb said she's had clients from almost every socioeconomic group around, from 18-year-olds who've gotten off on the wrong foot, to engineers and attorneys with \$70,000 in bills hanging over their head.

"Pretty soon, that \$15 minimum payment becomes \$40 and then \$60 and before you know it, you can't even make the minimum payment," Lamb said. "That's a dangerous time."

Another poor strategy some credit card holders use, Lamb said, is to make a cash withdrawal from one credit card to pay the minimum payment of another.

"You know you're in trouble if that starts happening," Lamb said.

Consumer Credit's role is to act as an intermediary between a client and the creditor, Lamb said. Consumer Credit will make arrangements with a credit card issuer to have the monthly payments reduced as much as possible. In some cases, interest may be entirely eliminated and annual fees waived, she said.

Fees to clients are charged based on the amount of debt which needs to be liquidated, though first consultations with Consumer Credit are free of charge, she said.

After a while, the principle grows, inflating the minimum monthly payment.

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As We See It

Tower rejection shows need for change in law

Novi City Council Monday rejected AT&T's proposal to convert a 62-foot light at the Power Park baseball fields behind the Civic Center into a 150-foot tall wireless communication antenna.

The decision follows the expressed wishes of 139 residents who signed a petition opposed to the conversion.

But was that the best decision. Council member Hugh Crawford pointed out some interesting facts. Since AT&T is looking to fill gaps in its service areas, it will likely be looking for an antenna somewhere else in the near vicinity, most likely on Novi Community School District land.

That means the decision for the tower will be under the control of the Novi school board, not the city council. Yes, residents can make their case to the school board, but it is usually the city council and planning commission which makes the call on lay-of-the-land type issues, such as the placement of cell towers. Because state law says cities can't regulate school facilities, the move will take the decision out of the hands of the city.

Now, if AT&T were to go that route, it might seek to put the antenna atop one of the taller sections of Novi High School, where frankly it would be less visible. And maybe that is the best place for it. Still, the decision will rest with the company and the school board. The community planners will be out of it.

It points out the need for some adjustment to state law.

It's also interesting to note what took up no more than a bit of the council's discussion, cell phone coverage. These devices are increasingly in use in our community and society at large, and to make them work they need the supporting tower network. AT&T wants to install the tower to fill a service gap after all, which would mean that cell phone users in and around the area would benefit. Again, that should be a city planning issue rather than a decision for school board.

We are less concerned about who gets



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the money for the lease. AT&T plans on leasing. It was offering \$20,000 upfront to the city and \$89,000 thereafter. We'd guess the school district would get some kind of a similar offer. Either way, the money ends up in the hands of local government.

But as we said, the issue points out the need for some adjustment in the state law separating schools from city government. Presently, the law allows schools board to put up their buildings independent of the zoning rules and regulations of the local municipality. To a degree, the law makes sense. The school board is an elected body and if residents have an objection to the way facilities are expected to be put up, they can object directly to the school board. The board's first priority has to be the education of students, and its buildings should be designed with that in mind. Local regulations and zoning restrictions might put some serious crimps in the board's efforts to build well designed schools.

But here's an instance where the facility won't have anything to do with education. Rather, it will be a tower for use by the community at large through its cell phones. The folks who should normally regulate that, city planners, won't be part of the decision making.

Wouldn't it be wiser if state law allowed that only educational buildings — or those supportive of the education process like the bus garage — on school district land should qualify for the exemption from local regulation. A company shouldn't be able to escape local regulation by leasing space from the school board.

Consider this: Police work very hard to come up with the procedures, processes and practices that will help them catch criminals. They get pretty darned good at it too.

Criminals, at least some, do their best to come up with ways to defeat those processes in order to elude capture and get away with their bad behavior. Many trade tips and information on how to beat the cops and their procedures. Not all do; many outlaws are really quite dumb about it. But enough try and a few get fairly skilled at it.

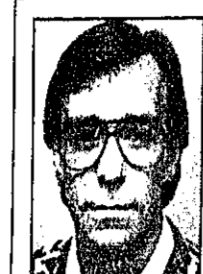
So who does that leave out of the loop? You and I. Innocent bystanders. Law-abiding citizens. What that means is that we sometimes aren't much help when we have to call on the police to respond to a crime or prevent criminal activity. We are not always familiar with what kinds of information police need when we're witness or fallen victim to a crime.

The Novi Police Department has been combatting the problem in recent years with its Lakes Area Police Academy. A couple of times a year, Novi police — in conjunction with the Walled Lake and Wixom departments — take 15 to 20 residents into classes once a week for about two months. They talk to police, judges, probation officers and prosecutors about how they do their jobs. The residents get to tour the police department, the crime labs, the medical examiners office, go out on patrol, see dispatch in operation, and even fire weapons on the range.

What the citizens walk away with is a real good idea of how police go about the job of catching crooks, so they know how they can help. And they take that information back to their community or subdivision and can share with their neighbors.

Certainly, expansion is a step in the right direction. And Novi police deserve a pat on the back for their efforts.

Why they call it the GOP



Michael Malott

Have you noticed that folks have been uncommonly jovial over the past week. Oh yes, keep an eye out for it. You'll spot it too.

I've seen blue-haired old ladies breaking into broad grins and winking at each other. Stodgy, stuffy old gurs are elbowing each other like school kids. Buttoned-down types seem to be doing all they can to suppress a belly laugh. Men and women alike have been seen dusting off their business suits, as if they've been rolling on the floor from some hilarity.

Perhaps in a moment we can put all this into some perspective.

I chit-chatted this past week with Vic and Nancy Cassis. And they were eager to trade quick analyses of the August primary election. Like pollsters everywhere, they were trying to dissect the meaning of the Aug. 4 balloting, not only for whatever clues it might hold about what will happen in November, but also to decipher some message about the mood of the electorate.

Nancy, who is of course Novi's state Representative, pointed to the results of the gubernatorial contest in the Democratic party as an interesting result. Although she wasn't surprised, she suggested the fact that Geoffrey Fieger won, not only statewide but in Novi, as perhaps indicative of the fact some voters are unhappy with politicians in general.

We know voters feel disenfranchised anyway because they have supported term limits. But the unusually strong showing of Fieger in a town like Novi which normally rejects nasty politics and mud-

slinging might indicate a growing number of folks feel that way.

The fact both the state and Novi went to Fieger when Doug Ross — who clearly had the best credentials to be Michigan's top administrator, including that he served in the state senate, in the state Commerce Department and in the Clinton Administration — ran dead last might just show how really unhappy voters are with the status quo.

Vic Cassis, on the other hand, suggested there might have been some crossover. With no real race on the Republican side, members of the GOP might have switched to cast ballots for the candidate they believed John Engler could most handily defeat in November.

Sorry, no. I politely told them. I wasn't buying any of that. I'm certain I know what happened a week ago Tuesday.

Republicans switched alright, but it was for a whole 'nother reason. They may pretend to be straight-faced and stodgy, but the truth is that all those conservative types are really practical jokers. Why do you think they call it the Grand Old Party. They only look stuffy because they are so experienced at keeping a straight face.

And now they can barely contain themselves because it worked better than they hoped, as evidenced by all the local mirr.

Area Democrats have been pretty grumpy too I've noticed — the kind of grumpy you get only when you realized you've been had.

About the only one who hasn't figured out yet that it was a practical joke is the guy who's out there looking for a running mate.

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In Focus

By John Heider



Show of solidarity. In a display of unity, teammates of the San Diego Thunder all sported braided hair during Thursday afternoon's ASA tournament action in Novi.

My hang out on Main Street



John Heider

There's a place in Northville where everyone knows my name. No, it's not the Cheers-like atmosphere of Northville's Poole's Tavern, (although that's close) The Northville Police Department Parking Citation Division, or the staff at the Arbor Drugs' One Hour photo-processor.

No, for me it's the Main Street hang-out for Northville's fly-fishing slacker types. This would destroy the area plus expose pedestrians, bikers and motorists to an even greater physical risk.

The current "Master Plan" calls for residential, which I have no objection to. If you would like to see what happens when Kruger deems a store not "profitable," take quick ride to Brighton and see how they have walked away from the

this three-year-old Northville fly-fishing shop practically every day. Having a place where one is known and liked and occasionally looked to for valuable information is good, even necessary. But there's something more about the establishment that keeps me coming back every day. It probably has something to do with all the Johns.

There's a more concentrated number of John-sightings at Bueter's than you'd find at a police prostitution sting. There's me, John Heider — photojournalist, and tier of the times! files you've ever caught trout; John Bueter — owner of Bueter's, salesman, friend and storyteller extraordinaire; John Long — bamboo fly-rod, canoe and kayak maker and a shop regular; John Spiess, Bueter's Rookie Salesman; John McClain — teacher of Atlantic Salmon fly-tying classes; and Bueter's employee and lover of Pinkney-area lakes, John Bayerl.

Bueter's inviting: I've never been looked at with exasperation by shop employees when I've made it clear that I won't be making any purchases that day. It's also decidedly generous and I'll more often than not walk out of there with a couple friends' donated flies or a handful of fellow-regular Jackie Loe's indescribably delicious cookies. Bueter's doesn't take itself too seriously: John Bueter proudly hangs a sign above his jva-station that reads: "Voted Northville's Worst Coffee - Help Yourself!" and during the winter holidays, the shop's terrifically-huge caribou, elk and other trophy mount heads are festively adorned with "Santa Claus" hats, tinsel, and colorful glass balls.

It's good for people to have a place like Bueter's in Northville. If I'm lucky, on my way out of the shop, John will entreat me to "be careful out there." I usually am careful out there, and know I'll hear those friendly words again, soon. Perhaps in Twenty-four hours, or less.

John Heider is the staff photographer for the Northville Record and Novi News.

Spurring entrepreneurial government



Phil Power

Reading publications entitled "Award Winning Joint Projects" ordinarily is not the way I'd prefer to spend my time.

But this particular booklet, put out jointly by SEMCOG (Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments) and MAC (Metropolitan Affairs - Coalitional).

