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Stalker in red truck gets life

■ Last summer's parents network helped catch the stalker, now he's going to prison.

BY RANDAL YAKEY
Staff Writer

He did not get any children inside his little red truck, nor did he touch any children.

But because of his prior record, and a new state statute, one child predator could spend the rest of his days inside the Jackson State

Prison.

Kenneth Stefanski, the "red truck stalker" who was arrested last summer after attempting to lure children into his vehicle, was sentenced to from one day to life in prison on

September 18.

According to Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor Cheryl Matthews, Stefanski has problems with the ages of the individuals he find attractive.

"He's been involved in sexual delinquency for a long time."

Cheryl Matthews,
Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor

"He likes them between 5- and 10 years-old," Matthews said. "He's been involved in sexual delinquency for a long time."

Matthews said that Stefanski, who was on the Michigan sex offender list until he was sent to jail, has a criminal record going back to his teenage years in Livonia.

According to Matthews, Stefanski was living in a campground in western Oakland County at the time he began stalking children in Novi and Northville last summer.

Novi Police Detective Kevin Hebert said that Stefanski was living in the Proud Lake

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The best of both worlds



Visiting a foreign country for a vacation can be intimidating enough, but at least you know you can go home soon.

Moving your family to a new land for a few years is a different story. You've got to learn the language. The food is different. The groceries are different. Your friends are far away.

The Novi News took a look at how a growing number of Japanese workers and their families living in Novi make their way through a new country, community and culture before returning home.

This is the first in a series of three.



Linda Okamoto, co-owner of Pastry House Hippo bakery, wraps up an order for customer Juzo Yamaka. He and a friend came from Fort Wayne to visit the shop they know by reputation.

Japanese find comfort in Asian stores

On any given day at the One World Market in Novi, it's not unusual to find the clientele chatting away — in Japanese — about the weather or a new product.

Some of them know each other from frequent trips to the Asian-oriented grocery store. But even if they've never met, what's more important is they speak the same language. And they share the same background.

Most of the customers come to One World, and many of the other

Japanese restaurants and shops around town, to find familiarity. For a good number, they are transplants from halfway around the world spending a few years in America while working for companies affiliated with Toyota and Panasonic.

With little or no English training, the women especially use their trips to Japanese businesses to find comfort. It's these places that remind them of home. At One World, Japanese videos,

books, health and beauty items and newspapers line the shelves, not to mention the rampant display of everything Pokemon under the sun.

Japanese customers say One World Market has the best selection and the most Japanese items

in one place compared to other stores in the Metro Detroit area. Still, Hitomi Fulton of West Bloomfield not only shops here but heads to smaller stores in West Bloomfield and Livonia.

"This store has more various kinds of food," said Yasuji Kuriki, of West Bloomfield.

Her husband works for a car company here but will be transferred back to Japan. She's comfortable sticking with her

Stories by
Wendy Pierman Mitzel
Photos by John Heider

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A new state of grace

Northville church eyes site in Novi

■ Our Lady of Victory Church considers move to Eight Mile/Beck Road.

BY RANDAL YAKEY
Staff Writer

Northville's Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church could be looking to move — and the promised land could be in Novi.

The church has put an option on 35 acres of property along Eight Mile Road, just west of Beck Road, owned by Margaret Zaylt.

According to Ned McGrath of the Archdiocese of Detroit, Our Lady of Victory has had a large amount of growth in the past few years and is looking to expand because the current "footprint" of the church is not conducive to expansion.

"They are looking for a way to expand," McGrath said. "And they are looking at property in that (Novi) area."

Our Lady of Victory Father Ernest Porcari said that the church has put an option on the property last week.

"We have all but purchased the property," Porcari said. "The

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G.W. Bush's bucks go a long way

BY RANDAL YAKEY
Staff Writer

She was a woman with needs, fashion needs.

But she was a little short on cash, so she used whatever she had on hand. In this instance being the new \$200 bill that's going around.

On September 23rd, a Commerce Township woman in her late 30s entered a perfume shop to make a purchase at Twelve Oaks Mall.

Well, she must have been a Republican because the bill she used had a value of \$200, and a picture of George W. Bush on the front.

Stranger still, the clerk rang up the sale of \$64.66, then proceeded to hand the suspect the rest back in change.

"And the suspect was dumb enough to give her real name," Novi Detective Paul Stulgross said. "The clerk said she noticed something wasn't right and the suspect told her it was a legitimate bill."

According to Novi police, the clerk was extremely embarrassed over the entire situation.

The bill was green and had the numbers 200 written on each corner and "Rooms not for Rent" referring to President Bill Clinton's allowing over 100 supporters to stay in the Lincoln Bedroom.

"It said 'I like broccoli' and 'compassionate conservative on it,'" Stulgross said.

Police continue to investigate the incident.

High style for homes offered at new shop

■ Main Street shoppers can get decorating tips.

BY STEPHANIE FORDYCE
Staff Writer

From merely fashionable to cutting edge chic, Designer's Choice Imagination is the place to go to dress up your home.

Located in the new Main Street district in Novi, the shop offers a wide selection of home accents and decorative accessories.

"We're pretty ahead of the market," said Director of Operations Wendy Buda. "We usually have things a couple years before they hit the department stores, so we really stay ahead of the game."

Buda said while Designer's Choice Imagination is generally targeted towards kitchen and

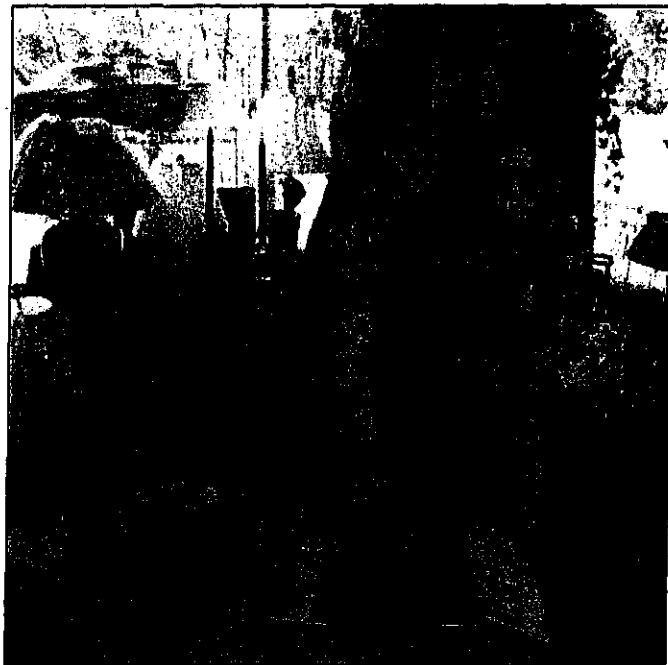
baths, they also offer art work, window treatments, floral arrangements, and furniture such as ottomans, beds, tables and upholstery.

Distinctive rugs, wall decor, luxurious lamps, gifts and more can also be found at the Main Street location.

"We carry Crystal and we carry Plain & Fancy custom cabinet lines," Buda explained. "We mainly do kitchens, but we have been doing baths. People seem to be getting a little extravagant in that area of the home."

Buda noted that because their cabinets are custom-lined, they can put any finish on the cabinets. The family-owned business.

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Wendy Buda minds the shop at Designer Choice Imagination.

Taking the ribbon: NHS team winged to D.C.

