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Posthumus: future of education changing

POSTHUMUS SPEAKS

Lieutenant governor chats with reporters at Novi higher education financing forum

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Michigan Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus visited Walsh College's Novi campus near Eleven Mile and Meadowbrook roads Thursday to talk about post-secondary education financing.

Afterward, Posthumus sat down with the *Novi News* for a question-and-answer session about education and development issues facing communities around the state.

Are places like (Walsh College), where you have a college in the suburbs that specializes in

something...is that what you envision the future of post-secondary education will be?

I think that there is not going to be one way of the future of education. I think that what you're going to see will be multiple servicing facilities for education. You're going to see facilities in urban areas, you're going to see facilities like a traditional large university, such as a Michigan State University, that will be located in the suburbs.

Probably the biggest change you will see as we approach the next

decade, you'll probably see a lot more online education, where we have a virtual university established in Michigan. It's kind of a misnomer. While it's called a virtual university, what it really is is a service entity for all of the public universities in the state that come together and they put various curriculum of programs that they have on the Internet, so students anywhere in the state will have access to all of these programs via Internet.

I would expect that we would see a lot more of that. Of course we have some of the private institu-

tions like the University of Phoenix that is already doing that. That is just one more addition. It's not going to take over education...just different ways of serving people depending on what their needs are.

What are the possibilities of going to college, not only online, but also taking advantage of facilities that are already in place, like high schools and other public buildings that may not be getting use after hours or on weekends?

We'll see more of that. A number of community colleges in some parts of the state are using high school facilities to hold classes. We'll probably see more high schools offering college courses to their students during their juniors and senior year in high school.

As students become more advances in their studies, by the time they are juniors and seniors today they are already capable of studying college-level math courses for example and college level English courses. Because they are

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Here are a few of the highlights of what Lieutenant Governor Dick Posthumus said to the *Novi News* during his visit to Novi last week:

- Online and virtual classes will be offered more and more each academic year.
- He and Gov. John Engler are backing a bill to not allow school supervisory staff to unionize.
- Regional shopping malls will still attract residents to purchase goods, but revitalized or newly-established downtown developments would also increase in popularity.
- Farmers' rights would be protected in new legislation.

Novi native trains for Olympic rowing

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Novi High School graduate Kate MacKenzie is rowing her way into the Olympics.

MacKenzie is currently training at an Olympic rowing team training facility in Augusta, Ga. in hopes of being picked for the United States Olympic rowing team in June.

"It's been a dream of mine since I was five. I wanted to go to the Olympics in various sports," MacKenzie said.

When she was a student at Novi High School, it seemed MacKenzie could practically go to the Olympics in any sport she pursued and she was voted "Female Athlete of the Year" during her senior year of high school.

The athletic abilities the now-24-year-old had in high school have remained, and she is currently the fourth-fastest woman in the nation in the 2,000 meter row.

While she was very athletic in high school, MacKenzie said she stayed out of organized sports during her first year of college at the University of



submitted photo

Former Novi High School student Kate MacKenzie, left, now at the University of Michigan, trains in Georgia, hoping for a spot on the U.S. Olympic rowing team.

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Council holds back on second road bond vote

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Voters will not be deciding on another road bond just yet.

The Novi City Council came to a consensus Monday night not to have another road bond proposal before the voters for the February Presidential Primary.

Council members instead opted to take their time and work on a new "pared down" proposal that voters could see next August.

"I'm not so sure it is the right thing to do in coming back so quickly," said council member

Louis Csordas about a plan to have another proposal ready for the February election.

Council member Craig DeRoche agreed and pointed out while the public voted down

the road bond earlier this month, those on council who were out campaigning heard a lot of people wanting roads to be fixed.

"We have to work to get the best balance we can get," DeRoche said. "We have to give council time to weigh. And we encourage as much public input as possible."

City Manager Ed Kriewall said he brought the issue back up because it was his duty to give council all of the options on the issues.

He said he knew that the city would have another road bond proposal, but the question was when it would be brought before voters. Since council is traditionally unfavorable to the idea of paying for a special election, he said he saw some opportunity in the February primary.

He stressed he could be ready to put a proposal on the ballot in February and would be happy to

hold it off until a special election in August, adding that it would not be too detrimental to the community to have a road bond in August.

Either way, Kriewall said the community was going to have to do something about its mounting traffic problem. Since voters seemed to say the proposal last November was too broad and expensive, Kriewall said he put together a new proposal that was cheaper and left out some of the projects the public may have viewed as "developer-driven."

The projects that were taken off of the November Road Bond Proposal for the new proposal were Crescent Road East construction and the paving of Delmont and Dinsler roads.

Those subtractions initially brought the proposal down from \$28.5 million to \$17.39 million. But Kriewall said he was recently informed that the Economic Development Fund portion of the November bond, asking for \$2 million, needed to be raised by another \$2 million, to meet grant matches for possible improvements to Grand River Avenue.

By adding in a 3.5 percent bond cost, this would bring the new total to just more than \$20 million.

"It is a tough situation for the council, but those are the alternatives," Kriewall said.

Several residents came to the council to voice concern over having a road bond in February.

"Consider the (\$53 million) lawsuit. This will be another burden the taxpayers will have to shoulder," said Novi resident Toni Nagy. "I really do believe the roads are

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Louis Csordas
Novi city council member

Volunteerism on rise at high school

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

A group of students from Novi High School are doing more than studying for exams, participating in extracurricular activities and working for some extra spending money — these students are donating their own time and volunteering in the community.

As part of the Community Volunteer Service program at Novi High, 180 students will be donating their services throughout the community during the 1999-2000 school year.

Barbara Clift, Co-op Coordinator and business teacher, said the high school students involved typically volunteer one to four hours a week in a variety of jobs which can be helpful for the students' career plans.

"It is really fun and rewarding to work with such motivated and giving students," Clift said.

"Everyone has busy schedules and hard classes yet they still take their own time to help out."

The CVS began in 1986 with 22 students volunteering. With a steady growth in participation over the last four years, students work at such places as convalescent centers, hospitals, churches, libraries and non-profit agencies.

Clift said the program is beneficial to both the community and students as participants can earn one credit hour for 100 hours of community service.

She said the requirements for getting into the CVS program include 40 hours of community work but instead of having a negative impact it is the motivating factor which inspires the students to do even more.

Junior Lisa Yin spends her Sunday mornings working different activities at the Charter House.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Novi High School student Ellen Cynar does some case filing last Wednesday at 52-1 District Court in Novi.

Goodfellows kick off holiday charity drive

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

The Novi Goodfellows are making sure every child gets a Christmas.

During the next month, the Novi Goodfellows will be collecting money for their annual Christmas drive through a variety of fundraisers.

"All of the money will be used for needy families in the Novi area," said Goodfellow Bob Peterson, who has been involved in the fund-raisers for the last 10 years. The funds will be used to provide these families with Christmas dinner, clothing and toys for children.

Additionally, the Goodfellows will use some of the money they raise to buy poinsettias from a local florist for many of the elderly in Novi. The plants will be delivered along with Meals-on-Wheels.

Peterson said last year the Goodfellows helped out about 26 families and raised around \$3,400. Using money, the Goodfellows had left over from a drive the year before, they spent

\$4,300 last year on the Novi's needy.

The Goodfellows get names of families who may benefit from these fund-raisers through various sources. Peterson said some of the names are given to them by social services and the school system, while others are given to them by neighbors and local churches.

As part of the fund-raising drive, the Goodfellows will be selling special copies of the *Novi News* at major intersections in Novi on Saturday. Since many of the Goodfellows are firefighters, they will be wearing their fire fighting gear to make themselves a little more visible to the drivers.

If you do not get a chance to take part in the Goodfellow's newspaper drive, you can still donate to the fundraiser by mail.

To donate by mail, send your check to: The Novi Goodfellows, Novi Fire Station One, 42975 Grand River Avenue, Novi, Mich. 48375.

Jeremy McBain's e-mail address is jmcain@home.com.net.

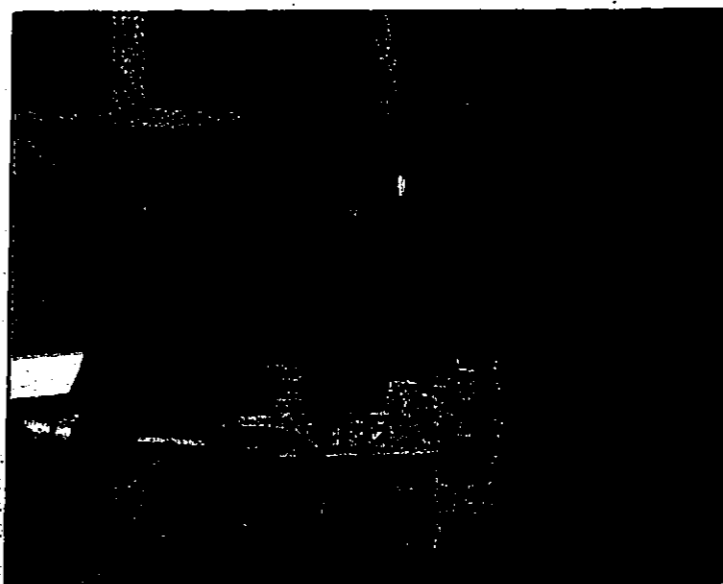


Photo by JEREMY MCBAIN

Goodfellows (from left) Mary Ann Cabadas, Paul Muraco, Bob Peterson and Kevin Fletcher with toys that will be distributed this holiday season through newspaper sales.

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Community Calendar

Wednesday, Nov. 24

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

Business Network International
The Greater Novi Chapter of the Business Network International meets from 7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the Novi Hilton, 21111 Haggerty Road. For information, call (248) 923-3599.

Seniors business
The Novati Senior Social Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center for its regular monthly meeting.

Library Lines

LIBRARY HOURS
The Novi Public Library is open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sundays, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The library is located at 45245 W. Ten Mile Road, just east of Tall. For more information, call (248) 349-0729.

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Thursday, Nov. 25

Thanksgiving Day
The Novi Civic Center and library are closed today for Thanksgiving.

Friday, Nov. 26
Holiday closings
The Novi Civic Center is closed today for the post-Thanksgiving holiday, but the Novi library is open.

Tuesday, Nov. 30
Novi Concert Band

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

Business Network International
The regular meeting of the Novi chapter will meet today at 7 a.m. at Kerby's Koney Island on Eight Mile Road and Haggerty Road.

Wednesday, Dec. 1
Novi Planning Commission
The Novi Planning Commission meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road.

Business Network International
The regular meeting of the Greater Novi Chapter will have their meeting at the Novi Hilton, 21111 Haggerty Road.

Lawmakers inject cost in hospital needle debate

By MIKE MALOTT
HomeTown News Service
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Working for a doctor or in a dentist's office might not sound like a dangerous occupation, but health care employees may be putting their lives at risk every time they break out a hypodermic to give an injection or draw blood.

A mere prick to the finger from that needle, after being used on a patient, could transmit diseases like HIV or Hepatitis B or C. According to state Rep. David Woodward, D-Madison Heights, there are 20 incurable "blood-borne pathogens" that could be transmitted to a doctor, nurse or dentist through a needle stick injury.

The Center for Disease Control estimates that some 600,000 needle stick injuries occur across the nation each year, yet less than 15 percent of hospitals and medical facilities use safety needles, designed to reduce the risk of stick injuries and already available on the market today.

According to state Rep. Paul DeWeese, R-Williamston, are proposing legislation to mandate that medical offices in Michigan switch to safety needles. Woodward explained that the cheapest of these devices simply have a retractable guard that moves to cover the needle after the injection is finished.

Rather than mandate which device be used, DeWeese said the bills would create a panel under the state Department of Community Health to review safety needles available on the market and list those acceptable for use in Michigan. The bills require that half of that panel would have to consist of frontline health care workers employed in Michigan.

The bills are sure to be popular with hospital nurses, whose unions and associations have been advocating the switch to the safer needles. But hospital administrators are concerned with the cost of the new regulation, DeWeese explained.

"Obviously, there is a cost versus benefit factor to everything," said Donald Potter, president of the Southeast Michigan Hospital Council. "If we are going to have a risk free world, that does not come without a cost. Right now, nobody is happy with the cost of health care."

According to Woodward, the cost of safety needles comes to about 20 cents per needle. While that may not sound like much, DeWeese pointed out that hospitals use needles in very high volumes.

Still, Woodward said that the costs of treating a health care employee who has suffered a needle stick injury is very high as well. Once stuck, the worker must be monitored through the use of blood tests every six months for several years to determine if some disease has been passed. Each blood test costs \$500, he said. And then there is the cost of treating and caring for those who do get sick.

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Ice arena management: turnaround is taking place

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

After about two months with managerial control over the Novi Ice Arena, Suburban Arena Management is in the midst of implementing several changes and is going over the books.

"I seem like we are holding our own. It will take a while to really analyze the finances, but it appears everything is going fairly smooth," said general manager Sid Fox.

Fox and his management team have overseen several changes throughout the last two months, ranging from facility and program upgrades to a renovated Zamboni machine and clean carpets. Fox said as part of the changes, Novi Youth Hockey has moved into a larger office, while the Figure Skating Club has taken over

Novi Youth Hockey's old office. The Figure Skating Club previously did not have an office.

Both of the programs were doing quite well, Fox said. Plus, about 425 children are taking part in the "Learn to Skate" program, thus giving the facility a future new crop of hockey players and figure skaters.

In addition to program changes, several new revenue-building clinics and tournaments have been scheduled at the arena.

Fox said the arena will be hosting a Little Caesar's Hockey Tournament this weekend, which will feature several Novi hockey teams. There is also a high school hockey tournament scheduled to take place at the arena in late December. Plus, the arena may host the Michigan High School

Athletic Association hockey districts the first week in March.

Figure skating programs are also being hashed out to take place in late March.

Additionally, Suburban Hockey is going to teach a Christmas Clinic Dec. 27 through Dec. 30. The clinic will provide hockey players of all ages classes to improve their techniques in checking, puck handling and goaltending.

"All of this is keeping us pretty busy," Fox said. Fox said the Novi Ice Arena has also installed two new pieces of equipment that may very likely help the arena financially. The first is a new Blade Master skate sharpener. Fox said the tool just came in recently and is a big improvement over the former skate sharpener in the pro shop.

