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With the trophy for their second state championship title in two years raised high, the Novi High boys' cross country team takes a victory lap around their school on Monday afternoon.

Cross country team races away with second championship

By JASON SCHMITT

With the recent construction of trophy cases aligning the Novi High School gymnasium, the boys' cross country team wasted no time in going out and getting some new hardware to show off.

The Wildcats returned home from the Class-A state meet as the best in the state, champions for the second-straight year. Novi did so by knocking off number-one ranked Rockford, who was all but sure they'd avenge Novi's triumph from a year ago.

Sophomore Tim Moore led the charge with a third-place finish overall. Junior Chris Toloff foilowed that up with a seventhplace finish and both Mark Avenius (17th) and Eric Walle (22nd)

also earned all-state honors. Asked if this title was sweeter than last year's. Novi coach Bob Smith answered with a sincere

"It was. Deep down last year I thought we were comparable with Rockford." he explained.

This year we matched up as well, but I just had a strange feel-

ing about it.

Many expected Novi to be a major contender next year, not this year.

"We will be the best returning team in the state next season," said Walle, a junior, "But you've still got to perform. We want to

win next year ever m**ore than this** year. I don't want to go out and finish second as a senior after winning these last two years."

For more stories and pictures of Novi's state championship, please turn to page two in the sports sec-

City investigates

sewage dumping

at DPW property

Mayor Clark, new council take the oath

By JEREMY MCBAIN Staff Writer

You don't typically hear a crowd cheer at a Novi City Council meeting, but it happened Monday

That's when three newly-elected Novi city council members and the mayor were sworn into office by judges from the 52-1 District Court. The audience was packed into the council chambers.

Before taking the oath, Mayor Richard Clark said he felt very grateful and humble.

"I am going to do my best to live up the expectations, responsibilities and trust the citizens of Novi have placed in me," Clark said. Returning Council Member Craig DeRoche said

it felt great to be at the swearing-in ceremony after an incredibly "intense" campaign. "Everyone I talked to started off by asking if I was an incumbent. When I said ves. I saw their

interest drain and had to explain I was different," New Council Member Michelle Bononi said she

was "very satisfied" to be on the council.

"I did my very best to do the job the people who live here want. My goal is to represent them in the best way I can," she said.

New Council Member Louis Csordas, the former chair of the Novi Planning Commission, also said he felt very honored to be at the ceremony, but he added he was realizing the tremendous responsi-

bility he was undertaking. "I do public speaking and rarely do I get nervous, but I have a twinge in my stomach," he said before the ceremony.

Before swearing-in Clark, 52-1 District Judge Continued on 11





Above, in front center, Mayor Dick Clark and wife Diane with supporters. Also in front from left, Asa and Carol Smith, Pat Holt and Ruth Elrod. Back row, from left, Ken Szczypka, Mary Muller and David Landry. At left, Judge Dennis Powers swears-in Clark as wife, Diane, looks on. More election-related stories on pages 10 to 13.

Photos by JOHN HEIDER

Novi city officials are taking steps to clean up the Department of Public Works yard, following the dumping of sewage on the property in late October.

In the meantime, minutes of a Nov. 5 meeting between DPW Foreman Tom Lovelady and Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver indicate that city employees were routinely dumping solid sewage wastes on another section of the DPW property as recently as two years ago.

By JEREMY MCBAIN and

B.J. HAMMERSTEIN

The minutes of the meeting state: "...prior to two years ago it was standard practice to dump materials that were extracted from the sewer lines by the Vactor Vacuum System. When the (Sewer and Water) Department received notice that there was a back-up the crews were sent out to the site, the sewer line was vacuumed out and the material (liquid and solid) was stored in the vactor. The crew would then return to the DPW site where the liquids were drained from the truck into the sewer line located on the premises. The solids were then dumped

on the property that was allocated for the new fire station number

Klaver confirmed the minutes were correct and said the site in question is immediately off Eleven Mile Road, about 200 years east of Delwal.

He said he was very confident no one has dumped any materials on the site in the last two years because it has been chained off. Klaver said the previous private owners of the site also used it as a dumping ground before the city bought the property.

Following the most recent dumping incident. Director of Public Services Anthony Nowicki said soil and water samples were taken from the area to be studied. Before those results came back Monday, city crews installed a silt fence around the dumping site to catch any contaminated materials before any flow into the flood plane or Bishop Creek.

"We are looking at having a work plan prepared to remove all of that material and disposing of it properly." Nowicki said.

A city employee told the The

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A special section . . .

Mentally ill make friends at new Comfort Zone

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

"You know how the rich have their

social clubs? Well, this is ours." That's Director Brenda Hoffman's take on the Comfort Zone Drop-in center. The center, located at 39575 Ten Mile Road in Novi, serves the social and recreational needs of some of the county's mental-

ly ill residents. Open since June, the center's 100plus "consumers" are referred from local mental health agencies and other counselors and doctors. At the Comfort Zone they can find solace, a listening ear and a lot of stuff to do.

When we got sick we became so disillusioned, afraid of the world. We closed ourselves off from the world," explained Hoffman, who is herself manic depres-

"This is a place we can come out without stigma.

Within the center's walls, are various areas sectioned off for arts and crafts, computer use, shooting pool, pingpong. reading in the library and chatting in the comfy couch and coffee table area. There's also refreshments on hand (and hot meals in the future), board games to

play and karaoke in the kitchen. The center even has shower facilities for "consumers" who need to use them. As Hoffman explained, some of the members survive on Social Security or other small means and can really use a place to clean up and feel better. The center's staff of Hoffman and four others can even throw a load of clothes in the washing machine.

Transportation is available upon request with a two-day notice.

The center is funded by the Oakland County Community Mental Health Authority and affiliated with Mercy Net-Continued on 16



Photo by JOHN MEIDER

After a game of cards at Novi's Comfort Zone. Heather Hanking hugs Director Brenda Hoffman.

Table Off Founds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Meadas Classic ise on Suprer Road. For more information, call after 6 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 12

The Novi Theatres

The Your Theatres lattle People Players presents "The Golden Goose" at Hoper, at the Novi Civic Center State, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Tickets 85 d. advance, 810 at the door, For information, call 347-0400.

Saturday, Nov. 13

The Novi Theatres

The Nove Theatres Little People Players presents "The Golden Goose" at Pep in at the Novi Civic Center State, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road. Tickets 85 in advance, \$10 at the door, For information, call 347-0400.

Sunday, Nov. 14

The Novi Theatres

The Novi Theatres Little People Players presents "The Golden Goose" at 3 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center State, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Tickets \$8 coadvance, 810 at the door, For information, call 247-0400.

Monday, Nov. 15

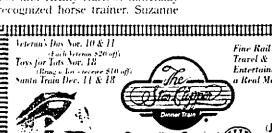
The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association meets at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, at 42100 Crescent Bivd. Social hour is set at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 7 p.m. Meetings. are open to all working women. For reservations, call Audrey Gulley at

Weekend show at Expo Center features horsey set

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Total cholesterol screening by fingerstick method, will be offered from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. Cost is \$5 fee. For more mformation call (248) 477-6100.

Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters

The Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters Club meets from 7-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile. For more information call Tom Lahiff at (248) 348-6019 (evenings). Visitors are welcome.

Tuesday, Nov. 16

Garden Club

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

Civil Air Patrol

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

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

Chess Club

The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7 p.m. to 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, (248) 344-4269 evenings after 6

Bereavement Support Group

A bereavement support group meets at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. The meeting will be facilitated by Dr. M. Meyer. There will be a brief prayerful reflection during the meeting p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road. by a member of the clergy from the area.

The Novi Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Big Boy Restaurant Nov. 21 at the Novi Expo Center. For information, call (248) 348-5600.

The Detroit International Festival runs today through Nov. 18 at the Novi Expo Center. For information, call (248) 348-5600.

Wednesday, Nov. 17

Planning Commission

The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road.

Thursday, Nov. 18

Novi Rotary

mentary School. For information, call (248) 449-1200.

Walled Lake School Board

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

Parks and Recreation Commission

The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet tonight at 7:30

Novi Expo Center Show

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The Novi Rotary Club meets at noon at the Novi United Methodist Church at 41671 Ten Mile Road. For information, contact Bob Limbright at (248) 380-6500.

The Novi School Board meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Orchard Hills Ele-

The Walled Lake School Board meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Educational Services Center. For information, call (248) 956-2000.

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Bluesfest, 50s Festival may get new makeovers

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN Staff Writer

Hot summer nights may seem a far distance away, but organizers from Novi's two hottest summer festivals are in the middle of redesigning the events.

The International Bluesfest may become more than blues and the other local event for the time could be referred to as the "Festival Formerly Known as the Michigan 50s Festival." 50s Fest Manager Jane Thomas

said the organizers are looking at reworking the entertainment lineup, as well as the title of the sum
July 26-30 at the Novi Expo Cento the all-blues musical lineup, he *One of the things we needed to do was change the name." Thomas

"We are also in the process of finalizing contracts of the entertainers and carnival rides." Thomas said two acts have already been booked, Eddie Money

will headline Wednesday night's man's Hermits will close the Friday der said.

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"We are still going to have the car year, but we are not where wanted show, the OmniPoint Grand Prix it to be as far as money. There has been some internal problems — a

Bender added that as indepen-

don't work on booking the talent

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haven't gotten together yet," Ben-

throughout the year.

explained.

and the carnival," she said. "We are trying to add a new twist lot of the economic problems have on things - we are going to been our own fault." increase the entertainment area and have a much broader range of dent promoters, the organizers

Thomas added the entertainment tent will be open in the evening for all age groups and there will be blues festival (the same weekend as individual tickets and packages Novi's Bluesfest International. available for interested attendees. Windsor plays host to a companion Whatever the outcome, the evently sponsors still want to parredesigned festival is slated for ticipate but changes may be made

The Bluesfest International is "We are considering a musicalplanned for the weekend of July type change but the partners 21-23, also at the Expo Center. Bluesfest organizer Craig Bender der said. said even with attendance figures "Right now we are not signing continuing to grow, the financial any bands. We are not sure where outcome for the organizers has not we are going to go with it."

been as desired. "We haven't decided yet on what B.J. Hammerstein's email is show and Peter Noon and Her- we are going to do next year." Ben- bhammerstein@ht.homecomm.net.

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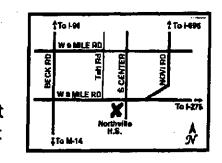
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Border's Novi Community Relations person Monique Herzig, left, is joined by the Novi Pub- looking to promote literacy nationally and lic Library's Margie Karpsperer, Mindy Schafer | locally, has developed "Open Books for Chiland Jennifer Taggert as the Novi bookstore

used to purchase books for kids. Border's dren Project" and has been taking donations handed over a \$1,200 check to the library to be at their registers for the effort.

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The Michigan House of Repre- percent for funding local road Legislation enacted in 1994. sentatives recently approved legis- repairs and the remaining 30 per- allowed local townships and cities to create their own local enforce-"I wanted to make sure the ment units for truck weight limit clarifies the legislative intent of possible by an amendment offered roads and provides funding to local libraries, as well as linking

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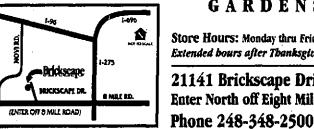
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Longtime librarian and friend of the community dies at 84

should be helper to others, an avid a offered. many people, hastery was the lowestherespirit, attitude and sinile of the said and the way it brightens of all Women's Club in Northville, a Flatters of er Wesing b. community. it the live of the She was a woman who truly tulness she was optimistic and you always wanted to be around." ensived her work and her life, said. Thad a very sky shiny personality." Pripas added Flattery was a perren etam, liter dane donnson – Evans said. "She was not best friend, as tremendors mother and she loted ---- we were very fortunate to have -- "I can remember there not being -- and a volunteer at Providence Hos-

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their personal readings and know 1986. to out, not library a small facility when they came into the library canning dupth books was locals what kind of books each person -Locathol Grand River Avenue on Longoved reading," Evans said. ear Reest before moving to us cur-Even after she retired, she Listain Director Brenda Evans and knowledge as a library friend." survived by her twin brother Don- Services were held Monday at the said many people associate the Fellow library friend Barbara.

was always the center of the opera — community for 22 years and Flat——Involved in many different orga-Denotic W. Hattery was a friend - from and, the different programs - tery was one of the first people she - nizations, Flattery was a member of met and developed a friendship the A.A.U.W., the Committee of Ten

> that made her so special to the "your day," Pipas said. "Her outlook on life was so posi-"She was the ultimate in cheer" tive + she was one of those people. College, **Everyone is sad about our loss of Novi in those earlier days.

After 22 years of being a library - Thorothy and the library provid- for books, Flattery also had a pas-Even in retirement. Evans -- she had a full happy life and been playing golf since she was 18-Dorothy Flattery was married to The hotter the weather the more "She would talk to people about Robert T. Flattery, who died in she liked to play golf," Johnson

people at," Pipus said.

Johnson, Josephine Mudloff and who was outgoing and truly Dan Flattery, She was a grandmother of eight. stayed active volunteering her time. In great grandmother of five and is I who is truly going to be missed."

in Novi the Northville Women's than east Flattery being present, it — "When I think of her, I think of ... Club, the Business and Professionpeer counselor at the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft

> Ministry through the Holy Family son many associated with the City - Catholic Church, a Eucharistic Minister of the Holy Family Church Along with family and her love

Johnson said her mother has added. Flattery never stopped con- was a wonderful person who really years-old and belonged to three dif-

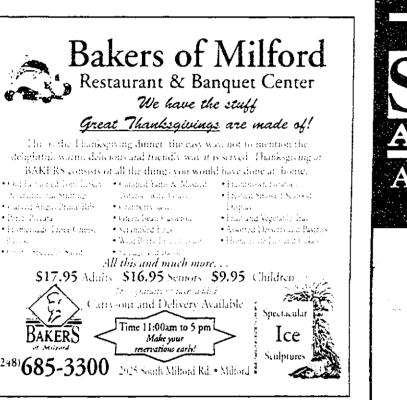
> She was the mother of Jane — "She was a warm public person enjoved working.

Dorothy Flattery, seen here working in the library, was one of the first librarians in Novi when the service began in 1963.

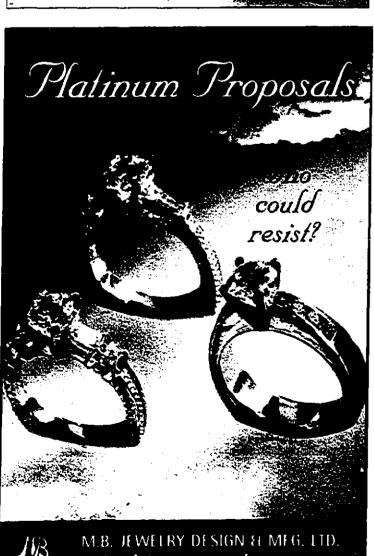
O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home. with the funeral procession driving through the Novi Public Library parking lot on the way to the liturgy at Holy Family Catholic Church. Memorials to Angela Hospice or Mass cards would be appreciated

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attacked by a group of camouflagewearing suspects around 6 p.m.
Nov. 1 as he was riding his bike

Police News near the intersection of Plateau Land Liberte.

The boy said an unknown number of suspects tackled him and Iforced him to the ground. Two of the suspects held him down while another punched him. While this was taking place, another suspect was slashing the boy's arms with what felt like a dull

"nocket knife. One of the attackers accused the Iboy of damaging a vehicle. Apparently the boy was attacked in retaliation because the suspects thought he had damaged the vehi-

The boy denied this charge. He fought his attackers off and they fled the area. The boy received only minor

injuries in this attack. Officers arms that barely broke the skin. The boy's face was also swollen. He refused medical treatment.

ATTACKED AT MAC'S A 15-year-old White Lake boy was attacked by an unknown black male around 6:30 p.m. Nov. 7 in

the McDonald's parking lot on Twelve Mile Road. The boy said he was inside the restaurant eating, when the black male approached him and accused the boy of looking at his girlfriend. The boy did not want a con-

frontation and told the man to "go eat his meal." rant with some acquaintances and waited for the boy in the parking

When the boy left the restaurant, shirt because some friends had the black male confronted him. The previously stolen items from Hudblack male pushed the boy, slapped him in the face and punched him in the nose, causing

The black male is described as around midnight Nov. 6 at the Novi being five foot 10 inches in height. Ice Arena, discovered someone took

The boy said he did not want to press charges if the man was locat-

sev with black leans.

observed several scratches to his girl was arrested for shoplifting. They agreed, but no one ever saw an employee spied on her in the fit- cash. ting rooms. The employee said she observed MEANINGLESS THEFT

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The girl told police she took the son's and had not been caught.

Three men playing hockey

"chubby" and wearing a white jer- all the money from their wallets. The men discovered the money After hitting the boy, the black missing from their wallets when male got into a red vehicle and fled they returned to the locker rooms after playing a game of hockey. All three men said they saw an

approximately 30-year-old man walking around the arena prior to the game. The man asked several people if A 17-year-old Farmington Hills he could play hockey with them.

around 1:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at Hud- him get dressed or leave the arena. son's in the Twelve Oaks Mall after
The men lost a total of \$150 in

Someone stole a broken-down 1985 Pontiac sometime between 3

p.m. Oct. 31 and 7 a.m. Nov. 11 While she was in the fitting from the parking lot of an Amoco room, the employee watched the gas station on Twelve Mile Road. The owner of the vehicle said he then put it in a bag she had with son was driving it on Oct. 31 when it broke-down.

sensor tags off two other shirts, but left the vehicle in the parking lot. could not get them off, so she left with its doors unlocked and the key in the ignition.