BY STEPHANIE FORDYCE
Staff Writer

It was an extremely profound and powerful weekend for high school and district administrators as they traveled to Washington D.C. to receive the nation's highest recognition in education, the National Blue Ribbon Award.

From September 21-23, Novi High School Principal Dr. Jennifer

Cheal, Superintendent Dr. Emmet Lippe, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Dr. Rita Traynor, and Novi High School teachers Dave Legg and Sandy Moulton attended a three-day ceremony at the capitol, accepting the prestigious award on behalf of the school and the community.

"It was a huge honor to represent our community and our school,"

Cheal said. "It's hard to convey into words all the energy and excitement, but it was wonderful."

The high school is one of nine Michigan schools and one of 198 schools in the nation who received the award and commemorative flag in a ceremony at the Washington Hilton Hotel led by U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley.

"It was one of those experiences

that will stay with me for the rest of my life," Cheal said. "I still, reflecting on it now, keep thinking how wonderful and uplifting it was."

Typically, the award is presented by President Clinton, but due to a campaign engagement in New York with Hillary, Clinton was unable to attend. However, in an issued

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Mariko Nishio, who lives in Novi, shops at One World Market. She's there three times a week. Photo by JOHN HEIDER

The comforts of home offered at Japanese shops

Continued from 1 Japanese roots. Many of her neighbors are Japanese and her family frequents other Japanese businesses. "In my case I like Japanese food, so we go to Japanese restaurants but my (5-year-old) daughter likes American food," she laughed. One World opened in 1997 hoping to cater to a growing number of Japanese workers, according to General Manager Toru Takahashi. "It's not too many Japanese at the time, but others moved here from other cities for the convenience," he said. "People who shop here are still living the Japanese style and mostly spend time in the Japanese community," said Toru Takahashi, who moved from Georgia and was surprised by the number of Japanese concentrated in the area. In the years since Novi has quickly developed a reputation for having Japanese friendly businesses. Five Japanese restaurants are

located in Novi, as are a few specialty food stores and even a Japanese consulting and translating business. In fact employees of a Plymouth company, Trax, recently told a Fort Wayne man here for business about One World Market and Pastry House Hippo, necessitating a side trip to Novi before heading home. He stocked up on fish and supplies from One World and bread "I'll make good toast," from Pastry House Hippo one afternoon in April. It's food he can't find in Indiana, he explained. Linda Okamoto, whose husband is part-owner of Pastry House Hippo, wasn't surprised. A lot of business is by word of mouth around the Japanese community, she said. "The women sort of depend on each other," explained Okamoto. "If someone new comes in someone will teach them where to shop. We get a lot of Asian customers bringing in new customers to shop."



Novi written in Japanese and English alphabets.

JAPANESE ENTERPRISE
Some of Novi's blossoming Japanese businesses:
• Cherry Blossom — a traditional Japanese restaurant in West Oaks II
• Noodle House — a traditional Japanese restaurant on Grand River Avenue
• Pastry House Hippo — traditional Japanese pastries and breads on Grand River Avenue
• One World Market — Japanese groceries, books, videos and sushi bar at Novi's Main Street
• Suzuki, Meyers and Associates Consulting — Japanese law firm, consultants on Ten Mile Road
• Shiro — Japanese and French fine dining on Nine Mile Road



Yusuke Okamoto, co-owner of Pastry House Hippo, prepares to make some Japanese sponge cake delicacies at the popular Grand River Avenue bakery. Customers come from all over.

Stories — Wendy Pierman Mitzel Photos — John Heider

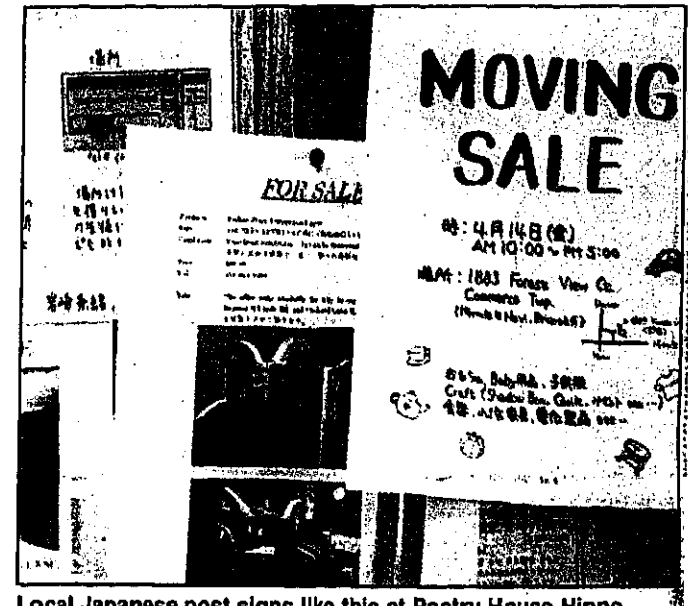
Good schools, safe environment draw Japanese to Novi

Novi is an attractive location for Japanese workers moving to America on temporary visas. Several have told *The Novi News*. Its highly acclaimed school system and good, central location are bringing in many of these workers to live, as well as making Novi the home of the number two Japanese Counsel. "It's a good place, too, simply because of the growing number of Japanese moving here," by locating near each other, these families can maintain ties to their homeland and explore new territory. Izumi Suzuki-Meyers, a local Japanese consultant, said Novi, along with West Bloomfield, is a top choice for Japanese workers because of the safety of the community. Also, because of the easy access to freeways and close proximity to automotive suppliers and the big three automakers in Dearborn,

Southfield, Auburn Hills and Lansing. With the growing population of Japanese, plus the growing number of Japanese-oriented businesses, it's a good choice for many transferees. "You can enjoy both Japan and America here," Suzuki-Meyers explained. "You can move here without losing things from Japan. How much better can you get?" While the men go off to work, most of the wives stay home unable or not wanting to get working visas themselves. Some of the women find ways to integrate with the community, others feel more comfortable with making mostly Japanese friends. Mariko Nishio of Novi has been here for half a year, but has spent six years in Germany and more than four years in Singapore while following her husband who works

as an engineer for Phillips Sumika Chemical Co. in Southfield. Her English is improving but she admits she stays mostly with other Japanese transferees. She's never worked here because she has no working visa. According to Suzuki-Meyers, who along with husband Steve owns a Japanese consulting and interpreting business, and also teaches English as a Second Language classes. "Some (women) are quite active. They go out and do volunteer work and many are willing to learn English and try to get into the community..." The Japanese ladies who come to (English) classes are quite active people. They join tennis clubs and golf clubs. "Those who were working in Japan are more likely to be active here," she added. Still, a larger percentage, she believes, tends to stick to them-

selves. They keep busy with Japanese playgroups, like the Kangaroo Club, in Novi or by shopping. "Japanese wives love to shop," said Suzuki-Meyers. "That's no different than any other woman... There's safety, a high level of education and easy access to shopping. What else do you need?" Linda Okamoto, whose husband is part-owner of Novi's Japanese bakery Pastry House Hippo, agrees. "A lot of people move here because it's close to shopping centers and highways so they can get around easily," Okamoto said. Still, at first they must rely on other Japanese women to learn the ropes of this past-time, too. "The women I've met found it difficult at first to go shopping. They don't know about money and credit cards versus bank cards," she explained.



Local Japanese post signs like this at Pastry House Hippo.

