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Math teacher counts on support in cancer battle ■ Novi Middle School teacher

active in fighting cancer.

These Novi High students are bound for the American Legion's Boys and Girls State program, to be held at Michigan State Univer-

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Moving next door

Textron's not interested in Novi any more, but sought a delay in action on a tax abatement request in Farmington Hills. ~ Page 6A

LIVING

Modern art



Napier Road resident David Barr has achieved world fame as an artist, but you won't find his work on public display in Novi. Page LAA

SPORTS

The fleetest of foot

We take a look at the best of the areas preps. Novi has its share of representatives, including men's team member Yasuaki Goto, at right. Find out who else picks for the fastest on the loop and the strongest in the field events. - Page 1B



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Michelle Galecka survived Hodgkin's Disease, now she's

Stephanle Fordyce Staff Writer

Michelle Galecka, a seventh grade math teacher at Novi Middle School who was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease at age 18, will join other cancer survivors, friends, family and community residents this weekend for the first annual Relay For Life.

The American Cancer Society event, which will be held on Saturday at Novi High School, recognizes cancer survivorship, celebrates life and remembers those who have died of cancer.

diagnosis.
"You never think anything like that is going to

happen to you.'

While attending Central Michigan University, Galecka learned that what doctors thought at first thought was mononucleosis, turned out to be something far more serious.

"I had swollen lymph nodes and since I was a college student, they thought I had mono," she

"But the pain didn't go away and I had a real stiff neck, so after they did a biopsy we leaned it was Hodgkin's." Hodgkin's Disease attacks the lymph nodes,

spleen and sometimes liver and kidneys. Relay For Life has empowered the community to fight back against this and other forms of cancer by joining in teams to walk for 24 hours

"It was a big shock," Galecka said about her and raise "life-saving funds." Teams of friends and family can walk, jog, or run around the indoor track. While team members take turns engaging in the relay, camping members can enjoy entertainment, food, and games, along with community camaraderie.

"Although we have made tremendous advances, cancer still strikes one out of every three people, touching almost every person, in every community, in some way," said Barb lovan, community development director for the American Cancer Society

"But for those who are suffering right now and those who may be diagnosed in the future, there is more hope than ever before. Now, whole communities are empowered in the fight against cancer with events like Relay For Life and each individual can make a difference in the lives of

■ Fountain Walk's

the cash.

RANDAL YAKEY Staff Writer

Twelve Oaks.

developers will pay for

council members want

At issue was big money, really

Monday, the Novi City Council

approved at special assessment

district for \$18 million in improve-

ments to Twelve Mile Road as part

of the Fountain Walk development.

When constructed west of Novi

Road, the \$128 million entertain-

ment center will be the second biggest mall in the city, after

The road work will be paid by the

developers. The road widening will

be done between the CSX railroad

tracks just west of Novi Road to all

the way east, past the cemetery on

road work, but not all



Michelle Galecka's okay now.; Photo by STEPHANIE FORDYCE

the northeast corner of Novi Road

The SAD was approved by coun-

cil with a 5-2 vote. Council Member Michelle Bononi and Mayor Pro

Tem Laura Lorenzo were the dis-

senting votes.
"I'm concerned about the relationship between the developer and the city," Lorenzo said.
"I just don't think it is right. We

pledged the full faith and backing

of the city and if the economy goes

The city will sell bonds to finance

Council Member Craig DeRoche

said he could not understand why

a council member would not want

to save taxpayer money by letting

someone else invest \$18 million in

member, knowing the road prob-

lems facing the city, would thumb

their nose at \$18 million to improve

"It's amazing that a council

the roadwork and they will be paid

back by the developers,

road work.

Outdoor sports go

down, we'll be left holding the bag."

and Twelve Mile.

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Developer gives \$18M

for 12 Mile

School's out for 15 familiar faces



Bye-bye

Above, Novi Woods Elementary teacher Nancy Brockman, surrounded by a crowd of well-wishers, is retiring after this school year. Taking 376 years of collective service with them, 15 Novi educators head for a new

life, including Novi Woods Elementary School Principal Jackie Lawrence, NHS Choir Director Paula Joyner-Clinard and Coach John Osborne. Read all about it on page 12A.

DPW whistleblower challenges denial of workmen's comp claim

An investigation determined he was not being harassed, but this city hall employee says he'll appeal.

RANDAL YAKEY

A whistleblower in the Novi Department of Public Works Department has had his workmen's compensation claim rejected and he's now being asked to pay

back over three and a half months of pay. According to Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver. Department of Public Works employee Michael Rosinski's claim that harassment in the workplace resulted in stress-related illness has been rejected.

"He's been cleared to work," said Klaver. "We would allow him return to work and we would take what he

owes out of his pay."

In March, Rosinski reported that he had suffered from months of harassment by his coworkers after they guessed that he was the one who tipped off the Novi News about the dumping of sewage at the Department of Public Works yard last year.

Rosinski says that he shouldn't have to pay back the money to the city, because Novi's insurance company took so long to process the claim.

"They want me to pay back four months' pay," said Rosinski. "Their insurance carrier denied the claim and it took them all this time to investigate.

"I left because of threats and harassment and the supervisor said he wouldn't report it. I had people threaten to kill me, if that isn't stress I don't know

According to Rosinski, the city refused to take the

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indoors at new mall ■ So, you want to skateboard all year

long? Dude, check out Fountain Walk.

RANDAL YAKEY

Don't play indoors. Ever heard

that before? Well, that old notion will be put to rest next year when a new entertainment super-center comes to

In October of 2001. Novi is expected to enter a new realm of entertainment with the \$128 million, 730,000 plus square feet of Fountain Walk shopping center, currently under construction by PLC Novi West Development and

developed by Ramco-Gershenson. According to PLC President and CEO Michael T. Lutton, the new facility will have an indoor bowling

alley, indoor skate boarding and mountain bike facilities, as well as a number of restaurants and family entertainment venues that will cater to the family during the day and become a young adult clubs at

The site is off of Twelve Mile, south of Dixon Road, just west of the West Oaks shopping centers.

"We'll have six to eight full-service restaurants" said PLC President and CEO Michael T. Lutton.

"We're close to signing a lease with Bans. Bans is a company out of southern California that gears itself toward outdoor sportswear; they specialize in extreme sports. It's a big company with \$220 million in revenue per year.

"They have have been recognized by several cities around the counc try as one of the best providers of youth entertainment."

According to Lutton, Bans will have a 40.000 square foot facility Continued on 22



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Taking the tears out of kindergarten showered them with love and Launching your biggest excursion of all was riding

career in education can be scary, so these future scholars were shown the ropes early.

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE Staff Writer

It was quite a big day for these little boys and girls, as Parkview Elementary recently invited future students in to see what life as a kindergariner will be like.

Next year's kindergartners had a day full of fun and adventure as they met teachers, listened to stories, sang songs, played with toys, and enjoyed snacks. But the the bus for the very first time. "It's really big and really boun-

cy," said four-year-old Alan Donald, laughing each time the bus hit a bump. "It's a lot more fun than driving in a car." Showing they had great safety

sense, the children wondered why there were no seat belts on buses. Kindergarten teacher Patti Zielinski explained to them that the seat in front of them acted as a bar-

rier that protected them. But you have to make sure you sit on your bottoms at all times," she said. "Never stand up while the

bus is moving." Back at Parkview, the students felt very welcome in their soon-tobe surroundings as the teachers

attention. The children especially enjoyed

hearing a story about a very hungry caterpillar who becomes a butterfly. Their eyes were wide with interest as the teachers used puppets to make the epic come alive.

For example, in Zielinski's room. the students became involved by placing cotton foods around the caterpillar neck which really made them feel like an important part of

"I really liked the story and it was fun putting the fruits around the caterpillar neck," said Collin Pew. During play time, friends Rebecca Rash and Kasey McDonald were dazzled with the Sesame Street

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Riding a bus to school is an adventure, as these kids discover-

Community Calendar

Thursday, June 22

Novi Rotary

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

Music series

"The Sounds of Summer" free music series tunes in tonight at 7 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center lawn. Tonight's band is the Irish-American group

Tuesday, June 27

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The Northville School Board meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, Old Village School, Northville.

Zonta Club

*The ZONTA Club of Farmington/Novi meets at 6 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel (between Seven and Eight Mile roads., off 1-275). ZONTA International is a worldwide classified service organization of executives in business and the professions, working to improve the legal, political, economic and professional status of women. For information and reservations, call (313) 538-8043.

Civil Air Patrol

The Sixgate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Holy Cross Episcopal Church, on Ten Mile Road, between Taft and Beck roads, from 779:30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information call 349-2669.

Crawfish Fest

Youth Assistance

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

The Novi Camera Club meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, For more information, call Hugh Crawford at 349-5079.

The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more informatton, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m.

Optimist Club

Wednesday, June 28

on Novi Road, across from the Novi Town Center,

Lions Club

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

Seniors business

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

Thursday, June 29

Novi Rotary

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

Music series

"The Sounds of Summer" free music series tunes in tonight at 7 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center lawn. Tonight's band is "Straight Ahead," jazz and

Monday, July 3

The Novi Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Big Boy Restaurant Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters The Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters Club meets from 7-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile. For more informa-

tion call Tom Lahiff at 348-6019 (evenings). Visitors are welcome. Tuesday, July 4

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Students are selected for their

achievements within the school

sored by the Novi Lion and Lioness

"This is by far one of the most

"It is beneficial to both them and

Stephanie Fordyce is a staff writ-

rewarding educational opportuni-

American Legion Post 19.

dents," Strauss said.

Novi High School students participating in this summer's Boys' and Girls' State are, front row from left, Bidish Samma, Lauren Angeski, Julie Wuerth, Steve Barone. Back row: Charley Staab, Cortney Byron, Jennifer Davies and Chris Shrader.

Students take on government

Blackburn-Strauss.

and even conduct a political party

because it dramatically increases

ernment," Strauss said. "It's great

because they are actually partici-

Staab said he felt the opportuni-

Because the Girls and Boys State

are \$32 per year, prepaid. Out of state, \$35 per year

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"I think it's a wonderful program

convention, explained Strauss.

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE

Watch out Novi, you may be looking at Michigan's future senators. governors, and lawmakers.

Novi High School students Lauren Angeski. Steve Barone, office and share in the formulation Cortiney Byron, Jennifer Davis, Bidish Sarma, Chris Scrader. Charley Staab, and Julie Wurth have been selected to attend the 60th American Legion Auxiliary appoint roles of legislators and she couldn't pass up. Girls and Boys State, to be held on the campus of Michigan State University next week.

Girls State and Boys State are programs designed to give students completing their junior year of high their knowledge of practical govschool, basic experience in self-The week long session educates

pating in a simulation of the politistudents in the duties, privileges, cal and governmental process." rights, and responsibilities of American citizenship and emphaty would further his career in the sizes the importance of government military academy after graduation. in modern life.

"The students participate in a number of worthwhile activities, he said. leaning all about the various levels

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of Michigan government," said attendanis are divided up into little county, and state levels since Girls State Chairman of Unit 19's cities, Wurth said she was looking 1941. Novi Legion Auxiliary Audrey forward to becoming the reporter for her mock community. Members of Girls and Boys State "We get to run and print our own existing party is promoted.

have the opportunity to hold public newspaper, so we're not only getting government experience but ence June 17 - 23 and the boys will of public policy in a mock setting. journalism skills as well," she said. attend June 18 - 24. They participate in a two party Angeski said she wanted to get political system, campaign for involved with the program because office, vote in a general election, it was an opportunity that she felt and the community and are sponjudges, operate a judicial system

"Although I've never really been Clubs, Novi Youth Assistance, into politics before, I feel it will def- Break-Thru MFG, and the Novi initely increase my awareness and knowledge of the governmental process," she said, "And as a class officer, I think it's my duty to par-ties for our Novi High School stuticipate.'

Angeski added that she thought the Girls State program would look the community in which they great on her resume and that the serve." opportunity would allow her to meet many people. Girls State and Boys State has er for Novi News. Her e-mail

"I think it will help in providing been giving students realistic expe-address me with good leadership qualities," rience in government at the city, sfordyce@ht.homecomm.net

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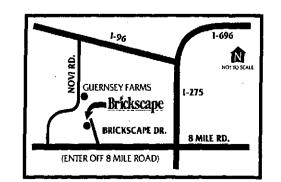
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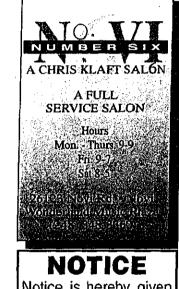
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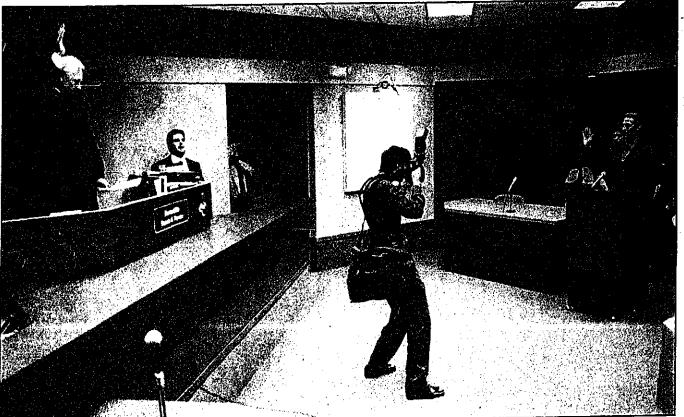
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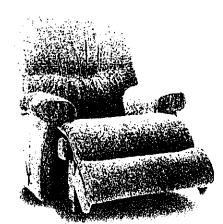
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Swearing-in a son and Brian MacKenzie.

At left, 52-1 District Court Judge Dennis Powers, left, swears his son Scott Powers into the Michigan Bar Association in front of friends, family and fellow judges at the Novi courthouse, Michael Batchlk

Above, the younger Powers has his hand up for the oath. His mother Pat witnesses the event in the background.

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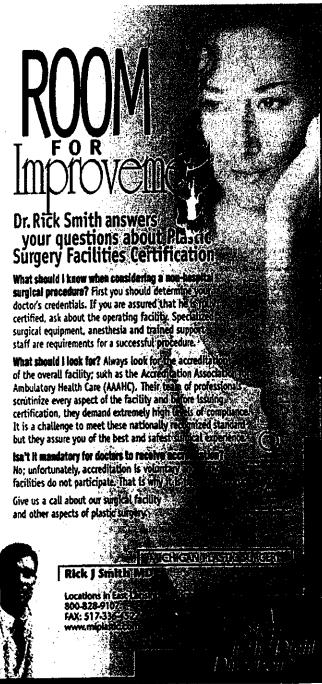
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Textron needs time to apply for Farmington Hills abatement

Farmington Hills city officials received notice late Monday that Troy-based Textron Automotive, formerly Novi-bound, would need a little more time with their request for a tax abatement.

Textron Automotive recently withdrew a similar request made of Novi. Issuing a statement that the city's timetable had caused them to fall behind in construction of their new facility. Textron officials said they needed the Novi tax abatement prior to June 19.

In a letter FAXed to Farmington Hills City Manager Steve Brock, Francene Newbury asked that two "Before we proposed it to council, we wanted to have everything nailed down, so we're ready to start right away if we're given approval,"

> Xirk Aubrey, Textron representative

public hearings be postponed until the council's July 10 meeting. The company didn't provide a reason for the request.

"I think they were surprised at how quickly we moved," Brock

said. "That's one for the public side. We're ready, they're not." The firm is now considering a site at Twelve Mile and Haggerty roads in Farmington Hills.

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Textron representative Kirk

Aubrey said Tuesday the company had some issues with lease terms in Farmington Hills that needed to be finalized.

"Before we proposed it to council, we wanted to have everything nailed down, so we're ready to start right away if we're given approval," he said

When asked whether Textron had a timeline for completing the facility. Aubrey said, "Yesterday," Detailed plans are already drawn, and a construction schedule depends only on site approvals.

A division of a multi-national company headquartered in Rhode

Island, Textron Automotive is seeking the tax break to build on property in the Twelve Mile/Drake/Haggerty area. The Farmington Hills tax abatement contribution is required to leverage an application to the Michigan Economic Growth Association, which provides even larger tax abate-

ments for high-tech research com-

Brock said the company anticipates making a \$40 million to \$50 million investment, consolidating four or five offices into one location. The Farmington Hills Economic Development Commission has rec-

ommended approving the abatement, which would amount to approximately \$2,540,019 from all taxing jurisdictions. The city's share would be \$599,918.

In the last MEGA-related tax abatement in Farmington Hills, Robert Bosch Corporation received \$2,518,668 in personal and real estate tax abatements, with the city's portion totaling \$594,873.

Novi has not yet granted an abatement under its new policy, but other applicants are said to be waiting in the wings.

Northville Schools taxes down

By MELANIE PLENDA

The Northville School District is giving tax payers an early Christmas present this year by lowering their taxes.

In 1999 there were 5.5 debt mills levied against the tax payers in Northville. This year the district is proposing a levy of 5 mills.

The reduction is due to the enormous growth of the community in the past year. Director of Business and Finance for the district John Street said.

"Due to the tremendous growth

of taxable value in the community this 0.5 mill reduction is coming three years earlier than projected," he said.

Street said for example tax pay-

ers who own a \$200,000 home will save \$50 a year on their taxes.

That is good news for some area.

That is good news for some area tax payers.

"I'm certainly for it," said Northville resident Elizabeth l'etersen, adding that "judging by the amount of homes going in the Six Mile and Sheldon Area I can well believe they are able to do it."

The debt fund millage was established in 1997 when the Northville community passed the bond issue for the district to build the new high school and make various other improvements to buildings in the district.

This fund receives money from a separate debt levy from tax payers for the purpose of paying principal and interest on outstanding bonds.

The district also collects taxes from non-homestead tax payers at the rate of 18 mills, which will not be affected by this reduction.

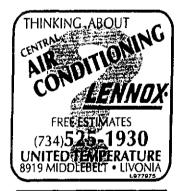
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Street said the district currently has debt extending through 2018, however, with the growth of homeowners and thus the growth of tax payers they are able to lower the debt mill and still pay the debt by 2018.

However, Street said there is no guarantee the mills will go down again as they have no control of taxable property value.

Street said the exact distribution of these mills will be the subject of a separate resolution to establish the rates.

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The Log Book

The following is a complete list of the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Department for the week ending June 18. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the Engine and Squad number which responded to the call.

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Medical, 24512 Bashian, 5:17 a.m., Squad 1. Medical, 21384 E. Glen Haven, 6:33 a.m., Squad 3. Medical. 1474 Nardeer, 6:58 a.m.,

Squad 4. Electrical fire, Nine Mile and Meadowbrook, 7:16 a.m., Engine 3. Mutual aid, Van Buren Fire Department. 8:12 a.m.,

Response 506. Medical, 45182 West Park, 8:35 a.m., Squad 2.

Car fire, Nine Mile and Novi Road, 8:56 a.m., Engine 3. Wires arcing, Crescent and Novi Road, 12:28 p.m., Engine 1.

Fire alarm, 41230 Marks, 1:25 p.m., Engine 3. Medical, Twelve Oaks and Sears, 2:55 p.m., Squad 1. Medical, 40000 Grand River, 7:45

p.m., Squad 1. Medical, 27475 Huron Circle, 8:11 p.m., Squad 1.

TUESDAY, JUNE 13

Transformer fire, Grand River and Taft, 4:22 a.m., Engine 1. Medical, 42650 Nine Mile Road, 7:01 a.m., Squad 3.

Injury accident, Fourteen Mile and M-5, 8:10 a.m., Squad 2. Investigation, 44949 Steeple Path, 10:43 a.m., Engine 3.

Fire alarm, 45182 West Park, 12:35 p.m., Engines 2, 1. Medical, Taft and Ten Mile Road, 1:08 p.m., Squad 3. Medical, I-96 and Novi Road, 5:06

p.m., Squad 1. Medical, 22674 Fireside, 7:33 p.m., Squad 3.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

Fire alarm, 27575 Wixom, 8:45 a.m., Engines 4, 1, Medical, Fourteen Mile and Novi Road, 9:41 a.m., Squad 2. Investigation, 25875 Mulberry.

11:37 a.m., Engine 4. Injury accident, Twelve Mile and M-5, 12:58 p.m., Squad 2. Medical, 20816 Glen Haven, 2:31 p.m., Squad 3.

Dumpster fire, Twelve Oaks Mall, 2:46 p.m., Engine 1. Injury accident, I-96 and M-5, 3:03

p.m., Squad 8. Fire alarm, 2105 Haggerty, 4:10



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p.m., Engines 1, 3. Car fire, 50621 Arizona, 4:12 p.m.,

Engine 4. Fire alarm, 21051 Haggerty, 5:10 p.m., Engines 1, 3. Fire alarm, 43525 West Oaks, 10:38 p.m., Engines 1, 2, 4.

THURSDAY, JUNE 15 Medical, 22790 Heslip, 9:28 a.m., Squad 3. Medical, 39750 Grand River, 10:51

a.m., Squad 1. Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road. 11:35 a.m., Squad 3. Medical, 27000 Napier, 12:04 p.m., Squad 4.

Squad 3.

Service, 24245 Karim, 12:45 p.m.. Squad 1.

Injury accident. Haggerty and Nine Mile, 1:13 p.m., Squad 3. Medical, 47601 Grand River, 1:25

p.m., Squad 4. Medical, Bristol Circle, Lot 66, 2:27 p.m., Squad 2. Fuel spill, 26401 Novi Road, 3:21 p.m., Engine 1.

Medical, 42655 Twelve Mile Road, 6:12 p.m., Squad 1. Investigation, 45440 Addington,

7:07 p.m., Squad 4. Medical, 21500 Chase, 8:57 p.m.,

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 1:05 a.m., Squad 3. Assist, 42975 Grand River, 9:12

a.m., Squad 1. Fire alarm, 40000 Eight Mile Road, 9:22 a.m., Engines 3, 1.

Fire alarm, 42450 Twelve Mile Road, 10:18 a.m., Engines 1, 2. Investigation, Eight Mile and Turnberry, 1:03 p.m., Squad 3. Investigation, 41690 Dukesbury,

2:21 p.m., Squad 3. Medical, 27550 Novi Road, 2:30 p.m., Squad 1.

Trailer fire, 42750 Grand River, 2:58 p.m., Engine 1, Tanker 1.

6:48 p.m., Engine 1.

p.m., Squad 2,

Medical, Ten Mile and Beck Road, 5:17 p.m., Squad 4. Fuel spill, Ten Mile and Bashian, Medical, 29982 Windsor, 10:07 p.m., Squad 2.

Medical, 1325 East Lake, 4:36

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Fire alarm, Novi and West Oaks, 7:40 a.m., Engines 1, 2. Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road, 10:45 a.m., Squad 3.

Injury accident, I-96 and Beck Road, 1:43 p.m., Squad 4. Medical, 30962 Springlake, 2:39

p.m., Squad 2. Fire alarm, 43155 Main Street, 3:35 p.m., Engines 1, 3. Medical, 41184 Hollydale, 4:55.

p.m., Squad 3. Medical, 23623 Novi Road, 7:06 p.m., Squad 3. Medical, 25750 Novi Road, 11:502 p.m., Squad 1.

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10:00 a.m. - Legislative Forum

10:30 a.m. - Christian Singles

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DISORDERLY PERSON

A Farmington Hills man found wandering down the middle of Thirteen Mile Road was arrested for Disorderly Person and Resisting and Obstructing Arrest on June

According to police reports, the man began approaching the offiidentification, the man replied with The man refused to give identifi-

cation and allegedly struck an officer in the chest. Officers wrestled the man to ground, but he continued to struggle. At one point, police pepper-sprayed the man, which Police took the man into custody and he was released the next

DRUNK DRIVER SAYS HE'S A

A Commerce Township man, who identified himself as a former Detroit Police officer assigned to the homicide division, was arrested for drunk driving on June 13. After being involved in a minor

traffic accident, following the com- ment complex open after allegedly pletion of a left hand turn from leaving the scene of an accident on

Novi Road on to Old Novi Road, the June 18. man was discovered by police talking with the owner of the car he man was too drunk to open the According to police records, the man allegedly admitted to being at gate open with his credit card.

a local bar and that he may have

"I was at the Carriage House at drove off without stopping, police The man, who said he was a 27- the man to his residence. year member of the Detroit Police Department who retired in 1997, Japan, needed an interpreter to told local officers that he was now explain to him his rights under the

VANDALS ATTACK VEHICLES Police acknowledged that there was a rampage of destruction after a number of vehicles were damaged for leaving the scene of an accident

along Heslip Drive near Nine Mile Road last week. At least six vehicles had windows smashed out and interiors damaged in a spree that could have lasted two days. Most of the bustnesses reported the damage on

One vehicle had over \$700 in June 17. tools stolen and a semi-truck had a Officers observed an "strongfire extinguisher taken and thrown odor" of intoxicants in the car and in another west area parking lot, Police continue to investigate the

A Novi man was arrested after police found him sitting in his car,

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According to police reports, the gate to into the complex. Officers said the man was trying to get the The man had rear-ended a vehi

cle on southbound Novi Road and The woman was escorted to the reports said. The victim who was security office after officers construck called police and followed fronted her just outside the store The woman did not resist and she The suspect, who is a native was charged with retail fraud.

a salesman for a local metal die law. At one point the man told police "I will kill you," The victim, a Northville resident. said the man had been driving erratically before the accident. The

> A 40-year-old Orchard Lake man was arrested after he was pulled over for tailgating on westbound Ten Mile Road near Novi Road on

influence of alcohol.

The man told police that he was at an all-day golf outing and that he had been "drinking all day." Police note that the man was very cooperative and remorseful for

A Farmington Hills woman was arrested after she attempted to hide bed sheeting in her elothing at the J. C. Penney store in Twelve Oaks and leave without paying or

The Novi Feed and Storage was broken into over the evening of June 12, according to Novi police. A window in the northwest corner of the building was kicked out. suspect was placed under arrest police said. Police suspect that whoever broke in gained entry and for driving while under the through the window. No items were reported stolen, although police continue to investigate the inci-

> The incident was listed as possi ble juvenile mischief. Citizens with information about the above incidents are urged to call

the Novi Police Department at 348-

End of the road paving? The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) said that the road;M

Novi Briefs

paving projects along Napier Road between Eight and Nine Mile Roads will of be done by the end of next week. According the the RCOC, the project is moving along as planned and 01 the road will be open by July 1. The road is currently closed to all through; traffic. The RCOC is expecting delays throughout the area. Suggested [1] routes are Eight Mile and Ten Mile roads.

Women invited to Kensington Park talk All women in the area are invited to "Park Pleasures Breakfast" featur-gr ing Bob Hotaling, naturalist for Kensington Metro-Park Nature Center.):1 Hotaling will share ideas for year-round family fun available for all ages

The breakfast at The Maples Country Club, 31260 Wakefield Drive, Novion Fourteen Mile Road just west of M-5 and Welch Road will be Thursday, 1:2 July 13, from 9:30-11 a.m. is \$10.50 inclusive. The breakfast buffet is: open at 9:15 a.m. Also on the program is Lee Ann Atwell, a youthful-g award-winning soloist and Lucille Benac, who will relate her experience of

in underachiever becoming a blue ribbon winner. Reservations for breakfast and complimentary on-site childcare may be ge made with Linda, (248) 553-3464 or Brenda, (248) 661-4205. Golf is a available after the program for \$5. The meeting is sponsored by Farmington Hills Christian Women's Club and Stonecroft Ministries Internation-)

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 Art Van Twelve Oaks, June 30, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Lifetime Fitness, July 7, 2-8 p.m. Sears, Twelve Oaks, July 12, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

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Bon Voyage!

Middle schoolers travel to Australia with goodwill

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE Staff Writer

This summer seven Novi Middle School students will take an excittrig adventure across the world to the South Pacific as they participate in People to People's Student Ambassador Program this summer. a feel of life on both. Christopher Richard Renkiewicz, Eric Matthew Lyons, Jason Adam Smith, Stuart James Smith, Ryan Joseph Nussbaum, Jonathan M. Wiseley, and Kathryn Marie Jones

ng to Australia and New Zealand for three weeks in July. "This is my second year partici pating in the program and I love it," Nussbaum said. "It's great because it gives us the chance for new experiences and to be exposed to differ-

will join other Oakland and Liv-

ingston County students in travel-

ent cultures." The Student Ambassadors will spend their weeks learning about the government, economy and culture of the two countries through activities such as briefing at embassics and ministries, discusstons with industry and trade offictals, site visits to the headquarters of international organizations and

meetings with youth clubs. The students will receive an overview of the cultural heritage of each country, visit major historical sites and see performances of ethnte music and dance. They will travel to Auckland, Rotortia, Napier, Wellington, Sydney, Brisbane, Bundaberg, and Fraser Island. "I'm really excited," Jones said.

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ley said, "It's going to be really Wiseley is also looking forward to meeting up with a friend he met

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and hope they'll encounter some kangaroos and koala bears. "Theard the (koalas) are really

from them." Jason Smith said. background material on the coun- lies. really interested in seeing people

drive on the other side of the road - tries and organizations they visit. Young Americans have served as the students said it will be worth more information. Student Ambassadors since 1963. every penny. The program is operated under the

Novi Middle School students heading to Australia and New Zealand as ambassadors in the Peo-

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> Stephante Forduce is a staff writer for Novi News, Her e-mail

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CITY OF NOVI

may be sent to the Department of Public Services, Karen Amolsch, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, until 3:00 p.m., Monday, June 26, 2000. KAREN AMOUSCH (6-22-00 NR/NN 981293) W & S CUSTOMER SERVICE

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS are Invited to attend. Any written comments may be sent to the Department of Public Services, Karen Amolsch, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, until 3:00 p.m., Monday, June 26, 2000. KAREN AMOLSCH

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 00-029

CITY OF NOVI

Novi, will hold a meeting on Monday, June 26, 2000 at 4:00 p.m. at the City of Novi, Community Development Conference Room, Novi, Michigan to review the

Woodlands Review Board Permit Application for Lel Yang, 29785 Lilley Trall Dr.

may be sent to the Department of Public Services, Karen Amolsch, 45175 West Ten

Mile Road, Novi. Michigan 48375, until 3:00 p.m., Monday, June 26, 2000.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Paul E. Bauman is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow the outdoor sale of fireworks at the Antique & Pine store from June 29, 2000 through July 4, 2000. The Antique & Pine store is located at 43443 Grand River Avenue, in the Town Center Shopping Center.

An This request will be considered at 3:30 p.m. on June 28, 2000 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to June 28, 2000. CJ KILLEBRÊŴ,

(6-22-00 NR, NN 981250)

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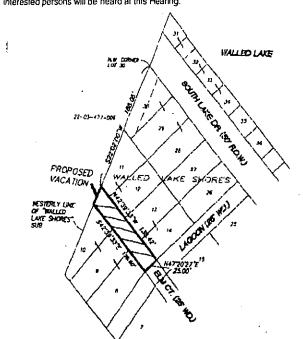
NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Las Vegas Golf & Tennis is requesting a emporary Use Permit to allow placement of a tent at 42705 Grand River from July through July 9, 2000.

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on June 28, 2000, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Department and must be received prior to June 28, 2000.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi Council will hold a public learing on Monday, July 10, 2000, at 7:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the same may be reached, on the proposed vacating of a portion of Elm Court from the adoon westerly to the Walled Lake Shores Subdivision limits, located within the

Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan. A



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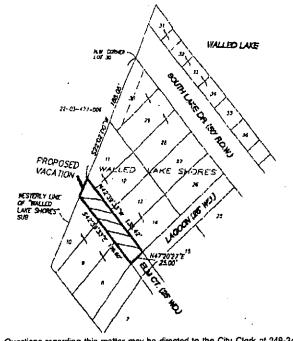
C. J. KILLEBREW, TEMPORARY USE PERMIT SECRETARY

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED VACATION OF A PORTION OF ELM COURT

Walled Lake Shores Subdivision in Section 3.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this hearing will be held in the Council

terested persons will be heard at this Hearing



(6-22-00 NR/NN 981211)

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Obituaries

SHIRLEY E. FRAYER Shirley Elaine Frayer, 76, of Novi

died June 19 at her residence. She was born April 20, 1924, in Detroit, Mich. Mrs. Frayer is survived by her

Richard (Valerie); three daughters. uated from Ann Arbor High School Elizabeth Frayer, Susan (Mark) in 1939. Weber and Cheryl (Jim) Moniville: one brother, Robert Hesse; and eight grandchildren. Services will be held at 11 a.m.

