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And the winner is ...

Beth Belter honored with DSA award

By JEREMY McBAIN
 Staff Writer

The Novi Jaycees named Novi resident Beth Belter as this year's recipient of the Distinguished Service Award Saturday.

Belter was nominated based on the many volunteer projects with which she has been associated.

She has served with the Novi Middle School Parent Teacher Organization, is on the board of directors for the Roma Ridge Association and, most notably, is the program coordinator for the Novi Community that Cares Coalition.

Due to Belter's work with the CTC, funding for an After School program was obtained, giving Novi's 10- to 14-year-old students something to do after school other than just "hang out."

Belter's nominators said, "She has faced apathy, denial of a substance abuse problems in our youth and a lack of serious resources. She has conquered all

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DSA winner Beth Belter plays at the after school program she worked to initiate.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

MORE WINNERS

- Ryan Rettmann was named Outstanding Youth, presented by John P.O'Brien of NYA.
- Andrew Pless was named Fire Fighter of the Year, presented by Fire Chief Arthur Lanaghan.
- Aaron Poyer received honors as Law Enforcement Officer of the Year, presented by Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer.
- Tim Zyika won City Employee of the Year, presented by City Manager Ed Kriewall.

Wetland issue erupts in joint session

By JEREMY McBAIN
 Staff Writer

A demand for an apology and threats of legal action erupted during a joint meeting between the Novi Planning Commission and City Council Thursday night.

While most of the conversation never pointed a finger at the actions of specific individuals on either the planning commission or city council, Planning Commissioner Michael Watza expressed his anger over a letter to the Attorney General written by council member Laura Lorenzo.

"I want to make myself very clear. I volunteered to be on this commission. I gain nothing. My partners ask me why I bothered. I tell them I am trying to give back. Instead of getting anything out of it, instead what I get is my name dragged through the front page of The Novi News because of a letter written to the Attorney General that has characterizations in it

"What you did was irresponsible. It was embarrassing to me. It was untrue and I expect an apology ... I don't ever want to see another letter like that again."

Planning Commissioner Michael Watza to City Council Member Laura Lorenzo

that are untrue," Watza said. Watza was referring to a letter written by Lorenzo to the Attorney General asking whether Watza and Planning Commissioner Kim Thomas Capello violated state or

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Council keeps senior housing affordable

By JAN JEFFRES
 Staff Writer

Some 536 older Novi residents are on a waiting list for 175 apartments at Meadowbrook Commons, the city's \$14.26 million senior housing project.

Monday night, a scaled-back design for the three-story complex - which will result in more units in the economical \$500 to \$700 per month range - was unveiled to the Novi City Council.

"We have not sacrificed quality in any respect in this downscale," said architect Al Tuomaala, of Sie-

gal/Tuomaala Associates of Farmington Hills.

Sixty-five percent of the project has been pushed back to more moderate rent levels.

As first envisioned, the complex featured 159 dwellings in a main building with two courtyards and 40 detached ranch houses. The new blueprint calls for a one-court building with 115 apartments to rent at below market rates and 60 detached, one-story ranch houses to lease at market levels of \$1,000

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Award of a lifetime

News achievement honor remembers Russ Button

By JAN JEFFRES
 Staff Writer

Aaron Russell Button wasn't there to accept "The Novi News" Lifetime Achievement Award on March 13.

He passed away in 1995, at the age of 87.

But his daughter, Rose Button, was on hand to accept the distinction and a contingent of family members, including Button's wife Nesby and son A. Russell, Jr., were at the Novi Jaycees Saturday morning breakfast.

"He loved Novi. I've never seen anybody so dedicated to a place as he was," Rose Button said.

"I don't think he ever missed a village council or planning commission meeting when I was growing up."

Businessman, inventor, government leader, in his day, "Russ" Button was a well-known figure around town, a genuine local character.

He served on the Novi township board and village council and played a key role on charter commissions to incorporate the community from a township to village and from a village to city.

"He probably had more money than everybody in this room put together, but he drove around in an old station wagon with a pith helmet on his head and a 1930s tie," said Novi Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford.

"He was a very quiet person, but when he spoke, you listened to him."

The Lifetime Achievement Award is relatively new. Past winners were: former city council member Tim

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Russ Button



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Getting on

Brighton Gardens residents Pete and Pat Cucchetti, who celebrated 54 years of marriage on Feb. 6, head to their room hand-in-hand. Assisted living communities offer seniors a variety of services to help them maintain an independent lifestyle. But when is it time for assisted living? To find out, see the story on B1.

High school kicks off court's TAP program

By JEREMY McBAIN
 Staff Writer

Novi High School kicked off its enrollment in the 52-1 District Court's Tobacco and Alcohol Prevention Program with a special assembly for students Thursday morning.

The TAP program uses the combined efforts of law enforcement and schools to educate students in an attempt to eradicate the use of tobacco and alcohol by teenagers.

It was created in Walled Lake in 1997 and has had considerable success lowering the number of teenagers arrested or ticketed for repeat alcohol and tobacco offenses.

Judge Brian MacKenzie, of the 52-1 District Court, said he was very pleased with the outcome of the assembly and the questions asked by the students about TAPP.

While the assembly was given to just juniors and seniors, it was also broadcast live throughout the school via television.

Afterward, MacKenzie met with a group of six students to further discuss the program. During this, he was able to hear a variety of concerns about the program from students.

"One said, 'We are old enough to fight in wars, why aren't we old enough to drink,'" MacKenzie said. He answered saying, "Because it is against the law." MacKenzie added, while this was just

one of the questions showing student concern, by the end of the discussion the students were somewhat complimentary about the assembly.

Many times, he said, teenagers complain that they want to be treated as adults. By presenting the program to them in public, the students were treated with adult-like respect.

"I told them we could have started this program without telling (you)," MacKenzie said.

Jennifer Cheal, Principal of Novi High School, said she was also pleased with the behavior of the students and the quality of the questions asked.

"One of the benefits of the program was, after the program, there was a lot of discussion in classes," Cheal said.

While the 52-1 District Court has pledged to work with the high school to eradicate tobacco and alcohol use among teenagers, Cheal said the school will offer education about the subject, but she said she is unsure of the details.

"We are going to see how many students will be in the program and then set up the educational component," Cheal said.

The court will provide the school with the name of every Novi High School student that is ticketed or arrested for a tobacco or alcohol offense. It will also send the student to counseling classes

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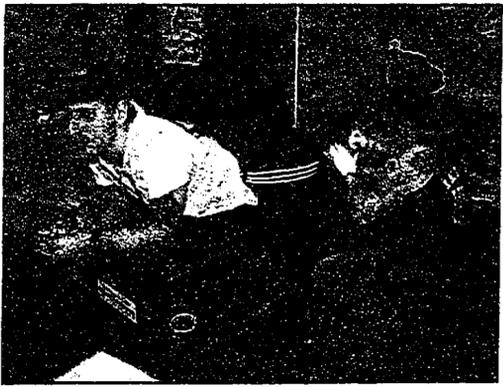


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Tattoo you

David Crow of Garden City gets a tattoo on his calf Friday at the Motor City Tattoo Expo at the Novi DoubleTree Hotel. More coverage appears on page 8 in today's edition.

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Community Calendar

The following calendar lists various community events. For more information, contact the appropriate organization. Community Calendar is published weekly in the Nov 1000. For more information, call 248-344-2187.

Thursday, March 18 Ordinance Review Committee

The Nov 1000 Ordinance Review Committee will meet at 4:30 p.m. in the Nov 1000 Auditorium.

Parks meeting

The Nov 1000 Parks and Recreation Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Nov 1000 Auditorium.

Novi Rotary

The Nov 1000 Rotary Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Nov 1000 United Methodist Church.

TOPS

TOPS (Take Out Pounds Off) meets at 7 p.m. at the Nov 1000 Community Center.

Free shuttle bus service planned for HomeTown/O&E Job Fair next week

HomeTown/O&E Job Fair will be held at the Novi Civic Center on Thursday, March 25, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A free shuttle bus service will be provided to help attendees get to the job fair. The shuttle bus will be a 15-passenger van that will be able to fit into the tight spaces between the buildings. The shuttle bus will be available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, and will be free of charge. The shuttle bus will be available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, and will be free of charge. The shuttle bus will be available from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, and will be free of charge.

(810) 344-2187.

Tuesday, March 23

Novi Concert Band rehearsal

The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For information, call (248) 932-9244.

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) 538-6043.

Civil Air Patrol

The Sagate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Novi Middle School, 23299 Tall Rd., from 7-9:30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information call 349-2669.

Youth Assistance

Novi Youth Assistance board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, Mayor's Conference Room, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road.

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

The Novi area chapter of F.E.M.A.L.E. (Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge) meets at Providence Mission Health Center, 39500 W. Ten Mile Rd., Conference Room A. For more information call Janet at (248) 446-0130.

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, 344-2269 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.

City eyes M-5 mitigation site for park

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Such a deal, 106 acres for \$1.

Novi is preparing to acquire the Hagerly Connector wetlands mitigation site at the northeast corner of Garfield and Nine Mile roads from the Michigan Department of Transportation. The city will use the land for a passive park, said Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis.

"There are some easement restrictions to overcome, prior to

accepting it. We want to make sure we will be allowed to utilize the property," Davis said.

If all goes well, the city will build a parking lot, nature trails, observation decks and a comfort station at the property, which includes natural wetland as well as the mitigation.

But one Garfield Road resident said the idea of using the land for a park may not go over well in that neighborhood.

"For us, we've got it made here. We've got our own private reserve,

we wouldn't want to see it opened up," Rich Booms said.

Booms explained that one concern is that the land might be used after hours as a teen party spot. "I would be definitely against it all the way. We have a tremendous park on Napier Road," Booms said, referring to the Novi Community Sports Park.

The city's attorneys are working with the state on the easement restriction issues, such as those the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality might place on

the wetlands replacement site.

"I have no idea what the time frame to get it. Whenever we get the property, we will start the master plan process," Davis said.

The idea is to get the land squared away and within the capitol improvement program and (parks and recreation) master plan.

Where the money will come to develop the park isn't clear, but the city will likely seek grants and donations, Davis added.

While the purchase price for the

acreage won't be high, Novi was required to pay 8.75 percent of the cost of buying the land and building the wetlands, as part of the 1992 contract for M-5.

In 1995, MDOT began trucking out 400,000 cubic yards of dirt to create a 35-acre wetlands, to compensate for 44 acres of wetlands lost in the construction of the Hagerly Connector. Other mitigation was slated for the M-5 site. MDOT paid \$872,000 for the Jimco-Ash site, some of it part of the late Mabel Ash's farm.

Students show panache in their marketing tactics

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Novi High School students gave a strong showing at the state DECA tournament last weekend in Dearborn. Seven students were named state finalists and two are going on to the nationals.

DECA is a marketing organization that promotes communication, marketing and management skills

to high school students through local, state and national competition.

Sixteen students took part in the state competitions along with 150 students from high schools across the state. The students participated in a number of events that combined test taking and role playing before a judge.

Amy Kolesar, Novi High School

chapter advisor for DECA, said students role-play in the contest by being assigned a character to portray.

Such as, a student could be assigned the part of an "employee" of a business that is having a problem getting its employees to come to work on time.

The judge, on the other hand, is assigned the role of "boss." The

judge will then ask the "employee" to come up with a plan to get fellow employees to come to work on time.

"Based on how they perform, in the judge's opinion, the student can move on or not," Kolesar said. "There are hundreds of different scenarios (the students) could come up against."

Students named state finalists were: Ryan Buzzell, Christina

Cypher, Jennifer Daves, Sean Goldsmith, Dana Moore, Rebecca Rittner and Stephen Swast.

Students, Bidish Sharma and Brian Wilson were named national finalists.

The national competition of DECA will be April 23 through 28 in Orlando, Fla.

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Sixteen minors busted for booze

Two 20-year-old South Lyon men, a 19-year-old New Hudson woman, a 20-year-old Livonia woman, a 19-year-old Ortonville woman and a 19-year-old Novi woman were arrested around 1 a.m. March 13 for possession of alcohol.

Novi officers were dispatched to a report of a loud party on the 100 block of Achebaun and upon arrival could hear the sounds of heavy bass music coming from a home.

The officers also observed several cases of beer sitting on the porch. After knocking on the door, a resident allowed them inside, where the officers observed a large number of individuals sitting and standing around the inside of the home.

Officers obtained identification from everyone present and took the parties who were under 21 years-old outside to give them portable breath tests.

SMOKIN'

A 28-year-old Calumet City man was arrested around 3 p.m. March 12 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel for possession of marijuana.

Officers responded to complaints of marijuana smoke coming from the room.

When they knocked on the door, the man answered and said he was not smoking the drug.

The officer said he could smell smoke and continued to ask the man if he had marijuana.

The man finally went to a suitcase and pulled out a sock with a small amount of marijuana

Police News

ASSAULT?

Officers are investigating an alleged attack of a 18-year-old Novi woman by another 18-year-old Novi woman, who was her friend, around 3 p.m. March 11 in the Novi Square Plaza.

According to the victim, she received a pain from the woman. The driver was given a head-on collision.

The officers stopped the man's vehicle and on contact with the driver they could smell an odor of alcohol on his breath.

He was later given a chemical breath test at the Novi police department which indicated he had a blood alcohol content of .17 percent.

The woman sustained her in the parking lot, pulled her hair and scratched her neck.

Officers observed a small red mark on her neck, but it did not appear to be a scratch.

According to the woman, she did not touch the other woman.

She said the supposed victim was just making it up because she had stolen her video camera and just wanted to get herself out of trouble.

There were no witnesses to this incident. The victim said she wishes to press charges.

OUIL

A 40-year-old Farmington Hills man was arrested around 2 a.m. March 14 near the intersection of Novi Road and Fourteen Mile Road for drunk driving.

Officers on patrol observed the man's vehicle weave noticeably and veer sharply across the center lane into oncoming traffic.

The vehicle veered sharply back to its own lane to avoid a head-on collision.

The driver was given a chemical breath test at the Novi police department which indicated he had a blood alcohol content of .17 percent.

He was later given a chemical breath test at the Novi police department which indicated he had a blood alcohol content of .12 percent.

He was scheduled to return to his country later that day.

Another dance is scheduled for later this spring on May 8. Rowe teaches line dancing every Monday night at the Novi Ice Arena and every Friday night at the Novi Civic Center.

For information, call Jean Rowe at 348-9116.

Interested in learning more about public access television. Info-TV-12 will hold an orientation session on Wednesday, March 31, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The orientation is a prerequisite for all workshops.

For information or to register, call the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission at (248) 473-7266, extension 14.

Sometime between 6 a.m. March 9 and March 10 someone stole a blue Ford F150 pickup from the front of an apartment building at the Springs apartment complex.

The vehicle was a work truck, with a red salt spreader attached to its front and a plywood window.

There were no witnesses.

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

A Novi resident's vehicle was damaged after another driver threw a rock at it around 4 p.m. March 12 near the intersection of Taft and Nine Mile roads.

According to the victim, a light blue or silver Chevrolet Astro Van driven by a unknown white male approximately 18-years-old drove past him at the intersection.

When it did, the driver threw a rock out the window, striking the victim's drivers side mirror, breaking it off the vehicle.

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Novi Briefs

Public hearing

Before the Novi City Council makes a final decision on whether to expand a zoning text for the Business-1 category, a public hearing will be held at the April 19 meeting, which begins at 7:30 p.m.

Council members are concerned about the impact that permitting uses such as 50-seat restaurants and dance schools in the strip centers would have on adjacent residential areas.

Input from homeowners is sought. The proposed zoning change would impact B-1 districts such as Peachtree shopping center, the Ten Mile/Beck roads area and the northeast and southeast quadrants of Ten Mile and Meadowbrook roads.

The ordinance addresses neighborhood shopping centers.

In the kick line

If you're feeling a touch of spring fever, maybe a chance to kick up your heels is in order. That opportunity will be arising at a Spring Country/Western Dance on Saturday, March 27 at the Novi Civic Center.

Both singles and couples are welcome to join in the line - the dance floor is large.

Sponsored by Novi Parks and Recreation Department and line dance teacher Jean Rowe of Steppin' Time, the dance runs from 7 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., with line dancing lessons at 7:30 p.m.

No alcoholic beverages are allowed, but non-spirited drinks and munchies will be on sale that night.

For seniors and Novi residents, tickets are \$7 each. For non-Novi residents, admission is \$8.

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It's a small world for international doll collector



Rigmor Cuolahan just loves wooden Russian matryushka dolls.

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Her grandfather was a Norwegian sea captain who sailed throughout the Far East.

So Northville resident Rigmor Cuolahan speculates that her fascination with the different cultures of the world - as well the urge to accumulate exotic loot - just might be genetic.

"I love to travel. That might be Viking blood in me," said Cuolahan, who grew up in Oslo.

Cuolahan's been around about as much as her Nordic ancestors, including visits to Morocco, Belgium, Singapore, Sweden, Denmark, Great Britain and Ireland. Typically, she brings back dolls in ethnic costumes to add to her huge collection.

But when as a girl she suggested she might become a radio operator and go to sea herself, her father firmly quashed that idea.