She exited the fitting room and The man returned to the gas stathe store with one of the shirts still tion Nov. 4 to take the vehicle to a in her bag. She was apprehended junk yard, only to discover the

Amoco management said they did not have the vehicle towed from the parking lot. The owner said the vehicle was worth about \$200.

Someone broke into a home around 8 p.m. Nov. 3 on the 20000

block of Turnberry and took a bracelet worth \$15,000. An officer was dispatched to the home when its alarm was trig-

The officer found a ground-level window had been pried open and he saw a footprint on the floor inside the home.

The officer entered the home and found no one inside. He did find a dresser in the bedroom had been tampered with and

was missing its middle drawer. A gold bracelet was stolen from the drawer. The bracelet had diamond numbers on it representing the number of hole-in-ones the owner had scored while playing

Nothing else was missing from

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

Novi Briefs

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Novi Chamber of Commerce Board Member Jonathan Brateman has a new role. Last week, he was elected to a four-year term on the Southfield City Council. The commercial Realtor, with a business based in Novi, was the only non-incumbent to win a seat in that election. He is a newcomer to the Southfield political scene.

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Teachers learn to use computers in the classroom



Novi High School Social Studies Chair Gary Kelly, right, talks to Dave Cosman, a Novi Meadows 6th grade teacher.

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school, who receive graduate credit.

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN

Dave Cosman arrived to class at Novi High School a little early Monday night and hopped right online. Cosman, like many students is using

the Internet more and more, but unlike many students. Cosman is a sixth-grade teacher at Novi Meadows. He's enrolled in a class designed to meet the needs of teachers interested in providing the best use of the Internet for their classrooms. Taught by Novi High Social Studies Chair Gary Kelly, Teach for Tomorrow was conceived by educators and created to expose teachers to good online

ties and lessons that begins at being real generic, but through the course the teachers are able to make it more specific to their own classes," Kelly said. "The teachers' can take it right to the kids ready-to-use. There has been immediate feedback and all things have been found real useful."

Kelly said he took the week-long trainng course last June in Walled Lake and will continue to go to follow up classes about Teach for Tomorrow. With 10 students enrolled in this emester's class. Kelly said the course is part of an extended learning program arough Central Michigan University. Jpon completion students will earn

three graduate hours of credit Christy Fossbakk, Novi Middle School support teacher for special education designed for independent online learn-

"We are learning how to bet-

students, said the class has been especially useful for her, as she just moved to the area from Norway where comput er technology in schools is behind what it is in the United States. "I used to just use the Internet for e-

mail," Fossbakk said. It is important for me to find different resources on the Internet. The class is exposing me to more detail about the Net especially in social sciences and science related fields."

Some of the subjects covered in the Teach for Tomorrow course include: the best use of the Internet with students: bookmarks and web pages as teacher tools for instruction; learning and teaching search strategies; curriculum planning with the Internet; and learning and teaching web page authoring. pioneering effort." Kelly said.

The course, which is sectioned off into seven different modules, is specifically

"We are learning how to better utilize

and Internet training.

Teach for Tomorrow, Kelly added, will be offered again next semester and is hoping more people, including community members and educators, will show interest in the invaluable class. "People can go to the website, register and learn about the course and go

through the modules," Kelly said. "With many people having home computers, this class extends well beyond

During Monday's course, Kelly helped the student-teachers learn about the program Composer and how Internet bookmarks can be easily arranged to further enhance learning and lesson

of the course, each student-teacher will leave with a portfolio of the work they have completed through the semester specifically tailored to each studenteacher's curriculum and lesson plan. This is much more than just playing

on the computer." Cosman said. There is a lot of additional information we are learning, this is a strong educational tool and a great resource To learn more about the Teach for

B.J. Hammerstein's e-mail address is bhammerstein@ht.homecomm.net.

Tomorrow visit the website at

nttp://tft.merit.edu.

Sports Club hits one year

In its first year of operations, the thought they were going to collect Sports Club of Novi is shaping up during the walk. In another surfive sports, It has grown faster than to be more than just a fitness facil-

The facility next to the Novi Ice of their own "Walking Song." sary with an open house and mem- walking team gathered together to ber appreciation day on Oct. 9 and videotape the "Walking Song" and strengthening came from the on the following day, a team of 33 submit it to "The Rosie O'Donnell teachings of Joseph Pilates." from the club participated in the Show" in hopes of fame and for-

said employees and members of gymnastics, tennis, martial arts, the club worked hard and raised swimming and dance, which is the

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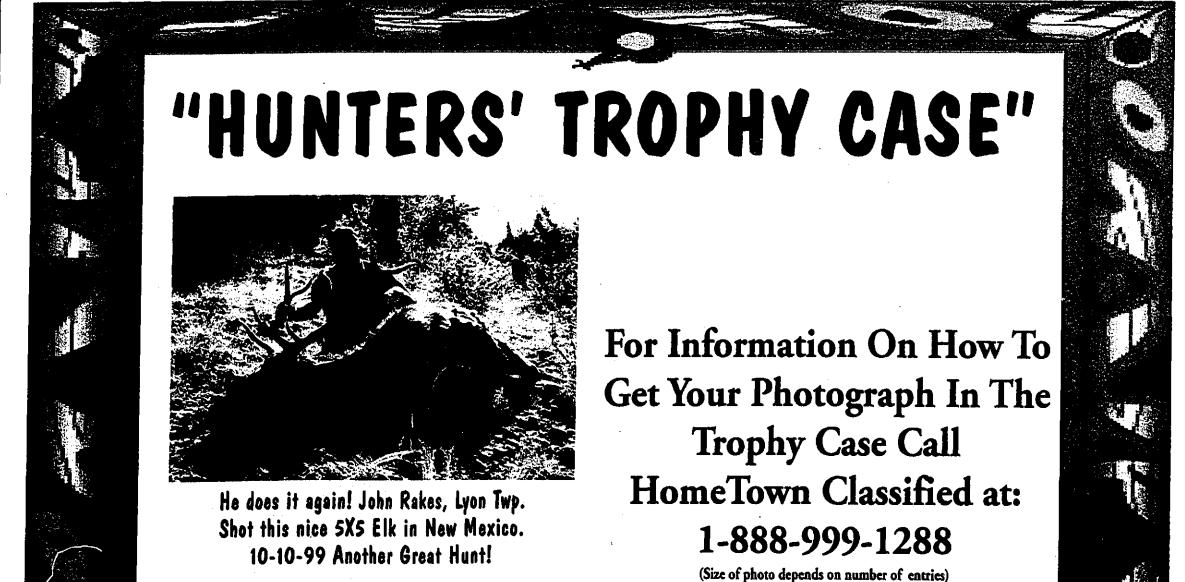
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staying at one city longer than in suit and other negative issues are really very small. "I think in general, city managers" "Novi is a happening community" people that should be applying for are a little more inclined to stay, and a wonderful place to live. I think there are so many things that Current Novi City Manager Ed out-weigh these other glitches."

He added the \$53 million lawsuit is a little more than a glitch, but bert of The Colony, TX and Ronald good aspects of Novi. This is some-Walled Lake City Manager Phil believes most city manager's egos - accepting this position, he was the on lawson them, Novers a topic applicants to the city manager. Wixom City Manager Mike Dor- are big enough that no matter what city manager of Belding. eng talked about by managers position may be the result of a new man said Novi overall is such a nice is wrong with a city, they believe across the state, due to its many trend where city managers are city with a successful past, the law-they can fix it.

job and I think there are a lot of it." he said.

Vawter said he is not planning on applying for the job, however. As of last week, the latest applicants for the job were Lanny Lam-Lambert is current the city manthing a candidate would discover if ager of The Colony, TX. Before city manager of Abilene, TX.

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and John (Carole); daughters, Rita (Jack) Hill and Bonnie (Stan) Guski; two sisters. Jane Tafelski and Eugenia Robakowski; 23 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Services were conducted on Friday, Nov. 5 at St. James Church in Novi. Interment was at Olson is currently the city man-Cemetery Livonia.Arrangements were made by O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funer-I Home in Novi.Memorials to St. Jeremu McBain's email is James Church, 46325 W. Ten Mile

Novi died Nov. 2 in Providence Hos-

pital, Southfield. He was born in

wife. Helen: sons, Thomas (Judy),

William (Denise), David (Susan),

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City analyzes DPW yard, prepares for clean-up

Novi News about the recent dumping of sewage behind a salt shed at the DPW yard near the corner of Delwal and Eleven Mile roads. After learning about this, the city launched its own investigation. According to a laboratory test commissioned by The Novi News, a water sample

times greater than the state's maximum level for standing water. City workers cleaned up this puddle on Nov. 4. Its contents have been stored in a ates, soil and water samples have been city truck until it can be disposed of at a

treatment facility. An investigation conducted by city officials after learning of the results of the News' water test found city employees dumped restaurant grease taken from a

city sewer line on at least two occasions. The Novi News obtained memos between Nowicki and Bruce Jerome, superintendent of the sewer and water department. dated Nov. 2. 1998, which indicated Jerome was ordered to take sewage materials to a treatment facility in Waterford. Jerome was suspended without pay after Nowicki learned of the October dumping. According to a written statement dated Nov. 2. 1999 from Sewer and Water was done. Department foreman Tom Lovelady, the dumping occurred after the department

downtown Novi. Lovelady said in his statement he dispatched a crew to take care of the sewer back-up. After using a water jet to break up the blockage, the crew noticed what appeared to be grease continuing to block the sanitary line.

responded to a sewer back-up caused by

"I told them to vactor this also and to dump (it) behind the salt shed when they were through." Lovelady wrote. out on Oct. 28 to check the lines. During coliform and E. coli.

holes and dump the solids behind the salt According to minutes of a Nov. 5 meeting with city officials, Lovelady said this was the only time sewage was dumped at the site. However, those same minutes indicattaken from a large puddle at the alleged ed DPW employees had been dumping dumping site indicated an E. coli level 860 sewage at another site up to two years ago. According to a report by Ben Farnham,

"I told them to vactor out these man-

director of environmental services for the city's consulting engineers JCK & Associtaken and tested from a broad spectrum of Still pending further results, Farnham said he discussed the discharge with the Michigan Department of Environmental

Quality Surface Water Quality and Emergency Response Divisions and they have told him that no environmental statutes have been broken at this time. The MDEQ also said it was too busy at to investigate the dumping and that the

dumping was relatively small. Farnham

Instead of implementing a fine, the MDEQ suggested the city clean up the area and submit a written report stating what

JCK reported approximately 126 cubic feet of sanitary sewer debris was discharged. A stake marks the sewage discharge some grease from Too Chez restaurant in behind the DPW Building. It was further point at the Novi DPW yard. estimated 15 percent of the 126 cubic feet was liquid which equals approximately 141 gallons of liquid sewage. From the samples collected on Nov. 2 from the top of the spoils pile (where the 3

In a study presented to the City of Novi,

Vactor truck had discharged the sanitary effluent) total coliform and E. coli were present at relatively high concentrations. Farnham said a specific number wasn't determined, as the test was only to find out He further stated he sent the crews back if there was a presence or absence of total

d samples were collected. Creek where it crosses Eleven Mile Road. acceptability for total coliform and E. coli.

> cleaned out of various eatch basins sanitary sewer line. throughout the city. According to the minutes of the Nov. 5 meeting, Lovelady said DPW workers used areas without first evaluating potential to dump tree trunks, concrete and various environmental impacts, the report said. construction materials at the DPW yard. But a memo was distributed to all DPW and Sewer and Water Department employees advising them to stop dumping all stein's e-mail address

the eastern edge of the DPW yard.

"In my opinion that is not the proper place to dispose of that material," Nowicki

construction of a new fire station on the

Construction spoils and catch basin sediment should be prepared at a temporary site and disposed of properly, he said. tively high concentrations in both water Because he was not sure what exactly was in the piles at the DPW yard, Nowicki samples taken from Bishop Creek on Nov. ordered further tests taken to determine Farnham said the surface water samples their content. He said once those tests have been completed the entire site will be may have been possibly contaminated

excavated and the materials will be proper-

In addition, several new policies have Total coliform, Farnham said, is all bacbeen implemented that are designed to E. coli is produced by non-mammal keep incidents such as the sewage dump-In the report, it was also stated that total feces, soil, debris — anything originally ing from ever happening again, Nowicki

v disposed of.

On Nov. 5. Farnham said three addition-A record-keeping system has been created requiring each vactor operator to fill out The areas included Bishop Creek, about—a log each time they use the vactor truck. 400 feet south of Interstate 96, the reten- Nowicki said the operator will have to say tion pond south of Wyndham Hotel and what the truck was used for and where its north of the Marriott Hotel and Bishop contents were disposed. In addition, Nowicki directed that an environmental audit The soil and water samples from these the completed on the Parks and Recreation three sites were tested and the results. Department and areas of the Department showed results that met state levels of of Public Works. Under orders of the Novi City Council, While city officials were continuing to the audit will be conducted by an indepenstudy the effects of the dumping on the dent agency.

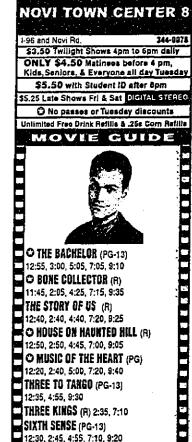
surrounding area, Nowicki has also started In JCK's report, recommendations have

studies on the rest of the debris that litters been made that a salt brine collection should be designed and constructed adia-Nowicki said it seems this debris is com- cent to the DPW salt shed, allowing for salt posed of construction spoils and sediment brine to be collected and discharged into a Also, no additional DPW construction

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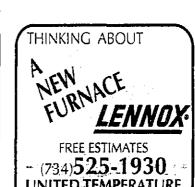
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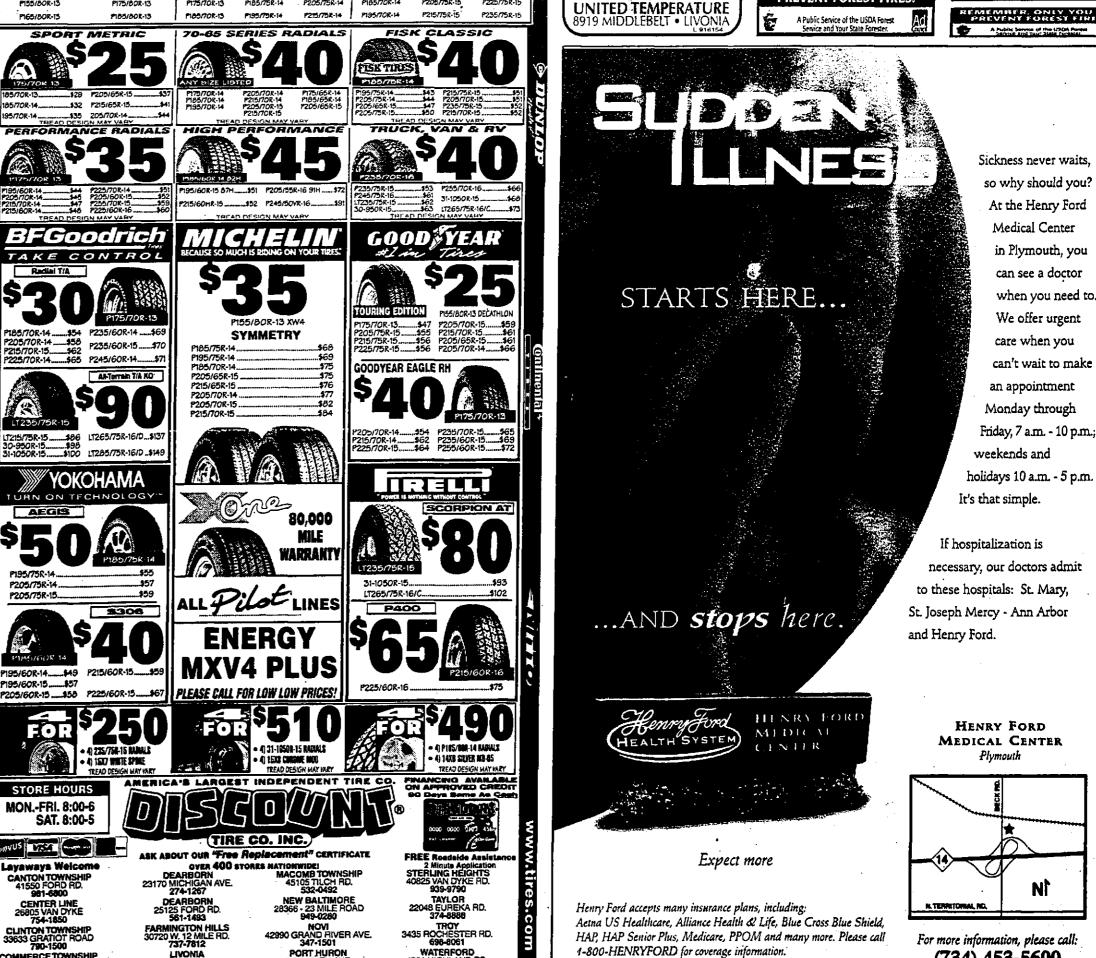


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With little money, how PARKS prevailed at polls

With an overwhelming 73 percent of the voters saving no to a -Leople About Reserving Kids Space preced to be an dazzling success. that the process wasn't easy, from the time that PARKS was first Chuck findall

"My only information about what was happening with the golf course. was what I read in the Novi News," Tinglid, Said "I researched and proved there."

was never any advanced notice. ron, the parks and recreation Farmington Hills, former city counlegartment, commission and city "I wanted to get out and prove to ents council that they needed more

or the entizens' input, to have pubhe hearings and show them there was some opposition to the idea of czoli coarsc Tindail said the council had every right to have teasibility studies conducted and explore the possibilities of a golf course, but frustration continued to mount as he

being shrugged away. In late 1998, Tindall said he was cuss the teasibility study, but soon

only be for the city coincil and not. Happen.

againzed in 1996 by a trustrated ment was chosen over a city referendum needs to be implemented—the petition. when counteracting a specific act see happen

Basing Novi's charter amend ment after one which passed in cil member Rob Mitzel, former parks and recreation commissioner Linda Racey and Tindall drafted the proposed language for the charter amendment.