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Dr. (Case 00-13).

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CITY OF NOVI

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(6-22-00 NR/NN 981294) W & S CUSTOMER SERVICE

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 00-028

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that PMG is requesting a Temporary Use Permit allow placement of a tent at 43207 Crescent Blvd. on July 29, 2000. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use

This request will be considered at 3:15 p.m. on June 28, 2000, at the Novi Civic tenier 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Department and must be received prior to June 28, 2000. C. J. KILLEBREW,

(6-22-00 NR, NN 980596) (248) 347-0415

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ENACTMENT AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE

THE CITY OF NOVI ORDAINS:

Part I. That Ordinance No. 97-18, known as the Zoning Ordinance of the City of lovi is hereby amended to the amending of the Zoning Map as indicated on ZON-ING MAP NO. 592-B, attached hereto and made a part of this Ordinance.
Part II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of any Ordinance in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby

Part III. WHEN EFFECTIVE. The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety

and is hereby ordered to take effect lifteen (15) days after final enactment. The ffective date of this Ordinance is June 20, 2000. MADE AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Novi, Michigan this 5th day of June, 2000. Copies of the Ordinance Amendment may be purchased or

inspected at the Office of the City Clerk, Novi, Michigan, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., local time. RICHARD J. CLARK, MAYOR MARYANNE CORNELIUS, CITY CLERK

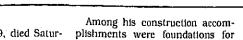
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FREDRIC RUSCHE Fredric Rusche, 79, died Saturday. June 17 at his home in Farm-

Mr. Rusche was a Detroit-based husband of 52 years, the Rev. tractor for 30 years. He was born William Frayer of Novi; one son, and raised in Ann Arbor and grad-docks. After an interim stint teaching navigation in the Army Air Corps

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as a first lieutenant during World War II, he graduated from the Uni-United Methodist Church. The Rev. lor's degree in civil engineering in ter will officiate. Interment will be After working for Smith, Hinch-

& Bass, subcontractors; and Per-Friends may call at Heeney- ron Construction, a general con-Sundquist Funeral Home Inc. tractor, Rusche and his partner 23720 Farmington Road, Farming- Tom Candler formed Candler-Rusche Inc. in 1952.

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almost 24 U.S. Patents, including

versity of Michigan with a bache- the solid core, high capacity mandrel-driver pile and caseless pile. He also set records for load capacity. Mr. Rusche was a lifetime in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens man & Grylls, Architects; Candler member of the Associated General Contractors of America and the American Society of Civil Engi-

He retired in 1983 to pursue the

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Mr. Rusche taught the men's

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Charla and a son. Rodric.

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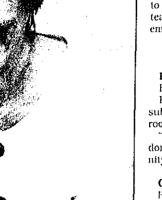
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15 Novi schools notables call it a career



Catherine Sailus is now retiring as a special education teacher at Novi Meadows, after 20 years teaching in the





Centa Ballo and (back from left) Keith Cleland, Dave Haywood and Coach John Osborne.

Retiring from Novi High are teachers (front from left) Mindy Roberts, Paula Joyner-Clinard,

At near right, Dorothy Sullivan is retiring as an Orchard Hills reading specialist.

At far right, Pauline Alex and Cynthia Howson are retiring Orchard Hills Elementary teachers.

Photos by JOHN HEIDER



Teachers recall class act, look forward to new future

This month, the Novi School District says good-bye "She is the perfect example of a kinder, gentler, to 376 years of collective service, as a contingent of teacher. We appreciate her and thank her for her teachers, principals and other well-known district many years of service," Brown said.

ORCHARD HILLS ELEMENTARY

Fourth grade teacher at Orchard Hills. Began her career in the Novi school district as a

substitute and has been teaching in the same classroom ever since for the last 27 years. "We are very proud of the many things she has done for the children and the Orchard Hills community, " said Paul LePlae, Orchard Hills principal.

Fourth grade teacher at Orchard Hills. Also taught

at Village Oaks and Novi Middle School North. Began teaching in the community as a substitute in 1975. Has been teaching in the school district 20. years and has been at Orchard Hills for the last-12 "It has been a pleasure to have worked with her in

two different schools. She will truly be missed." LeP-

Dorothy Sullivan

Orchard Hills Reading Specialist. Also taught first, second and combination grades.

She has worked at the elementary for 17 years. "It has been a pleasure working with her in terms of reading speciality and with our academically gifted students. She will be very hard to replace. We will miss her very much," LePlae noted.

NOVI WOODS ELEMENTARY

Jackie Lawrence Principal of Novi Woods. Prior to her position at Novi Woods, she headed the English Department at the high school. Also chaired the Honor Society and Novi Education Association during her term at Novi

She has been principal for the last 10 years and has served in the district for 32 years. "She has done a great job working with the chang-

ng population of Novi Woods and we have enjoyed her very much as part of the administrative team," said Dr. Rita Traynor. Superintendent of Instruction

Nancy Brockman

Second grade teacher at Novl Woods. Has been teaching in the school district 17 years. 'She has a great sense of humor and she's great in math. We will miss her very much," said Jackie Lawrence, Novi Woods principal.

VILLAGE OAKS ELEMENTARY

Kindergarten teacher at Village Oaks Elementary. Has been a teaching at Village Oaks for 29 years

"We can never replace Pat. She will always be remembered as a wonderful, gracious lady that is

First grade teacher at Village Oaks Elementary. Has worked in the Novi school district for 26 years.

Also taught third, fourth, and fifth grade as well as

novi meadows elementary

Joan Pelham Smith

Physical Education instructor at Novi Meadows, as well as the school's sixth grade science, math, and language arts teacher.

She has taught 21 years at Novi Meadows and 30 years in the district. "We wish her well in her retirement and will miss her a great deal," said Dr. Timothy Falls, Novi Mead-

Special Education teacher at Novi Meadows, Also taught at Novi Woods and Parkview. She has spent 20 years teaching in the district. "We wish her well in the future and we will certainly miss her." - Dr. Falls said.

Centa Bailo Came to Novi High School first as a cook, then as a food manager.

Has been at the high school 22 years. "She had to feed 1,600 teenagers within 90 minutes- now that's no easy feat. We will miss her very much," said Dr. Jennifer Cheal, Novi High School

Keith Cleland Art teacher at Novi High School. Also was a teacher

and counselor for grades 5, 6, and 7. Has been teaching in the district for 30 years. "He draws the talent out from the students. He encourages them to be all they can be with our art mediums. He has done so many things at the high school that will live on for many years," said Cheal.

Paula Joyner Clinard Choir instructor and assistant band director at Novi High School.

Has been in the district 22 years. "Paula has built the choir program at Novi High School. She has entertained our community with the wonderful musicals that she has put on for years,"

School. No one will ever be able to fill his shoes,"

Spanish teacher at Novi High School.

going to be very missed," Cheal said.

Has been teaching in the district 22 years.

"She would take students on vacations to Spanish

speaking countries just so our kids would have the

chance to be really immersed in the language. She is

David Havwood

Industrial Arts teacher at Novi High School. Has been teaching in the district for 29 years. "I have really appreciated his vision and guidance.

It served our children will and its going to serve them well for many years to come," Cheal said. John Osborne Head football coach and Physical Education teach-

er at Novi High School. Began Novi's first football Was coach at the high school for 33 years and has been in the district 38 years. "John has been a wonderful pillar of Novi High

and six-year-olds for a positive school experi-

have been benefactors of kind, loving ways." Little said although she is very mournful saving goodbye to such a wonderful school district, she

"I have very mixed feelings," she said. "I happy to be allowed the time off to just relax, spend time with my husband, read a book and do some volunteer work with a friend, but at the same time I'm very sad to be leaving."

lage Oaks, she added. She has dedicated 37 years of her life to the

teaching profession. Little spent time in the Lansing. Diamond Dale, Livonia and South Lyon school districts. but said she has enjoyed her days in Novi best

"Because I work with kindergartners, they are so inquisitive and so wonderfully exploring life as they first come to school," she said... "It's a wonderful time to be able to take a child and start shaping and molding them a little bit. " Its a special place to be."

Village Oaks Elementary secretary Pat Kortlandt said Little is a wonderful woman who will

she said. Especially over the last five years, Little has she will always be remembered as a wonderful.

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Educators Pat Little, left, and Dorothy Benit, are both saying goodbye to Village Oaks school.

Director goes solo, but hopes the chorus will keep in harmony

PARTING IS SUCH SWEET SORROW

Principal Lawrence's career spanned K-12

who've worked with her say Jackie

After 32 years of dedication in the Novi School District, including ten years as

Novi Woods Elementary principal,

It was a tough decision, Lawrence said.

but one that will allow her to explore other

"There are many things I still want to

"For instance, I'd really like to go back to

educating teachers and the help formulate

the methods and educational strategies in

Lawrence said she's a teacher at heart,

so having the chance to work closely with

staff members, as well as the children, is

Various other avenues Lawrence men-

tioned include editing opportunities and

working with the master's program at

Lawrence said she hasn't yet pinpointed

anything specific, but that she wants to do

something she knows and is comfortable

Lawrence began teaching at Novi High

School in 1968, where she headed the

English/Language Arts Department for 20

During her high school career, she

chaired the Honor Society and served as

president for the Novl Education Associa-

From 1988 through 1990, Lawrence

became the assistant principal at Novi

Prior to Meadows, she trained in an

administrative intern program that was

In 1990, Lawrence was appointed the

principal of Novi Woods Elementary and

has been "ruling the school" ever since.

Lawrence has meant the world to her students, fellow colleagues and the entire

Novi community.

opportunities.

do," she said.

Lawrence is retiring.

vorking with children."

what she loves best.

Marygrove College.

Meadows Elementary.

offered by the district.

When it comes to education, those "She has kept all of us in line in many ways."

Board of Education meeting.

all of us in line in many ways."

beyond their ability to understand "

parent families.

"We have enjoyed her very much as part

Many changes Lawrence has seen over

her years in the district include the intro-

duction of high technology, new methods

of teaching and changes in the way chil-

it used to be the "teacher-lecture-tech-

"When I was training as a teacher, it was

still in the mode of open up their head

and give the students all the knowledge

they will need and have them regurgitate

dren today are very bright, very literate, so

nique," but now it's much more construe-

dent-led learning. Lawrence said.

of the administrative team. She has kept

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE

life will take and the new chal-

"First and foremost, I want to be

this puzzle." Joyner-Clinard said she is excit- Side Story."

ed about a new passion she's "I'm also developing an Internet

thing that I've absolutely fallen in ed to improving her students' Joyner-Clinard said she also on some musical projects.

professional musical activities that their self-esteem so that they will I'd like to do," she said. "Before my youngest was born, I at some capacity," she said.

"Teaching just kills my voice

because I'm using it so much." dom, time, energy and voice as Over the years, this choir teach-Novi High School's choir teacher, er has made many enduring relationships with her students. "Teaching in my classroom is very different than teaching in

other classrooms," she said. "Where, let's say, a math teacher on the other hand. I'm really excit- may have a student who is a freshed about new directions that my man and never have them again, I have large groups of students from the time they are freshmen until they're seniors.

"So you watch them grow, you watch them develop - you go through great times with them and you go through hard times with

On May 18, former alumni of Joyner-Clinard's surprised their mentor at her last choir concert, by joining her present students in singing "Somewhere" from "West "I was so surprised," she said.

really meant a lot to me." "It's extraordinarily challenging Joyner-Clinard said she loves and a great deal of fun. It is some- teaching and is extremely dedicat-

> "My whole goal here has been to doors and in some way, improve want to sing for the rest of their life

improved and I'm really happy with to do it again before my voice gets me feel good because that's really a



lives. church or community choir, or experience and the feelings they get

matter how many solos someone

"Anybody can walk into a class and do good on their own and well for themselves, but to work as a team and work well together so that everyone is so in syne with one another is an amazing experience that will last a lifetime," she said. "With the way corporations are toing now, the team atmosphere is ecoming highly popular. It's an

will really use." Joyner-Clinard said there have

mance night. "There is just such an immense feeling of oneness that the music cannot help but reach out and

touch the audience," she said. "To be a part of that moment in time when there is such concentration and effort with the choir, it's indescribable. I'm really going to

miss that." Her younger students are sad, but that she assures them it's the right decision.

"I've told them that I hope that when they are in a position as an adult, after they've been doing something for a while and an but the potential is immense. Then

to remember me," she said. After being in the community for so long, Joyner-Clinard said she has seen a lot of changes in Novi over the past years.

"When I first started here, there was nothing but flelds past Taft Road...There were only about 800 kids here and now we've doubled in sfordyce@ht.homecomm.net

Assistant Superintendent for Instruction high school in those years and she has children and the number of wonderful done a great job of working with the school activities she's been involved in.

well as the changes that have taken place whelming energy has never left her bored, with the staff," said Assistant Superinten- she added. dent for Instruction Dr. Rita Traynor at a "I enjoy all ages," she said, "I enjoy the honesty and openness of the little ones recent recognition ceremony during a and I enjoy the sophistication and skills of the older ones."

Lawrence said she is looking forward to taking the summer off and spending it with her family and hopes to do some vol-

"I'd also like to take some time to reflect a little bit on what I've done, to see what my strengths are and what I can offer oth-

ers," she said. "Children today have a far greater background with more experience and knowl-Lawrence said she wishes to be rememedge about the world in general," she said. bered for helping guide the children, staff "I think sometimes children that are and parents in a positive direction. brought up today are exposed to things far "I hope I have taught the students to

changing population of Novi. Woods, as Throughout her carcer, the students over-

Lawrence referred to the existence of signally, and that I have been supportive

computers in the home, as well as single to new ideas and taken the risks and chances to make this a better school," she When it comes to teaching procedures, said. From the overwhelming response from those who have had the chance to work

grow, as well as the staff to grow profes-

tive, with "hands-on" approaches and stu- with her, it seems Lawrence has accomplished that achievement. "She has seen an incredible amount of change, and has played a vital part in the success of the students at Novi Woods and

it,' but that's not the case anymore. Chil- PTO president Cheri Christ. "We are going to miss her very much."

the entire community," said Novi Woods

they already come to school with a rich

wealth of knowledge," she said. "I think we, especially this district, have Novt News. Her e-mail address is managed to take the curriculum and move sfordyce@ht.homecomm.net

Pat Little taught over 1,400 five- and six-year-olds

Principal Jackie Lawrence with Natalie Murphy and (right) Carly Rouston.

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE taff Writer
With 31 years, six months in the Novi School District under her belt, Village Oaks Elementary kindergarten teacher Pat Little is leaving behind a legacy of preparing the school's young children for a life in education.

Little has worked at the elementary school since it first opened its doors in 197, back in the days when Novi was still relatively rural and the mall was just a gleam in developers' eyes. "Pat has been such an important part of our staff and school, that it is difficult to put into

words how special she has been to all of us," Village Oaks Elementary Principal David Brown She has guided and prepared over 1,400 five-

"What a wonderful impact that she has had

s looking forward to spending time with her family and enjoying the fruits of her labor.

Her phone number is 349-1700 and her e-mai

"We can never replace Pat at Village Oaks, but gracious lady that is truly worthy of our respect

and admiration," he said. Stephanie Fordyce is a staff writer for Novl

After 22 years of sharing her wis-Paula Joyner-Clinard is saying an

Joyner-Clinard said the retirement will allow her to spend more time at home with her family and to pursue other opportunities.

a working adult since the day I left "I really want to be there for my children and that's a major piece of

"It was so wonderful to see so many former choir members. It business," she said.

wants some time for herself to work take whomever comes through my

"When someone who's a senior for six years sang in the Detroit says to me my voice has really "I really miss singing and I want the way I'm singing, it really makes

Novi High School Chorus Director Paula Joyner-Clinard "I haven't been able to do the their voice and singing ability and donned these millennium shades during the choir's trip to perform in Disney World in December 1999.

skill they'll have for the rest of their Joyner-Clinard said it doesn't

"Not only have there been great physical changes in the building, but great changes in meeting more needs of our school and bringing our school up to what I perceive as the best educational facility in the State of Michigan."

Joyner-Clinard said when it comes to high schools, no one can experience as an adult that they

technology resources we have and been so many great memories, but the beautiful performing arts facilwhat she'll miss most is perfor- ity and the auditorium and band

> Joyner-Clinard said she is really going to miss her job as a teacher, but that right now, this is where

raising the bar and I strongly

"If anything, I hope people remember that I made incredible music with their children," she

"I think with anything that you've been doing for a very long opportunity arises, for them to step time, there's always that sense of out of that comfort zone into a sit- loss when you leave. I kind of kid SUBMITTED PHOTO uation that might be a little risky, people when they ask me why are you leaving?' I tell them, 'well it's time for me to graduate from high

> Stephanie Forduce is a staff writer for Novi News. She can be

Her e-mail address is

BY ANDREW DIETDERICH

Area coolers may begin to fill up "(Northville's) Johnson with brown trout after a state ageney dropped more than 1,500 of the Creek is one of the few fish Into Johnson Creek In Northville last week. The unplanned dumping of the

fish was due to an extra amount east Michigan that has produced at fish hatcheries around the state and is in addition to the 2.200 released in Johnson Creek

management blologist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, said the release of the fish helps replentsh a dwindled stock as a result of fishing activity and development along Johnson

"Development has a big impact on the fish if it's not done properly," he said. "Plus there's increasing interest in the creek by fishermen and local people." Most of the fish released were

between eight and nine inches long, Brannschetdel said. Johnson Creek stretches southwest from Fish Hatchery Park In Northville to mear the intersection of Napier Road and North Territorial Road in Plymouth.

The creek is fed by a runoff and several springs, which is why Johnson Creek is ideal for brown trout, Braunscheidel said. "Johnson Creek is one of the few bodies of water in southeast Michigan that has the conditions to sup-

bodies of water in souththe conditions to support trout because it's

cold all year," he said. Temperatures rarely go above 70

fish spawn and feed," he said.

twice annually. John Bueter, owner of Bueter's Outdoors, 120 E. Main Street in downtown Northville, said he often

fishes in Johnson Creek, but would prefer that the fish sustain them-"I would prefer eatch-and-release laws be put into effect so we would have a fishery capable of sustaining itself," he said. "Wild fish are

However, under state statute, only 100 miles of creeks can be designated catch and release and

all of the miles have been deter-Bueter said fish from hatcheries suffer from generations of being inbred and not having the genetic make-up to survive and "make a living" in a natural setting.

"They are more prone to disease and tend to mucky-up the spawning process," he said. Still, Bueter said area residents are lucky to have the creek in their backyards.

*"It's an amazing Jewel," he said. "Hopefully we'll have the foresight to protect what we have (and) to use an ounce of prevention nov instead of a pound of cure later."

Andrew Dietderich is a staff writer for the Novi News. His e-mail adjetderich@ht.homecomm.net.

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genetically stronger and smarter and capable of maintaining them-Jeff Braunscheidel, fisheries relatively cold all year,"

port trout because it's relatively

degrees Fahrenheit, he said. But while water temperature in Johnson Creek suits brown trout well, activity around it doesn't. Braunscheidel said development along the creek has hampered fish

spawning and their ability to feed. "If a development is not done properly, the sediment from the creek can run into it and fill in holes in the bottom, which would otherwise be the areas where the As a result, fish in Johnson Creek struggle to live from one year to the next, he said, which is why the creek is stocked an average of

1999 CONSUMERS ANNUAL REPORT ON WATER QUALITY

The City of Novi is pleased to present the 1999 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. This report contains mandatory information about water quality issues and potential health effects, lists the source of our water and provides the results of the water quality monitoring tests for 1999. The treatment and monitoring, of our dinking water, complies with all mandatory Federal and State Drinking Water Regulations. If the water quality is compromised we will notify our customers immediately.

Title XIV of the United States Public Health Service Act (Chapter 373, 88 Stat. 1660), popularly known as The Safe Drinking Water Act, and the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act (1976 PA 399 as amended to 1998 PA 56) require a supplier of water to provide annual Consumer Confidence Reports (CCR) to its customers.

Reports (CCR) to its customers.

Drinking Water, including Bottled Water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the IRPA's Safe Drinking Water Hottline (800-428-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can plick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and becteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural fivestock operations, and withfile.

minants, such as salts and metals, which can naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic

stewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses. Organic chemical conteminants, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum protion, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems. Radioactive conteminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is sale to drink, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in water provided by public water systems.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population immuno-compromised persons such a Some people may be more yungarable to contaminants in drawing water dark to general population in INVAIDS or other immune system persons with cancer (undergoing chemotherapy), persons with have undergoine organ transplants, people with HIVAIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)/Center For Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to (essen the risk of interliging the Control (CDC) (Control CDC) (CDC) (CONTROL CONTROL CONTROL

in by Cryptospondium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Ho Intection by Cryptospondium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Urlnking Water Hottine (800-426-4791).

The City of Novi purchases treated water from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD). The DWSD water supply source is from surface water. The majority of the water supplied to the City of Novi comes from the DWSD Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant. This plant is located north of Port Huron, Michigan at the lower end of Lake Huron. The DWSD treatment facilities operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Chlorine is used for disinfection the source water and Fluoride is added to the treated unter for the depart care baselite.

surface water. The hisputhy of the water and fluoride is added to the treated water for the dental care benefits.

Important Information about Lead and Copper.

In 1992 we began testing homes with plumbing systems which may contribute lead and copper to the household water supply. The results of lead and copper testing have all been below the EPA proscribed action levels.

Health Effect; Lead is a common metal found throughout the environment in fead-based paint, air, soil, household dust, food, certain types of pottery, porcelain, pewfer and water. Lead can pose a significant risk to your health if too much of it enters your body. It builds up over many years and can cause damage to the brain, red blood cells and kidneys, Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that the fead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your household plumbing. If you are concerned about possible elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested, or you could flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking water tested, or you could flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available fror Water Hotiline (800) 425-4791.

City of Novi Residential Lead and Copper testing (1979)						
Contaminants	Test Date	Units	Samples Collected	Samples Exceeding AL	Action Level (AL)	90 th Percentile Value
Lend	3/99	MG/L	5	0	0.015 MG/L	<0.002
Copper	3/99	MG/L	5	0	1.30 MG/L	0.028

The major source in Drinking Water of Lead and Copper is from corrosion of household plumbing; erosion of natural deposits.

General Information about Our Distribution System:
In 1999 we purchased 2,102,006,300 gallons of treated water from DWSD. We currently have more than 10,835 customers on our Water Distribution. ution System. In an effort to improve the reliability and meet the needs of our growing community we have Capital Improvements valued in excess i \$16,221,000.00 scheduled for construction in the next five (5) years.

If you have questions or concerns about this report you can contact

Detected Contaminants Tables
The tables and information contained on the next pages are based on tests conducted by DWSD in the year 1999 and within the last live (5) calvalar years. DWSD conducts many tesis throughout the year, however, only lesis that show the presence of a contaminant are sh LAKE HURON WATER TREATMENT PLANT 1999 REGULATED DETECTED CONTAMINANTS TABLES

	Test	Units	Health	Allowed	Level	Ri	inge :	
Conteminent	Date		Goni MCLG	Level	Delected	Low	High	Major Sources in Drinking Water
			y 5.16	32.25 G	2 Flesh	£16	24804	HER TANKER OF THE RESIDENCE OF THE A
Fluorida	Oct. 89	ppm	4	4	1.13	n/a	r fa.	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which premotes strong seets; Discharge from fertilizer and atuminum factories.
Nitrate	Oct. 99	.bbu	10	10	0.24	n/a	r/a	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks; Sewage; Ecosion of natural soils.
				45.64		20.00		Line Care to the safe of
Dichloromethane	Mar, 99	200	0	5	0.29	0	0.29	Discharge from pharmeceutions and chemical factorie
						\mathbf{L}^{r}		
Total Tahakmathunas	3.99 12/99	ppb	n/a	190	Average 15.3	0.3	41,3	By Product of Drinking Water Chlorination.

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Highest Single Mexicurement	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.5 NTU (minimum 95%)	2.75
0.52 NTU	99.5%	Soil Runoff

ration system. For turbidity levels 5 NTU or above a treatment technique (IT) is required.

LAKE HURON WATER TREATMENT PLANT 1999 UNREGULATED DETECTED CONTAMINANTS TABLES Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminar sonitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted.

6l	Test	Unite	*Future	Future	Average Level	Hange	
Contaminant	Date		MCLG	MCL Detected		Low	High
Fluoratrichieremeihane	3/99-11/99	ppm	n/a	rva	0.24	0	0.94
Trichloromothane (Chloreform)	3/99-12/99	ppb		n/a	8.0	3.2	29.0
Bromodichloromethane	3/99-12/99	bbp	0	n/a .	5.1.	3.4	9.2
Dibromochioromelhano	3/99-12/99	ррь	60	n/a	2.2	1.6	3.2
Bromotorm	3/99-12/99	ppb	0	n/a	0.2	0	0.2

New MCLG effective Docember 16, 200:

The EPA recommends reporting results from any voluntary monitoring that is above a proposed MCL or above a level of concern. The detection of the experiment of the experiment

Contaminant	Test	Units	'Future	,	Average	Range	
	Date	İ İ	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Low	High
Total Haloacetic Acids	3/99-12/99	ppb	n∕a	60	10,2	2.2	17.0
Dibromoscetic Acid	3/99-12/99	ppb	r/a	r√a	0.3	0	1.3
Dichloroacetic Acid	3/99-12/99	ppb	0	n/a	5.6	2.2	10.0
Trichloroacetic Acid	3/99-12/99	ppb	300	n/a	4.4	0	7.1
Bromochloroacetic Acid	3/99-12/99	ppb	r/a	n/a	2.3	0	4.4

Sum of trichloroacetic acid, dichloroacetic acid, monochloroacetic acid, monobromoacetic acid, and dibromoacetic acid. Compliance will based on total. * New MCLG-MCL effective December 16, 2001.

Contaminant	Test Date			Future	Average	Range	
			MCLG MRDLG	MADL	Level Detected	Low Hi	High
Haloacetilenitriles	7/97-12/98	opb	n/a	n/a	1.3	0.6	2.2
Haloketones	7/97-12/98	ppb	n/a	n/a	0.6	1	1.4
Chioral Hydrate	7/97-12/98	ppb	n/a	⊓/a	1.0	1 0	2.4
Total Organic Halides	7/97-12/98	ppb	n/a	n/a	115	1 - 5	245
Chlorine Residual	7/97-12/98	ppm	4	4	1.3	1.1	1.4

This monitoring was conducted under the	EPA 1996 Information Collection Rule.	
* Maximum Residual Disinlectant Level (Goals) effective December 16, 2001	
	UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS THA	AT WERE NOT DETECTED
Dichlorobutane, 1-4	Bulviale	Eplam
Fluorotrichloromethane	Carboxin	Hexachloroc
Dibromo-3-chloropropane, 1, 2-	Chlorothalonii	Hexachloroc
Hexachlorgethane	Cvanazine	Hexazinone
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	Cycloate	Methlocarb
Methyl Isobutyl Ketone	Cyprazine	Octachlorcyc
Methyl Tert-Butyl Ether (MTBE)	Dacthel	Polybromina
Monochloroacetic Acid	DDD, 4,4'-	Prometon
Monobromoacetic Add	DDE, 4.4'-	Pronamide
Tetrahydrofuran	ODT, 4,4'-	Propazina
2,4,5,-T	Diphenamld	Propoxur (Ba
Acifuorten	Endosulfan, alpha	Tebuthiuron
Ametryn	, Endosulfan, beta	Terbecil
Bentazon	Endrin Aldehyde	Trifluralin

Symbol	Abbreviation for	Definition/Explanation
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MCL	Maximum Contaminent Level	The highest level of a conteminent that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
ppb	Parts per billion (one in one billion)	The pob is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 mitigram.
bbw	Parts per million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to miligrams per liter. A miligram = 1/1000 gram.
NTV	Nephelometric . Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudiness of water.
,TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in dhinking water.
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
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. June 22, Blackthorn Irish-American songs of emigration, sea shanties, figs and reels, ancient melodies and contemporary Irish songs. This group was a Center for the Performing Arts in fixture on the legendary J.P. McCarthy's annual St. Patrick's Day show on WJR radio; also fea- ularly impressive." ("Jazziz." tured on WJBK TV-2, Detroit: The August 1997). Awards include The Wharton Center, East Lansing: Motor City Music Awards Hall of Irish American Club in Lansing Fame and Talent Deserving Wider Recognition (Downbeat Magazine,

Bullard is

have included the Montreaux- ances Switzerland Jazz Festival, where they opened for the legendary Nina grammy-nominated Atlantic Jazz recording artists, and also they performed at Kennedy Washington D.C. "Jazziz" magazine

played at the New Orleans Jazz and June 29, "Straight Ahead" Jazz! Their sound ranges com- Heritage Festival; Jamaica Jazz days, 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic fortably from mainstream fazz, and Heritage Festival-Montego Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, R&B ballads, avant-garde and Bay: and many other performances (248) 347-0400 or program hotline. Brazilian funk. Their performances on T.V., radio and club appear-

> "Jimmy Buffet" style. · July 13, "Joe Kingsley's Dix-Dixieland.

· July 20, "Rich Eddy's Rockin Oldtes Band Listen to some great '50s and '60s rock

• July 27, NO CONCERT . Aug. 3, "Defroit Brass Society" . Aug. 10, "Novi Concert Band" Erijoy the classics, marches, and April 1997). The group has also show tunes.

Library Briefs

The Novi Public Library is open Monday-Thursday. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to

The library, 45245 W. Ten Mile Road, just east of Taft is closed on Sundays during the summer. For more information, call 349-0720.

READING IS OUT OF THIS WORLD Brochures describing the 2000 Summer Reading Program, "Reading Is Out of This World" are now avail Sign-up for the program, which is for children in grade four and under, begins Monday, June 26.

READING IS FAR OUT

Kids going into grade five and beyond are invited to sign up for "Reading Is Far Out." Featured will be groovy programs, cool projects, and MAGICAL ENTERTAINMENT

Magician Jess Wawrzaszek will present two shows on nesday, June 28. The free 45-minute program will be held at 1 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. Children ages 4 and older are welcome; no registration is necessary.

DROP-IN STORYTIMES

Storytime for children ages 4 to 7 will be held Thursday, June 29; storytime for 2- and 3-year-olds will be held Friday, June 30. Each 30 minute session starts at 11 a.m. No registration is necessary.

Try a temporary Mehndi style "tattoo" and learn: about the ancient traditions of mehndi (body painting) with Colleen Flannery on Thursday, June 29 at 1 p.m. There is a \$1 project fee; please register in advance at the "Reading Is Far Out" table in the library. (Note: Mehndi designs normally last 10 to 14 days, depending on skin type. Parental permission is

required for participants under 18 years of age.)

legislator of year The National Republican Legislaors Association has named State Senator Bill Bullard (R-Highland) as its 2000 Legislator of the Year for Michigan. "It is truly an honor to be recog nized for you peers at any level." Bullard said, "But I'm especially pleased that my colleagues at the national level are paying attention to all the good work that both invself and Michigan Republicans are doing." The association pointed out that

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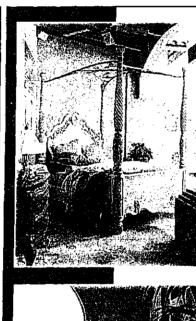
they chose Bullard due to the reduction of state income tax rates. the replacing of the single business tax, making schools more accountable for per-pupil funding and the push for a Michigan mandatory seat belt law. "Michigan families are better off thanks to the hard work we've done in the legislature during the past venr." Bullard said. Bullard will face Oakland County Commission Board Chairman John McCulloch (R-Royal Oak), Edward Hamilton of Troy, R. Ivy Patterson of Rochester Hills and John Levin of Bloomfield Hills for a race to the Oakland County Drain Commissioner seat. Bullard is in his second term as state senator and is looking to

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Orchard Hills student Marie Ross leaps over a series of hurdles

during the school's field day activities at Maybury State Park.