"It's the kind they use in the National Hockey League," he said. The second is the installation of a new accounting software package that will keep track of all the Novi Ice Arena's finances. Fox said everything from ice reservation money to cash register sales will be kept logged on this system. The system will also completely computerize all aspects of the arena. For example, Fox said television monitors will be installed in the arena's lobby listing what groups are playing, what rink they are playing on and what locker room they are using. "It will be very high tech," he said.

To contact Fox, call the Novi Ice Arena at (248) 347-1010. Jeremy McBain's e-mail address is jmcbaib@homecomm.net.

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Teenage drunk driver slams into tree, parked car

A 17-year-old Novi man was arrested Monday for driving drunk and crashing his truck into a parked vehicle, tearing it apart and setting it on fire.

Police News

Witnesses at the scene said they saw the truck traveling down the road at a high rate of speed when it struck a parked vehicle, tearing it apart and setting it on fire.

The driver and a passenger emerged from the car smelling like alcohol and heavily intoxicated, witnesses said.

After stopping his vehicle, the driver got out of the car and asked the witnesses if he could talk to her daughter.

The witness said to the driver and his passenger fled the scene.

The driver returned to the scene later with his mother.

Stolen vehicle

Sometime between 10 p.m. Nov. 15 and 6 a.m. Nov. 16, someone stole a vehicle parked in a parking lot on the 22000 block of Pontiac in Crosswinds Condominiums.

Close call

A Novi woman luckily avoided an accident Nov. 15 when she successfully stopped her vehicle after it lost one of its back tires while traveling down the road.

The woman said the tire came off because someone loosened or removed all of its lugnuts sometime the night before.

Tire fairy

A Novi woman discovered her vehicle up on jacks and missing all four of its tires Nov. 16 on the 22000 block of Soloman.

Mindless vandalism

Sometime between 6 p.m. Nov. 12 and 6 a.m. Nov. 15 someone damaged a gate and bench on the playground at Children's Ark at 44400 Ten Mile Road.

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Man arrested for hiding 14 year-old girl in secret room

By JEREMY MCBAIN Staff Writer

A 14-year-old Novi girl who ran away from home Oct. 8, was found last week living with a 35-year-old man in Woodhaven with whom she may have been having a romantic relationship.

He discovered the reason he could not find her was because the girl was hiding a secret compartment the man built in the back of his linen closet.

"It was pretty creative," Hebert said. Before finding out about the hidden wall, Hebert said he went down to the man's apartment to try and find the girl himself after an initial search of the man's apartment turned up clean.

Hebert put up filers with the girl's picture on them all over the apartment complex, including the apartment she was hiding in.

Police stopped the couple and took the girl into custody. Hebert said she was combative with the Woodhaven Police and is being charged with being "incommunicado."

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Parents fume over controversial clothes catalog

By MELANIE PLEND and B.J. Hammerstein Staff Writers

Northville parents were fuming this week over the new Abercrombie & Fitch Christmas catalog, while teens were not phased by its contents.

The controversy also caught the attention of Michigan attorney general Jennifer Granholm who threatened to sue the company for violating Michigan law prohibiting the sale of explicit material to minors.

"This material is patently offensive which is why we wanted to move quickly on this," Granholm said.

Granholm said she discovered Abercrombie & Fitch was selling the catalog to minors when she sent children ages 10 to 15 to various stores to buy the catalog.

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Right, Tom Arthur quizzes son Neil, 9, on his geology homework. Below, the Arthur family rushes to get final touches put on the morning before a big day at school and work.

Homework Hobbies and Housework

For many Novi and Northville residents, life as they know it has turned into chaos. Many are following the trend to return to school for advanced degrees adding more craziness to days already filled with an 8-10 hour workday, housework, kids, hobbies and homework. We followed one local family through their average day. See if you can keep up.



Family does it all in 24 hours a day

A typical day for the Arthur family begins at 5 a.m.

Up bright and early, Tom Arthur is dressed and out the door of his Barclay East home before his two children, 9-year-old Neil and 8-year-old Alec, are even out of bed. With a kiss to the kids and his wife, he's out the door.

While Thomas is making his 35-minute commute to Roseville where he is an assistant manager at tier-one supplier Zenith Industrial, his wife Lisa is enjoying an hour by herself before getting the boys up and ready for school. By 8:30 a.m. they are out the door, in the car and on the way to Thornton Creek Elementary. Depending on the day, it's either off to work or back home for Lisa who recently reduced her hours at Birmingham's Kellers-Thorne insurance agency where she is vice-president of operations.

Cutting back on work was one way Lisa could help the family manage Tom's school schedule. "As the demands with the kids became more I scaled back in my work hours. A lot of that is because of Tom's demands at work and as he's going back to school," she explains.

"It was very difficult for both of us to focus on our careers with children when I decided to go back to school and focus on my career," Tom adds.

The couple was lucky enough to find foreign au pairs to live with them and help with the kids during the past three years. But last year Lisa decided to stay home part-time and the family is now relying on friends, family and babysitters to fill in the gaps.

"The neighbors are instrumental with their support," said Tom. "This is an excellent neighborhood. We help support each other." For instance, neighbors can be depended on to take

in the boys after school if Lisa has to work a bit later. And on the weekends, it's not unusual for a neighbor to take the boys so the couple can get things done.

By 6:30 a.m. Tom is at work and on the floor. "I have flexibility but sometimes it's important to be there early and set a good example," he explains.

He spends the day reviewing jobs, keeping an eye on production and dealing with personnel and maintenance issues throughout the day. There's no time to squeeze in last minute studying before a test at Walsh College in Novi that night. All his studying gets done each night and on the weekends.

Actually, Tom spends much of his day doing homework anyway. "A majority of the projects and large homework assignments are used into work," Tom explains. "It's part of the philosophy at Walsh. They always want you to pick projects you can do at work. That's been nice."

It's partially due to his company's support of continuing education figuratively and financially (it covers 100 percent of tuition costs) that Tom is back at school for a two-year program in Masters of Management concentrating on international business. That and he loves learning.

"I always loved college. Part of the reason I go is for the interaction. I have a thirst for knowledge," said Tom.

While Tom is walking the floor at work, Lisa is either in Birmingham spending her day on administrative projects or at home running the family errands and managing other household tasks. Even on her Mondays and Fridays off, the office can still find her thanks to the invention of pagers, computers and fax machines. Her days at work bring her back home around 6:30 p.m. or 7 p.m. Her days at home, well there's no punching a time clock there.

At about 5 p.m. Tom heads off to school back across town at Walsh College.

If it's not a school night he's not typically out the door that early. In the car, he switches gears to get in the school frame of mind. If he remembers, he catches dinner along the way.

"My eating schedule is not a good schedule," Tom admits. "I kind of wing it." If he's a little late to class because of issues at work it's okay, he says. In the master's programs it's not unusual to see people strolling in late, even just off the plane back from a business trip, he explains. Then it's lectures and learning until about 10 p.m.

While Tom is at school, Lisa deals with homework, dinner, playtime and hockey practices and games. While Tom has made it to most of the boys' practices or games so far, he says it's been a "stroke of luck" in scheduling. On nights he's not working or at school he makes time to spend with the family.

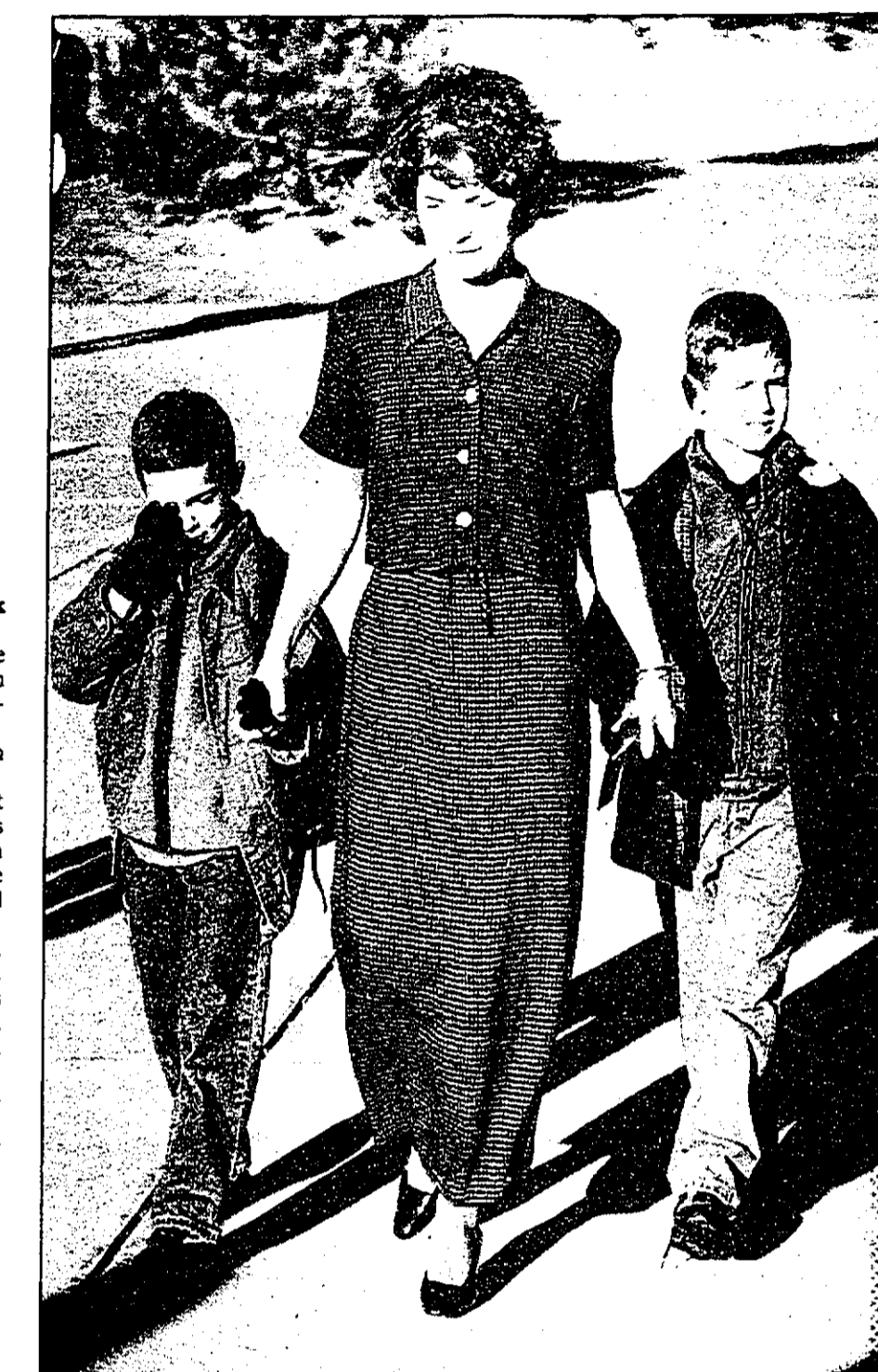
Otherwise, he pulls up the driveway to a quiet home about 10:15 p.m.

Along with reputation and curriculum, Tom chose Walsh because of its close proximity to home.

After checking the kitchen counter for mail, notes or homework grades left on the counter for him to see, Tom can sometimes find Lisa upstairs unwinding with a book or the evening news.

"We chat for a few minutes," he says. "Some days there's major events but there's not enough energy to talk about it."

So on those nights it's off with the TV and under the covers for a few hours of rest before the Arthurs start the process all over again. Maybe there will be time to catch up tomorrow.



Lisa Arthur sees Alec and Neil off to school at Thornton Creek Elementary each morning.

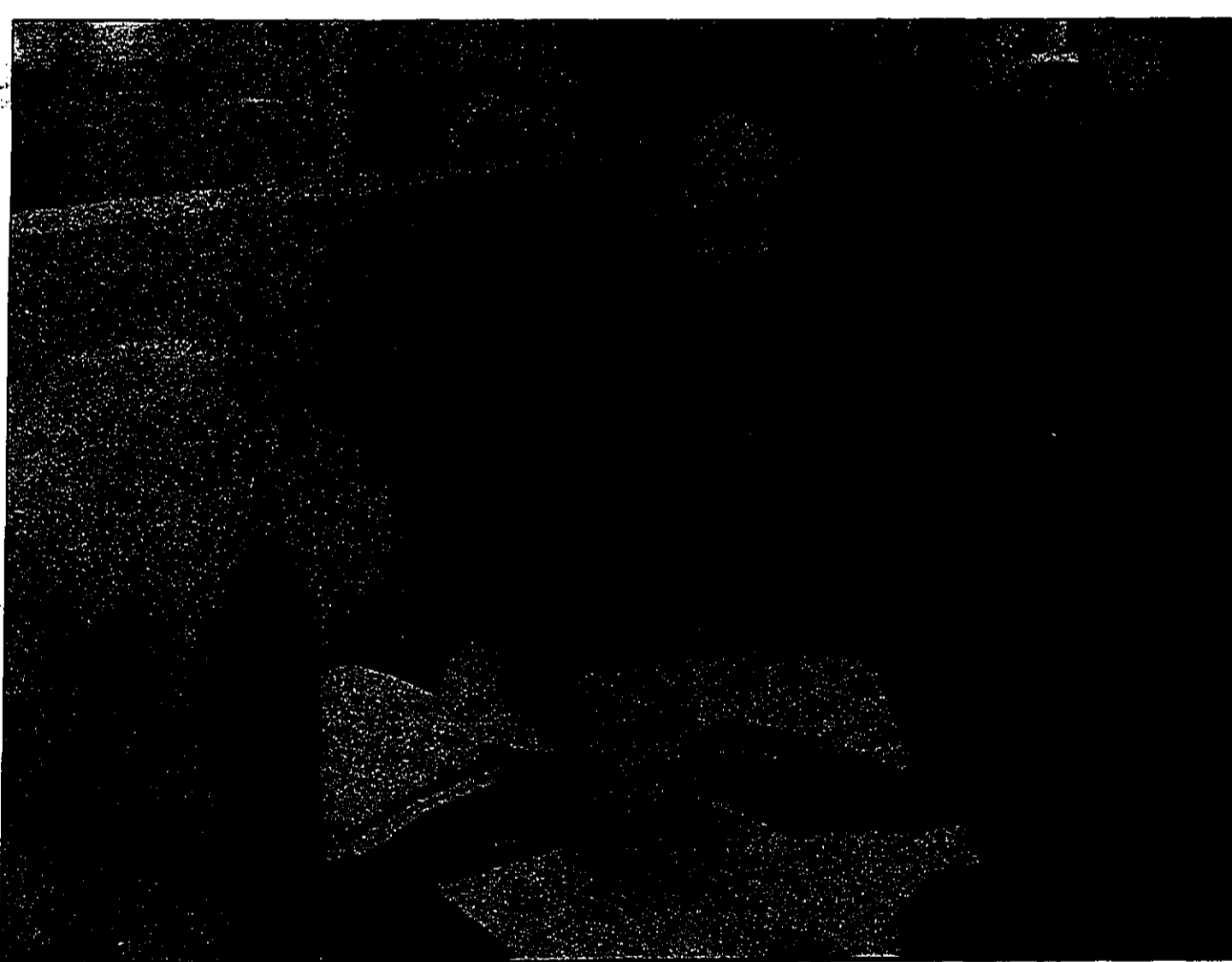


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Tom Arthur studies at Novi's Walsh College where he is shooting for a master's degree.