PARKS leader Angie Bruder said it was amazing what happened during and after the petition drive. "The response was incredible." Bruder said "Some people were irate, some

people knew about the golf course and others had different kinds of tell the residents' input was still run-ins with the city — the support

Whatever the reasons were that tooled by the city as he was waiting united the group. Bruder said for a planned public forum to dis- PARKS stayed active and met

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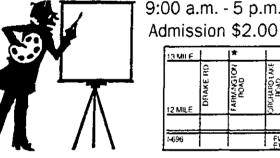
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During the course of time prior—that bad," Bruder said. compaign much the same way they - couple of times a week. There were - aware. We weren't telling people were able to organize signatures for a lot of people who helped us. how to vote. We just wanted to With a limited budget of \$200 to people there is a lot of time invest. With the 500-acre North Novi

tional meetings, drafted some liter- Tindall said people were contact- struction of a golf course, members in something you are doing, it isn't

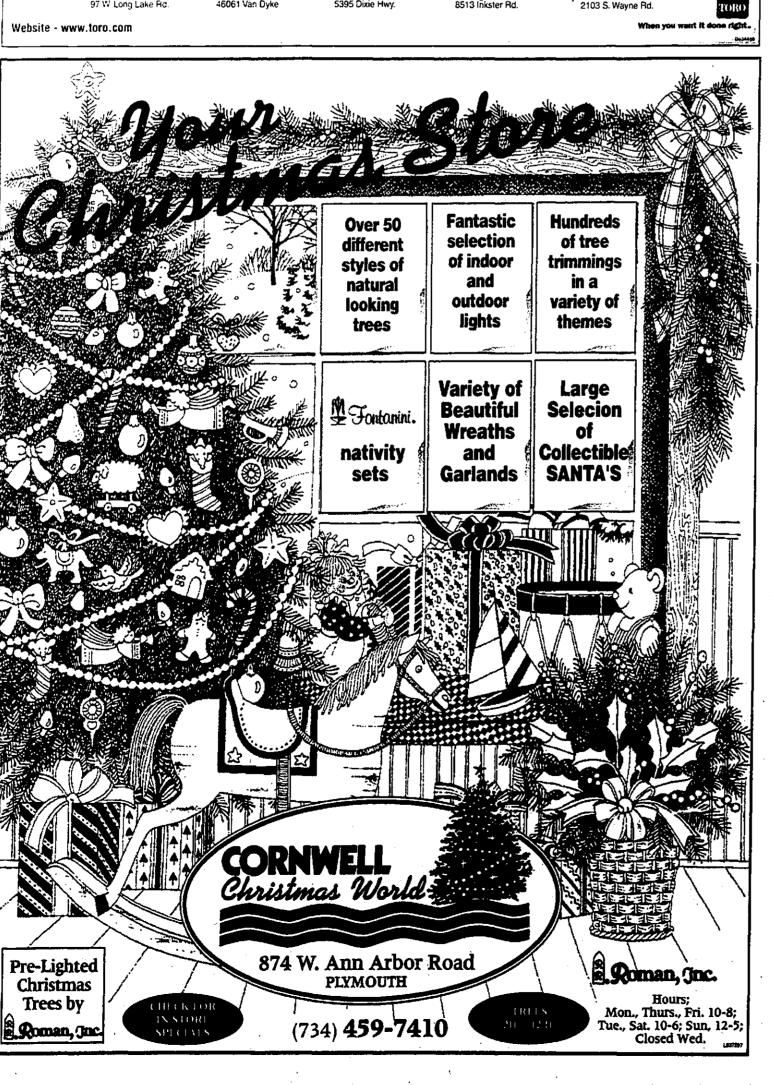
"It was kind of a self-automating "We ran into very little opposition. The majority of the problem each person made a difference." When you are talking to a lot of spread awareness."

"Everyone involved really put forth a tremendous effort," Bruder said. "The effort really paid off -

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District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie swears in Novi City Council Members Craig DeRoche, Michelle Bononi and Lou Csordas at Monday's meeting. At left, after new Mayor

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Richard Clark took his oath. the audience, including at far left State Sen. Bill Bullard, R-Milford, broke into applause

It's official, Novi's new city council is on the job

Dennis Powers said he was honored to be standing next to a manwho worked so hard to get where

The crowed jumped to its feet cheering after Clark was officially announced the new mayor of Novi

The new council member also received a standing ovation after being sworn in by 52-1 District Court Judge Brain MacKenzie. rent state of the City of Novi politics that three judges were invited to do the swearing in.

Soon after these ceremonies. wishing him well and six items residents. being added to the council agenda by a city council member.

During the audience participation portion of the meeting. Novi majority of council. It is so nice to the deck in favor of the residents of

Novi resident Sara Gray agreed with Korte.

*Congratulations to all new members of council. I want to let you know I am really excited to be working with a council instead of in

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"It was probably longer than it an adversarial position. Gray said.

"We'll have a lot of time to get used to each other.

The goal is for the benefit of the city, not personal

Along with the usual council ing it was not bad," said Council business, Clark laid out some new Member Hugh Crawford, Crawford referred to the six items added the policies for Novi city government. Most notably. Clark instituted a agenda by council member Laura MacKenzie jokingly said: "I was rule that any citizen who has a Lorenzo saying he would have liked thinking it was unusual in the cur-question at the city council meeting a little more advance notice on will have their question answered

three business days. He also formulated a plan to put meeting as mayor. He was not able public counters of each city departto close the meeting until about 1 ment. Council members will use a.m. the next morning, thanks to a these cards to determine how userbarrage of audience members friendly the departments are to the

Additionally, in the spirit of communication with the residents, Clark announced his mayoral office resident James Korte said: "Four- each Saturday. He invited all citi- have enough time to formally have teen years I have waited to see zens to visit him at his office to ask them placed on the agenda before such user-friendly smiles on a questions or share their concerns. the meeting due to the election.

> "We'll work on seeing what we can do to shorten things up as a new council," he said. DeRoche agreed. He said a lot of

issues were aired out Monday night in healthy debate.

Csordas also said he wanted to either at the meeting or within see more advance notice of issues. instead of council members adding Clark hammered in his first official "citizen comment" cards at the them to the agenda at the council

"We'll have a lot of time to get used to each other. The goal is for the benefit of the city, not personal

agendas," Csordas said. hours will be from 9 a.m. to noon to the agenda, saving she did not After the meeting Clark said he Many of the issues needed to be understand we have finally stacked thought it went very well, but it discussed right away and could not wait until the next meeting, she

Lorenzo said she also thought the meeting went very well.

Jeremy McBain's e-mail is imcbain@ht.homecomm.net.

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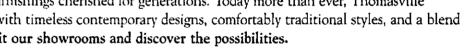
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New mayor Richard Clark carned the talents and energy to make bers telt with city half and their. "It was Dick's performance at From small details as the Clark ing the roles most suitable for each local businesses whenever possi-

as happen. When you have people—techniq that Novi officials needed to—city council that attracted me to his—candy-bar, to the organizational—individual. like that working with you it help - regain touch with the citizens. Linders Hilliam Carry entributing to the campaign that issues." Muller said.

Clark bars while campaigning.

candidate," Holt said. "Richard was taught the imporquality that brings people of all Without their efforts and my lages, political and social back-council, Clark was made aware of formed. wife at particular sacress throng appends together, we were all able many different city issues and. Holt said the committee worked ka added, with a financial back- the committee specifically tried to the campaign would not have been to work towards a common goal." began to earn the respect from Novi on planning strategy procedures ground, he took on the role of treat keep everything local. "If evolusedissibly donated their case result of the frustration mem-cause approach to problem-solving, campaign,

Several launched their public 3. Z. David Landey, Mary Muller, proposal for a community aquatic

He is the first new mayor in six involved and once we started net- a life of it's own.

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 99-055

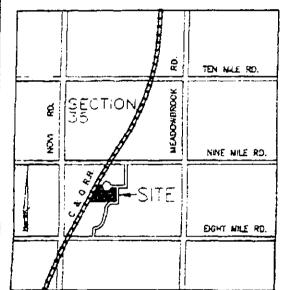
NOTICE IS REPEBY GIVEN that Pete's Christmas Trees is requesting a Tem orary Use Permit to allow trie outdoor sale of Christmas trees at the Eaton Center November 24, 1999 through December 24, 1999. Eaton Center is located on re north side of Ten Mile Road west of Novi Road.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located thin 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use This request will be considered at 3:15 p.m. on November 17, 1999, at the Novi 5 Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to

City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to November 17, 1999. 11-11-99 NR, NN 935304)

CITY OF NOVI **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Nov all hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 17, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in the ovi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider CLEMENTS INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY SP 99-44, located north of Eight Mile Road and west of Melicowprook Road, seeking PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN AND SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVALS.



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the public hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning & Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 17, 1999

NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION ROBERT CHURELLA, SECRETARY TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

As a former planning commis- issues but it was truly a group group, individuals would brain- n't focused on any one area or subsioner, Clark was unanimously effort." he right to lead Novi into the new state of giving back to the commus appointed to city council after. It was during the organizational assets in contributing to the cam- four corners of Novi coming togethmallenmann, with, or percent of the mity and with a unique leadership council member Tim Pope's death. meetings before the primary when paign. Syczypka said Clark and er and working as a complete unit. Holt said during his term on The Steering Committee was first docz set up a computer complete Holt said another aspect to the

The Steering Committee formed residents through his common and organized the time line of the surer and other members of the

After his term he announced he according to precincts — The where we were able to get the mes- members of The Steering Commit-Calling themselves The Steering involvement with Novi issues in wasn't running for reelection and a Steering Committee collaborated to sage out to the people about our tee all agreed on one thing — the Committee, members Victor Cass 1997, as part of the successful couple of years later he decided to determine the best strategy to win lideas, philosophies and concepts,"

campaign," Landry said.

"At campaign meetings at his Fig. (a) Asia Smith and Ken facility. "About two years ago I house it seemed the entire city was ship we were able to hash over the found many citizens were unhappy Szezypka were all instrumental in became involved in many local, there. It was wonderful — the lideas and concepts and put them, with city management and we were interest of the whole city was there—in perspective," Landry said. earned Clark the office of mayor. Many other people also became and that is when it started to take

"If we didn't agree, we would talk and opinions." it over, discuss the different viewcears—and the first to hand out—working among each other, we—"It was amazing when people—points and in the end we would all learned that we shared the same from different ages, and interests stand behind the decision and sup-"The committee could never have frustration with the previous gathered together and worked port it."

the campaign.

CITY OF NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there is a vacancy on the Planning Commission. If you are interested in appointment to this board, an application may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road or by calling (248)

(11-11-99 NR. NN 935300)

TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW.

strategies of breaking down groups

"With Clark's efforts and leader-

together. We didn't agree on all Besides discussion amongst the Smith added the campaign was

able to really hear people's voices address

on the north side of West Road.

(11-11-99 NR, NN 935307)

the National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

Smith said.

storm and utilize their personal division in the city, but it was all

with a website and e-mail. Syczyp- "grass roots" campaign was how

committee followed suit in assum- tions, but we really tried to use

This was one of our programs But through all the hard work,

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI

REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT

TUP 99-054

s requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow the placement of a portable concrete

batch plant on the project site for Beck North for use during the paving of Beck North roads from November 17, 1999 through December 15, 1999. Beck North is located

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on November 17, 1999, at the Novi

within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use

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 November 17, 1999. GERRIE HUBBS

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI

REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT

TUP 99-056

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Johna Construction Company is requesting a

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located

This request will be considered at 3:30 p.m. on November 17, 1999, at the Novi

Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to

NOTICE OF AIR POLLUTION COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality is holding a public comnent period until December 6, 1999, and a public hearing, if requested, on Decem-

ber 7, 1999, on Ford Motor Company — Wixom Assembly Plant's proposed installation of a new automobile coating line. The public comment period and hear-

ing, if requested, are to allow all interested parties the opportunity to comment or

he Department's proposed conditional approval of an application for a Permit to Install. The proposed new coating line will be located at the Wixom Assembly Plant 28801 Wixom Road, Wixom, Michigan. It has been preliminarily determined that the

nstallation of the new coating line will not violate any of the Department's rules not

based on the expected significant net emission increase in volatile organic compounds. The new coating line will consume only insignificant amounts of the federal Prevention of Significant Deterioration Air Quality increments for particulate, sulfur

Copies of the Department staff's analysis and proposed permit conditions are available for inspection at the following locations, or you may request a copy be mailed to you by calling 517-373-2856. Please reference Permit to Install Application

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ven Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152 (Phone: 734-953-1449) LANSING: Air Quality Division, Department of Environmental Quality, Hollist

Building, 4th Floor, 106 West Allegan (Phone: 517-373-2856)

The public is encouraged to present its written views on the proposed permit action. Written comments should be sent to the Department of Environmental Quali-

, Air Quality Division, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan, 48909, to the attention of

e Permit Section Supervisor. All statements received by December 6, 1999 will b

If a public hearing is requested in writing by December 6, 1999, it will be held o.

December 7, 1999 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the City of Wixom Community Center Senior Lounge, 49015 Pontiac Trail, Wixom, Michigan. If a hearing is requested, the comment period will be extended until the close of the hearing. The sole purpose o

his hearing will be to take testimony on the record. The hearing will be recorded

Staff will not be responding to questions during testimony at the hearing. Staff will be available to answer questions outside the Senior Lounge during the hearing.

Individuals needing accommodations for effective participation at the hearing should contact Barb Wilcox at 517-373-2856 a week in advance to request mobility.

sidered by the decision-maker prior to final permit action.

This proposal is subject to the federal Prevention of Significant Deterioration

the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to November 17, 1999.

Temporary Use Permit to allow the placement of a construction trailer at the Provi-

dence Park Place project site from November 17, 1999 through November 17, 2001. Providence Park Place is located on the north side of Grand River Avenue west of

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Tony Angelo Cement Construction Company

times during the campaign we had

bhammerstein@ht.homecomm.net.

GERRIE HUBBS

CITY OF NOVI **BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEWS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council will be interviewing pplicants on Monday, December 13, 1999 beginning at 7:30 p.m. for appointment the Board of Review, Beautification Commission, Community Clubs of Novi, Conruction Board of Appeals, Economic Development Corporation, Election Commission. Housing & Community Development Committee, Historical Commission, Parks Recreation Commission, Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.

If you are interested in serving on a City Board or commission, applications are available in the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile, or by calling 347-0456 to receive an application by mail or fax. Please submit your application by Thursday, December 10, 1999 to allow time for scheduling appointments.

(11-11/18/25 & 12-3/10-99 NR/NN 935326)

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Northville Public Schools is soliciting sealed bids for the following: Waste Management Program, Northville Public Schools, 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. Bids should be returned to the Business Office at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, no later than 4:00 p.m., Monday,

Bigs should be in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Waste Management Pro gram Bid." Specifications are available to be picked up in the Operations Department, 501 West Main Street, between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please contact Chris Geams at (248) 344-8445 if you have any questions. 11/18-99 NR/NN 935320)

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Northville Public Schools is soliciting sealed bids for the following: Painting of Cooke Middle School, 21200 Taft Road, Northville, Michigar 48167. Bids should be returned to the Business Office at 501 West Main Street Northville, Michigan, no later than 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 8, 1999. Mandatory Pre-Bid Walk-thru will be held at Cooke Middle School on Thursday

November 23, 1999, from 3:30-5:30. Bids should be in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Cooke Middle School Paint id." Specifications are available to be picked up in the Operations Department, 501 West Main Street, between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please contact Chris Geams at (248) 344-8445 if you have any questions.

A new title for Laura Lorenzo, chosen by Clark Monday for his mayor pro tem

Novi Mayor Richard Clark named said. City Council Member Laura Loren- He added Lorenzo was very seri zo as his deputy. Lorenzo replaces ous about maintaining fiscal pru-Council Member and long-time dence in city business. Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford. who held the position with mayors is motivated by what is in the best Kathleen McLallen and Matt interest if the community as a

"I thought it was time for a Lorenzo said she was very honchange. I think (Crawford) has ren- ored to serve as mayor pro tem. dered valuable service in the past, "I am very pleased the mayor had change," Clark said.

her on the Novi Planning Commission taught her lead- this council to be well-informed."

one. At the same time, I think she is very zealous in her efforts to see community are protected," Clark

"I think she always acts for and

whole." Clark said.

but I think people wanted a the confidence in me to do the job. on the issues facing the city. Clark said he chose Lorenzo for Lorenzo said she believed her tain situations that have occurred the position because he served with tenure as chair of the Novi Plan- to date where it is necessary for

new position.

sion and thought she did a very ership skills she would need in the she said.