Elementary kids end year with outdoor field day

SY STEPHANIE FORDYCE

Take a potato sack, a hula hoop. and some dirty laundry; add a winkie and you've got yourself a Recently, the students at Orchard Hills Elementary headed to Maybury State Park for two days full of amusement and exhibitation

"Besides having fun, I think the best part (about field day) is being dth all the girls and boys you used

events, including the kangaroo said field day has been something jump, hurde relay, footato sack race and the asty twinkle eating

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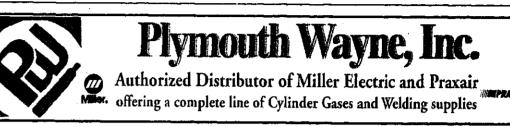
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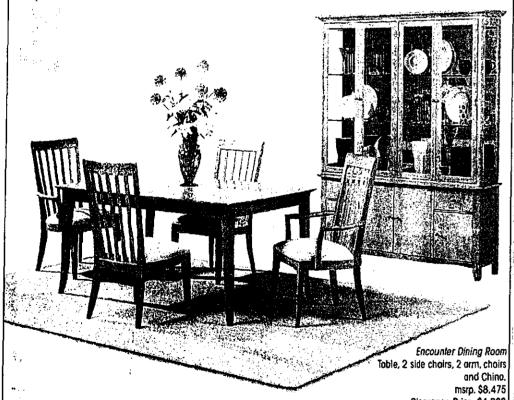
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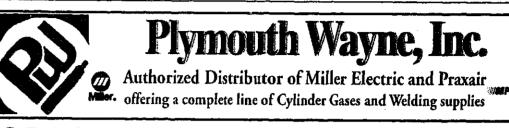
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"It is truly an honor to be recog nized for you peers at any level Bullard said, "But I'm especially pleased that my colleagues at the national level are paying attention to all the good work that both myself and Michigan Republicans are doing."

The association pointed out that they chose Bullard due to the reduction of state income tax rates, the replacing of the single business tax, making schools more accountable for per-pupil funding and the push for a Michigan mandatory

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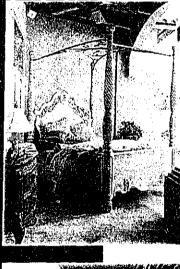


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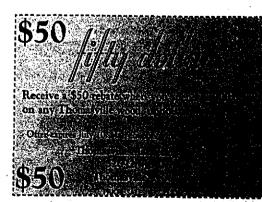


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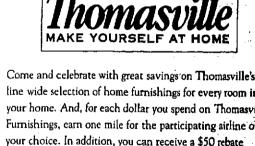


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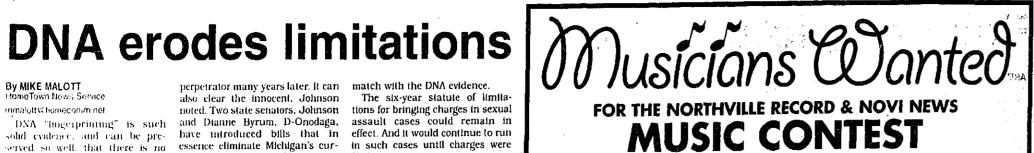
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buy houses in the community that would more than offset the taxes."

The board voted 4-3 in favor of the actions were smart.

The company would purchase new owner who comes into it." the former Optical Imaging Systems building near the intersection have no problem eventually getting would pay the taxes. Additionally, Abbo said many

"I thought the treasurer would be

ings for the company its first year Mark Abbo, Northville Township "Businesses haven't asked for Baetsen said the Michigan board ty on half of its true cash value. alone and more than 500 new jobs. treasurer, said he believes his abatements because we're not eco- will vote in July on what breaks could be worth more than

"As treasurer, one of my responsurer, Dick Henningsen, supervisor sibilities is to protect the tax base." to sit vacant and there will be a Abbo said the community would a business into the property that

in Northville Township and not one has asked for a tax abatement. Sue Hillebrand, Northville Townsmarter than that," Wagner said. ship clerk, said tax abatements "We would bring people who would generally are used for economically deprived areas to encourage devel-

nomically depressed," she said.

Wagner appeared before the making a final offer. township board at its regular meetand Sue Hillebrand, clerk, voting he said. "That building is not going ing June 15. He was with Dawn and manufactures integrated optic she will back the decision 100 peral business development for the Michigan Economic Development Corp., who said it was necessary state could give any.

"I'm happy with the board's deci-

sion," she said. "It seems as if the Technologies. board is being reasonable enough." Baetsen said Northville Township and Michigan are competing for the company and will likely against a location in Texas that is offering similar incentives to get of \$40 million in capital. An abate-

will be given to Nanovation before \$500,000 initially.

Nanovation designs, develops Baetsen, managing director of glob-devices. Their products include cent, but said she still wasn't in technology to make Internet appli- favor of it. cations faster without consumers having to replace their computer for Northville Township to give a components. The company was break to Nanovation before the established as U.S. Integrated Optics in 1996 and in 1998, the every business gets, but we cername was changed to Nanovation

> The new facility, wherever it is built, will be the "production plant" carry with it an initial investment ment, which taxes personal proper

voted in favor of the abatement,

Andrew Dietderich is a slaff writer. His e-mail address is adjet-

Northville police looking for suspect who exposed himself

looking for a male suspect who or early 40s, about six foot, with a have witnessed the alleged crime. allegedly exposed himself to several teen females late last week. Northville Township Detective Paul Sumner said the male allegedly approached an area where several teenage girls were swimming in

exposed himself and began mas- arms and legs and determined the 349-9400. turbating. The girls fled the scene. man walked pigeon-toed and may "Whenever we have a sex crime it have had a lazy eye. becomes one of our highest priori-

wearing black swim shorts with a term

Northville Township police offi- email ties." Sumner said. "Any crime that cers have met with management of adtetdertch@ht.homecomm.net.

Sumner said the male is land Lakes pond to provide warn-Northville Township police are described as being in his late 30s ings and ask if any employees may medium build, black curly hair Indecent exposure is a misdecombed back and at the time was meanor that carries a 93-day jail

white shirt that had a black num- Sumner said police are requestber 13 on the back. Additionally, ing anyone with information con-Sumner said the girls were able to tact the Northville Township the pond at Highland Lakes, view several tattoos on the man's department of public safety at (248)

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Northville High shuts its doors, will be middle school next fall

Melante Plenda is a staff writer.

e-matl address

books, and no more high school on the new high school said the move middle schoolers in the fall only at The last day of school is the time all the memories housed in the most students wait for on the first school on the hill, but it does have bell on the first day. But this year, its benefits. they may have more to look for-

new Northville High school. "I'm really excited about the other teachers were a bit nostalgic over it and be friends." move and I'm not sad at all about as there were a few "drips in the it,"said soon to be senior. Erica hall." Mohacsi, "It's bigger and better and I think it will be cool to be the first dry eves from students going from class to graduate from there." With the seconds ticking away until the high school became Hill-

students ast bell gave its signal and students were off for their summer men Friday.

heard from all hallways but according to teacher Kurt Kinde, they new cavernous hallways. were letting off some steam but selves. He said he felt like this was grader Emily Mannisto. "Every-

a good sign of things to come at the thing will be so far away." new high school. Kinde who will This sentiment was echoed by begin his 30th year of teaching at those who were still going to be is a little bittersweet for him with a new middle school.

"I think the biggest joy is that the and Cooke. ward to with the start of a new staff is all still in place," he said, "I think we are going to have school year as many will be finish"and on that rock, we can build any some problems with the Meads ing their high school careers at the number of good things."

Light Said sixth grader Joey Poli-Additionally, he said he noticed dori,"But eventually, we'll all get

> However, there are nothing but Cooke Middle school to the new high school. The majority of the fearless fall

freshmen said they were excited for counted down to the last bell and all of the new people they were Mustang cheers. Finally the going to meet. Further, they were every boy and girl in the eighth

Whoops and hollers could be grade was the fact they were sure they were going to get lost in the "I really hope I have enough time they were still behaving them- to get to my locker," said eighth

Wondergarten to move from Thornton Creek

By MELANIE PLENDA

Thornton Creek will get some breathing room this fall when the Wondergarten moves to Moraine

Wondergarten, a child care component to kindergarten, will move from its location at Thornton Creek Elementary on Nine Mile Road in lagher said the move will let par-Novi to its new home at Moraine in ents choose morning or afternoon order to free up classroom space at kindergarten and still be able to the overcrowded Thornton Creek. The Wondergarten program is

while it's nicer to have the program garten, this was the best option to

independently funded through

"I think this is a positive move. We certainly understand parents wanting to have the program in the same building as kindergarten but the extra space will allow us to keep class sizes low and give par ents more options," she explained. The way it will work, Johnson

dent in the program and it will be a said, is students will take a district school bus from their kindergarten class at Thornton Creek to their Wondergarten class at Moraine. Johnson said this decision came

after putting teachers of music, art, language and health on a cart and floating from room to room and still coming up short for space.

Further, Thornton Creek has added a section to its fourth grade and needed additional space for it. Her e-mail address Moraine Principal Mary Kay Gal-

"I think we have found a

Mary Kay Gallagher. Moraine principal

use the Wondergarten program. This was not the case when the program was at Thornton Creek, Gallagher said, because they could

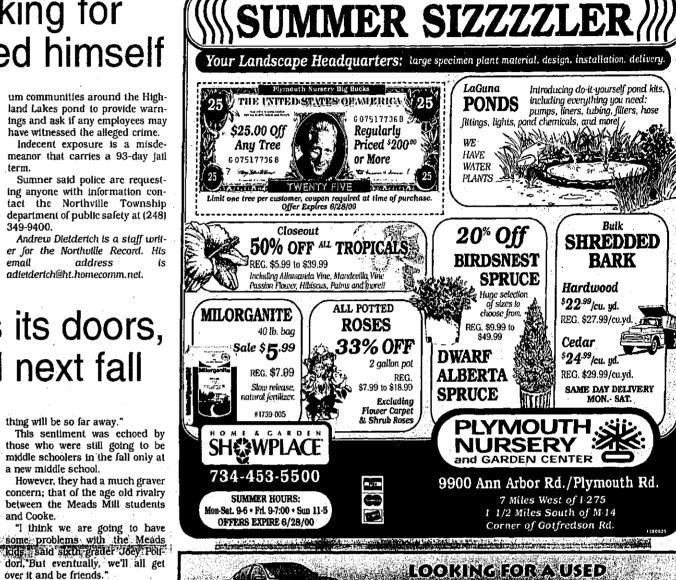
Additionally, Gallagher said they were able to offer the space because they had an extra room which was too small for a regular Gallagher said another benefit to

moving the program was students would get to interact with people their age from another school in a She said she particularly liked this idea as her daughter is a stu-

good experience for her. "I think we have found a nice workable solution," Gallagher said.

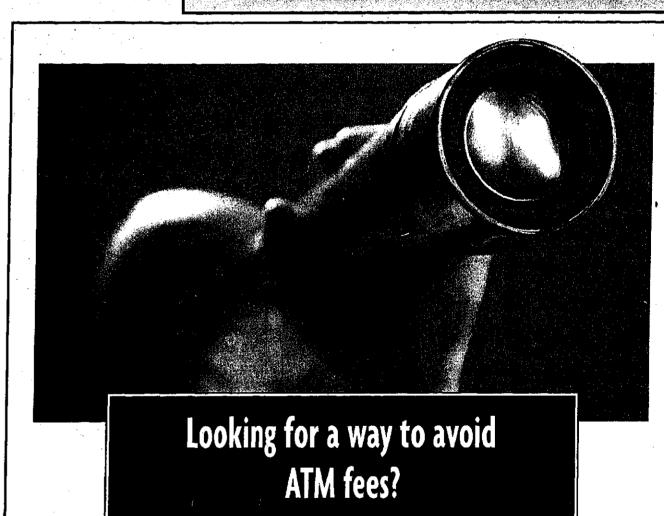
"We get to maintain a quality program while maintaining the needs of our K-5 students. We are looking forward to welcoming them

Melante Plenda is a staff writer.



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As We See It

Just take the cash and build that road

In a perfectly planned world, Michelle Bononi, who were in would someone build a the minority voting against 730,000 square foot shopping the SAD on Monday night, to center smack in the middle of the amazement of some of an already overcrowded, traf- their council colleagues. From fic gridlocked downtown?

Now, let's move out of this opposed the rezoning. Bononi ideal world into the real one. was not on the city council at Does it make sense from the the time. viewpoint of Novi residents. Lorenzo reiterated that she (not developers), to pop down didn't support commercial on another mall, a 730,000 the 70 acres. She also square foot one, in the Twelve expressed concerns that the

Mile and Novi Road area? Of course, the answer's no another Sandstone situation, to most rationale people with where a developer sued the zippo money invested in the city over perceived delays in project. That area is already opening a road built as a conmaxxed out. But the city tract agreement with Novi. council a couple of years ago Bononi said she doesn't feel agreed to rezone some 70 Fountain Walk is a good proacres of land west of West ject for Novi and that the city Oaks from the office category could use its resources more to one permitting a new mall, constructively. Fountain Walk.

shouldn't have been done, but tain Walk has, for better or it was. And the rezoning was worse, its rezoning. The city not out of step with Novi plan- would be at greater risk of a ners' long-stated goals to con- major lawsuit if the council centrate major commercial attempted the pull the plug developments in the Grand now on the \$138 million pro-River, Novi Road, Twelve Mile ject.

ber 1999. However, the voters uation. didn't, many of them saying In fairness to Fountain Walk they felt the bond issue was and PLC Commercial of Newdeveloper-driven.

roads or sewers.

Possibly a sweetheart deal enterprise will never, ever

Chris Davis

the beginning, Lorenzo

SAD could set Novi up for

Let's look a little more close-A done deal. Maybe it ly at these arguments. Foun-

And what about the free So now what? When Ramco- roadwork Novi now gets, \$18 Gershenson came to the city million, a sum equal to almost for the rezoning, the develop- 60 percent of the failed road ers promised they'd kick in to bond? Yes, when Fountain widen a portion of Twelve Mile Walk is built, more cars piled to four lanes and to upgrade high with shoppers will the intersection at Novi Road. throng to the area to enjoy the At the time, the developers mega-entertainment center. were to shell out some \$6 mil- But it's not often that a city lion for the work. The city wrangles this much in donataimed to pony up \$1.2 mil- ed road work from a developlion, if voters okayed a \$28.5 er. You could call this making road bond package in Novem- the very best out of a bad sit-

port Beach, California, which While a new road bond pro- will be building the complex, posal is no doubt on the way, the only real objection to the what fruit did the failure mall is the location. Otherbear? Something really tasty. wise, the project's just Today, the developers are peachy. PLC officials say it paying out of their own pock- will offer bowling, skateboardets, through a special assess- ing and mountain biking. all ment district, \$18 million in indoors. And didn't we just

road improvements. And their hear that the kids of Novi are fingers won't be in Novi's wal- keen for a skateboard facility? lct, although the city's full Whenever the private sector faith and credit does back steps up and offers recrebonds to be sold for the road ation, that's a bonus for the work. This is the way most city. It frees up the Parks and SADs are done, whether for Recreation Department to focus on something private

for Novi, you'd think. But not offer. And that's a nature to Mayor Pro Tem Laura park. Lorenzo and Council Member

Wanted: the best garage bands

forth. Thanks. • We've got two contests running right now. The first is a • Sometimes Mother Nature just won't be beaten. In

• I stopped by Northville High...er, Hillside Middle School on Friday afternoon as the new sign for the building was being installed. It's a nice sign, but for someone who's accustomed to seeing that bucking mustang, it's going to cdavis@ht.homecomm.net.

take a little getting used to. . I don't know what the rate of drive-offs is right about

More random thoughts and observa- now at gas stations, but I sure hope that the frustration with the price of octane isn't causing people from around • I wish Joan Wadsworth and Judy here to get stupid. Refusing to purchase gas as part of one Wollack all the best as they get set of the many national boycotts is one thing. Stealing gas is for their runs on the Northville totally different. Let's be considerate to our local merschool board. Likewise, Northville chants and at least be honest.

owes school board president Mike • A lot of people get worked up into a frenzy over MEAP Poterala a round of applause for the test results. Though I still consider them important, I've time he's put in leading our district approached them like I do a golf score; yeah, it's nice, but through one of its busiest periods what does it really mean? Ask any educator who knows in recent memory. Dedication like what he's doing, and he'll tell you that the first step is to that takes heart, and even though I decide what you want to teach, and then establish a meawasn't always one who necessarily suring tool to determine if the lesson has been learned. The agreed with everything the board state has refined and reformed the MEAP to the point now did, I nonetheless recognize and where it's not even and apples-to-oranges comparison for appreciate the effort Mike and other board members put administrators. It's apples-to-oranges-to-grapes-topapayas-to-watermelons.

music contest we're putting together for the upcoming Novi doing some spruce-up around my yard last weekend, I Music and Motor Fest (the festival formerly known as the encountered a sinister weed whose thorns were actually Michigan 50s Fest), and the other is for the best-piece-of-strong and sharp enough to poke holes through the heavy lunk-car-that-still-runs vehicle in Northville or Novi. We've leather welder's gauntlets I was wearing. Yes, I finally got got details on those contests in the newspaper today. If you the weed pulled out, but what does it say about the plant need information on them, give me a call. I'd be happy to kingdom when shards of broken glass can be scooped up without incident, but a lousy oversized dandelion feels like an iron maiden on your palms?

Chris C. Davis can be reached at

In Focus

By John Heider



New fish in town

John Bueter fishes Northville's Johnson Creek, which has been restocked with trout by the DNF

Put this in your tank and drive on it



Randal

In my first column last March. I right now.

of rising gas prices. Hey, the econ- zard.) omy was great. One gas patron told
During a meeting of the North-South Corridor Commit-

tion. You know, to save a few bucks: But I still wanted to check out the Grand Prix in Detroit.

or trolley, I can save money on gas. Forget it. Southeast on the Haggerty Connector. Michigan doesn't have a transportation system, not one worth using anyway.

Face it, the bus system in Detroit (DDOT) and the subat night. If you ever wanted to catch a bus on Sunday, you money. may as well rent one. The area needs to get itself to gather and create some kind of trolley or light rail system now! In a recent interview, Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson said that when it came to putting in light rail lines in southeastern Michigan, the "concept of 'Build

it and they will come' doesn't work." I cannot believe that that is true. In parts of Europe when a station is built, the public naturally gravitates to it

A light rail line, running from Detroit to Farmington those in the city to come and work higher paying jobs in.

Help wanted signs are more than prevalent along Woodward. Gratiot. Grand River and Novi Road. But the people the gas evaporate behind us. who are willing to take those jobs don't have transportation and cannot afford to buy a car if they don't have a job

It's a crazy rationalization that people won't take to rail

've been waiting for this moment. lines because there are none in southeastern Michigan

said that the gas prices would rise Up until the 1950s, there were rail lines all over southto \$2 a gallon by the summer and eastern Michigan including Eight Mile Road, Woodward, now that summer is here, I'm so and Jefferson. Some of these lines even went as far as happy I could burst. I drive a small Waterford Township. Gee, it's too bad we don't have a rail system like they have in Mexico City. Oops, sorry, my mis-Last March, we interviewed local take, that is our rail system! It was sold off so a certain residents at the gas station on Ten automobile company (which will remain nameless) could Mile and Novi Road. Nobody really replace them with buses that breakdown (usually during had any worries about the prospect the August heat waves or in the middle of a January bliz-

me that he didn't believe gas prices tee, formed last year to look at the possibility of creating a would rise to \$2 plus. I hope that guy remembers me. Cha new north-south trunk line in Oakland County, the chairching, baby, I hope he remembers me when he's filling up man of the Road Commission for Oakland County Brett his SUV (OUCH!) and how much the fill up will cost him. Bair told the group of men and women assembled that So this weekend, I was looking for alternative transporta- "Detroiters" would not go for rall lines in Oakland County. "They (Detroiters) are too independent," he said.

Hogwash! Riding a trolley or train has nothing to do with I thought, well, if gas is too high, I should check out the independence. A person can be just as independent on a transportation situation and see if by taking the train, bus trolley or train as they can be sitting in rush hour traffic

The RCOC is paid to maintain county roads, and not to offend my friends at the RCOC, but their livelihood is based on traffic and the deterioration of roads. Therefore, urbs (SMART) is a joke. The buses never run on time, if they naturally wouldn't want a transportation system they run at all. And there are virtually no buses that run independent of what they do. That would cost them

According to the Michigan Department of Transportation, 25 percent of the roads in Michigan are in need of repair or will need significant repairs in the next two years. Why? Jobs, that's why. These people have to work somewhere. And since they don't receive or are not willing to try and obtain extra training for other jobs, contractors construct the roads so that they will fall apart every few years. Then, they can get more work.

In places like Germany, where the roads are constructed and maintained by the government, they are built to Hills and Novi or up Woodward to Pontiac, would provide last over many years. A friend of mine was telling me how a needed transportation and economic opportunities for they are doing a resurfacing job on the Autobahn. The first

But enough complaining, I guess we'll just have to sit in the orange barreled construction zone on I-75 watching

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Follow this leader in conservation



is that development is proceeding at literally an unprecegood news is that a way to accommowith preserving

entire ecosystems. In the past, developers often took the position that the land was theirs and anybody who wanted to stop the bulldozers was one of those crazy tree-huggers. For their part, many environmentalists never met a developer they didn't hate.

Caught in the middle, local government officials as often as not stuck their heads in the sand. At heart, they were hobbled by thinking about environmental issues in ways that were confined by the boundaries of their own village or township. They might, for example, try to preserve that part of a wetland within their own jurisdiction but find themselves unable to prevent development next door that could wreck the entire interconnected ecosystem.

Recently, however, an outfit called the Michigan Natural Features Inventory has finished a groundbreaking study that identified more than 200 sites in Michigan that are both ecologically significant and threat-

Sponsored in part by the Michigan chapter of the Nature Conservancy, the study for the first time offers a way to identify

concerned about largest (1.2 million population) and richest ecosystems that spill across individual keeping Michigan a (ranked third nationally) counties in Michi- local government boundaries. green and pleasant gan. Amazingly, the Inventory found that place, the bad news Oakland County is home to some of the

most unspoiled ecosystems in the state. For example, the study identified two of the largest intact prairie fen systems in the state, both in Oakland, the Buckhorn Lake complex in Rose Township and the Long there just might be Lake system in Springfield Township. A prairie fen is a system of connected wetdate development lands that sustains plants and animals, some rare and a few threatened. There are around 100 prairie fen systems in Michigan, but most are small and in bad shape. The systems in Oakland County are mostly intact and largely pristine.

Another Oakland County example concerns the Huron Swamp, nearly 2000 acres of wetland in Springfield Township that forms the headwaters of the Huron River and is one of the most sensitive sites in tures Inventory provides everybody southeastern Michigan

In response to the information developed in the Michigan Natural Features Inventory, six northern Oakland County communities are collaborating to pass area-wide developmental policies aimed at preserving and protecting entire ecosystems that may cross their boundaries. The six - Springfield, Highland, Milford, Rose and White Lake townships and the village of Milford propose to work together in a literally unprecedented way.

Although most of southern Oakland County is fully developed, the northern tier ral Features Inventory, contact the Michigan of townships is still largely untouched. But chapter of the Nature Conservancy at (517) the threat of uncontrolled rapid develop- 332-1741. Phil Power is chairman of Homement spurred local officials into thinking Town Communications Network Inc., the collaboratively about how to protect the company that owns this newspaper. He welecologically sensitive areas and provide natural features of the area. The six com- comes your comments, either by voice mail local government officials with a way to munities propose to rethink their develop- at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ment plans and local ordinances to encom- ppower@homecomm.net

Although it's still a work in progress, environmentalists are enthused at the prospect. Helen Taylor, state director of the Michigan chapter of the Nature Conservancy, says what's going on in northern Oakland County is, "wonderful, an incredibly important and thoughtful step for local communities to protect the quality of life in important places."

She also held out a hand to builders and developers: "I want to believe there are many positive opportunities out there to work together with developers. The Conservancy has had many positive encounters in finding compatible ways to find and recognize the economic realities while also preserving important places."

Taylor points out that the Natural Feadevelopers, environmentalists and local government officials - with a detailed database setting out important ecosystems and how they overlap traditional local government jurisdictions.

Leaders in Oakland County deserve a big hand for trying to work out entirely new solutions to old problems. I hope local governments in other areas of the state will fol-

For more information regarding the Natu-

More Novi school news is good news

Now that the 1999-2000 school

vear has ended, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Novi News, especially Stephanie Fordyce and John Heider for their great coverage of the Novi schools this past year. It was so nice to see pictures and articles about the schools each week when you read

Being a local paper. I feel this is iruly what the community wants to see weekly in the Novt News. I have had the opportunity to meet Stephanie Fordyce and what a great addition" to the staff at the Novi News - she really puts her all Into her articles. She to interview not only the teachers

l can only speak for the students. staff, teachers, and parents at Orchard Hills - I know that we all just love to see things about our school in the Novi News. I'm sure the same is true for the other schools in Novi. too.

Once again, thanks for the great school coverage. Enjoy the sum-

PHONE REALLY OFF HOOK

To the Editor:

Ameritech - if there are any surface streets. How does a new the same love for this city that ation commission, etc. humans left working there. I've interchange at 96 and Beck or 96 many of us longtime residents have Now it is up to these city council only got recordings - has been and Wixom benefit my family? and they need this chance at bat in members and the mayor to comply incredibly passive and blatantly We're six or eight miles away. this governmental ball game.

Letters

Ameritech is - "a representative should be paying for the road will have your problem fixed by 7. p.m. on July 7. Maybe I am ambitious, maybe I have unrealistic expectations. But

three weeks to get a tech to my house and fix a phone? When the option is available to try someone else - man...get out of my way. I'm first in line.

To the Editor: Maybe the impressing need to do something about Novi's roads will else's problems!

foster some real discussions about

what is going on in this city. I am sick of being asked to pay through the nose to solve someone else's problems! Those who lived in TIME FOR FRESH FACES cials who bullied a developer and cost him millions. He successfully

sands of dollars each over the In the hopes that some roads too!?! I'm in the Nine Mile the number of new citizens or new Ameritech employee will read this - and Meadowbrook area. Our roads volunteers who applied and the and maybe take it to management, are excellent, thank you. Part of diversity and depth of their splen-

I write this letter of complete hope- the reason we chose our neighbor- did and varied backgrounds.

possible for them to sell land at the

Wake up, Mr. Helwig. This com-

because some of us stand to get

want more support on the roads.

get those of us who weren't even

here off the hook for Novi's \$53 mil-

"no" on the last road bond issue

I'm being asked to pay for someone

prices I had to pay!

Yours truly spent an interesting sued and now even those of us who three and a half hours last Monweren't around at the time of this day, June 12 watching the Novi illegal act are forced to pay thou- City Council interview applicants and commissions.

What really impressed me were lessness, helplessness, anger, and hood was the convenient highway These new people, during their access and easy accessibility of cablecasted interviews, expressed

unconcerned about me, their cuswiden Grand River between Beck

Our city is extremely fortunate in new government and to comply and Wixom? We're at least five having this many exceptional and with the expressed wishes of the My phone has been out since miles away. Maybe the people who remarkable individuals apply and Novi taxpayers and voters.

them a chance to contribute. With new people on these boards eyes, new vigor, new approaches

and new energy in our city hall. So, Mr. Mayor and city council members, let's get these new applicants appointed and actively involved in our collective city. munity has already "caved in" as I know we have some people who you said we were in danger of are asking to be reappointed, but

nothing except another bill! If you step aside and to let others have a chance to serve. Those that have served deserve a kind word, a good pat on the back. and a gentle nudge or request to move on (maybe to another board

and I'll keep voting "no" as long as or commission.) Many of us have been down the same path and it does hurt for a while, but life goes on and more importantly, our city needs this healthy influx of new talent and

Moreover, these boards and commissions are structured so onethird of the terms expire each year so new replacements can be

The people in the last election asked for a new government and that included new residents appointed to these boards and

The residents, taxpayers, and voters, gave our city a new mayor and new council members so we could have a new planning commission, a new parks and recre-

with their campaign promises of a

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June 13. The only answer from own tracts of land out those ways be willing to serve. And now it is Cable changes faster than flick of a remote



annual report on competition and video nels and 30 are news channels. markets. The report contains many inter- And what about home computer use? What does all this mean for us? Take the

subscribers. Cable is still ahead of the pack new start-up companies to consider overwith: 66.7 million that were cable television building cable operators. subscribers from the 81 million total. And percent over 1998. But so did satellite ser- that revenue number jumps to \$334 bil- 14.

We receive calls vices with 10 million subscribers.

everyday from resi- Gone are the days of the mom and pop increased 3.8 percent in 1999 while the dents who want to cable provider. The FCC report shows that consumer price increase during that same know where the the seven largest cable television operators period was 2 percent. In our cities, rates cable competition now control 90 percent of the cable televi-increased 4.89 percent last year. is. Although the sion subscribers in the United States. And The main emphasis of the FCC's report cities of Farming- Time Warner is one of them.

tract with Time Even so, the four major networks (ABC, In January, the FCC released its sixth gramming networks, 26 are sports chan-imately 1.4 million homes, which is still a

esting statics regarding cable television The FCC estimates there were 50 million information for what it's worth. The indusbeginning to see in this new millennium. is estimated that nearly 3.3 million subscribers will take advantage of cable televi-Subscribers to a service which provides sion high-speed modems. This number is video programming (that includes both anticipated to increase to 16.6 million by the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commiscable and dish subscribers) were up 5.5 the year 2004. This increase in demand for sion. She can be reached at (248) 473-7266. percent in 1999 for a total of 81 million. high-speed internet access is encouraging

According to the FCC, the total revenue SWOCC. although you may be seeing more and for all video-programming providers was Interested in signing up for free cable more satellite dishes popping up around approximately \$40 billion. Throw in local access workshops? Contact Kathryn Bandetown, cable subscribers still increased 2 telephone and long distance providers and mer with SWOCC at (248) 473-7266, ext.

lion. Nationwide, cable television rates

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and the telecommunications industry. computers in homes in 1999 and over 100 try is changing rapidly. In fact, there's a Some of this may explain trends we are million Internet users. In the year 2000, it new merger or acquisition posted in the

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Novi News

Quote of the Week

Farmington Hills City Manager Steve Brock, on his city's plans to give Textron a tax abatement.

"I think they were surprised at how quickly we

moved. That's one for the public side."

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Two council members question SAD agreement:

the city," DeRoche said. "I can't expected to be completed in the fall believe they do not want this done." of 2001. The improvements to the Lorenzo said that she was "gun road are part of the entire conshy.""I was never in support of this struction package, according to done with the Sandstone project." project. I don't think commercial PLC President and CEO Michael zoning) was the way to go. I Lutton thought it would be better as OST" Lorenzo said, referring to the past tion of the project later this year. office zoning of the site west of West Oaks Shopping Center.

City Manager Richard Helwig Lutton. said that "under other efreumstances," the city would be responsible for these public road improve-

"What is happening here is we have a private agent that is going to they (PLC) will be funding. They do all of that for us and bring all will draw down from the bond sale the benefits including being the bank and funding it." Helwig sald. A road bond package nixed by

voters in November 1999 included "Then after the project is done, public funding for upgrades to Twelve Mile near Fountain Walk. The contract is between the city and the contractor, but the total price for the property improvements will be incurred by the

 PLC hopes to begin the road por-Construction at the building site is already under way, according to

Helwig said that the public improvements that will go with this said. project is exactly what the city "Everything you see happening,

as they do the work and we will only reimburse them as they do the

The project will include improve-

out having taxed anyone for it. a two-year span. That road was a Without having any of the risk of \$3 million SAD. The ruling is under managing these contracts." Helwig

ture with the private sector assuming the risk. The city does place full faith and credit behind the special assessment district." Lorenzo said that she did not

want to see another Sandstone project in the city. She was referring to a contract between the developer of that project and the city, which led to the building of an extension of Decker Road.