Novi college aims to make school successful for working students

Walsh College in Novi knows its students have more than just homework to do. That's why on-line courses are becoming a staple of the business college's offerings.

According to Sherree Hyde, dean of enrollment services at Walsh, "It's becoming a popular option" especially for students who run into a period of time where getting to class can be difficult.

Students check-in for classwork, complete assignments and attend discussion groups in chatrooms over the Internet.

One of the benefits, according to Jim Healy, director of student advising, is it helps overcome the classic problem of some students dominating the class.

"In a traditional classroom setting you find one or two extroverts can take over the classroom," he said. "In the chat room everyone has an equal say."

The on-line option is just one of the ways Walsh caters to its students, who on the average are over 30.

Hyde said many classes are scheduled for one night a week so

students can manage their commitments in a condensed period of time. New students are counseled from the beginning on how to juggle career, family, friends and school. Support services include tutors, a counselor and a career services center.

Often times, it's the selection of classes that make the difference, said Healy.

"Part of balancing a course load is choosing classes that complement each other in regard to homework, etcetera," he explained.

Perhaps one of the most important supports for students though are the other students.

"Bonding happens within classes," said Hyde. "Those with families tend to bond together and talk about their families."

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Success takes a reality check

How do the Arthurs manage?

The key to making it all work is a little compromise, a little teamwork, a few good Franklin Planners and a large calendar by the refrigerator, the couple says.

"We're big believers in planners," said Tom. "He has his planner. I have my planner and then we have this," added Lisa pointing to the day by day calendar in the kitchen.

Actually, Tom has two planners of different sizes. "When you get the big one out (life is crazy)," said Tom. "When it's the little one, things are under control."

Organization is not the only key to keeping a little sanity around the Arthur house. Sacrifice and compromise are already lessons learned. The family has altered their lifestyles to make room for school.

Tom took summer off from classes to try to get some house and yard work done before facing classes two nights a week at Walsh this fall. He used to be an avid runner but has cut back to shorter distances around the neighborhood.

The boys used to partake in Boy Scouts, soccer, karate and hockey but now concentrate on hockey

alone. It's just the way things have to be for now, according to Tom and Lisa.

"The boys are a big help," said Tom. "They are very special. Part of what motivates me to go to school is to improve our life, our lifestyle and be a good example for them."

By far the biggest lifestyle change was Lisa's decision to cut back her hours at work. It had to be done, she said.

"This is really new to me. I'm doing more that I've ever done around the house... I think it's working out," she says.

The other lesson learned is one of acceptance. "There are times when you can't accomplish what you want to or get the grade you want because of time constraints but you do the best you can," Tom said. "Sometimes it's discouraging but you have to be selective in what commitments you make."

"I'm not saying it doesn't ever get overwhelming," said Tom.

"You just need to stay organized," added Lisa. "Concentrate on the big picture. We've learned over time not to get stressed out over the little things. We're getting better at it."



TOP: Lisa Arthur helps Alec tie his shoes before school. Dad Tom can tie his own. RIGHT: Tom Arthur helps Alec with his backpack as Neil prepares to bike off.



Tom Arthur helps his sons Neil and Alec with hockey equipment at the Novi Ice Arena.

Stories by Wendy Pierman Mitzel
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Posthumus discusses state, local implications of legislation

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Still in high school, the classes will actually be paid for through their local school district's budget.

What is your and/or the governor's position on all the school legislation going through the Senate and House such as Bill 865, which calls for government inspection of schools?

The primary bills that we are working on right now, the governor and I, that deal with education to help ensure quality education as we are encouraging passage of the bill that would increase the number of charter schools that are available. Right now there is a cap on the number of charter schools that can be opened up and we feel that providing additional access and additional options to parents is really important so we want that cap to be removed.

The other bill that we are strongly supporting is again a bill that has passed the Senate and the House which would allow supervisory staff to become part of a labor union. You have labor in management and that teachers belong to a union. That is one thing, but management, historically, in a labor situation isn't unionized, but there are a few schools in the state that have the principles unionized and that is creating a specific problem right now, as we are trying to reform the Detroit school system.

It makes it very difficult for the superintendent to go up and improve a school entity if he can't put in a management team because

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Dick Posthumus
Michigan Lieutenant Governor

of labor contracts among the principals. Those are the two real important school issues.

There seem to be a lot of school issues going through the House and Senate in addition to those two (bills). Why the increase in school legislation right now?

I think it's basically because education is one of the most important issues facing this state as we approach the new decade. I've argued it is constitutionally the most important issue and most important responsibility that we as a state have — the education of our children.

I think the success of Michigan and its ability to compete in the global market place in the next decade and beyond will be largely determined by how good our educational system is how successful we are at preparing kids today for the jobs of tomorrow. I think that is why there is a lot of focus on that now.

Getting off the track of education, in light of the economic boom facing suburban areas such as Novi, that are basically changing the areas from farmlands to urban shopping centers, do you believe urban sprawl has a positive or negative effect on the character of Michigan?

First of all, the economic boom that has taken place is just not in suburban areas. The economic boom is almost state-wide. You go in almost any community in the state and you see as a result of the policies that the governor and the legislature has put in place in the last nine years.

I think you will probably see more of that as communities grow. They will try and develop traditional downtown type communities. Families can do more, without having to travel many, many miles to large regional malls for example. (Regional malls) will still have their place, but with developments like Novi, you'll see families going to the Town Center for restaurant activities, maybe to get some groceries, but still use the large regional malls for the major-type purchases.

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is Novi's construction of a "downtown" area something we will see more of with communities?

up. We cut property taxes, which is really important to farmers. It has kept a lot of farmers in business. Then we capped how fast property taxes could go up, it couldn't go up any faster than the rate of inflation. But when a house sells, the value of property taxes has to go up to the true value of the house. It's called a pop-up. When a farm is passed from a farmer to another way to help preserve farms is that when farms are passed from generation to generation keep that cap on there.

When the City of Novi comes up in conversation in the legislature, what is the opinion that lawmakers seem to have?

I can't speak for all lawmakers, but when I think of the City of Novi, I think of a growing dynamic community that really exemplified the economic boom that is taking place in Michigan.

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Michigan Lieutenant Governor Dick Posthumus spoke with the Novi News after a seminar at Novi's Walsh College.

Sen. George McManus of Traverse City chaired a task force that looked at that very issue. I'm a farmer, so this is an issue that is close to me. Agriculture is our second or third largest industry depending on the year with tourism. Some of the issues that the task force came back and recommended to the governor and legislature is:

One, we need to tax farmland at its value as farmland as opposed to its potential value as developmental land. You have farms around Novi, because their value is going up as developmental land the taxes are going up and it makes it difficult for farmers to maintain that land. That's one issue.

Two, we need to look at how property taxes are raised on farms. Under Proposal A, we set a cap on how much property taxes could go

Council considers scaling back for second road bond

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important but I caution you on moving so quickly. Dick Wilkins agreed, saying some residents in Novi were still living on dirt roads, while the city was looking at putting another road bond before the voters.

Wilkins suggested city officials make a list of everyone living on dirt road and try to get to their concerns first, then other major road concerns facing the city.

"Then I think people would step up and say, 'Hey, that's fair,'" he said.

Novi resident Asa Smith added he believed it was simply too soon for another road bond proposal. He said in order to get a road bond passed, the city would have to cut out all of the developer driven projects and make the proposal a lot less expensive.

"Keep the road bond at no more than \$8 million if you want residents to support it. Let's quit helping all of the developers and let's start helping the citizens. Let developers know how citizens are not willing to pay for their chance to make some profitability," Smith said.

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MacKenzie rows her way toward Olympic dreams

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Michigan. But in her sophomore year, MacKenzie saw stars throughout the campus about a meeting for anyone interested in the rowing club.

MacKenzie went to the meeting and instantly fell in love with the sport. Being a rower combines muscular strength and endurance, she discovered it was the perfect athletic challenge for her.

She said rowing is a sport that is perfect for tall people who have a lot of energy. Since she has both of these traits, MacKenzie said she felt she was a good fit with rowing.

"I love it. It is something I can do for the rest of my life," she said. Not only is it a good fit with the sport, MacKenzie also happens to be very good at it.

When MacKenzie first joined the rowing team, it was still a club sport at the University of Michigan. However, by her junior year the club was turned into a regular varsity sport.

Since she was such a valued member of the team when it was turned into a varsity sport, MacKenzie was given a scholarship that enabled her to stay a fifth year at college to compete in rowing. During the fifth year, she competed in time trials at an event attended by coaches for the national Olympic team.

MacKenzie was contacted soon after this competition by one of the national coaches and invited to join a group trying to make the Olympics. She jumped at the chance and now spends most of her waking hours in Georgia training with the group for the Olympic trials next summer.

According to MacKenzie, her day usually begins at about 7:15 a.m. when she wakes up and grabs a quick breakfast before heading to practice. After that, she spends about two hours on the water practicing various rowing techniques or about three-and-a-half hours lifting weights.

After the morning session, MacKenzie gets a break until later in the afternoon, and then has to practice for at least two more hours.

Some days, MacKenzie can spend up to three solid hours doing nothing but rowing on the water. MacKenzie's almost endless hours practicing will come to fruition next June when she takes part in the Olympic time trials for rowing in New Jersey.

At this event, she must win two out of the three races she will be taking part in. If she wins two of these races, she will be a member of the Olympic rowing team.

But while this goal takes a lot of practice to reach, it leaves little time for MacKenzie to take part in other activities such as work. In order for her to stay in Georgia practicing for the Olympic time trials, MacKenzie must save all of the money she earns when she works in the off season and she must rely on donations to supplement those savings.

To help her out, the National Rowing Foundation has set up an account in her name and is asking for donations. Anyone wishing to help MacKenzie practice for the Olympic team can do so by donating to the National Rowing Foundation in her name.

To donate, send a check written out to the National Rowing Foundation to 45340 West Ten Mile Road, Novi Mich. 48375. Put MacKenzie's name in the memo portion of the check and it will be put into her account.

MacKenzie can use the money in this account to pay her rent, bills and buy food. She has asked that all donors include a return address on their checks.

"I want to be able to write them 'thank you' notes," MacKenzie said. "It's really great that the community is behind this. Thank you to everyone who has donated. Hopefully, I will make you all proud."

Jeremy McBain's e-mail address is jmcbaib@tl.homecomm.net.

New drive-through window?

MacKinnon's Restaurant in Northville got a big surprise last week when a van driven by a Toledo, Ohio man lost control and caromed through the front window. No one was hurt in the accident, and the eatery was open for business later in the day. Owner Tom MacKinnon joked the accident joked the quasi-portal was the new drive-through window.

Community service thrives at NHS

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Yin said her responsibilities includes transporting the hospital-ty car with food and beverages to residents, help with serving lunches, assisting with craft activities and church services.

"I talk with a lot of residents — I have many friends there," Yin said. "I plan on doing it again next year." Clift said Yin is unique as many students don't usually seek working with elderly people as their first choice.

"Emotionally, it can be very challenging," Clift said. "It takes a very special person to stick with it." Sophomores Anna Cynar, Jennifer Thomson and Margo Wolowicz collected \$200 as a group as the school's 30-member group donated \$25 each during the Trick or

Treat for UNICEF. "We went around the subdivision and asked for donations for UNICEF," Thomson said. "Some people were mean, but most people were being very generous."

Senior Lena Liao spends her Tuesday afternoons processing books at the Novi Public Library. "I have learned a lot more than I expected," Liao said. "Once you get to know the people, you will do anything to help them if they need it."

Junior Nick Peruski said he was interested in medicine so volunteered at Botsford Hospital seemed like a logical choice. Working in the Central Services Department on Mondays, Peruski sterilizes different materials and transports them around the hospital.

The motivation came to me as I sought out a place to begin my career," Peruski said. "The experience has been certain and how the hospital runs."

Junior Ellen Cynar is interested in studying law or political science so her preparation comes on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons where she volunteers at the 52nd District Court.

Cynar said she was a little disappointed her duties include filing, running errands and other clerical responsibilities, but understands the experience will be beneficial for her career.

"I am seeing the other side of the job — I am working with warrants and paperwork," she said. "I sit in and listen to some cases — I am learning a lot."

Like last year, Senior Fai Foen will be spending some time during the holidays outside of J.C. Penney's helping the Salvation Army with their Kettle Bell Ringing program.

With over 12 hours of bell ringing last season, Foen keeps busy as she also helps out cleaning cages and feeding animals at the Living Science Foundation.

"The work itself is not really difficult," Foen said. "I am just doing it because I want to make a difference."

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Students learn about Indian festival

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN and MELANIE FLEDA

The children of the Novi-Northville Montessori Center are learning about the traditions of the Indian festival of Diwali. The children are learning about the festival through stories, songs, and crafts. They are also learning about the festival through a special music presentation, as well as a play and a story. The children are learning about the festival through a special music presentation, as well as a play and a story. The children are learning about the festival through a special music presentation, as well as a play and a story.



Students at the Novi-Northville Montessori Center listen to lessons on the Indian holiday of Diwali.

Rao said they encourage the student's parents to share their cultural holidays with the class by way of 20-minute demonstrations for their International Months of November and December. "I really liked the dance — it was really fun," Rao said. "I saw dancing like that in the movie 'The Godfather'."



Women dance in the Indian tradition at the Novi-Northville Montessori school to educate students about Diwali, a festival of lights. The program was one of many cultural events the students will be exposed to in the coming weeks.

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Checking it out

Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame grows out of space

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN

Since its inception in 1989, the Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame has shared its racing dreams and memories with thousands of fans of motor sports. Located in the Novi Expo Center, the 10,000 square-foot facility houses merchandise, actual race cars, boats and an airplane signifying the great heroes and vehicles which will forever be remembered in the museum. With fans coming from all over the country to visit the facility, president Ronald Watson said there is a possibility the museum will be moving locations around the beginning of 2001.