Along with a new mayor comes a the interests of the residents in the "I am very pleased the mayor had the confidence in me to do the job."

Laura Lorenzo, Novi's new mayor pro tem

the community," she said. Critics have charged that Lorenzo micro-manages city government. As mayor pro tem, Lorenzo will However, Lorenzo said she is only lead meetings and public functions

"Obviously, there have been cer-

"She is a strong advocate for her "I also think I bring forward a a situation in this city where somepositions. I can respect that in any personality of exuberance in meet-times the lines of authority have is jmcbain@ht.homecomm.net.

ing people and welcoming them to been blurred. It is the city council that makes policy and the city administration is to follow."

> such as ribbon-cuttings at new She may also be called upon to

> > It's that time of

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Council Member Laura Lorenzo is now also mayor pro tem.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT HEARING **CITY OF NOVI** COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN

TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michinan, has determined it to be necessary to make the following described public improvement in the City of Novi on TWELVE MILE ROAD, NOVI ROAD, DONEL-ON DRIVE AND 1-96 WESTBOUND OFF RAMP — SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

DISTRICT #155:

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 • West Oaks Drive between Novi Road and Donelson Drive will be widened it.

ected locations
Turn lanes will be added to the existing north/south portions of Donelson Drive
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The City Council has determined that all of the cost of the above described pub-c improvement shall be assessed against the following described property abutting

he above described improvement: 50-22-15-200-002 50-22-15-200-086

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50-22-15-200-084
TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the City Council has caused reports concerning said public improvement to be prepared, which reports include plans, profiles, speci-fications and estimates of cost of such public improvement, a description of the assessment district and other pertinent information, and these reports are on file in

the office of the City Clerk and are available for public examination.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the City Council will meet on November 22.

1999, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175

West Ten Mile Road in the Council Chambers in the City of Novi for the purpose of

nearing objections to the making of such public improvement.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at such hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax Inbunal. An appearance or protest may be made by an appearance at the Hearing to protest the Special Assessment or by filling an appearance and protest by letter.

THIS NOTICE is given by order of the City Council of the City of Novi, Oakland

TONNI'L BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

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s We See It

Vhen bad things happen to good cities

In late October, just days before in election. The Novi News received an interesting call from a caty of Novi Department of Public works employee who alleged that sewage was dumped on the DPW and. The employee claimed this appened several times.

He said he was very concerned hour the impact on the environant and had also tipped off the dichigan Department of Environental Quality.

The Novi News contacted the akland County Health Departcent, which suggested the name of independent laboratory to test ster collected at the site. That is done and the tests showed an extremely elevated level of E. colior teria

The reporters then telephoned Hy Manager Ed Kriewall and "partment of Public Services meetor Tony Nowicki for comment a the employee's allegations.

Did the city immediately cover it in! Deny the incident? Attempt to seredit the employee? No, not at It. As far as we can tell, all the right things are being done.

First, the city launched its own avestigation into the matter and enfirmed that the release of sewage had occurred.

Erosion fencing was put up the DPW site and downstream. City Council on Monday night.



Government

Through all this, city officials have been commendably open about what must be an embarrassing situation, smack on the heels of the recent election.

We haven't had to file Freedom of Information requests at the city hall, because when public records about the incident - and possible other dumpings of sewage on public land - were requested, the material was simply given to The Novi News reporters.

City officials have taken the stand that emptying the contents of sewers onto an open field is not acceptable. The policy is to take such material to a treatment plant. While the city's own investigation continues, it appears that all the right steps are being taken.

But the hero of the piece is the whistleblower, who says he's faced harassment from co-workers - not Novi management - for contacting this newspaper and the DEQ.

at into Bishop Creek. Testing was motion picture, "The Insider," done on the soil and water both at addresses this very issue - the guy with the guts to speak up. Some-All this was reported to the Novi times, you just have to do the right

Bye-bye to Bates Hamburgers



Bakelite jewelry. Grandma's old hats. Big red barns, hamaters, 1960s diners - all were

existed at that faraway time. a collection of wood frame buildings, the grandiose attempt at a serious brick edifice at the southeast corner of Novi Road and Grand River and above all,

To us, downtown Novi was as funky as Nassau. But of course, not any more, and for the most part. t's all for the better

But when I drove past the Bates corner on my way to Twelve Oaks Mall recently, I got a sick feeling in my stomach, as if I'd eaten too many greasy onion rings. Bates, of course, was gone and so was what had always seemed to me to be part of the character of Novi, what distinguished it from other cities.

Bates was a surviving 1950s hamburger shack. where once upon a time people on their way to the Walled Lake Casino could grab bit of nouvelle cuisine. American-style. An authentic teen hang-out kind of place, from the days when teens didn't pierce

When my sister and I were in Of course, many city planners and developers our pre- and early teens, we apparently don't care for vintage anything. More developed a passion for old preferable is nostalgia in the form of brand-new architecture or anything else buildings designed to look like old buildings. So are that met what we categorized new restaurants with a decor to make patrons feel as the criteria for being like they are in 1950s and 1960s diners, as the A & "funky." Then-inexpensive W restaurant that just opened in Twelve Oaks Mall

But I can't even count how many people have told me that one of their dreams is to hop into a car and 1950s. Art Deco movie the- drive the length of Route 66. There, they imagine themselves enjoying the view of old hotels, old diners, old mom-and-pop stores - all the places we're purging from our own cities.

I don't regret Bates for the food, but for the building. The only slider establishment I truly love is Green's Hamburgers in Farmington Hills. When that goes to make way for a national chain of some sort or another. I will eat so many of my last Green burgers that I'll weep grease.

But I don't see why architects and developers couldn't have been imaginative enough, if Bates must close as restaurant, to incorporate the building design into whatever is going into that corner. I can guarantee that whatever does rise, it will have that cutsie faux retro style so admired today. Only a handful of people. I guess, prefer the real thing.

But can you imagine anyone in the future feeling the slightest tinge of regret as a 1990s Chili's Grill is

Jan Jeffres is editor of The Novi News.

In Focus

By John Heider



Keep state out of our schools

You only have to protect the have no first-hand knowledge

that five school bills have

Why all the sudden school

you ask? I'm asking the same

Let's see, this week we have

the government telling the

district when their kindergart-

spirit in the state legislature. tors.

sary meddling by the government in affairs that they at mplenda@ht.homecomm.net

many weeks.

ners are ready to start school. We have the govern-

ment telling the district that the Department of Edu-

cation is no longer capable of running standardized

tests and that the bean counters in the Department

of Finance can do much better. Several weeks ago we

had them telling us. "You know, the protocol you've

developed over years of study for suspending stu-

dents: not good enough." Instead legislators don't

Hmm... seems as though the government thinks we

Isn't that funny. Well, I guess they would know,

since they are in or near our schools everyday.

guess they would know too, because they attend biweekly school board meetings.

Oh, wait a minute...no that's not the state govern-

We are in the schools everyday and go to the meet-

ings and keep our fingers on the pulses of what is

happening in our district. Yet they are under the

Now I am willing to concede that the Northville

school district very often is the exception to the rule.

In many of these bills, should they become laws, we

still have to abide by them. However, it is unneces-

impression they know what is good for our district.

believe students should have due process.

need some babysitting.

ment... that's us.

rights you want to keep. That And who is responsible for this? Very simply, we are

phrase is terribly patriotic, I responsible. We are letting legislators of other dis-

know. Either I have a touch of tricts, districts that may need overzealous legislation.

come across my desk in as meeting that was downright revolutionary, shocking

Jerry Rupley had an idea at the last school board

Rupley suggested that we...gasp...write our legisla-

Horrifying, I know, because I am sure many of us

Think of it — in the time it takes to scribe an e-mail

Additionally, think of this: we are debating issues

like MEAP and weighted grades. Though at times it

gets unpleasant, at least we can debate issues that

The trend seems to show that fewer and fewer of

these issues that affect our schools will be open for

debate. For example, a few weeks ago, Governor John

Engler signed an executive order taking the MEAP

Now, he is well within his right under the state's

constitution to do this but that doesn't make it a good

decision. Many school administrators didn't even

know that this was a law and the Senators that rep-

We have some very good senators and representa-tives covering our turf. Reps that we have hired to do

a job. Let's not make that job harder by forcing them

Let's tell them that Northville and Novi want to keep

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Record and Novi News. She may be reached via e-mail

their right to provide the education they deem fit for

resent us were powerless to do anything about it.

affect our district and effect necessary changes.

out of the Department of Education.

to speculate what we want.

message telling me I'm a horrible speller, you could

election fever or it's the fact dictate to us what's good for the Northville goose.

be saving a right.

Crawford, Craig DeRoche, Mayor Dick Clark, Lou Csordas, Laura Lorenzo, Ed Kramer

Thank a veteran today

parades in the streets. Maybe it's human life. because Nov. 11 is usually cold and murky. Or maybe it's because

Maybe it's because of a little bit of all these reasons that Armistice Day, now known as Veterans Day, isn't well-remembered.

Rest assured, we do remember, and we hope other residents do, those handful who remain are in

There was an air of a movie-like conclusion when the Axis powers signed the agreement to end the War To End All Wars at 11 a.m. on the 11th day of the 11th month. Never before in human history had international conflict been magnified to such global proportions. It was thought that ultimate peace The next time you see the Ameriwould follow the ultimate war.

Unfortunately, 25 years later. humanity was once again caught up in the horrors of hate and bloodshed, which must have come as a shock and grave disappointment to those who had fought so

Since Nov. 11, 1911, the United States has been involved in World

Keybe it's because there aren't War II, the Korean War, the Vietany days off from school, or mad- nam War, and a string of military dening 12-hour furniture sales, or actions - all of which have cost

Was it the War To End All Wars? World War I is now some 88 years Obviously not. But what World War I and Veterans Day has given us is an annual reminder that freedom isn't free and that the liberties we enjoy haven't come without a price.

> There aren't many World War I veterans around any more and the late winter of their own lives. But we know the memories of their efforts still burn bright in their hearts and minds.

And now the generation who saved the world from fascism during World War II is now beginning to fade from this earth.

It's there because some very brave people gave us the chance to

Melanie

Pienda

can flag flying, take a moment to think of what those stars and stripes mean. The flag isn't there just because it looks beautiful against a blue sky.

Thank a vet this Veterans Dav.

letters to the editor

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Children top list of public priorities The findings of a sponsored early childhood benefits, ers from all sectors of the state. The group decade of medical whether paid family leave or subsidized listened to a report by Joan Lessen-Fire-



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the ability to learn is forever after compro-

• What parents of newborns should do is

Despite overwhelming evidence, today's

reality in Michigan remains stubbornly

dren, parents and child care providers dur-

• A study by the Lansing-based Public

\$7,200 per year versus \$2,200 per year.

being validated by hard science.

ing the key, early years.

scientific child care.

hamburger flipper at the local fast food. past 20 years. A child's intelli- Median per hour wages for child care workgence arises from ers are \$7.03, compared to a bus driver's experts had to say was head-spinning. For the set of sensory \$11.55 or a kindergarten teacher's \$19.85. What we have here is a classic disconnect the first 10 years of between what we know — we should focus life. with the most our resources on our children from birth to willing to spend \$12,000 per child for the

crucial period being the time they enter kindergarten - and years from birth, total social spending (in from birth to age what we actually do. I can forgive people or societies for not doing the right thing when If the very early years are squandered. they don't know any better. But it's hard to forgive when people persist knowingly in

There are signs wise people in Michigan hardly rocket science: Talking, singing and are beginning to take this situation serireading to them, tickling them while ously

changing their diapers, helping them draw In the Michigan legislature, of all places, with chalk, holding and snuggling them. a bipartisan Children's Caucus is begin-What's new is the intuition and experience ning to look hard at what the state can do that guided parents in the past are today to help the development of very young children. Caucus leaders include Reps. Patricia Godchaux, R-Birmingham, Hubert Price, D-Pontiac, Lynne Martinez, D-Lansdeficient in focusing on the needs of chiling, and Edward LaForge, D-Kalamazoo.

The first meeting last month attracted around 25 Representatives and Senators. Rather than jumping to develop specific Sector Consultants found that children in legislative proposals, the caucus is intend-Michigan who are in kindergarten after age ed to provide lawmakers with information five receive three times the public and pri- about early childhood development they vate support that pre-kindergartners get: can use later in weighing policy responses. Roots for the caucus lie in the Ready-To-• The same study found that 96 percent Learn Leadership Summit, which took

stone, an early childhood expert and conresearch on how . Over the weekend, the Detroit News sultant for Oakland Schools, who presentbabies develop are reported that the people who care for chil- ed a summary of what scientists have perfectly clear and dren in Michigan often make less than a learned about child development over the The impact of what Firestone and other

example, one study suggested that the return on investment in early child development could be enormous. If society were reduced crime, prisons, and other social ills stemming from incomplete childhood development) could be cut by \$88,000.

The best perspective for me (I attended the Summit and was fascinated) was a quote from Becky Beauchamp, of Traverse City's United Way: "The most important thing that can come out of this is to realize that children are a priority. We revere youth in this country, but we do not value children. We've proven again and again that if something is a priority, we can find a solution. If we decide a \$6 million football stadium is a priority, we find a way to build

I wouldn't be at all surprised if concerns about early childhood development wind up to be a central issue in Michigan public policy over the next decade.

Phil 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 of Michigan workers have no employer- place in June and gathered some 50 lead- ppower@homecomm.net

Supporters thanked for hard work

Although I have thanked them personally. I would like to publicly thank my many friends and supporters for their hard work and encouragement in a difficult re-

election campaign. Their efforts are appreciated more than can be ade-I also would like to thank all those voters who participated in the election process. A vote is a powerful tool for change and those eligible voters who did not partici-

pate should realize that they delegated their power to those who did. I have great respect for our democratic system, so I also commend those fellow residents who were willing to get involved as candidates. I think that in the final weeks of the campaign it was shown that people who care

can have impact, can make a dif-I hope more Novi voters will be encouraged or inspired to participate more fully in the processes of local government. As someone who had the privi-

lege of serving on the city council for four years and on the planning commission before that. I have one suggestion for readers - get involved! Don't wait until anger or frustration drives you to write letters to the newspaper or to speak out in public meetings. Don't wait for an election to question or comment on local government activities. Keep informed on issues of interest to you and then call, e-mail or write local officials to tell them what you think as they are working on those issues. Tell them when you think they are on the right track and when you think they are

Finally, I would like to thank all of those people who worked with me - council members, city staff and fellow citizens - to achieve the goals I set four years ago. Senior

housing, sidewalks and bike paths, HAPPY WITH ELECTION

the Fuerst Farm property mproved communications and technology at city hall, better staffing of police and fire depart- zens of Novi in the recent election. ments, expanded recreational ser- Two perfect gentlemen of the vices including the after-school tion of a staff person for the Novi would have served the citizens of Theater program, streamlined Novi extremely well. review processes and reorganization of administrative staff are winners appeared to be those that some of the accomplishments of

and reason in the work of the have an obligation to hold them to

council well as they strive to serve

ROAD BOND WAS NEEDED

I honestly cannot believe that the road bond issue did not pass. I'm previously from the Sterling leights-Troy area and have seen what becomes of development and the roads. Everyone on that side of town shakes their heads in disbelief because "the city" didn't see this coming. I understand the need to update the roads before the area

Sooner or later you have to deal coverage. It took forever to see the with the widening, repaying...and election results and even when most importantly, the inconvenience that it will cause everyone. Let it be a lesson, let's fix the roads before we all run out of road.

Christine McCaffrey started to switch to the automatic

What a great victory for the citiutmost integrity running for mayor

Of those that ran for council, the promised to put the residents first. Time will tell if this was a true much for which to be grateful, even Most importantly, there was a promise or just campaign rhetoric, as we face the challenges on the return to civility, common sense but we, as residents and voters, plate." Once again, thanks to all. their election promises. Every resi I wish the new mayor and the dent should stay informed of the goings on in city hall and speak out loudly when our elected officials do

THANKS FOR COVERAGE

dates and issues for last Tuesday's

election. I felt much better

informed being able to read the

information The Novi News provid-

happened to the local cable access

they appeared as unofficial results

with all precincts reporting, the

numbers kept changing. I wasn't

confident that I knew who had won

until Wednesday. When they finally

display, someone had left a micro-

not heed the will of the people.

Once again we have had another election. Thank God that we have To the people who did not make

all your past work and effort. To those who tried for the first time and did not make it, I thank To those who were elected, good

To those involved in the road

Dick Stopinski

SUPPORT APPRECIATED

Charles Cook

the election results for the 2000

election will be better presented.

I would like to take this opportu-

nity to thank all the citizens of Novi who supported me in my effort to recreation program and the addi- in a clean campaign. Either one lead the city, especially those who worked the polls on election day in the cold and rain. It is important that we all come together now to whatever way we can. We have so

One voter's view.

it back into office, I thank you for First I'd like to thank The Novi News for its coverage of the candi-

> luck. God speed and Solomon's wisdom, vou will need it. To those involved in the charter amendment, I thank you.

bond issue, I thank you. To the 7,261 registered voters who voted, I thank you. To the 23.928 other registered voters who chose not to not participate, shame on you. I hope that

guys talk about closing up and Slaves were valiant soldiers in war



to fight in the Civil after the war began, the First Colored Infantry was orgaup of African-American men who volunteered their ser-

vices - and many, their lives - to their country. Many Michigan regiments were included in the fight that ultimately resulted in freedom for all slaves. Nearly 2,000 men from Michigan served in the "Colored"

After being organized in Detroit in March 1864, the First Michigan Colored Infantry was sent to South Carolina, assigned to "picket'duty" at Hilton Head.