Last year, Oakland County Circult Judge Barry Howard ruled that the city breached their contract with Sandstone Associates and awarded Sandstone \$40 Million after the city failed to complete

ferent from the city's agreement for "We're not entering into a contract like what was "The essential difference between

"By the time we sell the bonds

this fall (PLC) would already have

(to the property)," Helwig added.

this and Sandstone is that this is not a contract SAD," said Dennis Watson, "This contract isn't for the special assessment. This is an agreement to hire PLC to construct those improvements. They are act-

economy stays solid (okay) but if tract like what was done with the things turn and this project doesn't succeed and is not built, then where are you? You hate to have a negative attitude, but it's something the city has to look at."

The value of the Fountain Walk property is listed as over \$200,000 looking at it as a planner, I did not an acre. With 70 acres there, seel at the outset that this project should be enough to pay off the debt if the project does not suc-

> this partnership, SAD or no SAD, our resources could have been way considering the problems and challenges the city has before it."

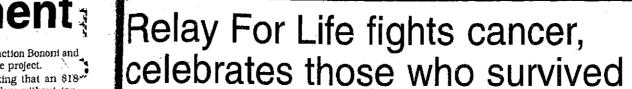
said the Sandstone contract is dif- Lorenzo had to the project.

"I find it shocking that an \$18million road problem without taxpayer money would rejected by a "I'm shocked that a council. member would be so far out of

step. I can't believe anyone would. reject \$18 million. the city must increase its tax baseand that the PLC project and the.,

omething Novi needs. legitimate concerns and I can-

But if someone is willing to risk, almost \$130 Million of their own? money, and they have a track record, I think we should assume that they know what they are doing: and they are going to do it right." Because if they don't, they won'to



hose around them. After undergoing chemotherapy and radiation, Galecka went into The Toligate and Sixth Gate Clogremission, but four months later gers, Chuck Richards and the had to undergo a bone marrow

said. "And I have been healthy ever

Even though Galecka said she would never wish cancer on anyone, the disease has, in a way, been a benediction.

"it's almost a blessing because it brings people together and gives cancer and remind participants of n life," she said.

know is that you are a cancer ness for the many programs and urvivor from the day of diagnosis. Anyone at all who has been ouched by cancer is a cancer sur-Galecka said she would love to progress and answers in the fight invite all cancer survivors and the

entire community to attend Relay For Life, even if it's just for an hour. Relay For Life events held in south-She added the event raises eastern Michigan, with the goal of money strictly by donations and raising \$1 million for cancer that anyone and everyone is wel- research, local education and com-

Relay For Life, which runs from community of Novi, according

10 a.m. to 10 p.m., will feature the American Cancer Society, is magic, tarot card readings and projected to raise nearly \$30,000 astrological charts, dancing with for Relay For Life.

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music from the Smokestack Jazz

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iminaries will line the track in

Lap and the Backwards Lap.

a purpose," lovan said.

already been organized include Galecka's middle school team. along with other Novi schools, the City of Novi, Holy Cross Church, and individual teams as well. Cancer is so widespread, that

described is 'it's a block party with there are few people who don't know someone who has had the disease, whether it's a family member or a friend, Galecka said. "Cancer touches so many people's lives and that is what this

remembrance of those attacked by relay is all about," she said. "Certainly one of the goals is to the incredible importance of their raise money for cancer research and to support the American Cancer Society in providing programs for people going through cancer, Michigan and it lets people know

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for year- round skate boarding and mountain biking. "It's a safe, controlled environment with professionals on staff that will teach your children how to mountain bike on an indoor mountain bike trail and skate boarding with some of the best professionals that will be running a heath clubtype environment," he said. "It's not just something for the adults or just for the kids, it's something for the entire communi-

you can take the family and you want an environment that the kids will want to go with you, because there is something to do." Expect action on this action cen-

"We are under construction. Clark Construction is the contractor. We are complying with a whole list of agencies and things we have to do," Lutton said. PLC Novt West is a subsidiary of

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the Novt News. His e-mail address

Waiting for bus a new experience

computer program and said they

liked all the toys and fun things to I think kindergarten will be fun," said Rash, "I just hope Kasey and I will get to be in the same

Before heading to their big finale, the bus ride, the students each made cute little caterpillar hats to tle in with the story they heard. Naxal Shah, 4, said she thinks kindergarten is great and is looking forward to it next year.

"I like listening to stories and

having play time the best," she As the orientation day came to a close, the kindergartners piled off the bus into the arms of their

awaiting parents "I want to go (on the bus) again!" Looks like he'll have to wait until

Stephante Fordyce is a staff writer for Novi News. Her e-mail

Power out on Tuesday

The Novi Fire Department reported that at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, a commercial truck struck a Detroit Edison pole located in the vicinity of Donelson Drive and Twelve Mile Road, knocking out power to a wide

section of the city. According to Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan, the department got a call at 7:57 a.m. The area was secured and the Detroit Edison took over the repair at 8:50 a.m. All power was restored by 10:30 a.m.

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New shop 'til you drop opportunities at mall

Twelve Oaks Mall recently welcomed seven new stores to its existing mix of shops and services. Stores that opened include: Pottery Barn, Games Workshop, Jessica McClintock, Everything But Water, babyGap, Wetzel's Pretzels, and Wizards of the Coast.

"In bringing these new stores to the center, we are trying to provide our customers with the variety of services and merchandise that meet their needs," said Peggy Hayes, marketing director of Twelve Oaks.

 Pottery Barn Pottery Barn is a casual home furnishing retailer, which offers stylish, affordable furniture and accessories. The collection includes distinctive lamps, rugs, draperies,

chairs offered in seasonally coordinated colors and design, potteryware, glassware, tabletop accessories, lighting, and other housewares and decorative accessories.

• Games Workshop Games Workshop which offers a wide variety of tabletop strategy games, along with paints, miniature models, brushes, the "White

Dwarf" gaming magazine and all

accessories. Jessica McClintock

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 Everything But Water Everything But Water includes swimwear merchandise that is comprised of the latest trends and classic basics with a designer focus, along with related accessories which include cover-ups. totes, hats and suntan skin care. As the premiere retailer of specialty swimwear and accessories, Everything But Water sells swimwear 12 months out of the year with a uniquely exciting merchandising mix for shoppers seeking to fulfill an active lifestyle.

· Wizards of the Coast

ety of board and video games, trading- card games including Pokemon, and role playing games, as well as books and other published materials associated with intellectual games of skill.

babyGap

babyGap will put your baby on the best-dressed list with Gap essentials like overalls, jeans, khakis, logo sweatshirts, T-shirts, shorts, sleepwear, accessories and more, babyGap joins the rest of the Gap stores at Twelve Oaks, including the newly relocated and expanded GapKids. The entire family can now find Gap fashions at Twelve Oaks.

· Wetzel's Pretzels Next time you are in Twelve Oaks

and you get a snack attack, give in to the temptation and go to the new Wetzel's Pretzels, where you can get the freshest, hand rolled pretzels around. Wetzel's Pretzel offers a perfectionist's pretzel, fresh from the oven, oversized, chewy and full of flavor. The pretzels come in all kinds of unique flavors such as, Sinful Cinnamon, Almond Crunch, Killer Pizza, Grateful Garlic and more. Also, don't pass up Weizel's own fresh-squeezed lemonade, created especially for your Wetzel's pretzel.

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City worker to appeal investigation

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recommendation from his doctor. A grievance has been filed on his behalf by his union, the State, County and Municipal Workers Local 214.

Novi Director of Human Resources Tia Gronlund-Fox said because Rosinski's workmen's compensation claim was denied. his accumulated vacation time would be used to repay the city.

"He (accumulated) vacation time and he reimburses the city with that, unless he can appeal," Gronlund-Fox said.

According to Gronlund-Fox, the city's insurance company did take three and a half months to process the claim.

"It probably took longer than it should have," said Gronlund-Fox. "But the workmen's compensation claim is being handled by the insurance company (Meadowbrook Claims). It is not the city's fault the workmen's claim took so long."

Rosinski was checked for stressrelated health problems by both his own doctor and one provided by

Agent for Teamsters Local 214 Jim Markley said that there should have been a third doctor selected to look at Rosinski. Markley also said that the city should should not be allowed to take vacation time built up by Rosinski to make up for back

pay the city claims he owes.
"We're still hoping that the city will wake up and see that this is stress- related," Markley said. "They do not have right to take anything. We'll wait for the appeal."

Rosinski said that the city wanted him to their doctor, who issued a report saying that Rosinski's was not work-related. But Rosinski savs he aiready gave Grunlund-Fox a written evaluation from his own physician saving that the stress was work-related.

"I gave her that on March 28," said Rosinski. "They just seemed to ignore it."

Gronlund-Fox said that they "might" have a copy of the evaluation somewhere in a folder.

Gronlund-Fox said Rosinski was suspended pending a investigation of the incidents at the DPW building, including a statement he made to his supervisor.

But Rosinski said he was suspended because of his part in the investigation that ended with the city admitting last October to dumping untreated sewage behind the DPW building last October. The Department of Environmental Quality ordered the city to clean up

"We found that there was mappropriate behavior on both sides, of DPW workers and Mr. Rosinski," Gronlund-Fox said. "I talked to several employees."

Grunlund-Fox said said that she was not sure what action would be take on behalf of the city, but that the incident was still under investi-

Last March, DPW Supervisor Rick White said that he had not reported any occurrences of harassment of Rosinski to his superiors at city hall because he didn't personally hear any or see

any in the DPW building. White said that he would not report anything that he didn't see himself. White did say he saw Rosinski's name tag dumped into a urinal, though he did not know

who did this. Rosinski said that he has been continuously harassed and threatened with bodily harm and called a "spy" for leaking news of the illegal dumping. Rosinski said fellow workers told him it was his fault that Water and Sewer Superintendent Bruce Jerome took the "heat" for the incident.

They were looking for a scapegoat and they still are," Rosinski

Jerome was suspended by the city during the investigation of the dumping, then reinstated.

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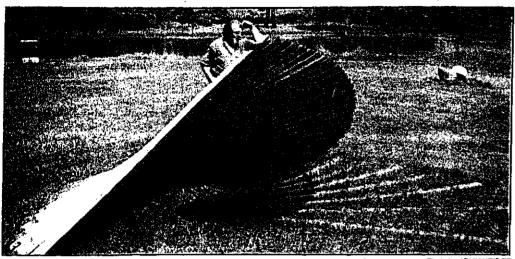
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David Barr stands next to his wooden sculpture called "Whirlwind."

Internationally known artist creates designs from Novi

David Barr. Novi's most renowned artist, has his sculptures on display in Brussels, Tel Aviv. Los Angeles - even the four corners of the earth.

But not publicly in his hometown of over 20 years.

"I have proposed things. I had a thing I thought was pretty nice, but nothing happened." Barr said, who recently returned from a trip to Italy.

"It was kind of discouraging. I've done things all over the world, but not here.

All over the world, literally, to places so far flung most Americans would be hard put to find

them on the map. In 1977, Barr launched Four

'where is the money,

what's the point of it,

justify it."

Corners, a nine-year project without funding or grants. His aim was to four bury marble tetrahedrons (foursided triangles) to form a 6,464 mile long tetrahedron spanthe ning persuading

the locals at each location to agree to his plan. Barr placed a tetrahedron on Easter Island, on an iceberg in Greenland, in South Africa and in the jungles of Irian Jaya

(formerly New Guinea.) Things interest me and then they become pretty compulsive. Once I have an idea, I want to realize it," he said.

"The political problems were enormous...When you have dreams like this, constructive people come toward you and help you do it. That's the meaning of the project."

As a structurist. Barr said he is more interested in the invisible reality, the patterns and organization underlying nature, rather than what is readily visible.

Barr said he is inspired by Minnesota artist Charles Biederman, a structurist, who developed the theory in the 1950s that America's heartland, where nature and industry intersect. would be the cradle of new art.

While Barr's success makes him far from a starving artist he has collections in major museums in Fort Lauderdale, Portland, and Tel Aviv, as well as the Detroit Institute of Arts - he concedes that not all Americans get modern art. Yet his sojourns in cultures less plugged into technology have shown him that modern art travels well.

"They always understand it. It's here people don't understand it. People there understand the

metaphors and symbols. They "In our own culture, it's live their lives by them," Barr satd. "In our own culture, where is the money, what's the point of it.

power

justify it." David Barr Another major Novi Sculpturist sculpture, the on how Americans Arctic Arc Peace interpret art Project, installed sides of the

Bering Straits, in Alaska, and in what was then the Soviet Union. Barr had to brave both the notorious Soviet bureaucracy in the days before Siberia became a tourist destination and in Alaska, where he went door-to-door to win the favor of the local Eskimos.

His SunSweep, a series of stone monuments, outlines the U.S./Canada border. Still, there are no works by Barr inside the boundaries of Novi and outside of the limits of his own west side

property. Back in the 1980s, Barr hoped to put his mark on the city's public space. He made a model of a design resembling Roman ruins from most directions and, from

one angle, the sculpture spelled out Novi. For a time, this was on display at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department, but Barr said he doesn't know what happened to the mock-up.

"They talk about doing a (Novi Town Center) fountain." he said. "Nothing ever happened, I don't know why. I would have tried to keep the budget down to have something in my own communi-

"I can imagine the scenario. He can't be any good if he's local.' Everyone is local somewhere."

That doesn't mean you can't see David Barr's art in Novi, but just a glimpse as you drive past his Napier Road home and studio. His glorious four-acre spread features a sculpture garden that is usually not open to the public. Barr built a pond and planted trees and art on the former cornfield, using it as a testing site for his sculptures and a place to display his work to potential patrons. Former mayor Kathleen McLallen, when she wanted to show off Novi to visiting dignitaries, often led tours of Barr's backyard.

To save money, Barr built his house himself in 1977, from a design by his friend. Chicago architect Laurence Booth. It's based on the Italian Palladian villa style, with an exterior clad in stucco and a red tile roof.

Recently, the Detroit-based American Institute of Architects-Michigan made Barr an honorary affiliate member. In recognizing Barr, the AIA noted that not only have his sculptures been a part of large architectural commissions, but his house has won a distinguished building award from the Chicago Chapter-AlA and has been featured in "Global Architecture," "House and Garden" and Architectural Record.

Inside, he and his wife Beth have furnished their home with Barr's artwork, as well as the wooden furniture he makes, paintings by friends. African sculptures and Oriental rugs. Outside, he's found fellow resi-

dents of Napier Road are "nice

David Barr's sculpture "Islah" rests on his Novi property. The metal sculpture, named after professional basketball player Islah Thomas, traces the path of a ball being dribbled then shot at a

neighbors, people who are understanding if someone puts up a

What Barr's put up on his property includes Isaiah, a red metal sculpture that depicts: the movement of a basketball being dribbled, then dunked. Barr, a Pistons fan, coaxed Isaiah Thomas into leaving his hand print on the

Another piece, "Voice," a stone

sculpture imprisoned in steel, is a tribute to Soviet dissident poet Irina Ratushinskaia, who wrote her poems on soap while in

prison. "It just moved me, what an artist would do to overcome her surroundings," Barr said.

Currently, he is absorbed in creating works from stone as a salute to the power of women. Three, one with a fountain, are installed to the side of his home. Barr said he is inspired by prehistoric Venus figures.

"I think prehistoric ari was a real honest response to the

world," he said. "People were trying to figure out the forces of the world beyond them, not trying to make a product and sell it to art collectors, but

something personal and basic." Barr carves marble at a studio in Vermoni; his big steel pieces are created at a fabricating workshop in Southfield. Models and smaller pieces are made in one of two studios the artist has at his Novi residence.

Born in Detroit, Barr grew up on the east side and headed west because he wanted to live in the country. Unlike many other local artists, he didn't feel the need to flee to New York or the West "I love Michigan. I've lived

between Eight and Ten Mile roads all my life. I'm going further west all the time. The cemetery where I'll end up must be west of here,' Barr said. Barr has both a bachelor's and

State University. Since 1965, he has been a professor of art at Macomb Community College. An engineering student at Wayne State University in the 1950s, Barr paid a random trip to

the art building, signed up for a

master's in Fine Arts from Wayne

"Most artists get into things backwards. Very few people in middle-class America think interms of being an artist." Barr

class and found his future.

said. "They think of being practical. People who are poets and artists come to it by some circular start."

While visitors flocked to the DIA for the Van Gogh exhibit, the challenge for an artist today, as Barr sees it, is bringing people back to an appreciation of con-

temporary art in public spaces. We live in the most prosperous time and the most prosperous country in history. In public art, we're not very challenging. There's a deep suspicion, if not hostility," Barr said. "You go into a tribal village and there's more art per person than we have."

He is one of the founders of the Michigan Legacy Art Park, 30 acres of art in the woods at Crystal Mountain, near Interlochen. Barr conceived the park as an alternative to traditional museums and galleries. Artworks by various state artists portray elements of Michigan's prehistoric, Native American, and pioneer In the Information Age, there is

a worldwide shared culture of kids and pop music, Barr said, "but it isn't one that pushes you spiritually or intellectually." Not everyone will like all art, but that's what democracy is about, he added. Now that Novi is coming of age

as a city, is there room here for art? Barr believes there is. "I think people are going to

have to think bigger than themselves, think about what the community expresses to the world. If you're proud of your community, you would want to show it - we're enlightened here," Barr said.

"it's all about having vision and having dreams and acting on those dreams. And a dream is inclusive, you have to come towards it.

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Artist David Barr studies a colorful model in his Novi home studio. The geometric shape may eventually make its way to being a real sculpture.

BICYCLE

Novi Highlights

Oakland Baptist Church The Homeplate Contest came to ed to Pastor Barry an end with a great day spent June 17 at Comerica Park. The

impressed by the special program ily, was presented to the Wilson monies. Included in this segment Methodist Church continues and slide); and the Wave (wave-action of the program were Ernle Har-starts at 9 a.m. on Saturdays. well, Travis Fryman and Frank The church is located on Beck Tanan. Pastor Tim Whyte com- Road south of Ten Mile. Any indimented that the testimonial seg- vidual or organization who wish- sions and park entry to several ment of the program was truly es to donate their time in this beaches: Addison Oaks, Grovegreat and to top it off, the Tigers - historical project are encouraged - land Oaks and Independence won the game.

The Pensacola Christian Col-

work in the Philippines, teaching Aug. 22-Sept. 4, with not only a 0400. in Bible Institutes. Since Septem- \$1.50 discount savings on admisber, church members have been—sion, but a \$7 per person savings working on a project of filling jars—on the ride ticket coupon book. with loose change. These fars Discount coupons include 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Whitehall is locat-

Business

awards ceremony held in May

local public schools.

school board members at an

Among the recognized were

Helen Prutow, Tony Rothschild

and Janet Thomas representing

totaling \$3,000 and were presentfor his continuing work.

Among other missionaries visitcontest was held with all church ing Oakland Baptist were Vaugh- summer brochure, you will find members participating, including an and Dana Wilson and chilegita copies at the information call Christine Valley, activities the children who were graded on dren, Jonathan, Jacqueline and rack near the Parks and Recreditector, at 349-2200 for information weekly attendance at service. Rachel. The Wilsons are veteran ation office. They also have informemory work, bringing friends to missionaries to Mexico. A gift of a mation on Oakland County cles. Also, if you wish to volunlaptop computer, through a spe- parks: Waterford Oaks Waterwere clal offering from the church fam-Renovation of the 1876

to call the church at 348-2748.

Novi Parks and Recreation lege quartet will perform July 29 Families planning a "stay at long drives, consider picnic fun and staff, at 6:30 p.m., followed by a home" vacation might want to at one of Novi parks, among them potluck dinner. Those staying for check the Novi Civic Center for the new Community Sports Park: the dinner are asked to bring a discount tickets to various enter- the Novi Rotary Park which now passing dish. More details are tainment parks, etc. All facilities has a shelter; and the Spirit of available by calling the church are now open for the season, with '76 with its piente tables and the exception of the Michigan grills. Let's not forget Lakeshore When former Pastor Barry Renaissance Festival which opens. Park complete with beach tent Jones and his wife, Linda recent- Aug. 12. Savings are over \$2 for rentals, multi-purpose buildings, ly visited Oakland Baptist, they one-child and one-adult ticket. etc. received additional funds for their. The Michigan State Fair will open

Handley was awarded the Award Award of Excel-

of Merit and Advocacy Skills Spe- lence for his

and the Henry Ford Museum. If you haven't received your

park, home of the Big Bucket (children's water playground); Ragin' Rapids (group raft ride); Slidewinder (glant double water-

The brochures also carry \$1 off coupons for waterpark admis-

For families who wish to avoid

For more information, call 347 Whitehall Health Care Center There will be a yard sale at the of various fruits. facility Tuesday, June 27, from

500

Gene Lembera

statewide quali-

award. He also

won the award

in three previous years.

Lemberg is from Farmington Hills.

Road. Proceeds will go towards a summer field trip for residents. Donations are needed so please tion as to when to drop off artiteer your services in pricing or clean-up, let Christine know. Father's Day brunch included entertainment by Alfredo Galli.

sing-a-longs throughout the The Family Council plans to meet with relatives and friends of the residents this week. Also held this week will be an ice cream social given by friends and family of Amalia Frisch for residents

who also supplies piano music

for both listening pleasure and

This month's entertainment will also include two appearances by Leslie Frederick and her music. Several clergy members visit cure. Featured was Debbie

the facility frequently: The Rev. Church: The Rev. Louise Otl. United Methodist Church: and a Hope Lutheran Church representative who delivers a short message and plays Bingo with prizes Other Bingo days include Bak-

will hold regular meetings this week

in the area. For more informaton

Novi Chapter - 7-8:30 a.m. on

June 27 at Kerby's Koney Island, 8

Greater Novi Chapter - 7-8:30

Mile Road and Haggerty, Northville.

a.m. on June 28 at Novi Hilton,

Farmington Hills Chapter - 7-

8:30 a.m. on June 28 at The Grand

Wixom Chapter - 7-8:30 a.m. on

June 30 at Leon's Restaurant.

29710 S. Wixom Road between Pon-

21111 Haggerty Road, Novi.

Cafe, dowtown Farmington.

call (810) 323-3800.

the coming year. ery Bingo: Bingo with Pat, who and Neighbors is not just for for this column, call 624-0173.

some close-to-home favorites: ed on the north side of Ten Mile supplies the refreshments; and those new to the community, but Detroit Zoo, Greensteld Village, near the intersection of Novi Bingo with Becky every Friday at also to those interested but unable to attend meetings. All are welcome.

New programs include a reading group led by Paul Kemp every Tuesday, Crunchy Toast, and Coffee with Cornerstone Church. Volunteers and organizations are always welcome; call 349- winners is on display in the 2200 for dates and times.

Novi Newcomers and Neighbors New officers for the coming craft auction will follow at a year include: Debbie Sunden. later date. president: Diane Burck, first vice resident of programs; Margaret Myers, second vice president of membership; Christine Baugh- from: the euchre group meets man, treasurer; Sue Choma, sec- the first part of the month inew retary; and Vickie Batchunas, members and subs are always interest chairman.

2 p.m.

recently held and enjoyed by all, favorite beverage or dessert with winners and next year's next night out will be Thursday sponsor being Julie and Tony July 27; lunch bunch group Lauback and Brian and Sharon continues with its latest lun-In addition, the Installation

dinner was held at Country Epi-

Nutile, a personal trainer from Kronk of St. James Catholic Novi Sports Club, who spoke on cally in the Motor City and Music grams and events. Festival (formerly the '50s Festi-

vall and in the fall's kick-off for

The Outstanding Member Award for 1999-2000 went to Margaret Myers. The plaque with her name and former award Novi Public Library. Details for the annual gift and

Although many interest groups take a summer break The annual road rally was the movies, followed by cheon held at Local Color; play groups meet at Tim Popi

Call Debbie Sunden at 349 The NNN will participate musi- 2414 for information about pro-

playstructure, Ella Mae Powe

Park, with a future picnic

Novi Highlights is written b Jeanne Clarke. Should you wis A reminder - Novi Newcomers to contact her with information

Community Events

NORTHVILLE PARADE NEEDS foods), calligraphy, silk flowers, VINTAGE CARS

Desperately seeking (not Susan) but vintage cars for the July 4 parade.

Show off that classic car, truck, motorcycle, tractor, dragster, gocart, scooter - you name it - everyone is anxious to see it in the parade, Just call the Northville Community Foundation (248) 374-

0200 to register. The parade is Tuesday, July 4 at CHANGE 10 a.m. in downtown Northville, but you must preregister.

AMATEUR RADIO ON AIR FOR 24 HOURS

Novi Licensed Amateur Radio operators will work "'round the clock" this weekend, June 24-25 to set up field radio communication stations, get on the air, and contact thousands of other operators in the US and Canada as part of participation in the American Radio League's Field Day.

Hams will set up and operate field radio stations to contact other can Red Cross is in critical need of hams throughout the US and blood, especially during the sum- July 15, from 10 a.m.-noon. Canada over 24 hours. Objective is mer holiday times. to see who can make the highest number of contacts during the contest period.

CRAFTERS NEEDED FOR ART

The Holiday Arts and Crafts ment. Show is looking for artists and crafters, especially in the cate-

tant relative left you is a valuable antique? Dust

June 24, and find out once and for all. "Most

folks don't appreciate or understand what a lot

tions for Brighton Gardens by Marriott,

Northville. The Antique Hunt is an opportunity

to find out if what you have is worth something

can Cancer Society. "This is a chance to donate

it too "Williamson said A silent auction featur-

ing a variety of items will also be held through-

The event, which will run from 1-4 p.m., is to the history of the piece.

ering will take place on church grounds Ministry for a Mass and Healing Ser-

an antique to a good cause and have fun with like to live in this part of Michigan during that

WELLNESS SEMINARS BY

dried flowers, baskets, candles,

photography (other than Detroit).

wood shelves, or anything unusu-

al. Other items wait-listed at this

Centers will hold Wellness Semismoking cessation program at the following locations: Weight Reduction Program

The show will be held on Saturday, Nov. 18 at North Farmington High School. If interested, contact Dianne at (248) 553-0913. TOASTMASTERS LOCATION

masters will now meet at the Novi Civic Center every first and third Grand River Ave., (Beck Road Tuesday of the month. New mem- entrance) will host the program on bers are welcome and meetings are

Due to the July 4 holiday, the Toastmasters will meet the second Tuesday of the month, July 11. BLOOD DRIVE IN NOVI "Give the Gift of Life" by donating blood at a blood drive hosted

by WJBK FOX2 Detroit and Art Center-Providence Park at 47601 Van Furniture in Novi. The Ameri-Grand River Ave. (Beck Road entrance) will be held Saturday,

The drive will be held on Friday. June 30, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Art Van Furniture, 27775 Novi Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-5433) to make an appointnosis and behavior modification. Participants learn to lose weight

Antique Hunt to be held in Northville

it off and bring it to The Great Antique Hunt at Antique Mall in Northville and a co-sponsor of time sing a-longs, will transport participants to

the Brighton Gardens by Marriott in Northville, the event. "Antique dealers from all over the and from the event, beginning at the Knights-

approximate value as well as speaking about past."

"We serve the senior population and a lot of

well-known for its pottery."

time." Williamson said.

Providence Hospital and Medical nars for weight reduction and a sion is a free orientation. If the

 Providence Medical Center. Livonia: Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road (at control program on Thursday, July

• Novi Park: Providence Medical Center-Providence Park, 47601 Saturday, July 15, from 1-3 p.m.

Smoking Cessation Program Providence Medical Center, Livonia: Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Steven Mile Road (at Newburgh) will host the stop Road. smoking program on Wednesday July 12, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Novi Park: Providence Medical

Centers will present the highly effective Wellness Seminars for weight control and smoking cessation, a two-hour session for each. which combines the power of hyp-

just about any other place in the country, said be a short question and answer period

Bruce McKenzie, owner of the Knightsbridge Shuttle buses, filled with the sounds of old-

country come to the Midwest to buy antiques bridge Antique Mall, 42305 W. Seven Mile Road,

for their stores," he said. "This area is especially two miles west of Haggerty Road, Northville.

out for Rookwood, Roseville and Pewabic pot- event for the whole family," Williamson said. "It

tery in particular. He and his associates will be will be a great chance for kids to meet some of

conducting appraisals, awarding each item an our residents and learn a little bit about the

McKenzie said people should be on the look- be held throughout the afternoon. "This is an

by controlling overcating, binging. snacking and emotional eating;

weight gain or withdrawals

participant feels comfortable with solving common breastfeeding the program, then they pay a one- problems; how to pump; taking time fee of \$59. This fee includes a care of mom; and growth and powerful hypnotic session, behav- development of the breastfeeding for modification booklet, a home infant reinforcement audio cassette tape, Newburgh) will host the weight and unlimited free repetitions of how many register. For more the seminar if needed. The seminar information or to register, call 18, from 3-5 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 is sponsored at the hospitals regu- (248) 926-3341.

For reservations, call 1-877-345-

BONSAI CONVENTION The Mid-America Bonsai Alliance (MABA) 2000 Detroit Bonsai Convention will be held June 30-July 2

at the DoubleTree Hotel, I-96 and a cost of \$2 per item for appraisal. Novi Road, entrance on Sheraton Show dates and hours will be Friday and Saturday, June 30 and July 1, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun- PARADE PARTICIPANTS day, July 2, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Tickets are \$5 per person.

There will be exhibits of miniature bonsal trees, market place for is looking for additional partici-Providence Hospital and Medical gift items and vendor area to pants. Bands, floats, cars, and select bonsai trees, pottery, and community organizations are Call (248) 354-6119 for addi-

BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT

Short sessions on how to care for antiques will

Call Anette Findlay at (248) 349-

located at 1010 E. West Maple CHILDREN'S The first 45 minutes of each ses- Road, Walled Lake. Topics covered will include: PARADE

The children's bicycle parade has long been a part of the July 4 parade celebration. This year, Northville Parks and Recreation has offered to sponsor the event. All children of the Northville com-Date and time is determined by munity, ages 5 and over are invit-

parade. The parade route is 1 1/2 Bicycle parade applications are available at Northville City Hall. 215 W. Main Street: Northyille Township Hall, 41600 Six Mile Road: Northville Community Cenantique appraiser will be there at ter, 303 W. Main Street: Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady Street: and the Northville Community Foundation, 321 N. Center,

ed to participate by decorating

their bicycles and riding in the

Suite No. 130. For further information, contact Northville Parks and Recreation at (248) 349-0203.

LIBRARY FUNDRAISER

The Friends of Northville District Library are again holding their Fantasy of Trees 2000 to take place in Northville Businesses in November and December. If you did not receive your order form to sponsor a tree, please contact Darleen Sweeney at (734)

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NORTHVILLE LOOKING FOR

The Northville Township Foun-

There is a registration fee of \$40

for all participants except non-

profit organizations and bike

parade participants. For details,

dation is again coordinating the

annual Fourth of July parade and

encouraged to apply.

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Religion On Sunday, June 25, a picnic will fol-place on Friday, June 23 at 7 p.m. low the 10 a.m. worship service at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. The gath- O.S.M. of International Compassion

out the day.

brook, Novi. Guests are welcome. Everyone is encouraged to dress

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nated him a Knight of the Holy Sepul-Ward Evangelical Presbyterian missioners and guests from all across 852-8801.

personally visit churches throughout Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) convenes Thursday, June 22 through Saturday, June 24 to address matters of common concern to me church community. Hosted by Ward Preshyterian Church, 700 pastors, com-

from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Monday through Friday, June 26-30.