With help from other fundraising projects and volunteers, Watson said the move is necessary as the need for more space becomes more prominent.

"Personally, it is going to be sad to leave Novi," Watson said. "Originally, we wanted to add a cultural institution for the town. Unfortunately, as time moves on, we just need more space to support the vehicles for showcases." According to Watson, one of the catalysts for bringing the Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame to Novi was the mystique of the Indy race car the Novi Special. Watson said the supercharged V-8 Novi Special ran between 1946 and 1965 and drew many people to the races because of its reputation and pure power. "It was known as the most famous car that never won," Watson said. "The sound of the engine was

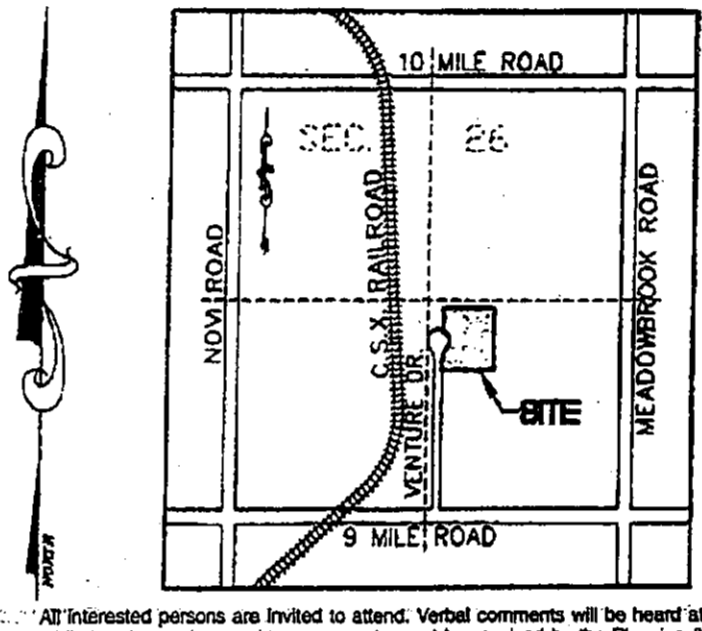
memorable. People still talk about it." With the purchase of the Novi Special, a committee was formed to organize how a hall of fame and motorsports museum could be put together. Watson said it was in 1989 when the Detroit Grand Prix moved from Formula 1 to Indy race cars that the museum was launched with its first induction ceremony on June 11. Currently with 104 members, each year the Motorsports Hall of Fame has an induction ceremony where racing heroes will be made immortal. With Horsepower, the trophy symbolizing the induction into the hall of fame, Watson said the ceremony is always special as fans get to meet the drivers and the drivers have a sculpture made of them to line the walls of the museum. "Horsepower stands for triumphing over earth, wind and water — from motorcycles to airplanes — all areas of motor racing," Watson said. "During the ceremony, the thrill of getting to know these people is like nothing else." With volunteers exclusively doing the work at the Motorsports Museum and Hall of Fame, Watson said there is always room for more help. "Right now we have about 20 volunteers here but we need a lot more," Watson said. "There are several projects to do from redesigning the gift shop to walking people through the museum as their guide. Housing famous vehicles as the 1932 Duff Truck Racer, the Green Monster Cycles and the 1989-1989 Darrel Waltrip Tide Car, motorsports in general and the museum are continually growing in success. "With the growing number of household products being sponsored, there are a huge number of women and children who are enthusiastic about racing," Watson said. "It is truly a family event — NASCAR is the fastest growing sport in the world."



Ron Watson is president of the Motorsports Museum in Novi.

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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, December 1, 1999.

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Save 40-60%

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EXTRA 40% OFF
 Entire stock of red-lined sportswear and dresses in New Directions, contemporary and Bridge collections in ladies', petites' and Parisian Woman sizes. Reg. 24.00-248.00, sale 17.99-185.99, now 10.79-111.60. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

SALE 7.99-9.99 Entire stock of Parisian Works turtlenecks and mock-necks. In ladies', petites' and Parisian Woman sizes. Reg. 24.00-26.00. AVAILABLE AT SELECTED STORES.

SALE 17.99 Large selection of Designers Originals' sweaters. Reg. 26.00-36.00.

SALE 28.80-36.00 Entire stock of Christmas sweaters from Designers Originals', Tiara International and Parisian Works. In ladies', petites' and Parisian Woman sizes. Reg. 48.00-60.00. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

40% OFF Hot Cotton holiday motif fleece sweatshirts and pull-on pants. Reg. 38.00-48.00, sale 22.80-28.80.

SALE 59.99 Famous-maker Pelushe sweaters. Reg. 94.00. STYLES VARY BY STORE.

40% OFF Famous-maker casual and denim collections. Reg. 24.00-120.00, sale 14.40-72.00. SELECTION VARIES BY STORE.

40% OFF Entire stock of Karen Lessly knit sets. In ladies', petites' and Parisian Woman sizes. Reg. 88.00, sale 52.80.

50% OFF "Millennium" sweaters from Parisian Signature, August Silk and more. Reg. 49.00-108.00, sale 24.50-54.00.

SALE 34.99-49.99 August Silk silk/cashmere picot crew-neck and twin set sweaters. Reg. 68.00-88.00.

SALE 19.99 Famous-maker stretch shirts, tops and pants. Reg. 40.00-54.00.

60% OFF Parisian Signature merino wool sweaters. In ladies', petites' and Parisian Woman sizes. Reg. 78.00-148.00, sale 39.00-74.00.

SALE 39.99 Finity silk/cashmere sweaters. Reg. 58.00-88.00.

50% OFF Finity iridescent stretch shirts. Reg. 78.00, sale 39.00.

SALE 139.99 Choose from a large selection of leather coats. Reg. 250.00.

50% OFF Selected dresses and social occasion dresses and separates in ladies', petites' and Parisian Woman sizes. Reg. 68.00-400.00, sale 34.00-200.00. STYLES VARY BY STORE.

SALE 99.99 Large selection of famous-maker suits. Reg. 189.00-290.00. STYLES VARY BY STORE.

JUNIORS
50% OFF Selected juniors' sweaters. Reg. 28.00-38.00, sale 14.00-19.00.

50% OFF Juniors' separates. Choose from stretch tops, skirts and pants. Reg. 20.00-32.00, sale 9.99-15.99.

50% OFF Juniors' dresses in club, knit and social styles. Reg. 39.00-69.00, sale 19.50-34.50.

SALE 19.99 Selected juniors' denim jeans from Mudd, I.e.i. and Hydraulic. Reg. 38.00.

ACCESSORIES
40% OFF Large selection of designer leather handbags. Reg. 75.00-288.00, sale 45.00-172.80.

EXTRA 40% OFF Entire stock of red-lined handbags. Reg. 32.00-150.00, sale 24.00-112.50, now 14.40-67.50.

50% OFF Parisian Signature leather handbags. Reg. 94.00-134.00, sale 47.00-67.00.

SALE 39.99 Genuine stone bracelets. Reg. 120.00.

40% OFF Selected boxed jewelry. Reg. 15.00-36.00, sale 9.00-21.60.

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THREE FOR 19.99 Power bead bracelets. Reg. 20.00 each.

50% OFF Entire stock of women's slippers. Reg. 8.00-28.00, sale 4.00-14.00.

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40% OFF Selected holiday dresswear for infants, toddlers and girls. Reg. 36.00-120.00, sale 21.60-72.00.

50% OFF Duck Head® corduroy pants. Reg. 28.00, sale 14.00.

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Merchandising the Millennium

We're gonna shop like it's 1999

By JAN JEFFRES
Editor

Remember the story about the ant and the grasshopper?

The ant prudently stashed away food for difficult times to come. But the grasshopper leaped around the field enjoying life, regardless of the future.

With the millennium fast approaching, local retailers are hoping more grasshoppers than ants are out there, namely grasshoppers with platinum cards.

Cautious types may be hoarding battery-operated lamps and cords of firewood, but the party set is loading up on champagne flutes.

"We have sold out our millennium champagne glasses three times," said Debra Barnes, divisional sales manager for Lord & Taylor.

The department store has a full stock of ultralight evening wear, including year 2000 sweaters for \$50 and sexy silk and sequined millennium evening tops for \$60.

And forget the Beanies. Now, it's the Millennium Bug. The stuffed critter comes as a key chain for \$5 or for \$25 you can get a Millennium Bug night-shirt with a zippered bug to store that sleepy-time gear in, also at Lord & Taylor.

But Barnes won't be sporting any of this wear-it-once fancy stuff. She said she's planning a quiet dinner party for eight on the New Year's Eve of New Year's Eves.

But apparently many Novi area residents of the next century have major fashion statements to make in the near future.

In early October, The Taubman Company, owners of Twelve Oaks Mall, commissioned a survey of 4,300 shoppers at its 28 centers nationwide. The findings conclude that the Novi mall leads the Midwest for the number of shoppers who have their plans in order for Dec. 31, Twelve Oaks marketing director Peggy Hayes said.

Forty percent of the local shoppers said they know what they'll do the first night of the millennium - and of these, 62 percent will be greeting the year 2000 in casual clothing. Some 17 percent, like Barnes, will host New Year's parties in their home.

Thirty-eight percent of Twelve Oaks shoppers will buy new clothes, casual or otherwise, according to the survey results. The biggest spenders will be the over-54 set, who expect to splurge an average of \$563 on their New Year's Eve wear. Baby boomers calculated their wardrobe expenditures at an average of \$510, while Gen X-ers were at the more modest mean of \$158.

Those who must be in brand-new clothes for the first minutes of a new millennium will be tossing all their cash towards merchandise like the battery-operated, lighted year 2000 purse at Gantos, for \$24. And that's the perfect match for a long slink of a \$150 black dress by Niki, with the year

2000 picked out in rhinestones across what there is of the back.

However, Gantos Salesclerk Chrystal Conway, who modeled the gown for *The Novi News*, won't be quite outfitted anything like this on the once-in-a-lifetime evening.

"I'll probably be at church that night," Conway explained.

Gantos District Manager Deb Tharp also isn't planning her own wildest night of the century, either.

"New Year's Eve is my time to stay home after the holidays. We're in retail," she said.

"It's a tradition to watch old movies and fire up the fireplace."

At Twelve Oaks, the survey found that one in four shoppers will purchase millennium theme merchandise, slightly above the national average. Most will be given as holiday gifts, Hayes said.

More serious types, who don't go for Millennium Bugs and all that glitters, may prefer the "Century Book" published by Phaidos and available for \$50 at The Discovery Store. The collection of photographs begins with a Parisian street scene in 1900 and ends with an avant-garde performance of Beethoven's "Fidelio" in Berlin, with recent stops along the way including the Columbine shooting and Kosovo.

Or, if your confidence level on the ability of the nation to weather Y2K isn't high, pick up the store's self-powered, wind-up radio for \$70. If the world does come to an end, at least you'll be able to hear the last broadcast.

Proving popular with families at The Discovery Store is "The Ark of The Future Family Tree Capsule," which for \$27.50 supplies the purchaser with a molded metal time capsule with a seal strip, a 32-page scrapbook on acid-free paper, instructions on how to create a family tree and a "certificate of voyage" to track the capsule once you stash it away.

But wait, there's more - also provided are two postcards to send to future generations ("wish you were here?") You can stuff locks of children's hair, concert tickets, music and the ever-popular future predictions into the capsule, but don't bury it, advises Discovery Store salesman Doug Penick. The canister isn't meant to be sunk in the ground, but in some family closets it won't be hard to make the time capsule disappear for a long, long time.

"You open it up 75 years later to see if the predictions came true," Penick said.

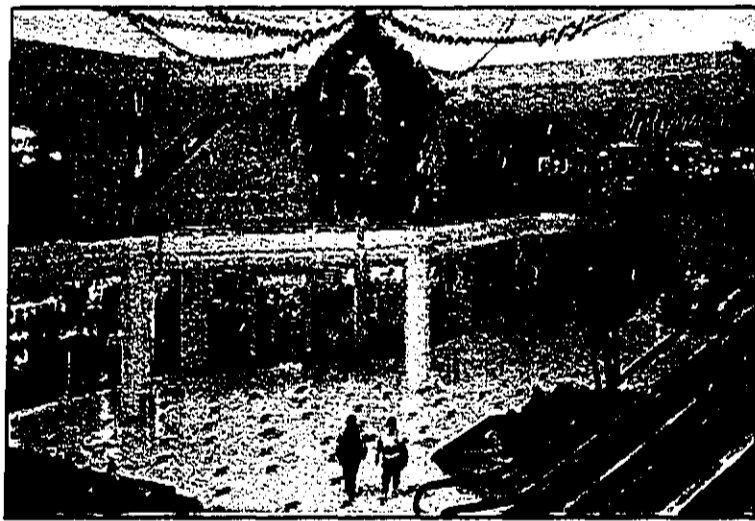
"People who are really thinking about preserving their family history are the people who are buying it."

Penick, however, isn't lining up his own schedule 75 years in advance, or even 75 days.

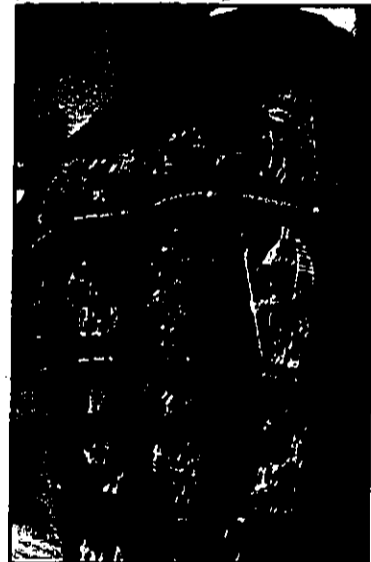
"I never make plans for New Year's until a couple of weeks before and usually it's too late. I'm assuming this year, it'll be really too late," he said.



TOP: Doug Penick of 12 Oak's The Discovery Channel store, displays "The Ark of the Future" a sealable metal container that can hold documents, newspapers, photos, for storage well in the next millennium. ABOVE: Vickie Fledrich, Executive Secretary for Twelve Oaks' Lord and Taylor, shows off her store's ensemble t-shirt and Y2K Bug t-shirt. RIGHT: Twelve Oaks Mall Gantos' employee Chrystal Conway models a Year 2000 dress by Niki. The back of the dress features a chain-link "2000" along the back. BELOW: Twelve Oaks Mall will be decorated for the holiday and millennium shopping experience.