Over the next year and a half, the First Colored Infantry continued to uphold the Union by destroying railroad tracks (an essential form of transportation and communication at the time).

In one battle, according to the Record of Service of Michigan Volunteers in the Civil War, The artillery of the expedition suffered severely from the enemy's fire, and so many horses had been killed that two guns had to be abandoned, but were hauled off

"Many of the men, though wounded and sus, Wells, a mulatto, lived with his wife bleeding, refused to go to the rear and Emalin, who was from Virginia, and their War for the Union fought until the battle was concluded." The First Michigan Colored infantry was

later known as the 102nd U.S. Colored Infantry, commanded by Col. Henry L. Chipman. It was mustered out at Charleston, S.C., on Sept. 30, 1865. The tively. regiment arrived back in Detroit two weeks later, was paid off and disbanded. The 102nd U.S. Colored Infantry gained recognition for its bravery, service and valor.

Of the First Michigan Colored Infantry, at least six men were from western Wayne George Jacobs of Plymouth was just 19

years old when he signed up in Company G on Christmas Day 1865. Two days earlier, another Plymouth resident. Ambrose Spence, also enlisted. At age 32, he was among the older enlistees. He was made a member of Company C.

A Redford man, Altimore Roberts, was 26 when he enlisted in September 1864. Three Livonia men were also members of

the First Michigan Colored Infantry. John Callahan, age 31, and George Newell, age 19, both enlisted in August of 1864. Callahan was put into Company I. Alexander Wells was 28 when he enlisted in Company

Wells, a farm worker originally from Kentucky, had been living in Livonia for at least 14 years before joining the Union

Many escaped or the field by hand by the First and saved. Army. According to the 1860 Federal Cendaughter Nelly, was was born in Michigan

> Callahan and Newell had signed up as substitutes for two other Livonia men. Hamblin Barrett and C.G. Briggs, respec-

> Briggs was a well-to-do landowner in Livonia, owning up to 165 acres valued at York, he was around 40 years old when called up to serve in the Army. He lived on the farm with his wife, Ann.

> Presumably, Briggs enlisted Newell to take his place when he was called for duty. This was a fairly common practice at the time, provided the draftee was able to

afford to hire a substitute. Of the six African-Americans who served from the area, two of them - Jacobs and Roberts - deserted at Detroit in 1864. Spence was listed as "sick in Detroit" and the other two, Callahan and Wells, mustered out at Charleston, S.C., in September 1865. They apparently did not return to Michigan as none of them are listed in the 1870 Census, and their whereabouts after the war are unknown.

Barbara Louie is the author of the book "No. VI on the Trail" as well as other local







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Photo by JOHN HEIDER Comfort Zone senior staff member Mark Jones watches as Dylan Ritter shoots pool at the Ten Mile road drop-in center.

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among peers.

Comfort Zone offers a safe place for those working to rebuild their lives

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work West part of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiae. The center serves residents all over the county from Farmington to Highland to Clarkston in the north.

On any given day the center sees about 15 people. They are from all walks of life. Hoffman explained and are all battling a form of mental illness

Some are from group homes or assisted living situations. Some live on their own. Some live with fami-

"If you saw (a typical member) walking down the street or in a shop they look like everybody else. The only difference is they might have a sad look on their face or

Hoffman.

Hoffman herself has fought manic depression for nearly two decades and is now back on track thanks to medication, therapy and places like the drop-in center.

"Anyone with emotional illness, sadness in their life, stress, Anyone who has or thinks they have an emotional illness" is welcomed to be a guest at the center.

There's a feeling of having people who understand you. A lot of times the people in your family or your circle don't understand your mood swings." Hoffman explained. Pam Alexander agrees. She's been coming to the center for solace from her since it opened and

says it has changed her life. "It's helped me build my self-

esteem." Alexander explained. She now has a job at Walgreen's and is also going to school. She was diagnosed with Schizo-effective disorder in 1993.

"The people are great," she added. "Everyone's easy to talk to. Whenever I have a problem there's always someone there staff-wise that I can talk to," she explained.

While the center is not counseling nor therapy, it is a place to go to talk.

"I'm a listener," said Hoffman.

"People confide in me and my staff. But if we hear something that seems like they're in a dangerous situation we get them help. We get a hold of their family or a case manager."

The consumers think of the cen-

ter as their home, their place, said Hoffman. The members help keep the place clean, they help move furniture and most importantly, they help each other. Some members may start tutoring each other in such skills as computers.

Alexander said giving back to other consumers is part of the healing process.

"I try to help support (others at the center) with their illness and tell them what I went through," she

Alexander said if she didn't have the center to drop into from time to time she "would probably just stay at home and close myself off from the rest of the world."

Director rises above illness to help others

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL Staff Writer

It was when the color came back into her life that Brenda Hoffman knew she was going to be okay.

Diagnosed a manic depressive, Hoffman had closed herself off from the world. Life existed only in black and white and shades of gray. But one day, as she was driving down a road, the sky turned blue. The grass became green.

"I saw color. Life was coming back to me," she said. No one knows better than Hoff-

man what the guests of the Comfort Zone Drop-In Center need. The Northville resident and director of the center has battled

1980s when a series of events beginning with bankruptcy sent her on a downward spiral. After many attempts. Hoffman finally gained control over her illness with therapy, medication and learning skills and coping methods from other drop-in centers in the area. She also became involved in those centers serving on boards and committees around the county.

Which is how she landed at the Comfort Zone. Hoffman was hired because she is manic depressive. The theory is the center needs a director who can immediately identify with the clientele.

"They hired a consumer because

manic depression since the early a consumer knows what other consumers go through," she explained. Not only does her job help others. It helps her, too.

"The main thing that helped me to gain my self esteem back is to show I could help others." Hoffman

Hoffman spends her days doling out hugs, lending a sympathetic ear and going for walks with her consumers. She tells others of her fight to stay healthy.

"I consider myself a winner, or victorious over this," she explained.

"I've run the race. I am a survivor. There's a lot of people here who are survivors and when I hear of people who are survivors it just thrills

Her husband of 25 years and her family have stuck with her through it all. And she can't wait to spend

the next 25 seeing it all in color. "I'm taking charge of my illness. I have to. No one else is going to take charge for me," she said.

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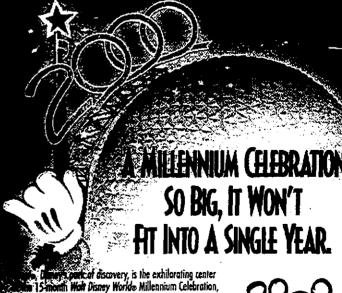
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After 25 years of adventure, Chris and Ellie Hammond have come back to Northville...but not necessarily to relax

By MELANIE PLENDA

Crispin and Eleanor Hammond have seen it all. They have been to the four corners of America, knowing at least one person in every state of the Union.

For three quarters of a century they have had countless adventures and have seen the many wonders of the American countryside — all of it done, seen and experienced side by

Now "Chris" Hammond, 90, and "Ellie" Hammond, 86, have decided to end their nomadic retirement and spend the remainder of their lives in Novi, close to family and their long time haunt. Northville. "It's like coming home, but it's so different," Eleanor Ham-

Their beloved Northville has changed from the tiny farming

unity it once was to a thriving and bustling metropolis.

The Hammonds described Northville as being a very rural "We just community filled with farms and apple orchards. One of their favorite spots was the pond near their home on Beck Road where hate to be

bored."

Eleanor Hammond

their six children would ice skate in the winter. Since then, however, farms have been replaced by buildings, and most of their dirt roads have been paved.

"The one thing that impressed me was all the traffic and the expressways," Chris Hammond

described a time when he would leave his home, which was "one of the first houses built in one of the first subdivisions," and drive to work in Dearborn using Hines Park Drive. "It was a lovely drive," he said. "There were never any other

Eleanor Hammond, on the other hand, remembered the political climate of the 1960s in Northville when she became

the Northville Township clerk. "I was the only woman on the board at the time and I remember feeling very naive," she said. "I got the feeling women's opinions were not that important, but I formed a lot of (opinions) anyway.

She said over time she began to notice the change moving through society. Eleanor Hammond said very slowly but surely, the harder she worked, the more she made them listen to and eventually respect her.

Though she saw the beginnings of the womens' movement and experienced some of its impact first hand, she doesn't believe things have come all that far from her time.

"I don't think it has changed much," Eleanor Hammond said. "I think women still get paid less for doing more, as I



Crispin Hammond, along with his wife, Eleanor, hold aloft a book given to them at Crispin Hammond's birthday party entitled "Living to 100." The two have decided to make Northville and Novi their home for the remainder of their lives.

did, but the more women take political jobs the more things

The Hammonds decided to retire in 1972. With a pension in their pockets and a desire to never be bored, they embarked on a journey that would last more than 25 years.

They contracted builders to build them a house in Cheboygan. One day they decided the builders were taking too long, so they built it themselves. "We'd work on it a little bit here and a little bit there, and

when we got bored we'd just go on vacation," Eleanor Hammond said. These "vacations" were often six-week long expeditions by trailer across the country. Chris Hammond said he and his

wife have camped from the coasts of New Hampshire to the shores of California. "We wanted to get it out of our systems," he said.

In the last two years, it's been more and more difficult for the Hammonds to travel as much as they would like.

They have traded their trailer for rail passes and their home in Cheboygan for a smaller place in a new retirement village in Novi.

"As you get older it's more difficult to take care of a house, so we have to live in something smaller," Eleanor Hammond said. The Hammonds have spent a lifetime together. They creat-

ed a family and a life and said they still enjoy the little joys of sharing a lunch together on their back porch. But The Hammonds are not suddenly becoming inactive.

Chris Hammond is an avid amateur meteorologist and spends his days tracking and recording the weather with his new computerized weather station, while Eleanor Hammond is already planning the long list of activities she and her husband are going to try. They include trips to the theater and joining volunteer organizations.

Of the abundance of activity, Eleanor Hammond said simply, "We just hate to be bored."

Whatever the activity however, they made it clear they would do it as they have for the better part of their lives together.

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Northville Boy Scout Ben Maxim of Troop 755 sits on the bridge he built for his Eagle project, it spans a seasonal creekbed along a walking trail in Maybury State Park.

Northville Boy Scout bridges path to Eagle

By CHRIS C. DAVIS Copy Editor

The leaves in Maybury State Park have completely hidden the trail leading from the horse stables, but Ben Maxim doesn't care. He's already walked the path so much he could do it with his eyes closed.

Maxim, a sophomore at Northville High School, spent several weeks in May and June building a foot bridge in Maybury to cross over seasonal streambeds in the woods. It came into use only moments after being completed, as a group of runners trotted across it as Maxim and other members of Troop 755 packed up their belong-

We had decent weather to build it," Maxim said. "It was a little breezy when we started, but that was about it."

The service project is the the last

Boy Scout advances to the rank of Eagle, the highest rank in Scouting. Before setting to work on it, however, Maxim needed to obtain a wetland permit from the state Department of Natural Resources and design a bridge that would comply with the Americans With

Disabilities Act. The bridge is about 15 feet long and 4 feet wide, constructed from pressuretreated lumber. Because of its remote location within Maybury, all the supplies needed to be brought in with wagons. In total, some 120 hours of

work were logged on the project. Though the bridge is the culmination of Maxim's work in the troop, it's hardly his only endeavor. He is also a brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow - a service fraternity within the Scouts - has participated in the Mile Swim, and has had three years of major hurdle needed to clear before a perfect attendance at troop meetings.

Aside from Scouting, Maxim is a member of the Northville High mens' soccer, swimming and track teams, is in the school's German Club, and is involved with his church's youth group

program. And aside from all that?

"I just sleep and watch TV," he laughed. Maxim credited his success in Scouting to his parents, Bruce and Norma Maxim.

They really pushed me to continue

on in the program," he said. Maxim moved to Northville at age three. Prior to that, he lived in Ann Arbor, just around the corner from Michigan Stadium.

"I was really bummed about that MSU game," he joked. Maxim's father, Bruce, is Scoutmas-

ter in Troop 755. Ben Maxim has a sister, 10-year-old Katherine. Ben Maxim is the Troop 755's 87th Eagle Scout

Newcomers host special Civic Center speaker event

deliver a presentation, "Party" and Music. Planning with Ease and Flair at Bowling is scheduled for Tues- he has actively supported chilthe Nov. 17 general meeting days at 9 a.m. at Novi Bowl; Sat- dren and their families regarding scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Novi - urday Evening Couples League - mental health issues. He contin-Civic Center. She will share her meets at 8:30 p.m. many catering experiences. Ladies Night Out at the Movies mental health issues and is a everything from food to flowers - will meet Nov. 18, followed by a - consultant for several school disto garnishing and table presen- "get-together" at a favorite tricts. tation. Thanksgiving and holi-restaurant. day themes will be illustrated in dinner and buffet table decorat- Tots, play groups, and bunko ing. Refreshments will be and euchre are also available. served. For more information about the general meeting or Church other programs, contact Linda

by sponsoring a family of eight. The Couples group enjoyed an the workshop.

October cruise on the "Michigan" Princess' riverboat. For their are needed for this program. 7:30 p.m. Distribution of food November gathering, they will There is a box in the vestibule to from the Novi Food Bank is attend 'Escanaba in Da Moon- accommodate them as well as scheduled for Nov. 22 at 9:30 light" at the Gem Theater, of other needed items. which 40 people have signed up. The Advent program will be food distribution can be dropped for the program. Their calendar from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; a Thanks- off at the church on a daily of events also includes a holiday giving potluck, from 5 p.m. to 6 basis. party on Dec. 18. Those attend- p.m.; and a special 7 p.m. wor- For more information about

The Lunch Bunch, Moms and

Arnold, president, at (248) 347-Advent workshop will be Nov. 21. House. Families are encouraged to The MOMS group will be mak-Once again, the Newcomers attend and demonstrate their tal- ing a Christmas craft at their will participate in the "Christmas" ents in making seasonal orna- Nov. 18 meeting; baby sitting will Angels Sponsor-a-Family" project ments, a special gift for mom and be available. dad, or a family advent banner at

d'oeuvres and their favorite bev-senior high youth for elementary-programs, call 349-5666. age children through adults.

Chairperson of the Book Club Dr. Harold Wright will be guest Carla Hall and its members speaker at the Nov. 14 service. selected "Animal Dreams" for His presentation will be "Chil- to contact her with information discussion at their November dren and Healthy Holidays." for this column, call (248) 624meeting, "Cold Sassy Tree" will Wright was a longtime director of 0173.

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> Six new families were recently welcomed into membership. Prime Timers will enjoy a catered box lunch today; slides Faith Community Presbyterian of a Ford Model T, as well as viewing the Model T on site; and The date for the annually-held a presentation of American

The church will be hosting the annual Ecumenical community One hundred baby food jars. Thanksgiving service Nov. 24 at a.m. Items for the bimonthly

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Practicing a scene from the Novi Theatre's little people

players "The Golden Goose" are Michael Cash (Simple-

ton), Carla Wetter (Princess Crybaby) and Brett Schwar-

zlose (the Golden Goose). The play will be performed

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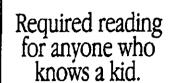
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The groom is the son of Pon and Pam Pawlak of Northville. He is a 1979 graduate of Northville High School and New Hampshire College. He is employed with Visteon. The bride is the daughter of Bryan

and Kathi Boss of Howell. She is a graduate of Michigan State University and is employed with Systems Technology International. The best man was Scott Trepicone. Groomsmen were Pete Lehr and Scott Boss. The maid of honor

Alicia Pawlak, Colleen Pawlak Polydoras and Tami Gordon. The couple honeymooned in Puerta Vallarta, Mexico.

was Krystal Boss, Bridesmaids were

Jessica Dawn Molton of Portage. Pa. and Anthony Joseph Dobson, originally from Nov.i were married at North Fork Country Club in Johnstowne, Pa. on July 31. Rev. Charles Kephardt officiated the cer-

Groomsmen were Shane Landers. The bride is the daughter of Ed Jason Miller and Gabe Stevens. and Cindy Bowersocks and John Flower girls were Paige Lorenz and and Peggy Molton of Portage. The Alexis Lutz. groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. The couple honeymooned in Gregory Dobson of Novi. The bride wore a full-length white

honor. Bridesmaids were Caryn International University. He is the man of St. Mowka, Ill. He is a WMU mazoo.

The bride is a graduate of the dress with cap sleeves and sequins. Pennsylvania University of Culinary She is a graduate of Western Michi-Her veil was a sequin and pearl tiara Arts and is employed at Napa Valley gan University and is currently crown. She carried a bouquet of Grill in Providence. The groom is a employed as a cardiopumonary

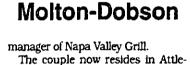
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Erickson. The junior bridesmaid was

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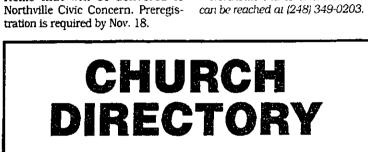
Church in Plymouth. Fr. Joseph Mallia officiated the service. The bride is the daughter of Stanley and Krystyna Rajca of Northville.