374-5975. **The 20th General Assembly of the** lie is welcome to attend the evening wor ning at 7:30 p.m.

shin services June 21, 22 and 23, begin-The General Assembly will meet at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville. For additional information, call 1-877



Cost of admission is a \$5 donation to the The one-day event will also be a step back in American Cancer Society at the door. Food and refreshments will be available. An afterglow will be held at the Knightsbridge Antique Mali immethose folks will be sharing stories of what it was diately following the event. There is no cost for antique appraisals, but there is a two-item maximum. To register an

There will be a lot of storytelling, sharing the antique or for more information, call the history of this area before Haggerty Road was Brighton Gardens by Marriott at (734) 420-7917 The Midwest is home to more antiques than paved and before I-275 existed. There will also by June 23, or come a bit early on June 24.

Sunday Worship at 9:45 a.m. Church of Northville will conduct the United States will join with us for this Vacation Bible School for grades K-7, important event. This annual General Assembly kicks off a year of celebration

> for the EPC now entering its 20th year of Assembly activities are open to all EPC church members. The general pub-

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Have you ever received a really hot investment tip? How many times has it actually worked out? "Not-so-hot tips" can throw a kink in your long- you are eligible. Most plans allow pretax contributerm investment approach. Here are some sound tions and tax-deferred account earnings. Don't forget

· Get Started Early ~ It's impossible to stress this point too much. Despite other financial pressures, this can often make the difference in reaching your appreciation potential with managed risk.

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Doug Bingham

about IRAs either.

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· Prepare for the Long Haul - Follow the plan. this approach cannot protect from loss or guarantee Don't be tempted to over react to short-term market a profit, but it may help to lower the average cost of fluctuations. Chasing "hot" tips could damage your long-term plan.

 Schedule Regular Portfolio Checkups - Your from investments, you may be able to increase your financial portfolio may need gradual adjustment as account balance over the long term. Assuming a your lifestyle changes. You should review your holdpositive return on your investment, you will realize ings with your financial advisor at least one a year. If greater benefits from the power of compounding. you have a major life change (e.g., baby, marriage, Job change, or early retirement), make an immediate appointment.

Doug Bingham, CFP, works for Raymond James &

On Campus

Rebecca Huliman of Novi has Lopez, Anne Maureen Mahoney, been named a recipient of a Facul- Michelle Renee Malinowski, ty Scholarship to Grand Valley Ivana Malusev, Monica Lee Man-State University.

To be considered for this scholarship, the recipient must have a Maxwell G. Mitts, Maria Jolanta 3.5 high school grade point aver- Mizera, John Howard Morgan age and a minimum ACT score of III, Betsy Louise Mullally, 29. The award is renewable for Laraine R. Nielsen, Susan Alice three additional years with a mini- Nudi, Scott Michael Ohlsson,

mum of a 3.5 GPA or better. Northville High School and the Pickford, Joel T. Ryan, Stacy renewable four-year scholarship daughter of Paul and Linda Hull-

The following are local-area students who recently graduated from Schoolcraft College:

Jeremy Jack Abbey, Michael Paul Wilkie, Mary Jo Wilson, C. Anstine, Julie Anne Atkin- David Apollo Zimmerman, David son-Fountain, Chad Everett A. Zywicki, and Carrie Nickole Balko, Therese Marie Bialobrzeski, Beth Nina Boginski, Priscilla J. Boginski, Colleen Patricia Brooks, Shane Joseph Alan L. Bailey, Barbara S. Cetrone, Cash, Jaime Lee Curtis, Jen- Hsi-Wen Chang, Ling Chen, Terri nifer Marie D'Amour, Amanda Lee Doyle, Theresa M. Falasco. Francis, Carol J. Gibson, Brian Kevnick, Deborah Lynn Kornak, mum 3.5 GPA or better. Scott Gierlack, Amy Kristin Colleen Michele Litzelman, Green, Kirsten Olga Hagen, Janet Lynn Harvey, Shelley Kay Lynda Diane Mammel, Roberto Hasselbach, Genette Irene Hay-Norl Lynn Jarvis, Robyn R. zbach, Cheryl Lee Sabich, Kait- in May. Roskela, Laura Lee Kozlowski. lyn Erin Sandberg, and Sandy

chione, Vicki Lynn Messer, from Hope College. Lee Sloan, Christopher M. Stewart. Christopher M. Stewart, year Lisa Tolstedt, Margaret Mary Truax, Judy Ann Vershave, Jeffrey Logan VonBuskirk, Brian Ailen Wall, Erin Laurel Wernholm, Gary S. Weyer, Robert

Whittaker. David Michael Alder, Bonnie Zijun Liu, Pamela Anne Mallo, R. Marchesotti, Donna Butler

Heather Qualman, a senior at Northville High School, received ning, Christine Marie Mar- the Distinguished Scholar Award

These awards are granted to students with an overall academic high school record including course selection, grade point average, class rank, and standardized Nicole Elena Ortiz-Rich, Roberta test scores indicative of a promis-Hullman is a student at Rence Peck, Kristen Nicole ing academic future. This is a worth between \$5,000-\$6,000 a

> Award winners list an average GPA of 3.82, average ACT composite of 27, and a SAT combined score of 1183. Qualman is the daughter of Alfred and Connie Qualman of Northville.

Novi High School senior Joshua Hutchens is the recipient of a Faculty Scholarship to Grand Vallev State University.

To be considered for this scholarship, the recipient must have a MaryEllen Dekoker, Dante T. Kevin Lloyd Fletcher, Elizabeth 3.5 high school grade point aver-DelPizzo, Kevin Dennis Droz, Ann Haack, Kathleen Marie age and a minimum ACT score of Carolyn Ann Ebbinghaus, Hamilton, April E. Hemp, Victo- 29. The award is renewable for Michael W. Faria, Angela Marie ria Louise Kerr, Kelly Ann three additional years with a mini-Hutchens is the son of Dan and Kay Hutchens of Novi.

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uate of Northville High School. She received a bachelors degree in 1999 from Clemson University and is currently employed at American Management Systems as a business analyst. The groom-elect graduated

from Detroit Catholic Central High School in 1995, and from Clemson University in 1999. He is employed as a sales engineer with Carrier Corp. A Sept. 23 wedding will take place at Callaway Gardens in

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• Medication Assistance

their medication.

The Senior Center has several

those having difficulty paying for

• Home Energy Assistance

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mation to address the needs and

support, housing, legal services,

job opportunities, Medicare and

· Books/Cards/Clubs at the

Novi Camera Club, second

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eer opportunities.

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• Transportation

10-week session.

NEWS **5AA THURSDAY** June 22,

Monthly Bookmobile at the

Novi Center, third Tuesday of the

Quilting, second Wednesday of

the month, Novi Center, 10 a.m.

Creative writing, call Jan at

Crafts, Tuesdays at the Novi

Senior ushers for the Novi The-

Pen pals, call Jan. at 347-

Novi Garden Club, call Elinor

Michigan Fishcarvers on

Oil painters every Wednesday,

• Dance at the Senior Center

Monthly ballroom dance to the

"Satin Sounds" band, Fourth

Clogging, open dance and

beginners/intermediate instruc-

flyers and registration at Novi

Line dance, western and regu-

The senior bowling league

The Novi Senior Center offers

Women's Division, Mondays at

Men's Division, Mondays at 9

Mixed Division, Thursdays at 9

Numerous day and extended

travel opportunities are avail-

able. Flyers on the many trips

are displayed at the Novi Parks

and Recreation office in the Novi

Monthly travel meetings are

held on the third Thursday. Tour

companies are available at that

senior "Get Together" will be Oct. 22-25 at the Grand Hotel. This spe-

Waltonwood at Twelve Oaks

retirement community has offered

and \$600 for single accommoda-

Depart at 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$69

residents, \$74 for non-residents

July 12, Pelee Island Adven

Depart 6:30 a.m. and return

July 12, 59th Annual

Depart at 1 p.m. and return at

12:45 a.m. Cost is \$69 for resi-

dents, \$70 for non-residents. Din-

. July 27-29. Stratford Festi-

Cost is \$399 per person, double

. July 29-Aug. 5, Vancouver

· Aug. 10, Clinton River

Depart 7:30 a.m. and return

· Aug. 14, Double JJ Dude

Depart 7:30 a.m. and return

6:30 p.m. Barbecue lunch includ-

ed. Cost is \$69 for residents, \$76

children age 4-14. (Two children

per full price adult or pay full

4:15 p.m. Lunch included. Cost

is \$57 for residents and \$64 for

Ranch (Family Day Tour)

occupancy, for residents.

and Canadian Rockies

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• July 11, Irish Hills

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meets at Novi Bowl each Thurs-

tion. Day and evening classes,

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from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Leagues

programs designed to assist lar, on Tuesdays and Thursdays,

Tuesday, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

ater, call Jan at 347-0414.

month, 11:30 a.m. to noon.

Wednesday and Friday, from 9 Club, second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

347-0414.

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Center at 10 a.m.

at (248) 477-7913.

Wednesdays, 7-10 p.m.

Novi Senior Center, 10 a.m.

Novi Seniors

The Novi Senior Center located in the Novi Civic Center is open to seniors 50 and older. Many services and programs are provided without charge. Classes, special events and trips each have their cast/chorus for our big fall musiown fees. For more information or cal variety show "Showstoppers" to register for an activity, please Sept. 13, 14, 15 and 17. Come to A 25-minute session for \$10. The call (248) 347-0414 or by fax at Novi Parks and Recreation to regis- sessions are by appointment (248) 347-3286.

COMING EVENTS AT THE SENIOR CENTER · Still time to sign up for several

summertime day trips Grand River Dinner Cruise in no. Aug. 2; Mystery Tour, Aug. 9; brochure mailed to your home. Detroit Tigers vs. Baltimore Orioles at Comerica Park, Aug. 10.

· Extended trips are too numerous to mention. Visit the Novi arranged for Novi residents by call- Suggested donation of \$2 per up flyers on great destinations such as Greece, Hawaii, Branson, Cape Cod, Colorado, New Orleans, provided to homebound Novi daily. Stratford, France, New Hampshire seniors needing reassurance. Calls and many more.

Ballroom dancing/live band, from 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, June 27: Tuesday, July 25; Tuesday, Aug. 22. Cost: \$3.

· World War II Veterans Recognition Day, Sunday, July 2 at 1 p.m., Novi Civic Center.

The city of Novi is having a very special event to honor World War II vets. Plan to attend this extraordinary tribute. Inspiring music, deliclous refreshments, interesting tions. If you know a World War II veteran, please have them register at Novi Parks and Recreation. Attending World War II veterans will receive special recognition on this day. No fee.

· Antique Road Show (The Novi Senior center Version), Wednesday,

June 28 at 12:30 p.m. We have secured a certified antique appraiser who will be a.m. There is a drop-in fee of \$2 available to appraise your antiques per session or register for a 10at \$2 per antique. No pictures, please. Tables will also be available at \$10 each for seniors who wish

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Northville Seniors

Copies of the monthly calendar Caldonia, Ohio, June 27; Freedom of activities and menus are avail-Festival Fireworks on the Detroit able at Novi Parks and Recreation. River, Wednesday, June 28; Casino Register to receive the quarterly Windsor, July 12; Motor City Casi- Novi Parks and Recreation and older: Subsidized cab rides · Services for Homebound Home-delivered meals are operate daily within the city.

You don't even have to be that

good. Anyone wishing to be in the

ter. Rehearsals will be held on

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and Women

SERVICES

dars

Parks and Recreation office to pick ing (248) 347-0203, from 9 a.m. to ride. Advance reservations are noon daily. Ask for Diane. necessary by calling (248) 735-Telephone reassurance calls are 5617, between 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

are made by volunteers and can be arranged by calling the Senior Center.

• Nutrition/Food Services

Catered lunches are provided daily at the Novi Senior Center. Advance reservations are necessary. Call the center from 9 a.m. eligible may receive assistance to noon at least three days in with their utilities and home advance. There is a \$2 per meal repairs. donation.

Focus Hope/Food Commodity distribution programs are provided displays, and special presenta- at the Senior Center to persons interests of seniors: in-home meeting income criteria.

> Blood pressure screening is provided every Wednesday at the Senior Center, between 11 a.m. to

Novi Senior Center Pinochle tournaments, Mon-11:50 a.m. days_at 12:30 p.m. Contract bridge every Thurs-Body Recall exercise program with a certified instructor on day, 12:30 p.m. Duplicate bridge on Fridays. each Monday and Friday at 9:30 12:30 p.m.

Stretch and strength training Novi Library, second Thursday, to sell their antiques (no dealers, for seniors with a certified monthly, 12:30 p.m. Instructor on each Monday.

week session.

The staff at the Northville Senior gram. For more information, call the Senior Center. TRANSPORTATION Bus Service for Local Shop-

> ping Trips Tuesdays: Meijer, Kohl's, Target and local banks. Fridays: Farmer Jack/Hiller's or Shopping Center Market/Busch's

Bus begins pickup at 9:30 a.m. tion on senior citizen activities. from your home. Cost is \$2. Call trips, and services. You can pick up the Senior Center for reservations ter. a newsletter at the Senior Center or 24 hours in advance.

· Telephone Reassurance (Tele-Homebound residents can receive Park Mall for an afternoon (12-4 a daily telephone call to talk and p.m.) of movies, lunch and shopcheck on their well being, free of ping. The days scheduled are the charge. Please call the Senior Cen- second and fourth Monday of each tion for the parade so you'll want to

ed Monday through Friday at Allen Terrace for a donation of \$1.50. Meals can be delivered to your

home through the Meals on Wheels program. If interested, call (800) • Focus: HOPE Food distribution is the fourth Friday of every month, 11 a.m. to 2 4:30 p.m.; beginning Pinochle on p.m. at the Senior Center.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensi- Body Workout Exercise Class Meets every Thursday. Weigh-ins take place from 8-9 a.m. The meeting runs from 9-10 a.m.

 Pot Luck Luncheons Come get your blood pressure checked by a nurse from St. Mary's Hospital nursing staff, free of charge. Held at the Senior Center on the fourth Monday of the month,

• Detroit Symphony Orchestra

(alternating Fridays). your own. Please stop by and regis- double or triple accommodations

 Bus Service for Movies, Lunch and Shopping at the Mall Twice a

The senior bus goes to Laurel your home (11 a.m.) or the MAGS parking lot (11:30 a.m.). Cost is \$2. Please call to make reservations.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES Card Playing

Join us for cards at the Senior Center. Enjoy several hours of fun ford for just \$1. The schedule is as follows: Bridge, Wednesdays, 12:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Pinochle, Mondays and Thursdays, 12:30 p.m. to Tuesdays, from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30

This class meets every Wednesday at 9:45 a.m. at Allen Terrace. Cost is \$3 per class. No registration ing trips and travel. Refreshments

Held on the third Tuesday of every month at the Senior Center. Meet at noon, bring your own table service, a dish to pass, and \$1. Afterwards, there will be a movie on the big screen T.V. at 1:30 p.m.

Northville Senior Center has Qualified Northville and Northville Township senior citizens reserved tickets to various concerts age 65 and over are eligible to throughout the season. Departure receive three months' worth of pre- time is 9 a.m. from MAGS. Please scriptions through the MEPPS pro- call to register.

Beginning and advanced Tai Chi cial event includes hotel accommoclasses will soon start at the Senior dations, transportation, a full Center. The six-week session will breakfast and five-course dinner run July 24-Aug. 31. The beginner each day. Special activities and class will run 10:30-11:30 a.m. and entertainment are also planned. the advanced class will run 9:30-10:30 a.m. Cost is \$50. Monday's class is taught by Ging. Thursday's to co-sponsor this trip; therefore, class provides an opportunity to trip prices have been reduced. Now practice with other students or on the cost for a resident is \$470 for

SENIOR CENTER TRIPS

 Fourth of July Festivities Please join us for the July 4 festivities. Arrive before 9 a.m. and enjoy coffee and donuts before the narade starts at 10 a.m. (Cady Street will be closed by police at approximately 9 a.m. in preparamonth. Pick-up will begin from come early.) Bring a chair and watch the parade in front of the Senior Center. There will be a picnic lunch of hot dogs, chips and pop afterwards, Cost is \$4. Please call

to register.

· Dinner Out at Baker's in Mil-Milford on July 20. We will depart at 4:30 p.m. from MAGS. Cost for transportation is \$4. Please call to

• Travel Show Meeting Join us Aug. 22 at 10:30 a.m. for the travel show meeting. Tour companies will be at the Senior Center to present information on upcomwill be served and door prizes will be presented. No charge. Call the

center to register.

• Tiger Game at Comerica Park Please join us as we head to Comerica Park on Sept. 7 to cheer the Tigers on to victory. Cost is \$37. The bus will leave from MAGS at 6 p.m. Call now to reserve your

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al Michigan parks and recreation

Summer

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> Thursday, June 22,

Small time crooks makes for medium laughs

Small Time Crooks MPAA Rating: PG Now Playing Recommended

By Ken Marten STAFF WRITER

Crime doesn't pay, except in occasional Woody Allen films.

In Small Time Crooks, Academy Award winner Allen (Annie Hall, Mighty Aphrodite) plays Ray Winkler, a reformed petty criminal who is frustrated with the straight. clean lifestyle. By enlisting the help of his wife, Frenchie, played by Tracey Ullman, (Bullets Over Broadway. I Love You to Death) and three equally clumsy crooks. Ray "masterminds" a scheme to buy a pizzeria and then tunnel into the vault of a nearby bank. While Frenchie turns the pizzeria into a cookie store that gets rave reviews and media hype. Ray and his fellow klutzes botch the bank

No matter. Sunset Cookies grows into Sunset Farms, the fastest growing cookie company in the industry. The team of thieves, all company vice presidents, get

Things are great with husband and wife until Frenchie decides to mingle with Manhattan millionaires and discovers that she's as refined as crude oil. She employs David, an English art dealer played by Hugh Grant. (Four Weddings and a Funeral, Mickey Blue Eyes) to culture her. Frenchie wants to know about Monet and gourmet; Ray is happy with watching television and eating cheese-

The crux of Small Time Crooks is the rollercoaster relationship between Ray and Frenchie, and the comedy that generates from it. Their marriage, and the film, is hinged on a string of unrelated

While the film is still funny, the standard Woody Allen film character-insecure. neurotic, nebbish-is wearing thin after 35 years. He may be able to squeeze out one or two more movies before the public finally tires of the sameof this, and that might explain why other actors with quirky, off-beat comedy styles are finding themselves in his films. Hence the presence of the Elaine May (California Suite, in the Spirit) as May. Frenchie's flighty cousin. Better known today for her screenwriting and directing rather than acting, May appearance is refreshing. And speaking of thievery, she steals

Ullman and Grant, masters of versatility, are both very good and offer their own brand of comic delivery. Grant's character, conniving and dastardly, is reminiscent of the film personality perfected by George Sanders in numerous Hollywood productions.

every scene she is in.

Even Saturday Night Live alumni Jon Lovitz (City Silckers II, High School High) makes a worthy appearance as one of Allen's bumbling accomplices. He seems to have had an epiphany: no silly voices, no mane slapstick. Lovitz is really acting in this picture.

The wittlest scene in Small Time

old same-old. Allen may be aware Crooks is the news documentary about the success of the Sunset Farms cookie empire in which the criminals-turned-corporate officers are all interviewed. It's a throwback to Allen's segments on the early 70s Saturday morning kids' show, "Hotdog," with bizarre answers and outlandish explanations to simple questions. It could easily stand alone as a comedy short, or be expanded.

Sadly, many filmgoers can't seem to separate actors' personal lives from their on-screen characters. Allen's scandalous affair with ex-partner Mia Farrow's adopted daughter, Soon-Yi Previn, has hurt his reputation since it became public in 1992. Every Allen film since has had a millstone around its neck. Thus, Small Time Crooks may not receive its propers. Allen may not be a model citizen, but he does make funny films.

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Elaine May: comic genius

By Ken Marten

Co-starring in Small Time Crooks is unsung actress, director and screenwriter Elaine May as Tracey Ullman's flaky and flighty cousin.

The public is more familiar with her off-screen work rather than with her film roles. May's screenwriting credits include Heaven Can Wait, which carned her and co-writer Warren Beatty an Oscar nomination in 1978, Mikey and Nicky, Tootsle, The Bird Cage, and most recently, Primary Colors. Her directorial efforts include A New Leaf. The Heartbreak Kid, and the dismal

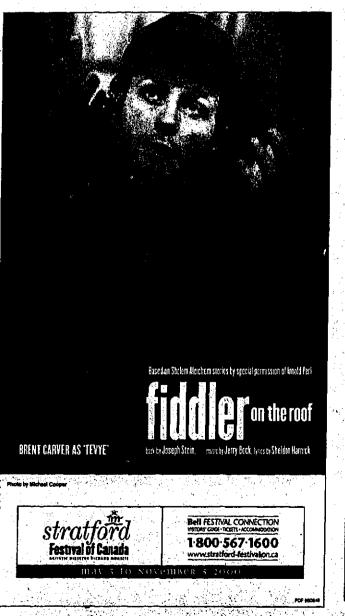
May, age 68, began acting as child, appearing onstage with her father, Jack Berlin. In her

early 20s, she studied method acting from actress Maria Ouspenskaya, whose most famous role was that of the Gypsy fortuneteller in The Wolf Man, shot in 1941. May moved to Chicago, attended college, and met actor Mike Nichols. Together, they formed one of the best satire comedy teams in recent entertainment memory. Their aptly named 1960 Broadway revue, "An Evening With Mike Nichols and Elaine May," was a terrific success. The team split the following year, finally collaborating again 35 years later with The Bird Cage, which Nichols directed.

May's daughter. Jeannic Berlin, starred in 1975's The Heartbreak Ktd, and was nominated for an Academy Award for best supporting actress.



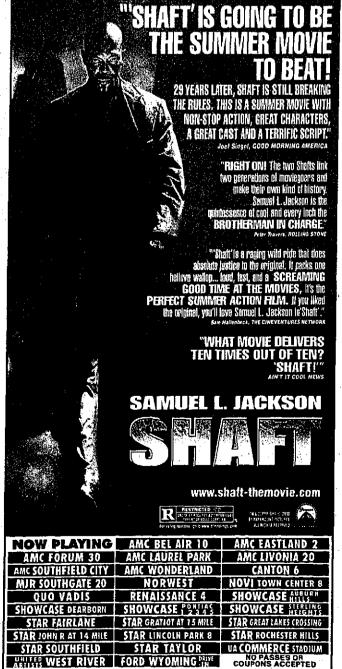








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THURSDAY June 22, 2000

ALL-AREA BOYS AND GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD

Goto, Toloff top our list

Not only did the Kensington Valley Conference produce some great individuals, but the teams that came out of the conference this year proved they could compete with anyone.

Novi showed that after knocking off threetime defending league champion Milford and winning their first KVC crown in nearly 10 years. The Wildcats went on to take third place at the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association state meet.

Individually, the league and area, had a plethora of top-notch talent. Leading the charge was Milford's Tom Greenless and Novi's Chris Toloff.

Greenless accomplished something no one else in the area could touch. The senior won the Class-A state title in the 800-meter run. He also took home three KVC titles among his other accomplishments.

Toloit's time of 4:10.7 in the mile run at the state meet was the third-fastest in state history and placed him second to national champion Dathan Ritzenhein of Rockford. He also ran a career-best 9:15.3 in the two mile for a sixth-place finish.

Here is a list of the area's best times, distances and heights for 2000.

Kyle Kollar, Milford

Discus (150-9)

Not surprisingly. Kollar was a state qualifier in the discus. He was also the KVC champion with a throw of 143'8".

Justin Sterett. Novi

Long Jump (20-6 1/2) Any one of three Wildcats could lead the team in any particular meet, but it was Sterett who cleared an area-best 20-6 1/2 at the Novi Relays back in mid April.

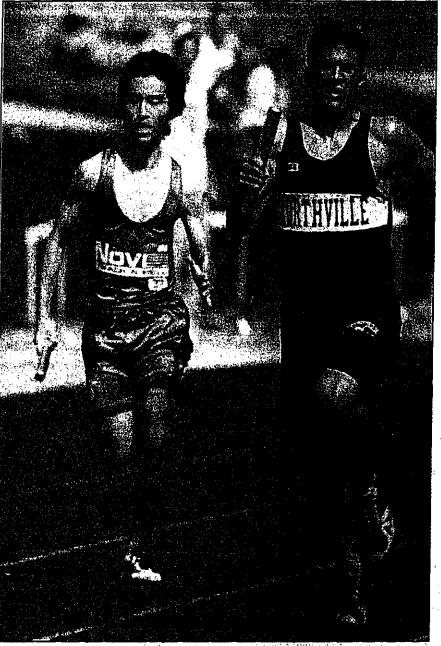
Alex Haines, Northville Justin Morris, Northville John Tuttle, Milford

High Jump (6-4) Haines and Morris provided the Mustangs with an almost-sure eight points each time out. Both cleared their best early on in the season, but Haines was the team's representative at the state meet after clearing 6-3 at

Tuttle cleared 6'4" in Milford's first dual meet of the season, against South Lyon.

Kyle Kollar, Milford

Continued on 2.



Yasuaki Goto (left) and Brandon Langston were the area's fastest in 2000.

Rzepka tops area vaulters

Are the following number impressive? You ain't seen nothing yet. It's a good thing these girls can run so well, because many of them aren't old enough to drive. In the individual events, seven of our all-area honorces were ninth-graders, Freshmen Kate Maxwell of Lakeland and Katie Kramer of Milford both set school records. So did Milford's Connic Mallinson, but that's old news she's a sophomore. Twin sisters Andrea and Jacquelyn Gaudreau from South Lyon were a revelation in the sprints, and were part of the school-record setting 400-meter relay team.

Here's HomeTown East's All-Area Girls' Track and Field Team. The future is now

Jamie Kuzdek, South Lyon Discus (127-0)

A repeat selection to the all-area team, Kuzdek made this throw - as usual, breaking her own school record - in the Meet of Champions, which prepares athletes for the state finals. At the Class A championships in Rockford, Kuzdek placed sixth. She was also the KVC titlist and second at the Oakland County meet.

Kate Marwell, Lakeland

Long Jump (16-5 1/4)

Maxwell set this mark in the dual season. She didn't break 16 feet again, but was good enough to place second at the regional (15'8 1/4") and fourth at the KVC meet (15'6").

Mary McDougal, Novi High Jump (5-2)

McDougal set her best mark early in the season, and was a mainstay in the event all year long for her team. Her best leap of 5-2 came against Lakeland, but was just one of a few 5-foot jumps she cleared this season.

Stephanie Pridmore, Novi

Shot Put (35-6)

Unlike most throwers, Pridmore reached her peak (35-6) early on in the season. She then had a top-three finish at the league meet and won the regional title with a throw of 33-11.

Mickie Rzepka, Novi

Pole Vault (10-0)

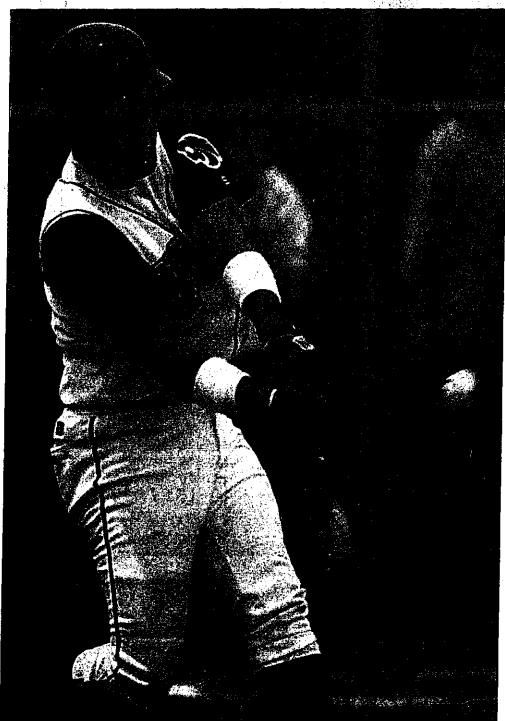
Over the past three seasons, Rzepka has been one of, if not the league's best, sprinter, winning KVC titles in both the 100 and 200. But she's found a home with pole vaulting, so much so that she reached 10 feet twice this season, the second time helping her to a fifth-place finish at the Class A state meet.

Milford's 3,200 relay team

(9:31.8)

Milford went into the regional figuring it had no shot of beating

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Senior Brendan Hadley finished with what will be the state record for career batting average (.540).

The numbers don't lie

Hadley, Rowe take aim at state record books

By DAN KITTLE

He already had one of the sweetest swings the state has ever seen. He already had an incredible eve at the plate; he already had one of the most flery, competitive spirits ever seen; and he could already pound the ball with so much authority that the earth would shake. On top of that, he even had the biggest, toughest goatee in the state.

Now, Brendan Hadley also owns a prestigious state record. This past season, Hadley's .546 batting average vaulted his career mark to a scorching .540, giving him the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) record for career batting average. He surpassed Brighton's Drew Henson, one of the state's best ballplayers ever, who hit .527 in four years as a Bulldog.

I just think the world of Brendan's hitting ability," said coach Rick Green. "He's one of the best hitters I've ever seen, especially at this level. I'm thrilled for him. It doesn't surprise me at all. His concentration is second to none.

The graduating senior led the Wildcats this season with 12 home runs and 41 RBI, while scoring 46 runs and stealing five bases. His .707 on-base percentage and .990 slugging percentage were two astounding figures as well.

More Wildcats in the record books

With probably the best season Novi baseball has ever posted, the Wildcats claimed a few more

spots in the state record books.

Jon Cervi's sizzling .504 career batting average placed him at fourth on the all-time list, while his 65 hits this season placed him in a tie for 12th in the books. The senior hit .489 this year with 19 extra-base hits, 57 runs scored, and a .625 onbase percentage. He also posted a slugging percentage of .767 and swiped ten bases.

A.J. Rowe fell one shutout short of the single season record, tossing six complete-game gems this year. His incredible 0.49 ERA would also place him second on the all-time list, but he fell three innings short of the minimum amount. His 20-strikeout performance against Brighton was also one away from a state record. He finished the year with 109 strikeouts (13.4 per game) and a record of 10-0, managing to hold opposing hitters to a .125 batting average.

Hadley's 30 home runs also tied him for fourth on the career list, while his 12 home runs this year tied him for 22nd. He also drew 75 walks. tying him for 10th all-time.

All the other seniors on the team contributed to the phenomenal season as well. Mitch Maier hit .375 with 19 extra-base hits, while driving in 32 state. They will most certainly be missed.

runs. His solid defensive efforts were also a big

part of the team's success. Justin Shaw hit .344 with six home runs and 23

runs driven in. On the mound, the right hander posted a 1.53 ERA in 18-plus innings of work, finishing 2-0 on the season. Mike Kossik, despite a midseason wrist injury

that continued to hamper him all season long, still managed to hit .338 in 23 games played. He also swiped nine bases. Brendan Watson secured himself a spot as one

of the team's top starters, throwing 44-plus innings and posting a 3.29 ERA. He also struck out 45 (seven per game) and went the distance twice. At the plate, he hit .333 with a .577 onbase percentage in limited time, striking out only

Nick Lehnert went on an early-season tear that left him hitting .304 with three home runs and three doubles. He was one of the pleasant surprises on this year's ball club.

Josh Sabol finished with an outstanding 1.70 ERA in 45-plus innings, striking out 57 (nearly nine per game) and posting a win-loss record of 6-1. He also hit .298 at the plate.

Jeremy Plass hit .238 in limited time, collecting one of the team's only two hits against Catholic Central in the state quarterfinals.

On top of their KVC championship, their District championship, their Regional championship. and their appearance in the state quarterfinals. this team put up a few impressive numbers as

At the plate, they hit .383 as a team, while posting an on-base percentage of .546. They stole 62 bases in 69 attempts (.899), and hit 54 home runs. The team slugging percentage was a cool

In 35 games, the team scored 325 runs, an average of nearly 10 per game, and they also collected 391 hits, averaging 11 per contest

On the mound, the pitching staff held opposing hitters to a batting average of .206, posting a 2.24 Earned Run Average as a team. They also managed to hold hitters to a slugging percentage of .276. This 30-5 team was one that Novi will not soon forget. They gave us so many unforgettable moments, including thrilling come-from-behind wins against Brighton and Pinckney in the playoffs. They put Wildcat baseball on the map once again, earning a top-three state ranking and gaining the respect of the entire state of Michigan.