It details a bunch of joint projects undertaken by local governments in this area that both cut costs to taxpayers and improve community services.

They are part of a growing movement toward something called "entrepreneurial government," the term coming from Tim Richard, who covers governmental doings for this newspaper.

The idea is that historically governments have been pretty good at doing more and more when their revenue base was growing, in response to this problem, some governmental leaders are trying to learn the habits of entrepreneurs, who run their businesses by finding ways to cut costs, improve productivity, innovate and even take risks.

Here's an example from Livingston County, which used to be mostly serene, rural farm country, but today is the fastest growing county in Michigan.

Going back to 1989, the Brighton Post of the Michigan State Police provided County residents with 911 emergency services. But the explosive growth of the county soon stretched to the breaking point the system's capacity, and it had to be abandoned.

At that point, government leaders in Livingston County could have thrown up their hands and let individual communities such as Brighton and Howell go their own separate ways in providing 911 emergency services, each with its own overhead costs. But the County Board of Commissioners authorized a study that determined that a shared countywide emergency dispatch system would save money and improve service.

In the fall of 1997, Livingston County voters approved by 57 percent the largest emergency telephone surcharge in the state for a new 911 system. The total charge per one-party line is capped at \$3 per month. For that, Livingston County residents get a totally new 911 communications system and dispatch facility, designed to meet the growth requirements of the county into the next century.

Another example comes from Novi, formerly little more than the old name for the sixth (in Roman numerals, No. VI; get it?) stop on the inter-urban street railway, but

today a mushrooming community surrounding enormous shopping malls.

In 1995, the Novi Community School District realized it needed to build new schools in response to increasing population, while the city wanted to acquire some additional land for parks and recreation before the community was fully developed.

Voilà! Enter entrepreneurial government! Leaders from the city and the schools got together to buy 100 acres of land on Eleven Mile and Wixom roads for joint use.

Both city and school benefited from reduced costs for land acquisition and site development. New elementary and middle schools will come on line in 1999 and 2000 to serve Novi kids. And more than 50 acres of athletic fields, tennis courts, woodlands and wetlands are now available for community residents.

I happen to believe that entrepreneurial government - the habits of mind that focus on getting more - are the wave of the future in local government. Maybe folks running for governor and for the state Legislature would like to address this idea as the campaign gets under way.

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Lucky to have outstanding ladies

To the editor:
We seniors in Novi are very fortunate in having an outstanding special recreation coordinator who has our best interests at heart.

Kathy Crawford has been instrumental in pursuing low cost senior housing for the City of Novi. This is finally going to be a reality instead of a fantasy. Another person who deserves a word of credit is state Rep. Nancy Cassis of Novi. When called upon, she gets things done in very short order. No vague promises or double-talk. She always supplies answers.

You two ladies are a credit to the community.

Richard Amatorelli

Madam Mayor (Kathy) McLaughlin and council members: When you are going to force this awful "neighbor" to bring that property into compliance with city ordinance? It is a pigsty, the likes of which would never be accepted at your end of the city. The residential property, which — at this point in time — will remain residential, is again in violation of city ordinance. There's no excuse for him not to mow — he's removed all the trees. Any other property owner in this fair city would have been in court long ago over the deplorable condition of the property.

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Are they gluttons for punishment?



Tim Richard

Everyone but party chair Mark Brewer is predicting disaster for the Michigan Democratic ticket Nov. 3. Even if gubernatorial nominee Geoffrey Fieger learns to curb his tongue, he still is "not yet novice" in his knowledge of civics. He'll go down hard.

So why, then, are other candidates eager to be on the ticket with him, for example, as attorney general? Are they gluttons for punishment?

The reasons are many. First, the man at the top of the ticket has short coalitions because Michigan voters are notorious ticket-splitters.

Recall President Johnson crushing Republican Barry Goldwater by a million votes in 1964, and Gov. George Romney trouncing Democrat Neil Staebler by 593,000.

between governor and attorney general. So the farther down the ticket you go, the greater become a Democrat's chances for survival if there's an Engler landslide.

Second, a Democratic candidate who makes a good impression running for attorney general, even if he or she doesn't win, is in an excellent position to try another day.

At this writing, Fieger hasn't announced who else he wants on the ticket, and if he's smart, he'll let the Aug. 28 state convention decide. But unusually high numbers of Democrats are courting him and the party for the AG nomination.

Carl Marlinga, the Macomb County prosecutor, has been waiting in the wings for higher office for most of the 1990s. Even if he isn't nominated or elected, he's timber for any spot in 2002.

Bob Ficano, aged 15 years as Wayne County sheriff, is still the polite, even-handed practitioner of his youth. A nomination for attorney general, even if he doesn't win, could give him high visibility to succeed Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara in four years.

be nicely positioned to succeed aging Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair in a couple of years.

Ditto with Sen. Chris Dingell, Rep. Nick Caramitro and a half-dozen others.

Third, the Democratic nominee might just win. At least that was the mood when the brass got together for the "unity breakfast" Aug. 5.

Engler has ordained Scott Romney, son of the former governor and part of the big Honigan Miller firm in Detroit, as his candidate for attorney general. At 57, Romney has never run for as much as township trustee, let alone served in any elective or appointive office.

There are nice questions about whether he has even practiced public sector law. (Kelley, at least, had been Alpena city attorney and a member of the Alpena County board when he was appointed AG by Gov. John Swainson.)

I won't recount the other issues Democrats plan to raise against Romney until he has had a chance to speak to them. Suffice it to say the Dem hopefuls aren't the least bit afraid of his name and even less afraid of the candidate.

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Runaway boat kills Novi residents

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cal Center, located 10 miles away in Bentonville, Arkansas.

Susan Warnke died there that night.

Kristen Warnke was transferred by an Air Evac helicopter 10 more miles to Northwest Medical Center in Springdale, Arkansas.

She remained in critical condition until she passed away on Saturday, Aug. 8.

The Warnke family was in Bella Vista visiting Susan Warnke's parents, Virgil and Christine Sunquist, who lived in the community.

They had borrowed a boat from a neighbor to go tubing, which is common, legal and not considered to be a risky activity, police said.

"I didn't see anything wrong with the actions they were doing," Farmer said.

Police said the all-sports lake was busy the evening of the accident, but not crowded over capacity.

"It does see quite a bit of boat traffic but not more boats than it can handle," Farmer said.

After the accident, the unmanned boat was unapproachable. The waters around the unmanned boat were evacuated as park officials monitored the boat until it ran out of gas.

Farmer described Loch Lomond as a deep lake surrounded by homes with no public access

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A substitute teacher and student teacher for Northville Public Schools, Susan Warnke was just hired to teach first grade at Thornton Creek and was set to start her new job in the fall.

She earned a cum laude bachelor's degree from Miami University in Ohio in 1974. Later, she returned to Schoolcraft College and achieved her teaching certificate from Eastern Michigan University in 1997 with a 4.0 grade point average.

On her resume, she described herself as enjoying travel, reading, skiing, walking, sewing, cooking and music.

Kristen Warnke, according to friends, was popular and intelligent and had planned to attend Miami University of Ohio in the fall.

Warnke was a member of the National Honor Society and a student council senior class representative.

"You remember her as a student who took part in leadership activities, clubs and organizations and athletics and at the same time realized the importance of her academics, which she demonstrated by finishing with a 3.89 grade point average, which is just excellent," said Northville High assistant principal Dennis Colligan.

"She was a very competitive person in swimming but extremely compassionate to her fellow students. She was

City council hangs up on AT&T tower

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phone companies.

John Riley, an attorney for AT&T, said the company needs the antenna in an area within a quarter-mile radius of the Novi Civic Center. The proposed Power Park ballfield site was selected because it was further from the surrounding residences.

"I appreciate trying to put it at a distance from the residents, but putting it close to the ballfields isn't appropriate either. A lot of people use those ballfields," Council Member Kathy Mutch said.

Orehard Hills resident Monika Jackson urged the council to deny the application, because the tower would include a six-foot high fence and five-foot tall electrical boxes, as well as the possibility of barbed wire.

"We are against the AT&T tower proposed for the children's playground. Let's not use a dollar or lease money to guide us in approving things that need a special permit," Jackson said.

At the city council's request, the corporation held an informational meeting with homeowners living in the Power Park area.

"When we sent out 300 notices, eight people showed up. There were almost more people from AT&T than there were residents," Riley said.

"It's a minor intrusion." In four-to-three vote in July, the Novi Planning Commission approved a preliminary site plan and special land use permits for the monopole. Under local ordinances, communications towers are generally restricted to industrially-zoned properties, but may be allowed in a residential district if a special land use permit is granted.

Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford was alone in supporting AT&T's application.

"If we deny it, they're going to the schools and we have no control over the location," Crawford explained.

"I'd rather have it on city property, where we could set the parameters and have some reviews and get some money. That isn't the reason to do it, but if anybody's going to get some money, better than the city than the schools."