Bruce Coleman, Jr. were married edt, Jody Buttigieg and Kara The best man was Jon Pryor. Groomsmen were Joe Alfano, Joe Sheridan, Pat Kennedy, Neil Bergeron, Chris Rawson, Jeff Coleman

A reception was held at Baker's of Milford. The couple honeymooned in 1994 graduate of Novi High School rehabilitation therapist. The groom Lake Tahoe, Nev. and San Francisco Tara Lutz served as matron of and a 1999 graduate of Florida is the son of John and Karen Cole- and now make their home in Kala-

Rajca-Coleman, Jr.

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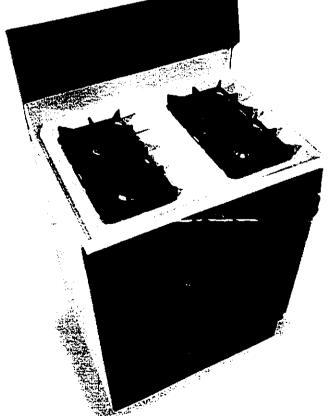
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What: A Storey Creek Christmas | Arena [14900 Beck Road, Ply- | performance | dk art and craft show. Where: Bochester Hills Museum 1990 Rochester Hills Drive. on histor Hillst.

When: Various times Phone: (248) 656-4663

NOV. 11 - 21

Phone: (313) 983-6606 What: The Mars Show: History of le Exploration of Mars. Where: Longway Planetarium What: Theatre of Voices 310 E. Kearsley Street, Flint)

Phone: (810) 760-1181 NOV. 11 - 24

When: Various times

What: Stewart and Stewart art Where: Madonna University Ca6600 Schoolcraft, Livonia)

When: Various times **Phone:** (734) 432-5710 (event is free of charge)

NOV. 11 - 27

What: "The Figure In Motion" sculpture and drawing display Where: Washington Street Gallery (215 E. Washington, Ann.

When: Various times (artist will be on hand Nov. 12 from 7 p.m. to

NOV. 11 - DEC. 31

What: "Escanaba In Da Moonlight" stage performance. Where: Gem Theatre [333 Madison Ave., Detroitl When: Various times Phone: (313) 963-9800

NOV. 11 - JAN. 2

What: Railroad Days Where: Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village (20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn) When: Various times

Phone: (313) 271-1620 What: Display of 200 animal care Where: Detroit Zoo (8450 W. Ten Mile, Royal Oak)

Births

When: Various times



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NOV. 12

What: Museum Auction

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What: "The Women" stage perfor-Where: Bavarian Inn Lodge (1 Covered Bridge Lane, Franken-Where: Farmington Players Hills

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When: 8 p.m.

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NOV. 12, 13

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What: Bette Midler

When: S p.m. (Nov. 12, 13): 2 p.m. (Nov. 14) **Phone:** (248) 553-2955 What: North Bay Centennials vs.

Where: Compuware Sports Where: Ridgedale Players (205 W. Long Lake, Trovi When: 8 p.m. (Nov. 12, 13); 3 p.m. (Nov. 14)

> NOV. 13 What: Autumn Art & Craft Show

Phone: (248) 988-7049

Where: Fenton Activities Center. When: All-day event

Where: St. Francis of Assissi-Phone: (810) 629-2119

Catholic Church (2250 E. Stadium) What: High Craft Show Where: Saline High School

> When: All-day event Phone: 17341 429-5922 What: St. Joseph, Ind. vs. Wayne State football

Where: Wayne State Stadium. WSU When: Noon Phone: (313) 577-4280

What: Kitchener Rangers vs. Plvmouth Whalers hockey Where: Compuware Sports Arena (14900 Beck Road, Plvmouthl

When: 7:30 p.m. Phone: (734) 453-8400

What: Seattle Supersonics vs. Detroit Pistons basketball Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 (32332 Twelve Mile, Farmington Championship Drive, Auburn Hills) When: 7:30 p.m. Phone: (248) 377-0100

What: The Four B's Where: Plymouth Symphony What: "Just A Second!" stage (819 Penniman Avenue, Plymouth) When: 8 p.m. Phone: (734) 451-2112

> What: Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Copland centenary con-Where: Michigan Theater (527 E. Liberty, Ann Arborl When: 8 p.m. Phone: (734) 994-4801

What: The Four B's Where: St. Kenneth Church (14951 Haggerty Road, Plymouth) When: 8 p.m. Phone: [734] 451-2112

What: Pontiac Oakland Sympho-Where: Varner Recital Hall, Oak-

land University When: 8 p.m Phone: (248) 334-6024

NOV. 13, 14 What: "Jack And The Beanstalk" stage performance Where: Marquis Theatre (135 E.

Main Street, Northville) When: 2:30 n.m. Phone: (248) 349-8110

NOV. 14

What: Teddy Bears show Where: Weber's Inn (3050 Jackson Road, Ann Arborl When: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone: (502) 423-7827

What: "Werther" stage performance Where: Michigan Opera Theatre (1526 Broadway, Detroit) When: 2 p.m. Phone: (313) 961-3500

What: "Rock and Roll Lysistrata" stage performance Where: Varner Studio Theatre. Oakland University When: 2 p.m. Phone: (248) 370-2030 (adult

> language and theme) What: Michigan K-Wings vs. Detroit Vipers hockey Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2

Championship Drive, Auburn Hills) When: 6 p.m. Phone: (248) 377-0100

What: Anaheim Mighty Ducks vs. Detroit Red Wings hockey Where: Joe Louis Arena (600 Civic Center Detroit) When: 7:30 p.m. Phone: (313) 983-6606

NOV. 15 - DEC. 31

What: Wild Lights at the Zoo annual holiday light display Where: Detroit Zoo (8450 W. Ten Mile, Royal Oak) When: Various times Phone: [313] 852-4147

NOV. 16

What: Tony Bennett Where: Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort (6800 Soaring Eagle Blvd.. Mt. Pleasant)

When: 7 p.m. Phone: (800) 585-3737

What: New Jersey Nets vs. Detroit Pistons basketball Where: Palace of Auburn Hills 12 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills) When: 7:30 p.m. Phone: (248) 377-0100

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Novi Laura Nicole Carter, Steven be lecturing on the genealogical Chang, Colleen Marie Doyle, resources in the archives of the Megan Christine Gilberg, David Michigan Library in Lansing. A William Hullman, David Andrew beginner's class will precede the Innes, Eric Robert Kadaj, Crystal general meeting at 1:30 p.m. For Jasmine Kornak, Timothy B. more information, call (248) 349-Kushman, Hanfei Mark Shen, 1726. and Tomas V. Sirgedas.

students named to the Dean's and bottles to raise money for pur-Honor Roll at Walsh College for chase of a new digital camera for earning a grade point average Thornton Creek Elementary between 3.5 to 3.749 for School's media center. Donations spring/summer semester.

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The Novi Choralaires will present a holiday concert, "Alleluia! Gloria! Magnificat! Nowell!" on Dec. 5 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi. Proceeds from the Cheryl Butzier and Sandor concert will benefit the Novi Com-Senior Citizens' Supplemental bellringer, call (248) 348-2678. Sophomores Sarah Heckemeyer drug prescription program. The of Northville and Emily McGuckin Choralaires will also be performing

8 p.m. For more information, call information, call (734) 453-6400. McGuckin and Parker, both (248) 374-5956.

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munity Food Bank and the Novi information on volunteering as a tion, call (248) 344-1777.

A benefit skate with the Ply- play in businesses throughout Big Daddy's. West Bloomfield) and Erin Parker, both of Novi have Dec. 14 at Henry Ford Museum mouth Whalers will take place Northville beginning Nov. 8 (248) 366-9493, ext. #3 been accepted into Michigan State and Greenfield Village. For more Nov. 14 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. which can be won through a raf-Players will be available for pho- fle sponsored by the Friends of class of 1989 [Nov. 26, Best Westtographs and autographs. Prices the Northville District Library. ern, Farmington Hills) (248) 360-A blood drive will be held at range from \$5 to \$15, with all pro- The trees will take on several 7004, ext. #4 national relations; McGuckin is a Ward Evangelical Presbyterian ceeds benefitting the Plymouth themes. Those holding the win-

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the Farmington Players for a children to keep for their very own. future presentation of "Of Mice And Men." Auditions will take items for the "Comfort Kits" for place Nov. 15 at 7 p.m. at the more than a month, and will be men and one woman are needed Nov. 23), from 9:55 a.m. to 11:55 for the show. For more informa- a.m. at the school For further tion, call (248) 737-2937.

A country-western dance will be held at the Wixom VFW Hall on Southern Knights. The dance will "Oliver!" Children's auditions are honor all veterans. Tickets start at slated for Nov. 21 at 2 p.m., while \$8. For more information, call adults will try out no Nov. 22 and (248) 624-9742.

Park's class of 1950 for an tion, call (248) 669-0436. upcoming 50th reunion, slated for

(734) 913-4830.

Several other area high school reunions are on deck in the coming weeks. Here's a rundown of the classes, dates, locations and telephone numbers for reunions:

• Farmington High School 663-7046.

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Detroit are on sale. Prices range the American Red Cross by donatfrom \$5 to \$14 per package. For ing "Comfort Kits" for homeless more information, call (248) 777- children in area shelters. The goal is to assemble 200 kits which will contain personal care items, as

Auditions are being sought by well as toys and games for the Students have been collecting Farmington Players Barn. Nine assembling them on Nov. 30 (not information, call the school at

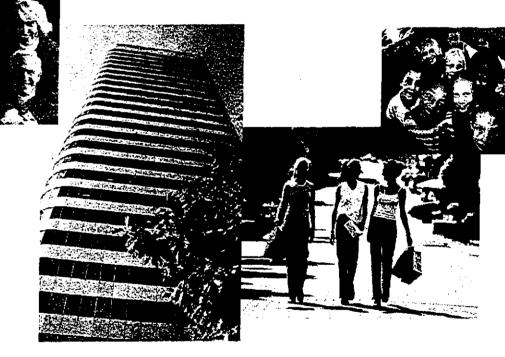
(248) 956-2200. The Plymouth Theater Guild Nov. 13 from 8 p.m. to midnight. will be taking auditions for parts in Music will be provided by the the upcoming stage performance. 23 at 7:30 p.m. All auditions take place at Water Tower Theatre on Highland Park High School is the campus of Northville Psychilooking for members of Highland atric Hospital. For more informa-

June. For more information, call A free parent workshop on (810) 263-8179 or (313) 345-9104. teaching children phonic-based reading is slated for Nov. 13 Reunion organizers are seeking from 10 a.m. to noon at 36700 Northville High School graduates Woodward Ave., Ste. 20. The from 1982 to 1999 who sang workshop is appropriate for parunder the direction of Mary Kay ents of beginning readers and Pryce. For more information, call struggling older readers. Reservations are strongly recommended. For more information, call (248) 645-9690.

The MAIA Chapter of the American Business Women's Association of Ann Arbor will be • Taylor Center High School sponsoring a holiday art and class of 1979 (Nov. 27, Marriott craft festival Nov. 13 at Ann Hotel, Romulus) (248) 360-7004. Arbor Pioneer High School. The event runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. • North Farmington High Admission is \$2. Proceeds benefit School class of 1989 (Nov. 27, the organization's scholarship fund and womens' athletic teams. For more information, call (734)

Registration for winter 2000 classes at Madonna University • Royal Oak Kimball High will run Nov. 15 through Jan. 7. Church on Nov. 18 from 2 p.m. to Community United Way. For more ning tickets will have the trees School class of 1989 (Nov. 26. There is no application fee. For delivered to their home (within Fox and Hound, Troy) (248) 360- more information, call (734) 432-

> Mentors Plus will be hosting another training and orientation session for persons interested in serving as a mentor. The next ses-Students at Sarah Banks Mid- sion is Nov. 20 at the Oakland die School in Walled Lake have County Courthouse in Pontiac, For Christmas cards to benefit been involved in a school-wide more information, call (248) 858-



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THURSDAY November 11,

Hunters get fired up for deer season

State report finds southeast Michigan good for deer hunters

With Nov. 15 not far away, outdoors enthusiasts are gearing upfor another big firearms deer season. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has taken stock of the deer herds across the state. including what's to be found in the southeastern Lower Peninsula. Here's the latest from the DNR:

SOUTHEASTERN MANAGE-MENT UNIT: Genesce, Lapeer, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, and Wayne counties

Overali, hunters should have a good deer season this year. Deer numbers are starting to stabilize in most areas of the Management Unit. This is still above the desired levels, and there will be continued efforts to reduce deer numbers in some areas.

In the northern portion of the Management Unit, especially north St. Clair, Lapeer, and Genesee counties, the populations are still higher than desired. The DNR has issued many private land permits for this area to reduce crop damage and car/deer crashes.

The Lapeer and Port Huron State Game Areas are large public hunting areas, but they carry lower deer numbers than the surrounding private agriculture lands. Regarding Sunday hunting west Wayne and Monroe counties difficult, if not impossible, to gain ties should also be excellent. in Expeer County, hunters should - have fair deer numbers with the - access to private lands once the know that the law was changed to area almost entirely private lands. season starts. allow hunting on Sunday on pri- However, development also is vate lands with the permission of shrinking the habitat base for deer

Oakland and northern Oakland many of the more urban southand Macomb counties, deer num- eastern communities have various bers are up in areas of good cover. forms of firearm closures. Hunters cover when the surrounding area governments for questions dealing tiot, Hillsdale, Ingham, Ionia,

ets of good deer numbers that can



A buck senses someone nearby while standing in a field. In Michigan, firearms deer season runs Nov. 15 through Nov. 30. For more information, call the Department of Natural Resources at (517)

an important tool for taking deer to help control deer num- Management Unit's population.

The agriculture lands in southin these areas.

hunting these more urban areas Washtenaw counties

This can result in isolated pock- and be thinking safety at all times. Respecting the property rights of for hunters to cultivate a relation-permission. Hunting is still the harvest expectations are similar to crop is spotty.

Hunters need to scout potential

open to hunting under the Hunt- deer populations in problem areas. ing Access Program Hunters are Private land access is the key to In the townships of western Hunters are reminded that encouraged to check the HAP any success the DNR has on low-Guide for these locations.

Deer hunting in 1999 should be provide hunting opportunities if others is the best way to ensure similar to our record year in 1998. very good also, due to the early you can get access to the land. It future hunting privileges for you. The DNR is expecting an antlerless is difficult to get access to these and others. Before hunting on pri- harvest similar to our all-time private lands, and it takes a while vate lands, obtain the landowner's record harvest in 1998. The buck fruits, are plentiful, but the acorn

ship with the landowner to get it. most efficient method for control-the excellent year we had in 1998. It is also where archery hunting is ling deer numbers and is an. The counties with the highest deer essential method for managing the populations are Montcalm, Ionia. Gratiot, Jackson, and Hillsdale. The mid-north/south corridor of hunting areas early as it is often. Livingston and Shiawassee coun-

> The DNR has set unlimited quo There are some private lands licenses in hopes of lowering the ering the deer population, and hunters need to start early scout-SOUTH CENTRAL MANAGE- ing and acquiring access to these

Hunting conditions should be gets developed, and lots of devel- with these closures. Hunters Jackson, Lenawee, Livingston, excellent. The agricultural crops opment has occurred in the last should be especially careful in Montcalm. Shiawassee, and are being harvested on schedule. and in some areas the corn harvest is ahead of schedule.

The archery season should be

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Academy Award winner Al Pacino portrays '60 Minutes' producer in 'The Insider'

Story based on "The Man Who Knew Too Much"

Jeffrey Wigand (Russell Crowe) was a central witness in the lawsuits filed by Mississippi and 49 other states against the tobacco industry which were eventually settled for \$246 billion. Wigand, former head of research

and development and a corporate officer at Brown & Williamson, was a top scientist, the ultimate insider. No one like him had ever gon

Meanwhile. Lowell Bergman (Al Pacino), investigative reporter and "60 Minutes" producer, mostly for Mike Wallace (Christopher Plummer) segments, taped the famous Wallace interview with its devastating testimony, and arranged a legal defense team for Wigand.

worthy "60 Minutes" segment in years could air, Bergman would lose to a CBS corporate decision to kill it and would experience the fracturing of lovalties and bitter divisions within "60 Minutes." Wigand would find himself sued. targeted in a national smear cam-

However, before the most news-

paign, divorced and facing possible incarceration. Wigand, having wagered so much and now unable to deliver his testimony to the American people, and Bergman trying to defeat the smear campaign and fighting to force CBS to air the interview, are two ordinary men in extraordi-

nary circumstances. They find themselves in a fight from which no one will emerge as he entered and nothing will be the same again.

Touchstone Pictures presents a Mann/Roth Production. A Forward Pass Picture, "The Insider." Directed by Michael Mann, written by Eric Roth and Michael Mann. ased on the article. "The Man Who Knew Too Much," by Marie

Mann and Pieter Jan Brugge, distributed by Buena Vista Pictures It runs two hours and 38 minutes and is rated "R."

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The film is produced by Michael



"60 Minutes" executive producer Don Hewitt (Philip Baker Hall, left) discusses one of the program's most explosive stoires ever with producer Lowell Bergman (Al Pacino) and Mike Wallace

Production pays attention to detail

Principal photography on "The Insider" commenced in Louisville, Ky., where the historic Seelbach Hotel served as a key shooting location. When asked to play himself in the movie, Moore A local bank building stood in for the site of Brown & Williamson's home office.