No matter, Cuolahan would find other ways to cross the water, above all with a shipboard romance launched during an Atlantic voyage with Paul Cuolahan, a young man from Lansing, Michigan in 1950.

The couple married in 1953. Cuolahan estimates she's one of some 2,000 people living in the metro area who are either of Norwegian descent or immigrants from the country.

"I love to go to schools and talk about Norway to the kids. It's amazing to me how very little people know about Scandinavia. If they know something, it's about Swedes," she said.

"The sad thing is people think the Vikings were plunderers and robbers but they were also good people. They cultivated the land. They traded with the Arabs."

Cuolahan's been a leader in most local Scandinavian organizations, including the Swedish Club, Danish Sister and the Finnish Cultural Center. She's a past president of the Sons of Norway, although she prefers to refer to herself as a Daughter of Norway.

During ten years ending in the 1980s, Cuolahan was on-air with the Norwegian radio program on WMCK. For 30 years, she's been on the board of directors for the Old World Market, the international institute of Metropolitan Detroit's annual ethnic bash, where she runs the Norwegian Booth.

In 1996, Cuolahan was made a member of the International Institute of the International Heritage Hall of Fame

in Cobo Hall.

To promote the traditions of her corner of Northern Europe, as well as other cultures, she's organized countless ethnic fashion shows.

Eight years ago, she was one of a group of local dignitaries invited to Toyota City, Japan to celebrate the community's 20th anniversary of sister cityhood with Detroit.

Cuolahan grew up in Vest-Occid Norway, where she had to nervously pass the SS headquarters in Oslo on her way to school and watch as truckloads of Norwegian prisoners passed her home.

Her family lived a half-block from Vidkun Quisling, the man whose surname would become a synonym for traitor.

"We used to see him when we were kids," she said.

Quisling was head of the state council of Norway during the Nazi occupation, while Norway had a free government in Great Britain.

During the war years, Norway suffered food shortages because the Nazis shipped the supplies to Germany. The schools were used as Nazi barracks and classes were conducted in students' homes.

Norwegians looked for ways to undermine the Nazis. When the Nazis wanted boats, Cuolahan's father chopped a hole in theirs and sank it in the fjord. Schoolchildren were forced to visit exhibits staged by the Nazis.

"We tried to sabotage them. We would wear red hats with H7 on



Northville resident Rigmor Cuolahan (above) travels the world and brings back a U.N. of dolls.

them. That was our king's name. Hakon the Seventh," she said.

Norwegians didn't want to go near the Nazis on the subways and Cuolahan and her friends got in trouble when they chose to stand up during one memorable trip on the underground.

"We wouldn't sit next to a German. When a German officer said that he screamed 'Halle, Halle' and they conductor had to stop and the German officer threw us out into the snow up to our knees," she said.

"You were always afraid, because if something happened, you didn't know what they would do to you."

Her experiences during the Nazi occupation may explain some of the lure international dolls have for Cuolahan.

"I used to have a lot of dolls when I was growing up. One day, my brother and his two little friends were playing doctor and they operated on my dolls. They took the eyes out, they took the tonsils out," she said.

Those she managed to salvage, she was pressured to give away as an older girl. During the war, toys couldn't be purchased and her mother persuaded her to give her dolls and doll house to neighboring little girls.

Cuolahan has no shortage of dolls now, although she has no idea how many fill showcases and boxes in her home. She seeks those in native dress, particularly if the

clothing is hand-made. Her collection includes dolls from Senegal to Sweden, Latin America to Laos.

Among her favorites are a clay-faced Moslem man she purchased in Agadir, Morocco and French santos figures, hand-made dolls representing elderly peasants.

Dolls have been created by most civilizations for thousands of years, Cuolahan said.

"They were made of stone but they didn't know if they were dolls or servants to serve the deceased in the after life," she added.

Some dolls served ritual functions, such as the corn dolls from England.

"In the old days, they believed the spirit of the doll would go into the corn fields so they would have a good harvest," Cuolahan explained.

She's especially fond of Russian nested dolls and her sets include the Tsar Nicholas of Russia and his family and the Communist rulers of Russia from Gorbachev back to Lenin.

Other stars in her collection include two Japanese child figures hand-made by a woman from Japan living in the Detroit area. The faces are made from a paste created by hand-grinding oyster shells.

But her favorite is a miniature depiction of Henry VIII.

"I'm fascinated by him, ever since I was a little girl, because he was so terrible," Cuolahan said.

Architects hired for police building

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Voters agreed in November 1998 to a \$3.5 million upgrade of the Novi Police Department building.

Monday, the Southfield-based architectural firm Gough/Ingham, Dundon, Peterson and Argenta, Inc. was selected by the Novi City Council to do the job, for 7 percent of the construction costs.

"It's very competitive with what we're seeing with other architectural services," said Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver, adding that 4 percent to 8 percent of the costs

appears to be a typical design fee.

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Zoning change makes Novi more senior-housing friendly

By JEREMY McBAIN
Staff Writer

In effort to provide "appropriate" zoning for Novi senior housing, the Novi Planning Commission gave a positive recommendation March 3 to zoning text changes in multifamily housing areas.

The proposal amends the definition of "density," adds a definition of "net site area," includes shared elderly housing as a principal permitted use and includes dependent and congregate elderly living.

The proposal also amends the RM-1 Multifamily Residential District to change height, density and area requirements to "provide minimum floor area requirements for an efficiency room in a RM-1 unit" and amends the dwelling unit density regulation.

The intent of this amendment is to clean up items in the ordinance and address ordinance needs for senior housing," Planning Consultant Fred Arroyo said. "There have been several senior housing projects coming through and most

of them are going to require a trip to the Zoning Board because of the current ordinance.

The amendment passed 7-1, with Planning Commissioner Karen Piccinini dissenting. She said she could not vote for it because of the number of equations used in the amendment, making it confusing.

"As we had it, it was much more simpler without all these crazy numbers. I know we have talked about making things easier to understand. This has way too much calculation," she said.

The Novi City Council okayed a first reading of the zoning text amendment on Monday.

While they may have voted in favor of the proposal, other commissioners had various concerns and questions about the amendment.

Commissioner Robert Churella said he was concerned about the proposal's requirements for a apartment to have at least one living room and one bedroom.

He said the wording could mean

a developer could design an apartment with just one living room and one bedroom, leaving only a common kitchen and bathroom.

Commissioner Andrew Mutch said he was concerned over the setback requirements from residential.

Mutch asked why the setback requirements for senior housing was only 50 feet while other types of housing are 75 feet.

Arroyo responded the setback actually gives more footage than office-type developments.

Among others, this zoning text amendment gives a definition of "density" as meaning "the total number of dwelling units that may be placed on an acre of the net site area."

The ordinance amendment also lists the definition of "net site area" as an "area of land excluding identified wetlands or watercourses which are regulated...but not excluding quality wetland less than two acres."



Connor McGuire, 2, is assisted by his mother, Brenda, as he poses with the Twelve Oaks bunny. Photo by JOHN HEIDER.

Kids hippity-hop to meet Bunny

The bunny trail leads to Twelve Oaks Mall this spring as Peter Rabbit hippity-hops into Mr. McGreger's beautiful Storybook Garden from March 13 to April 3.

The bunny will be posing, too. You can either pay a pro to take a picture of your kids with the fuzzy fellow or snap some shots on your own camera.

Beloved characters from British author Beatrix Potter's books are featured in this animated display, including Jeremy Fisher and Timmy Tiptoes. Even those who don't adore animated critters will enjoy the peek at spring in the garden setting, which includes hun-

Help sought for Rouge cleanup

Help wanted. Local river seeks people willing to pitch in and clear its banks. Only hard-working types need apply. No pay, but plenty of benefits.

The Rouge River Rescue Program is looking for volunteers to help organize Novi's participation in the area wide event, scheduled for June 5.

Local folks with ideas about how Novi should celebrate the day are invited to meet on Thursday, March 25 at the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. Meet in the Water Department offices on the second

floor. Volunteers are needed not only to organize local participation, but to solicit assistance through telephone calls.

Not only cleaning up the Rouge River is suggested by program organizers Friends of the Rouge, who are joining in with their counterparts on the Clinton, Detroit and Huron rivers to sponsor a day that raise public awareness and interest in southeast Michigan's waterways.

Other ideas include nature hikes, storm drain stenciling, schoolyard clean-ups, fishing

events, water quality monitoring and photo contest.

Throughout the four watersheds, local businesses, scouts, churches, schools, chambers of commerce, neighborhood associations will be pitching in.

For information on the local aspects of the day and to get involved, call Novi City Forester Chris Pargoff at 347-0585 or Karen Amolsch, in Novi's Water and Sewer Customer Service Department at 347-0495.

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Fire Log

The following is a complete list of the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Department for the week ending March 14. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the Engine and Squad number which responded to the call.

MONDAY, MARCH 8
Medical, 155 Linhart, 2:56 a.m., Squad 2.
Investigation, Shawood and Austin, 6:56 a.m., Engine 2.
Fuel spill, Grand River and Haggerty, 8:11 a.m., Engine 1.
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 8:42 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 21199 Meadowbrook, 9:28 a.m., Squad 3.
Investigation, 42177 Roscommon, 10:11 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, Ten Mile and Meadowbrook, 10:47 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 44000 Grand River, 11:32 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 42400 Arena Drive, 4:41 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 27600 Novi Road, 4:52 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 29898 Windsor, 5:21 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 24266 Warrington, 5:38 p.m., Squad 4.

Medical, 43434 West Oaks, 5:39 p.m., Squad 1.
TUESDAY, MARCH 9
Building fire, 40149 Breckingham, 8:26 a.m., Engines 1, 3.
Wire down, Beck Road and Ten Mile, 8:45 a.m., Engine 4.
Injury accident, Beck Road and Eight Mile, 9:54 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 46180 Nine Mile Road, 9:58 a.m., Squad 3.
Fire alarm, 43043 Nine Mile Road, 12:03 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Injury accident, Grand River and Haggerty, 3:11 p.m., Engine 1, Squad 1.
Medical, 42024 La Roi, 10 p.m., Squad 2.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10
Fire alarm, 39920 Eight Mile Road, 1 a.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical, 23751 Stonehenge, 1:47 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 41266 Llewelyn, 8:57 a.m., Squad 3.
Injury accident, 196 and North 1, 2:75, 9:14 a.m., Squad 1.
Investigation, 42913 Ashbury, 10:16 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 47830 Beckenham, 1:03 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, Twelve Oaks-Hudson's, 1:23 p.m., Squad 1.

Fire alarm, 20830 Woodland Glen, 1:59 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical, 27516 Novi Road, 3:31 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 43900 Grand River, 4:36 p.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, Eight Mile and I-275 East, 5:13 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road, 10:04 p.m., Squad 3.
THURSDAY, MARCH 11
Medical, 22622 Bertram, 6:11 a.m., Squad 4.
Injury accident, Ten Mile and Napier, 7:33 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 41107 Jo Drive, 8:15 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 27075 Branton, 9:58 a.m., Squad 1.
FRIDAY, MARCH 12
Medical, 20950 Woodland Glen, 1:36 a.m., Squad 3.
Electrical fire, 23093 Sagebrush, 2:32 a.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 50971 Novi Meadows, 6:57 a.m., Squad 4.
Investigation, 41717 Cherry Hill, 8:50 a.m., Engine 1.

Fuel spill, Grand River and Flint Street, 12:08 p.m., Engine 1.
Investigation, 41447 Glynne Drive, 12:15 p.m., Engine 3.
Fire alarm, 42130 Grand River, 10:21 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical, 24557 Old Orchard, 11:15 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road, 11:23 p.m., Squad 3.
Saturday, March 13
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 2:27 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 48777 Pebble Lane, 2:30 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 27150 Novi Road, 2:37 p.m., Squad 1.
Sunday, March 14
Injury accident, Eight Mile and Chase, 2:29 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 45700 Grand River, 3:13 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 27150 Novi Road, 1:53 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, Novi and Crescent, 2:14 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 43700 Expo Drive, 3:38 p.m., Squad 1.
Investigation, 39434 Squire, 10:24 p.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road, 11:07 p.m., Squad 3.

Hometown hero saluted at council

Former Novi paid-on-call firefighter Jeff Leininger was given a commendation Monday at the City Council meeting by State Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Nowi and State Rep. William Callahan, D-St. Clair Shores.

Leininger's a real hero to young and old alike for his actions in the face of personal danger, said Cassis, who formerly served with Leininger's father, Ed, on the Novi city council.

"This tribute comes early in your career, but this is just the start of many, many successes for you," Cassis added.

Now a Harrison Township fireman, Leininger was part of a Dec. 29 rescue of 17 ice fishers who were trapped on a moving floe in Lake St. Clair. Leininger spent 70 minutes in the water.

The episode was really Hollywood material, Callahan said, with the helicopter pilot defying orders to search one last time for the remaining ice fishers and firefighters stranded in the dark after a rescue hovercraft sank. Leininger dove underwater to find the submerged vessel's searchlight, which was then seen by the pilot.

Leininger is a 1988 graduate of Novi High School.

"I've known that guy since he was as tall as those chairs. It's a great pleasure to have him back in town. Jeff, you are a hometown hero," said Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford.

Library Briefs

Library Hours
The Novi Public Library is open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m. The library is located at 45245 W. Ten Mile Road, just east of Taft. For more information, call 349-0720.

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Images from the Motor City Tattoo Expo

PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER



The second annual Motor City Tattoo Expo was held this past weekend at Novi's DoubleTree Hotel. The Friday through Sunday event was attended by tattoo artists from all over the U.S., and a few from England, France and Holland. Dozens of artists set up colorful booths around the main ballroom of the hotel, and throughout the weekend, the air was filled with the buzz of tattoo guns as they pierced the skin of willing victims and precisely placed permanent ink just below the skin.

Photos from top left clockwise: Tattoo artist "Tin-Tin" (from Paris, France) works on a creation on a man's back Friday afternoon. London, England artist "Bug" takes a quick break from placing his artwork on a customer's arm. Booths of tattooers line the center aisle of the ballroom. Greg Piper, a Virginian, relaxes with a book while getting his lower leg tattooed by Mario Barth. The tattooers were often as tattooed as the tattooee at this weekend's Motor City Tattoo Expo. With dozens of piercings in her face and ears, "Dragonfly," visiting from New York City, waits in the foyer of the Novi DoubleTree Hotel Friday evening. Jody McDougal, of Flint, relaxes Friday afternoon as "Squeezer" of Eternal Tattoo adds an interlocking pattern to her ankle.

Obituaries

GUSTAV ASKENBACK

Gustav Askenback, 88, of Novi died March 11 at St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia.

Mr. Askenback was born in Sweden and spent most of his working life on the seas. He had three ships torpedoed during World War II, with one sinking in the South Atlantic where he was adrift in a lifeboat for many days. He also served aboard vessels used in the tracking of various United States space missions.

Mr. Askenback is survived by his wife, Nezz; son, Philip G. of Florida; and three stepsons, Richard and Stephen Ward, and William Shaffer.

Services were conducted on Saturday, March 13 at Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home, Northville with the Rev. Neil Hunt, Meadowbrook Congregational Church, officiating. Interment was in Woodlawn

Cemetery, Detroit.

INA A. JARVIS

Ina A. Jarvis, 81, of Plymouth died March 10 in Farmington Hills. She was born Feb. 17, 1918, in Livonia.

Mrs. Jarvis was an assembler at Burroughs Corp. for 35 years before her retirement in 1978. She was a lifelong resident of Plymouth and a lifelong member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Livonia.

Mrs. Jarvis enjoyed dining out, square dancing, and being with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter, Janet (Michael) Flavin of Novi; brothers, William (Betty) Esch of Plymouth and Herman (Elaine) Esch of Grayling; grandchildren,

Kimberly (John) Taube of Farmington and Lynn (Kirk) Rende of Redford; and great grandchildren, Nicholas and Alexis Rende.

Services were conducted on Saturday, March 13 at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth with Pastor James Huff officiating. Interment was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Memorials to St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 17810 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48152 would be appreciated.

PHILIP TOBIN

Phillip Tobin, 87, formerly of Novi, died March 11 in Naples, Fla.

Mr. Tobin graduated in 1930 from the University of Detroit School of Business and Finance. He was

founder and owner of the Automatic Valve Co. of Novi.

Mr. Tobin is survived by daughter, Susan Hutchins Crum; stepchildren, Dana (Kerr) Larkin and James (Leslie) Larkin; grandchildren, Jeff (Susan), Todd (Nancy), Jane, Paul (Jennifer), and Phillip (Amy) Hutchins; and eight great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sylvia and "Mickey" Tobin.

Services were held on Friday, March 19 at the Detroit First Church of the Nazarene in Novi.

Arrangements were made by Resurrection Funeral Home in Clinton Township.

Memorials to the Educational Fund, c/o Automatic Valve Co., Novi, MI 48375 would be appreciated.

Top H2O skiers to make a splash at Expo boat show

The H2O Ski Fest held March 20 and 21 during the seventh annual Spring Boating Expo at the Novi Expo Center March 18-21, is bringing in top-name, world championship skiers for seminars, demonstrations, autograph signing and much more.