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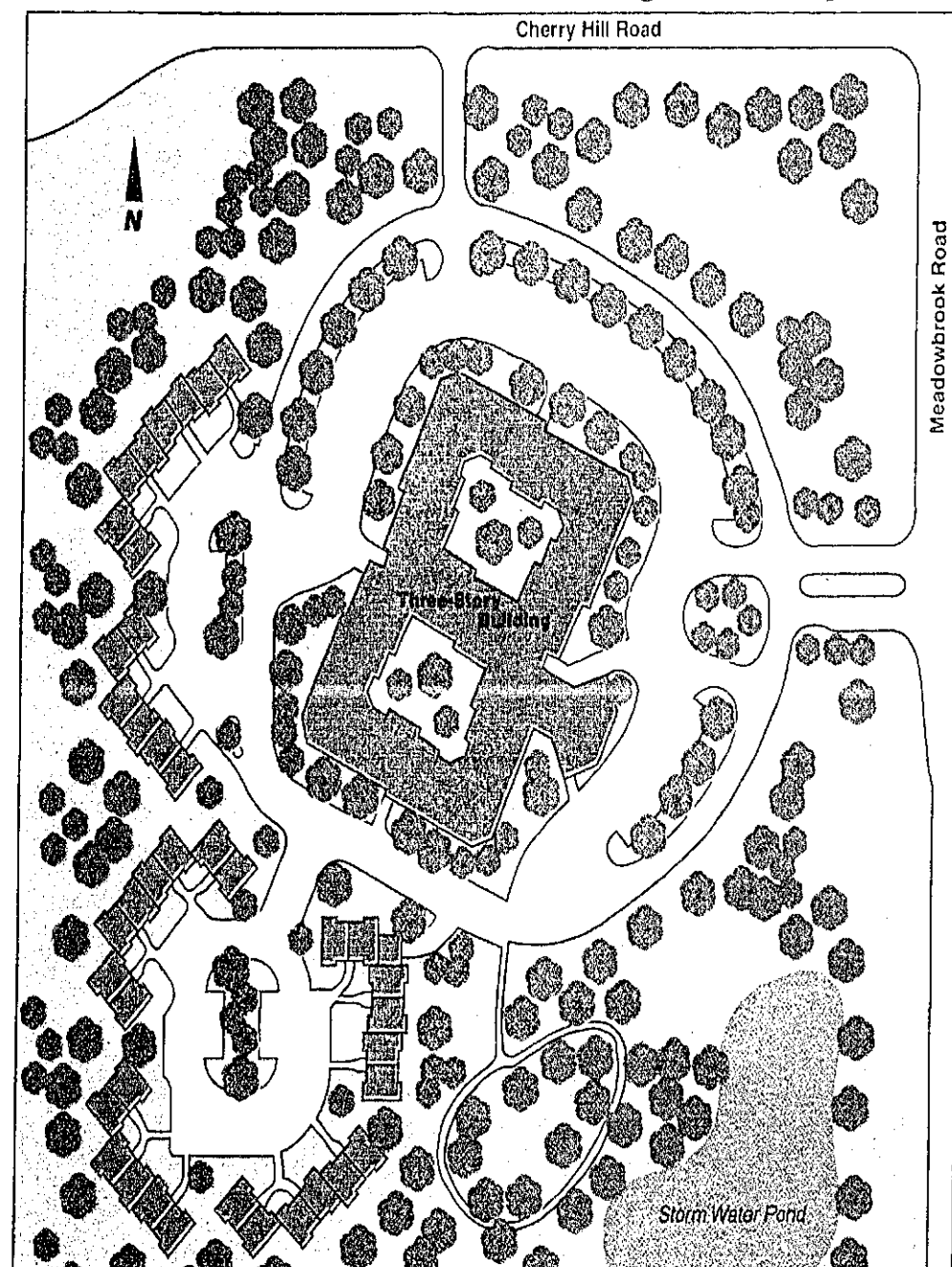
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Preliminary Site Plan: Meadowbrook Commons Senior Housing Community



City gets preview of complex

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City bonds will be issued to build the housing. Once the bonds are paid off, because the housing is not being operated for profit, the rent will not be hiked up to meet the going market.

"The nice thing about that is there is no rent increase except for maintenance and utilities. In the future, the rent will get even more competitive," Klaver explained.

Members of the Novi Senior Housing Committee visited Waltonwoods, a Siegal/Tuomaala senior congregate care development in Rochester Hills, and were so impressed by the design that they wanted something similar here, Klaver said.

"We're really trying to design a nice, upscale unit here," he said.

The design features an outdoor courtyard allowing most apartments to have a window or balcony to the outside. An interior courtyard gives residents a place to walk and exercise in bad weather.

Craft rooms and a beauty salon will be available for residents. Within the large building will have a multi-purpose room with a separate public entrance. Novi's Meals On Wheels senior lunches will be moved there, but some senior programming will remain at the Novi Civic Center.

The land slopes "dramatically," Klaver said, meaning that nearby homeowners will only be able to see

the roof of the project from their windows.

Two parks will be on the site. One on Cherry Hill will be open to the public, while a smaller one to the south will be for residents of the housing.

An old, unregulated landfill on the property will be avoided.

"After analyzing that portion of the landfill, we elected to stay out of it and keep all building structures out of it," Tuomaala said.

Siegal/Tuomaala has designed nine senior residential projects. The firm served as architects for the Main Centre development in downtown Northville. Farmington Hills Fire Station Number One on Nine Mile Road

Let it rain

SEMCOG tracks changing precipitation patterns in metro Detroit area

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Everyone has seen it happen: On one side of the street, it's raining. On the other side, it isn't.

It happens by entire neighborhoods. Rainfall in five southeastern Michigan counties is uneven.

"Take a look at the accompanying map, which is total precipitation (rain and snow) for the region during calendar 1997. Look at the yellow spot in northwestern Livingston County. Rainfall there was less than 28 inches for the year.

Look at the light green zone in northern Livingston and northwestern Oakland County around Holly. That area received a bit less than 30 inches of rain.

Look at the pink-violet spot along southern Farmington and Southfield and northwestern Detroit. Rain there topped 42 inches.

Finally, look at the purple spot in southeastern Macomb County. The rain gauge at St. Clair Shores measured almost 44 inches for the year.

There are year-to-year variations, according to Anne Ortlway

"About three-fourths of the region saw more precipitation in 1997 than in 1996."

Anne Ortlway

of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

"About three-fourths of the region saw more precipitation in 1997 than in 1996," she said in a recent report, pointing to areas that got nearly six inches more. Those areas are the Royal Oak area of Oakland County, the St. Clair Shores area of Macomb, southeastern Livingston County near Brighton, and west-central Wayne County.

The rain gauge north of the Oakland courthouse in Pontiac, how-

er, recorded two inches less precipitation in 1997 than in 1996.

Ortlway keeps records of the Regional Rain Gauge Network - 76 rain gauges in five counties. Her workplace is the State Climatology Program on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing.

She had no explanations for changing patterns.

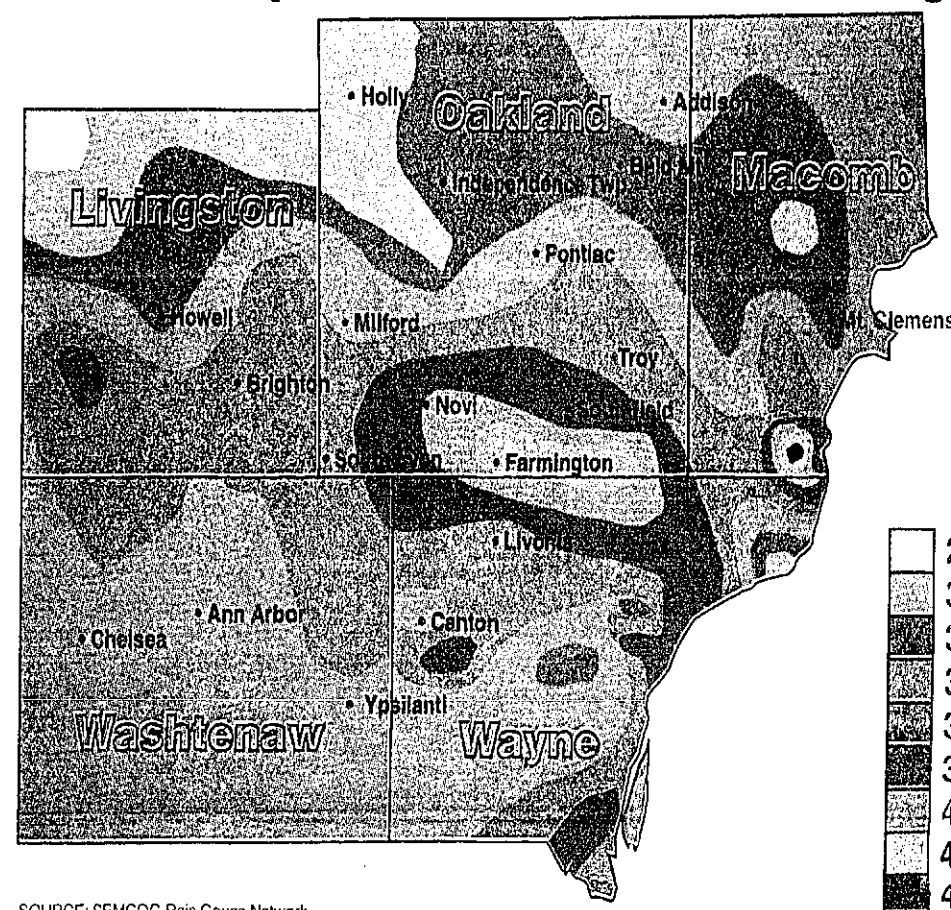
In past decades, southeastern Michigan had heavy rainfalls in Dearborn, downwind from (northwest of) the Ford Rouge plant, and downwind from the Mound Road industrial corridor on the east side of Detroit.

Earlier in the decade, the rainiest spot was downwind from the Ford Wixom plant in southwest Oakland County. At those times, the simplest explanation was that the factories were "seeding" the clouds, causing drops of rain to form around airborne particulates.

Now that air pollution has been reduced so much, who knows?