As these 10 seniors bid adieu to the Wildcat green and white, they have left a lasting impression on this school, this city, and even our great

Hadley, Maier heading to Toledo

they deserve. The deliberation is finally over. I'm looking for-After months of considering and ward to watchreconsidering offers from various - ing those two institutions across the nation. play in college Brendan Hadley and Mitch Mater together." have chosen a school at which to Hadley, who play baseball next season. This was entertainfall, they'll both be Toledo Rockets. Ing offers to

The pair of stuggers verbally play at Michicommitted to the University of gan and Ohto Hadley Toledo this past weekend, and will State, among attend the school for the 1999- other schools. 2000 academic year. Maier, a full- said, "I think time catcher for this year's team it's the best who hit .375 with eight home opportunity for runs, will receive a full ride; me to play." "I'm really Hadley, who bit .546 with 12 long balls this year, is getting a schol- looking forward arship that will pay for half of to it," said

The Rockets showed a great turned down a amount of Interest in the two spot on the Mitch Maier voungsters due to immediate. Michigan footopenings at first base and behind ball roster to the plate. Both will more than like- take the Toledo offer. "They pretty ly step immediately into starting much told Brendan and I that we roles, with Maier at catcher and have a real good chance of start-

"I'm really happy for both those Hadley and Mater will also be guys," said coach Rick Green. rooming together next year.



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Maier, who

Kollar, a senior, made the state finals in the shot put.

Kerry Kramer, Milford Pole Vault (13-3)

Brendan

Kramer made this height at the Oakland County meet. He was the county champion. Kramer also won the KVC meet and placed sixth in the state finals

Milford's 3,200-meter relay

where they finished first and qualified for the state finals. The team was made up of John Breckenfeld, Mike Callahan, Pat Lombardo and Tom Greenless. Greenless ran a 1:51.8 split to overtake Novi's Chris Toloff on the anchor leg.

Brett Pawling, Northville 110-meter high hurdles (15.1)

A state qualifler in the 300 hurdles the last two years. Pawling turned in the area's best performance in the 100 this season

Yasuaki Goto, Novi 100 meter dash (10.8)

Running against the likes of Lorenzo Parker (Walled Lake Western) and Daymond Hamler (Pontiac Northern). Goto posted his best time ever in the 100. He was the KVC champ in the

Novi's 800-meter relay team

En route to the league title, Novi ran some of its best races in league duals. The 800 team of Datsuke Matsuura, Eric and Chris Schleuder and Goto posted their season-best time against

Chris Toloff, Novi 1,600-meter run (4:10.7) As stated above, Toloff's time was the third- with a time of 1:56.7. fastest in state history, but it wasn't enough to

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dethrone Ritzenhein. Toloff was second to Greenless at the league meet in both the 800 and 1,600, but was the regional champion in champion 3,200 relay team.

Toloff's mile takes the cake

Novi's 400-meter relay team

With Goto as its anchor, Novi's sprint relay team posted a season-best 44.9 against Howell. Goto came from behind to beat Joe Carpenter head-to-head and give his team the win. Carlos Gondim, Justin Sterett and Eric

Tom Greenless, Milford

Schleuder joined Goto on that team.

400-meter dash (49.6) in college. Greenless may run primarily the mile. But at the high school level, he could win races anywhere from 400 to 3,200 meters. His 49.6 seconds placed him fourth at the Oakland County meet. There was nothing particularly romantic about the race where Greenless got his second-best 400 (50.1 seconds). It wasn't the regional or some fancy invitational. Just a dual meet with Howell. Nevertheless, it was a tough team-first performance, as he ran down to take on one of the KVC's best sprinters. Joe Carpenter, Greenless won

Brett Pawling, Northville 300-meter intermediate hurdles (39.4) His best event. Pawling qualified for the state meet for the second-straight season. He rarely lost and almost always broke 43 seconds. His

Tom Greenless, Milford

best time came at the regionals.

800-meter run (1:52.6) Last weekend at the Foot Locker National Scholastic Championships in North Carolina Greenless set a PR with 1:50.81, which placed him fifth in the country. It's the fifth-fastest 800 ever run by a Michigan high school athlete. At the Class A state finals Greenless ran 1:52.6, which was good enough for the state championship. He was also the KVC champion

200-meter dash (22.4)

Suffering from an injury suffered in an earlithe 1,600. He also anchored Novi's league- er event, Goto still came back to finish second at the league meet. His best time came at the

> Chris Toloff, Novi 3,200-meter run (9:15.3)

Staking his claim as possibly the best distance runner in school history, his time of 9:15.3 shattered his own school record and placed him sixth at the state meet. He was second at the regionals and eased to a fourthplace finish at the KVC meet.

Milford's 1,600 relay team

The team of Pat Lombardo, Dan Hurst, Mike Callahan and Tom Greenless made this time at the KVC meet, and were league champions.

THE NEXT BEST (BOYS)

400 DASH-B.J. McCool, Lakeland 51.4

200 DASH-Brandon Langston, Northville 22.9

800 RUN-Chris Toloff, Novi 1:57.3

3,200 RUN-Tim Moore, Novi 9:19.4

1,600 RELAY-Lakeland 3:31.7

Although the honor roll is reserved for the area's best, here's a list of kids that nearly broke through finishing with the next best times, distances and

1,600-meter run (5:08.8) DISCUS-Jim Mize, South Lyon 145-2 LONG JUMP-Chris Schleuder, Novi 20-4 SHOT PUT-Kyle Kollar, Milford 51-3 1/4 much of the track season Kramer got the points the team needed with solid performances - particularly POLE VAULT-Scott Jettie, Novi 12-10 for a freshman - if not overwhelming. But once the 3,200 RELAY-Novi 7:58.2 dual season was over she picked it up, and peaked at 110 HURDLES-Ryan Woodard, Lakeland 15.2 the Class A state finals where she set a school record 100 DASH-Brandon Langston, Northville 11.1 for the mile -5:08.8 — to finish sixth in the field at 800 RELAY-Millord 1:34.5 1,600 RUN-Tom Greenless, Milford 4:16.4 400 RELAY-Milford 45.1

South Lyon's 400-meter relay team 300 HURDLES-Brian Matthews, Milford 39.7

and Linsday Hall.

Katie Kramer, Milford

Andrea Gaudreau, Jacquelyn Gaudreau, Laurie Eccles and Marquita, Whitfield established school records in the 4x100 time and again. Their best, and last, race came at the Class A State Finals in Rockford, where they did it in 51.1 seconds. It was no accident this team was so good. Jacquelyn and Andrea ran the first- and third-fastest 100 meters in the area and Whitfield was fifth in the 100 at the KVC meet.

Rochester Adams. The Redskins did finish second,

Connie Mallinson, with a time of 8:31.8, broke the

After Milford beat South Lyon by a mere point in

relays all season long. South Lyon coach Don

Schwarck said it's not inconceivable that she'll set the

This team was made up of two freshmen, Jacquelyn

and Andrea Gaudreau, and two seniors Laurie Eccles

school record in the 100 before her career is over.

South Lyon's 800-meter relay team

school record by over seven seconds.

100-meter high hurdles (15.4)

Jacquelyn Gaudreau, South Lyon

Kate Maxwell, Lakeland

100-meter dash (12.7)

Oakland County meet

400-meter dash (58.9)

It's great to win a race against your team's rival Even better to set a school record. But to do both a the same time? That's what Mallinson did when she ran this sub-minute 400 in a dual meet at Lakeland She was also a state qualifer in the 400 and the KVC champion (59.6 seconds)

Kate Maxwell, Lakeland 300-meter intermediate hurdles (47.4) Maxwell got this time in a memorable race. Run-

Pelection and Style for the Season

ning in the regional at Milford, she was third going over the final hurdle. But Maxwell, a freshman, overcame two seniors at the end to win it, and qualify for but were closer than anyone could have imagined, as the state finals. She was also the conference champi-Colleen Johnson, Martha Smith, Katie Kramer and on, where she ran 49.2 seconds.

800-meter run (2:21.8)

She established a PR at the Oakland County meet. where she finished third. Kern, a junior, ran 2:22.5 at Maxwell set the school record with this time in a the Milford regional, and qualified for the state finals. dual meet with Milford. In this same event she was She was third at the KVC meet. A two-time cross the KVC champion, a state qualifier, and fifth in the country state finalist. Kern was able to run up, as well, as evidenced by her fourth-place finish in the mile at the KVC meet.

> Jacquelyn Gaudreau 200-meter dash (26.4)

the teams' KVC opener, Milford coach Brian Salvers She ran this time in the dual meet season, and it said he was shocked by the Lions' speed. Chief among stood as one of the state's fastest for much of the those taking him aback was Gaudreau, who got year points in the sprints and anchored South Lyon's

> Katie Kramer, Milford 3.200-meter run (11:14.4)

Kramer ran this time at the Oakland County meet, where she beat South Lyon's Amanda Lee for first place. She also excelled in the 3,200 at the KVC meet, where she was the champion in both the two-mile and

Milford's 1,600 relay team

Milford, with Colleen Johnson, Katte Kramer, Martha Smith and Connie Mallinson, was looking for The KVC's Runner of the Year in the fall, through a state-qualifying time of 4:11 at the regional. The Redskins got that and more with 4:08.4

THE NEXT BEST (GIRLS)

Although the honor roll is reserved for the area's best, nere's a list of kids that nearly broke through, finishing with the next best times, distances and heights.

DISCUS-Nicole Bliss, Novi 108-3 LONG JUMP—Laurie Eccles, South Lyon 15-8 HIGH JUMP—Emily Ott, Northville 5-0 SHOT PUT-Mary Tanski, Northville 34-6 POLE VAULT—Lynn Gasparella, South Lyon 9-6 3.200 RELAY-Novi 10:05.9 100 HURDLES—Meagon Thornsberry, South Lyon 16.8 100 DASH--Mickie Rzenka, Novi 12.8 800 RELAY-Northville 1:52.0 1,600 RUN-Amanda Lee, South Lyon 5:12.1

400 RELAY-Novi 53.1 400 DASH-Jacquelyn Gaudreau, South Lyon 1:01.5 300 HURDLES-Colleen Johnson, Milford 49.4 800 RUN-Katie Kramer, Milford 2:22.5 200 DASH—Connie Mallinson, Milford, 26.7 3,200 RUN-Amanda Lee, South Lyon 11:16 1.600 RELAY-Lakeland 4:22.6

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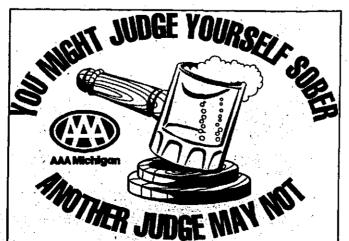
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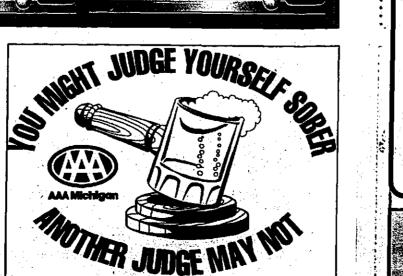
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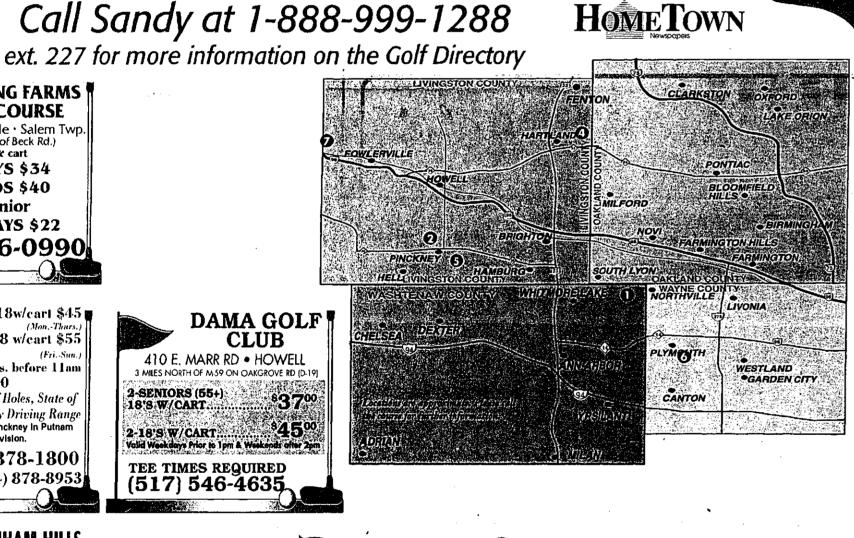
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stronger, more shapely, toned arms. Good luck.

one minute resting period between sets.

Health Column

Try some more resistance training

Warmer weather is here and the number one area of our bodies that become more visible to us and others in the summer are our arms. Short sleeve shirts, blouses and tank tops become the norm. Men want arms like Arnold Schwarzenegger, and women want arms like Jennifer Anniston and they want them in one week. Aesthetics are usually the motive, but a stronger more toned set of arms will contribute greatly to your summer quality of life, from golfing, gardening or swimming. So how do you get

This is another opportunity for me to plug the benefits of resistance training. This component is really the best way to achieve the goals for the arms mentioned earlier, or for any body part for that matter. Popularity for resistance training is at an all time high for both men and women of all ages. If you have not tried it, we have laid out a 10-15 minute program to be completed twice a week for the arms. We are using dumbbells and bands for our resistance. You can get these items for a minimal investment of \$20-\$40. Make sure you get your physician's clearance before starting any new exercise program. and seek out a fitness expert if needed to assure you are accomplishing the movements efficient-

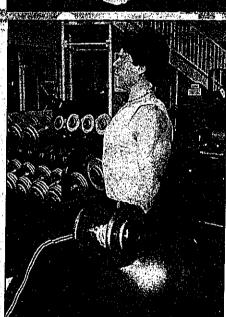
• Arm curls with tubing. This movement concentrates on the bicep muscle and is located in front and above the elbow of the arms. Well developed bicep muscles will contribute greatly to the goal of great looking arms. To work this area, stand with tubes under your feet (see picture). While securing your upper arm and rotating your writs outward (little finger up), slowly bend at the elbow then slowly, under control bring your elbow back to just before the joint locks straight. You should be able to county two to three slow counts in both directions to assure proper speed. Repeat this movement 12-15

times, rest one minute and repeat another 12-15 repetition s for a total of three times.

· Arm curls with dumbbells. You can work the biceps with a number of variations. We are demonstrating in our picture a biceps dumbbell curl done on a fitness ball. You follow the same mechanics as outlined in exercise one, only you are seated on a fitness ball. Sitting on this ball while completing the movement involves many other muscles to maintain stability during your movements. This helps improve your balance and overall strength. If you do not have a fitness ball, you can do the movement on a chair or standing. Again. complete the movement 12-15 times resting one minute and completing for

· Arm kickbacks with tubing. This movement concentrates on the tricep muscle and are the large muscle group located in the rear area of the arm above the elbow. Many of our clients are not happy with the way this area sags, or seems to get loose and flabby as we get a little older. This is mainly from lack of activity. The biceps get some amount of work in an active lifestyle. Working your triceps properly requires a little more complex body position so they are not so easily worked in an active lifestyle. To work them, you can try the kickback with tubing. Bend over in a back safe position, [knees bent, bracing yourself on a chair or your knee see picture). Hold on to the tubing after it is wrapped around a table or heavy chair or pole. After securing upper arm against your body. slowly bend the elbow backwards until it is fully extended. Slowly and under control, bring your arm back to the starting position. Repeat 12-15 times resting one minute and completing three sets. You will have to rely on the picture for body position and movement.





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Above, Water Wheel fitness instructor Robert Mincey demonstrates tricep kickbacks using exercise tubing. Top right, Mincey uses the tubing to perform curls while to the right he performs seated curls with dumbells.

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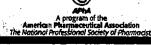


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Lakeland: league title for hashers, football battles brutal schedule

BASKETBALL - Lakeland went 7-14, but was in a lot of games because of its hard work and experience. Working in the Eagles advantage was that this was a veteran team, with seniors Martha Digsby, Jaclyn Evenson, Jackie Shappee, Kristin Roubie, Britt Sommerfield, Lindsey Innes and Melissa Scheich. Digsby was a four-year varsity player and two-year captain, a first-team all-conference player as a senior after leading the team with a scoring average of 11 points per game. Evenson switched from the frontcourt to the backcourt as a senior, with no adverse affect — she was second-team all-conference and the team's second-leading scorer. Shappee and Roubie were both honorable mention All-KVC picks. Shappee led the team in assists with 4.3 per game.

Lakeland may have saved its best for last. Coach Brian Ives team put up a valiant effort against Milford in the districts, leading the Redskins 27-25 at the half before succumbing in the second half, 58-43.

The top player on next year's team may be Jenny Weiss, who saw quality playing time as a sophomore center.

CROSS COUNTRY - For the first time in 17 years, there was a boys' state finals held without Lakeland. At the regional, Milford came in third with 101 points. Lakeland was fourth with 103. Only the top three go on. It wasn't a fitting end to the rimeties for the Eagles, state champions in 1996 and 1997.

"Without a doubt, Lakeland has been the state's team of the decade," Milford coach Brian Salvers said.

But the season wasn't a total wash. The highlight for the Eagles came in the KVC meet, which Lakeland won with 49 points, ahead of defending, and soon to be, state champ Novi's 61. It was something of a fluke, as coach Randy Wilkins said his team had been training through with its eyes on the regional, but who's to look a gift horse in the mouth? Junior Pat Klein and sophomore Brian Theut both earned first-team All-KVC accolades by finishing fourth and fifth, respectively, at the conference meet. C.J. Hadding finished ninth, making him a second-team all-league honoree.

Klein's and Theut's seasons didn't end with the regional, however. Klein was third and Theut second, qualifying them for the state meet. At the Michigan Speedway, Klein was named all-state after placing fifth. Theut was 33rd, seven seconds off all-state. While Lakeland's girls' team didn't qualify for the state meet, either, it came out of the regional pleased with its eighth-place finish.

"It was our best race of the year," Eagles coach John Kababik said. "The girls' effort was outstanding. They knew how important this race was, and did everything they

Junior Kristyn Kern finished eighth, qualifying for the state meet. Making her second state finals appearance in three years, she placed 40th. Of the 16 KVC runners at the Michigan Speedway, Kern was fourth.

Other than the regional, Lakeland's best showing may have come at the Oxford Invitational, where the Eagles placed fifth.

Other key runners for Lakeland over the course of the season were Rachel Stocker, Andrea Shiloff, Whitney Innes, Amy Stewart, Miriam Washburn and Kate Maxwell. The Eagles were 1-5 in KVC dual meets.

and its B team finished fifth in the league standings. Lakeland's top point-earners were Jess Prime (69), Shannon Quinlan (58), Teresa Ball (40) and Melissa Davis (28). Other team members were Cheryl Agar, Sarah Baloga, Jessica Elliot, Megan Hutch and Jessica Samples.

EQUESTRIAN - Lakeland set a team record by scoring 256 points on the season,

FOOTBALL - In football, scheduling isn't everything. But it counts for a lot. For the Eagles, an unproven program, the 1999 schedule was too much. The KVC schedule in and of itself was hard, with Brighton, Novi and South Lyon all good enough to make the playoffs. But it didn't get any easier for Lakeland in the non-conference season. One opponent, Farmington, was a playoff team. Another, Walled Lake Western, wasn't just a playoff team, but the Class AA state champion. Against that schedule, Lakeland went 0-6 in the conference and 0-9 overall.

Eagles coach Brian Howe said his team's biggest problem was its inability to generate consistent offense.

Lakeland graduated 10 seniors from the program" Chris Heikkuri, Russ Enfield, Greg

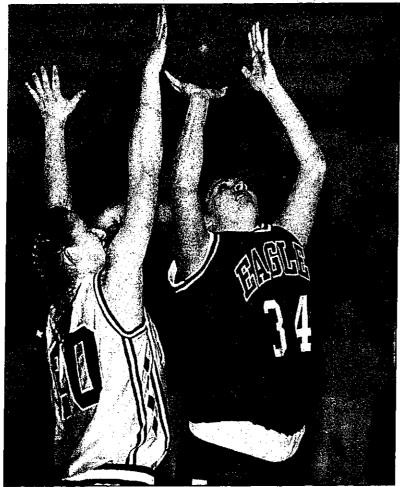


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Jaciyn Evenson was second-team All-KVC for the Eagles hoop squad. Hill, Jay Fuhs, Dave Gayeski, Shaun Houck, Matt Jeske, Dan Mullen, Nick Vallier and

Tony Venditelli, the team's leading tackler, returns for the 2000 season.

GOLF - Lakeland must replace team captain Trevor Andrzejewski, the team's most consistent and best player in 1999, but has some talent on the roster. Other important players from last fall's team were Dan McGrath, Kyle Walton, Jim Shappee and Justin Boscarino. Coach Vaughn Smith said the key for 2000 will be to find four scorers every time out. The Eagles' bane was finding a consistent fourth player.

TENNIS - Though Gerhard Schubert's team struggled in his first season as the head coach, going 2-9-1 in the KVC, there was a light at the end of the tunnel — a conference champion. Basically a .500 player during the regular season, Jessica Hunt peaked during the post season, winning the KVC title at fourth singles.

"She ended up being our best player by the time the end of the season rolled around,"

Another key player was Nicole Dell, who played any singles spot from one to three. Rounding out the singles lineup for the Eagles were Jenny Dehart and Vanessa Her-

Lakeland: state ski run, the rebirth of b-ball, state Bragging rights

BASKETBALL - Apparently Bob Brugger learned well during his tenure as Milford's freshman coach. In Brugger's first year leading the Lakeland varsity, the Eagles put together their most successful season in over a decade. Lakeland's final record was 12-9, the first time the school finished over .500 since 1989. The league record was 6-6. good for a third-place tie with Novi. But Brugger deflects praise elsewhere.

"That's a tribute to the seniors," he said of the turnaround. "We got everything out of them that we could."

Of those seniors, 6'5" Geoff Zimmerman came out of seemingly nowhere and could legitimately have been considered one of the state's most improved players. He was a first team All-KVC pick after leading the team with 13.6 points and 8.1 rebounds per game, while shooting 55 percent from the floor. Guard Shaun Houck became the team leader Brugger had envisioned, and was a second-team all-conference pick. Jarvis King, we need to get stronger, improve our footspeed, become better athletes." in his only season at Lakeland, was one of the league's best clutch performers, and

averaged nine points a game. Scott Torosian — like King, honorable mention All-KVC - was one of the league's best defenders.

It was defense that was the team's calling card. Midway through the league schedule the Eagles began deploying fullcourt pressure, and they became as dangerous as any team in the league. Brighton coach Dan Christner said it was the toughest defensive pressure his team faced all year.

Those players leave a legacy, and the cupboard's not exactly bare. Forward Leaun McAvoy, only a sophomore, was second-team all-conference after averaging 13 points and six boards a game. But if Lakeland's future players are to build on what the seniors established, it's going to take some work.

"We've got to get in the weight room," Brugger said. "Too often, we went up against, not necessarily more talented, but stronger, players in the post, and it was no contest ...

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Lakeland: runners excel to state level, golfers have best season

BASEBALL - The Eagles went 14-16 in coach Aaron Strand's second season. Lakeland lost to Walled Lake Central in the districts, 5-4.

The beginning of the season was marked by injury problems, the end by disciplinary concerns, but in the meantime Lakeland had its moments. Though they didn't have a dominant pitcher, Lakeland got solid performances on the mound from the likes of West Howland, J.D. Maxwell, Andrew Campbell and Kenny Gignac.

Howland and junior first baseman Chris Hardin were second-team All-KVC selections. Honorable mention all-conference were Maxwell, Campbell, Ryan Atherton and

GOLF - Lakeland coach Tom Milkovich said his team was exceptionally dedicated in the off-season. It showed on the course.

The Eagles finished fifth in theregional, their best-ever post-season finish. During the dual season, yhe team set a school record for nine holes, shooting 184 against Brighton. And Lakeland shuld only get better, as top scorers Leslie Matthaei, Christie MacRitchie, Jenny Zelony, Julie Craig and Kari Bingham will all be back. Matthaei was

a first-team All-KVC selection. MacRitchie was the team MVP. LACROSSE - The Huron Valley Chiefs, the combined Milford and Lakeland team,

won its second-consecutive Class C state championship. The Chiefs defeated Rockford 11-8 at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook in the finals.

"It means more this year," Chiefs co-captain Dan O'Brien said. "We had to play our best in three-straight games to win it all." This was deja vu for the Chiefs, which the night before in the semifinals had found

themselves tied 5-5 with Rochester United. But in the end, the differential was the same. Huron Valley won that game, too, 11-8. The first game of the state tournament was no picnic, either, as it took three overtimes for Huron Valley to beat Utica Eisenhower.

SOFTBALL - A month after Kent Griffiths was inducted into the state softball Hall of Fame, Lakeland's season began under new coach Mike LaBar. Despite often having to shift the lineup because of injuries and using pitcher-by-committee (Beth Carr won five games, Emily LaBar won seven), Lakeland battled the entire season, going 17-20 and winning a district game.

Fittingly, one of the Eagles' best-pitched and defended games came in the state tour-

nament, a 3-1 win against Walled Lake Central. Emily LaBar, a junior, led the team in batting average and runs scored. Senior Melissa

Brendel was second on the team and batting average and led the team in runs batted in. TENNIS - Lakeland finished fifth in the KVC. The Eagles did produce a conference champion. The third doubles team of Cory Baker and Joe Scandy, who were stalwart for Lakeland all season, win the conference title by defeating Novi's Mike McKenna and Ryan Slater 6-2, 2-6, 6-3.

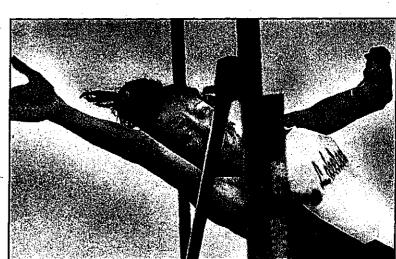


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Natasha Tagai getting points for the Eagles In the high jump.

TRACK & FIELD - Once again, Lakeland's boys' 3,200-meter relay teams was one of the best around, carrying on the Huron Valley tradition by placing eighth at the state

Ryan Woodard was guaranteed points in both the 100- and 300-meter hurdles. He was

fifth at the regional in the 300, running a state-qualifying time. Pat Klein was one of the best mile runners in the area. He won the 1,600 at the West Bloomfield Invitational. Strong in both the jumps were Tom Roberts and Rob Shastel. Lakeland's girls' team had state qualifiers in five events: Kristyn Kern in the 800

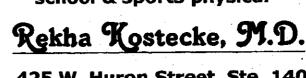
meters, Shannon Quinlan in the pole vault and Kate Maxwell in the long jump, 100meter hurdles and 300-meter hurdles. Only a freshman, Maxwell proved herself one of the KVC's truly outstanding athletes. She was the league champion in both hurdles



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Milford: Schumacher and Greenless make names in fall seasons

BASKETBALL The Redskins went 17-5, 8-4 (third place) in the KVC.

"It was a bittersweet season," coach Don Palmer said. "We had lots of wins, but no titles to show for it. We competed with good teams, but we didn't beat them."

Within the league, Milford didn't have the depth to beat Howell, nor the size to beat

Novi.

Milford's competitiveness was due to the presence of senior forward Christie Schumacher, who was the state of Michigan's leading scorer at 29.3 points per game and finished second in the voting for Miss Basketball. With Schumacher in the lineup, the

Redskins garnered state-wide attention.

The team's dependence on Schumacher was no more apparent than in its Class A district semifinal game against Kettering, a 45-26 loss. The Redskins had nine field goals, Schumacher eight of those.

Without all the media attention, the Redskins should be pretty good next year. Guards Stephanie Anderson and Connie Mallinson showed potential as sophomores, and junior Annie Charles was never at full strength — when it appeared she had recovered from an ankle injury, she got hit in the eye.

CROSS COUNTRY Tom Greenless was the star of the boys' cross country team, but it was the consistent effort behind him from seniors Brett Barley and Mike Callahan and sophomore Nick Kopczyk that afforded the Redskins a successful season, one which included their first dual meet win over Lakeland the decade of the 90s and ended with a seventh-place finish at the Class A state finals. Greenless was fourth at the state finals, while Kopczyk, Barkley and Callahan all earned top 100 finishes.

"They were our foundation all year long," coach Brian Salyers said.

Milford qualified for the finals with a third-place regional showing — edging out Lakeland by two points. Greenless was second at the regional, and Barley ran a strong rule to fluich 15th

Greenless was the KVC champion, as he ran down Novi's Tim Moore over the last 600 meters to win the race.

After the season, Greenless went on to place seventh at the Footlocker midwest

regional, qualifying for the national finals.

In the dual meet with Lakeland, Greenless was first, Lakeland's Brian Theut and Pat Klein were then second and third. The Redskins won the meet by putting in eight run-

ners ahead of Lakeland's fourth.

With Greenless, Barley, and Callahan graduating, next fall's squad will be led by Kopczyk and Casey Barnes and Tyler Van Acker, who were also key contributors as

sophomores.

The girls' team, also coached by Salyers, finished 12th in the state. But behind the numbers, the real accomplishment there was beating perennial league power Brighton by one point, 346-347. Freshman Katie Kramer, the KVC Runner of the Year, was all-state with an eighth-place finish. Junior Stephanie Morrison, sophomore Coleen Johnson, junior Martha Smith and senior Julie Lehning all had their best times of the year at the Michigan Speedway. Salyers said Lehning ran the best race of her career, stepping

up for the injured Katie Marttila.

At the regional, Morrison had a great performance, finishing 14th as Milford finished

second to Brighton to qualify for the state finals.
"It was easily the best race of her career," Salyers said.

Kramer placed second at the regional.

"That was one of the better Milford teams I've seen," Lakeland coach John Kababik.



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Christie Schumacher was the leading scorer in the state of Michigan.

FOOTBALL No one questioned the effort. But all season long, the Redskins' bane was turnovers. For instance, they played a strong, hard-hitting game against KVC cochamp Brighton, but two first-half turnovers equaled two Bulldogs' turnovers, which ultimately led to a 35-18 Brighton win.

In coach Mike Shearer's final season, Milford went 3-6.

Shearer is replaced by Pat Fox, who comes to Milford from Ann Arbor Pioneer. He'll have a number of returning starters on hand. Fullback Mike Crowley was the team's leading rusher as a junior. He injured his anterior cruciate ligament during the basketball season, but has vowed to make it back for his final year on the gridiron. Quarter-

as a sophomore. Junior Ryan Mehal led the team with four interceptions. Key linemen returning include Pat Quiney and Ryan Morris.

And there's talent in the program. The freshman team went 6-2, winning a share of the KVC title, beating Brighton in the process.

back Matt Eastwood will be a year wiser after being the Redskins' starting signal caller

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Lakeland: winter sports continued

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HOCKEY — Lakeland had a young, young team — only two of the 23-man roster were seniors — and struggled in a KVC which is becoming increasingly strong. The Eagles went 9-15 overall and were 3-9 in the KVC, tied for seventh with Howell. Lakeland lost to Northville in the regional, 3-0.

"Sometimes you're just out-talented," Lakeland coach Frank Zack said.

But with that youth is the hope of a brighter future. Pat Klein was fifth in the KVC in scoring with 11 goals and 13 assists, and he'll be back for his senior year along with Josh Galloway, lan Pegan-Naylor and Jason Sugden. Also back for his senior year will be goalie A.J. Peters. While he did allow five goals a game in KVC play, Peters did show his talent in the regional game against Northville, stopping 40 shots. Also returning is Josh Burkart, who was one of the team's better players by the end of the year despite being only a ninth-grader.