Attendees can meet top professionals and teachers like wakeboarder Mike Weddington, barefooter Keith St. Onge, slalom champion Carl Roberge, show skiers Gretchen and Jim Post, and many more. They will be available to conduct hands-on training sessions.

This year, Ski Fest offers 35 percent more activities than in 1998, including the Friday evening Doubles Competition, demonstrations and instruction on Slalom, Trick and Jump, Show Skiing, Wakeboarding, Longboard, Lake Mak-

ing, Barefoot, Air Chair, USAWS Clinics, Collegiate Skiing, Physically Challenged Skiing, Training and Fitness, Equipment and Costume Swap, Equipment and Accessory Auction, and a special Hall of Fame luncheon.

Special registration is required to participate in the H2O Ski Fest. For more information call (248) 887-5729.

Admission is for the Spring Boating Expo is \$8.50 for adults, children under 12 are free with an adult.

Hours are Thursday and Friday, 2-9 p.m.; Saturday, noon-9 p.m.; and Sunday, noon-7 p.m. Parking: Paved, \$3 on-site.

For information on Spring Boating Expo call 1-800-224-3008. For information on H2O Ski Fest call (248) 887-5729.

MCI, Ameritech slug it out over dialing parity before Michigan Supreme Court

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

MCI, the long-distance telephone company, and Ameritech Michigan, the local telephone system, are slugging it out in the state Supreme Court over the middle-distance business.

In telephone jargon, the prize is the "IntraLATA" market - mid-distance calls to a neighboring town or county, though not long-distance. Ameritech has tight grip on IntraLATA.

The Michigan Public Service Commission, prodded by MCI and AT&T, ordered Ameritech to provide "dialing parity," and the Court of Appeals agreed. But Ameritech won't give up.

"A customer in Southfield calling Ann Arbor would have to dial an extra seven digits, in addition to the number," said David Vosges, an assistant attorney general representing the state PSC in March 11 oral arguments before the high court.

He referred to the 10-10-288 or 10-10-321 prefixes a caller must dial in order to have the mid-distance IntraLATA call handled more cheaply by a long-distance company instead of Ameritech.

"There's no doubt that requiring an extra seven digits has taken a large bite out of competition,"

Lark noted that in recent years Ameritech Michigan's flat rate went up 20 percent, from 15 to 18 cents per minute while Ameritech Illinois' rate fell from 12 to 7 cents per minute.

Under the PSC-ordered "dialing parity," a caller wouldn't have to dial the seven-digit prefix in order to use MCI or AT&T. Dialing parity was supposed to start Jan. 1, 1996.

The Supreme Court tries to decide cases within a year of hearing oral arguments. Easy decisions come out in a few weeks. Difficult ones like MCI take many months.

Arthur LeVasseur, AT&T's attorney, added that the PSC ordered a 55 percent discount by Ameritech "to the extent its orders weren't applied." He added, "The Court of Appeals found in 1997 that the Public Service Commission had authority to set a 55 percent discount rate. There's a constitutional issue."

Ameritech attorney Peter Ellsworth replied, "Competition goes both ways." He complained that a federal law says Ameritech must provide mid-distance dialing parity when it is allowed into the long-distance market. So far that hasn't happened.

"The inability of Ameritech to compete in IntraLATA long distance is a severe disability. It (Ameritech) has absolutely no ability to offer a package," Ellsworth told the justices.

Under federal law, said Ellsworth, there's a "linkage" between competitive markets for long-distance and mid-distance business. "But Ameritech never was granted relief to compete."

"In 1996 the U.S. Congress and the Michigan Legislature wrestled with the problem. Congress linked IntraLATA parity to InterLATA with two exceptions. One doesn't apply to Michigan."

"The other applies to states with dialing parity. This allows states to proceed with dialing parity, but not until Ameritech can compete in InterLATA," said Ellsworth, contending federal regulations are controlling over state law.

"This case is moot," said the Ameritech attorney, saying it should be held in abeyance and not decided by the Michigan Supreme Court. He said a U.S. Supreme Court decision held the Federal Communications Commission had authority to control IntraLATA (mid-distance) rates.

"It is not moot," shot back Albert Ernst for MCI. "We still have the 55 percent (discount) issue. Michigan could implement dialing parity on its own. Thirty-five states have implemented dialing parity. We (Michigan) can't get it."

"They (Ameritech) want to keep their 1+ monopoly."

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Above and center, Ohio tree-climbing champion Jeff Jackson demonstrates rescue techniques at a Michigan Forestry and Park Association seminar at MSU's Tollgate Farm last week.

Forester loves trees, but won't go out on limb for job

By JAN JEFFREES
Staff Writer

His grandfather's garden was the inspiration for Chris Pargoff's career. Three hundred rose bushes adorned the 60-foot wide Detroit lot and Pargoff, at the time just 10 years old, decided to cultivate some roses of his own. The hobby fascinates him to this day.

"Basically, it is something I was good at, growing things," he said. In 1991, Pargoff was hired by Novi to fill what was then the newly-created position of city forester.

Last month, he was recently named vice president of the Michigan Forestry and Park Association, the Michigan chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture. Among the chapter's duties is offering the ISA certified arborist program, which requires passing an exam and taking continuing education to re-certify.

Pargoff has been a certified arborist for eight years and since 1986, a Michigan certified nurseryman.

Rapid development has left many residents mourning the loss of old stands of trees. But new ones have been sprouting in the surrounding communities.

Novi has some 20,000 to 25,000 street trees of 45 varieties under Pargoff's care. 15,000 of them planted since the forester was hired. Street trees are those along major roads and between the curbs and sidewalks in subdivisions.

"They're a healthy batch, Pargoff said. "I'd say they're in good condition. We have some older subdivisions that need corrective trimming," he added.

Pargoff is partial to flowering trees, but as a history buff, he finds the sheer age of the plants amazing.

"Just the fact that they can get to be so big and old and some of the oldest living material on earth is trees," he said.

Once the city had a forester on staff, Novi successfully applied for and was designated a Tree City, USA, by the National Arbor Society for every year since 1991, with 1998's application still awaiting approval.

"Tree City is a national recognition for efforts the city puts forward for planting and tree care," Pargoff explained.

A typical work week will see Pargoff in the field about 35 percent of his time, with the rest taken up with office work. Naturally, it's a seasonal job, with Pargoff directing tree trimming crews in the winter, planting in the spring, lawn mowing and pruning in the summer, followed by some fall plantings and fertilization and winter-proofing of the stock.

Pargoff's active in Global Relief of Michigan's Big Tree Hunt, tracking down historic trees. Novi has a black walnut on private property that's 400 to 500 years old, he said, and swamp white oak some 250 years old in Abbey Hills subdivision on Eleven Mile Road. The oak is in the neighborhood's commons.

"It's in an area that the farmer didn't feel like farming," Pargoff said.

The black walnut is about 40 feet too short to qualify for a national championship, he added. Pargoff also



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Above, Novi City Forester Chris Pargoff in the field.

searches out and estimates ages of trees in surrounding communities. A former history teacher in the Detroit school system, almost 20 years ago Pargoff moved to Novi, where he operated his own nursery for the wholesale trade on Ten Mile Road west of Taft Road. He also had his own landscaping maintenance firm before becoming a city employee.

His wife, Louise, is a floral designer with Four Seasons in Northville. June is the time to drive by the family's Ten Mile home. Pargoff still loves roses and has 100 hybrid tea rose bushes in his yard.

Pargoff has a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Michigan and from Michigan State University, a bachelor's degree in horticulture and a master's degree in urban forestry.

"If you saw a fire engine at Tollgate Farm last week, the historic site was in no danger. The Michigan Forestry and Park Association and Michigan Arborist Association was hosting a seminar there teaching forestry professionals how to rescue injured tree trimmers. As much as Pargoff loves trees, he's likely to scale one.

"It's not a real safe business, it can be really hazardous. You have to be really alert when you're up in a tree. I carry a few too many pounds around me to be very effective," he said.

Whatever the court does, people approve

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

According to results of recent town hall meetings, the public thinks the court is doing a good job. They just don't know what the court does.

"We knew as judges we weren't well-known. We were surprised how little was known about our court," said 52-1 Judge Brian MacKenzie.

As a result of this, the 52-1 District Court is taking steps to make itself more visible, more accessible and more proactive.

According to MacKenzie, the court will make greater efforts to explain its operation through annual town hall meetings at one of the area's seven high schools each year and create a website for the court.

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Brian MacKenzie,
52-1 District Court Judge

MacKenzie said the court will ask students of those schools to help in the projects. This will, in turn, teach the students about the court system.

"We have commitment from four of seven of the school systems and all seven of the high schools," he said. "We will be planning them soon."

He added the meetings will focus on educating the public about the court.

The court will also open itself up to groups and individuals and adopt standards to make sure the court remains as open as possible, MacKenzie added.

Along with this, the court will create an information center to assist visitors. This center will be either an information desk staffed

with volunteers or a computerized station in the courthouse lobby, he said.

To meet its proactive goal, MacKenzie said the court will build upon its current programs, such as expanding the Tobacco and Alcohol Prevention Program to all the communities served by the 52-1 District Court.

Along with this, it is expanding efforts to require a convicted offender to give back to the community they took from. This will be in the form of a service or duty that will benefit the community as a whole, MacKenzie said.

In order to further implement new programs, MacKenzie said the court will be requesting to be designated as a "Pilot Court" by the Michigan Supreme Court.

This would make the 52-1 Dis-

trict Court the starting place for programs before they are implemented statewide.

MacKenzie said each of these goals are designed to, "Provide new ways of testing how good we are at what we do, so we can deliver the best services to the community we can."

He added the town hall meetings were valuable because they taught the court how it should interact with the community and provide services to the community.

The court is currently in the process of analyzing the results of surveys provided along with the meetings, MacKenzie said. The results will be looked at over the next couple of months, provide the court with further information for improvement.

SURVEY RESULTS

The following are some of the results of a recent survey given to area citizens about the 52-1 District Court:

- 46 people answered very familiar with the District Court
- 126 answered not at all familiar with the District Court
- 94 percent stated courtroom personnel usually or always were respectful.
- 90 percent stated judges usually or always were respectful.
- 95 percent said they felt safe in the courthouse.
- 90 percent said the court usually or always attempts to meet the special needs of people with physical or mental disabilities.

NYA event packed local lanes

Snow, high winds and bad roads could not keep the bowlers away from Novi Youth Assistance's 17th annual Bowl-a-Thon held March 6 at the Novi Bowl.

More than 100 bowlers munched on pizza provided by Dominos and bowled their afternoon away. Teams from the Novi Lionses, City of Novi, Novi Police Department, Orchard Hills Elementary, Novi Middle School, Novi Meadows, Novi Parks and Recreation, O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi Newcomers, Bam Wearables, Novi United Methodist Church, and J.C.K. participated in the Bowl-a-Thon. All the bowlers received door prizes provided by area businesses.

The high female bowler was Cathy Boyd with a 217, high female series was Janis Wagner with a 586. High male game went to Dan Davis with a 265 while Keith Tappan took the male high series with a 637.

The male youth high series went to Jeff Courter with a 548 while Matt Lewis took male youth high game with a 196. Nicole Race rolled a 372 for the female youth high series while Maggie O'Brien-Watt took female youth high game with a 128.

NYA raised \$10,000 in this year's event. Detective Paul Kelsling who was the top fund raiser brought in more than \$2,000 in pledges. All of the monies raised will help fund Novi Youth Assistance prevention programs such as the Summer Teen Center, the Camp Program, the Mentors Plus and the Recreation and Scholarship program.

Novi Youth Assistance is a non-profit community-based organization made up of volunteers dedicated to promoting healthy family lifestyles. Anyone interested in volunteering their time and talents can call (248) 347-0410.

Eateries sit well with city

Partying is an important part of the City of Novi's annual business, what with the Chilly Willy Festival, the Michigan 50s Festival, the Main Street Holiday Walk and most recently the 30th Anniversary Walk.

Monday night, Mayor Kathleen McAllen's mayoral award recognized a line-up of local eateries for their donations of time and staff to these civic events.

Honorees were the Border Cantina, China Cafe, Country Epicure, Guernsey Farms Dairy, Local Color Brewing Company, Maria's Italian Bakery and Maisano's Italian Restaurant.

Also, B.D.'s Mongolian BBQ, Mr. B's Farm, No. VI Chop House, Oxford Inn Tavern, Panera, Red Hot & Blue, Steve & Rocky's, TGI Fridays and Too Chee.

Walsh recruits its own grad

Barbara Murphy of New Hudson has joined Walsh College as a recruiter/admissions advisor stationed at the Novi campus. She is responsible for corporate recruiting as well as recruiting and advising students at the Orchard Ridge campus of Oakland Community College.

Prior to joining Walsh College, Murphy worked at ASG Renaissance, a consulting firm specializing in placing information systems personnel and engineers for top automotive companies and Manpower Technical Division.

Murphy has a bachelor's degree in business from Walsh College.

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MONDAY, MARCH 22
 10:00 a.m. — Home for Life: Household Electrical Repair
 10:30 a.m. — The Cutting Room Floor
 11:00 a.m. — Harvest Ministries
 11:30 a.m. — Cosby and Company: Charter Schools
 12:00 p.m. — Interventions World
 12:30 p.m. — Ministry: Water Baptism
 12:57 p.m. — (cont'd)
 1:30 p.m. — Adventures With Prairie Pete
 1:50 p.m. — Consumer Corner: Youth Employment
 2:00 p.m. — Financial Strategies: Estate Planning
 2:30 p.m. — Varsity Hockey: Novati versus Northville
 3:00 p.m. — (cont'd)

3:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 4:00 p.m. — Out in the Open IV: The Heidelberg Project
 4:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 5:00 p.m. — Win, What, Where, Y
 5:30 p.m. — Up Close Today: Tyra Banks
 6:00 p.m. — Good News for Healthy Living: First Aid at Home
 6:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy
 7:00 p.m. — Crater Connection
 7:30 p.m. — Aviation Journal
 8:00 p.m. — Irish Dance '99 Part I
 8:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 9:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
 9:30 p.m. — Groove Session: Rain-bow Drama Guild

TUESDAY, MARCH 23
 10:00 a.m. — Legislative Forum
 10:30 a.m. — Global Connections: American Memories
 11:00 a.m. — Law Talk: Steven S. Toth

11:30 a.m. — (cont'd)
 12:00 p.m. — Summit University
 12:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 1:00 p.m. — Orphan In The Sands
 1:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
 2:30 p.m. — Center for New Thinking: Bill Clinton and the Presidency
 3:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
 3:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 4:00 p.m. — Hockey: Livonia versus Farmington Hills
 4:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 5:00 p.m. — The Way, The Truth, and The Life
 5:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen: Kathleen McLallen
 6:00 p.m. — The Forum for Community Opportunities
 6:30 p.m. — Community Connection
 7:00 p.m. — Fitness Motivators: Interval Step Aerobics

7:30 p.m. — Financial Strategies: Estate Planning
 8:00 p.m. — Salon Glamour and Etiquette With Gloria: Facial Skin Care, All Texture
 8:30 p.m. — Let's Talk With Ben Marks: Paul Weldon
 9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24
 10:00 a.m. — Potpourri: Novati Charity Auction
 10:30 a.m. — MDOT Today
 11:00 a.m. — Huntington's Disease Update
 11:30 a.m. — Hippy Hopp East-er's On Its Way
 12:00 p.m. — Legally Speaking: One Judge, One Family
 12:30 p.m. — On the Job With Sen. Abraham: Poison Awareness
 1:00 p.m. — Study in Scripture
 1:30 p.m. — AMVETS
 2:00 p.m. — Restoration Now

2:30 p.m. — Harvest Ministries
 3:00 p.m. — Mr. Blue Fuzzy Show
 3:30 p.m. — Groove Session: Rain-bow Drama Guild
 4:00 p.m. — Crater Connection
 4:30 p.m. — Community Connection: Senex/Farmington Musicale/AARP
 5:00 p.m. — Aviation Journal
 5:30 p.m. — Irish Dance '99 Part II
 6:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
 6:30 p.m. — Imagination Tree: Horton Hears A Who
 7:00 p.m. — Adventures With Pirate Pete
 7:30 p.m. — Cosby and Company: Charter Schools
 8:00 p.m. — Novati Street Beat Live
 8:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
 9:00 p.m. — Hockey: Livonia versus Novati
 9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

THURSDAY, MARCH 25
 10:00 a.m. — Fitness Motivators:

Interval Step Aerobics
 10:30 a.m. — Hummus Made Easy
 11:00 a.m. — Abundant Life Arabic Ministries
 11:30 a.m. — People Who Make Things Happen: Kathleen McLallen
 12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy
 12:30 p.m. — Welcome to the New Millennium: Sarah McChristian
 1:00 p.m. — The Elegant Life: The Buckle Lady
 1:30 p.m. — That's Italian Ciao Band
 2:00 p.m. — Mountain Ski Series: The Soul of New England Skiing
 2:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
 3:00 p.m. — Wise Guys: Wrestlers
 3:30 p.m. — Adventures With Pirate Pete
 4:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Steven Toth
 4:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 5:00 p.m. — Shaarey Zedek
 5:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

Relief's on the way for sports park

Those who use Novati Community Sports Park have been clamoring for facilities at the park.