Photos by JOHN HEIDER



This Year 2000 t-shirt is available at Twelve Oaks' The Discovery Channel Store.

Once a horse field, Thornton Creek has served Northville well

A former horse farm in Novi has become the property of Northville Public Schools and will someday be the site of an elementary school.

The land, which is north of Nine Mile Road between Taft and Beck roads, is in a part of Novi included in the Northville school district. Announcement of the sale was made at Monday's Northville board of education meeting.

"This is the first time the Northville school district has ever bought land that is large enough to accommodate the needs of a building," (former Northville school district superintendent George) Bell said.

-from the Northville Record
Nov. 29, 1990

1999 CENTURY IN REVIEW 2000

By CHRIS C. DAVIS
Copy Editor

It started as a farm, but the little swatch of land on the north side of Nine Mile transformed itself into a school that has served residents of No-ville well.

So, said Northville schools superintendent Leonard Rezmierski about Thornton Creek, the first dual-municipality school built for Northville.

Attractive though it might be, Rezmierski said the success of Thornton Creek didn't stop with its appearance.

"We don't just build schools to make them look pretty," he said.

"There has to be a clear purpose to them and functionality is absolutely necessary."

The school got its start in the late 1980s and very early in 1990, Rezmierski said, when subdivision growth in the Nine Mile and Beck roads vicinity became apparent.

"I recall driving around with (assistant superintendent David Bolitho) when that area was still just a field," Rezmierski said. "We saw the homes going in in phases. That was the visual clincher we needed to know we were doing the right thing."

Rezmierski wasn't superintendent of the Northville district when the land for Thornton Creek was purchased, but he was in place near the final phases of its construction. For Bolitho, it was the first major building project he had involved himself with.

Because the district managed to get in contact with landowners early enough, the price of Thornton Creek's land was almost cer-

tainly a substantial amount less than what the same land would go for today, Rezmierski said.

That, coupled with the building's speed and cost of construction helped get Thornton Creek opened on time.

"Clearly, we were pleased because it was done on time and under budget. Those are two things that made us very happy," he said.

Thornton Creek's design and functionality have caught the attention of many in the education field, Rezmierski said.

"From a curriculum delivery standpoint, it's a wonderful building to have in our district," Rezmierski said. "It has served the district extremely well since it was added."

The district is in the midst of a multimillion-dollar renovation and construction project to many of the school buildings in the district, including the building of a new high school at Six Mile and Sheldon roads, Rezmierski said

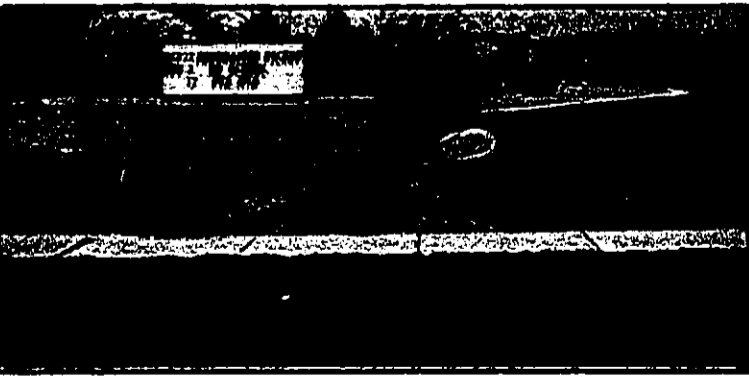


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Thornton Creek Elementary School has been a fixture on 9 Mile Road since it was built in the early 1990's.

foresight on the part of school board members and administrators has helped give the district a foothold in obtaining land for several construction projects, including the new high school.

"We're a bit at the mercy of other people when it comes to land acquisition and purchase,"

Rezmierski said.

Rezmierski said the Northville school district also owns approximately 40 acres of land northwest of Maybury State Park.

The new high school is slated for opening at the start of next school year.

Girl Scouts receive \$1,800 matching grant for troop

NOVI GIRL SCOUTS

At a recent girl scout leader meeting, Adrienne Noy of Scouts Club presented a matching fund grant to the scouts at Troop No. 343. Present were troop leader Jeanne Torres-Ferrando, Nicole Blaszczak, Catherine Gantank, Adrienne Honing, Alison Dowd, Beth Malin, Jessica Ferrando, Emily Ferrando, and many attending parents.

The scouts have been having bottle drives and with the assistance of Meyer and Farmer Jack's rebranding the bottles, have earned \$600 per girl. Proceeds are going towards the trip to the Adventure Space Academy, the cost of which will be \$4,800. Plans include going to the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Ala. Emphasized at the assembly will be shuttle crew activities, mission control, and other space-themed activities.

Other troop news includes a food program for the needy, which is sponsored by Novi Junior High School Troop No. 343. As an annual service project, the scouts shopped for canned goods for the needy, which is sponsored by Novi Junior High School Troop No. 343. As an annual service project, the scouts shopped for canned goods for the needy, which is sponsored by Novi Junior High School Troop No. 343.

All troops will participate in the "Light Up the Holidays" event with a medley/duet/duo sale at 6 p.m., Dec. 6 at the Novi Civic Center. Bake sale goodies are in time for holiday par-

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NOVI LEGION AND AUXILIARY UNIT FROM POST NO. 19

The Legion is looking for candidates for this year's delegation to Boys State. This program has been in existence for 62 years and has given many, many senior high school students a view of state government, governor, state senator and representative, a university president, just to mention a few areas of interest. The best has received a commitment from the Novi Police lieutenant and sergeants to send two young men to this program; high school candidates will be contacted for their input on candidates. Only male students who are juniors and demonstrate school and community leadership will be considered. Cmdr. Sale is also looking for sponsors whose obligation for each delegate is \$245. There is a due date involved, which will increase the obligation to \$255. Call Cmdr. Robert Sale at (248) 474-7022 for more detailed information.

Last year's delegation included Nick Bassitt, David Sorek, Jason Perras, and Philip Suchy. Auxiliary chairperson Audrey Blackburn-Strauss reported that Christina Parikh, Erin Gibbons and Amanda Farrell attended last year's Girls State, which was held on the cam-

Novi Rotary Club

The annual Rotary Christmas luncheon for Novi senior citizens is scheduled for Dec. 9. The program starts at 11 a.m. with lunch following. At that time, Santa Claus will distribute gifts to everyone present. The luncheon will be held at the new Novi Middle School, 49000 Eleven Mile Road near Waxom Road. Those in need of transportation should be at the Novi Civic Center by 11 a.m. for bus transportation. Luncheon reservations are necessary as there will be a limit of 300. Call Jan McAlpine at (248) 347-0414, for reservations and also, if you're interested in helping with the transportation.

Workout on this annual program are Wayne Bulien, chairman of community involvement; and assistants, Barbara Keintz and Gerry Stupp.

Novi Goodfellows

Several meetings have been held since the Goodfellows planned for this year's campaign, "No Child Without a Christmas in Novi." The annual paper sale is scheduled for Nov. 27, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will be held at certain crossroads within the city. The Novi Lions will hold their annual candy cane sale that same day, but have deferred to the Goodfellows for those hours.

The Novi Fire Fighters and some Novi Police Department officers are volunteering for the paper sale. You can buy papers and/or send a donation check to the Novi Goodfellows, Box 113, Novi.

Novi Goodfellows

Other groups also assisting the Goodfellows in their Christmas plans: Novi city employees donated funds raised through their Casual for a Cause Fridays; a collection of canned goods, new unwrapped toys, and cash donations by the Chamber of Commerce. Donations can be dropped off at the Chamber office or luncheon, or at the Holiday Walk and Holiday Open House. The American Self Storage will also accept donations. For suggestions, call the office at (248) 478-3743; donation deadline is Friday, Dec. 10.

Any family in need or anyone knowing of a family in need of assistance can call Carl Ann Donnelly of Holy Family Church, (248) 349-8553. Arrangements of help will be made. Members of Goodfellows and the Novi Camera Club have been serving on several concession stands at the police auction to help raise funds. Entertainment books 2000 are available and can be purchased by calling Maureen Malone at (248) 449-3766.

Novi Goodfellows

Reminder, Dec. 2 is the Novi Girl Scouts bake sale at the annual "Light Up the Holidays" at the Civic Center. Profits will go towards purchasing toys for the Novi Goodfellows baskets. The Turtle Creek subdivision will be donating gloves, hats and scarves. For more information call (248) 449-3766.

Novi Highlights is written by Jeanne Clarke. Should you wish to contact her with information for this column, call (248) 624-0173.



Women of achievement
Northville Township supervisor Karen Woodside, left, and Michigan attorney general Jennifer Granholm, second from left, join Judge Karen Ford Hood, who was nominated by Woodside for the YWCA of Western Wayne Women of Achievement award. Kroger president Marnette Perry and Western Wayne YWCA executive director Corinne Vincent are also shown.

Religion

Single Point Ministries, a division of **First Presbyterian Church of Northville**, will meet for a walk through Heritage Park in Farmington Hills at 10 a.m. Nov. 27, meet for cards and coffee at Tuscan Cafe in Northville on Nov. 28, and will hold rehearsal for "The Messiah" on Nov. 29.

Also at First Presbyterian — Handel's "The Messiah" will be sung Dec. 5 at 7 p.m. The show will feature the Northville Concert Choral and the Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra. The oratorio is part of the Fine Arts series of the church. For more information on any of these events, call (248) 349-0911.

Meadowbrook Congregational Church of Novi will be hosting its Christmas workshop on Dec. 5 from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call the church at (248) 348-7757.

First United Methodist Church of Northville will be working alongside **Holy Family Roman Catholic Church** of Novi to adopt 15 families this holiday season to provide every member of each family with a gift. The project is being coordinated with Northville's Civic Concern organization. For more information, call (248) 349-1144.

Church of Northville will be hosting "One Night in Bethlehem" services on Dec. 1, 8, and 15 beginning at 7:30 p.m. The services include drama, music and a brief message focusing on the events at Bethlehem 2000 years ago. For more information, call (734) 522-6830.

Several support groups are being offered at **Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church** in Northville. Support groups include ones dealing with alcoholism, parents of preschool-age children and families and friends of those dealing with the loss of loved ones to suicide. For more information, call (248) 374-7400.

Looking for bargains? Be sure to check out the finds in the classifieds.

Engagements

James M. Roth and Jean Roth of Northville announce the engagement of their son, James Scott, to Megan Maureen Norman, daughter of Patrick Norman and the late Maureen Norman.

The groom-elect is a 1988 graduate of Albion College and is employed at The Bistwap Company in Kalamazoo.

A wedding in the spring of 2000 is planned.

Richard and Sue Gilbert of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Rafferty, to David Kesling, son of Irene Kesling and David and Dolores Kesling of Glen Burnie, Md.

The bride-elect is a 1980 graduate of Novi High School. She is the daughter of Patrick Rafferty and Richard and Sue Gilbert. She is employed with Perfection Steel Treating.

The groom-elect is employed with O & S Delivery Service, Inc.

An Aug. 17, 2000 wedding is planned.



Roth-Norman
Stewart and Sue Rissinger of the bride-elect is a 1992 graduate of Hope College.



Rafferty-Kesling
She is the owner of Trilium Gardens and Landscapes in Harbor Springs.



Kissinger-Schumaker
The owner of Schumaker's Wildlife Management in Petoskey.

Community Events

The **Novi Concert Band** will present its annual holiday concert on Dec. 12 at the Novi Civic Center. The band will play selections from "The Messiah" and a medley of Hanukkah tunes as well as other traditional holiday songs. The event is free of charge. For more information, call (248) 632-9244.

The **Novi Theatres** will be putting on a performance of "A Christmas Carol" on Dec. 10 and 11 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 12 at 3 p.m. All shows take place at the Novi Civic Center. The group will also be taking auditions for forthcoming performances of "Fiddler on the Roof." Auditions are scheduled for Dec. 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. All actors must pay a \$125 fee one cast. For more information on either event, call (248) 347-0400.

The **Schoolcraft College Phi Theta Kappa honor society** will be hosting "Breakfast with Santa" on Dec. 18. It will be held in the upper

Waterman Campus Center, from 10 a.m. to noon. The pancake and sausage breakfast is \$8 for adults and \$10 for children. A photo with Santa and a small gift is included with the children's breakfast. Seating is limited and tickets must be purchased in advance. For more information, call (734) 462-4422.

The **Plymouth Community Chorus** will present its December concert, "Holiday Greetings" on Dec. 3 and 4 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 5 at 4 p.m. at Plymouth-Canton High School. The group will be singing a variety of classic Christmas tunes, as well as newer songs. For more information, call (734) 455-4080.

The **U.S. Marine Corps and Waterford Harley Owners Group** will be working together for the Toys For Tots drive on Dec. 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and again Dec. 5 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at ABC Harley Davidson in Waterford. The motorcycle riding group last

year brought in some \$50,000 for charity. For more information, call (248) 625-0575.

The **Schoolcraft College Community Choir** will perform a traditional holiday program entitled "Noel Night" at Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Detroit on Dec. 4 and at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church of Livonia on Dec. 11. The Dec. 4 show is slated for 7:30 p.m., while the Dec. 11 show kicks off at 8 p.m. For more information, call (734) 462-4435.

The **Plymouth Theater Guild** will be taking auditions for parts in the upcoming stage performance, "Oliver!" Children's auditions are slated for Nov. 21 at 2 p.m., while adults will try out on Nov. 22 and 23 at 7:30 p.m. All auditions take place at Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital. For more information, call (248) 669-0436.

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Weddings

Michelle Elizabeth McCoy and Parag Jitendra Parikh were married Sept. 5 in Utica, Ohio. Bir Haral officiated the service.

The bride is the daughter of Frank McCoy of Utica. She is a 1998 graduate of Case Western Reserve University and is currently pursuing a master's degree from Case Western. The groom is the son of Jitendra Parikh of Northville. He is a 1993 graduate of Northville High School and a graduate of Case Western. He is currently attending Washington University in St. Louis, Mo.

The maid of honor was Melissa Krueger. Bridesmaids were Kajal Parikh, Jay Fraz and Dawn DuRoi. The best man was Kevin Briggman. Groomsman were Shalin Shah, Hiren Parikh, and Jonathan McCoy. Receptions were held in Southfield and Newark, Ohio. The couple honeymooned in northern California and now make their home in St. Louis.