Latest news from D.C.: Novi High is Blue Ribbon special

statement from the White House he continued from 1. "I commend the teachers, staff, administrators, and parents of America's Blue Ribbon Schools for your dedication to excellence in education and for putting that dedication into action. Military joins me in sending best wishes for a memorable ceremony and for continued success in the years to come." Legg said even though Clinton was not present, Riley was a fantastic speaker and that the ceremony, along with the entire weekend, was unforgettable. "It was pretty overwhelming," he said, "it was great seeing that every one of the schools were focused in on what's best for the kids," and it was really exhilarating to see that many schools being recognized for what they're doing right. On that Thursday evening, the group was invited to a private celebration at the Samuel Rayburn House Office Building solely for Michigan schools, with special host Congressman Sander Levin. "One of the most impressive things I experienced was the Mich-

igan ceremony," Legg said. "I was really impressed in knowing Congressmen Levin and (Joseph) Knollenberg were interested in what we (the schools) are doing." Legg said the weekend provided him with a new view on government and how it relates to education. "What really struck me was that we are not always aware of all the policies that are going on in Washington and in Lansing, so we got a real dose of that this weekend," he said. Throughout the week, the administrators were also given tours of the capitol monuments and partook in a number of workshops and seminars. Topics discussed included educational leadership, how to continue success, and making use of Internet databases. During the workshops, Cheal said they not only had the opportunity to hear from a number of speakers, but the opportunity to network with other successful schools. "It was just so positive to hear



From right, Secretary of Education Richard Riley presents the Blue Ribbon award to NHS Principal Jennifer Cheal, teacher Dave Legg and Novi Superintendent Emmet Lippe.

what other schools were doing." The Blue Ribbon Award is the highest honor an American school can achieve. It was established by the U.S. Department of Education in 1982 to recognize excellence in

teaching and instruction, student achievement, leadership and parental involvement in the nations most successful schools. "I think the recognition really affirms a lot of the fine things that Novi residents think Novi High School is all about and that is providing the best quality education that we can for our young people," Lippe said. "To be recognized, a school must demonstrate a strong commitment to educational excellence for all students. Each Blue Ribbon school must possess high student retention and graduation rates; challenging standards and curriculum; have excellent teaching and an environment that strengthens teacher skills; school, family and community partnerships; and student performance on measures of achievement." Cheal said the award recognizes the achievement of every element in the school community. "You do not become a Blue Ribbon high school without a K-12 Blue Ribbon district," she said.

"This is a collaborative effort by the faculty, students and parents of all the schools in Novi." The process for this award began last year with the help of the faculty. Schools selected for recognition prepared an extensive written nomination package representing a thorough self-evaluation. The process included assessing the strengths and weaknesses of the school and developing improvement plans for the future. Later, the school receives a three-day visitation set up by U.S. Department of Education representatives, to verify that all the information stated in the application is true. To date, more than 3,500 public and private schools have been recognized. "It was a wonderful weekend, Moulin said. "It was exciting to see all that positive energy of all the teachers who have worked so hard and to see that it was publicly celebrated. And of course, being in Washington D.C. with all these historical monuments made you feel proud to be an American and proud to be a teacher."

Teens will speak with votes

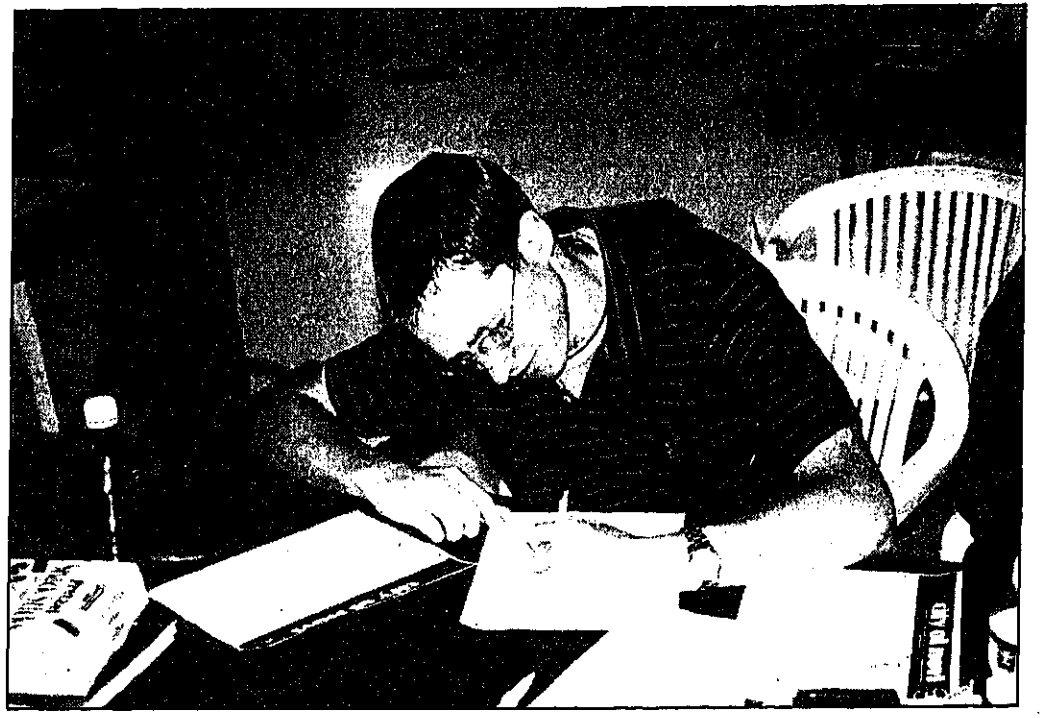
BY STEPHANIE FORDYCE Staff Writer

Novi High School students are proving to themselves that participation equals power as they register to vote on Tuesday, September 26 at their school. "I wanted to get registered today because I know my vote counts and that by registering I can help make a change," said senior Rachel Wade, 18, a Republican. With the help of Novi High School history teacher Lynn Barry and Susan Blumer from the Novi City Clerk's office, both 17- and 18-year-old students were given the opportunity to get involved either as voters or as volunteers. "The kids are doing two things today, they are registering to vote if they are going to be 18 by November 7 and also if they are 17, they are applying to work at the polls," Barry said. "I think the students are really civic-minded and they understand the gravity of both the national and state elections, so I think they are more than willing to participate anyway they can, even if they can't vote."

Novi High School student Anthony Hood said even though he will not be eligible to vote until next year, he is nonetheless looking forward to being a volunteer at the polls this November. "I think it will be cool because I get a chance to work in the community and learn more about the issues," he said. "I think it's important for the kids in this school and of this age group to get involved and learn what's going on now because we are going to be running this country one day." Seventeen-year-olds Bryan Beeler, Justin Fischer and Jeremy Cunningham said they too want to get involved in the political process, even if it's as a volunteer. "I'm interested in politics, and even though I can't vote, I still want to do something in this election to broaden my perspective and help my fellow community," Fischer said. Beeler said getting paid \$7.25 an hour on school time was also an added bonus. Senior Jessica Hockett said she registered because she felt it was her duty as an American citizen. "I want to be able to help make a decision on the future of our country and be a part of the election process," she said. Hockett said she has been following the elections both locally and nationally, but that she has not yet made any final decisions. "I am planning on looking into every issue before I vote, so I know I am making the right decisions," she said. "I am not Democratic or Republican. I want to base my decisions on what's best for this country and what will help others." Eighteen-year-olds Charley

Wade said she had problems with some of Gore's views, especially when it came to health care. "The thing about health care and the senior citizens and how Gore says that he's not going to help them once they reach a certain age really concerns me," she said. "Especially being a medical assistant (through co-op) I don't think that's fair because when you're 60 and you're retired, some people don't have the money to afford health insurance and I think anyone should be able to get it, regardless of age." Barry said she was impressed with how passionate the kids seemed to be about the issues and was glad to see them signing up, both as voters and volunteers. "I think the students are pretty enthusiastic and tuned into this election," she said. "And that's important because it's their future."