But when the City of Novati issued a request for proposals for an architect to design two restroom and concessions buildings at Eight Mile and Naper Road site, no one applied. Local architects are too busy. Parks and Recreation Director Don Davis reported in a memo to the City Council.

So, the city went recruiting. Architectural firm David Mielock Associates of Northville was willing to do the job for \$17,200, \$2,800 less than anticipated in the park's budget. Monday, the council awarded David Mielock Associates the contract.

Construction is expected to be completed this year.

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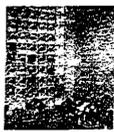
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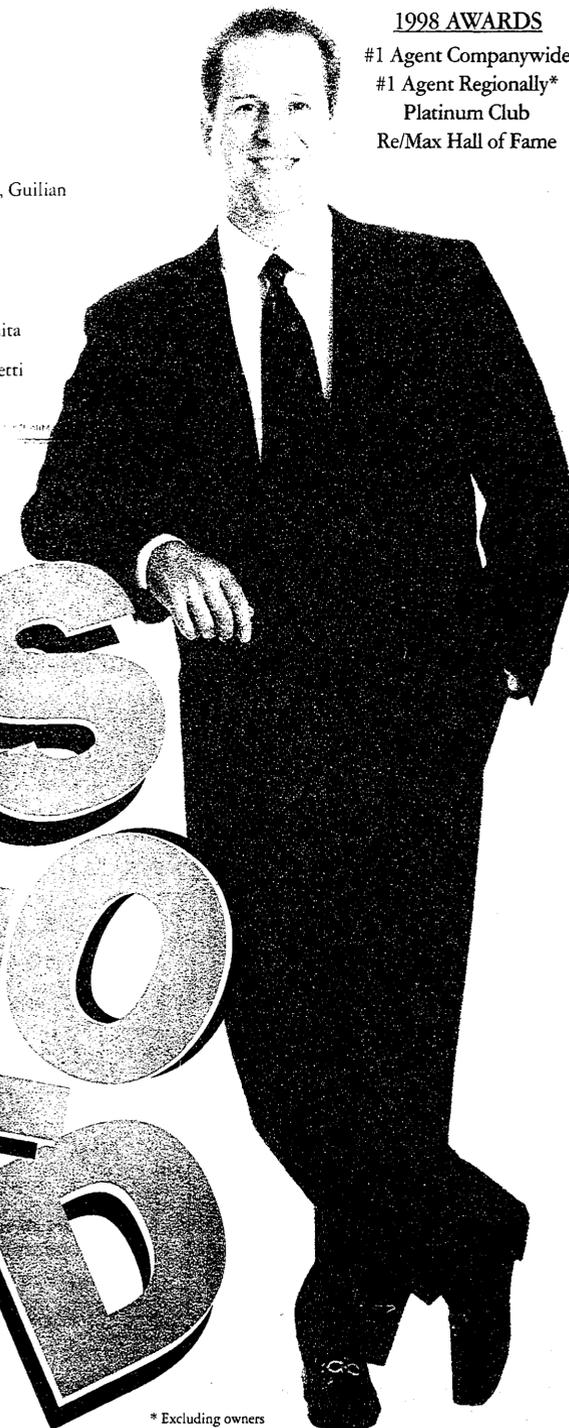
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Wetlands spark hot debate

By JEREMY MCBAIN

Novi city council members and the planning commission are in a heated debate over the city's wetlands ordinance. The ordinance, which would require developers to preserve or restore wetlands on their property, has been a controversial issue since it was first proposed in 1995. The city council has held several public hearings on the issue, and the planning commission has held several public hearings as well. The ordinance is currently being reviewed by the city council, and a final decision is expected in the next few weeks.

The ordinance is being challenged by several developers, who argue that it is too restrictive and will hinder economic development in the city. They also argue that the ordinance is not based on sound science and that it will be difficult to enforce. The city, on the other hand, argues that the ordinance is necessary to protect the city's natural resources and to prevent environmental damage. The city also argues that the ordinance is based on sound science and that it will be easy to enforce.

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Planners confront council over letter

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thing about it principally out of respect for the mayor. "What you did was irresponsible. It was embarrassing to me. It was untrue and I expect an apology," he added. "Unless you want every action you take to be taken to the U.S. Attorney General, state Attorney General and anybody else I can find, I suggest we start doing it within the confines of these bodies and that I don't ever want to see another letter like that again. I expect an apology and I expect it on the front page of The Novi News."

Lorenzo said she was simply asking questions in her letter and was not making accusations. "I was looking for legal guidance," she said about the letter. "I am not an attorney."

Watzka responded to Lorenzo's explanation that the letter only contained questions, saying, "You can put a question mark after a statement, it is still a statement. It is delimitary. I have not done any-

and city council members said they did not want to see anymore issues like this brought out in the public. They spoke of creating a non-public process to deal with such complaints.

"I think all of us are representatives to the city and have access to cable TV and have access to the media much easier than most members of community. We need to grade our actions on a higher standard than other citizens. I think we should have some kind of controls if we overstep bounds and take inappropriate action," Capello said. "I think we should be subject to some type of review and some type of ramifications. That [review] should not be in-house, it should be through an independent body," he said.

He added he is concerned with the number of planning commissioners who have to abstain from voting due to potential conflicts. "My problem is, we have a commission that is overloaded with individuals that may have more concerns with developers," he said.

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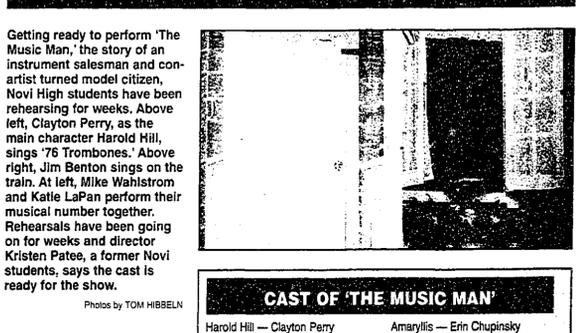
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Music Man performances set to start

By JEREMY MCBAIN

The Novi High School Performing Arts Department will be presenting Meredith Wilson's "The Music Man" starting at 7:30 p.m. March 25 through 27 in the Novi High School auditorium. Kristin Patee, a former Novi High School student who is directing the production, said the performance is very challenging due to the difficult music and high energy dancing, but the cast members are coming along great.

"They have recently cleaned up the dancing and it is polished," she said. "The singing is just great." The Music Man is a story of a traveling salesman in the early 1900s named Harold Hill, who specializes in the sale of band instruments and band uniforms. However, Harold is a con-man, every town that he visits he never fulfills his musical orders and disappears with the townspeople's money.

Harold meets his match in River City, Iowa, when he falls in love with Marian, the town librarian. This turns Harold into a model citizen. Throughout the story, the audience meets town bands, barber-shop quartets and various other musical characters. Patee said the hardest part to play in the musical is that of Harold, which is being played by Novi High School student Clayton Perry. "He has a very physically difficult part. He is in just about every scene and has a lot of rhythmic singing that is difficult. On top of that, he is dancing," Patee said.

She added, Perry is doing a great job at overcoming these challenges. Another actor Patee said was coming along beautifully was Dave Langham, who plays the part of Harold's sidekick, Marcellus. "He is absolutely wonderful. He makes my job easier," she said. Patee said the entire cast has been doing great and seems very excited about performing this musical.

that seem to draw kids back," she said. "Dancing is something they don't do everyday."

Along with the work the cast is putting into the play, Patee said she is also excited over the work put into set design and costumes. Each costume is color coordinated to match the set, she said. The set includes a one-scale small house that opens up on stage, she said. It was built with the help of parents and the cast members themselves.

While the audience can enjoy at the singing and dancing skills of the cast members and marvel at the work put into the set and costumes, Patee said the audience will find this production will get them excited and energized.

"This musical is high energy and the crowd really gets into it," she said. Tickets are \$7 pre-sale, \$8 at the door and \$5 for senior citizens and children under 12. They are on sale now at the high school main office. Call (248) 449-1500.

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As We See It

Park for mitigation land is a perfect use of site

Just what do you do with a swamp? It used to be that you just filled it in and built a subdivision or a mall on the site.

These days, we're a little more enlightened about the value of wetlands — as a place for stormwater retention so our homes don't flood, as nature's filtering system to clear pollutants out of our surface waters, as a natural habitat for wild plants and animals.

These days we save wetlands. And when we can't save 'em, we move 'em. That's how there came to be 106 acres on the corner of the northeast corner of Garfield and Nine Mile roads with a great deal of swamp land on it. In 1995, the Michigan Department of Transportation trucked out 400,000 cubic yards of dirt to create a 35-acre wetlands, to compensate for the 44 acres of wetlands lost to the construction of the Haggerty Connector. The mitigation supplemented wetlands already there.

Now the city wants to take over the land from the MDOT and put a passive recreation park on it. Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis suggests building a parking lot, nature trails, observation decks and a comfort station there to open the land up to public use as park.

The city will have to clear up some deed restrictions before it takes over the land to make sure it can utilize it that way.

Frankly, it's a great idea. Not much else you can do with preserved wetlands, after all. And since it is preserved, you might as well put a few walkways there so the general public can look at and enjoy the natural habitat



Recreation

their tax dollars have been used to save.

There isn't enough passive park land in the city anyway. Those parks that the city has tend to be used for more active recreation, like soccer and softball. While there is nothing wrong with that, residents aren't likely to be satisfied communing with nature when they are sitting in the middle of a ballfield. So the idea of more passive park land, where residents can actually have some nature to observe, is very appealing.

The idea is worthy of praise. We'd encourage the city to move ahead. We'd even suggest they consider adding a nature center at some point in the future, so residents can learn more about the wetlands preserved there.

And the protestations heard from some residents of the surrounding area aren't convincing.

In fact, we'd suggest their arguments actually make the case for the park.

"For us, we've got it made here. We've got our own private reserve, we wouldn't want to see it opened up," said one.

No, government is not in the business of providing private reserves for a few select residents.

Rather, the land purchased with tax dollars should indeed be made available for everyone's use.

Trying times at newspaper



Chris Davis

More thoughts and random observations on life... This job can be emotionally trying at times, but when I have the chance to give a tour of the Northville Record / Novi News office to community groups, I come away with a sense of renewal. Such was the case when a pack of Cub Scouts and Tiger Cubs came through the office a few weeks back. If your group has an interest in seeing the paper in action, give me a call. I'd be happy to accommodate you.

After covering this wonderful recall effort (township v. school board lawsuit issue), I'm more convinced than ever that people have forgotten that sitting down over a cup of coffee will solve more than any attorney ever could, and at a savings that will make your head spin.

We're living in one of the most litigious areas in Michigan. It's the easiest thing in the world these days to pick up the phone and send a lawyer out for someone if you don't like the way they're looking at you.

Hey — if someone's jerking your chain, talk to them about it. Save the lawyers for closing deals on homes or reading a will.

I'm happy to hear Walled Lake school authorities have decided to keep the non-savastika symbol in the school, and even happier to hear the school has decided to place a plaque near the symbol giving an explanation of its existence.

I certainly sympathize with those who believe the bent cross to be a representation of something that isn't, but misunderstanding and ignorance is no excuse for punishing non-political incorrectness. Education is the only way to combat the inevitable knee-jerk reactions. For what it's worth, while reviewing copies of the Northville Record which were framed in rear-savastikas, if you want to accuse

the district of insensitivity, then sign the paper up, too. A close friend of mine was asked to distribute pamphlet displays for a charity event benefiting the American Diabetes Association last week. The displays stood about 3 inches wide and 7 inches tall. There was no obligation requested on the part of the businesses, besides making sure the display standing upright. (Gravity would take care of 99 percent of that task, too.)

So it amazed me at the number of big chain stores which told her that they couldn't allow her to set up the displays without first getting corporate approval. Is this a joke? Come on, franchisers — it's high time you quit being so super-mega-ultra contentious of every minute detail and let non-profits like the ADA a few square inches of your space.

Oh, wait — how silly of me. That might mean competition for space for your in-store credit card displays. Just forget I even brought it up.

Another excerpt from the *Newswriter's Guide To Living*: It's a great feeling to get caught by your wife drinking milk straight from the carton, and rather than being lambasted, be asked to pass it to her when you're done.

It's nice to see spring start to show its face, if only a little bit. Yes, the nights are still chilly, and I haven't put away the snow shovel quite yet, but the hardware stores are getting lawnmowers and barbecues on the shelves. The four seasons truly are something special.

Your days are numbered, Titanic fans. Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace hits the screen in just eight more weeks. A friend of mine who has an intimate knowledge of the film industry tells me that this flick is going to force a reexamination of the term "blockbuster movie." I'd like to tell you I'll be at the theater on opening day, but from what I've heard, the first screening is already sold out in many locations.

One thing is for absolute certain — Episode I won't be what I call "STV," or "straight to videocassette."

Chris C. Davis is a staff writer for the Northville Record and Novi News.

Departure speaks to state of politics



Phil Power

chard had been considering running against Republican freshman Sen. Spencer Abraham.

Like most potential candidates, Abraham has been working on fund-raising. Aiming at a \$9 million war chest for his campaign, last week he raised \$1 million at a single event in Livonia. But Abraham was widely regarded as vulnerable, especially to Blanchard, a skilled campaigner and still a popular former governor who served with distinction as ambassador to Canada.

Blanchard's departure from the race says more about the sad state to which our politics has descended than it does about Abraham's relative vulnerability. Over the weekend, Blanchard and I talked at length about the state of politics affected it.

Power: "It seems as though state-of-the-art politics has turned into little more than an exercise in fund-raising."

Blanchard: "I'm afraid that's true. (U.S. Sen.) Carl Levin told me he went to 250

fund-raisers for his last campaign, and I know that I'd have to do something close to that if I decided to run. Politicians today tend to look at people as though they're walking wallets. It's gotten completely out of hand."

Power: "Moreover, the kind of mud-slinging and personal abuse would make anybody but the toughest flinch before getting into a bid race."

Blanchard: "There's a rule of thumb in politics: You have to want to get elected to whatever office you're running for with every atom of your heart and every piece of your soul. If you have any hesitation at all, it's wise not to do it."

Power: "Campaigns used to be regarded as an opportunity for public debate about issues and a chance for people to show what they're like. Has that changed, too?"

Blanchard: "Entirely. I got into politics because of ideas and people. Ideas to help people. But people, especially, I love old-fashioned campaigning because it puts you directly in touch with people. Media campaigns are just the reverse. They take the candidate away from the people, and they're the main reason politics has gotten so expensive and requires so much fund-raising."

Power: "So how are you going to contribute? Are you going to withdraw entirely from public service?"

Blanchard: "No. I'm going to be working hard and elect (Vice President) Al Gore. I can live a life of public service, accomplish a lot, have a lot of fun without all the invec-tive and hate, without running for elective office. That's why I took the job as ambas-

sador, and that's why I wrote my book on that experience. I wanted to show young people it's still possible for folks to contribute to society in other ways than running for office."

Blanchard's answers to my questions — thoughtful, humane, practical — helped persuade me that his decision not to make the race for the Senate was the best decision for him... and the worst outcome for the people of Michigan. Because, whether you're a Democrat or a Republican, people like Jim Blanchard are exactly the sort who should be making the race for significant office in our country.

No doubt the Democrats will come up with a credible candidate to run against Sen. Abraham. But the net effect of what has happened to our politics in recent years is to have deterred from running for public office precisely the kinds of able, effective, thoughtful and sane people who should be in positions of responsibility in a democracy. Sadly for the republic, the field is increasingly being left to the insecure and the egomaniacal, the wealthy and the passionately ideological.

Is this why I'm not surprised Geoffrey Fieger is talking about running for the Senate?

Phil Power has known Gov. Blanchard for years and served as chair of job training with Blanchard under Governor. Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network, Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@eoonline.com.

Congratulations to ...

... Beth Belter

It wasn't altogether a surprise when Beth Belter was named the winner of this year's Distinguished Service Award by the Novi Jaycees, announced Saturday at the annual Community Recognition Breakfast.

She's been an extraordinarily active volunteer in the community, particularly over the past year.

Belter's efforts to get the Novi Community that Cares Coalition and its offshoot, the After School program, going have really been quite impressive. She's given innumerable hours to the projects, and she's convinced many others to work similarly hard on the programs.

There are those who admit they were originally leery of both programs and their potential for success, but now say

they're convinced by the public response and popularity the programs enjoy.

The CTC, aimed at combating drug abuse among youngsters, identified the need for a place for 10- to 14-year-olds to "hang out" between the time school lets out and when parents get home. And just like that Belter and the CTC turned around and launched the After School program.

That's a great "get it done" attitude, something this world could use a little more of. And of course Belter has been active elsewhere, with the Novi Middle School Parent Teacher Organization and on the board of directors for the Roma Ridge Homeowners Association.