McCoy-Parikh

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The intensity and daredevil nature of aviation, both old and modern-day, is captured in Henry Ford Museum's new IMAX Theater presentation, "The Magic of Flight."

Henry Ford Museum is excited to be premiering its first IMAX film, "The Magic of Flight," this month. The film is scheduled to run through Dec. 31. The theater is the newest addition at the museum, located on the south side of Henry Ford Museum, near the free parking lot. The film chronicles the history and pageantry of aviation. The IMAX movie system utilizes a screen some three times larger than a conventional movie screen, putting the movie-watcher in the middle of the action. Past IMAX movies have included documentaries on Mount Everest and the U.S. space shuttle program. Henry Ford Museum is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The IMAX theater is open Sunday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Show times are every hour and subject to change. The theater is open Thanksgiving and Christmas days. Admission to the theater is

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With the Thanksgiving holiday upon us this weekend, many will have an opportunity for some long-awaited rest and relaxation. The long weekend also allows some extra time to spend with family and friends — maybe some time to catch one of these latest movies.

"The Bone Collector"
A murderer is loose on the streets of Manhattan. A diabolical killer whose brutal slayings leave a trail of cryptic messages hidden at the scene of the crime. Clues which only a brilliant mind can interpret.

Now as the city lies in fear, a gifted but disabled detective is on the case. Together with the help of a rookie street cop, the two must go inside the mind of this terrifying madman and defeat him at his own game.

For he will strike again... but next time they may just be too late. In "The Bone Collector" Lincoln Rhyme (Denzel Washington), a New York City detective who specializes in forensics, was once the country's leading criminologist. Author of numerous best-selling books, Rhyme's keen eye for details and nose for clues have made him legendary within the law enforcement community.

Following a near-fatal injury in the line of duty, Rhyme is left bed-bound, his arms and legs useless, and with little will to live.

Feisty, street-smart policewoman Amelia Donaghy (Angela Jolie) is only in her early twenties but already has a record of solving "cold" cases. On the day of being transferred to a desk job, her last call as a street cop leads her to a crime scene and the discovery of a gruesome, mutilated corpse, wakes her quick thinking and daring act of bravery will not go unnoticed.

Rhyme's fellow detectives try to enlist his assistance in solving the grisly crime, but he sends them packing, declaring that it's an open and shut case and not worthy of his time.

However, after taking a look at the physical evidence file and the photos therein, Rhyme is suddenly intrigued. For the photographer who took the pictures has also seen the complex messages hidden in subtle details at the crime scene — someone who speaks the language of forensics as Rhyme does. A kindred spirit.

On the first day of her new job, Rhyme has Amelia pulled against her wishes and reassigned to assist him on the case.

Together, they realize that this murder is not just a random act, but the work of a violent criminal mind — a serial murderer — who has only just begun.

An unlikely pairing at first, Donaghy must become Rhyme's eyes, ears and legs, scoring horrific crime scenes for evidence as they race against the clock to prevent the next hideous act of this brutal killer. A killer who taunts them by leaving arcane clues for Rhyme to unravel and Donaghy to unearth, in what just might be enough time to save the victims' lives.

"Music of The Heart"
"Music of The Heart" is the inspirational true story of a woman who, once she learned to believe in herself, was able to give countless children a beautiful gift; she proved to them that they could accomplish anything.

Roberta Guaspari's (Meryl Streep) world crashed down around her when her husband walked out on her and her two young children.

Like women before her, Roberta sacrificed her career because it was not compatible with her husband's career.

He was in the Navy and they moved around so often that she was simply unable to maintain a job.

Following their separation, she vowed to live by her own set of rules; she would not permit anyone to define who she was or what she was capable of accomplishing.

Roberta left the security of her small hometown and moved to one of America's toughest neighborhoods, East Harlem.

She wanted to finally have the opportunity to teach the violin. She didn't have extensive experience to offer the school; she had



"60 Minutes" executive producer Don Hewitt (Philip Baker Hall, above left), discusses one of the program's most explosive stories ever with producer Lowell Bergman (Al Pacino) and Mike Wallace (Christopher Plummer) in "The Insider." Ash (right) and his Pokémon friend Pikachu are surrounded by characters from "Pokémon."



her talent, her determination, and her violin. At first, the kids, the parents, and the principal (Angela Bassett) were skeptical.

But, Roberta taught with such passion that it was infectious and soon her young violinists were manifesting incredible results — they were making beautiful, sophisticated music.

The children proved to be dedicated, bright and disciplined young musicians. Each year, more children competed to win a slot in Roberta's classroom and, each year, Roberta discovered the brilliance and potential that lies within the souls of her young students.

Despite her successes, after 10 years of teaching, the school board decided to cancel her funding. With the support of her friends and the community, she set out to do what no one else dared. Roberta fought back.

"The Sixth Sense"
In this chilling psychological thriller, 8-year-old Cole Sear (Haley Joel Osment) is haunted by a dark secret: He is visited by ghosts.

A helpless and reluctant channel, Cole is terrified by threatening visitations from those with unresolved problems who appear from the shadows.

Confused by his paranormal powers, Cole is too young to understand his purpose and too terrified to tell anyone about his torment, except child psychologist Dr. Malcolm Crowe (Bruce Willis).

As Dr. Crowe tries to uncover the ominous truth about Cole's supernatural abilities, the consequence for client and therapist is a job that awakens them both to something harrowing — and unexplainable.

"The Insider"
Jeffrey Wigand (Russell Crowe) was a central witness in the lawsuits filed by Mississippi and the 49 other states against the tobacco industry, which eventually were 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 gone public before.

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

However, before the most newsworthy "60 Minutes" segment in years could air, Bergman would lose to a CBS corporate decision to kill it and would experience breakdown and bitter divisions within "60 Minutes."

Wigand would find himself sued, targeted in a national smear campaign, 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 force CBS to air the interview, are two ordinary people in extraordinary circumstances.

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

The cast includes: Al Pacino, Russell Crowe, Christopher Plummer, Diane Venora, Philip Baker Hall, Lindsay Crouse, Debi Mazar, Stephen Tololowsky, Colin Fere, Bruce McGill, Gina Gershon, Michael Gambon, Rip Torn.

"The Insider" is based on the "Hasty Pudding" article "The Man Who Knew Too Much" by Maris Breuner.

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A brand new Pokémon, Donphan, makes his debut in "Mewtwo Strikes Back," the episode feature of "Pokémon: The First Movie."

Additionally, a short called "Pikachu's Vacation," starring Ash's furry pal Pikachu, the most charming and beloved Pokémon of them all, makes its American debut along with the feature-length film. "Pikachu's Vacation" introduces two new Pokémon, Snubbull and Maril.



"The Messenger: The Story of Joan of Arc"
Joan of Arc was born the youngest daughter of a peasant farmer in Domremy, France around 1412, a time when France was being overrun by the English during the bloody Hundred Year's War. In addition, an internal war was being waged within France, with the region of Burgundy siding with the English.

A deciding factor in the war was who would control the city of Orleans, which sits strategically on the bank of the Loire river. Only one thing could save France from its darkest period in history... a miracle.

When King Henry V of England and King Charles VI of France both die in 1422, the English declare Henry VI, a mere child, king of both England and France. Charles VII of France has no

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intention of abandoning his kingdom and declares himself heir to the throne, but he cannot be made king until he is crowned at Rheims — which is under English occupation.

Meanwhile, in Domremy, 13-year-old Joan spends most of her childhood kneeling in prayer. She not only loves to confess many times daily, but often hears voices from the sky and has strange, startling visions.

From the very beginning, she was told what her mission was: she was chosen by God to restore France and to give aid to the Dauphin Charles, who was to be king of France.

Leaving the only home she has ever known behind, Joan rides to Chinon to see Charles, the Dauphin. Persuaded to take her claims at face value, Charles agrees to Joan's request, providing her with an army to achieve victory against the English and secure the city of Rheims for his coronation.

In the trenches with her countrymen, Joan wins a victory for the French, who are rejuvenated by their inspirational new leader.

But the battle is not over yet — Joan insists on pressing further and rallying the troops once more to dissolve the English occupation of Orleans.

The French continue to win battles against the weakening English, but young Joan feels a strong sense of remorse as she views the carnage.

Overwhelmed by the gravity of the slaughter, Joan approaches the English and offers them a chance to retreat.

Miraculously, the English retreat. It is a surprising victory that allows Charles to proceed to Rheims for his coronation.

Retracting her devotion to God, Joan feels obligated and determined to continue to fight until her voices send her a message otherwise.

Against everyone's better judgment, Joan moves on to Compiègne for a battle in which she is quickly captured by the Burgundians, a group of mercenaries fighting for the English.

Sold to her enemies, she wakes up in a prison cell with her conscience, who comes to her in the form of a mysterious hooded man.

Accused of heresy and sorcery, and with no one to rescue her, the trial to prove Joan is a witch begins.

Near the end of the trial, Joan is told that she must either renounce her past deeds and swear to never carry arms or wear men's clothing again, or she will be burned to death.

She agrees to do so, and she is sentenced to life in prison. Ultimately, however, she refuses to submit to the English-constituted court's judgment. Now considered a "relapsed heretic," Joan's decision means certain death.

On May 1431, she was burned at the stake in the marketplace at Rouen.

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Lunch at the North Pole at Franklin Community Church.
• Various concerts by the Handbell Choir and Chancel Choir.
• Children's craft programs and face painting
• Bake Sale

11 am-1 pm
Historic District Home Tour
Horse Drawn Carriage Rides
Tree and Menorah Lighting
• Ceremony accompanied by the Salvation Army Band

12-2 pm

4-8 pm
5-9 pm
6:45-7 pm

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 This DWCF, 34, 5'8", who enjoys bible study and riding Harleys, is waiting for you. If you are an outgoing, warm-hearted, SWCM, under 45, then give her a call. She'd love to hear from you. Ad# 9445

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BEST THERE IS
 Friendly DWPF, 48, 5'8", who enjoys a variety of interests, is looking for an intelligent, attractive SWM, 44-60, who enjoys life, to spend time with. Ad# 2289

GIVE ME A CALL
 Kind-hearted, active SWF, 35, is looking for an interesting SWM, 29-39, N/S, to share animals, travel and more. Ad# 3333

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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 Friendly, petite SW mom, 34, who likes country music, sports, and spending time with her children, is looking for an outgoing SWM, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 8567

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 This well-educated DWP mom of two, 49, 5'7", is hoping that the sensitive, kind SM, 35-55, that she hopes to meet will come forward soon. She enjoys sports, quiet evenings of conversation, movies, music, cooking, the outdoors and more. Ad# 4949

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 Pleasant, Catholic DWF, 51, 5'9", is seeking a companionable Catholic SWM who shares her enjoyment of country living, cooking, gardening, reading and the arts. Ad# 7837

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 Family-oriented DW mom, 38, 5'8", is hoping to share a meaningful friendship with a man of character, heart and substance, a SWM, 35-42, with patience and understanding. Ad# 4073

DESTINY
 Outgoing SW mom, 43, 5'3", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys spending time with her children, walks on the beach and more, is interested in meeting a caring SWM, 37-50, who likes children. Ad# 4383

SWEET THINGS
 Friendly SWF, 45, seeks a SWM, for friendship first, maybe more. She enjoys bowling, picnics, boating, long walks and the outdoors. Ad# 6999

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 Friendly, attractive SWF, 46, 5'8", slender, with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys farm life, horses, animals, photography, the arts, and movies, seeks a caring, fun SWM, 38-52, who enjoys country living and similar interests. Ad# 2213

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Novi 11th at state meet

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

Swimming

The Novi swimmers put injuries and adversity aside for a day, a day which saw the team place in eight events and finish 11th overall at the state championships.

The Wildcats fielded competitors in 11 of the 12 events at the Class A state finals at Oakland University last Friday and Saturday, and scored 38 total points in the second day finals. That total was good enough for an 11th-place tie with Birmingham Seaholm.

Leading the way for Novi was senior Amy Hartland, whose third-place finish in the 100 butterfly was her highest ever and the best at the school since Gwen Rowlands had a runnerup finish in 1989. Her time of 58.35 seconds also set a school record in the event.

"She expected to do well coming into this meet, and she did," Novi coach Larry Teahan said of his senior star.

The 10 points Hartland received

for the finish was more than 12 other teams who scored at least a point at the meet. Grosse Pointe North won the state championship after winning the last relay of the meet. North totaled 188 points, edging out Farmington Mercy (182), Ann Arbor Pioneer was third (146), Zeeland fourth (109) and Ann Arbor Huron fifth (84). Kensington Valley Conference foes Howell and Brighton were 21st and 22nd at the meet. Mercy and Brighton were the only two teams to beat Novi in duals this season.

But Hartland was not the only individual scoring points for Novi. Andrea Yocum scored six points for her team in the 100 breaststroke, finishing seventh in a time of 1:07.84. She won the consolation finals and set a school record in the event. Her time was actually faster than the sixth-place finisher in the championship heat.

Yocum and Hartland both placed in the 200 individual medley, with Yocum taking ninth and Hartland finishing 12th. Yocum's time of 2:10.99 in the preliminary round was a school record.

Kristina Utley finished among the top swimmers in both the 200 and 500 freestyles. She grabbed 12th-place finishes in both events. Her time in the 200 was 1:57.87 and her clocking in the 500 was 5:15.57.

"Those were great finishes, considering that she missed nearly a month of hard training this season because of back injuries," Teahan said.

Those three swimmers were also intrical parts of Novi's relay teams. Lindsey Vermillion, Yocum, Hartland and Amanda Smith combined for a 10th-place finish in the 200 medley relay. The quartet finished the finals in 1:52.28, a bit slower than their school-record setting time of 1:52.09 they had in the preliminaries.