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Charley Staab fills out a voter registration form at Novi High School.

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Stolen snow blowers captured in car chase

BY RANDAL YAKAY
Staff Writer

A high speed chase that began in Fenton ended up in a roll-over accident along I-96 freeway in Novi after police agencies tried to "box-in" a fleeing thief.

Police caught up to the suspect, 34-year-old Tracy Lee Henderson of Inster, as he approached a rest stop just east of Beck Road. Henderson had rented the Ryder moving truck he was driving in an attempt to steal snow blowers from a Sears Store in Fenton. When police tried to stop the man, he "boltered" out onto U.S.-23, south to I-96, then east along I-96 into Novi.

Fenton Police Detective Ron Skarzynski said that he didn't think that the rental truck could do more than 60 mph.

"He left the parking lot and headed out to U.S. 23," Skarzynski said. "He was doing about 80 or 90 mph. I thought there was a block on those things."

According to Michigan State Police, the man was weaving in and out of traffic trying to elude police. Police at the scene said the van rolled over about three times before coming to rest inside a ditch near

"I heard a loud crash, but I figured it was just another accident."

Marlon Robinson,
A witness on the scene

the rest stop entrance.

"I heard a loud crash, but I figured it was just another accident," Marlon Robinson, an independent trucker from Coldwater, said. "It happens all the time."

Police from Fenton, Novi and the Michigan State police were on the scene of the accident. The accident closed down the eastbound lanes on I-96 for approximately three hours before police finished their investigation and tow trucks removed the vehicle.

Henderson was arrested for fleeing and eluding police at the scene. Charges on the theft are pending.

Randal Yakay is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Police recovered these stolen snowblowers by the side of Interstate 96 last week after chasing down the alleged thief.

Winner take all Raffle will raise funds for education foundation

The Novi Educational Foundation is holding its second annual Winner-Take-All raffle this fall.

On Oct. 6 at half-time of the Novi High School football game, one person will win a list of prizes valued at over \$3,000. The prize list includes gift certificates from local restaurants and stores, tickets to various professional and collegiate athletic events and several other products and services. Last year's winner received her ticket as a gift from her boss for a job well done.

Only 1,000 tickets will be sold so you know your odds of winning when you purchase your tickets. Tickets can be purchased from any foundation trustee or from the Novi Community School District Administration Building, 25345 Taft Road. Tickets cost \$20 each.

This is one of only two annual fund raisers for the Novi Educational Foundation. The non-profit organization was established in 1986 to provide extra educational opportunities for members of the Novi Community School District. The group administers several scholarships and provides grants for educational projects that expand the general curriculum. In addition, the foundation supports activities for the community.

Next March, the foundation is sponsoring a performance by the U-M and MSU Men's Glee Clubs. Please watch the Novi News for more information about this event in the spring.

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Police News

A Novi Resident riding along M-5 was pelted with pennies after an argument between her boyfriend and another vehicle around 8:15 p.m. on September 23.

The woman's boyfriend, following her car in another vehicle, became embroiled in an argument with a male subject in another vehicle. While the argument ensued, the woman attempted to put her car between the two feuding cars and took the brunt of the pennies that were thrown by the other vehicle.

Witnesses who saw the dispute said the boyfriend was fully engaged with the penny-throwing suspect.

Police could not locate the suspects.

A LOVING HOME
When a couple in their 30s came home to find their son's ex-girlfriend in their house, they called police to get her out of their home on September 23.

The couple's son broke up with the woman a week previously and the couple told police that he had not seen the woman since.

According to Novi police reports, the couple claimed the woman broke into their house, but the suspect said that she returned to the residence to pick up some of her things.

While police investigated the incident, the suspect, a 37-year-old local woman, began pulling on the other woman's hair as she tried to pour out a beer. According to the report, the suspect nearly pulled the woman to the ground.

Police informed the couple on how to proceed with executing an eviction notice. The suspect was given an alcohol test at the scene.

SEWING SHOW ROWDY
The Novi Expo Center was filled this past weekend with people getting tips on sewing at the American Sewing Show.

But around 4:30 p.m. Sunday, a 57-year-old Halifax, Penn., woman was confronted by a male subject who accused the woman of stealing merchandise from inside the show.

When police arrived on the scene, the suspect was face-to-face with the man arguing in their report, police indicate that the woman was confronted about taking buttons from the show and she admitted to concealing the buttons. When a female police officer searched the woman, she found other items including hidden scissors, thread and more buttons.

The woman was arrested for obstructing police and released on \$100 bond.

CREDIT CARD FRAUD
A Detroit teen was arrested by police after she tried to use a stolen credit card to make purchases at Twelve Oaks Mall on the evening of September 19.

Police arrived at the mall shortly after 8 p.m. to question two teens that the mall security had held in

BURNING RUBBER BURNS 'EM
One man was arrested for drunk driving and two others were cited for open intoxicants in a motor vehicle after police interrupted them squashing their tires in the Portsmouth Apartment complex just before midnight on September 23.

Police were called to the complex after reports of loud noise coming from one of the apartments.

The police report notes that the men were driving a 1991 Ford Escort when they were seen driving erratically through the parking lot. Police arrested one of the men when he failed a sobriety test. The other two individuals were issued citations for open alcohol in a motor vehicle.

HAD TO GO
Police arrested one man for public intoxication and another for drunk driving after one of the men was spotted urinating behind a gas station around 3 a.m. on September 21.

The suspects, both 28 years old and from South Lyon, were spotted at the gas station when one of the suspects was asked why he was urinating behind the gas station. He told police that the station clerk refused to give him the key to the bathroom.

The driver was found to have outstanding warrants on him from Warren and was arrested for drunk driving.

WOOPS, THEY DIDN'T STEAL IT
A 43-year-old Wheeling, Ill., woman told police that she had some jewelry items stolen from her at a local hotel on the early morning hours of September 22.

At approximately 8:15 a.m., the woman told police that she had a 24-carat gold necklace with diamonds, a gold-plated choker and a pearl necklace stolen from her hotel room.

After the woman returned to Illinois, she called police to say she had misplaced them.

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

Novi Briefs

LOCAL PRIEST ON COUNCIL
Father John Budge of Holy Family Church has been named a member of the Ecumenical Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies first Advisory Council. The council is made up of a wide range of clergy, lay people, educators and professionals active in the area of Jewish-Christian relations.

MEADOWBROOK GLENS MEETING
Meadowbrook Glens subdivision's annual meeting will be held Oct. 2 at 8 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Leading topics on the agenda are the election of officers and a proposed change in the subdivision's by-laws concerning rubbish payments. Need more information? Email to mgleens@aol.com or call the subdivision's hotline at this local number, (734) 524-5561.