Source: Rain Gauge Network 1997 Annual Report, Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

1997 Precipitation in Southeast Michigan



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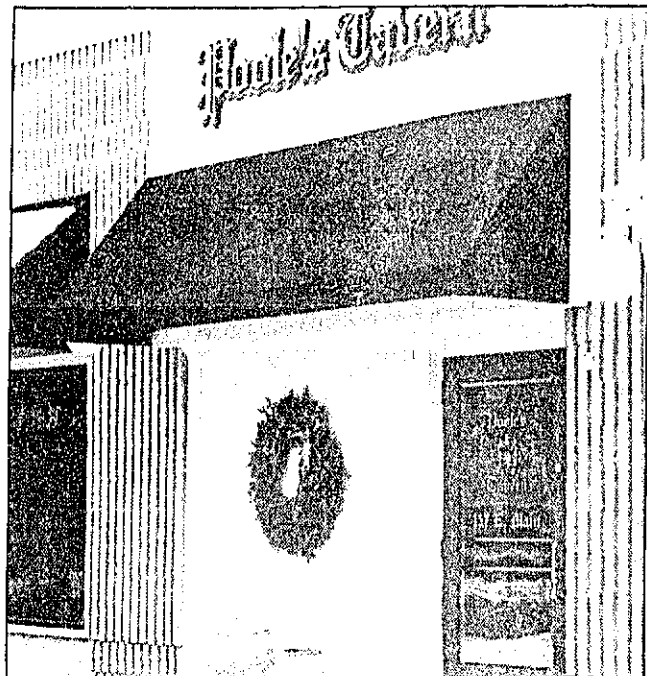
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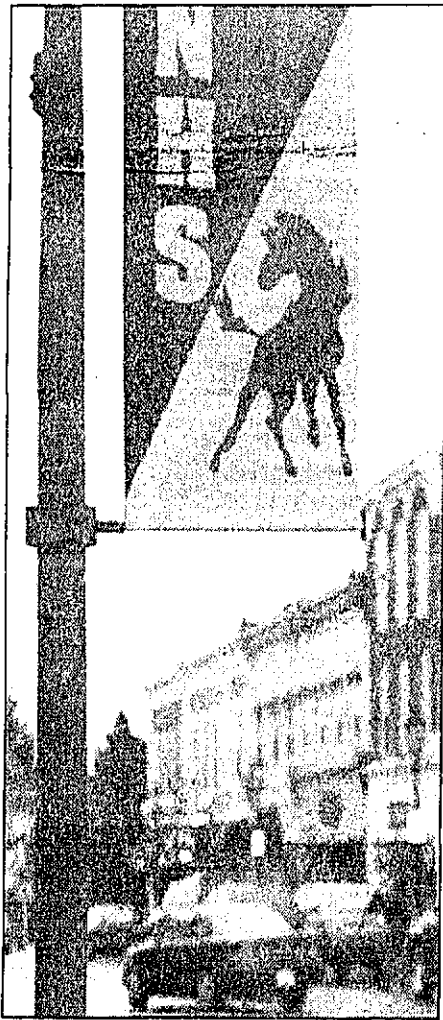
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TWIN CITIES OR DISTANT COUSINS?

No doubt about it, Northville and Novi each have their own identities. But these close neighbors also have a lot in common - and a lot to offer.



Poole's Tavern, Northville



The Northville High School Mustang Flag

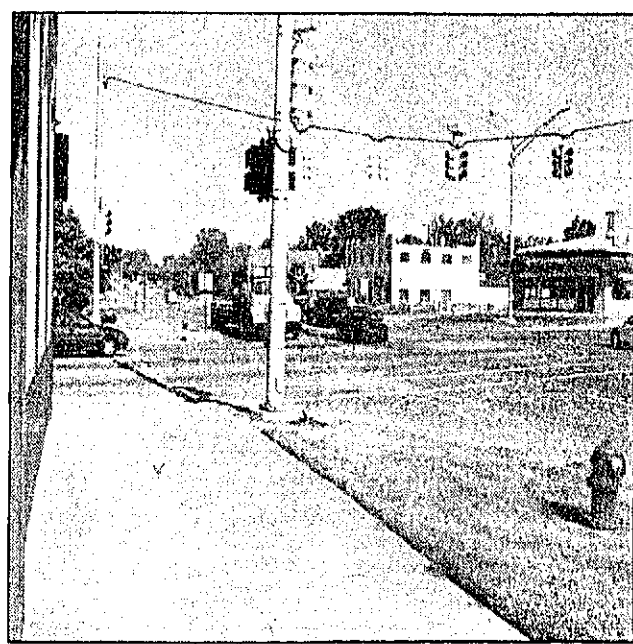
Whether its a landmark, posh restaurant, shoe repair, book store, or health club, Northville and Novi each offer residents something from which to choose. Here's how the two cities stack up:

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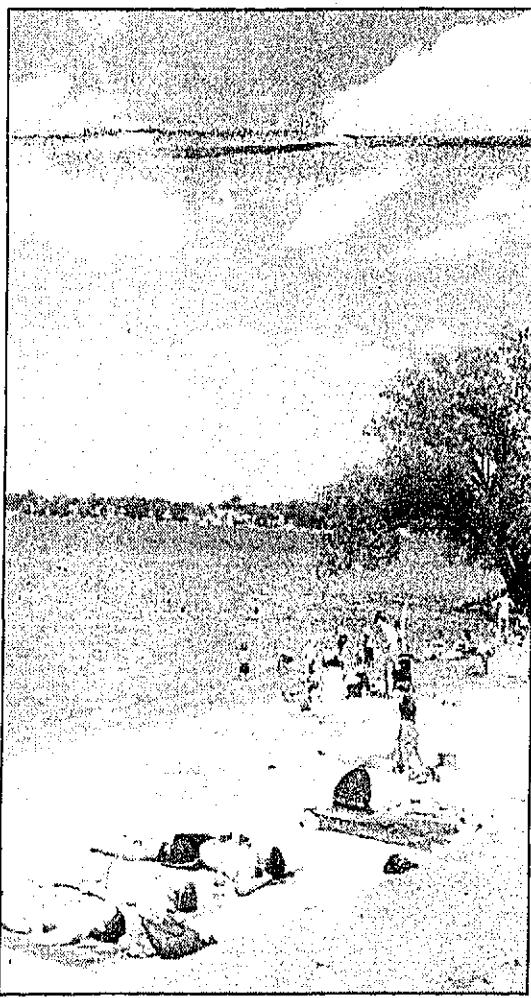
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- Posh Restaurant
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- Coffee Spot
- Bread Place
- Bagel Joint
- Barber Shop
- Cobbler

NOVI

- Vic's World Class Market
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Intersection at Novi and Grand River Roads, Novi



Lake Shore Park, Novi

Compiled by Phil Jerome • Photos by John Heider

Campers, counselors alike enjoy camp MDA sponsors summer fun in Lexington

By CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

As summer winds down, campers and counselors can look back on some memorable experiences.

The Muscular Dystrophy Association camps were founded in 1955 to provide six to 21 year olds who have neuromuscular disorders with a free, week-long camping experience either in June or July.

Volunteers like Dorothy Sitarski and Melanie Barnes, both of Northville, work one-on-one with campers.

Sitarski has been volunteering for seven years. Her granddaughter, Tammie Groth, 17, has spinal muscular atrophy, one of about 40 diseases included in MDA's program, and attends the camp.

Sitarski's daughter and Tammie's mother, Connie Groth of Livonia, is the arts and crafts chairperson at the camp, and one of the reasons she became involved.

"I love it because I have family

"We give our hearts and souls to this."

-Dorothy Sitarski
Volunteer

there and I see the good times these children have," said Sitarski, a Northville resident for 26 years. "We give our hearts and souls to this."

Throughout the year, Sitarski helps pick up arts and crafts supplies for Groth.

"I am the volunteer 'gofer' during camp," Sitarski said. Driving to Lexington or Port Huron to get supplies can take almost a full day. "That leaves the nurses and other staff people to stay with the kids at camp."

Activities available for campers include side-car rides with members of the Harley-Davidson Owners Group, arts and crafts, fishing, boating and horseback riding. Thomas Martin, 20, has been attending the MDA camp at Camp

Cavell in Lexington, Mich. for 10 or 11 years. He has been a partner of volunteer counselor Fred Geisler of Westland for about four years.

"He was a volunteer there for many years and helped me out so he became my counselor," Tom said.

Tom enjoys talking to all the volunteers and campers but especially hanging out with Geisler. Tom moved to Northville about a year ago with his parents, Dawn and Mike Thompson.

Tom has seen attendance grow tremendously since he first started attending camp and also change from an even split between adults and youth campers to mostly children. Next summer is the last year

Tom will be eligible to attend as a camper but he plans to stay on as a staff member.

Tom sees Geisler throughout the year and the two go to movies or hang out with friends.

Organizations can sponsor a local youngster with neuromuscular disease. The cost of one week of camp is \$400.

Sponsors are recognized on the local broadcast of the Jerry Lewis MDA Labor Day Telethon and invited to attend the VIP day at camp.

Volunteer counselors must be 16 years of age or older.

In 1997, MDA sponsored 83 camps for more than 4,000 young people at 72 campsites in 41 states and Puerto Rico. MDA camps are staffed by health professionals who volunteer their services, as well as the volunteer counselors.

For more information, call the Muscular Dystrophy Association regional office at (810) 274-9090.



Submitted photo

Tom Martin, shown here with cabin counselor Josh Walter, has been attending the MDA camp for about 10 years.

American Legion announces slate of new officers

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

Robert Sale was elected commander of American Legion Post No. 19 at the recently-held election of officers. Also elected were Norbert Schollett, senior vice president; Duane Hall, finance officer; Tom Greaves, chaplain; Tony Lalli, Sgt.-at-Arms; and Jim Peterson, adjutant.

At this time, the membership is proud to announce the candidacy of Norbert Schollett for department commander for the year 1999-2000. His qualifications for this office are: 30-year membership in the American Legion and maintaining an impressive record of service with District 17.

Commander Robert Sale extends an invitation to eligible veterans to join and become involved in the many projects. The current membership tallies 70-plus, however, the Legion would like to continue in growth.

Eligibility for membership: veteran of World War I, April 1917-November 1918; World War II, December 1941-December 1946; Korean War, June 1950-January 1955; Vietnam War, December 1961-May 1975; Grenada/Lebanon, August 1982-July 1984; Panama, December 1989 to July 1990; and the Persian Gulf, August 1990 to cessation.

The Auxiliary will resume meetings, the first to be held on Tuesday, Sept. 8. They do not meet during the months of July and August.

The Auxiliary is looking forward to another productive year. They just finished sending donations to Legion Villa, U.S.O., Ann Arbor Medical Hospital, Chapel of the Four Chaplains, Children's Hospice of Michigan, and the Women in Military Service Memorial.