The company also filmed in the suburban neigh-Wigand lived, and at DuPont Manual High School. where he worked after leaving Brwon &

Looking at the movie set in the temporary courtroom in Pascagoula, where the depostion actually took place, Mississippi Attorney General Michael in the set and the depiction of courtroom activity. There were about 50 or 60 tobacco lawyers

piled up over there," he recalled, pointing to the far smoking eigarettes, blowing smoke rings. They that follows Dick Scruggs around. were the most arrogant bunch I've ever seen, But when we finally got the word that Jeffrey would momentous decision to testify were recreated give his deposition. I walked in and gave the sig- where they actually happened, at Scrugg's home

Attorney General Moore appreciated director Mann's scope of knowledge on the issue and histo-

laughed. "I guess it does add a dose of reality. It was the most important thing I'll ever do as a borhoods of Hurstbourne and Seneca Park where lawyer, so I guess I saw it as a chance to have some fun and be a part of history again. Richard Scruggs also remembers reading for the director to play himself in the movie.

"I auditioned with Michael Mann and Al Pacino. reading lines with them one day in Washington. After we did it, Michael Mann put his hand on my Moore was surprised by the attention to detail, both shoulder and said. Dick, that was really a good job, but I think we're going to get a professional

Scruggs volunteered to be an extra in the courtside of the room. "Some of them were actually room, becoming, in his words, "One of the guys

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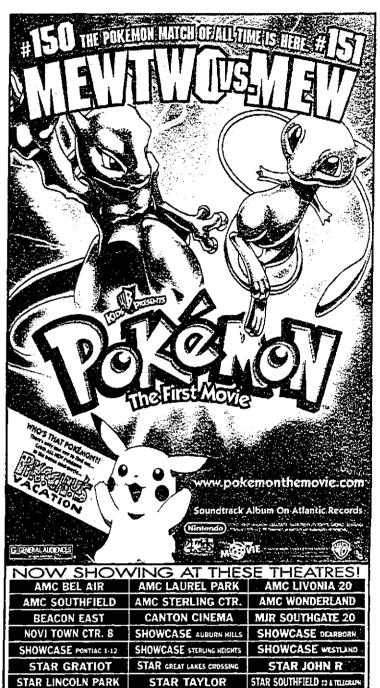
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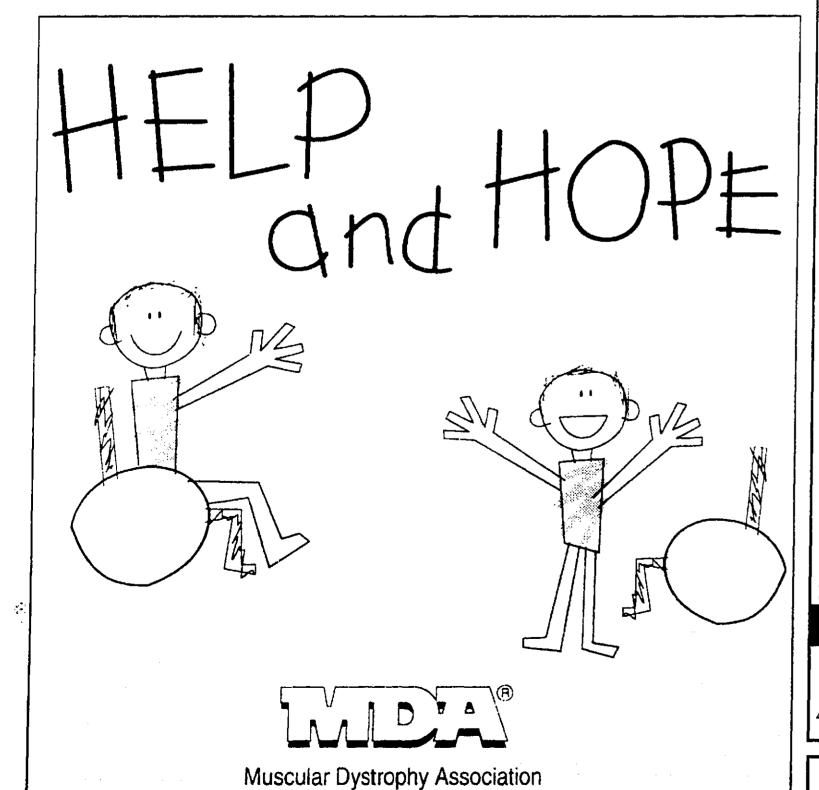
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Ad#.2289 MELODY OF LOVE This outgoing DWCF, 51, 5'7", is a member of the choir who's ISO a romantic, considerate SWCM, 50-61, N/S, for friendship, maybe more. Ad#.6127

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Ad#.1216

GREAT EXPECTATIONS Personable, employed DWC dad, 43, 6'1", 200lbs., who enjoys conversation, animals, working out, home improvement, and travel, is seeking a fit, shapely SCF, 34-45, for friendship, maybe more. Ad#.4410

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HAVE A HEART Emplyed SWM, 38, 5'11", 150lbs., enjoys outdoor

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Novi's Jessica Gilbert stays with Howell guard Sarah Piepho step by step last Thursday night.

KVC, KVC, KVC!

Novi girls win 1st KVC title in seven years

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

It may have taken a bit longer for the fans to start the familiar chant.

But once it started midway through the fourth quarter, it was a welcomed melody for the girl's basketball team. The sounds of "KVC! KVC! KVC!" echoed throughout the gym, signaling that the Wildcats had just wrapped up its first piece of the conference crown in seven

Novi topped Howell 57-46, recapturing a crown that has so often eluded the 'Cats that only two such titles have been won by Novi in 23 years of Kensington Valley Conference play.

"I don't know what to say right now," Novi senior Kelly Bendernagel said immediately following the win last Thursday. "It's awesome."

Bendernagel led the charge over the Highlanders with a game-high 19 points. Ten of her points came in the first quarter, where Novi jumped out to a 17-4 lead and took immediate control of the game. Coach Dennis Cichonski said coming in that there were a couple of things his team needed to do to win the game.

"We wanted to control the tempo of the game, not let them control it, and we did," the coach said. "And we rebounded well, not allowing them to get off too many second Basketball

Novi jumped out to a 5-0 lead and added to that with a Bendernagel three-pointer and a Kristen McGlinnen layup with 4:34 remaining in the first. After Howell hit a short jumper. Jessica Gilbert nailed a 20-footer and Bendernagel added a free throw and a mid-range jumper to give the 'Cats the 17-4 lead with 2:08 left in the first.

Novi extended that lead to 34-17 at the half, their largest lead of the

Howell kept themselves within striking distance throughout the second half thanks to the play of Sarah Piepho and Stephanie Benear. Piepho's second-straight three pointer cut the lead to 42-34 with 7:40 left to play, but Novi hit the vast majority of its free throws down the stretch to wrap up its second win of the season over Howell and its 11th-straight in league play.

"We have a tendency to play not to lose rather than to win sometimes, but we did a nice job of realizing that and making some adjustments," the coach said.

"We knew that we'd have to box out and guard Sarah Piepho and Stephanie Benear on offense," Bendernagel said. "We did an okay job. but we could have done better."

Cichonski said he felt his team could win the league title this year. but had his doubts in a league with three tough teams battling it out.

You always have those expectations at the beginning of the season, especially when you have a fine group of young ladies like these." the coach said. "I felt coming in to the season that we'd have a fine ballclub."

Depending on how Novi did Tuesday night in the season and conference finale against Lakeland (after The Novi News' deadline), the team could complete the best regular-season in school history at 19-1 and a perfect 12-0 record in league

"I know these girls want to finish undefeated," Cichonski said prior to Tuesday's game. They had that motto that this was their year coming in and nothing was going to

Novi's other offensive star for the night was Beth Rice, who scored seven of her 15 points in the final

She hit three free throws down the stretch and handled most of the team's ball handling duties against Howell's press. Kristen McGlinnen added 11 points for

Wildcats hope for a repeat ends in loss to Stevenson

By JASON SCHMITT

Playing in the overachiever role all year long, the Novi soccer team's Cinderella season came to an abrupt close last Friday night at South Lyon Middle School.

Livonia Stevenson capitalized on a pair of Novi mistakes early in the second half. and continued their domination of the Wildcat's offense in getting a 3-0 win in the state quarterfinals.

Stevenson advanced to take on Salem this past Tuesday (after The Novi News' deadline) in one of the two semifinal games. No. 1 ranked Brother Rice squared off against Rochester Adams in the other semifinal.

Stevenson's first goal of the game came with 37:12 left in the game, as the Spartans continued to pressure Novi's midfielders and gained control of the ball deep in Novi's end of the field. Without warning, Tom Eller, Stevenson's Mr. Soccer candidate, fired a shot that beat Novi goalie Nick Slovan to give his team a 1-0 lead. Up to that point, the Wildcats had avoided being scored upon, despite sev-

eral chances by the Spartans. Eller struck again about 14 minutes later. The senior threw the ball in from the side. The throw was right on goal. and hit the backside of a Novi defender and ricocheted into the goal past Slovan. The goal dimmed the spirits of Novi playSoccer

ers and fans and all but assured Steven-

"We made two mistakes, and Stevenson scored both times," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "That's what happens when you play great teams - they capitalize when you make mistakes. If you want to be a great team you must capitalize on your chances.

"Without a doubt the better team won." Novi came into the game shorthanded. Leading scorer Brandon Davis missed the game due to sickness, leaving the Wildcats scrambling for offensive help. Novi had a few good opportunities in

the first half, but couldn't penetrate Stevenson's last line of defense and the ball was cleared. Stevenson's goalie also made some fine saves in goal. The game was 0.0 at the half. We knew that we needed to keep the

game close until the end or even into overtime," O'Leary said. "We knew we had to capitalize on our chances and limit our mistakes." Despite the two goals, the Novi coach

was pleased with the defensive job Frank Raburn did on Eller.

"He did an excellent job on Eller, and Sean Thompson did a great job on their

2-1 and finished a close second to Brighton in the Kensington Valley Con-

pletely shut him down."

novi 6, dearborn 1 In the last "tune up" game for the Wildcats, the offense was running on all cylinders.

second-best player, Mike White. He com-

Brian Braun added a late goal for

Stevenson (18-2-1). Novi's season ended

better than expected. The 'Cats were 19-

Rzepka scored a season-high three goals and Joe Irimescu assisted on four to lead Novi to the regional semifinal

Lack of depth hurts swimmers

Swimming

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

Using a national scoring system to determine the winner of the Kensington Valley Conference swim meet really came back to haunt Novi last week, with Brighton's depth playing a big factor in the Bulldogs drive for the conference title.

Brighton scored 444 points to win the meet, despite Novi winning nine of the 12 events. The scoring system awards points to 12 placers, and the Bulldogs' superior depth collected many of

those points. Their depth carried the day for them." Novi coach

Larry Teahan said. We

knew it was an uphill battle to beat them, and when we were disqualified in the 200 medley relay we knew we had little chance to beat them."

Teahan was talking about his top team getting disqualified because of an illegal exchange in one of the legs. Novi went on to win the event, but was stripped of its 32 points immediately.

Among the many winners for Novi was Andrea Yocum, who took top honors in both the 200 individual medley and the 100 breaststroke. Her time of 2:29.0 was a meet record and she and teammate Amy Hartland (2nd) met qualifications for the state

Yocum also set the conference record in the breast, where she swam a time of 1:16.74 to blow away the competition. Hartland had set the previous record just last year.

Hartland broke her own meet record in the 100 butterfly, bettering her state-cut time in 1:08.43. That time was in the preliminaries. She swam 1:08.49 in the finals for the win.

Freshman Amanda Smith proved herself against the big-named conference swimmers. She avenged

early-season defeats to Howell and Brighton opponents by winning both the 50 and 100 freestyles.

Her time of 28.03 in the finals was a bit slower (28.02) than her prelim time, but good enough for a state cut. She won the 100 in a time of 1:01.32, which was also a state cut and just off the meet record.

"She swam very, very impressively against (Heidi) Leppek of Howell and (Rachael) Ward of Brighton. both of whom beat her earlier this season," Teahan

Smith also joined Emily Nicol, Blair Tyler and Kristina Utley to win the 200 free relay in a time of 1:55.34. It was the best race of the day, as the

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Novi junior Andrea Yocum (acove) won the KVC breaststroke title last weekend.

Schmitt, Echols compete at states

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

Looking more like a seasoned senior than a firsttime freshman, Novi's Nina Schmitt ran the best race of her short career and finished 22nd at the state cross country meet last Saturday at Michigan

The top-25 finish at the Class A finals helped Schmitt earn all-state honors, as she joined fellow Kensington Valley Conference freshman Katie Kramer as the only two freshmen to do so. Teammate Kristin Echols, who finished 21st at last year's state finals, had an off-day and finished an uncharacteristic 129th. The race was the last for Echols, as the three-year varsity star wrapped up an all-state. KVC championship career.

Schmitt's not the first freshman to earn all-state honors at Novi, but she is among the best young tal-

ent the program has seen in recent memory. Wildcat coach Norm Norgren said his youngster performed beyond his expectations at her first state

"Every little bit beyond them." Norgren said. "I didn't put any pressure on her. As a freshman, you want them to feel their way around. I watched her at the start, and she was smart. She got out with the lead group and held on."

Norgren said he saw Schmitt head into the third mile of the race around 22nd, and she came out of the last loop of the race in the same position. He said her experience in past "big meets" helped her find her way in this one.

That's one of the reasons we love Oakland County." Norgren said, referring to the largest single meet in the United States. "There are so many girls at that meet, too, and you have to get out ahead of them or you'll never pass all those girls."

Schmitt finished the race in a career-best time of 19 minutes, seven seconds. Rochester Adam's Katle Boyles won her third-consecutive state championship, leading her team to a runnerup finish behind Rockford. The Rams dominated the team event, with three runners among the top five and six among the top 30. Traverse City Central was third and Ann Arbor Pioneer was fourth. Milford took 12th as a team, edging out Brighton (13th) as the KVC's top representative.

Kramer, who beat out Schmitt to win the KVC individual title, was the top conference finisher at MIS. Her time of 18:45.6 was a career-best mark for

Echols raced in her third-straight state finals. Last year she ran a time of 18:43, after running a 20:38 on a rain-soaked course in 1997. She finished 59th that year. Her time of 20:20 was not like Echols, who had a stellar junior season.

"She just had a bad day," Norgren said. "She showed us what she's capable of a few times this year, but she just didn't have it in this race. But

Girl's cross country

she's got nothing to be ashamed of at all. We're

going to miss her desperately." Norgren was still displeased that his team was placed in a tough regional and was not able to show

off its stuff at the state meet. Ann Arbor Pioneer, Livonia Stevenson and Saline

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Freshman Nina Schmitt, above, earned allstate honors in her first ever state finals.

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Ahhh...sweet repeat

Four all-staters lead Novi to 2nd-straight state title

With the smile of a young boy who had just opened cross country ceach Bob Smith beamed with joy after - out to a slow start and had to play catch up. But I the unofficial state finals results had been posted at did and I'm happy with my finish. Michigan Speedway last Saturday.

the prettiest of seasons for the Wildcats, but in a the title matter of 40 minutes on a windy, brisk afternoon in November, it suddenly became one of the best. season's title, the bar had been raised so high that I

wasn't sure we'd be able to win again." Novi collected just 68 points, which easily outdistanced Rockford (90) and the rest of the field. Saline was third (132), Clarkston fourth (133) and Grand

Sophomore Tim Moore put together his most impressive race of the season, as did junior Chris Toloff, in leading the team to the title. Moore finished 17th) I knew we suddenly got back into the driver's the course in a career-best time of 15 minutes, 27.0 scat. seconds, which was good for third place. Only Rockford's Dathan Ritzenhein (15:05.4) and Walled Lake Central's Todd Mobley (15:25.8) finished better. Moore also defeated defending Kensington Valley Conference champion Tom Greenless of Milford (4th overall) for the first time in his young career.

well," Moore said. "I knew I should be up there at the

Toloff stayed within reach of the lead pack and finished just ahead of Detroit Catholic Central's Matt

AMONG THE STATES BEST

Novi took four of the top 22 positions in the Class-A

	boy's race, which featured 284 runners who qualified of their regionals. Here's a look at the to p 25 all state			
	Place	Runner	School	<u>Time</u>
	1	Dathan Ritzenhein	Rockford	15:05.
	2	Todd Mobley	WL Central	15:25.
	3	Tim Moore	Novi	15:27.
	4	Tom Greenless	Milford	15:40.
	5	Pat Klein	Lakeland	15:40.
	6	Andy Marsh	Grand Ledge	15:41.9
	7	Chris Toloff	Novi	15:42.6
	8	Matt Daiy	DCC	15:43.0
	9	Paul Niedzwiecki	Adrian	15:53.2
	10	Jacob Crow	Grand Ledge	15:54.5
	11	Andy Martin	Rockford	15:55.8
	12	Joe Whitman	Davison	16:03,4
ı	13	David Sage	Clarkston	16:04.8
ı	14	Ryan Malott	Hudsonville	16:05.1
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I	16	Luke Mortensen	Midland Dow	16:07.3
ŀ	17	Mark Avenius	Novi	16:09.6
ł	18	Seth Folkertsma	Rockford	16:09.6
l	19	Brandon Fisk	U. Eisenhower	
ı	20	Matthew Haver	Clarkston	16:11.5
Į	21	Ryan Detlor	Edsel Ford	16:12.5
۱	22	Fric Walle	Movi	16 15 5

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Daly for seventh place overall. His time of 15:42.60

was a career best as well. "I was looking to be in the top seven, maybe even up his most-anticipated Christmas present. Novi - the top five," the two-time state medalist said. "I got

Perhaps bigger keys for Novi, however, were the fin-His boys had defeated the rest of the 27-team field, ishes of Mark Avenius. Eric Walle and Nick Bassitt. including state favorite Rockford, to claim their sec- As it turned out, had any of these three not finished ond-straight Class A boys championship. It wasn't - the race, or pulled up lame. Novi wouldn't have won

Avenius was coming off a three-week stretch where he was suffering from a calf injury and could not race "My first emotion was relief," Smith said, "After last - to his full potential. He went on to earn all-state honors with his 17th place finish in 16:09.1, which was perhaps the most miraculous finish of the 284 kids that completed the course.