RUMMAGE SALE
The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will hold a rummage sale on Friday, Oct. 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The church is located at 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi, between Eight and Nine Mile roads.

PROTECT YOUR IDENTITY
On Oct. 9, Novi Community Education will offer an identity theft prevention course. "Don't Be A Victim: Avoiding Identity Theft," will run from 7-9 p.m. Participants will learn what identity theft is, prevention strategies and countermeasures to reduce your chances of becoming a victim. The course will be taught by Johnny May CPP, a security expert who specializes in protecting people from identity theft and the author of the soon-to-be released book, "The Ultimate Guide to Preventing Identity Theft."

The course will be held at Novi High School. For information and to register, call (248) 449-1262.

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Cassis will be vice chair tax, budget committee for state

State Rep. Nancy Cassis (R-Nowi) will serve as vice chair of a national budget and taxation committee that helps set model policies for the country.

Cassis has been appointed to the Federal Budget and Taxation Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures for 2000-2001. Cassis, chair of the House Tax Policy Committee, has authored and helped shepherd several tax-cut initiatives through the Legislature.

Working at the forefront of national tax policy issues gives me a front row seat to cutting-edge reforms that can invariably be applied to Michigan's tax structure," said Cassis. "State taxpayers come out the winners. It's a tremendous honor to be part of this committee, and I will continue to work hard to give Michigan residents genuine tax relief."

The committee oversees issues of federal fiscal and tax policy as

they relate to states. This extends to federal budget policy, especially as it involves funding for programs of joint state-federal responsibility and federal tax policy issues impacting state fiscal systems.

"I look forward to bringing new energy and enthusiasm to the committee's important work," said Cassis. "State lawmakers can have tremendous clout in Washington if we work together to bring about proper reform."

Cassis introduced Michigan's groundbreaking personal income tax-cut legislation that will save residents \$3 billion by 2004. She led her colleagues in cutting the rate from 4.4 percent to 3.9 percent over five years, beginning this year.

The 38th District lawmaker also introduced the historic legislation, new law, eliminating Michigan's Single Business Tax, opening the door for more jobs and economic growth for residents.

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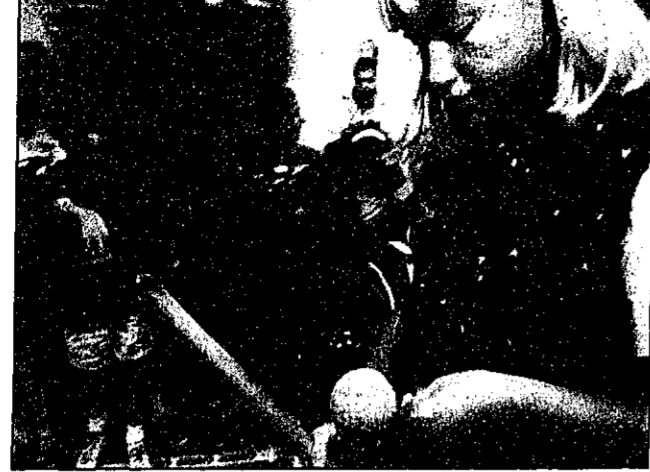
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This workshop/lecture is open to both members and nonmembers. Please register in the membership office.

For more information call Gagnon at (248) 735-8650 ext. 4050.

Harry happenings



Participants at the Harry Potter Party played games related to the book at the Novi Library (above). (Below) Margi Karp Opper, head of the Youth Department at Novi Library, reads Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire to fans.



7-year-old Michael Kirsch, dressed up as Harry Potter, cheers wildly at one of the games.

World class

Novi's annual holiday event will now include many different cultures

The city of Novi is making plans for its first annual "Holiday Celebrations From Around The World," set to take place on December 4.

But preparations are taking place now in order to begin organizing. On October 3, at 10 a.m. at the Novi Civic Center, a special meeting will be held to discuss this first time event. The meeting is open to everyone.

Formerly "Light Up the Holiday," the event now will include inviting

all ethnic cultures to share cultural displays, crafts, songs, and food sampling.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for the different cultures and nationalities of Novi to come together and share with one another," said the event's coordinator, Lynne Faul.

Paul said they currently have several countries represented, including Sweden, Brazil, Mexico, Peru, Asia, and South America.

"We would love if we could get some European countries to center," she said.

The "Holiday Celebrations From Around The World" will be held on December 4 at 6 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center.

If you are interested in participating on the Holiday Event Committee, contact Paul at (248) 449-6638.

Northville student goes global

BY MELANIE PLENDA Staff Writer

Northville High School senior Pown Shiah found out it's a small world after all at a recent global youth leadership conference.

Shiah was one of 350 outstanding scholars from around the world chosen to attend the conference which explored international politics, finance, culture and diplomacy with world leaders. From July 30 to Aug. 10, students visited the U.S. Department of State and various embassies. The conference culminated in the global summit at the United Nations, where students assume the positions of world leaders.

Shiah said it was an experience which changed the way he looked at other cultures and may have helped shape his ideals well into the future.

"The tendency is to go into situations like this and say 'I'm an American and say 'you're doing it wrong.' But when you go in and really listen it's overwhelming to see the differences and similarities between the cultures," Shiah said. "It's sometimes hard to see that everyday."

It was the mission of Shiah's group, who represented the Czech Republic, to determine the provisions for the developing Indian compact disc market. Shiah said after some give and take with his committee and some of the others they decided to limit the volume of CD imports for four years and raise the tariffs so they could compete with Japan on equal terms.

This was just one exercise in the three week trip which took Shiah from Washington D.C. to New York, He said.

He said, he discovered breaking the barriers of culture is often easier than making policy. He said despite different languages, religions and ideas, he was surprised how well people "bonded" on this trip.

"It was the best part because we all kind of came together because we had this bond of standing up for what we believed was right," Shiah said.

Northville's annual Xmas ornament features gazebo

BY MELANIE PLENDA Staff Writer

Northville Arts Commission is already getting into the holiday spirit with this year's commemorative ornament.

In 1999, commission member Barbara Davies designed the keepsake limited edition ornament as a fund raiser for the commission. This year's features the gazebo at Mill Race.

The 2000 ornament will be on sale in the Friends of the Northville District Library Store located in the Northville District Library.

"It helps make a memory for people," said Chamber of Com-

merce Director Laurie Marrs. The ornament is made of a high-polish acrylic, tied with a burgundy satin ribbon and sells for \$8 a piece. Each year, the commission only makes about 400 of the ornaments and then discontinues the design. Davies said though they sold reasonably well last year, they are hoping the ornament will sell even better this year.

The gazebo was the commission's choice this year, Davies said, because so many wonderful memories have been made there. "We are trying to do things architecturally that remind people of Northville. Architecture is

so much a part of the identity of Northville," she said. "And the gazebo was a good choice because so many people get married there and it's pretty well known."

Commission member Sue Taylor said proceeds from the sale of the ornament will benefit the projects and activities of the Northville Arts Commission, which included the Victorian Festival Art Market, future Art Lecture series, the Northville student art show, the upcoming winter concert series and the summer Friday clock concert series.

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'Yes, das ist Main Street Oktoberfest' HomeTown Authors

"We're throwing a block party with a Bavarian flavor."

Local bands will spice up Novi's Oktoberfest with world beats, including Kristin Saver on Friday evening and Foolish Mortals on Saturday evening. Adding authentic Oktoberfest flavor both evenings will be a traditional German "Oompah" band.