Smith, Yocum, Utley and Hart-

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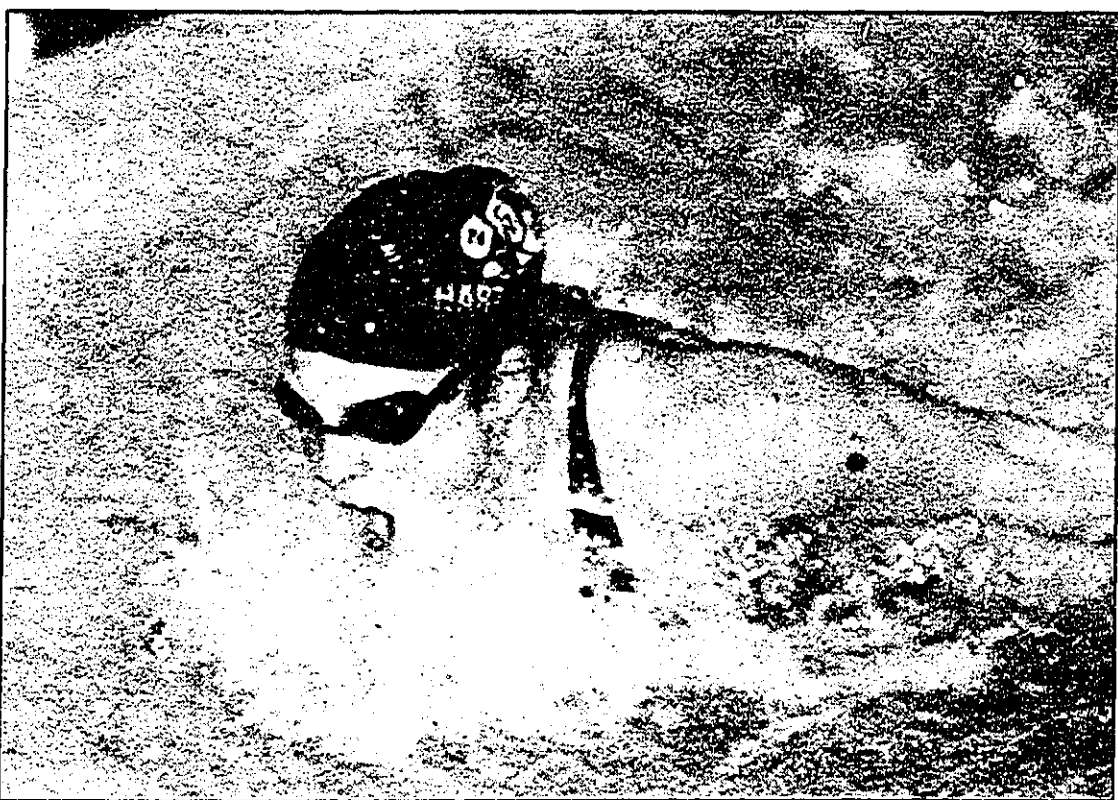


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Shown here in the breaststroke event, Amy Hartland finished third in the state last Saturday at the Class A championships at Oakland University. She was less than a second from first place.

land formed the 400 free relay team, which finished 10th in the state. Their time of 3:40.26 in the finals was a school record.

Aside from the placers, Novi also competed in three other events. Smith swam 25 seconds flat in the 50 free, which was 17th in the prelims. She also finished 20th in the 100 free (54.93),

which was a career best. Vermillion was 23rd in the 100 backstroke, finishing in a season-best time of 1:02.25. Emily Nicol, Vermillion, Blair Tyler and Utley finished 25th in the prelims of the 200 freestyle relay.

"At the beginning of the season I felt we were a top-10 team if everything fell together for

us," Teahan said. "But after all the injuries we had this year, going into the finals I didn't think we were. But we had an excellent finish."

"We went into the meet seeded pretty good, but swam better. Almost everybody who swam at the meet set a personal record."



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

HomeTown's all-area teams had a Milford and Novi flavor to it, nabbing 10 of the 14 selections.

Novi's front four lead pack

Boy's cross country

If there's a debate you'll hear in cross country, it probably has something to do with which is the best cross-country conference in the state of Michigan.

Those from the Western side of the state will hoot and holler that the OK-Red (Ottawa-Kent) conference is the best in the state. Whereas anyone from the east side of the state will tell ya that the Kensington Valley Conference is tops.

The OK-Red conference, which consists of teams such as Rockford, Holland-West Ottawa, Grand Haven and Jenison, has eight teams in all. The KVC has teams such as Novi, Brighton, Milford and Lakeland, seven in all.

The proof is in the titles, in which the KVC has won the last five state titles and six in this decade. The OK-Red has never won a state title. The OK-Red had one runner in the top 10 (champion Dathan Ritzenhein of Rockford). The KVC had four of the top seven runners in the state (all of which are on HomeTown's all-area squad).

If that doesn't end the debate right there, then let's see if the OK-Red conference can put together a team that could beat the following seven athletes, which are from just five of the seven league schools. Anyone would be hard pressed to find seven better runners from any one area than we have here.

Tom Greenless
Milford senior

Befitting the founder and CEO of the Road Runner Lawn Company, Greenless' high school career was dedicated to mowing down the competition. He concluded his career as one of the elite athletes in school history, a three-time all-state selection and the 1999

KVC Runner of the Year. Greenless won the KVC championship, was second at the Oakland County meet, second at the brutal Springfield Oaks regional, and fourth at the Class A state finals.

His time of 15:17 at the Spartan Invitational established not only a personal best, but a new school record.

Tim Moore
Novi sophomore

If it weren't for a certain runner from Rockford, Moore would be the overwhelming favorite to win the Class-A state title next year. But be it so, Moore will be the overwhelming top challenger to take on Ritzenhein at next year's state meet.

This season was sort of a coming-out party for Moore, who consistently placed among the top two on his team all year long. His 3rd-place finish at the state meet was the icing on a cake which included top finishes at the KVC meet (2nd overall), Oakland County (4th overall), Redford Union (2nd overall), Gabriel Richard (2nd overall) and the Ann Arbor regional (1st overall).

In two head-to-head finishes against Greenless this year, Moore was one for two, edging the Milford senior at the state meet.

Pat Klein
Lakeland junior

Though Lakeland (just barely) didn't make the state finals for the first time in, like forever, the Eagles were well-represented individually by first-team all-area members Pat Klein and Brian Theut. And with both of

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Wildcats tie Mustangs 2-2

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

There will be no routs in the Northville/Novi hockey rivalry this year, the Wildcats made sure of that.

The two teams played to a 2-2 tie in front of a full house at the Novi Ice Arena last Friday night. Both teams had chances to win the game, but goaltenders Beau Brandau and Josh Block made several key saves down the stretch to preserve the tie.

Last season Northville dominated the two games between the neighboring schools, winning 7-2 and 6-1. But Novi returned a strong corps of defenders and added two or three key skilled offensive players this season, all of which came up big Friday night.

Novi broke a 1-1 tie with 12:33 left in the third period as Brad

Hockey

Zarem took control of the puck in front of the Northville goal and beat Block top shelf to give Novi a one-goal lead.

Novi's defense held tough, but with 3:35 left in the game Mustang defender Aaron Selwood fired a slap shot on goal which beat Brandau and tied the game at 2-2. Novi was having trouble clearing the puck, which came loose from the corner and rolled right to Selwood.

"Our defense did a nice job of keeping the puck in the zone, especially with Novi doing such a nice job of blocking shots," Northville coach Brad O'Neill said. "Aaron just let one go towards the net and it went in. I think it dipped a bit in the air."

The tie typified the game, in which both teams played good, hard defense. Novi scored its first goal



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Novi's Ryan Layton skates past a Northville defender towards the puck last Friday night.

of the game because of its solid defense and strong fore checking. Zarem and Brian Jausasi were battling for the puck behind Block early in the first period. A Northville player tried to clear the puck around the boards, but Phil Stackowski held it in and passed it to Zarem. The junior center fired it on goal and Jausasi scored on a putback with 11:19 remaining in the first.

"We came out really apprehensive," O'Neill said of his team. "They had the momentum in the first, but we had what I felt were many more chances in the

second and third periods."

It was in the second period that Northville evened the game at 1-1. Led by the lines of Jason Wilchowski, Bill Sallote and Tim Hillebrand along with Jason Engelland, Tyler Sedam and Brandon Szatkowski, the Mustangs continued to put pressure on Novi deep in the zone. Hillebrand reaped the benefits of that pressure, scoring on a wraparound with 9:32 left in the period.

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Cagers end season 20-2

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

At least for one mid-November night, the Novi basketball team was outplayed and outthused by a better Northville team, a team it had beaten quite soundly just a month earlier.

And because the state playoffs give teams just one chance, the Wildcats dream season came to an abrupt halt in the district semi-finals held at Novi High last Wednesday night in a 35-34 loss to the Mustangs.

Northville fell behind 8-4 midway through the first quarter, but scored nine-straight points to take a 13-8 lead at the beginning of the second quarter. Novi made several runs the rest of the way, but never did catch up.

The Wildcats trailed 29-24 at the end of the third quarter, and things began to look bad as Northville scored the first six points of the fourth quarter. But Novi was not about to give up. Senior Beth Rice scored seven-straight points to pull Novi to within four at 35-31. Erin Quinn then hit one of two free throws and Jessica Gilbert hit a mid-range jumper with 20 seconds left to make it 35-34.

Northville came down the court, but never got a shot off as the ball rolled out of bounds with six seconds left. Novi pushed the ball up the court, but Gilbert's three-point attempt with a second left fell short of the rim.

"We had a multitude of putbacks that didn't go in, and if one, just one of them falls we're looking at a completely different game," Novi coach Dennis

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Members of the 1999 HomeTown all-area cross-country team have a little fun at Cass Benton last week. The team consists of Milford's Stephanie Morrison and Katie Kramer and Nov's Kristin Echols, Nina Schmitt and Bethany Kittle. Missing from the picture are South Lyon's Amanda Lee and Lakeland's Kristyn Kern.

Three ladies land on all-harrier team

It's as if HomeTown's 1999 all-area cross country team is acting as the stage for the passing of the torch in the Kensington Valley Conference. All-area mainstays such as Nov's Kristin Echols, South Lyon's Amanda Lee and Lakeland's Kristyn Kern are moving on, and Milford freshman Katie Kramer, Novi freshman Nina Schmitt and sophomore Bethany Kittle are moving in. Only Stephanie Morrison, a Milford junior, has seen it all and will continue to do so in the future.

Here's a look at the all-area East team, selected from such fine schools as Novi, Milford, Lakeland, Northville and South Lyon.

Katie Kramer
Milford freshman
Not yet old enough for drivers' ed. But certainly old enough to run. Kramer established herself as one of the best young athletes in the state, as she was named KVC Runner of the Year and earned all-state honors with an eighth-place finish in the Class A finals, where she set a school record — 18:45.40. With three more years to go, how long will that mark last?

Kramer took second place at her regional, won the KVC meet, and was first in Milford's dual with league champion Brighton.

Nina Schmitt
Novi freshman
Unlike many incoming freshmen that come into high school hoping to take advantage of the many choices available to them, Schmitt came to Novi High School on a mission.

Coincidentally, Milford's Kramer was on the same page. The two runners were the best in the KVC, and looking at state meet results, the best freshman in the state. Schmitt ran a career-best time of 19:07 at MIS to claim all-state honors, finishing 21st.

But it didn't start like that. At the beginning of the season, Schmitt was running fourth or fifth on the team. Slowly but surely, the youngster made her way to the front of her team's pack, and then onto bigger things. Schmitt finished fourth at the Ann Arbor regional, quite possibly the toughest regional in the state. She was second to Kramer at the KVC meet, and had top 10 finishes at the Oakland County Meet (8th) and the Walled Lake Western Invite (3rd).

Kristin Echols
Novi senior
A living testament of what an injury can do to a great athlete, Echols rebounded from a track injury to have a very successful senior campaign. She ran in her third consecutive state finals, finishing 132nd, and ran to a 21st-place finish at the Ann Arbor regional.



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Novi team finishes perfect 8-0...

The Novi Parks and Recreation U-12 Boy's Soccer Team #1 finished the fall season with a perfect 8-0 record, completing an undefeated season. The Novi team competed against teams from Northville, Livonia, Plymouth, Farmington and Highland in the Western Suburban Soccer League Red Division. The team combined a high-powered offense with a stingy defense outscoring opponents 30-4. The offense was led by Edger Dela Cruz, Matt

Thomas, Kevin Schmidt, Brad Cios and Nick Lichoroblec. Supporting the offense was midfielders Tom Claverilla, Steve Fannon, Varant Shirvanian, Chad Tindall, Daniel Coleman and Mike Mehl. Defensively, the team was anchored by goalie Bobby Duquette and defenders Chris Shah, Terry Wilhelm, Andy Maccek, Chris Mully, Jimmy Tester and A.J. Osborn. The team was coached by head man Rick Mehl and assistants Don Cios and Bob Duquette.

Albright on 2nd team

Our second team is marked by runners who are not superstars by any means, but reliable athletes who were crucial to their teams' success, picking up points in the trenches. This group is predominated by Milford runners, all of whom will be back next year as the Redskins attempt to improve on this season's 12th-place finish at the state finals.

Colleen Johnson
Milford sophomore
Last spring as a ninth-grader, Johnson ran track for Milford coach Brian Salyers, who is also the cross country coach. Salyers recruited her to run this fall, and it paid real dividends, as it looks like Johnson will be a stalwart of the program for the next two years.

Her 23rd-place finish at the regional helped Milford qualify for the state meet. Johnson was the 119th at the Michigan Speedway. Other key finishes were 15th at the KVC, 42nd at Oakland County and eighth in a dual meet against league champ Brighton.

Katie Martilla
Milford junior
Martilla, along with fellow juniors Stephanie Morrison (see first team) and Martha Smith, were the backbone of the Redskins' team. While they never blew anyone away, they were always dependable. Martilla placed 25th at the Springfield Oaks regional, 22nd at the KVC meet and 46th in Oakland County.

Martha Smith
Milford junior
The third member of Milford's 11th-grade triumvirate, Smith was one of five Redskins runners to place in the top 30 at the regional, affording Milford a second-place finish and an appearance in the state finals. Additionally, Smith placed 23rd at the conference meet, 50th at Oakland County — the largest regular season meet in the state.

Nikole Aman
South Lyon junior
Aman was a reliable number two runner for the Lions, behind senior captain Amanda Lee. She helped South Lyon secure a sixth-place finish at the Springfield Oaks regional, where she placed 24th individually. Also on Aman's resume is a 13th-place finish at the conference meet.

Alyson Flohr
Northville junior
It's tough to deny Flohr a spot on the all-area squad just because she suffered some injuries that ended her season prematurely. When she was healthy, she was among the best runners in our area. Flohr finished third at the Walled Lake Western junior/senior invite and was an all-division runner (12th overall) at the Western Lakes Activities Association meet. She had qualified for the state in both her freshman and sophomore seasons.

Brittany Albright
Novi junior
On a team filled with injuries throughout the 1999 season, Albright was one of the healthier ones who was able to complete most of her races. She took 20th at the KVC meet and finished 51st at Oakland County and 53rd at the Ann Arbor Regional. A consistent top five runner for Novi, Albright finished fifth at the Walled Lake Western junior/senior Invitational.