The was healthy enough to race at regionals, but we swallowed some pride and kept him out. He was really the wild card for us. I would not have surprised if he was our lifth or sixth man, or if he finished the race or not," said Smith, "When I heard that (he was

Walle also made his name known, taking 22nd place and also earning all-state accolades. His time of 16:15.5 was just fast enough to keep him within the top 25 and it helped his team gain eight points on

Novi's fifth runner, Nick Bassitt, came through "I knew that if I ran an excellent race, I'd do that with a 55th-place finish overall (16:39.0). Not only was that faster than Rockford's fifth runner, but it solidified Novi's win by gaining another 11 points on the No. 1 ranked team.

> "If we add 10 seconds to his time, we may not win (the team race)," the coach said. "The public address announcer kept addressing the crowd by saving Novi had four in the top 20, but I kept asking What about

and seventh runners. Foster's time of 17:10.1 was the fastest of his career, while Erickson's time of 17:46.9 was near his career-best effort.

Novi made it be known early that they were the team to beat, leading the race as a team from the first mile on. As the race wore on, Rockford's No. 3 runner dropped out of the race because of exhaustion. That widened Novi's lead, although the team wasn't really aware of it.

"We weren't looking at numbers or names, we were just trying to beat their jerseys," Smith said. "We knew our third man had to be in front of their third man, our fourth in front of their fourth and our fifth had to beat out their fifth man. We had to make sure they were focused." "(Coming in) we thought we'd win," Walle said. "The

night before we all sat down and looked at Rockford's times. We all had confidence we could beat them. We had the athletes to beat them, it was a mental step we took. You have to believe." Novi's four all-state runners were more than any other team. The Wildcats had two all-state runners a

This year's team totaled 68 points, which beat last vear's total of 82. Asked if this team was better than last year's squad, Smith hesitated before answering. "No comment," he joked. "I can only please half of

year ago (Kevin Avenius-7th and Dan Christofferson-Sophomore Tim Moore (above) nears the finish line at last Saturday's Class-A state champi-8th) en route to the program's first state title. Athletes must finish among the top 25 to earn such hon-

onship meet at Michigan International Speedway. He finished third overall in the race, helping his Novi team bring home its second-consecutive state champiosnhip. He did say that last year's team was deeper, but from the KVC has won the title, marking the domi-

Novi's title marked the fifth-straight year a team ners at this year's race were from the KVC.

this year's team had a lot of experience back from the nance of the conference in cross-country running. Three of the top five and four of the top seven run-

What a day, what a team

16:16.9

Nick Gillett

Doug Gibbons

Eric Walters



any game-winning home runs in race. the sport of cross country. There coaches storming the field immediately following the game, well. no there's none of that either.

Yes, on the surface, cross me what you will. But I think it's country may seem boring, very some more. At least to those who

monotonous. Run, run and run

But as I made my third- avenge last year's upset to Novi. by Lakeland, Clarkston and giving the conference its fifth- gram has won four state champi- jschmitt@ht.homecomm.net

Having seen the boys win their straight trip to Michigan Speed- But when that didn't happen. second-straight cross country way last Saturday afternoon. I Ram's fans were devastated. Not couldn't help but feel a bit of only did the team finish second. excitement in the air around me. but one of their loyal fans suf-There were an estimated 8,000 fered a brain hemorrhage and people in all at the raceway.
That's more people than you'll see at the girls' basketball finals. And entire Rockford contingent. be it Rockford, Novi or even last-

the people by answering that.

place Midland, the support system each team brings with it (i.e. each time out leaves you unnofamily, friends and supporters) is ticed. Such was the case for Chris Toloff and Eric Walle. In my athletic top seven. I talked with parents of consistently strong all year long, commu- Novi reserves. I even talked with and when Tim Moore finished nity in parents of graduated Novi run- third, Avenius surprised everyone t h i s ners who were there to support with a 17th place finish and country. the team. The trip over to MIS is Bassitt came through as a vital No there's no tackling, no 75 miles - not exactly a quick fifth man, they seemed to just be pump fakes, and no there aren't jaunt to see someone else's kid there." Well, without these two, Since starting at the Novi News where. Toloff finished 29th a year

and the Northville Record in ago at this same meet, where he Mary's or buzzer beaters. As for August of 1997, I've made it to took seventh this year. That's Saline, two of which Novi defeat- straight state title and sixth over- onships within the past two fellow teammates, fans and six state championship events over a 400 percent increase. And ed at the state meet (Clarkston all in the 1990s, Lakeland won years, and the number of all-state (wrestling once, swimming once, Walle was Novi's seventh man a and Saline). Lakeland failed to titles in 1991, 1996 and 1997. athletes continue to pile up. soccer once and cross country year ago, finishing 117th. He was make the state finals for the first Brighton edged out the Eagles in Toloff, Moore, Avenius and Walle three times.) Call me crazy, call 22nd this year. an exciting sport to watch.

 Last season only one team Rockford at a mid-season invita- ference in the state? No.

Members of the 1999 Novi cross country team celebrate their 2nd state title on Monday

 Is there any doubt that the had beat Novi in duals and invi- Kensington Valley Conference is tationals combined, and that was the strongest cross country conranked Rockford had hoped to tional. This year Novi was beaten Novi reassured fans of that by season. The school's athletic pro- Novi News. He can be reached at

1995 and Novi has won the last were all-state runners, and will two. Brighton won the KVC's only join the school's illustrious "Wall other state crown back in 1978.

 It was a good idea to expand the school's trophy case this past tor for the Northville Record and

The second season of football picks has begun, and everyone will be trying to top the defending champion, Jason Schmitt. This year we've even given the coin a chance, so hopefully, everyone has at least a 50 percent chance of finishing out of last place...we hope!

Michigan at Penn St.
Texas Tech at Texas
Miami (Fla) at Virginia Tech
MSU at Northwestern
Miami at Buffalo
San Diego at Oakland
Detroit at Arizona
Minnesota at Chicago
Green Bay at Dallas
Denver at Seattle

Tankers

looking

forward

'Cats edged Brighton (1:55.40) and

set a league record and met their

Smith, Utley, Yocum and Hart-

relay to conclude the meet. Their

time of 4:09.83 was a KVC record

Lindsey Vermillion won the race,

met her state cut and set a league

record in the 100 backstroke, where

she swam to a time of 1:10.27. She

edged out her Brighton opponent by

Laurel Weiss won the diving com-

petition with 344.85 points and will

now compete at the regional diving

She beat out Brighton's No. 1 and

Utley finished second to Howell

freshman Jenna Perry in both the

The Wildcats will now prepare for

the state meet, which will be held

Nov. 18 and 19 at Oakland Univer-

sity. Novi has qualified in every

event, and Teahan and his team will now figure out which events hi

Smith will race in both the 50

and 100 free events, and Utley will

swim both the 200 and 500

freestyles. Yocum will most likely

swim the 200 IM and the 100

breaststroke. Hartland will try her

luck in the 100 butterfly and one of

the other three events she's quali-

swimmers will be competing in.

200 and 500 freestyles, despite

meeting her state cut in the 200.

and won the event easily.

just over a half a second.

competition next Tuesday.

two of Howell's top divers.

land teamed up to win the 400 free

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

1999 KVC Champions

peted at the state finals. Buffalo Norgren is graduating seven San Diego_ seniors from a team that finished fourth in a tough regional and Detroit second to Brighton at the league Minnesota meet. Along with Echols, Cat Dallas Waller, Val Stefanson, Amber Denver Leahy, Erin Lahr, Amanda Farrell and Manu Muralidhar will gradu-

"It's going to be a rebuilding year," Norgren said. "You just hope our base will be good enough and our newcomers fill in."

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places 21st

advanced out of Novi's regional

Pioneer was fourth at the state

meet, and Saline (8th) and Steven-

son (14th) finished in the top half of the standings. Novi placed sec-

ond at the Oakland County Meet,

ahead of state qualifiers Milford

(12th), Rochester (20th) and

Berkley (25th), all of whom com-

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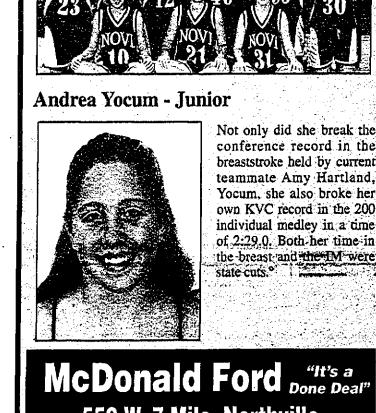
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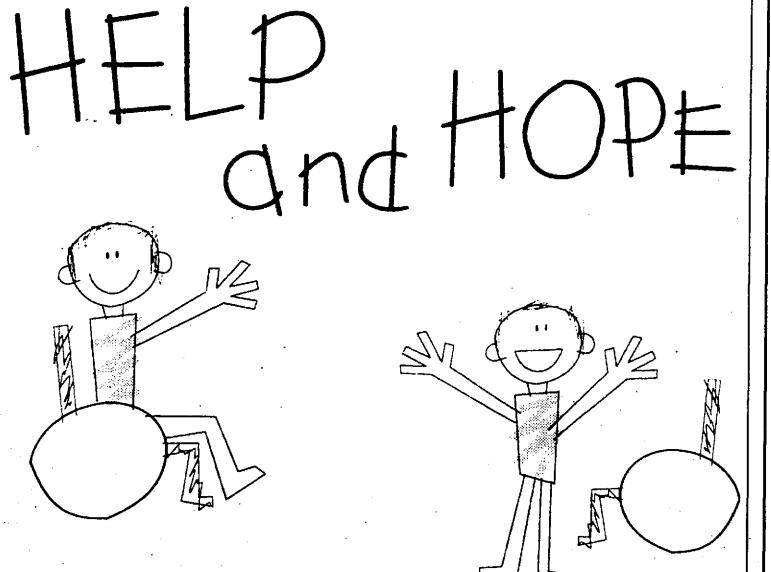
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Health Column

Technology can be our friend

sion stations. Imagine sitting down and signing on to the Internet and surfing the web or playing a video game. Imagine sitting down and playing the slot machines. Now, imagine all of this being accomplished while you are exercising.

Fresh back from Club Industry "99" (the single largest health and fitness show in the U.S. displaying the latest in fitness equipment and accessories). I am happy to report the fitness equipment manufacturers are taking the No. One enemy in our fight against inactivity - technology - and turning it into an opportunity. The latest much improved fitness equipment is not only easier to use and burns more calories while minimizing the risk of impact, it has blended technology with exercise. You can find any of 20 to 30 different types of fitness equipment from more traditional bicycles and treadmills, to the latest and hottest elliptical fitness machines integrated with television, video games, internet access and yes, slot machines.

We are not only eating 300 calories more than a decade ago, we are moving our bodies substantially less and that is where our enemy, technology, is partly to blame. Heck, who wants to actually, physically, play a game and get - sweaty - when we can sit in the comfort of our homes and play it on our Internet or big screen TV with all the cool graphics and chips and pop nearby. And who really walks briskly anymore. other than when we can't get a close enough parking spot at the mail and it is closing soon. Modern technology, as wonderful as it is, certainly has had a negative effect on us humans physically.

There is no better time to evaluate your strategy to improve or at least maintain your current fitness level as we begin what I call the food-eating season. You know, the season that is kicked off by stealing our kids' Halloween candy (to check it for safety, of course), moving right into the Thanksgiv-

Imagine sitting down to relax ing feast through Christmas cookand watch any of 30 to 50 televi- ies and finally, the big New Year's eating, snacking and drinking, bring the food-eating season to a close with an average 10- to 12pound weight gain. Checking out some of the new exciting fitness equipment either for home use or at your local health club might be a good start and we can combine exercise with some fun and efficient technology options.

To help you begin your review, let's categorize and outline cardiovascular equipment for you.

• Treadmills - Rate very high both in ease of use and cardiovascular workout efficiency. Walking is still the exercise of choice since it is relatively simple. Americans utilizing treadmills rose sharply from 4 million walkers in 1987 to 37.1 million in 1998.

• Stair Steppers - These units perform a stepping movement. Workout efficiency is high but ease of use is a little lower here since stepping is more difficult than walking. Stair stepper units have decreased in popularity over the last decade.

• Stationary Bicycle - High efficiency available with the bike and simple to use as well. Popularity has decreased with boredom being stated as the No. One reason. The new technology integration mentioned earlier could spice this up.

• Elliptical Climbers - This is the new kid-on-the-block and has unquestionably cornered a growing share of the exercise equipment market. According to the Sporting Goods Manufacturing Association, its popularity soared 61 percent, from 1997-98. This is a newer movement combining walking, running, bicycling and stair stepping all into a new-lowimpact motion_called elliptical. There is a lot of variety with these. units and they burn a lot of calo-

Each of these units have the technological integration available to make time on these units much more efficient and fun. As one client put it. "I can get caught up on the stock market, daily news and events and burn 300 calories



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Water Wheel owner Chris Klebba tries out his health club's Exer-tainment system, peddling while "racing" a computerized bicycle on the screen.

Get your strategy ready now so you won't have to join the other 10- to 12-pounds heavier New Year's resolution makers and breakers, come the new millenni-

Chris Klebba, owner and operator of the Water Wheel Health Club and a certified personal fitness instructor wrote this column. For more information or for a free 14day membership, call (248) 449-

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Health Notes

Surgical Preparation

Through the Sally the Surgery Star program, children scheduled for surgery are taken on a tour and familiarized with the surgical experience. A variety of educational materials and supportive teaching tools are used to help children deal positively with the idea of a hospital stay.

Admission to the program is by appointment only. There is no charge. Call the Providence Medical Center-Providence Park at (248) 380-4170 to register.

Weight on the Run

Conducted by an exercise physiologist and a nutritionist, this 12-week program starts with a fitness assessment and nutritional consultation, followed by three weekly monitored workouts and weekly nutritional support. Day and evening classes are available.

A \$300 fee includes enrollment in the class "ABC of Weight Loss." For more information and to register, call (248) 473-5600.

Child Health Clinics

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

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

Appointment is required. For more information, call: North Oakland, Pontiac, (248) 858-1311 or 858-4001; South Oakland, Southfield: (248) 424-7066 or 424-7067; West Oakland, Walled Lake: (248) 926-3300; and Holly residents: 1-888-350-0900, extension 8-1311 or 8-4001.

Healthy Solutions Seminar

Healthy Solutions are offering a seminar series over the next few

All seminars are free and begin at 7:30 p.m. Please call (248) 305-5785 or stop in healthy solutions to reserve a seat (space is limited). You may show up the night of the seminar, however a seat may not be available.

Hot Flash Study

Women who suffer from multiple daily hot flashes associated with menopause are being sought to participate in a nationwide study to assess the safety and effectiveness of an investigational hormone replacement skin patch to treat hot flashes. Women may be eligible if they are between the ages of 45 and 65, have not had a menstrual period in six months, or a hysterectomy. For more information, call 493-6580.

Blood pressure checks

Providence Medical Center-Providence Park is offering free blood pressure checks Monday through Friday from 9 to 11 a.m.

Area residents are invited to visit Providence Medical Center-Providence Park, 47601 Grand River Ave., to obtain the service. Screening will take place in Providence's Emergency Care Center located within the

For more information call (248) 380-4225.

Food Allergy Counseling

Individuals with food allergies can receive counseling on food choices and substitutions from a Botsford Hospital professional. The fee is \$30. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (248) 477-

Prostate Cancer Support Group

Offering knowledgeable speakers each month, this support group provides encouragement and education about prostate cancer, its treatment and the physical and emotional issues associated with it. It meets the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. and it's free.

Sessions take place in Botsford's 2 East A Conference Room, 28050 Grand River Ave., in Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248)

Foot and ankle consultations

Experiencing heel pain, bunions, hammertoes; fungus nails, warts, ankle pain, ingrown nails or other foot ailments? The Foot Health Centers offer an initial consultation free of charge, excluding x-rays, lab tests or treatment. The Foot Health Centers, operated by Dr. Ken Poss and Dr. Randy Bernstein, are affliated with Botsford, Sinai, Oakwood and Kern hospitals. They have two area locations, at 41431 W. Ten Mile Road in the Novi Plaza at Meadowbrook, and 30931 W. Seven Mile Road in Livonia. Call (248) 349-5559 or (248) 478-1166 for more information or to schedule a consultation.

Menopause Support Group

Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi offers a free monthly support group for women who have concerns about menopause.

The group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Providence Park Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., at the corner of Grand River and Beck in Novi. The purpose of the support group is to provide women with educational information on topics relating to menopause.

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