A focal point of the weekend's festivities will be the arrival of a 1968 Mercedes Benz fire engine, direct from Germany. The fire engine is on loan to Novi's Main Street by Durst Maltery, the renowned German supplier of malt to brewers worldwide. This classic

vehicle will actually dispense beer at Novi's Oktoberfest, reminding festival-goers that this seasonal celebration is a tradition among Germans everywhere.

During this season, we hope everyone gets into the German spirit, and the best way to soak up that spirit is to join in our second annual Main Street Celebration," Patsley said.

Admission to Novi's Main Street Oktoberfest is free. Festival-goers may purchase individual food and drink tickets on-site.

Guests must be 21 or older to purchase drinks.

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According to DeRoche, the city of Novi will be getting the "short end of the stick" in the deal and city engineer Dave Potter of JCK & Associates agrees.

"If I was designing Quail Ridge, and I saw a pipe aimed at my drop back, it's incumbent upon the engineer to determine what kinds of flows are directed to that development," Potter said. "It is my professional opinion that that engineer (of Quail Ridge) should have designed for those flows."

DeRoche has been opposed to any money being spent by the city on the erosion problem.

In his opinion, that (Chapter 21) compromises our rights and does affect our assets, which give us significant exposure to the pro-

King and Queen court dance 10 p.m.

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Old Village School is an educational center catering to the needs of children with physical, emotional and mental disabilities.

Kids made the wrong kind of wish

Two Northville Township teens were referred to Wayne County juvenile court after illegally soliciting money from the Woods of Edenderry subdivision.

According to Detective Paul Sumner, Northville Township Police Department, the two teens were going from door-to-door claiming to represent the Make-A-Wish foundation through Ward Presbyterian Church. Sumner said the names of the 13-year-old and 17-year-old were withheld because of their ages.

"One resident called Ward Presbyterian Church to confirm the two suspects were with them and they didn't know what he was talking about," Sumner said.

As a result, police caught up to and questioned the two who said they had just begun to solicit for money and only had obtained \$5 before they started.

They are charged with the misdemeanor of larceny by fraudulent solicitation. The two arrested in the Woods of Edenderry were released to the custody of their parents and will go before the Wayne County juvenile court.

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Council member disagrees with Quail Ridge community agreement

BY RANDAL YAKY
Staff Writer

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According to DeRoche, the city of Novi will be getting the "short end of the stick" in the deal and city engineer Dave Potter of JCK & Associates agrees.

DeRoche had said that the city of Novi should put in a drop structure that would have cost an estimated \$40,000.

It was \$20,000 eight years ago and that went to \$40,000 for a drop structure," DeRoche said. "That's all we should be paying."

Novi City Attorney Dennis Watson said that the city can have representation at the board, which could have a recourse if Chapter 21 is secured. Northville Township initiated Chapter 21 proceedings last month to help arbitrarily mediate the decision between the two communities. A Chapter 21 committee, consisting of representatives from Oakland County, Wayne County and the Michigan Department of Agriculture could resolve the issue between the two communities and send each a bill.

In my opinion, that (Chapter 21) compromises our rights and does affect our assets, which give us significant exposure to the pro-

Both the city and the township have agreed last July to chip in half of \$2,000 for grant application and half of \$4,000 for preliminary design and engineering plan into establishing a solution to the overflow dilemma. The municipalities have also agreed that if a grant is secure, Novi would pay for 59.5 percent of the estimated 25 percent of the matching funds needed at the local level. Northville Township will pay the remainder.

"I don't think we're getting the best out of this deal," DeRoche said.

The Clean Michigan Initiative Grant could pay for nearly 75 percent of the estimated \$418,000 it would need to repair the drainage.

Randal Yaky is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700.

Northville School Briefs

NORTHVILLE WELCOMES COOKE SCHOOL

The last of the triple changes for Northville becomes official Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m. with the Cooke School's ribbon cutting ceremony and dedication.

Cooke School, formerly the Bryant Center, was located in Livonia, though it was a Northville Public School. When Cooke Middle School relocated to Hillside Middle School, Cooke School filled the vacancy.

Cooke is a school for the mentally, emotionally, and physically handicapped. The school provides education for students from 14 districts within the Wayne County area and caters to students ages 13-26.

Students at Cooke learn practical skills which will enable them to take care of themselves when they leave the school. This includes a job training program at businesses in the community.

In addition to the ribbon cutting ceremony, principal Marilyn Bachorik is inviting members of the community to the school's open house Oct. 12 at 12:30 p.m.

NHS HAS SPIRIT

Northville High School's spirit week is already well underway complete with theme days and competition. The week's activities will culminate September 30 with the football game and homecoming dance with this year's theme - television.

The activities for this week are as follows:
September 27 - float building
Era day - each grade wears the

dress of a different era in history. Seniors: "Saved by the Bell" 80's

Juniors: "Brady Bunch" 70's
Sophomores: "Happy Days" 50's
Freshmen: "Little House on the Prairie"

September 28 Homecoming assembly 1:15 p.m. - school gym class competition
Crowning of homecoming king and queen
Homecoming parade - 6:15 p.m. beginning at Recreation Center parking lot
Homecoming game - Mustangs vs. Churchill Chargers
King/queen and court presentation at half time
Orange and Black day - students wear the school colors
September 29 homecoming dance 8-11 p.m.

King and Queen court dance 10 p.m.

HELP FOR OLD VILLAGE

Old Village School received a donation of \$25,000 from Allice Karoub in memory of her late husband James Karoub.

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Library Briefs

LIBRARY HOURS

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

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The October selection is "The Music Lesson" by Katharine Weber. The group meets Monday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m. in the library meeting room. All are welcome.

SEARCHING ONLINE CATALOG

We're covering author, title, subject and keyword searches on Thursday, Oct. 5, from 7-8 p.m. You'll learn how to limit your search results to items in our library and/or to specific types of media, such as videos or audio books. The session will include hands-on practice. Please register in advance in person or by calling the library.

DESIGN-A-PLATE DAYS

Design-a-Plate days will be held Saturday, Oct. 7, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Tuesday-Wednesday, Oct. 10-11, from 4-8 p.m. The cost is \$5 per child, payable that day. No registration is necessary; please allow 20-40 minutes for the project. Due to the popularity of this event, there is a limit of one

SENIOR BOARD MEETING

The Novi Library Board of Directors meets Monday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. in the library meeting room. Community members are welcome to attend.

SENIOR BOOK GROUP

Senior booklovers are reading biographies of Marie Curie for the October meeting. The senior group meets in the library meeting room on Thursday, Oct. 12 at noon.

REGISTER FOR TOT TIME

Children ages 12-18 months are invited to join us for a half-hour of stories, songs, and games on Friday, Oct. 13 at 11 a.m. Registration for the event begins Sept. 30; you may register in person or by calling the library.

Space is limited, however, so toddlers and caregivers only, please.

HELP LIONS HELP OTHERS

Wondering what to do with eyeglasses and hearing aids you no longer use? The Novi Lions Club has a collection box at the library for donated eyeglasses and hearing aids, which are then distributed to individuals in need of these items. The donation box is located near the large print section of the library.