Lorianne Blair
Northville senior
With Northville star Alyson Flohr suffering injuries throughout the 1999 season, Mustang coach Karin Nelson learned to rely on Blair to lead the team. The senior finished an impressive 30th at the Ann Arbor regional meet, which consisted of powerhouse teams such as Novi, Ann Arbor Pioneer, Livonia Stevenson and Saline. She also finished 28th at the Western Lakes meet.

Bassitt leads 2nd team

Our all-area first team reads more like an all-state team, so you better recognize the talent of the next seven. Second team, perhaps, but no slouches. South Lyon's Jason Primmore, for instance, is a two-time state qualifier and the Lions' best runner the past two seasons. Brett Barley and Mike Callahan were key members of Milford's state-qualifying team. And if it were not for Nick Bassitt, Novi would not have won the state championship.

Nick Bassitt
Novi senior
A critical part to Novi's state championship team, Bassitt was the Wildcat's fifth man this year. He finished

55th at the state meet after a 27th-place finish at the Ann Arbor Regional. Bassitt was 21st at the KVC meet, and took 14th overall at the Redford Union Invite at Cass Benton. He is the lone senior in Novi's top five and one of just two seniors on Novi's varsity who will be gone next year.

Brian Bilyk
Northville junior
Unlike each of the other members of HomeTown's all-area team, Bilyk often battled the competition by himself. Unquestionably the Mustang's

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Novi defenders Kristen McGlennen (45) and Erin Quinn (35) defend Northville forward Meredith Hasse last Friday.

Northville ends Novi's season, 35-34 in semis

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Cichonski said. "We won as a group of five, and in our two losses we lost as a group of five." One of the telling tales in the game was the horrendous three-point shooting and the uncharacteristically mediocre foul shooting by Novi. The Wildcats hit just 16 of 30 free throws and missed all 14 three-point attempts.

"We certainly got plenty of looks, plenty of shots," Cichonski said. "They played a 1-3-1 zone and packed it in. They said you haven't beaten us yet and forced us to beat them from the outside. We just couldn't get anything to fall."

The zone was something Northville likes to play with its tall lineup, and it was something Cichonski and his team prepared for. "I don't think a lot of teams see that kind of defense all year long, so it usually takes a team time to adjust to it," Northville coach Pete Wright said.

The loss leaves Novi with a season-ending 20-2 record, the most wins a Novi girls team has ever had. Their only two losses were to the two teams that played for the district title last Friday night. Salem defeated Northville 44-36 to advance to regional play

"We still came away with our heads held high. This was the best team, and I emphasize team, that we've ever had here."

Denise Cichonski
Novi girls' basketball coach

this week.

Rice led the Wildcats with 11 points and Quinn added six.

"We still came away with our heads held high," Cichonski said. "This was the best team, and I emphasize the word team, that we've ever had here. They just knew how to work well together."

The rest of the Kensington Valley Conference took note of that, as Novi was well represented on the all-KVC team named earlier this week. Kelly Bendernagel and Rice were honored among the top seven on the first team and Kristen McGlennen and Quinn were second-team choices. Colleen Lewis and Gilbert were honorable-mention selections.

Hot Picks

The second season of football picks has begun, and everyone will be trying to top the defending champion, Jason Schmitt. The 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!



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Syracuse at Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Syracuse	Syracuse	Syracuse
Texas at Texas A & M	Texas	Texas	Texas A & M	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas A & M
Chicago at Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Chicago
Miami at Dallas	Miami	Miami	Miami	Dallas	Miami	Miami	Dallas	Miami
New England at Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	New England	Buffalo
Kansas City at Oakland	Oakland	Kansas City	Kansas City	Oakland	Oakland	Oakland	Kansas City	Kansas City
Tampa Bay at Seattle	Seattle	Seattle	Seattle	Tampa Bay	Seattle	Seattle	Tampa Bay	Tampa Bay
Arizona at NY Giants	NY Giants	NY Giants	NY Giants	Arizona	NY Giants	Arizona	NY Giants	NY Giants
Last Week	7-3	6-4	5-5	6-4	7-3	5-5	5-5	5-5
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You can have a healthy Thanksgiving

Imagine Thanksgiving dinner. Can you see the candles, bright flowers, family and friends? Smell the roast turkey and dressing cooking in the oven, savory mashed potatoes and gravy, enticing sweet potatoes, tangy cranberries, crisp vegetables and spicy pumpkin pie. Now imagine the fat and calories.

But don't give up on sensible Thanksgiving eating. With a few modifications to the recipes, you can have your favorites and have a healthy holiday meal.

Americans gain an average of six pounds over the holiday season. And Michigan statistics show that 38 percent of blacks and 27 percent of whites are overweight to begin with. Excess weight is associated with heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, stroke and some cancers. Changing the way you eat is the first step to a healthier lifestyle. With slight modifications in food preparation, you can have the food you love with a much lower fat and calorie content.

"With a typical 2,000 calorie-a-day diet, the average person should be consuming about 50 to 60 grams of fat a day," said Kathy Goldberg, culinary specialist at the University of Michigan Health System's M-Fit Community Nutrition Program. "A typical Thanksgiving meal would have over 100 grams of fat, but that's easily modified with some easy, quick culinary hints."

To begin with, turkey is a low-fat food and recommended for people on healthy eating plans. The dark meat is acceptable, although the white meat contains the lowest amount of fat. The skin of any poultry is loaded with fat and calories. Goldberg recommends that when cooking a turkey breast, remove the skin prior to cooking. Rub the meat with a small amount of acceptable mono-unsaturated oil, such as olive or canola. Add herbs and seasonings and wrap meat in parchment paper or place in an oven baking bag to retain moisture and texture.

When making your stuffing, you can increase the nutritional value and enhance the flavor with a few modifications. Use whole-grain breads for texture and flavor, substitute broth for the butter to decrease the fat, and increase the amount of vegetables such as carrots, onions, celery and mushrooms in your recipe to add both fiber and flavor without adding significant calories.

Don't skip the gravy. Wonderful non-fat gravy can be made using broth, cornstarch and a little Kitchen Bouquet seasoning for coloring. Mushrooms, soy sauce and strong apple jelly give it a savory flavor. Combine the gravy with mashed potatoes that have been mashed with non-fat yogurt instead of butter and you have the perfect side dish.

Watch the appetizers and other side dishes, as they also can be loaded with fat and calories. When making a hot artichoke dip use low-fat or fat-free substitutions for traditional high fat ingredients such as cream cheese. Use this modification on dishes containing cheese or sour cream.

What about the finale to your special feast? "Dessert is an important part of the meal and should always be enjoyed in moderation," said Goldberg. "Pumpkin and apple pies are good choices with modifications to the crust. Make crusts out of graham crackers, ginger snaps, or a whole-grain cereal. Substitute evaporated skim milk for condensed whole milk and use two egg whites in place of one whole egg in your recipes."

Here are some other hints to avoid overindulgence this holiday season:

- Avoid going to your holiday celebration famished. Have a light breakfast and lunch prior to your holiday meal.
- Enjoy a small serving of your favorite food rather than avoiding it altogether and feeling restricted or deprived.
- Eat lightly the next day, focusing on extra fruit and vegetables.

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Novi's fifth man tops our 2nd team

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top runner, Bilyk ran to a 55th-place finish at the Class-A state meet in a time of 16 minutes, 39 seconds.

He qualified for the finals with a ninth-place finish at the regional meet at Ann Arbor. Bilyk was a first-team all-Western Lakes Activities Association runner (6th place) and also finished sixth in the junior/senior portion of the Walled Lake Western Invite.

Jason Pridmore
South Lyon senior
He came correct at the never easy Springfield Oaks regional, placing

ninth and qualifying for the second time, for the Class A state meet, where Pridmore finished 110th. He placed 17th at the KVC meet. Pridmore turned in his best time of the season (16:32), and placed second overall at the Centerline Invitational.

Brett Barley
Milford senior
Barley was nothing if not clutch. As a junior he was crucial to Milford's regional title. This season he was 15th at the Springfield Oaks regional, surprising everyone but perhaps his coach, teammates and himself. Every-

one knows the name Tom Greenless, but it was seniors like Barley and fellow second team member Mike Callahan that helped the Redskins become one of the best teams in the state (they were seventh at the Class A finals). Barley was named second-team all-conference.

Mike Callahan
Milford senior
Callahan was a second-team all-KVC runner as a senior, as he finished 11th at the conference meet. He was 28th at the Oakland County meet and helped the Redskins secure

an appearance in the state finals with his performance at the Springfield Oaks regional.

Nick Kopczyk
Milford sophomore
While Milford was blessed with seniors like Tom Greenless, Brett Barley and Mike Callahan, youth was served in the person of Kopczyk, a tenth-grader.

He was one of four Milford runners to place in the top 100 at the state meet. Kopczyk placed 21st at the regional, 15th at the conference meet and 21st at Oakland County.

Moore, Toloff head up Novi quartet

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them back next year, don't look for an enduring Lakeland hiatus from Brooklynn.

Klein was named all-state for the second time in his two-year career. He placed in the top five in most of Michigan's elite meets: fifth at state, third at the brutal Springfield Oaks regional, fourth at the conference, second at the Oxford Invitational and fourth at the West Bloomfield Invitational. Klein was sixth at the Oakland County meet and third in Lakeland's dual meet with Intradistrict rival Milford.

Chris Toloff
Novi junior
If it wasn't Moore winning duals and invitationals this year, it was Toloff. The junior harrier finished seventh at the state meet, his second-straight medal performance. He was third at the KVC meet, fifth at Oakland County, first at Redford Union and first at Gabriel Richard.

He and Moore produced the most feared 1-2 punch in the state, making it difficult to overcome Novi's top two. His Novi team has not lost a dual meet in over two years, something the KVC has not seen since Lakeland's streak of 42-consecutive wins was snapped by the Wildcats last year.

Along with Moore and Klein, Toloff will be in the hunt for an individual state championship next season.

Eric Walle
Novi junior
Two years ago, Novi had three freshmen known as the fabulous freshmen. Last year they were the super sophs. So this year, Toloff, Walle and Mark Avenius formed the jubilant juniors. Okay, so there's no good word to go with junior. Regardless, Walle became a very important member of the Wildcats this year. When Avenius was suffering from leg injuries for much of the last month of the season, it was Walle who stepped up his performances.

He finished 22nd at the state meet after finishing eighth at the regional meet. He also had

top finishes at the KVC meet (seventh), the Oakland County meet (seventh) and the Gabriel Richard Invite (fifth). He won the Lakeland dual race, which ended up ensuring Novi of the conference championship.

Mark Avenius
Novi junior
You could just tell how badly his team missed him in the later portion of the season. Novi finished second at the KVC meet, second at Oakland County and second at the regional. Avenius missed each of those meets, and Novi really missed having their all-state runner (17th place) in the lineup.

Actually, Avenius ran in the KVC meet, but stopped during the race to stretch his legs. He finished 40th and Novi fell short of Lakeland. Had he been healthy, he would have needed to finish in just 17th place for Novi to win the meet.

He was healthy for the Redford Union Invite, and it showed in his fourth-place finish.

Brian Theut
Lakeland sophomore
Theut (pronounced "Toy") was an all-conference

runner (he was fifth at the KVC meet, helping the Eagles claim the league crown) and state qualifier who finished 33rd at the Michigan Speedway.

Theut took seventh-place at Springfield Oaks, the toughest regional in the state. He was 10th at the Oakland County meet and second behind Tom Greenless in the Lakeland-Milford dual.

ALL AREA CROSS COUNTRY				
First Team				
Name	School	Grade	Best Time(course)	
Tom Greenless	Milford	Senior	15:40 (MIS)	
Tim Moore	Novi	Sophomore	15:25 (MIS)	
Pat Klein	Lakeland	Junior	15:40 (MIS)	
Chris Toloff	Novi	Sophomore	15:42 (MIS)	
Eric Walle	Novi	Junior	16:15 (MIS)	
Mark Avenius	Novi	Junior	16:09 (MIS)	
Brian Theut	Lakeland	Sophomore	16:24 (MIS)	
Second Team				
Name	School	Grade	Best Time (course)	
Brian Bilyk	Northville	Junior	16:41 (MIS)	
Nick Bassitt	Novi	Senior	16:39 (MIS)	
Brett Barley	Milford	Senior	16:47 (MIS)	
C.J. Hadding	Lakeland	Junior	17:08 (Kensington)	
Jason Pridmore	South Lyon	Senior	16:32 (Centerline)	
Nick Kopczyk	Milford	Sophomore	16:46 (MIS)	
Mike Callahan	Milford	Senior	16:48 (MIS)	
Honorable Mention				
Lakeland - Eric Jedynak, B.J. McCool, Ryan Bartman				
Milford - Casey Barnes, Tyler VanAcker				
Novi - Evan Foster, Mitch Erickson				
South Lyon - Ryan Roma, Gary Pennala, Andrew Lapham				
Northville - Phil Santer, Ben Flood				

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Icers skate to 2-2 tie with Northville in opener

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Northville continued to apply the pressure, and had several golden opportunities to score, including a pair of 5 on 3 power plays late in the second period. But Novi's defense weathered the storm and left the stanza tied.

"We were caught for what I call 'lazy-mans penalties,'" Novi coach Dan Phelps said. "But the biggest reason the kids are having success is because of their grit and desire

to win the little battles. We did a great job of killing off those penalties."

On the other hand, O'Neill said he felt that the lack of game experience on the power play contributed to their lack of success on the power play.

"It really showed," he said. "I feel we could have put the game away during that stretch, but we didn't show enough patience."

The tie leaves Novi 0-0-2 and Northville 0-0-1. The two teams

play in the same Christmas tournament, but will only face each other if both teams beat their first-round opponents. They are also in the same regional.

"I was just pleased with our effort," Phelps said. "Even though we don't have a win, they're giving 100 percent and I can't ask for more than that."

"You have to give Brad O'Neill credit. We had the wind at our sails and his kids played tough and stepped it up to kill some

penalties late in the game."

Both goalies performed well. Block stopped 18 of 20 shots on goal, while Brandau stopped 24 of 26 Northville shots.

The Mustangs travel to the Lakeland Ice Arena tomorrow night to take on O'Neill's former team, Milford in a non-league game. Novi played South Lyon last night (after The Novi News' deadline) and are off the rest of this month.