SKIING — Once again, Lakeland's boys proved that they have the preeminent team in lower Michigan. After finishing third in the state in 1999, at the 2000 Class A State Finals in Marquette Lakeland placed fourth, behind only Marquette, Traverse City West and Cadillac. Brad Smith was fifth in the state in the slalom. Teammate Kris Janssen was eighth in the giant slalom.

Lakeland qualified for the finals thanks to its second-place finish, to Redford Catholic Central, at the Alpine Valley regional. Nathaniel Harris was fourth at the regional in both the slalom and giant slalom.

Smith dominated at the Southeast Michigan Ski League championships held at Mt. Holly, where he placed first in the giant slalom and second in the slalom.

Janssen was named second-team Class A all-state. Harris was third-team Class A all-

VOLLEYBALL — In Amy Nardell's first year as the Eagles head coach, Lakeland went 2-10 in the KVC. But delve a little deeper, and you may see that Lakeland actually fielded one of its more competitive teams. Eight of the 12 matches went into a third game. 13 times the Eagles lost a game in league play by two points or less.

"It was a very promising season," Nardell said.

Lakeland's best player was Allison Wise, a senior middle hitter. An all-conference pick, she led the team in kills and had a .293 hitting percentage.

"She was a solid, consistent leader," Nardell said.

WRESTLING — Coach Ernie Kovath, in his first year, admitted his program was in its embryonic stage. Lakeland didn't win a KVC dual match. But there was one Eagle embryo that was ready for the world. Tim Bragg, a junior wrestling at 112 pounds, made his third-consecutive appearance in the state finals. He was the only wrestler from either Lakeland or Milford to make it that far. He was named to the Division I all-state team thanks to his performance at Joe Louis where, despite having a torn rotator cuff, Bragg placed sixth. His record on the season was 33-11. He was also second in the

A healthy Bragg will be a legitimate state title contender in 2001. And if his teammates are up to the task, the more the merrier.

Milford: hockey league champs, hoops strong per the usual

BASKETBALL—"It was so reminiscent of the girls' season," coach Don Palmer said. "We had lots of wins, but nothing to show for it. We went 9-3 in the league, and most years that would win it. This year it didn't. Credit South Lyon for that. This was a super group of seniors; good people. The longer you coach in the so-called modern era, the more you appreciate the yes sir, no sir kids. I never worried about thir grades or anyone getting in trouble. I told the younger kids, you couldn't ask for a better example than these seniors."

Milford finished second in the league to South Lyon. The Redskins were the only team in the conference to beat South Lyon was Milford. The season took a turn for the worse when junior point guard Mike Crowley tore his anterior cruciate ligament.

The season was not without its moments. Milford beat Lakeland twice. The second one, at Lakeland, 59-52 ... in double overtime. Against North Farmington — along with Muskegon Heights, probably the most talented team the Redskins faced — senior center Mike Tobin made a five-foot baseline jumper with 1.5 seconds left to give Milford a 57-55 win.

Tobin had a breakout year for the Redskins. He led the team in scoring, rebounding and field goal percentage, and was a first-team all-conference selection. Three-year starter Joe Kofahl was second-team all-conference as a senior.

Key players returning to next year's squad include Crowley, Pete Brown and Keith

HOCKEY — Milford was one of the best teams in Michigan, ranked among the state's top 10 teams in Division I for most of the season. The Redskins' record was 17-5-5. With a league mark of 8-1-3, they tied Novi for the KVC championship. It was the third time in the last four seasons that Milford has at least claimed a share of the conference title, and the second in a row.

The most memorable game of the season came in the regional semifinals, against old nemesis Brighton. It was one for the ages, as Milford came back from down 2-0 to eventually win 4-3 ... in the third overtime. Matt Kramer scored the winning goal. Most assumed that game was for the regional championship. However, in the actual championship game Howell finally played to its potential, and upset the Redskins 5-4.

The regional semifinal wasn't the only big game Milford and Brighton played. In the final game of the KVC schedule the two tied 3-3, which put the Redskins in the first-place tie with Novi. The first time the teams met, Milford beat Brighton 3-2.

Milford placed three players — all seniors — on the All-KVC first team. Redskins

oach Gary Johnson called Paul Schiebold the best all-around, offensive and defensive forward in the league. He was Milford's leading scorer and sixth in the KVC. The team's other captain, A.J. Perrault, was the KVC's top defender. Goalie Jason Mulligan oversaw five shutouts. His goals against average was 1.90 overall, 1.80 in conference

The strength of the 2000-01 team should again be defense. Goalie Brian Cervin has split time with Mulligan for the past two seasons. Defensemen Cam Kiesgen and Daren Terry are two of the best in the league. Offensively, Tom Riley looks to be the man. He's a natural goal scorer who had his moments as a sophomore.

SKIING — Two Redskins qualified for the state finals, one from the boys' team, one from the girls' team, thanks to their performances at the Alpine Valley regional. On the boys' side, senior Kerry Kramer was seventh in the slalom and eighth in the giant slalom. For the girls, junior Cortney Closey placed eighth in the slalom and ninth in the giant slalom.

At the Southeast Michigan Ski League Championships at Mt. Holly, Kramer claimed first place in the slalom. It was the first time that Milford has had a league champion in coach Marty Neighbors' 22 years.

VOLLEYBALL — Milford's final record was 26-12-1, 8-4 in the KVC. That league record left the Redskins in second place, their highest conference finish, ever. "It was a very successful season," Milford coach Jim Marszalek said. "I think we surprised a lot of people this year, especially some KVC teams that, in the past, had used

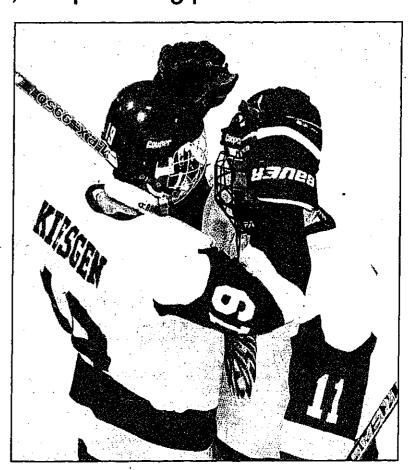


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Two of the KVC's top defenders, Milford's Cam Kiesgen and A.J. Perrault, celebrate a goal.

us as doormats. We're on our way to rebuilding the program. We have coaches at all levels who are dedicated to volleyball the whole year, not just November through March."

And that goes for some of the players, as well. Senior Jodie Nouhan put in work during the off season, and was the team's best all-around player.

"Jodie grew up tremendously from last year," Marszalek said. "She was a great leader

off the court, and during games."

Equally good at the net or on the back row, Nouhan had 197 kills and 300 digs.

In her first season of varsity volleyball, senior Christie Schumacher made all-conference after tallying 155 blocks and 244 kills.

Next season, Milford's star player should be Erica May, who definitely had her

"There were points in some games where Erica just dominated," Marszalek said. May was the only tenth-grader named to the all-conference team. Annie Charles should be the team's top outside hitter next year.

moments as only a sophomore.

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Ainsworth in the district final.

year tenure, going 8-3-1 to finish third in the KVC.

entire year at third singles, where she was the KVC champion.

BASEBALL - Anyone who followed the Atlanta Braves in the late eighties knows it was a terrible team. But that was the dusk before dawn. The reason? The pitchers were young.

Milford knows all about that. Three of the Redskins' top four pitchers were either freshmen — Ben Darga and Ryan O'Neill — or a sophomore — Jordan Delling. No matter the talent, pitching is a medium that favors experience. So watch out next year. Which isn't to say they didn't have their moments. In a game against Howell, for instance, O'Neill pitched a complete game, and Milford won 9-3.

Not only was Delling Milford's best pitcher, but he also led the team in batting average and home runs. Key seniors on the team were Matt David, Greg Geisler, Jason Mulligan and Jason Kopczyk.

GOLF - Coach Larry Bittinger said the Redskins had the their best team in school history, going 5-1 in conference dual matches. Milford was second to Brighton in the KVC and placed fourth at the regional. When senior Molly Heyn shot 87 to finish fourth at the regional, she became the first player in Milford histo-

What made Milford so dangerous was that in addition to Heyn there were four other players all capable of shooting under 50, no problem — AnneMarie Jasieniecki, Erin Davis, Angela Sfreddo and Lisa Montroi.

LACROSSE - The Huron Valley Chiefs, the combined Milford and Lakeland team, won its second-consecutive Class C state championship.

The Chiefs defeated Rockford 11-8 at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook in the finals. "It means more this year," Chiefs co-captain Dan O'Brien said. "We had to play our best in three-straight games to win it all."

This was deja vu for the Chiefs, which the night before in the semifinals had found themselves tied 5-5 with Rochester United. But in the end, the differential was the same. Huron Valley won that game, too, 11-8. The first game of the state tournament was no picnic, either, as it took three overtimes for Huron Valley to beat Utica Eisenhower.

SOCCER - The Redskins went 3-10. Unfortunately their final game, a district match with Walled Lake Central, was on the same night as graduation. Milford lost

Key players for Milford this spring were Heidi Osborn, Sarah Schemanske, Ashly So was Mallinson, who won the 200 and 400 meters. Orler, Amy O'Neill and and Al Bensek.

SOFTBALL - Milford went 15-22 overall, 9-15 in the league. When the Redskins were able to put some hits together, they were tight. When the didn't, they struggled.

Senior Nikole Carlson and junior Lacie Rudolph were first-team all-conference picks. Carlson led the team with a .409 batting average, while Rudolph led the team with 21 runs batted in.

TENNIS - Milford finished fourth in the KVC. In the league tournament, the Redskins made it to three finals - Kyle Jasieniecki at first singles, Jim Hurst at third singles and the fourth doubles team of Steve Martens and Bryan Powers.

TRACK & FIELD - Milford's boys did not win a third-consecutive KVC championship, as Novi spoiled those dreams. However, the Redskins did have a state champion for the third-straight year, as Tom Greenless, in the 800 meters, followed in the spike steps of the 1999 3,200-meter relay team and Bill Nash in the 1998 high jump.

Greenless lived up to the considerable hype, as he set school records in both the 800 and 1,600 meters. He was the regional champ in the 800 and anchored the 3,200-meter team of Mike Callahan, John Breckenfeld and Pat Lombardo that won the regional, as well. Greenless was also the KVC champion in the 800 and mile, where he set a conference record, running 4:12.

But Milford didn't win five conference dual meets and send multiple athletes to the state finals on the strength of one runner. Kerry Kramer was the county and conference pole vault champion, and placed sixth in that event at the state finals. Kyle Kollar was the KVC discus champion and qualified for the state finals in both that and the shot put. Brian Matthews was a state qualifier in the 300-meter hurdles. John Tuttle was the conference high jump champion.

Milford's girls' team had an outstanding season, as well. The Redskins qualified for the state finals in four events: Colleen Johnson, Martha Smith, Katie Kramer and Connie Mallinson in the 3,200-meter relay, those same four in the mile relay, Mallinson in the 400 meters and Kramer in the mile. At the state meet, Kramer ran 5:08.83, setting a school record and finishing in sixth place. The scary thing is, all these athletes will be back next year. Kramer was a freshman, Johnson and Mallinson sophomores and Smith a senior.

Kramer was a double conference champion, winning the mile and 3,200 meters.

Poniatowski resigned as coach following Milford's 3-0 loss to Flint Carman-

Senior forward Mark Poniatowski was the team's leading scorer for the second-

TENNIS - Milford had its most successful seaosn in coach Rich Kynast's seven-

AnneMaric Jasieniccki, though only a freshman, lost just two mastches playing the

Milford was represented in three more KVC finals, by Molly Heyn at first singles,

Meg Lowry at second singles and Steffanie Roose and Lacie Rudolph at first doubles.

Northville: tough conference create tough times, promise for Mustangs

By JASON SCHMITT

It may sound like the same thing year in and year out, but playing in the Western Lakes Activities Association clearly is no picnic.

The conference is a perennial powerhouse at the state level in several different sports. No other league in the state had two state football champions such as the WLAA (Harrison and Walled Lake Western). Each year the conference is well represented at each of the state

So finding itself in a hole to begin with. Northville made the best of its difficult situation and fared well in several of the autumn sports. If the team's limited success this past fall seems bleak, then it has nothing to do with the promise each of the following programs has shown for a successful 2000 fall campaign.

FOOTBALL — The scores throughout the team's 4-5 season were indicative of the quality of competition the team was playing.

The team stumbled against Division-3 state champion Farmington Hills Harrison (38-7) and Division-1 champion Walled Lake Western (26-15). The team's other losses came to playoff-bound Novi (21-17) and Brighton (31-3) along with a tough Homecoming falter against Canton (24-0).

The team's wins were in rather impressive fashion. The team drubbed North Farmington (45-14), Livonia Churchill (28-7), Livonia Franklin (42-8) and Walled Lake Central (33-0). What made this season a special one was that it sets the stage for what could be a very promising 2000 season. Led by dominating lineman Chris Lebeis, star running back Brandon Langston (946 yards, 16 touchdowns) and play-making wideout Aaron Redden,

GIRL'S BASKETBALL —After overcoming early-season offensive struggles, the Hasse-led Mustangs fought their way back to the district championship game, where they

Northville should be a force to reckon with offensively.

lost to Plymouth Salem for the third time in the 1999 season. The 44-36 loss ended Northville's season with a 14-8 record, which included a 35-34 win over a 20-1 Novi squad in the district semifinals.

The Mustangs finished 9-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association regular season, which was good for second place. They then went on to take third in the conference tournament. Post season honors went to Janel Hasse earned all-conference and all-area first-team honors after averaging over 10 points and seven rebounds per game. Both Kate Hammond and Emily Carbott were all-division and all-area second team selections.

GIRL'S SWIMMING -- Scoring 415 points at the WLAA meet wasn't nearly enough, as the Mustangs settled for second place to conference champion Livonia Stevenson (691). But along the way, three different Mustang individuals or teams won conference championships. Freshman Jenny Carr won the 50 freestyle while Stephanie Sabo was the 100 free champ. Jessica Hrivnak, Erin Schubert, Deirdre Schwiring and Carr teamed up to win the 200 free relay. Their time of 1:42.49 was good enough for All-American consideration. The Mustangs qualified in six different events at the state meet, however the team didn't advance

"It's unfortunate that we're in a sport that is an outcome-based sport, rather than a performance-based one," Northville coach Bill Dicks said. "We didn't score any points, but the girls swam real well."

anyone to the championship heats,

GIRL'S TENNIS -- Northville continued its dominance of the Western Lakes, winning seven of eight flights at the conference tournament and finishing with a perfect regular season. The team finished 11th at the Division II state tournament.

Four Northville flights won regional championships and two others reached the finals at their flights. The team finished the regular season undefeated and qualified for its third-consecutive state finals appearance and Kerry Woolfall reached the state semifinals at second singles, a year after she won the Division II state title at three singles.

Northville: three disappointed in state playoffs, gymnastics score high

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

The Mustang winter season saw the school produce some very accomplished teams. The gymnastics team was up to its usual tricks, placing high at the state meet. The wrestlers and hockey players were the unfortunate victims of tough post-season draws, as were the volleyball players. Outside of the immediate area, many of these teams may have advanced onto bigger and better things. But that's all speculation.

For now those teams will have to wait, and with the underclass participation and contributions to this year's teams, good things await all in the 2000-01 season.

WRESTLING - Coming off a pair of banter seasons which saw the team delve far into the state wrestling tournament, the Northville wrestling team knew the expectations the program has set itself up with.

brilliantly. The Mustangs won their third-straight Western Lakes championship, picking up four individual titles along the way. The team stumbled when it got to districts, however, losing to perennial arch rival Novi in the finals. The Wildcats, who went on to finish second in the state, defeated Northville 30-27 in Novi's second-closest match in all of the state tourna-

Individually it was another momentous year for a few Mustangs. Reggie Torrence reached the state championship match before falling to rival Ryan Churella of Novi. The senior was a three-time state placer in his high-school career and finished 43-4 this past season. Dan Scappaticci placed fourth at the state meet and was the lone member of his team to win conference, district and regional titles. Junior Chad Neumann placed seventh at the big dance and was a regional runnerup and conference and district champ.

VOLLEYBALL - Although tournament play was Northville's strongest point this season, the Mustangs could not overcome an extremely tough district field which included the likes of powerhouse programs such as Livonia Ladywood and Plymouth Salem.

Northville lost to Ladywood in the district semis, thus ending the careers of Janel and Meredith Hasse. The talented twosome led the way this past season for Northville, leading the team and area in several key statistics. The Mustangs finished their season at 30-9-6 over-

all, losing to Walled Lake Central in the conference tournament. Meredith Hasse led the team with 354 kills and 163 blocks this season, and she also led the Mustangs with 41 service aces. She was one of just seven players selected to the all-conference team. Janel was an all-division selection on the WLAA team and both she and Meredith were named to Home Town's all-area first team. Northville loses six seniors from this year's team, including both Hasses, Julie Bozyk, Jen Doktorcik, Gillis and Stephanie Myers.

SWIMMING - Led by senior captains Scott and David Whitbeck, Northville romped to a divisional title this past winter. Scott Whitbeck won the Western Lakes 500 meter freestyle championship and led the Mustangs to a fourth-place finish at the conference tourney. Both Whitbecks competed at the state finals on March 10-11, with Scott taking 12th place in the 500 with a career-best time of 4:48.81. Both swam in the prelims of the 200 and 500 freestyle events. Joining those two at the state meet were the 200 and 400 free relay team of John Moors, Kevin Stuart and the twins. Northville loses five seniors, including the Whitbecks, Stuart, Steve Yutzy and Valerian Jone.

GYMNASTICS — Two seasons ago the Northville/Novi gymnastics team was tops in the state, capturing the school's first-ever tumbling title. That team was loaded with senior talent, talent which left the program in a state of rebuilding.

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GOLF — Milford played in the state finals, and, returning four of the top five players, could make a return trip next season.

"We learned a lot," coach Jim Sander said. "Fact number one, we saw just how competitive high school golf is. Fact nubmer two, we realized we can play with the best of The Redskins shot 334 on the first day of the state finals, nine off the cut. Junior

Ryan Duff did make the cut. He shot 77 the first day, 80 the second. Back on next year's team are Duff, Brian Cervin, Tim Adams and Kyle Sharpe.

SOCCER — The Redskins had a knack for playing down to, or up to, the level of their opposition. At no time did they play further up than in their district semifinal game with state-ranked Grand Blanc. Both teams were shut out for two halves, and two overtimes. Milford sophomore goalie Keith McCaffery made 15 saves. Milford connected on its five kicks in the shootout, Grand Blane missed its fifth, and that was the

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WRESTLING - The Redskins had three KVC champions and two regional quali-

Winning conference titles were heavyweight Ryan Morris, Eric Texiera at 171 pounds and Justin Lambert at 160 pounds. Joe Petkus was the KVC runner-up at 140 pounds. In the post season, Lambert — who was the district runner-up — and Texiera — who was third --- both reached the regional level. An exchange student from Brazil, the season marked the first time Texiera had wrestled.

Lambert, meanwhile, had been going at it for years. He was the first wrestler in Milford history to win at least 30 matches in all four of his seasons. He won 147 matches in his career, a school record.

Milford proved itself to be an excellent tournament team. The Redskins placed sixth at the Oakland County meet, as Lambert was runner-up at 160, Tom Stanley runner-up 18 4 The Final Sobre Ultire 22,2000

at 135. Reaching the semifinals were Petkus at 140 pounds and Ben Lawrence at 125.

Milford won its fourth-consecutive Waterford Mott Tournament. And its fourth-consecutive West Bloomfield Invitational. At the Lakeland Invitational the Redskins placed nine wrestlers in the finals and won the meet.

Lambert wasn't the only one breaking records. In fact, he had one of his broken. Matt Thome established a new school mark for victories by a freshman. He won 31 matches. Thome will be a key member of next year's team, as will Morris. The heavyweight will be a senior, and will enter the season coming off a summer which saw him represent the state of Michigan in USA Wrestlings Junior National Championship.

Northville: soccer has a ball on the way to states, golf is par for the course

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

As usual, the spring sports season at Northville High School had its share of success stories, first and foremost were the accomplishments of the team's girl's soccer-

Having made their run to the Division II state semifinals, the Mustangs were among the state's hottest teams to finish the season. The tennis team knocked off nearly all its foes en route to a state tourney berth and the baseball and softball squads were the unfortunate victims of running into hot opponents at the wrong times.

The lone league championship was won by the girl's golf team, which has provided the school with back-to-back regional titles and top seven finishes at the state meet as well.

GOLF — Northville was at its best at all the big meets this season, all the big meets

The Mustangs came into the state meet on a roll, having secured a Western Lakes Activities Association championship along with their second-straight regional crown. But once there, the score cards read differently from what the team was used to. Northville finished with a team-total of 777, good for you guessed it, seventh place.

The good news for Northville was that two of its golfers, Kate MacDonald and Pam Mouradian, both finished in the individual top 10. MacDonald was ninth overall with a twoday total of 174. Mouradian tied three other girls for 10th place at 175.

TENNIS — In most other leagues, Northville would have breezed to a conference title. But with North Farmington clogging up the WLAA, Northville had to settle

for another runnerup finish. North Farmington cruised to a league title and then captured a regional championship. Both times Northville played second fiddle. But even a second-place finish at the regional meet was good enough to vault the Mustangs to the state tournament.

It was there that Northville played some of its best tennis, racking up 11 points en route to a sixth-place finish in Division II. Kyle Dehne reached the state semifinals before bowing out to the eventual state champion from Okemos. Two weeks earlier Dan Drake (3rd singles) and Brian Arndt and Brian Wilson (3rd doubles) won regional

BASEBALL - The team played its best ball late in the season, but unfortunately it played one of the hottest teams in the state and lost to Novi 10-0 in the district semifi-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER ishing second to Pinckney's Michael Weisnuhn, who would later capture the state title in

The Mustangs softball team went on a season-ending run which saw

them win eight of its last 11, enabling Northville to close in on .500.

for the state meet in the 100. His time of 11.1 at the regional meet was a career best.

For Northville girl's track coach Karin Nelson, the 2000 track season was definitely Her team improved considerably from last year's team, which had a hard time win-

ning even one dual meet. This year, with the help of many underclassmen, the team wor several meets and set a few school records in the process. Junior Mary Tanski qualified for the state meet in the shot put, where she finished

Northville finished third in its division this

season, posting an overall conference record

of 11-6. Northville catcher Tim Edick was

named to the all Western Lakes Activities

Association team, which includes the top 11

players in the league. Brian Boyes and Matt

Hare earned all-division honors and Andy.

Doren, Tommy Hughes and Drew Herpich

SOFTBALL — The Northville softball

team overcoming an early-season slump to

Northville lost to Novi 11-2 in the district

eam in wins, strikeouts and innings pitched.

TRACK & FIELD - For most of the

Haines and Brett Pawling, the 2000 track sea-

career-best time of 39.4 at the regional meet.

the event. His jump was an inch off his person-

tang Justin Morris cleared earlier in the season.

Langston was one of seven sprinters to qualify

al best (6-4), which both he and fellow Mus-

Haines cleared 6-3 at the regional meet, fin-

teams had its ups and downs in 2000, with the

were honorable-mention selections.

second at the regional competition. The defending regional champion was just two inches away from winning her second-straight title. At the state meet, Tanski improved on her regional performance, and finished 20th overall in the state.

But it wasn't just Tanski who helped the team all season long. Junior phenom Alyson Flohr and freshman sensation Nicole Cauzillo traded school records in the distance events and scored valuable points all season long for their team.

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This year's team set the stage for what could be another state power next year. The 1999-2000 squad was loaded with underclass talent which could translate into big things for the 2000-2001 team. The Mustangs had three girls place among the top 10 in six different events. Katie Braine, Megan Samhat and Monica Fink will head up a strong returning corps which will also include a healthy Lindsey Carlson. Northville/Novi finished second in their conference and won a regional title en route to their high finish at the state meet.

HOCKEY - It hasn't taken Mustang hockey coach Brad O'Neill long to build his program here in Northville. Just three years into the process, the coach has a regional championship under his belt and nearly won his second this past spring. Unfortunately, three unanswered goals by Novi in the final seven minutes of the championship game erased all hopes of another crown. The Mustangs finished their season 16-9-2 and finished third in the Western Lakes. Coach O'Neill earned coach of the year honors in voting by his WLAA peers. Forward Rob Ryan was voted as one of the top three forwards in the league, and goalie Josh Block and defenseman Thom Snyder were voted to the all-division squad. Tim Hillebrand and Aaron Selwood were honorable-mention selections. The team returns a strong corps of players for what should be a promising

BASKETBALL — The "still" youthful Mustang hoop squad matured this past season and with most of its intrical parts returning next year, the team should be a major player in the Western Lakes in 2000-01. In what was an up-and-down season for the cagers. Northville finished a mediocre 10-11. Baldwin's team looked its best in wins over Novi and Canton, but came back with bad losses to teams such as Farmington and

"We're a young team, so we can either be dominating or we can look terrible," Northville coach Scott Baldwin said. "We tend to panic at times." Northville sported a roster which included seven juniors, four sophomores and just two seniors. Four of its five starters were underclassmen. Travis Bliss and Alex Haines will be lost to graduation. The team's season came to an end in a 70-61 loss to Canton in the district semifi-

Junior David Gregor earned all-division honors in the Western Lakes and was on HomeTown's all-area first team. Teammate Aaron Redden was a second-team selection Novi: Boy's cross country earns state; three teams win conference crowns

By JASON SCHMITT

If you were to travel across the state and mention the name Novi, most people would know where it was. With several, and it's safe to say several, state championships under its belt in recent years, even the nickname "Wildcats" is recognizable from Traverse City to Monroe.

This past fall sports season at Novi only added to its identity, with yet another state championship (boy's cross country), three Kensington Valley Conference titles (basketball, boy's cross country and girl's tennis), a football playoff appearance and several individual appearances at state meets.

It would be hard to argue against the Wildcats having perhaps the most successful overall fall sports season in the league. Sorry Brighton, but the 'Cats had your number this past autumn.

BASKETBALL — The girl's team had their sights set high for the 1999 basketball season, and those sights landed the team in the school record books.

The Wildcats posted a 19-1 regular-season record, including a perfect 12-0 mark in the KVC. The conference title was the first in seven seasons and just the second in the team's 23 years of participation in league play. The team's season ended with a 35-34 loss to Northville in the district semifinals.

The loss to the Mustangs was just the second of the season for the 'Cats (20-2). "They had that motto that this was their year coming in and nothing was going to stop them," Novi coach Dennis Cichonski said after clinching the conference title. He went on to say "We still came away with our heads held high. This was the best team, and I emphasize team, that we've ever had here."

FOOTBALL - Restoring Novi football to where it once was in the not-so-distant past, the 1999 Novi gridders completed the program's first trip to the state playoffs in 10 years.

Led by strong offensive and defensive corps, the Wildcats posted a 7-3 record. which included a 24-6 loss to Farmington in the first round of the state playoffs. The team finished 5-2 in the Kensington Valley Conference, which placed them

third behind co-champs Brighton and South Lyon (both 6-1). The season was highlighted by a fourth-down stop of South Lyon's Marcus Schulmeister on the Novi one-yard line. The play, which came in the waning

moments of their September 10th matchup, gave Novi a 13-7 win over the Lions, their first in six years. Mitch Maier led the team both offensively and defensively and was named

HomeTown Newspapers player of the year for his achievements.

BOY'S CROSS COUNTRY - As if having highly successful football and basketball teams were not enough, the Novi boy's cross country team proceeded to bring home another state championship this past fall.

After having lost three of its top five runners from the 1998 state championship team, coach Bob Smith reloaded with a plethora of young talent to win the school's second-straight title.

Led by Tim Moore (3rd) and Chris Toloff (7th), the Wildcats overcame a hungry Rockford team which was the pre-meet favorites to win it all.

Novi collected just 68 points, which easily outdistanced Rockford (90) and the rest of the field. Saline was third (132), Clarkston fourth (133) and Grand Ledge fifth (160). The harriers hobbled through a regular season which included another KVC championship and a regional runnerup finish, but were able to muster up an elite performance when it counted most.

Individually, four 'Cats earned all-state honors. Moore and Toloff were joined by Mark Avenius (16th) and Eric Walle (22nd) on the all-state team. Moore won a regional championship and Toloff was runnerup. The team powered its way to a win at Gabriel Richard and a runnerup finish at the Oakland County meet. Moore and Toloff were fourth and fifth overall in the county.

GIRL'S CROSS COUNTRY — Coach Norm Norgren's crew was snubbed from appearing at the state finals for the second-straight season. The team finished fourth at the regional meet. Only the top three teams can go onto states.

Freshman Nina Schmitt and veteran senior Kristin Echols did qualify as individuals, however. And Schmitt made the most of her opportunity once there. She finished 22nd overall to gain all-state honors. Norgren said his youngster performed beyond his expectations at her first state meet.

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

Echols concluded a stellar career with a 129th-place finish at the meet. She was the individual KVC champion as a junior and finished 21st overall at the state meet

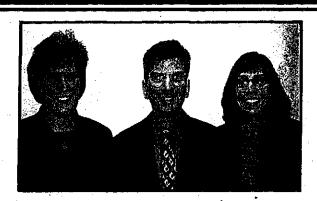
The team finished runnerup at the Oakland County meet for the third-straight year and the fifth time in the last six seasons. The team also played second fiddle in the conference, as Brighton breezed to the conference championship.

GIRL'S SWIMMING — With as much talent as the school's ever seen in the pool, Novi placed eight times at the state meet and took 11th place when all was The Wildcats fielded competitors in 11 of the 12 events at the Class A state finals spending and the control of the cont

Novi's football team made the playoffs in coach John Osborne's last season.

at Oakland University and scored 38 total points in the second day finals. 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

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Novi: grapplers, gymnasts "state" their case, hoops up and down

By JASON SCHMITT

Following up a highly successful fall sports season wasn't easy for the kids of winter, but the results were as good or better in several instances. The Novi wrestling tearn turned in its finest season ever, finishing runnerup in Division I. The hockey team followed in stride, winning its first-ever regional championship before losing in the elite eight. Not wanting to be left out, the gymnastics squad garnered a top-five finish at the state finals, proving itself one of the top programs in the state year in and year out. Just looking at the talent base through two sports seasons leaves one to wonder — just how good will the spring sports teams be?

WRESTLING — 'There's really only one place to start when it comes to winter sports success at Novi High School. The grapplers asserted themselves as the best team to ever grace the mats at Novi High. As if a runnerup finish at the Division I state finals wasn't enough, five more Wildcats placed at the state individual tournament and two (senior Dan Jilg and junior Ryan Churella) came home with state championships.

Novi won its third-consecutive KVC championship, becoming the first team to ever win more than two in the 20-year league history. It was their second outright title in three seasons. The team went on to win district and regional championships before making their run for the state title. The 'Cats defeated Walled Lake Western in the state quarterfinals and then Rockford in the semis. Their loss to Davison (41-28) in the championship match capped off the most prolific wrestling season in school history. Oh yeah, they also captured the Oakland County Championship during their 29-4 season.

Individually, Jilg set school records for wins, falls and was a four-time state placer. Churella followed up last year's state runnerup finish with his first title. Fellow junior Nick Slovan fell in the state championship match and senior Adam Borashko (6th) and freshman Josh Churella (8th) also placed at the meet.

GYMNASTICS — Two seasons ago the Northville/Novi gymnastics team was tops in the state, capturing the school's first-ever tumbling title. That team was loaded with senior talent, talent which left the program in a state of rebuilding.

This year's team set the stage for what could be another state power next year. The 1999-2000 squad was loaded with underclass talent which could translate into big things for the 2000-2001 team. Northville/Novi returns all but two members from this year's squad which placed fourth at the team competition at Hardand High School. And each of the eight girls who competed in the team competition will be back.

The Mustangs (the gymnastics nickname) had three girls place among the top 10 in six different events. Katie Braine, Megan Samhat and Monica Fink will head up a strong returning corps which will also include a healthy Lindsey Carlson. Northville/Novi finished second in their conference and won a regional title en route to their high finish at the state

BASKETBALL — The season was about as up and down as the new Millennium Force rollercoaster at Cedar Point.