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Monday, Oct. 2

10:00 a.m. — Potpourri: How Head Injury
 10:30 a.m. — The Cutting Room Floor
 11:00 a.m. — Harvest Ministries
 11:30 a.m. — Cosby and Company: Dapeep
 12:00 p.m. — Intersessions Word Ministry
 12:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 1:00 p.m. — Adventures with Pirate Pete
 1:30 p.m. — Aviation Journal
 2:00 p.m. — Senseless Death
 2:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 3:00 p.m. — In the Green: Marilyn MacDermid
 3:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 4:00 p.m. — Community Comments: Beverly Papal
 4:30 p.m. — Fall Harvest
 5:00 p.m. — New Millennium Medicine
 5:30 p.m. — Army News Watch
 6:00 p.m. — Christian Singles Today
 6:30 p.m. — Rogers and Talk

with Tracy
 7:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
 7:30 p.m. — Scary Tales From Now
 8:00 p.m. — Inside Reform Today
 8:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 9:00 p.m. — Movie Lovers Guide to Horror Movies
 9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
Tuesday, Oct. 3
 10:00 a.m. — Legislative Forum
 10:30 a.m. — Halloween Arrangement
 11:00 a.m. — Alliance for Democracy
 11:30 a.m. — Out in the Open: Possibly Maybe
 12:00 p.m. — Summit University
 12:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 1:00 p.m. — Chamber Spotlight
 1:30 p.m. — Home For Life: Landscape Edging
 2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
 2:30 p.m. — Nothing To It: Humans Make Easy
 3:00 p.m. — SART Health Insurance: Tai Chi

3:30 p.m. — Inside Reform Today
 4:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
 4:30 p.m. — Pet Talk: Pet-A-Pet
 5:00 p.m. — The Way, The Truth, and The Life
 5:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
 6:00 p.m. — Harvest Ministries
 6:30 p.m. — Building Scene
 7:00 p.m. — Potpourri: Broc
Head Injury
 7:30 p.m. — Aviation Journal
 8:00 p.m. — Middle School Madness
 8:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 9:00 p.m. — Out in the Open: Possibly Maybe
 9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
Wednesday, Oct. 4
 10:00 a.m. — Middle School Madness
 10:30 a.m. — (cont'd)
 11:00 a.m. — Inside Reform Today
 11:30 a.m. — (cont'd)
 12:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
 12:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 1:00 a.m. — A Reason to Vote
 12:30 p.m. — MDOT Today

1:00 p.m. — Study in Scripture
 1:30 p.m. — AMVETS
 2:00 p.m. — Restoration Now
 2:30 p.m. — Law Talk: Andrew Raczkowski
 3:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
 3:30 p.m. — Halloween Arrangement
 4:00 p.m. — Critter Connection
 4:30 p.m. — Scary Tales From Now
 5:00 p.m. — Berean Baptist Church
 5:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 6:00 p.m. — The Jesus Center
 6:30 p.m. — Fitness Motivators
 7:00 p.m. — Adventures with Pirate
 7:30 p.m. — Financial Strategies: Linda Taylor
 8:00 p.m. — Chamber Spotlight
 8:30 p.m. — Step 'n Move to the Groove
 9:00 p.m. — Todd L. Levitt Show
 9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
Thursday, Oct. 5
 10:00 a.m. — Step 'n Move to the Groove
 10:30 a.m. — Fitness Motivators
 11:00 a.m. — Building Scene
 11:30 a.m. — New Millennium Medicine
 12:00 p.m. — (cont'd)
 12:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 1:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy
 12:30 p.m. — That's Italian
 1:00 p.m. — Scary Tales From Now
 1:30 p.m. — Fall Harvest
 2:00 p.m. — 4:30 p.m. — Candidates Forum
 5:00 p.m. — Shaarey Zedek
 5:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 6:00 p.m. — In The Green: Marilyn MacDermid
 6:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 7:00 p.m. — Community Comments: Beverly Papal
 7:30 p.m. — Alliance For Democracy
 8:00 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
 8:30 p.m. — Pet Talk: Pet-A-Pet
 9:00 p.m. — Let's Talk with Ben Marks: Lou Kaswickie
 9:30 p.m. — (cont'd)

Friday, Oct. 6

10:00 a.m. — Lumen Christi
 10:30 a.m. — Christian Singles Today
 11:00 a.m. — The Jesus Center
 11:30 a.m. — 12:30 p.m. — To Be Announced
 1:00 p.m. — Candidates Forum
 1:30 p.m. — 3:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 4:00 p.m. — 4:30 p.m. — To Be Announced
 5:00 p.m. — Todd L. Levitt Show
 5:30 p.m. — (cont'd)
 6:00 p.m. — Fitness Motivators
 6:30 p.m. — Aviation Journal
 7:00 p.m. — Cosby and Company
 7:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
 8:00 p.m. — Chamber Spotlight
 8:30 p.m. — Pet Talk
 9:00 p.m. — In the Studio with Bry: Girl Talk
 9:30 p.m. — Potpourri

NHS choir ready for fall concert 2000

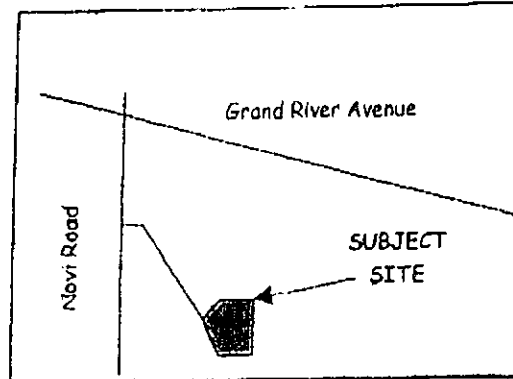
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on October 4, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. at the City of Novi, Community Development Conference Room, Novi, Michigan to review the Woodlands Review Board Permit Application for Peter and Susan Glacobe, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider TRANS-X INDUSTRIAL BUILDING SP-00-22, located on Trans-X Drive, southeast of Grand River and Novi Roads, for PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, SPECIAL LAND USE AND WELLAND PERMIT APPROVALS. The applicant is proposing a 29,632 square foot light industrial building.



Location Map

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning & Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 4, 2000.
 NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION
 ROBERT CHURELLA, SECRETARY
 (9-28-00 NR/NN 1001472)

CITY OF NOVI

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Woodlands Review Board, of the City of Novi, will hold a meeting on Wednesday, October 4, 2000 at 4:30 p.m. at the City of Novi, Community Development Conference Room, Novi, Michigan to review the Woodlands Review Board Permit Application for, Walter B. Welliszko — Parcel #22-03-476-013 (Case #00-22).
 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. Wednesday, October 4, 2000.
 KAREN AMOLSCH,
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 (9-28-00 NR/NN 1001470)

NOVI PUBLIC LIBRARY REQUEST FOR BIDS COMPUTER PURCHASE

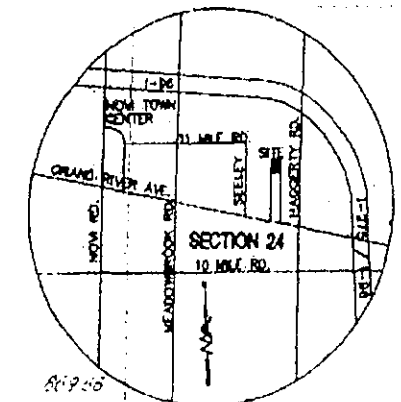
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 KAREN KNOX,
 HEAD, SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY
 (9-28-00 NN 1000949)

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 KAREN AMOLSCH,
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 (9-28-00 NR/NN 1001471)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 4, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. at the City of Novi, Community Development Conference Room, Novi, Michigan to consider NOVI TECHNOLOGY CENTER NO. 5, SP 00-19A, located north of Grand River and Novi Roads, for PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, SPECIAL LAND USE AND WELLAND PERMIT APPROVALS. The applicant is proposing a 17,451 square foot one-story light industrial spec building.