It is an honor well deserved. Congratulations to Beth Belter.

... Russ Button and family

When The Novi News started giving out Lifetime Achievement Awards, Russ Button was one of the people we had in mind. Button and community activists like him should be honored, we thought, for their accomplishments on behalf of Novi over the years.

Russ wasn't there to accept the award Saturday when we gave it at the Novi Jaycees DSA breakfast. He passed away in 1995. So instead, the award was presented posthumously. Daughter Rose Button received the award. Wife Nesby and son Russ Jr. were there to watch.

Russ served back in the 1950s and

60s on the Novi Village Board. He sat on the Charter Commission for the Village and again on the Charter Commission when Novi became a city. He engineered both Haggerty and Novi roads. He brought water and sewer lines to the Novi Village area. He was the originator of the Ring Road concept, a project the city is now working to complete. He was always active and involved in city happenings.

We would do well to remember not only how the city came to be, but who those who helped it along. Congratulations to Russ Button and his family.

... Nominees and winners

Being nominated for a DSA is, in and of itself, quite an honor. It means you've worked hard for the community and that others have recognized your efforts.

This year, the nominees were Linda Corless, Tom McMahon, Elinor Holland and Jeff Russell.

They deserve congratulations. Likewise, employees of the city were

honored. As we all know, there is a difference between doing your job and showing dedication.

Andrew Pless was named Firefighter of the Year. Aaron Poyer received honors as Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. Tim Zylka was named City Employee of the Year.

Congratulations to on honors well deserved.

In Focus

By John Heider



Matt Ericson and Robert Lewis concentrate on their drawings in a cartoning class at Orchard Hills

Being young is hard work

Road named for early settler



Barbara Louie

Many easterners came to Michigan via that route, and a number continued even further west. One such destination was Fort Dearborn, which became the city of Chicago. Enough early travelers passed along the rugged Indian trail in 1825 to warrant the establishment of a Detroit-to-Chicago road. First called the Sauk Trail, the road was known for many years as, simply, the Chicago Road. It is what we know today as Michigan Avenue.

The creation of the road also led to the settlement of many communities en route, and Timothy and Rachel Sheldon were among those who found their Michigan home as a result of traveling this pathway.

Like the well-known innkeeper Conrad "Coo" Ten Eyck years before them, who opened an inn along the same road just outside of Dearborn, the Sheldons decided to do the same. They built a roomy inn along the side of the Chicago Road which served many a traveler well during the settlement of Michigan in 1820s-1830s.

The Sheldon's probably couldn't have picked a more ideal spot for their inn. As if serving as a convenient resting place for weary travelers passing by wasn't enough, in 1831, approval came for the establishment of a territorial road.

The report of March 3, 1831 described the route of the Territorial Road "...commencing at or near the inn of Timothy S. Sheldon, on the Chicago road, in the township of Plymouth, and running thence through the village of Ann Arbor west to the mouth of St. Joseph's river... all the way to the shores of Lake Michigan.

The Sheldon's remained on their farm, running their inn, at the crossroads of the Chicago, Territorial (now Geddes) and North (later to be called Sheldon) roads. According to Canton historian Diane Wilson, by 1835 the area became known as Sheldon's Corners. It soon evolved into a small town, including "a one-room school, two churches, blacksmith shops, cobbler shop, two general stores, a creamery, and several well-ordered homes."

Timothy Sheldon served his namesake community well, as the first postmaster of the village and a trustee of the Methodist church.

When a railroad line was opened in 1837, Sheldon Village was on the route to and from Detroit and Ypsilanti.

The intersection of Sheldon, Geddes and Michigan roads, once known as Sheldon's Corners, is today a busy one more so than Timothy Sheldon ever could have imagined. Writing to his cousin John Pitts Sheldon in 1839, Timothy stated, "...the rage for emigration has increased beyond calculation. If one could judge from what the people say in these towns, there would be...room [no longer]."

Barbara Louie is the author of the book No. 61 on the Trail as well as other local history books.

Problem with evaluating judiciary

To the Editor: This is in response to the opinion article by Phil Power (Special Interest Money Now Engulf's State's Highest Court, in which Mr. Power claims that "the tidal wave of special interest money previously focused largely on the Michigan Legislature, has now engulfed our state's highest court."

He expresses concern for the appearance of bias by certain members of the Michigan Supreme Court resulting from campaign contributions they received from business groups. Mr. Power also suggests that it may be a conflict of interest for a judge who accepts a campaign contribution from the Michigan Chamber of Commerce to rule in the future on cases in which the chamber may have an interest.

There are several problems with Mr. Power's approach to evaluating judicial campaigns and court proceedings, including his apparent bias.

Interestingly and not coincidentally, I suspect, Mr. Power chose two examples for his article that just happen to be candidates nominated by the Republican Party: Michigan Supreme Court Justice Clifford Taylor and Justice Maura Corrigan. The impression he leaves is that the campaign contributions from business groups are not as appropriate as those from contributors to other judicial candidates.

Mr. Power does not mention any of the Democratic justices or candidates and the money they raised. Further analysis is informative.

One of the Democratic candidates for Supreme Court, Wayne County Judge Susan Borman, received over \$640,000. Apparently in Power's view, this is not enough to raise the suspicion of bias. Of that sum, over \$100,000 was donated by lawyers from one plaintiff's personal injury law firm.

Letters

Sheriff promises Internet safety

To the Editor: As a state Senator, I was very active in instituting legislation that dealt with sex offenders and protecting our children from those who would do them harm. Now, as the Oakland County Sheriff, I have the unique opportunity to implement those tools to protect our children. One operation that I am very proud of, and one which has already shown results, is our cyber-sting — to apprehend pedophiles that are preying on children through the Internet.

More and more children are using the Internet and visiting chat rooms. Parents should be aware that inappropriate contact is often occurring. This threat has prompted us to "patrol" the World Wide Web for pedophiles. After one of my sergeants went undercover, acting as a 14-year-old Independence Township girl named "Jenna," he was contacted by a man who was 50 years old. During six weeks of chatting with him, the subject spoke about kiddie-porn, meetings for sex, and sent pornographic pictures of himself and children. At this point, we moved in and apprehended him for trafficking child pornography which is a felony in Michigan, punishable by up to seven years in prison. Like many pedophiles, he had a prior arrest for sexual molestation of a child. The average pedophile has over 100 victims. This is why it is so important to continue the fight

against such predators. This type of activity, unfortunately, is only going to grow unless we work together to protect our children. Such arrests will hopefully make predators afraid to prey on someone over the Internet. For your part, as parents, there are ways of making sure your child is safe from predators. Make sure you keep the computer where you can monitor your child's use. Consider software programs that will block your child's access to sexually oriented Internet sites. Never give out personal information, such as an address, phone number, credit card, photo or checking account numbers. Make sure your child knows that someone who claims to be a child or teenager on-line may be an adult. Lastly, ask your child to tell an adult immediately if they receive a message that makes them uncomfortable. Also, ask them to promise never to get together with anyone they meet on-line without asking you. These are helpful guidelines from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Again, I strongly believe that by working together we can beat these reprehensible people who use the Internet as a weapon against innocent children. I will do all I can to see that every child can feel safe in their own home. Although this is a relatively new technology, I feel confident that we can make an impact on these sort of crimes and have pedophiles frightened to solicit on-line. If you find that someone has tried to contact your child or if you have any questions relating to the safety of your child or yourself, please feel free to contact your local police department or the Oakland County Sheriff's Department at (248) 858-4950.

Michael J. Bouchard, Sheriff

'Use it or lose it' plan for elections



Tim Richard

This column started out as an April Fools joke. Then I took a trip to the local library, and it got serious.

My idea for civic reform is called "Use it or lose it." Any local election where voter turnout was less than 10 percent would be declared null and void.

The proposal is aimed at school elections in June. Typical turnouts are 10 to 15 percent. Only when there's a controversial money issue on the ballot do 20 or 25 percent turn out. Many elections are decided by a 3 percent turnout.

Well, my "Use it or lose it" plan would block that. If just 8 percent of voters turned out, the bond issue would lose, even if 95 percent of those voting said "yes." Only elections with at least a 10 percent turnout could be valid.

Scanning the library shelf, I came across the Feb. 21 edition of the Los Angeles Times with a page one story that many cities were canceling their elections. These included the famed Beverly Hills (inc. 1915), Lakewood, San Gabriel, Hidden Hills and City of Industry.

That was in Los Angeles County alone. Other elections were canceled in Orange and Ventura counties. It seems that if there are no contests, the clerk can cancel the election, and those on the ballot are declared elected. Saves money.

My plan is different. If the turnout were too low, the posts wouldn't be filled at all, and the money proposals would fall.

This brings us to the question of why voter turnouts are so dismal. In L.A., city officials say they're doing such a good job that the lack of competition signifies the public is ecstatic with their performance.

Michigan's low school turnouts are a bit of an optical illusion. For decades, we have had an increasing amount of deadwood on the voter rolls — people who have died or moved, but their registrations haven't been canceled.

Bill Ballenger, in his Inside Michigan Politics newsletter, tells of a petition circulator whose work was challenged before the

state Board of Canvassers. Seems the lady had registered to vote in six different places in Detroit. To her credit, she voted only once, but her five deadwood registrations never were canceled.

Democrats love deadwood. In Michigan, they fought long and hard to prevent inactive voters on the rolls for 10 years. In Congress, they twice passed "Motor Voter" bills so that states would have to register people at welfare, unemployment and public health offices — but not at banks or churches. Good George Bush vetoed it in 1992. Clinton signed it in 1993. Even aliens were registered.

Michigan's Secretary of State Candice Miller has worked to set up a computerized master voter list. As soon as you register in a new location, your old registration is canceled. Of more than six million registered voters, she reports, 600,000 were deadwood and have been removed.

With a smaller denominator, our percentage turnouts won't look so bad. What looked like a 5 percent turnout now will become a 5.5 percent turnout. Now that we have good registration numbers, it's time to try the "Use it or lose it" plan.

Phil Power has a plan for improving public knowledge of, and participation in, school elections. As soon as Tim explain it in future editions, His plan is superb. Stay tuned.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events. His voice mail number is (734) 953-2047 ext. 1881.

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Christina DiMaggio, MD, recently joined the practice of David Clarke, MD, Robert Dodds, MD, and Kang-Lee Tu, MD. As a specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology, she provides prenatal care to women and their developing babies, as well as routine medical care to women throughout their lives. She has a special interest in childbirth, infertility, and wellness care.

Upon earning her medical degree at Wayne State University, Dr. DiMaggio went on to complete her internship and residency at Providence Hospital. She is a member of the American Medical Association and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

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America's Freedom and the Future

By KYLE SMITH

We have indeed come very far in America, as far as freedoms go. We have learned new ways and developed new systems. But we are not done yet. There are still many things that we need to work on — as a unified country. In the future, I feel that we should strongly work at creating a completely free country, one in which everyone has equal rights. It can be done.

One issue that sticks out in my mind is the black/white issue in America. Even though we have come so far in creating a progressive free country, we are not done yet and there is more work that can be done. There is too much conflict in parts of the country, and the civil rights movement is as difficult a struggle today for blacks as it was long ago. You often hear on the news and read in the newspaper about racial crimes. Until we put an end to this we will not solve the problem. Many solutions could be created, and this is an issue that needs to be addressed by our

and persevered through many struggles in our past to get to where we are. From the Revolutionary and Civil wars to the civil rights movement, we have overcome many challenges to reach our goal and move on to where we want to be. We Americans are very lucky to live in this country. There are so many things that we can do, that people in other countries only dream about.

So keeping our many freedoms in mind, we should think about our freedoms and not take them for granted. It is important to take advantage of the simple things, like voting, holding a job, being able to speak our minds, write our thoughts, and have the freedom to live our lives the way we want to, not the way our government of anyone else wants us to. We should take advantage of our freedoms as such as voting when there is an election, or voicing our opinion when a meeting is being held to discuss an issue that would affect us. These are just two of the simple things we can do to take advantage

of our great freedoms. We live in a great country and have many great freedoms. That is something to celebrate and to work at to improve in the future.

Kyle Smith is a seventh grader. He was the Essay Contest Winner for his grade level at the Novi Jaycees Distinguished Services Award Community Recognition Breakfast Saturday at Vic's Market.

ESSAY WINNERS

Kyle Smith and Kristin Hamer are students at Novi Middle School. They were chosen from a field of 52 essay writers as the winners of the Novi Jaycees annual essay contest. Awards were presented at the annual DSA Community Recognition Breakfast Saturday at Pierce Elementary School in Waterford.

Belter honored for 'outstanding service'

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Belter said she thought the honor was wonderful and never expected it. She said one of the speakers at the DSA banquet Saturday described best what she felt by saying, "When you do what we do, you don't expect to be recognized for it."

Belter's success in the volunteer projects she has taken on is that she puts her all into it, she said.

"You just gotta go for it. If you believe in what you are doing, then you have got to find a way to do it," she said.

"A lot of people used to ask me, 'Why do you volunteer?' I used to say, 'To show my kids and others around me the joy of giving to others,'" Belter said.

She added she believes the benefits of volunteering are many times more rewarding than getting a paycheck.

While Belter was named the DSA recipient for her volunteer work, four other Novi residents were also nominated for their contributions to the community.

They were Linda Corless, Tom McMahon, Elaine Holland and Jeff Russell.

Corless was nominated for her work as a volunteer at Novi Meadows Elementary School, Novi Middle School and Novi High School.

She has also served over the past year as HTD president of Novi Woods, and as the editor for the school yearbook.

McMahon was nominated for his work encouraging and supporting the residents of Charter House of Novi. He has also worked with the Knights of Columbus and St. James Church to provide the resi-

Button remembered in achievement award

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met his future wife, Nesby, at a dance for military intelligence types. She was a West Virginian working in Navy intelligence.

After the war, the pair returned to Novi. Button purchased a bulldozer and worked in excavation on projects such as St. Mary's College and Madonna College. He was in charge of engineering and excavation for roads like Beck Road and Flint Street. In the 1950s and 1960s, Button did the excavation work for Novi's first real subdivisions: Clark subdivision, Willowbrook and Meadowbrook Lake.

He was also an inventor, including a steam engine he patented to help farmers, his daughter said.

Button patented a design for a four-foot concrete mobile home pad in the 1950s and designed Country Cousins, Novi's first mobile home company. Building began in 1963 at the Haggerty Road site.

His goal, Rose Button said, was "to give everybody the chance at the American dream of owning their own home."

"He decided not everybody was blessed with a lot of money," she explained.

Crawford remembers another example of Button's creative mind. He was an avid deer hunter.

"He invented a contraption like a bucket that you sat on and it had a fire in it and put a parka over you and you were warm for deer hunting," Crawford said.

Former Novi police chief Lee



Rose Button, center, accepted the Lifetime Achievement Award to Russ Button posthumously on behalf of her father. There to see the presentation were his grandsons Brandon and Aaron Crain, Russ Button Jr., and wife Nesby Button.

BeGole recalls a time in the mid-1950s when hunting became a major issue in Novi. No restrictions on the sport existed and the police department was swamped with complaints about hunters trespassing on private property and shooting out homeowners' windows.

Button, then on the village council, proposed a new ordinance that required a landowner of five acres or more to apply for two hunting permits.

"He got it through and we issued thousands of permits. Anybody who

saw out hunting, we drove out and asked if they had a permit. Boy, did that cut it down," BeGole added.

"In the first year, we had the hunting problem under control. Russ Button always came in and got hunting permit number one and two."

Former city clerk Gerry Stipp met Button in 1959 when he was on the village council and remembers how he never raised his voice. Both the Methodist and Baptist churches and was a leader with the Novi Chamber of Commerce. He owned a number of old houses and

allowed the Novi Jaycees to use them for their annual haunted houses.

As a businessman, Button knew the value of advertising. Stipp said he's pay a \$100 filing fee for many Novi city council elections, then never campaign for the job.

"He'd always lay down his money to put his name in on the last day. He said, 'that's the cheapest advertising I could buy.' Stipp added.

Button served as engineer for Glen Eden Cemetery on Eight Mile Road until his retirement in his late 70s. He is buried there.

America's Freedom — Moving into the Millennium — A Modernizing Society

By KRISTIN HAMER

As we move into the new millennium, the Constitution will need to change to reflect the modernization of our society.

Throughout the years since the Constitutional Convention in 1787, the evolution of society and the individuals ability to affect the outside world have greatly increased. This calls for a new constitution, or a significant change in the current one.

When the Constitution was written, it was designed mainly to limit the government's power. At that time, the Constitution was respected as the Supreme Law of the Land. When the drafters of the Constitution granted us the right to bear arms, the arms that they had couldn't kill people to the extent of our weapons today.

Today, our weapons can be used for mass destruction and can kill hundreds of people in the matter of minutes. Back then, a person with a rifle could kill only one person in the same amount of time. Over the decades, our weapons' capabilities

have been greatly enhanced, and with this change in society, the Constitution must also change in order to incorporate this issue into its limits for the new millennium.