Their standing committees include Americanism, Girl's State, Children and Youth, Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, and Community Service.

Membership is open to all female members of eligible veterans.

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The new worship schedule will begin Sept. 13. At 8:15 a.m., a blended service with both traditional and contemporary elements; at 9:45 a.m., a service of contemporary worship; and at 11:15 a.m., again a blended service.

The theme for the fall service will be "The Marks of Discipleship," with all three services including the weekly celebration of Holy Communion. In addition, there will be a family learning hour at 9:45 a.m. for all ages, from little ones to adults.

Sept. 13 will also be Rally Day, when all classes will meet for the first time this fall. There will be two adult classes at the family learning hour with the first entitled, "The Parables of Jesus," which will run for six weeks. Kurt Struckmeyer and Gregg Knepley will teach this segment.

The second class, "Exploring the Faith," which will run for three weeks, is intended for those who are considering membership. Teaching this class will be Louise Monacelli and assistant Chris Veres, the coordinator of assimilation.

Parents of the youngsters involved in "Kids of the Kingdom" will meet Sunday, Aug. 30, from 3-4 p.m. This group is divided into two groups: K-1, kindergarten through grade 3; K-II, boys and girls in grades 3-5. They will be planning the year's calendar with Kim Haynes and Amy Basner.

Also held on Aug. 30 will be a planning meeting for the senior high from 5-7:30 p.m. at the home of Tim and Amy Basner. Included will be a cookout.

The music department will hold an open house on Aug. 30 as well, and are asking those interested to stop by for refreshments and information.

For those interested in golf, a meeting will be held on Saturday, Aug. 15 at Glen Oaks. They will tee-off at 7 a.m. for 18 holes of golf.

For information regarding church activities, call (248) 553-7170.

NOVI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The chamber luncheon will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 18 at the Embassy Suites, Livonia, 11:30 a.m. for networking, noon lunch, and a 12:30 p.m. program. Prepaid reservations are \$15. For those not registering early, the cost is \$20 and \$5 for attending the program only. Special guest speaker will be Brent Blair of Oakland County Road Commission.

The 11th annual Tycoon Tee-Off golf outing will be held at the Links of Novi on Thursday, Aug. 20 at 10 a.m. Golf packages available are \$125 for golfers and \$45 for non-golfers for the 19th hole. The per person fee includes bag service, 18 holes of golf with cart, refreshments on the course, lunch at the turn, contests, games, prizes, steak dinner, etc. For more

information, call the chamber office at 349-3743.

At a recent chamber golf outing challenge between Novi and Farmington/Farmington Hills, the scores were close with the Farmington team winning the trophy with an overall average score of 44.8, with Novi at 44.66. The outing was held at Cattails Golf Club and following dinner and distribution of prizes, plans were made to return next year for another Chamber Challenge.

The annual election of officers and directors will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at the Novi Hilton

Novi Highlights

Hotel. The Nominating Committee will present the following nominees: Tom Woodruff, chairman; Blair Bowman, chairman-elect; Bud Scott, vice chairman; and DuWay Ortel Davidson, treasurer. For two-year term directors, the nominees are: Jonathan Brateman, Marie Baloga, Tim O'Neill, Doug Shaefler, Jim Koster, and Kim Thomas Capelle; for one-year term director, Gina Kozlowski.

Additional nominations may be made at the Aug. 18 regular chamber luncheon meeting.

NOVI PUBLIC LIBRARY

The summer children's reading program was very successful and concluded with an annual Ice Cream Sundae with Gurnsey Farms Ice cream party. Approximately 650 children participated

through the lottery format, with priority being given to Novi residents.

There are three sections: "Two of Us" for 2- and 3-year-olds; "Three's Company" for 3- and 4-year-olds; and "On My Own," for ages 4 and 5 who have not entered kindergarten.

Work has begun for the fall Storytimes and again, registrations will be received for three weeks, Aug. 31-Sept. 19, for classes starting Oct. 5. Placement will be

through the lottery format, with priority being given to Novi residents.

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

On Campus

Walsh College student MANJU VANI KONDAPI of Novi was awarded the Walsh College Scholarship. Students who qualify for this scholarship must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.5 or better. Kondapi is studying for a master of science degree in management.

Graduating magna cum laude from Hope College was KEVIN SERRA of Novi. Serra was awarded magna cum laude honors for outstanding academic accomplishment during his four years of study at Hope. Magna cum laude honors are awarded to graduates who achieved a minimum 3.6 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

ANDREW C. KURETH, son of Camille and Charles Kureth Jr. of Novi, has been named to the Merit List at Kenyon College for the 1997-98 academic year.

To be eligible for Merit List recognition, a student must earn at least a 3.45 grade point average. A graduate of Detroit Country Day School, Kureth is a junior majoring in English at Kenyon.

Among the 83 students chosen to receive scholarships for the Fall '98 semester at Oakland Community College were Novi students JODY CAPPER, JENNIFER MUGLIANI, and ROLA NAMTALASHVILI.

KELLY J. DENDEL recently received an associate of arts degree from Northwood University. Kelly's parents are Mark and Jean Denzel of Novi. Also receiving an associate of arts degree, magna cum laude, from Northwood University was ERIN C. VOGEL. Erin's parents are Richard and Shannon Vogel, also of Novi.

The following Novi students were named to the Dean's Honor List for winter term at the University of Michigan College of Engineering: NICHOLAS J. ANGELOCCI, LAURA N. CARTER, STEVEN CHANG, ALIA HAMADE, YEH-WON HWANG, CHARLES S. INNES, DAVID A. INNES, TIMOTHY B. KUSHMAN, JANETTE M. NUNN, MICHELLE L. HAHN, HANFEI M. SHEN and JOSEPH A. SIMON.

MATT LUND, a junior at Kalamazoo College, was named to the Dean's List for spring quarter. To achieve the honor, students must earn a 3.5 grade point average or above on a scale of 4.0. Lund, a graduate of Novi High School, is the son of Bruce and Mary Lund of Novi.

EDWARD W. DODDS recently received an associate degree in applied science from Ferris State University. Also graduating from Ferris State with a bachelor of science degree in business was JAMES R. SROKA. Both graduates are from Novi.

ERIC SWIETLIK was named on the Dean's List at Kettering University for the term ending in June. Students who attain a grade point average of 92 with no course grade below 85 receive this academic recognition.

CHARLES DAVID HAWTHORNE of Novi was named on the Dean's List for spring quarter at the Detroit College of Business.

Kudos

REV. GREGORY CHARLES MCCOMAS celebrated his ordination with his wife Alice McComas in Boonton, New Jersey. Rev. McComas is affiliated with the Reformed Episcopal Church in Boonton. A reception for 100 parishioners and family members was given in the church banquet room immediately following the ordination. Lora McComas, his mother, was in attendance in addition to his brother Andy, and sister Claire Mueller, all former residents of Meadowbrook Lake in Novi. Rev. McComas is a 1982 graduate of Novi High School.



Rev. Gregory McComas and his wife Alice.

CHARLES AND CAROL THOMPSON have joined the staff of Novi Christian Schools in Novi. Charles Thompson, who spent many years in the classroom and dealing with young people. It has been a pastor and a missionary instrumental in starting several churches and schools. Charles brings a wide variety of experience in the classroom at all levels. The couple also plans to be active in the church. Novi Christian Schools offers a day care for children six weeks through 5 years old, a 3- and 4-year-old preschool program, as well as a kindergarten through 12th grade home school program.

Executive chef GREG UPSHUR of Teo Chez Restaurant in Novi was the featured chef for the Morel Dinner at the James Beard Foundation in New York in June. The Morel Dinner is an event celebrating the annual mushroom harvest. At Teo Chez, Chief Uphur features contemporary cosmopolitan cuisine.

Chief Uphur learned his craft from chefs Rene Moutte, Yvonne Gill and Miles Chelka, among others. Prior to coming to Teo Chez five years ago, he was the executive



Charles and Carol Thompson

chef at Cousins Heritage Inn. Teo Chez is part of Epoch Restaurant Group. Epoch's other restaurants include Tribute in Farmington Hills and Forte in Birmingham.

Church Notes

Summer worship times at FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE, 777 West Eight Mile Road in Northville, are 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Arbor Hospice continues to offer a professionally led support group for parents called "Loss of a Child" on Aug. 27 and Sept. 24. Also a 10-week support and educational group called "Circle of Love" which allows parents the opportunity to share, learn and heal in the presence of other bereaved parents begins Thursday, Oct. 22, 7 until 9 p.m. To register, call 1-800-783-5764.

Donations are requested for refreshments and materials. For more information, call (248) 349-1144.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH, 770 Thayer Boulevard in Northville, will begin a series of classes on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults beginning Monday, Sept. 21, in the adult education room located in the convent. Classes will meet every Sunday at 9 a.m. and every other Monday at 7 p.m. The session ends with the Rite of Christian Initiation at the Easter Vigil on April 3.

The series of classes are open to all adults particularly those interested in reviewing their Catholic faith or those preparing to enter the Catholic Church. Everyone is welcome to any or all sessions. For more information, call Pat Ernst at (248) 348-8050.

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Anniversary



Mary Ann and Jim Pierman

James and Mary Ann Pierman will celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary Aug. 17. The couple were married in 1968 in St. Williams Church in Euclid, Ohio. They lived in Novi for 18 years until moving to Wixom in 1996. The couple will celebrate with a

weekend in Toronto. Jim is an engineering supervisor at Ford Motor Co. in Livonia. Mary Ann works for the City of Farmington clerk's office. The couple has two children: Wendy (Steven) Mitzel of Livonia and Greg Peroux of East Lansing.

Wedding



Kari and Daniel Govan

Kari Lynn Deuser and Daniel Vincent Govan were married May 30 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Washington D.C. Following the ceremony, a dinner reception was held at the Arts Club of Washington.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Deuser and Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Truitt. She is a manager in the marketing

In Service



Rick Faulkner, second from right, was joined by his wife, Christina, second from left, and his parents Irene and Richard Faulkner Sr. upon his promotion to Master Chief Petty Officer with the United States Navy.