Novi lost their first five games of the season, then put together a nine-game winning streak which put them in a short-lived battle with South Lyon for the Kensington Valley Conference title. After four more losses evened the teams record out at 9-9, the season leveled out for the Wildcats, who finished the season with an 11-11 overall record and a 6-6 mark in the KVC. The 6-6 finish tied them with Lakeland for third, although Novi picked up wins in both battles with the Eagles. Novi loses seven seniors to graduation, four of which started. Only sophmore point guard Brandon Davis returns as a starter next season. Fortunately for Schluter, the junior varsity team finished 18-2 this season, despite losing sophomores Davis and Matt Gorman to the varsity team.

"If you look at our team this season, only Chad (Nadolni) and (Brendan) Hadley played a lot last year," Schluter said. "Our other guys all stepped in and did a nice job this year.

"I felt we could have won 15 games this year, but we had a couple of key injuries."

Senior Dan Nawrot was voted to the all-KVC first team as the fifth-highest vote getter.

Chad Nadolni was one of seven players to earn second-team all-league honors.

SWIMMING — The team was young this year, and still managed to turn in yet another solid season under head coach Bill McCord. Like any young team, Novi got better and better as the season went on, and swam its best meet of the season at Schwartz Creek.

"I never would have foreseen what we did (at Schwartz Creek) at the beginning of the season," McCord said. "This was as good of a final meet as I've had in my six years here. Ninety-five percent of our swims were lifetime records and the ones that weren't were for

Michael Bliss and Phil Suchyta led the team to the Invitational championship by winning two events each. Bliss went on to qualify for the state meet in the 100 backstroke. The junior did not qualify for the finals, but his 25th-place finish in a time of 56.2 seconds was faster than that of the 12th-place finisher in the final heat.

HOCKEY — Novi head coach Dan Phelps proved that it's not the age of a program that dictates a team's success, but rather the type of people involved with it.

The Wildcats made it all the way to the state quarterfinals before bowing out to Okemos 3-2. The loss came just five days after Novi defeated Northville for the school's first-ever regional championship. In that game Novi overcame its second straight third-period deficit to pull out a 3-1 win over the Mustangs. Perhaps bigger than any regional championship was Novi's sharing of the KVC title with Milford. Playing in one of the toughest hockey conferences in the state. Novi finished the season with an 8-1-3 league record. The team's



Photo by JOHN HEIDE

The Novi/Northville gymnastics team was brimming with young talent.

only loss in conference play came to Brighton, which finished third.

Junior center Brad Zarem led the league in scoring (32 league points) while senior center

Travis Malott was fourth with 25 points. For their efforts, each received all-league honors at
the end of the season. Zarem was the top vote getter in all-league voting and Malott and fellow senior Jared Genso were named to the all-KVC second team.

VOLLEYBALL — Although their overall record hovered around .500 all season long, the Wildcats struggled to win close matches and had a less than desireable KVC season. Novi finished just 3-9 in conference play and were ousted by perennial powerhouse Walled Lake Central in the opening round of district play. Coach Julie Fisette's team centered around middle blocker Kristen McGlinnen, who will attend Columbia University in the fall. She led the team in blocks (183), aces (65) and kills (207) on her way to being named to the all-conference and all-area squads. The team loses four seniors, including McGlinnen, Angie Herbst, Christina Parrish and Emily Major.

Northville: fall sports continued

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BOY'S GOLF — After finishing a perfect 5-0 and earning a Western Divisional championship, Northville finished runnerup at the conference meet at the Links of Pinewood. In the overall standings, Northville (19) finished a point behind the Vikings (20). The Mustangs had several players step it up throughout the season. Dave Oljace earned all-conference honors while Brian Arndt and Tom Borda earned all-division honors.

Borda came back to earn all-area first-team praise while Oljace was on HomeTown's second team. Junior Dean Conway surprised a few people by turning in a 79 at the regional meet. That score made him the lone qualifier for the state meet at Mason. Once there Conway fired an 87 and miss the cut for the championship round.

BOY'S SOCCER — Playing along with the theme of Northville sports for the fall season, the soccer team posted a sub-par 8-9-1 record that may have been deceiving to the average fan. It gets old after a while, but it's hard to ignore the fact that the Mustangs played an extremely tough schedule in their conference. They also played the defending

state champion Novi in a non-conference matchup.

Brandon Bethell completed a stellar career at Northville while Kelleher joined him on the Western Lakes all-conference team as two of the best 12 players in the 12 team conference. At season's end, Kelleher, Bethell and Erik Anderson earned praise on Home Town's all-

CROSS COUNTRY — Having to run by himself at the state meet at Michigan International Speedway, junior Brian Bilyk found a way to finish in the top quarter of the 284 participants in the state's biggest boys' cross country meet. He finished 59th overall in a careerbest time of 16:41. His teammates stayed home after finishing ninth at the regional meet a week earlier. The Mustangs finished sixth at the conference meet, with Bilyk leading the way with a sixth-place finish amongst the individuals. The team looks to have a promising future with runners like Bilyk, Ben Flood, Phil Santer, Joe Lunn and Nick Moroz leading the way.

The girls' team struggled to a 15th-place finish at the regional meet after having to hobble through several key injuries throughout the season. The team's best runner, Alyson Flohr, suffered a sprained ankle in the last mile of the regional. Senior Lorianne Blair stepped it up and nearly qualified for the state meet with her 30th-place finish. It was the first time in her three years competing in cross country that Flohr did not make the trip to Brooklyn for the state finals.

Novi: trifecta of KVC titles for Novi, baseball goes deep in state

By JASON SCHMITT

Capping off what could only be recognized as one of the most successful athletic years in school history, Novi's spring sports teams recorded an incredible three Kensington Valley Conference titles, two more district championships, a regional crown and three more KVC runnerup finishes. The baseball and softball teams were the class of the league, and the boy's track team used a total team effort to place third at the team state championships back in May. The only way to truly recognize the brilliance the spring sports teams displayed this year is to break each sport down. So without further adieu, here they are.

BASEBALL — It would be hard to trace a more-talented ball club than the one Novi skipper Rick Green produced this season. Having inherited a highly-skilled team from former coach Brian Howard, Green meshed his team into a championship club, capturing KVC, district and regional crowns before losing to Detroit Catholic Central in the state

The Wildcats had tremendous depth off the bench, Novi had 12 hitters top the .300 mark and five players jacked at least six home runs in 2000. On the mound, Green threw seven guys, all of which had at least four games of experience.

SOFTBALL, — Only a bit of luck, for Ann Arbor Pioneer, stopped Novi from going all the way this past spring. With the bases loaded, two outs, down a run in the bottom of the eighth inning, senior Katie Cameron's line shot deflected off the third-baseman's glove and into the glove of the Pioneer shortstop, whose glove was outstretched for the catch.

The Pioneer's luck marked the end of what could be Novi's greatest softball season ever. The 'Cats were 29-8 and captured their second-straight KVC championship. The team then went on to defeat South Lyon 18-2 in the district finals.

Senior Joelle Frantz finished the season 21-4 and capped off a stellar four-year career in a Wildcat uniform. Fellow senior four-year starters Katie Cameron and Sarah Bajorek will sorely be missed next season as well.

TENNIS — For the first time in six seasons, Novi failed to claim at least a share of the KVC title, finishing numerup to eventual state qualifier Brighton. The netter did finish second though, thus keeping their name near the top of the league's most-dominating list. What could be considered a rebuilding season for the program (Novi had just one returning starter from last year), the team came just points away from qualifying for the state meet. Losing half of its lineup after this year, Novi should make another run towards the top of the league next year. This season, every player posted a winning record for the year, with the No. 1 doubles team of Ryan Bateman and Brian Dodds making the most noise at their flight. The due raced to an undefeated KVC title.

LACROSSE — Although the season didn't end the way the coaches would have liked, Novi fought hard all year long before losing in the state quarterfinals to East Grand Rapids. At one point this season, Novi jumped out to an 8-1 record, its best start in school history. Among those first eight wins were a few firsts, including the team's first-ever wins over both Detroit Catholic Central and De La Salle. Senior Pat Muston led the team in scoring this season and was featured in <I>Sports Illustrated's <I>Faces in the Crowd section.

GOLF — It wasn't the best season in school history, but the strides the girl's team made towards the end of the season brought forth a promise of what the future may bring.

Led by senior standout Tara Stevens, the Wildcats finished with a league dual record of 3-3, after starting out a miserable 0-3. A fifth-place finish at the league meet ensured the team of that same finish in the final-league standings. All of that came after the team finished last at the pre-KVC meet back in April. Their performance at the post KVC meet (433) was more than 20 strokes better than their season-opening performance on the same Tyrone Hills course.

TRACK & FIELD — It's not difficult to see that the Novi boys have perhaps the best distance-running program in the state. Two straight state cross country titles will tell you that. But the track team proved this spring that its sprinters, throwers, vaulters and jumpers belong among the elite as well. Novi finished third at the team state championships just a week after winning the regional track title.

Junior Chris Toloff went on to break school records in both the 1,600 and 3,200 races at the individual state meet. His time of 4:10.77 in the mile was the third-fastest in state history and placed him behind Dathan Ritzenhein, widely considered the best distance runner in Michigan High School history. Toloff came back to place sixth in the two mile, one position ahead of sophomore teammate Tim Moore. The Wildcats ran away with the KVC title, dethroning three-time defending champion Milford (2nd). The team was undefeated in dual proofs in 2000.

With little chance of knocking off defending KVC champion Brighton, Novi's girls' team proceeded to top every other league foe they faced this season.

The Wildcats were 5-1 in league duals and went on to take runnerup honors at the league championships on May 23. Junior Mickie Rzepka made continual progress all season long, and placed fifth in the pole vault competition at the Class A state championship meet. She also fared well at the Oakland County meet, where she placed second in the same event. She was joined by seniors Christina Terrell and Stephanic Pridmore at the state meet, where the two competed in the discus and shot put. Pridmore was the KVC champ in the shot.

SOCCER — Senior Kristi Arrington, concluded the most accomplished career in Novi history, a history which included a school-record 148 career goals and a pair of Kensington

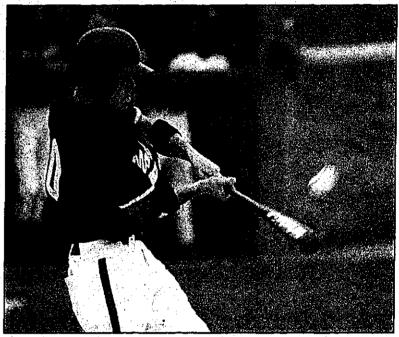


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Probably no team in the state could connect like Novi did in 2000.

Valley Conference championships.

The senior scored a career-high 51 goals in 2000, leading Novi to a runnerup finish in the KVC. Each of the team's seven losses came to top-10 ranked teams, including five to Division I and II state semifinalists Brighton, Canton and Northville.

The team finished the season with a 13-7 overall record.

Arrington led a barrage of five players to make the all-KVC first team. They were Arrington, Sarah Clark, Sarah Corless, Cooley and Ales. Kerri Timar and Karrie Smith were honorable-mention selections.

Arrington, Cooley and Clark were also named to the all-district team.



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South Lyon: football team wins yet another conference title

By STEPHEN BELL

BASKETBALL - Coach Jim Brennan's debut season saw solid defensive play — only four times did the Lions give up more than 55 points. Defense kept this young team in many games. Milford coach Don Palmer said, though his team — which featured All-American Christie Schumacher — won its game at South Lyon, it was actually outplayed.

It was on the other end that South Lyon struggled. In nearly every game there were long, long stretches with no scoring. The result, a winless, last-place KVC campaign and a 1-21 overall record. The sole victory came against Walled Lake Central, 35-30.

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"That was the first game where we actually scored as the game went on," Brennan said.

Unfortunately, more typical was the Lions' home game against Lakeland. South Lyon led 32-30 after three quarters, but didn't score for the final eight minutes and lost 37-32. South Lyon's season ended in the first round of the Class A districts, 56-16. Key contributors returning to next year's team include Dawn Mannerino, Alex Miseta, Lisa Partlow and Leah Kustamo. Leading rebounder Fran Hamilton graduated.

CROSS COUNTRY - Though they were not able to translate it into a repeat appearance at the state finals, the Lady Lions still concluded their season with a strong showing at the Class A regional at Springfield Oaks. They were sixth in the 18-team field. Senior Amanda Lee qualified for the state finals, and was one of four South Lyon runners to finish in the top 50, along with Nikole Aman, Trista Cannon and Michelle Hipple. Lee placed 44th at the state finals, 20 seconds off of all-state. At the Oakland County Meet — the largest non-state championship cross country race in the U.S. — South Lyon placed 10th, Lee 11th.

This fall without Lee, the Lions' top runner should be Aman, who will be a senior. She placed 13th at the KVC meet and 24th at the regional.

On the boys' side, South Lyon placed ninth at the brutal Springfield Oaks regional. Individually, senior Jason Pridmore was ninth as well, coming from way back to finish in 16:55. South Lyon coach Scott Smith said it was the best race of his career.

It took until the fast KVC dual neet for the Lions to get a league win, but they more than made up for lost time in against Hartland. 17 of the 25 runners set PRs. South Lyon went 1-5 in KVC dual meets, and placed eighth at the conference meet.

EQUESTRIAN - In the B state meet at the State Fairgrounds, -South Lyon scored 72 points to finish third overall behind Brighton and Fruitport. Senior co-captain Dawn Clisch was the team MVP. She was also the MVP win South Lyon won the regional championship, a venue where the team also claimed the sportsmanship award.

FOOTBALL - After starting the season 1-2, South Lyon regrouped to win its sixth KVC championship of the '90s. Though the Lions clinched the league in week eight at Hartland, the decisive game of the season came against Brighton. With 3:32 left in that game, Nick Younce kicked a 36-yard field goal to give the Lions a 22-21 win over a Bulldogs team which was ranked second in the state at the time. Younce provided South Lyon its first kicking threat in years. He made eight-of-10 field goals and didn't

South Lyon finished the regular season 7-2, and qualified for the playoffs. The Lions lost in the first round to Walled Lake Western, 29-16. No shame there — Western went on to win the Division I state title. South Lyon coach Bob Scheloske said don't be surprised if those two meet again next November. Despite losing old standbys like top rusher Jim Mize (918 yards, second-best in the KVC) and Brad Morris, who led the team in tackles with over 100 for three-straigh years, the 2000 team could be even better, with four All-KVC players returning. South Lyon could have the strongest offensive line (the 1999 team rushed for over 2,000 yards) and best defensive backfield in the league.

Sophomore Jordan Robertson was a revelation at running back, rushing for six touchdowns and over 700 yards despite sharing carries with Mize and another senior, Marcus Schulmeister. Robertson's breakout game came against Howell, where he ran for 175 yards and scored his first varsity touchdown. There may be a new starting quarterback — Jamie Gasparella, a junior varsity player up to this point.

GOLF - South Lyon's score of 314 at the Oak Pointe Golf Club regional in Brighton was good for third place. Unfortunately, only the top three teams advance to the state finals. Senior Brian Downing, however, did qualify for the finals as an individual after shooting 75. South Lyon placed seventh out of 24 teams at the Oakland County tournament. Downing's score of 75 was good for a ninth-place finish. At the Pre-KVC tournament he shot 73 to finish second. A three-time all-conference honoree, Downing's nine-hole average as a senior ws 38.5.

Another senior, Justin Goyt, had a terrific season. He set two school records, for 18

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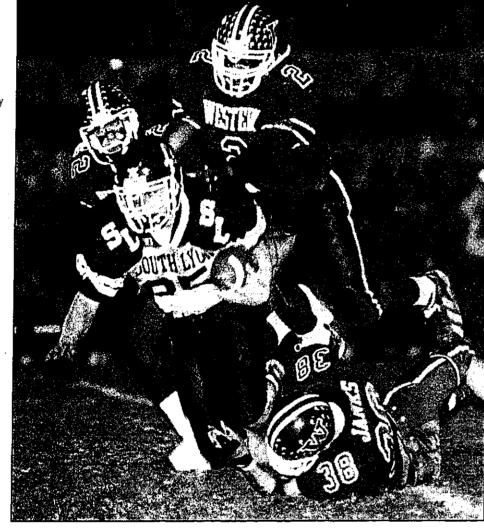


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Tony Kern and South Lyon could be looking at a playoff rematch with Walled Lake Western

holes — 71 — at the Farmington Invitational, and for nine holes — 33 — in a match with Redford Thurston at Salem Hills. Goyt's nine-hole average was 40.

The team's top returning golfer this fall should be Pat Kerekes, whose nine-hole average as a sophomore was 41.

It was the final season for coach Bill Thomas. He founded the program 31 years ago, and has been its only coach during that time.

SOCCER - Coach Bill Stevanovic's final season ended unfortunately, when an overtime penalty kick gave Walled Lake Western a 3-2 district victory. The Lions finished the season 4-12-1, 3-8-1 (fifth place) in the KVC.

Junior Jonathon Hernandez was South Lyon's leading scorer, with 11 goals and four

SWIMMING - The first meet of new coach Kevin Hafner's tenure, against Westland John Glenn, saw South Lyon's 200 medley relay team set a new school mark. The records would continue to fall all season, all the way until the last meet of the year, the Ann Arbor Invitational, where Lisa Baran broke her own school record in the 100 backstroke (1:03.18) and Adrienne Stephen did the same in the 100 butterfly (1:03.08). In the Oakland County meet — the deepest assemblage of talent outside the state finals — South Lyon proved it was not out of place. Baran, a sophomore, was 10th in the 100 backstroke (1:04.33) and 12th in the 200 individual medley (2:21.15).

TENNIS - In what would prove to be coach Dimitri Demetral's final season, South Lyon fell short of his goal of climbing out from the KVC's basement. The Lions went 1-10-1 in the league. Coupled with their showing at the conference tournament, that left them in seventh place in the KVC.

"Our goal this weason was to get out of last place," Demtral said. "But we didn't achieve that. The bottom line — we got one point at the league tournament [Georgia Hornbrook, 6-0, 6-0 in third singles against Howell] and were last in the KVC.

South Lyon won two matches at the Division I regional at Ann Arbor Pioneer, thanks to Katie Hipple at second singles and Georgia Hornbrook at third singles.

This fall, Demetral will be replaced by Don Valentine, who took over South Lyon's boys' team in the spring.

South Lyon: Back to back hoop titles, hockey starts new tradition

By STEPHEN BELL

BASKETBALL - Some might have thought South Lyon's 1999 KVC title was a one-time thing. Incorrect. The Lions went an amazing 11-1 in the conference to claim back-to-back championships.

"We went 9-3 in the league, and most years that would win it," Milford coach Don Palmer said. "This year it didn't. Credit South Lyon for that."

"For being so short, we became a very good team," South Lyon coach Daren Clayton said. "We had some great comebacks, upsets, and we played some great teams. This year was sweeter than last year, because some may have thought the first one was a fluke. We played a much tougher schedule, and teams were gunning for us. I attribute our success tour character. First, we're like a family, we're friends off the court. Seconds, this team had a lot of heart. We gave up four-five-six inches a night inside, but we made up for it with hustle

and hard work. It's a great honor to work with these guys."

Senior forward Randy Duncan was the team's leading scorer and rebounder, and was a unanimous selection by the league's coaches to the All-KVC team. Joining him as a first-team all-conference pick was senior guard Brian Downing.

There was no repeat of a district championship, however. Playing at Saline, South Lyon ran into a Jackson High team playing its best ball of the season, and lost 81-77 in overtime. That put the Lions' final record at 15-6. South Lyon appears to have gone beyond having merely good teams, and now has a good program.

"It's encouraging to see the excitement in the younger classes," Clayton said. "We have juniors and sophomores who are enthusiastic about carrying on the leagacy of the last couple years. I think the program is at a point where we're going to be contenders year in and year out."

WRESTLING - The Lions wrestlers saved their best for last. Eight of them performed well enough at the district to qualify for the regional — Chris Barnes (125 pounds), Dave Edwards (130), Andy Golden (135), Mike Chandler (152), Matt Williams (171), Kirk Mulligan (189), Tim Zemaitis (215) and Josh Kabat (275).

From there, five got through regionals to make it to the state meet — Chandler (who was the regional champion), Williams, Mulligan, Zemaitis and Kabat. Chandler earned all-state honors for the second consecutive year. He placed fourth at the state finals, and ended up with a record of 43-3. South Lyon's success at the state level shouldn't have been a surprise. The talent was definitely evident at the KVC championships, where the Lions finished second. Golden, in the match of the day (a 3-2, double-overtime win), was conference champ at 135, as was Chandler at 152. Barnes, Edwards and Zemaitis were all second. During the regular season, South Lyon won 18 matches, tying the school record for dual meet wins.

HOCKEY - South Lyon's season — coach Marc Pouliot's first — (and perhaps its future) was best exemplified not in a KVC war, but a non-conference game with Plymouth Canton. Old habits die hard, but South Lyon turned the corner on the road to becoming a competitive, sportsmanlike team. In that game, Lions freshman Stephen Golasziewski scored the game-winner on a power play with 53 seconds left in the third period, to put it at 4-3. 30 seconds earlier, Canton had tied the score. There was a hard check on the play, and the Canton player dropped his gloves. His South Lyon counterpart, Trevor Hatch, didn't. Canton got a major and minor penalty, the Lions only a minor.

"In the past, that might have been reversed," Pouliot said. "Trevor keeping his composure

led directly to the win. Slowly, the message got through."

Also getting through, often, was South Lyon's first line. Senior Rick Wosek and junior

Pan Maritt were the most prolific scoring tandem in the KVC. The Lions went 3.8-1 (fifth

Dan Merritt were the most prolific scoring tandem in the KVC. The Lions went 3-8-1 (fifth place) in the KVC. Their overall record was 10-12-1.

"Coming in, I knew it would be difficult," Pouliot said, "and it was a lot tougher than I imagined. The program had been so down and the players had picked up some bad habits, through no fault of their own. We had to teach them what it takes to win. Some of them were receptive; with others it took more effort. There was attrition — we had to kick some kids off the team — but it was addition by subtraction. At the end of the year, after the big three — Milford, Brighton and Novi — I think we were the fourth-best team in the league. We've got to work on getting more and better players into the program. The biggest difference between us and Milford, Brighton and Novi is depth. Our first concern is upgrading

our defense and depth at goalie."

Next season Merritt will be joined by Golasziewski and Kevin Johnson, a freshman forward who really turned it on as the season progressed. He ended up the tearn's leading scor-

SKIING - 1999-2000 marked the first season in which skiing was a varsity sport, elevevated from being merely a ski club through the hard work of the athletes themselves. "Being the first year, we didn't know what to expect," coach John Thompson said. "The idea was tootry our best and have as much fun as we could. We achieved that, and actually did better than I expected. With the kids we'll have back, and with some new kids, we'll have a pretty decent team next year. The ones that were inexperienced this year will go into it with the knowledge they didn't have this season. I know there are good skiers around here, and if they come out, the team will really start shining."

SWIMMING - In coach Kevin Hafner's first season, South Lyon showed that it may be a program on the rise. Perhaps the Lions' most significant accomplishment came at the Oakland County meet. No South Lyon team had ever recorded a single point there. This group scored six, and finished 17th in the county.

The 200 medley team of Kurt Servies, Brandon Baker, Mike Young and Brian Grinnell set a school record with its time of 1:50.14.



Photo by HAL GOULD

Chris Fisher holds the KVC basketball championship trophy.

Baker was one of the best in the area in the 100 breastroke, with a best time of 1:07.95.

VOLLEYBALL - South Lyon's record was 22-12-7, 8-4 in the KVC. Coach Ed Baldwin's system depends on a star player getting as many touches as possible. In 1999-2000, that player was senior Fran Hamilton. And justifiably so. She concluded her career with 860 kills, the second-most in school history behind only former teammate Kellie Kern. In a three-set loss to Milford, Hamilton set South Lyon's single-match record for kills, with 28. Her 399 kills on the year were only 10 off Kern's single-season record. She also led the team with 26 blocks and 37 aces.

If Hamilton wasn't doing damage, it was South Lyon's other senior hitter, Cassey Sutton. She had 192 kills, 26 blocks and 26 aces.

So who'll step up next year? Ellen Durkee showed flashes of potential as a junior. The thing was she was playing behind Hamilton and Sutton. But Durkee, and everyone else, will have the benefit of working with setter Beth Berry. The Lions found their game when Berry became the full-time setter. From there, South Lyon ended up tied with Milford for second in the KVC as Berry led the team in assists and was named to the all-conference team. Other key contributors returning will be Melissa Tavidian and Katie Wurster.

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South Lyon: girls burn up the track, tough districts on the diamond

BASEBALL - South Lyon went 14-17 and finished fourth in the KVC with an 8-

The Lions lost some close games throughout the year. But none were has hurtful as that last one-run ball game. South Lyon played Brighton in its district opener. Earlier in the season, the Bulldogs had rallied to win at South Lyon in the seventh. This time it took 10 innings before Brighton drove in the winning run in the bottom of inning, after being shut out since the first.

Junior lefty Kevin Hammer was South Lyon's best starter. He went 3-3 with a 3.58 ERA. Another junior, Tony Kern, was 5-5 with a 3.44 ERA.

It was on the other side that Kern did his real damage. Offensively, he led the Lions across the board with a .476 batting average, 39 RBI, five home runs, 14 doubles and 28 runs scored.

Some seniors had big years, as well. Jason Rohraff hit .407 with 21 RBI, Pat Flynn hit .390 and drove in 26 runs and Jason Adler hit .385 with three homers.

GOLF — South Lyon didn't have the depth necessary to defend its KVC championship. What it did have, though, were two of the league's best golfers in senior Amanda Gardner and sophomore Ashley Gardner.

Whenever she was playing at South Lyon's home course, Downing Farms, Ashley was a threat to break the school's nine-hole record. She did it a number of times, and it now stands at 36. She was a first-team All-KVC choice. She placed sixth at the Oakland County tournament.

While her younger sister may have surpassed her scores, Amanda was as vital as ever to the Lions' fortunes. With an inexperienced team, particularly early in the year, she, too, had to be right on her game for the team to have a shot. She was once again a first-team All-KVC selection.

Next season, even without Amanda Gardner or coach Bill Thomas, South Lyon should be tough. Ashley Gardner's back, of course, and she'll have some help. By the end of the season, the Lions were getting consistent scores from Satomi Abe. Rebecca Berry and Meghan Palma, sophomore, sophomore and freshman, respec-

SOCCER - In coach Gretchen Clatterbuck's first season, South Lyon placed fifth in the KVC. The Lions lost to Walled Lake Western in the state playoffs.

Clatterbuck said the team's problem too often during the season was its inability to put together consistently outstanding periods of play. Key performers for the Lions were Jen Fagin, Rachel Sarkella and Chelsey

SOFTBALL — South Lyon had a young team. Of the 15 players on the roster, only three were seniors. This youthfulness manifested itself in two ways.

The first way, often early in the season, was with stretches of rough, unconcentrated play. The second way was with glimpses of what might be in the future.

One such glimpse, one that may leave a lasting impression, came in the state tournament, playing state-ranked Brighton in a district game. The game was scoreless until the tenth inning, when South Lyon scored three times, and won the game 3-0. The Lions lost to Novi in the district championship, to end the season with a

Melissa Tavidian, who knocked in the go-ahead run against Brighton, was South Lyon's best player as a junior. She was the winning pitcher in all 10 of their victories, and led the team in all offensive categories.

Other key players joining Tavidian on next year's team will be Tracey Vibber, Katie Wurster, Christina Tredinnick, Kasey Harmon and Jessi Harmon.

TRACK & FIELD - South Lyon's girls' team boasted the strongest group of sprinters in the KVC, with Jacquelyn Gaudreau, Andrea Gaudreau, Laurie Le les, Marquita Whitfield and Lindsay Hall. The Gaudreau's, Eccles and Whitfield qualified for the state finals in the 400-meter relay, and ran a school record 51.1 seconds.

But they weren't the only ones. South Lyon had talent throughout the ranks. Senior Amanda Lee had a fitting end to her fine career. At the regionals she placed second in the 3,200 meters and third in the 1,600 meters, qualifying for the state finals in both races. In Rockford, Lee was 10th in the mile, running a PR 5:12, and

Other state qualifiers from South Lyon were Jamie Kuzdek in the discus and Lynn Gasparella in the pole vault. Gasparella set a PR of 9'6" at the state meet. She was also the pole vault champion at the KVC meet. Kuzdek medaled at the state meet with a sixth-place throw of 120'0".

While not on the same relative level as the girls, South Lyon's boys' team definitely had some talent. But it was often a numbers game in the KVC, and the Lions didn't have the depth to compete with the likes of Milford and Novi. They went 1-5 in conference dual meets, beating Hartland.

Outside of the leauge the Lions were no slouches. They placed fourth in a strong field at the Ypsilanti Lincoln relays.

Junior Paul Bursick led the team in points earned, and he did it a number of ways. Bursick competed in the 110-meter hurdles, the 300-meter hurdles and the pole vault. He was one of the topt hurdlers in the KVC. He ran a state qualifying time in the 300, only it came at the Meet of Champions and not the regional.

South Lyon showed some speed in its younger classes, led by freshman sprinter

Senior Jim Mize was one of the league's best weight men.

Novi: fall sports continued

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Hartland was not alone as Andrea Yocum, Lindsey Vermillion, Amanda Smith and Kristina Utley also scored at the state meet. Novi won nine of 12 events at the KVC swim meet, but Brighton used its superior depth to take home the championship. The Bulldogs and Farmington Mercy were the only two teams to knock off the Wildcats in dual meets.

BOY'S SOCCER — Following up a state championship season is a lot harder than it would seem, just ask the 1999 Novi soccer team.

The Wildcats were coming off the most successful season in school history. and despite having lost several key seniors from the year before, Novi made a

strong run for a repeat performance. Novi won the district championship 4-0 over West Bloomfield and then went on to defeat Dearborn in the regional semifinals. They then lost to Livonia Stevenson 3-0 in the state quarterfinals to end their season at 19-2-1, a season which included a runnerup finish to Brighton in the KVC standings.

BOY'S GOLF— Following a very similar path as the school's wrestling team, the Wildcat golfers were perhaps a year away from glory this past sea-

Nevertheless, the team made tremendous strides in relaying the message that

they'll be around for the next few seasons to come.

The team will be competing in the upper echelon of Oakland County teams this upcoming season, thanks to the squad's second-place finish in the lowerlevel tournament this past fall.

The top two teams in the lower draw exchange places with the bottom two

teams of the top draw each year. Sophomores Matt Peurach and Pete Kobylarek will lead the team into the future with the help of Robbie Overfield. The sophomore trio will be joined by freshman Jack Tyler and senior-to-be Ryan Miller on a team that should contend for a conference championship. Kobylarek was a second-team all-KVC selection this year while Peurach placed third at the Oakland County tourna-

"They know now, it's time to make something happen." Novi coach Brad Huss said of next year's team. "I'm really looking forward to it."

GIRL'S TENNIS — It's almost a given that the Novi tennis team will win a conference championship. If it's not, then the program Jim Hanson has built is surely coming up big at the right times.

The Wildcats came back from regular-season losses to Brighton to take first at the conference tournament and claim a share of its fourth-consecutive KVC

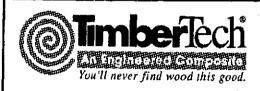
Three of four doubles flights won championships and the third doubles team

finished runner-up to propel the team to the win. "Brighton was the favorite. They had the top two players in the conference

and a lot of depth back from last year. That's what makes this championship so sweet for the girls," Hanson said following the tournament victory.

The team could not carry their winning ways through the regional tournament, however. Novi finished third at the Ann Arbor Pioneer regional behind the host school and Huron.

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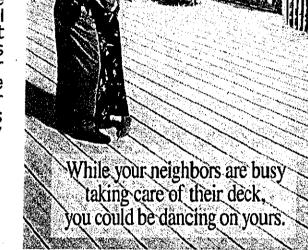


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