The same point goes for the freedom of speech and assembly. Today, you are able to spread information, word or loud, to any person, or any number of people almost instantaneously. This is because of advancements and improvements such as the postal service, telephones, media, and recently, e-mail and the Internet. When the Constitution was drafted, you could only speak to as many people as could fit in a room with you and could fill in your voice without the aid of a microphone. The only other way they could communicate is by mail, which could take months, compared to the days it takes now.

Today it is possible to assemble millions of people at once, in a variety of ways, compared to a few hundred, maximum, in the times of the Constitutional Convention.

All these changes and advancements call for similar changes and advancement in the Constitution.

When the Constitution was written, society had moral, or natural limits that no longer exist. People back then didn't go around posing bomb threats as they do today. People didn't shoot each other just for the sake of doing it, and children didn't steal their parents' guns to shoot the kid at school. Many people today fail to set their own moral limits, therefore it is up to the government to help them do this. The government needs to put the common good of America's society ahead of individual rights and freedoms.

As society evolves, and individuals' moral limits decrease, the need for limits on the Supreme Law of the Land become extremely necessary. As the new millennium approaches, the Constitution needs to change the modernization of our society today.

Kristin Hamer is an eighth grader. She was the Essay Contest Winner for her grade level at the Novi Jaycees Distinguished Services Award Community Recognition Breakfast Saturday at Vic's Market.

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus 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 4:00 p.m. prevailing eastern time, Thursday, April 15, 1999, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be addressed as follows:

CITY OF NOVI
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All bids must be signed by a legally authorized agent of the bidding firm. ENVELOPES MUST BE PLAINLY MARKED "Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus" BID 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 informalities 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. KALINOVIK, PURCHASING DIRECTOR (248) 347-0446

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 99-013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Singh Homes is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow the placement of a sales trailer on lot 65 of Tollgate Wood & Ravines from April 1, 1999 through October 1, 1999. Tollgate Wood & Ravines is located on the south side of Meadowbrook Road south of Threemile Road.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 500 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, March 28, 1999, 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 March 28, 1999.

GERIE HUBBS PERMIT ANALYST (248) 347-0415

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Thermal Imaging Scanner according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid packages are available at the Office of the Purchasing Director.

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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, April 7, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT 18-150.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBPART 2519.10c OF ORDINANCE NO. 97-18, AS AMENDED, THE CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE, TO ALLOW THE APPROVING BODY TO WAIVE THE NOISE STUDY REQUIREMENT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

All interested persons are invited to attend. The proposed ordinance is available for review at the Planning and Community Development Department. Verbal comments will be heard at the public hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning and Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, 1999.

NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION
KIM THOMAS CAPELLO, SECRETARY
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NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Tree Purchase 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, Monday, March 29, 1999, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be addressed as follows:

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NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS

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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, April 7, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT 18-150.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBSECTION 8 OF SECTION 2516 OF ORDINANCE NO. 97-18, AS AMENDED, THE CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE, TO PROMULGATE A REVISED DEVELOPMENT MANUAL FOR THE CITY OF NOVI TO EXPEDITE SITE PLAN REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT BY ESTABLISHING SITE PLAN REVIEW PROCEDURES, AND BY PROVIDING DEVELOPERS AND PROSPECTIVE DEVELOPERS WITH AN OVERVIEW AND STEP-BY-STEP DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE PLAN REVIEW PROCESS, AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF NOVI.

All interested persons are invited to attend. The proposed ordinance is available for review at the Planning and Community Development Department. Verbal comments will be heard at the public hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning and Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, 1999.

NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION
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City tries to keep senior costs low

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per month.

Eighty-five of the 115 units are one-bedroom and 30 are two-bedroom.

Increasing the number of apartments renting at market prices will help subsidize the lower-cost residences, said Mark Sturing, vice chair of the Novi Building Authority.

"In the area of public housing, this is known as skewing the rents to provide affordable housing," Sturing explained.

While the city agreed to sell bonds for the housing in January, the price tag on the project had by then grown from an anticipated \$12 million to \$19 million.

As first conceived, the target range for the less costly units was \$450 to \$750. City financial projections showed that with the increase in costs of the project, these prices could have jumped to the \$800 to \$1,100 range.

"Once we get some hard figures, it might be a good idea to have a town meeting with the senior community. To date, the actual costs have not been disclosed to the

seniors," Council Member Laura Lorenzo said.

"Some of the rents include utilities. Gas and electric will be added on top of our rent."

A study by the Singh Development Group, which is building private sector senior housing, estimated that a senior would need an income of \$43,000 to \$48,000 to afford monthly rents of \$900 to \$1,000.

"The private sector was concerned about competition," Sturing said.

As a satellite of the Novi Senior Center, Meadowbrook Commons will serve up subsidized lunches and offer benefits such as free health screenings, income tax return assistance, low-cost transportation, visits by doctors and nurses and free counseling for medical and social security issues.

"The second aspect of affordable housing is not only the rent, but the services that add to the affordable concept," Sturing said.

By May, the preliminary site plan for Meadowbrook Commons is expected to be completed, if the design makes the grade at the

planning commission, city council and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Delays in the project have pushed back the sale of bonds to build the housing until June. Meanwhile, \$250,000 from the city's general fund has been loaned to the project. If the housing isn't built, the general fund will lose this sum.

The clientele is there for the project, according to research conducted by Novi Special Recreation Coordinator Kathy Crawford. Crawford noted in a report to the city council that many seniors moved to Novi ten to 15 years ago, purchasing what they believed would be their last home.

"The rapidly rising cost of taxes, lot rents, and maintenance expenses, combined with a higher incidence of poor health necessitating the purchase of more expensive medications and procedures, has profoundly impacted their fixed retirement income," Crawford wrote.

Currently, city voter registration lists show that 4,431 Novi residents are age 60 and older. Lower the age of seniority to 55 and factor

in new residents and that population could be as high as 7,000 she concluded.

Thirty-five participants at the Novi Senior Center filled out surveys indicating that they had average monthly costs for housing ranging from \$509 to \$800. Average monthly social security retired workers is \$780.

"Even though our proposed monthly rents are not below everything in the current Novi marketplace, if we consider what the senior adults are now paying and their annual increases... we are confident that our fixed rents will result in cost savings for our residents," Crawford noted.

The Novi Senior Center provides governmental supplemental foods to some 30 seniors monthly, who must have a monthly income no higher than \$872 per individual and \$1,175 per couple. Annually, addition, the center offers services to 100 seniors with an income below \$800 a month, including home repair and mediation assistance. <None>

High school kicks off participation in district court's TAP program

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for alcohol and tobacco dependency.

As part of this alliance, the school is required to offer classes to about the dangers of tobacco and alcohol use.

In order to determine the effects of the TAPP in Novi, Cheal said a committee composed of parents, students, teachers and the Novi DARE officer will be formed to

determine what type of education the school should offer.

Cheal said she has already had students volunteer for the committee.

As for the time frame when the committee will make a recommendation about what Novi High School should offer, Cheal said that depends on how many Novi students take part in the TAP program.

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 99-012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Belise Construction is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow the placement of an office trailer on the project site for Children's World from March 28, 1999 through June 28, 1999. Children's World is located on the north side of Ten Mile Road, west of Taft Road.

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, March 28, 1999, 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 March 28, 1999.

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Assisted living communities provide the elderly independence while relieving family members of the task of day-to-day care-giving

CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

When does independent turn into dependent? There are some ways to tell if a relative, maybe your mother or father, is becoming more and more dependent on you.

If you are caring for a family member and you are getting tired, that is a clear indication that it may be time to rethink the caregiver role.

"When you notice that you're tired because you're doing so much to make their life 'independent,'" said Patty Cooper, director of sales at Brighton Gardens by Marriott. "I tell (adult children), when you're tired, mom needs (assisted living)."

If after putting in an eight hour day yourself, you find yourself rushing to the store for their groceries, or calling their neighbor to see if they've checked in on them, it may be time to consider an assisted living community for them.

Forgetting to take medication or taking too much, which usually means a trip to the doctor, is another indicator that things are not going well.

Noticing that the food you bought is still in the



Photos by JOHN HEIDER

Brighton Gardens Director of Sales Patty Cooper knows all the assisted living center residents by name. Pete and Pat Cucchetti have been married for 54 years.

cupboard and milk in the refrigerator has soured, means they are not eating regularly.

Signs of dehydration, which could turn into a hospital stay, should send up another red flag.

"It is no fun to eat by yourself," Cooper said. "The sense of thirst is the first thing to go as you age. It is not like they are trying to starve themselves or dehydrate."

Those are some of the signs that the first syllable in independent has been dropped.

Assisted living is for those that do not need a nursing home or full-time care, people who are fairly independent but can't be at home by themselves, according to Cooper.

"The biggest majority feel like they are letting their parents down," said Cooper.

Services provided at a facility include help with bathing and medication, reminders about meal times and social activities, even helping with buttons. A minimum number of hours is included in the facility's monthly charge. Extra hours are available to purchase.

"We don't change their environment. We increase their services right to them. Moving to another part of the building is not conducive to their comfort at all," said Kirstie Young, executive director for the Grant Court in Novi.

To make the transition from independent to assisted living easier for everyone involved, caregivers should plan to take

some time off. Visit the community ahead of time and help with the move. Prior visits and participation in activities by the relative as well as introductions to

other residents, will help with transition.

Plan a shopping day to pick out new furniture or accessories like curtains, towels, etc. Buy their favorite groceries to stock the cupboards.

Hang pictures, wall paper borders, curtains and display photo albums.

"Make them part of the process," said Young. "Make sure they don't feel like they're being put somewhere."

Moving a family member from a hospital or rehabilitation center unexpectedly might send families into a panic mode but the transition is easier if the family member feels a sense of security by having as many memories with them as possible.

"(Families) are in control of it all," said Young.

Invite the neighbors to come over and have lunch or dinner. Assisted living facilities offer restaurant-style menus for lunch and dinner, some are included in the month charge, some are extra.

Costs at Grand Court are \$1,625 per month for a one bedroom and \$2,015 for a two bedroom. Evening meals are \$100 a month per person extra or \$6 a day. The average age of residents at Grand Court is 86.

Residents bring their own furniture to assisted living facilities like Grand Court, and to the Brighton Gardens by Marriott in Northville Township.

*Making the transition
more comfortable*

To make the adjustment from an independent to assisted living environment easier, here are some suggestions:

- Have individuals come to the community and participate prior to the actual move. Family members should plan on taking a couple days off work if necessary to help.
- Prior to deciding on a facility or before moving relative in, family members should visit for a day to experience the schedule, activities, meal times, etc.
- Go shopping with the relative to pick out new towels, curtains, furniture, etc. to ensure that they will like the items selected and to make them feel included in the move.
- Put up wall paper borders, hang curtains, photos, artwork, and move in as many possessions as possible prior to the relative's arrival, which will create a more familiar setting.
- Fill the kitchen cupboard with favorite foods and snacks.
- Have as many family members as possible meet the director of the facility. Don't designate just one relative to the task of contact person. Furnish phone numbers for all family members.



Brighton Gardens caregiver Crystal Morris waits for Dorothy Nash after a Monday afternoon get-together.

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On their way to Birmingham's Forte Restaurant are Varsity Lincoln Mercury employees, left to right, Debbie Adams of Plymouth, Mark Abbruzzese of Northville and Melissa Hurley of Grosse Pointe.

**Dealership treats staff to dinner
after being named top seller**By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Just like the Detroit Red Wings, Varsity Lincoln Mercury has gone two for two.

For the second year in a row, the Grand River Avenue auto dealership is Lincoln Mercury's top seller in the nation. Four thousand vehicles left the lot in 1998.

"The only time I was prouder was when I had my children," said Michael Stanford, who owns the dealership with his brother, Lou Stanford.

To celebrate, Lincoln Mercury recently sent all 130 of the dealership's staff out to dinner at Forte in Birmingham. But the employees weren't driving those Lincolns there, limousines and buses were hired by the auto company to transport the dinner brigade.

"It was excellent. Everybody had a good time. They had a

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—Michael Stanford
Co-Owner
Varsity Lincoln Mercury

live band there," Stanford said.

Last year Lincoln Mercury dined the dealership crew at Morton's Steakhouse, which was the first time a winning dealership was feted in this manner. Now, it's a tradition.

Stanford said the track record is particularly good because the dealership has only been open for four-and-a-half years. Varsity led the nation in not only overall sales, but in truck sales and in sales for these vehicles:

Navigator, Continental, luxury cars, Mountaineer, Villager and Cougar.

Throwing a bash for all 130 staffers was an appropriate gesture, according to Stanford. He said the dealership attracts consumers from throughout the metro area who like the service they're offered when they buy a car or truck.

"They're good people who work here. We all work together with one goal in mind and that's the customer," Stanford added.

Sewing club is open to like-minded smockers

By JEANNE CLARKE
Staff Writer

The Maudslayi Smockers is a chapter of the Smocking Arts Guild of America (SAGA). The local chapter has extended an invitation to those who would like to become a part of this organization. The meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Novi Public Library, which is located at 10000 W. Middle Road, Novi, Mich. 48240. The meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Novi Public Library, which is located at 10000 W. Middle Road, Novi, Mich. 48240. The meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Novi Public Library, which is located at 10000 W. Middle Road, Novi, Mich. 48240.

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dinner at 6 p.m. and worship service at 7:30 p.m. Those deemed confirmed are invited to join the service. Two worship services will be held on Easter, April 4 and 11 a.m. This is also the Sunday when the church celebrates the 100th anniversary of the church's founding. Remember to set your clocks forward. Future events include: April 18, a church school sponsored trip for parents and children to see "Peter Rabbit"; April 23 and 24, the annual WCS-sponsored rummage sale. The recent meeting of the WCS included officers Mary Corneil, president; Mary Crockett, secretary; and Pat Patton, treasurer. Plans were discussed regarding additional future events.

A retirement party for Ray Ferguson, minister of music for 18 years, will be celebrated May 16. The church family is encouraged to mark this important date on their calendars. More details will follow at a later date.

NOVI CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

The eighth annual Regional Homeschool Curriculum and Book Fair will be held at the school, Eleven Mile and Taft, Saturday, March 20, from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.; there will be 25-plus vendors located in Vendor Hall. Admittance: \$10/couple; \$7/single; \$2/student. Parking and shuttle service provided by Novi Christian School, lunch and refreshments will be sold by the school.

The time for those wanting to drop off used curriculum will be from 9:30-11 a.m. with doors open for the sale at 12:15-2:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church basement.

Other scheduled events throughout the day include 12 workshops entitled "Building Godly Character with Older Books," "Teaching the 3 R's - Phonics, Arithmetic and Cursive," "Building character in Children - Even the Hyperactive Ones," "Parental Rights versus Government Control," etc. During the day the following door prizes will be offered: several \$25 cash shopping sprees and a \$100 certificate toward registration to either Student Stewardship Institute or Huron Forest Camp Church. For more information please call 591-3072.

An open house will be held Monday, March 29 at Novi Christian School, from 5-8 p.m. Novi residents will be given the opportunity to view the several programs offered: day care, preschool, kindergarten, and grades one through 12. A tour of the facility will be given; refreshments to follow.

All areas will be open including the day care section which is under the direction of Miriam Brytus. There are two age divisions in

day care: from six weeks old to 2 1/2 years and from 2 1/2 to 5 years old. The school has classes from kindergarten through grade 12. Mary Lou Lopez is in charge of kindergarten and first grade. Grades two-six are under the direction of Carolyn Sheets, and in charge of seventh through 12th grade is Dr. Gary Elmer, principal. Computers are very much a part of the program, from preschool through 12th grade, so that computer literacy is achieved by all. The younger students use "Sing, Spell, Read and Write" for curriculum; the next highest classes use "School of Tomorrow" as their curriculum. Information packets including tuition costs are available by calling 349-9441.

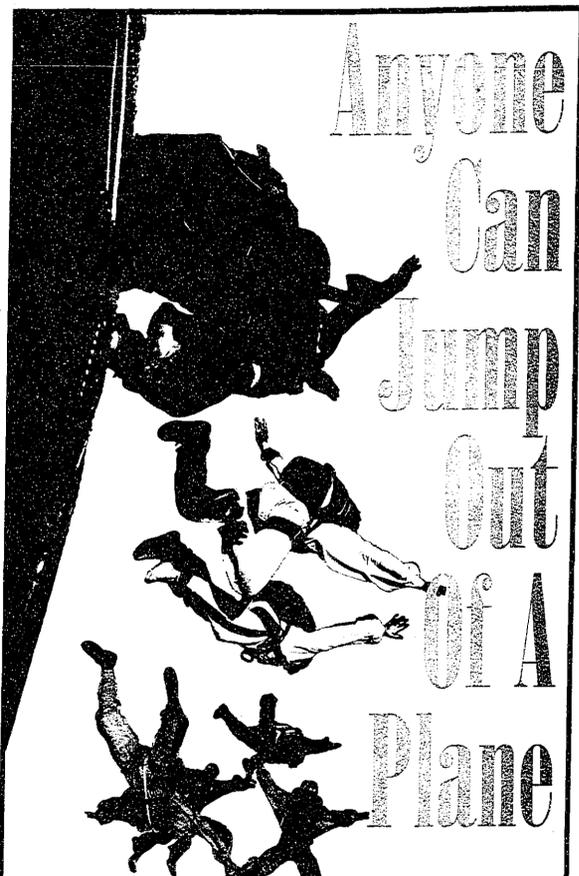
NOVI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The latest monthly chamber luncheon for members and friends was held at Country Epicure. Special guests for the program were representatives from the WNBA Detroit Shock. Also discussed were final plans for the March 27 "A Magical Night to Remember," starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Novi Hilton Hotel. Reservations can be made by calling the chamber office at 349-3743.