RICK FAULKNER, a 1978 graduate of Novi High School, was promoted to Master Chief Petty Officer with the United States Navy in 1997. His tours of duty include the Tank Landing Ship Lamourie County, the destroyer Monaghan, battleship USS Iowa, and the USS Iowa on April 19, when turret two exploded, taking the lives of 49 sailors. Master Chief Faulkner and his family reside in Washington DC, where Master Chief Faulkner is assigned as the administrative officer on the staff of the Navy Chief of Chaplains.

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AUDITIONS

COMMUNITY CHOIR: The Schoolcraft College Community Choir will hold auditions for new members on Tuesday, Sept. 15, and Tuesday, Sept. 22, in Room 530 of the Forum Building on the campus located on Haggerty Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads in Livonia. Rehearsals start at 7:30 p.m. Director Donald Stronberg invites experienced singers of all voice parts to audition. To schedule an audition or for further information, call choir president Shari Clason at (248) 349-8175.

CARRIAGE RIDES: Northville Carriage Co. offers carriage rides throughout the year and packages for holidays and special occasions. For more information or reservations, call Northville Carriage Co. at 380-3961.

THEATER

MARQUIS THEATRE: The Marquis Theatre Children will be presenting the musical "Raggedy Ann and Andy" by Patricia Thackray through Sept. 27. America's most beloved folk dolls come to life in this fun-filled story. Babette, a French porcelain doll, has been kidnapped from the playroom by the Lounes. Babette's Marcelle's surprise birthday present and she must be returned. To search for her, Raggedy Ann and Andy venture bravely into Looneyland. Performance dates and times are Tuesdays through Fridays, Aug. 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21 at 10:30 a.m.; Saturdays, Aug. 15, 22, Sept. 12, 19, and 26 at 2:30 p.m. and Sundays, Sept. 13, 20, and 27 at 2:30 p.m. For general information and group rates, call (248) 349-8110. No children under age three will be permitted. The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main Street in Northville.

GENITTI'S: The interactive comedy dinner theater at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall is "I Do... I Think" which runs through October. All dinner theater presentations include the restaurant's famous seven-course, family-style Italian dinner. For the kids there's the mini luncheon and show "Beanie Baby Capers". Genitti's is located at 108 E. Main Street in Northville. Call (248) 349-0522.

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MR. B'S FARM: Mr. B's Farm is located at Novi Road north of Ten Mile. Call 349-7038.

OXFORD INN: The Oxford Inn is located at 43317 Grand River in Novi. Call (248) 305-5856.

LIBRARY SPORTS PUB AND GRILL: The Library Sports Pub and Grill is located at 42100 Grand River Avenue in Novi. Call 349-9110.

TUSCAN CAPE: Tuscan Cafe presents a variety of entertainment acts nightly except Sundays. Weekday performances are from 8:30 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday performances are from 9 until 11 p.m. Tuscan Cafe is located at 150 Center Street in Northville. Call 305-8629.

BRADY'S FOOD & SPIRITS: Live entertainment is offered from 7:30 until 11 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. Brady's Food and Spirits is located at 38123 West Ten Mile in the Holiday Inn in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 478-7780.

FRIGATES INN: Frigates offers live music every Wednesday at 9 p.m. featuring the 2X1 Band. The Tim Flaherty Trio Open Blues Jam is every Thursday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. All musicians are welcome. Frigates Inn is located at the corner of Fourteen Mile and East Lake Drive in Novi. Call (248) 624-9607.

SPORTS EDITION: Enjoy live entertainment at the Sports Edition Bar, located inside the Novi Hilton Hotel, 21111 Haggerty Road. The Sports Edition is home to intrigue and other high-powered hits groups every weekend. A cover charge begins at 8 p.m.

STARTING GATE: The Starting Gate Saloon offers live music every

Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. The Starting Gate is located at 135 N. Center St. in downtown Northville.

TOO CHEZ: Too Chez, located at 27155 Sheraton Drive on the northwest corner of Novi Road and 1967, hosts jazz groups Heidi Dlepfer and Michele Kamo from 6 until 10 p.m. every Monday; and Louis Resto and David McMurray every Friday from 7 until 11 p.m. on the patio throughout the summer (weather permitting). In the case of inclement weather, the groups will perform in the bar area of the restaurant. Call (248) 348-5555.

MOTORSPORTS: The Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame features 75 racing vehicles of all types, covering a 90-year time span. Highlights include a 1965 Novi Indy Special, 1960 Miss U.S. Unlimited hydroplane, racing motorcycles, Indy cars, stock cars, sports cars and drag racers. The museum is located in the Novi Expo Center. Admission is \$4, \$2 for seniors and children. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Call 349-NACE.

NEARBY

ARTS & CRAFTS: The Plymouth Community Arts Council is sponsoring the 27th annual Artists and Craftsman Show on Saturday, Sept. 12, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 13, from noon to 5 p.m. at Central Middle School at Church Street and Main Street in downtown Plymouth. The donation is \$2 for adults, \$1 for seniors and students, and children under 12 are free. About 100 artisans will feature oils, watercolors, photography, jewelry, wood and woven items, etc. Some artisans will be demonstrating their craft. The show is in conjunction with the Plymouth Fall Festival.

MURDER, MYSTERY & MAYHEM: Alison Gordon, author of the Kate Henry Mystery series, and Lev Raphael, author of "Dancing on Tisha B'Av" and "Winter Eyes" will be reading, talking and signing copies of their books Thursday, Aug. 20, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Murder, Mystery & Mayhem is located at 26167 Grand River in Farmington. Call (248) 471-7210.

BLUESTOCK '98: Hennessey's at 49110 Grand River Avenue in Wixom will hold Bluestock '98 on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 15 and 16. Among the blues bands performing under the big tent are Johnny Bassett and The Blues Insurgents, Blind Tiger Band, Hoogenboom, Bugs Beddow Band, James Cloyd Group, Alligators, Catfish Hodge, and City Limits Blues Band. Tickets are available at Ticketmaster Ticket Centers and Hennessey's Pub. Call (248) 348-4404.

SUMMER LAWN CONCERTS: Oakland Community College's Highland Lakes Campus summer concert series concludes with Blackhorn on Aug. 13. Each concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at the pavilion located on the campus's front lawn at 7350 Cooley Lake Road in Waterford and is free and open to the public. Call (248) 360-3186 for information.

HISTORICAL PLYMOUTH MUSEUM: "Lincoln Comes to Plymouth" will be on exhibit through December 1998. Highlights of the collection include a lock of Lincoln's hair cut from his wound the night of the assassination by then Surgeon General Barnum, one of the bronze copies of the Volk Life Mask and Bands of Lincoln made in 1860, Sandburg's works on Lincoln, signed First Editions and printer's dummies, campaign items, Civil War items and much more. The museum is open to the public Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 1 until 4 p.m. and Sunday from 2 until 5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$5 for students. The family rate is \$5. Call (734) 455-8940 for additional information.

TOYS: The Plymouth Historical Museum has a special exhibit relating to the history of toys and other childhood memories, including antique dolls, teddy bears, push and pull toys, trains and rocking horses. The museum is located at 155 South Main Street in Plymouth. Hours are Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 1-4 p.m. and Sunday from 2-5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students ages 5 to 17. Children under 5 are admitted free. The family rate is \$5. Call (313) 455-8940 for information.

CARVERS RESTAURANT: Nikki Bruce will be appearing on Friday and Saturday evenings from 8:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. Carvers is located at Grand River and Ten Mile roads in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 476-5333.

BOGEY'S BAR AND GRILLE: Bogey's is located at 142 E. Walled Lake Drive in Walled Lake. Call (248) 699-1441.

DANCING EYE GALLERY: The gallery is located at 101 N. Center at Main. Call (248) 449-7086.

GATE VI GALLERY: Marina Zanudo Fenlon will be exhibiting her oil painting at the gallery through Aug. 15. In addition to oil painting, Fenlon does clothing design, floral design and dolls. Month-long exhibits of local artists are held in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile in Novi. Viewing of the exhibit is possible during the hours the Civic Center is open. Local artists interested in exhibiting at the Civic Center should call 347-0100.

ATRIUM CENTER GALLERY: Atrium Center Gallery is located at 109 N. Center in downtown Northville. Hours are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and noon until 4 p.m. on Sunday. Call (248) 380-0470 for information.

BACKDOOR GALLERY: Farmington's Backdoor Gallery, 37220 Eight Mile Road, specializes in unusual art dolls. The gallery is in the home of co-owner Kathy Landers. She and the other owner, Kathleen Bricker, are both artists. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays, and by appointment. Call (248) 474-8306 for information.

PAINTER'S PLACE: Owned by Caroline Dauphy, Painter's Place, located at 140 N. Center Street in downtown Northville, is featuring a new watercolor print of Northville's flower day. The print, which is of Main Street filled with flowers just as it looks every year on the Saturday nearest to Memorial Day, is on display in the gallery's window. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Thursday from noon until 4 p.m. or by appointment. Call (248) 348-9544 for information.

MUSEUMS

MILL RACE VILLAGE: The history of Northville is alive at the Mill Race Historical Village. Created in 1972 by the Northville Historical Society, the village serves as a focal point for the Northville community while preserving architectural styles common to the area prior to 1900. The village consists of a church, gazebo, school, rustic

Pet of the Week



Timothy is a two and a half year old American Eskimo.

Timothy is in foster care until he is placed in a home.

Timothy is looking for a home as are a variety of other adult dogs and puppies shown by Critter Connection every Saturday at the Pet Supplies Plus store at 42660 Ten Mile Road in Novi from 11:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

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Close, but no call

Motor City Madness take champion to the limit, but fall 2-1 in extra innings

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

While much of metro Detroit was hiding inside, avoiding 90-plus degree temperatures and the muggy conditions that have plagued Michigan for the past 10 days, 76 teams from across the United States converged on Novi and Farmington Hills to compete in one of the biggest softball tournaments in the world.