The honorary chairperson of the evening will be Bobby Ross, head coach of the Detroit Lions. The evening will include raffles and a silent auction; raffles will open at 5:30 p.m. and close at 6:45, with dinner at 7. Silent tables will close at 8:30, 8:45 and 9 p.m., with live auction starting at that time. In addition, there will be music, magical entertainment and surprises throughout the evening. This is the chamber's seventh annual charity auction with proceeds going to Paralyzed Veterans of America. This organization founded in 1947, addresses the needs and concerns of veterans who sustained an injury or disease of the spinal cord.

Some of the other prizes include a day at the state Capitol, with state Rep. Nancy Cassis, or you may sponsor "Miss Michigan" Laura Welling at the May chamber luncheon. Many other prizes will be provided by a group noted as "Uniquely Novi": sport items; becoming a "Feature Guest" of the Jonathan Brateman Show; "People Who Make Things Happen," etc. Future events include a home-based business network, Tuesday, April 6 at 8:30-10 a.m. with no charge to chamber members. Call 349-3743 for information. The next chamber luncheon will be at the Oxford Inn with guest and resident, Bob Stewart. One of the original Munchkins from "The Wizard of Oz" will guest Tuesday, April 20.

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



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Reading group is really catching on

BY ANDREW DIETTERICH
Staff Writer

When some Northville girls recall their past, at least one page will involve a new kind of club. The club is mother-daughter reading groups and are rapidly gaining popularity. "It seemed like something that would be easy to do," said Mary Storch, one of the founding members of a local reading group. "Plus it means so much to discuss not only the literature but the issues involved."

"We try to pick books that have strong female protagonists that can give girls good examples of gutsy women," she said. Storch said her group started meeting in February of 1998. The idea came from a newspaper article and a book called "The Mother-Daughter Book Club: How Ten Busy Mothers and Daughters Come Together to Talk, Laugh, and Learn Through Their Love of Reading," by Shireen Dodson.

Each meeting of the Amnerman/Thornton Creek groups consists of six mother-daughter pairs. The group is not open to new members, Storch said. "It takes a while to build up that trust factor," she said. "And it takes a while for the girls to feel comfortable with each other."

Storch's daughter Ellen said she thinks the club is "very fun." "If you have a discussion about a book you can focus in on what happened," she said. "And you get to meet other friends."



Photo by TOM HBSBLN

Six mothers and daughters at Amnerman and Thornton Creek elementary schools have formed a reading group which meets on a regular basis for two hours.

Storch said with her family's busy schedule it's sometimes hard to sit and talk about the books Sarah reads. "This gives us that opportunity to read together and talk about what we've read," she said.

Even though the Amnerman/Thornton Creek group isn't taking any more members, more information about starting a club may be obtained by calling Storch at (248) 380-3298.

Anker said with her family's busy schedule it's sometimes hard to sit and talk about the books Sarah reads. "This gives us that opportunity to read together and talk about what we've read," she said.

Assisted living reduces care by family members

Services available at a facility include activities, transportation, housekeeping, coinless laundry facility, and housekeeping with linen service. Former caregivers can still help parents to their laundry. "That way they can still feel like they are in their parent's life," Cooper said.

A studio apartment at Brighton Gardens starts at \$2,730. One bedroom begins at \$3,295. Two bedrooms shared suites start at \$2,320 per person. All have a bathroom and a refrigerator with enough cupboard space for snacks and a microwave.

Brighton Gardens also has a special care center for residents with Alzheimer's and related memory disorders who need a more secure environment. During a life-style assessment, the director of the facility will gather information which will help in their care of the relative.

If mom has never turned down a grilled cheese sandwich in her life and she gets picky at dinner time, we can try her favorite. Cooper said it is important that as many family members as possible meet the director of the facility. Don't assign the responsibility to one person.

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Family Health Day

During the Family Health Day on March 6 at Northville's First United Methodist Church, Novi resident Myriam Menke had her blood pressure checked by Registered Nurse Kathy Greenleaf. For children, Northville Township firefighters, health professionals and Northville police talked about health and bike safety, fingerprinting, and child identification. The firefighters also had a fire truck in the parking lot. Drawings for a bike helmet and other items were also held. For adults, free and low-cost health screening tests were available. The Family Health Day is part of the month-long Project Health-O-Rama which is held in 97 locations in the tri-county area and is sponsored by WXYZ-TV, United Health Organization, and the United Way. Greenleaf coordinated the day's activities for the church, which participated in the yearly Project Health-O-Rama for the first time.

Church Notes

The Prayer Partners at FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 44100 Ten Mile Road in Novi, are sponsoring a Lenten Series entitled "Prayer in the Midst of Life" on Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. continues through March 25. Each evening will consist of a video followed by discussion. All are welcome to participate and explore the significance and power of prayer in everyday life.

The mid-week youth program for children ages first through eighth grades, LOGOS, will conclude its season on Wednesday, March 24 with a family picnic. Families will eat on blankets and play games. LOGOS will resume in October. The Women's Bible Study meets twice a month on both Sunday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 9:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. using "Kindred Sisters" by Dandi Daley Mackall. Babysitting is available at the Wednesday morning class.

Mom's Offer Mom's Support (MOMS) is a Christian fellowship and activity group for women regardless of the age of their children. The group meets twice a month on Thursday from noon to 2 p.m. Upcoming activities include creating a Creative Memories photo album page with Chinese carry-out on March 25. If you would like to attend an activity, reservations are necessary. For more information, call (248) 349-5666.

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Churches present Easter specials

Musical selected by Northville Christian Assembly

The Creative Arts Ministry of Northville Christian Assembly will present the musical drama "King of Kings" for three performances on March 26, 27 and 28.



Cast members of Northville Christian Assembly's Easter musical "King of Kings" include, left to right, Novi residents Rheanna Council and Jared Detrich, Randy Jost of Plymouth, and Northville residents Bill Livingston and Mike Lane.

Novi residents Rheanna Council and Jared Detrich, as well as Northville residents Bill Livingston and Mike Lane, and all those involved in the production have worked hard to create a truly inspiring, excellent theatrical experience.

"King of Kings" through a reflective look back at the life and miracles of Jesus Christ, presents the lasting effect of Christ's teachings on Paul and Silas, two men imprisoned for telling the story of Jesus Christ. Their willingness to endure ridicule, harsh treatment, and prison was only because of the power of a changed life.

The Creative Arts Ministry's goal is that the audience will experience, through the eyes of Paul and Silas, the agony and triumph of the man Jesus Christ and how his life can impact ours.

The public is cordially invited to attend the presentation of "King of Kings" on Friday and Saturday, March 26 and 27, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 28, at 4 p.m. Sunday's performance will include creative translation for the hearing impaired.

One-man drama will focus on 'Pontius Pilate'

The First Presbyterian Church will present "Pontius Pilate" on Tuesday, March 23, at 7:30 p.m.

The one-man drama, with Ronald C. Smerage as Pilate, is based on the novel by Paul L. Maier, which received excellent reviews in both "The Christian Herald" and "The Chicago Daily News."

The play will be presented in the church sanctuary and dessert will be served in Boll Fellowship Hall following the performance.

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High stakes

Wealthy teens conspire in 'Cruel Intentions'

Kathryn (Sarah Michelle Gellar) and Sebastian (Ryan Phillippe), two wealthy, manipulative teenage stepsiblings from Manhattan's upper crust, conspire in Cruel Intentions, a wickedly entertaining tale of seduction and betrayal. The stakes are high when the duo agrees upon a deliciously diabolical wager of sexual conquest without consequences. The pawns? The naive Cecile Caldwell (Selma Blair) and the virginal Annette Hargrove (Reese Witherspoon).



(Clockwise from top left) Sebastian (Ryan Phillippe), Kathryn (Sarah Michelle Gellar), Cecile (Selma Blair) and Annette (Reese Witherspoon) are entangled in a deliciously diabolical wager of sexual conquest without consequences in Columbia Pictures presentation, "Cruel Intentions."

It's summer break, and Kathryn has been dumped by her beau, Court Reynolds, for the innocent Cecile. Desperate to get even, Kathryn challenges Sebastian to ruin Cecile by delving her and turning her into a tramp — thus humiliating Court by delivering Cecile to him as damaged goods. Sebastian has pretty much had all of the girls in New York City up to this point, and he's gotten a bit bored of it all. Though this is too easy a conquest for him, he obliges.

He sets his sights on a greater challenge — the new headmaster's daughter, Annette, who recently wrote an article in "Seventeen" Magazine about how she intends to stay pure until she marries her boyfriend. Sebastian bets Kathryn that he can seduce the chaste and pristine Annette before school begins in the fall. Kathryn thinks this feat impossible and quickly agrees to the wager. The stakes: if Sebastian succeeds, Kathryn must give him a night of unbridled bisexual pleasure, something he's wanted since their parents got married. If he fails, he must forfeit his priceless 1956 Jaguar to Kathryn and suffer the shame of defeat.

Cruel Intentions is directed by Roger Kumble from a screenplay by Kumble, produced by Neal H. Moritz, executive produced by Michael Fottrell and co-produced by Heather Zeegen.

The cast is led by Sarah Michelle Gellar (Buffy the Vampire Slayer) as Kathryn Merteuil; Ryan Phillippe (54) as Sebastian Valmont; Reese Witherspoon (Fleasantville) as Annette Hargrove; Selma Blair (Zoe, Duncan, Jack & Jane) as Cecile Caldwell and Sean Patrick Thomas (Can't Hardly Wait) as Ronald Clifford, with appearances by Louise Fletcher (One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest) as Aunt Helen; Swosie Kurtz (Dangerous Liaisons) as Dr. Greenbaum; Christine Baranski (Bulworth) as Mrs. Caldwell; Eric Mabius (Welcome to the Dollhouse) as Greg McConnell and Joshua Jackson (Dawson's Creek) as Blaine Tuttle.

Entertainment listing

Submit items for the entertainment listings to the Northville Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167; or fax to 349-1050.

AUDITIONS

PERFORMANCE PLUS: Auditions for The Novis Theatres Performance Plus production of "Picnic at Hanging Rock" will continue on March 18 at 7 p.m.

on March 27 and 28. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

THEATER
MARQUIS: Performances of the classic tale of the "Velvet Rabbit" will be held on March 20, 21, 27, 28 April 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25 and April 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. All performances will be held at 2:30 p.m. Tickets to all general performances are \$7.

For group rates, birthdays, and special school performances and ticket prices, call (248) 349-8110.

NO CHILDREN under the age of three will be admitted.

THE MARQUIS Theatre is located at 135 E. Main Street in Northville.

SPECIAL EVENTS

ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW: The handicrafters' 17th annual Spring Arts and Crafts Show will be held on March 26, 27 and 28 at the Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main Street in Northville.

Over 70 juried artisans will display their talents with floral, stained glass, baskets, wood items, and clothing.

Show hours are Friday, March 26 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, March 27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, March 28, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lunch will be available.

Admission is \$2. No baby strollers will be allowed.

For more information, call (734) 459-0050.

LUNCHEON & FASHION SHOW

The Catholic Central Mother's Club will present "An Enchanted Garden" luncheon and fashion show on Sunday, April 25, at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn.

The social hour will begin at 11 a.m. Fashion for this fund raiser will be by the Somerset Collection. Tickets are \$45 per person.

Entertainment will be by the Catholic Central Stage Band. There will be special appearances by Catholic Central mothers and sons.

MUSIC

LABOOM: The teen club LaBOOM is located at 1172 N. Pontiac Trail in Walled Lake.

Upcoming events include the pop/old school music of Rob Base and DJ E-Z Rock on March 19 at 11 p.m. Showtime is 11 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at Ticketmaster.

A concert/theme night "Never Been Kissed From '99" will feature live on stage Voices Of Theory on Friday, March 26. Showtime is 11 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at Ticketmaster. Call the hotline at (248) 928-1000.

COLLECTIBLES SHOW

Metro Productions, Inc., will present a Collectibles Show of glassware, china, pottery, jewelry, figurines, Beanie Babies, Barbies, dolls, action figures, cars, etc. on March 28 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, 17123 N. Laurel Park Drive in Livonia.

Admission is \$3. Children are free. Call (734) 464-8493 for additional information.

CONCERT: A new concert series at Trinity House opens with Mike Roe, lead singer and guitarist for the group 77's, who will perform in concert on Wednesday, March 24, at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity House Theatre, 36840 West Six Mile Road in Livonia.

The next concert will feature Jan Kriest, Brooks Williams and Ric Hordinski on Friday, April 16, at 7 p.m.

Tickets for the Roe concert are \$14, and \$12 for theatre members. For more information, call (734) 464-6302.

TRINITY HOUSE

Two women from opposite backgrounds find that their struggles through adversity bring them closer together during Trinity House Theatre's production of "Grace & Gloria" on Fridays and Saturdays, March 19, 20, 26, and 27 at 8 p.m. and on Sundays, March 21, and 28 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 per person or \$8 per person for groups of 10 or more. Reservations are strongly recommended.

To make a reservation call the box office at (734) 464-6302.

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 Call this petite DWCF mom, 46, 5'3", because she's seeking a sincere SWCM, 40-50, for friendship and great times. Her interests include dancing and living life to the fullest. Ad# 2468

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 Sincere, honest SWF, 50, 5'5", who would love to get in touch with a kind, trustworthy SWM, over 48, N/S, for friendship first. Ad# 1979

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 Healthy DW mom, 32, 5'5", with dark brown hair/eyes, enjoys exercising, family time, movies, dining out, camping and animals. She would like to share life with a family-oriented, secure SWCM, 31-45. Ad# 2730

PAGING MR. RIGHT
 Attractive SWCF 25, 5'11", with blonde hair and green eyes, N/S, married, wholesome SWCM, 21-33, N/S, who shares her enjoyment of travel, movies, clubbing and more. Ad# 4833

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 Pretty feminine DW mother of one, 33, 5'8", with blonde hair and blue eyes, likes animals, camping, fishing, gardening, anguies, travel and cooking out. She would like to meet a nice, tall, employed SWM, 27-42, with a good sense of humor. Ad# 7734

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 Camping, traveling and skiing are just a few activities that this slim and attractive DWCF, 41, 5'7", enjoys doing in her spare time. She's seeking a compatible SWCM, 35-45, for friendship and possibly more. Ad# 9986

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SIMILAR INTERESTS?
 Never-married, Catholic SWF, 26, 5'2", who enjoys dancing, movies, music and dining out, is looking for a Catholic SWM, 25-31, N/S. Ad# 4444

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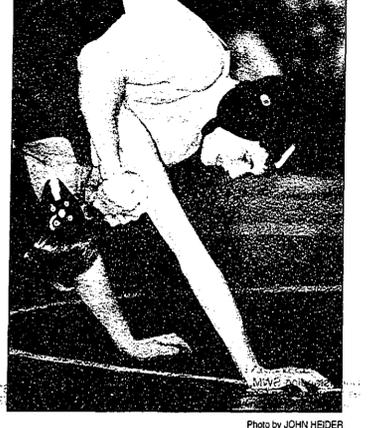
As close as it comes

Jilg, Churella finish 2nd at state wrestling tourney

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

One look another step closer. The other took a giant leap. But both Dan Jilg and Ryan Churella found themselves one win, one takedown, away from individual state wrestling championships Saturday at Joe Louis Arena.

But Churella fell 6-5 in double overtime to Grand Haven's Eric Gervais and Jilg fell to Clarkston's Ryan L'Amoreaux for the second time this season 4-3. Jilg breezed to the finals, outscoring his three opponents 25-4. But against L'Amoreaux



Ryan Churella breezed through to the finals Saturday.

(43-2), he gave up his first two takedowns. "It was like Oakland County all over again," Jilg said. "I knew that if I wanted to win a state championship, I'd have to beat Ryan L'Amoreaux."

The three losses Jilg (50-3) suffered this season were to eventual state champions. His other loss was to Division III champion Philip Nikolowicz of Caro.

"We laugh because every year, we seem to cut it in half," Novi coach Brad Huss said. "He finished eighth his first year at states, fourth last year and second this season. Now we hope he can do it one more time."

The Novi junior went out and wrestled aggressively against L'Amoreaux, but got caught twice. He never led in the match. "Yeah, I thought I had a shot to beat him, but I came up a little short," he said. "I knew what I had to do, but I knew what I wanted to do. I didn't hold back. I had nothing to lose. He's beaten me before, so he had everything to lose."

"Danny's a good wrestler on top," Huss said. "But L'Amoreaux knew that. I was talking to coach Tom Frits after the semifinals and we said we couldn't remember the last time Danny gave up legitimate points."