The Amateur Softball Association Girls 16 & under fast pitch national championship was played at Novi's Power Park and Farmington Hills' Founders Sports Park Aug. 4-9. The USA Athletics out of California took home the title, topping the Southern California Athletics 8-0 in the championship game.

The Novi-based Motor City Madness, a host team along with Co-pioneer, won two of its six games to finish a respectable 33rd place. Three of those games went into extra innings; in two, the Madness came up short.

"We were so proud of the kids and we were really pleased with the way they played," head coach Gar Fyantz said. "Our pitching and defense was great for us, but what this tournament comes down to is who makes the mistakes."

In Motor City's last game against the Snohomish County Merchants out of Seattle, a couple of key running errors led to an 11th inning loss 1-0. A runner picked off third base, a runner caught stealing and another player getting thrown out at third after the Merchants pitcher made a great stop allowed Motor City's momentum in the last two innings.

The Merchants' Sheri Mable scored in the bottom of the 11th inning on a grounder back to Madness pitcher Amanda Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald fielded the ball cleanly, but Mable was running on the pitch and beat the tag by Stephanie Crews.

"It was a gutsy call," Fyantz said of the suicide squeeze. "Neither team was hitting well all game long and I didn't think with one out he would chance it."

The game lasted 1 hour, 45 minutes and proved to be the Madness' last loss of the tournament. Just prior to the loss, the Madness pummeled the Tri City Rage

out of New York 7-2. Novi's Katie Cameron and Joelle Frantz each picked up two hits and a RBI, and Kim Klever also had two hits to lead Motor City offensively. Frantz started on the mound, pitching four innings before being relieved by Fitzgerald, who picked up the win.

The Madness broke open a 2-2 game with four runs in the bottom of the fourth inning. Motor City's first loss in the

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Amanda Fitzgerald pitched 10 flawless innings in Motor City's final game before Snohomish scored the winning run in the bottom of the 11th inning to oust the Madness.

Downing Farms adds nine holes

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

Downing Farms is the subject of this week's review. By Julie Kempainen Sports Writer

After five years in operation, Downing Farms has come into its own.

The 18-hole facility was completed last summer. Originally a nine-hole course, Downing Farms began construction on the final nine holes in April 1996. Harry Bowers designed both the addition and the original course.

The two courses come together nicely. The original course is cut through woods and doesn't allow for much less than straight shots on fairly tight fairways, but is not at all difficult. Keep the ball straight and almost any level of golfer can master the front nine.

The addition features larger greens than the front nine. Depending on pin placements, has the opportunity to make the holes more challenging.

"All of the fairways and greens are protected by bunkers or water or both," James Downing said. "Water comes into play on five of the holes on the back. When you get out on the back and there are no homes it gives the illusion of being up north."

The course becomes more open as golfers head out to the back nine. Five of the nine holes are across the railroad tracks and provide peaceful surroundings. Dug around wetlands and ponds,

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Health Column

Strategies in place to slow osteoporosis

As the baby boom generation ages, the ranks of those diagnosed with osteoporosis are expanding by leaps and bounds. Currently, over 20 million Americans have been diagnosed with the disease.

Although women are at much greater risk, men can also develop osteoporosis - especially after age 70. Osteoporosis gradually takes its toll on the body by weakening bones and causing them to become fragile and more prone to fractures. In its most severe forms, osteoporosis is life threatening.

But not all is bleak, according to experts at the Botsford Fall Rehabilitative and Athletic Condi-

tioning Center (TRACC) in Novi. As a matter of fact, even for those already diagnosed, there are strategies for slowing down the disease.

The important first step is undergoing a bone density measurement, which can be obtained through a primary care physician's referral.

After determining bone density level, muscle strength and flexibility, the second crucial step for a patient is to commit to a regular exercise regimen designed to strengthen bones and tone muscles. In addition, adopting a healthy diet high in calcium is an essential component to combating

osteoporosis.

Women at highest risk have one or more of several health or lifestyle factors. These factors would include:

- Having a family history of osteoporosis.
- Being post-menopausal.
- Being a current or former smoker.
- Regularly consuming alcohol.
- Having an inactive lifestyle.
- Being nutritionally deficient.
- Having a low dietary intake of calcium-rich foods.
- Having previously broken a bone, particularly of the hip, wrist or spine.
- Having an unusually low body weight.

One successful program in the Metro Detroit area specifically designed to promote bone health in people who either have osteoporosis or want to prevent it, is TRACC's 12-week Bones in Motion.

For more information on this or any of TRACC's programs, call (248) 473-5600. TRACC is the Novi-based comprehensive outpatient rehabilitation and conditioning facility that specializes in sports, occupational and rehabilitation medicine.

It is part of Botsford General Hospital's Physical Medicine Department.

Health Notes

Child Health Clinics

Oakland County Health Division's Child Health Clinics provide free ongoing well care for children from birth to school entry. Families who do not have an IHO or Medicaid may be eligible. Clinics are held at 12 locations throughout Oakland County.

Services include: Heights and weights; head-to-toe physical examination; immunizations; vision, hearing and lab testing; growth and developmental screening; and counseling with referrals to physicians and area resources as needed.

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

3300; and Holly residents: 1-888-350-0800, extension 8-1311 or 8-4001.

Immunization

The Oakland County Health Division will be offering an immunization clinic for Farmington and surrounding areas at the Clarencille United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt Road (south of Eight Mile Road), on Wednesday, Aug. 12, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Immunizations for measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, Haemophilus influenzae Type B (HIB) and Hepatitis B will be available.

A parent or legal guardian must accompany a child under 18 years of age. Please bring any previ-

ous records of immunizations, including notices which might have been sent home from the child's school pertaining to immunizations.

Immunizations will be given at the same time and location on the second Wednesday of every month. The next scheduled immunization clinic will be on Wednesday, Sept. 9.

Asthma Education

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

Business has prospered with addition

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the hole. A blind iron shot to the hazard sets up a guarded second shot to the pin. The hazard juts out to the front left of the green and must be cleared to reach the green. Golfers must ring the bell at the green to alert golfers at the tee it is safe to proceed.

Although construction is done at Downing Farms, the work isn't. "We constantly put in a new tee here or a bunker there," Downing said. "We're improving cart paths and things like that."

There are no plans, however, for any future holes at Downing Farms. Downing said there

was no room for additional holes at the course. "People really seem to enjoy it," Downing said. "Our league play has really picked up this year. All of our afternoon league spots are full."

Downing Farms opened its clubhouse in May 1997 and offers seating for 100 people. The course operates with a full liquor license and serves snacks and sandwiches to hungry golfers.

Downing said the course also added 70 power carts to its fleet with the additional holes. Carts are mandatory on the wide open back nine. Golfers can walk the front nine. Downing Farms is a softspike facility.

"Now with 18 holes and full service golf club we can accommodate outings," Downing said. "People really seem to like it because we seem to get an awful lot of repeat play. We're priced a little less than some of the other courses around here and we try to treat people right. We're a family owned operation."

Mary Lou Downing and her sons, James and Chuck Downing own and operate the course.

"I think the biggest reason people come back is because of our greens," Downing said. "We've been told our greens are just as nice as any greens around."

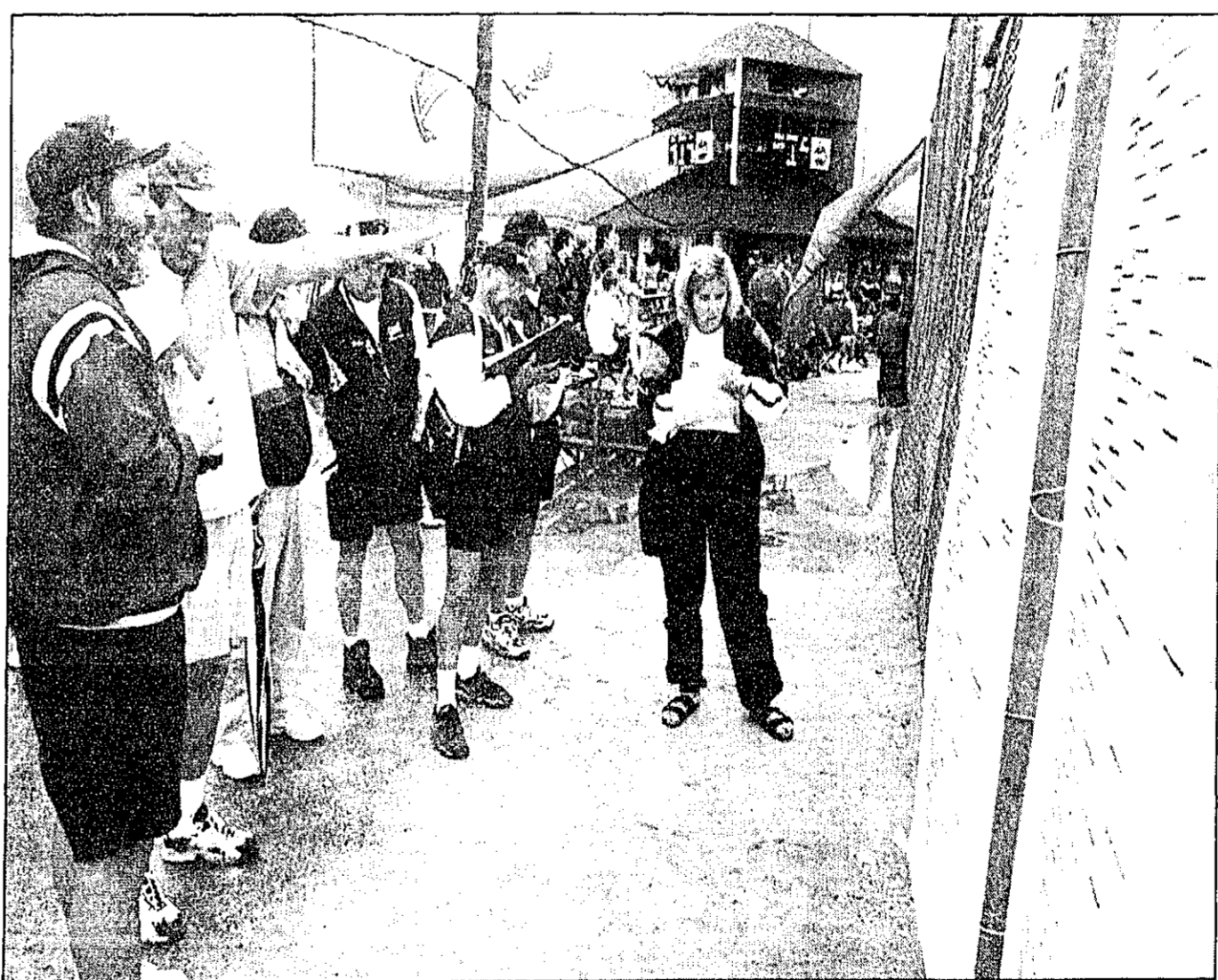


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Coaches gather around the main tournament draws for the national fast pitch softball tournament Friday afternoon.

Madness bail out of tourney in 11 innings

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tournament came at the hands of the tournament champions, USA Athletics edged the Madness 2-1 in 11 innings. Like each of the other extra-inning games, this one went to the international tie breaker. After nine innings of tie ball, a team places a runner on second base, the last batter from the previous inning. The inning starts from there.

After advancing their runner to third base with two outs, the Athletics picked up a RBI-single and later scored another run to take a two-run lead. Motor City was able to score once in the bottom of the inning, but it wasn't enough.

"With no outs and a runner on second, it puts a lot of pressure on the fielders," Frantz said. "Like I said, whoever makes the most mistakes usually loses the game."

Aside from playing the tournament champions to an 11-inning standoff, Frantz said the team was also excited about who was in the stands. Four-time NCAA player-of-the-year Lisa Fernandez watched the entire game, scouting several of the Athletics players for the UCLA Bruins softball team.

Novi opened up the main tournament draw by beating the Texas Force 2-1 in 10 innings. Crews

picked up a RBI single, scoring Amanda Fitzgerald for the game winner.

"The City of Novi was incredible," the coach said. "They worked so hard to make sure all of the fields were playable for the tournament. I've been in many other tournaments and coached in high school, and I've never seen a job as well done as this."

Tournament draws big crowd

By JASON SCHMITT
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Bringing one of the biggest softball tournaments in the country to Novi and Farmington Hills was a lot of work, but event organizers were pleased with the turnout despite the rain this past week.

"It was definitely crazy, but we were really pleased with the way everything turned out," Metro Detroit ASA board member and Novi Parks and Recreation department employee Scott Mercer said. "Obviously we had an uphill battle with the weather, but everyone involved dedicated themselves all week and it really showed after the final game was played Sunday."

Over 75 people were involved with the tournament throughout the week, helping to ensure each of the 76 teams from 25 different states were treated well. The tournament brought in over

1,000 players and coaches alone, and also attracted 25 different college scouts from across the country.

The Metro Detroit ASA (MDASA) along with the Detroit Visitor and Convention Bureau applied for the tournament back in November of 1996. The ASA put together a packet of information for the 260 voting members of the national ASA to look over before the group voted.

Mercer said that although the tournament went over with great success, it would be at least a few years before Detroit would host another tournament.

"It's always a possibility," he said. "We have to look at the financial aspects of the tournament. It's also a very large commitment to make and if we ever did host another ASA national tournament, we wouldn't know if it would be in Novi."

Expos win at Madison tourney

The Novi Expo's 10-year-old baseball team capped a successful season by winning the 1998 Madison Heights baseball tournament.

The Expo's started their winning ways by defeating the Wayne Bandits 10-0 behind the no-hit pitching performance of Justin Davis. The Expo offense was powered by Matt Crawford, who went 3 for 3 including a home run. Cory Gaudeski scored three runs, while Kevin Hughes added two triples and a home run.

The Expo's continued their strong hitting with a 12-1 victory over Madison Heights No. 2. Bobby Watts shut down the Madison Heights team with three strong innings of pitching. Steve Hart closed out the game with three strikeouts. Kevin Hughes led the ten hit Expo attack with 2 runs and a bases loaded triple.

The Expo's faced a strong Bloomfield team in their third game. The game was tied 4-4 going into the last inning when the Expo's exploded for three runs. Derek McClelland got things started with a one-out triple and scored on a perfectly executed safety squeeze by Jeffrey Donahue. Bobby Watts and David Carnegie followed with consecutive singles, and were driven in on a double by A.W. Stanek. The Bloomfield team battled back in their half of the inning, scoring one run on two walks and a base hit. Bloomfield loaded the bases



Submitted Photo

Novi Expos' members are front row (l-r) bat boy Brandon Carnegie, Thomas Calverilla, Jeffrey Donahue, Bobby Watts, Matt Crawford and Justin Davis. Second row (l-r) David Carnegie, Derek McClelland, Kevin Schmidt, A.W. Stanek, Cory Gazdecki and Steve Hart. Back row (l-r) are coaches Steve Donahue, Jeff Crawford, Tim Esper and manager Dan Davis. Missing from picture are Kevin Hughes and coach Mike Hughes.

with two outs. A sharp single to centerfield scored the runner from third, but Jeffrey Donahue threw a strike to Justin Davis at the plate to cut down the tying run and secure a 7-6 victory.

The Expo's advanced to the semi-final game against the Rochester Yankees. Justin Davis held the Yankees scoreless through four innings, while the Expo's pushed across six runs behind strong hitting from Cory Gazdecki, Steve Hart and Davis.

Steve Hart came in to pitch in the fifth inning to quiet a Yankee rally and earn his third save at the

tournament. The final score was 7-3.

The Expo's faced the Madison Heights Marlins in the championship game. The Marlins jumped out to a 3-2 lead after two innings, before the Expo bats came alive in the third. Cory Gazdecki and Steve Hart collected base hits and Tim Esper delivered a two run scoring single to put the Expo's up 5-3.

The Expo's exploded for an eight run fifth inning behind seven consecutive basehits. Kevin Schmidt and Steve Hart lead the offense with three hits each. Tim Esper

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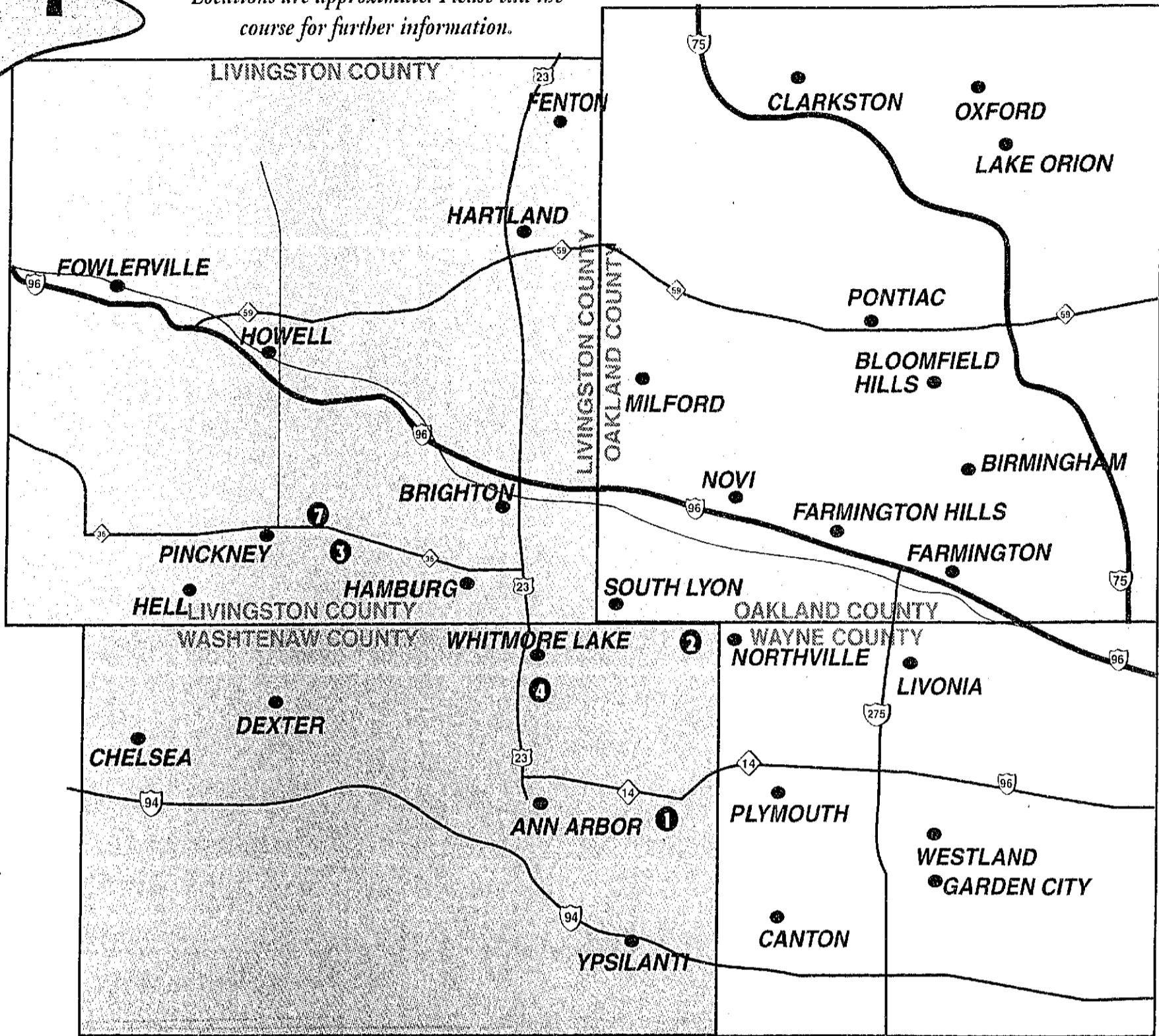
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