Jilg beat Traverse City Central's Ethan Smith 6-2 in the semifinals after defeating William Gray of Flint Carmen Ainsworth 7-0 and Brother Rice's Brian Sullivan 12-2.

"Everyone was talking about this Ethan Smith kid coming in, but after Dan beat Smith, we knew he was on," Huss said. "He wrestled a hell of a match." Huss said. "I started to clap my hands because I thought the time

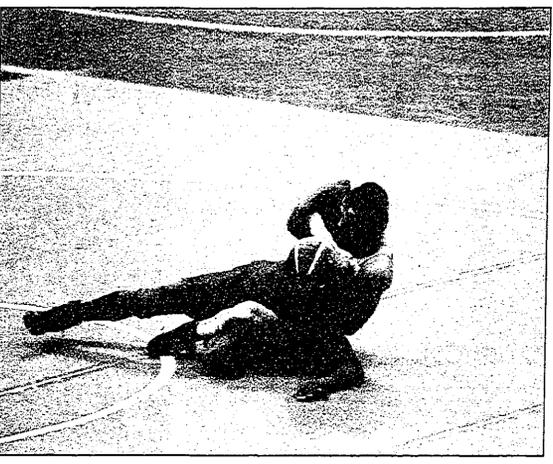
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Junior Dan Jilg (on the right) won his first three matches before losing to Ryan L'Amoreaux.

140-16 and has placed at three state tournaments. Churella was even closer to a state title than Jilg. The sophomore gave up a two-point reversal with :02 left in regulation that sent the match to overtime. After a scoreless first overtime, Gervais won the coin flip and selected down. Churella rode him for :29, but the referee signaled an escape just before time expired and Gervais won 6-5. The decision had to be double-checked by the timekeeper.

"He wrestled a hell of a match," Huss said. "I started to clap my hands because I thought the time

had expired. Ryan said he looked at the clock and saw that time had run out and he let the guy go. "But he had a fantastic tournament. These are quality kids, and people are definitely starting to take notice."

Churella avenged yet another early-season loss to Brian VanDer-man in the first round. Churella dominated the match and won by technical fall 17-0 to start the tournament. He went on to beat Craig Stutch of Rockford by fall at 4:49 before taking out Scott Walker of Flushing 4-2 in the semifinals. His 3-1 record for the day leaves Churella with a 53-5

record this season. "He was on a mission," Huss said. "Unfortunately he came up short. He's got two years left and hopefully he'll be a state champion. He has made tremendous strides this year, and when he's made a mistake, he hasn't made it twice."

Churella and Jilg were the lone representatives for Novi. "I'm sure there's a lot of coaches out there who would love to have two state runners-ups coming back to the team," he said.

Clarkston had the most individual titles (3), and Rochester Adams had two.

Cagers bounced out Wildcats deprived of first district championship by upbeat Plymouth Salem squad, 62-53

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

It's not often that a Novi basketball team makes it to the district championship game, or even ends up with a decent record. But Novi accomplished both in falling one game short of a district title last Friday night. The Rocks from Plymouth Salem knocked off the Wildcats 62-53 to win the district championship at Plymouth Canton High School.

Novi held an early 11-5 lead, but Salem went on an 11-0 run to end the first quarter and take a 16-11 lead. It was a lead it would never relinquish. Salem led 30-23 at halftime.

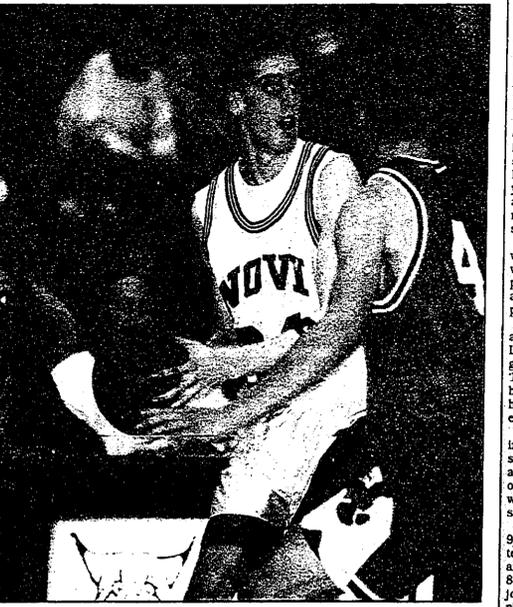
"We were trying to keep it close, so we could have a chance," Novi coach Pat Schluter said. "It worked, we had a chance."

Novi pulled to within three points late in the fourth quarter, but Salem hit its free throws down the stretch to keep Novi at bay. "We actually played pretty well," the coach said. "I felt we played scrappy and handled the ball pretty well against their pressure. We played with a lot of heart."

Salem, which has more height and speed than Novi, tried to push up the tempo. The Rocks applied a press for much of the game. "They are just a more talented and deeper team than us," Schluter said. "We played well enough to win, but they're just a better team."

Junior center Chad Nadolini led the team with 14 points, including four pointers. Senior forward Sean Brislin added 12.

NOVI 59, N'VILLE 49
 This game came down to sound, fundamental basketball, and Novi was the better team March 10.



Novi junior center Chad Nadolini did everything he could to help the Wildcats advance out of districts, but it wasn't enough. He averaged 20 points in his two games.

The Wildcats jumped out early in both the first and third quarters. Novi outscored Northville 29-15 in those two stanzas. Northville trailed by just six 35-29 with three minutes to play in the third quarter, but Novi went on a 7-0 run to end the quarter and took a 42-29 lead. The Mustangs cut the lead to 34-45 with 2:39 left on a Ryan Eller steal and layup, but that's as close as Northville would come.

"We knew they were going to play us in a zone, so we had a good week to prepare for that," Schluter said. "We kicked the ball inside, and then back out."

Nadolini played both inside and out, accumulating a game-high 26 points while pulling down 12 boards. Novi hit 16 of 19 free throws in the game.

Their goal defensively was to shut down Northville's inside threat, Marshall Knapp. The plan was successful. Knapp scored just three points. Northville was led by senior guard Brett Allen, who scored 15 points.

Gymnasts 9th at state meet

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

Defending its state championship was never in the gymnastics team's mind. But thoughts of gaining invaluable experience at the toughest competition of the year were all Northville/Novi coach Laura Moyers could think about last Saturday in Hartland High School.

Benton competes at states, team wins at Swartz Creek

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

The Novi tankers didn't have much to cheer about at the state swim meet this past weekend, but the team did celebrate its fifth straight season-ending invitational title on March 5.

The Wildcats topped six other teams at the Swartz Creek Invitational, easily outdistancing Flint Powers by nearly 200 points. The championships, which takes place of a league championship for Novi, was the fifth straight for the team. Novi has won the Swartz Creek Invitational the last two years and won the Flint Southwestern and Highland Invitational the previous three years.

"It's not the same (as a league meet), but it's what we aim for. It's our shave and taper meet," Novi coach Bill McCord said. "This is the meet where we get the kids who haven't qualified for the state meet equalized."

The Wildcats won six events, including two relays. Senior Bill Benton led the way with wins in both the 200 and 500 freestyles. He swam a 5:15.82 in the finals, after qualifying for the state meet in the preliminaries (4:54.50) in the 500. His time of 1:50.21 was tops in the 200.

His teammate Phil Suchyta was second in the 500 and fifth in the 200.

Mike Kirruti won the 100 freestyle (1:50.25) and Jordan Mohlo was first in the 100 backstroke (1:00.58).

The 200 medley relay team of Mohlo, David Tardella, Jack Fischer and Kirruti took home the championship, swimming to a first-place time of 1:46.30.

Kirruti, David Bliss, Benton and John Jones won the 200 freestyle relay in a time of 1:32.98.

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Novi also had a number of other top six placers. Fischer was runner-up in the 200 IM (2:10.08) and Mohlo was sixth. Jones was fourth in the 50 freestyle and fifth in the 100 free and teammate Bliss was fifth. Jones was fifth in the 100 freestyle and joined the 400 free relay team of Kirruti, Fischer and Benton to place second. Craig Kortlandt, Dan Hendricks, Suchyta and Mohlo were sixth in the same event.

Three Wildcats placed in the 100 breaststroke. Tardella was third (1:07.07) and Jovan Yoo (1:11.48) and Phil VanNortwick (1:11.99) were fifth and sixth.

Steve Alberty was second in the diving (score not available) and the B medley relay team of Suchyta, VanNortwick, Andrew Sammler and Bliss were fifth.

Novi finished the regular season with an 8-1 record, losing its lone meet of the season to Plymouth Salem.

"We feel good about that, because we won the meet we knew we could win," McCord said. "In those meets we didn't win, we gave our opponents a run."

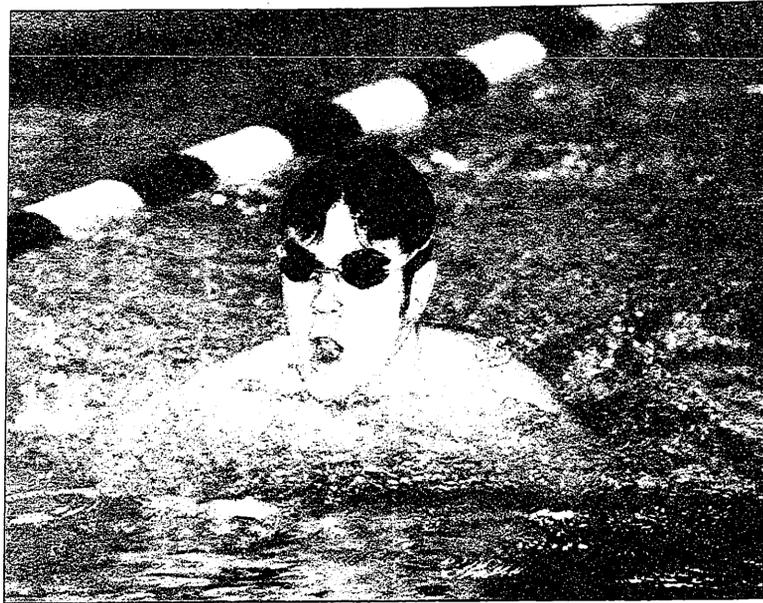


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John Jones (above) is one of 13 seniors Novi coach Bill McCord will have to replace next season. McCord said it will be a challenge.

At the state meet last Saturday, the Wildcats had one lone representative, Bill Benton. The senior failed to reach the finals, but finished 20th in the 500 freestyle

with a time of 4:59. He needed a 4:48 to qualify for the finals.

"He knew he had to be good, but he went out real fast and he paid the price," the coach said.

"He didn't want to just go there and swim, he took a chance."

Novi is losing 13 of its 34 swimmers and divers to graduation.

"I like the underclassmen in

terms of their attitude," McCord said. "I think we like the challenge we'll have to replace those 13 seniors. But we're excited about it."

Finnish exchange student needs home

Anti, age 16 (date of birth June 23, 1982) from Lappeenranta, Finland, is very excited that he will soon have the opportunity to spend 10 months as a foreign exchange student in a Michigan public high school. Program of Academic Exchange (PAE) has agreed to sponsor Anti, but a host family must be located who will welcome him into their home when he arrives in mid-August.

Anti has a passion for ice hockey. He plays hockey on a team and exercises almost every day to keep in top shape. His best friends are on his hockey team. Anti also enjoys orienteering during the summer because it helps him stay in shape for hockey. He also likes skiing, fishing, listening to music, using computers, and watching TV. His favorite TV shows are the X-Files, The Simpsons, and all sport programs. Anti has no allergies. He likes pets and all kinds of food. Anti is an average student whose favorite classes are physical education, English, computers, and domestic science. Anti has studied English for six years.

Anti's father is an engineer and his mother is a nurse. His parents are divorced, but he has adapted well to living two weeks each month with each parent. He also has a good relationship with his 19-year-old brother.

Anti describes himself as "positive, independent, and friendly." He is eager to share his Finnish culture with his Michigan host family and school. In exchange, he wants to learn as much as possible about life in America and to improve his English language skills. Anti's parents in Finland will provide full medical insurance and money to cover his personal expenses. His Michigan host family only needs to provide a bed, meals, transportation to activities, love and guidance. In exchange, the host family will receive a tax deduction, learn a great deal, and have lots of fun. PAX is seeking a family in Livonia, Northville, Novi, or Redford - or some other school district which has a high school hockey team.

Host family needed

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Dan Jilg - Junior



The junior 119-pounder continued his dominance at the state wrestling tournament last weekend at the Joe Louis Arena. He finished second to Clarkson's Ryan L'Amoreaux.

He ended the season with a 50-3 record, with all of his losses coming to state champions. In his three years at Novi, Jilg has placed at state all three years and has a combined record of 140-16.

Ryan Churella - Sophomore



Much like he did at the district and regional tournaments, Churella had little trouble reaching the finals of the state tournament last Saturday.

Churella lost the championship match to Eric Gervais of Grand Haven 6-5 in overtime. He finished the season with a 52-5 record.

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Novi softball sign up deadline set

The Novi Parks and Recreation is currently accepting registrations for the adult softball leagues. The leagues consist of men's, women's and co-ed divisions. The team registration deadline is Friday, March 26 at 5 p.m. The leagues will begin in late April.

Individuals interested in playing should contact the Novi Parks and Recreation Department to have their name added to a list that will be distributed to registered teams. For more information call (248) 347-0400, Monday through Friday (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

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Health Column

How to tone and build your arms

This is our third column in a series of columns dedicated to the truths and techniques of strength training. We have touched on the chest and abdominal area so far. Our intent from the beginning has been to offer some facts, maybe dispel some myths, and pick a key exercise for a specific part of the body offering the lowest risk and highest benefit. We purposely choose exercises that can be done at home just as simply as in a club setting. We are using an average person with no injuries for our examples.

Spring is around the corner and with it comes our short sleeve shirts and blouses. This for many men and women means thinking about the appearance of our arms (which in many cases we have not really looked at all winter long). So let's discuss arms. The three key areas are: Biceps - the front upper portion of our arms; Triceps - the upper back portion of our arms; and the Brachioradialis - the forearm area.

Biceps curl:

- Start by stabilizing yourself in a seated or standing position.
- Stabilize your shoulder area. Keeping the elbows secure in the position they started in. In other words, where they stay they stay. This is probably the number one error when training the biceps, you must keep the shoulders and elbows stable to allow the biceps muscle to work fully.
- Supinate or turn your wrists out to emphasize the biceps.
- Start with the elbows in a slightly bent position, arms should not be fully straight or locked to begin.
- Visualize raising the resistance in a curved motion up towards the chest area and lift the resistance.
- Stop raising at a point where you cannot control the shoulder stability and you're resting the muscle (refer to the picture for range of motion).
- Return slowly to the starting position and repeat.

example, we are using rubber tubing to offer the resistance.

- Wrap the tubing around a stable structure (baseball pole, table leg, etc.).
- Bend in a back safe position to align the muscle area we want to work (see picture for starting position), remember to bend your legs and gain stability in your stance.
- Start with your arm bent up toward the chest area.
- Again stabilize the shoulder area; this area should not move during the movement.
- Slowly pull the resistance close along the side of your body until the arm is fully extended.
- Slowly return to the starting position and repeat while maintaining stability with the entire body. Isolate the triceps area.
- Since our client is an average person and many average people find this training new, we follow the basic guidelines of two-three exercises and six-ten total sets with eight-12 repetitions per set for both the biceps and triceps. Wait about 30-90 seconds between sets and keep your movements slow and controlled. Rest each body part at least 48 hours before working it again, stay consistent and this summer you will have the arms you want. Good luck.

Like all body parts, information on how to tone and build your arms is everywhere. Application of basic resistance training with the proper form is the key. Changing the techniques to enhance toning or focusing on a specific area of a specific muscle to alter the shape is simply not possible. Applying a proper resistance formula will build the area up per your genetic structure. Some people have a more favorable shape than others, just work to bring out the best of you and don't continue to fall for these exercises or equipment that give your arms a better peak for example.

Brachioradialis area:

If you want to focus more on the forearm area, simply repeat the above steps but alter your wrist to the neutral position or point the thumbs up versus out to the side. For most people, the work this area receives in the biceps movement produces adequate results.

Triceps kickback with tubing:

This area is key, lack of use causes the tone and strength to reduce drastically affecting both appearance and quality of life. In our

This column was written by Chris Klebba, owner and operator of the Water Wheel Health Club. The Water Wheel is a personal training club designed for people of all fitness levels. For more information or comments call (248) 449-7634.



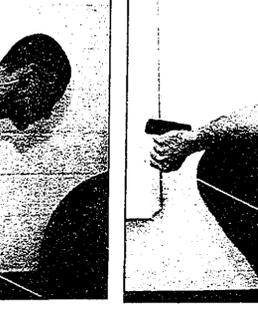
Water Wheel Health Club fitness instructor Marc Mary demonstrates the proper techniques for bicep and tricep exercises.

To the left, Marc demonstrates how to stabilize yourself before starting your motion. On the right, Marc is at the top of his motion, and beginning to lower the weights to their original position.

Below Marc demonstrates the beginning and ending positions for Triceps kickback with tubing.



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