LOCATION MAP

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning & Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 4, 2000.
 NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION
 ROBERT CHURELLA, SECRETARY
 (9-28-99 NR/NN 1001623)

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2000 GENERAL ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan.
 Notice is hereby given that **Tuesday, October 10, 2000 is the last day to register to vote or change your address** for the above election.
 If you are not currently registered to vote or have changed your address within the City of Novi you may do so at the following locations listed in this notice.
In Person:
 * At the City Clerk's office or at the office of any county clerk during normal business hours.
 * At any of the Secretary of State Branch Offices located throughout the State during normal business hours.
 * At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind.
 * At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.
By Mail:
 * By obtaining and completing a Mail Voter Registration Application and forwarding to the election official listed below by the close of registration deadline, October 10, 2000. Mail-in voter registration applications may be obtained by contacting:
 Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk
 45175 West Ten Mile Road,
 Novi, MI 48375
 (248) 347-0456
 Note: A person who registers to vote by mail is required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in the City of Novi or are at least 60 years of age or are handicapped.
 The following Proposition will be submitted to the electors at the General Election on Tuesday, November 7, 2000.
Read Improvements Bond Proposal
 Shall the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan borrow the principal sum of not to exceed Eighteen Million Three Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$18,395,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of deferring the City's share of the cost of (a) an expanded program of neighborhood pavement and resurfacing street improvements, (b) making various intersection safety and capacity improvements throughout the City and (c) making major street improvements, consisting of paving, repaving, widening and improving new and existing bridges, streets and highways within the City, including necessary rights of way, traffic signalization, curbs and gutters and proper drainage facilities therefor? The estimated millage to be levied in 2001 is .30 mills (\$.30 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds is .53 mills (\$.53 per \$1,000 of taxable value).
 The following City Charter Amendment will be submitted to the electors at the General Election on Tuesday, November 7, 2000.
Fire Services Charter Amendment Proposal
 Shall the City Charter of the City of Novi be amended to levy an additional tax not exceeding 0.15% (1.5 mills) of the state taxable value, to be used to increase the Fire Department staffing level in order to provide 24 hour station staffing, provide a Fire Department based advanced life support emergency medical service, and to provide for equipment acquisitions and station modifications in order to accommodate 24 hour staffing and advanced life support emergency medical service.
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Obituaries Coworkers pay tribute to fallen friend

LESLIE R. HARE
 Leslie R. Hare, 81, died Sept. 20 in Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit. Mr. Hare was born in 1919. He is survived by his wife, June; children, Jodie Hare, Richard (Mark) Hare, Frederick (Isally) Spriggs, Janet L. (Ibby) Silva, and Donald (Valzora) Spriggs; and grandchildren, Matthew and Michael Silva and Earl, T.R. and Patric Spriggs. Services were held on Saturday, Sept. 23 at Holy Family Church in Novi. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were made by O'Brien Chapel-Sullivan Funeral Home of Novi. Memorials to the charity of your choice would be appreciated.



John Paul Jones waited two years for a liver donation, but died during operation.

By Jan Jeffers
 Editor
 On Sept. 21, about 20 employees of Titanus Cement Wall gathered to pay tribute to a fallen coworker by building his family a new driveway for their home.
 John Paul Jones, 47, died Sept. 8 during a liver transplant operation at the University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor.
 Mr. Jones lived in Novi and worked at Titanus Cement Wall in the city for 25 years. He was on the waiting list for a new liver for two years, wife Catherine Jones said, and although he was in advanced stages of liver disease, worked right up until the time he heard a new organ was available for him.
 "He was running the crane when they called," she said.
 "He loved running the crane. They (hospital staff) didn't believe it. Nobody goes from working to transplant."
 "He said he expected to be back to work in six weeks."
 Mr. Jones was born Dec. 16, 1952. Along with his wife, he is survived by daughter, Lindsay; son, John Jr.; brothers, Gus, Ted, Robert and Billy; and two sisters, Lenore Reading and Ruth

Rivera.
 Mrs. Jones said her husband died of heart arrhythmia during the transplant operation. The family's yard had been torn up for severe repair work, and the day before his death, Mr. Jones, along with several coworkers, laid the foundation for a garage. He planned to do the driveway himself, but didn't have the time.
 Now, along with the driveway, the yard will get a new layer of dirt and sod as part of the tribute from Titanus Cement Wall to Mr. Jones.
 "He was just real happy with a twinkle in his eye. Everybody really liked him," Mrs. Jones said.
 "He was a very dedicated father and a good worker."
 Mr. Jones also loved gardening, fishing, camping, his Siberian husky, Stoll, and raising exotic chameleons.
 A funeral mass was celebrated Sept. 12 at Holy Family Church, with the Rev. Andrew Carneck officiating.
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Novi Methodist Church Preschool teacher Tracy Smith works a puzzle with Laura Baumgarten during the first day of class.



Preschooler Caleb Foerg tries his hand at painting in the re-designed classroom at Novi Methodist.

Parents emotional as kids spend first day in preschool

By Stephanie Fordyce
 Staff Writer
 It was quite an emotional day for parents on September 5 and 6, as their 3- and 4-year-olds started school for the first time at Novi Co-op.
 "It's not so bad today, but what really hit me was the orientation," said Novi mom Aurora Kneebone. "I just about lost it."
 But Kneebone did admit that she was having trouble leaving her son
 developing a little independence," said preschool teacher Theresa Smith.
 Students Robbie Darrow, Sarah Schrock, and Brad Bell said they were really looking forward to preschool and couldn't wait to get started.
 Stephanie Fordyce is a staff writer for Novi News. Her e-mail address is sfordyce@nl.homecomm.net

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Buda explained, began in downtown Northville over 30 years ago. "The business started with my grandparents, with their store, The McCallisters House of Decorating," Buda said, "and we just started the cabinet business about three years ago. We began as an interior design studio, but we've been in the design service so long, that we really wanted a shop where people could come in and purchase things off the floor."

While Buda said the Northville store relocated to Florida, the family also owns a second Designer's Choice Imagination in Plymouth.

Buda said the shop finds its pieces by attending several local and international accessory and furniture markets each year.

"Over the years, we have started to concentrate more on filling the floor of our studio with unique home accessories and furniture," she said. "A lot of the items we have are handmade and we'd like to have more original art, so the store is going to evolve over time."

Buda said they travel to places like Chicago and the Carolinas for antiques and art and said they will soon have some pieces coming in from Europe.

Buda said one thing that makes Designer's Choice Imagination unique is that it provides its customers with the opportunity to have a designer come out to their home to help them find the perfect place to set their art or antique pieces.

"A lot of times people will come in and say 'gosh I love that lamp but I don't know where to put it,' so we can have a designer come out to the home and help them," she said.

"Our design service is still very valuable, but a lot of people are coming in and taking advantage of our accessory service which is a great way for them to place art work, rugs, lamps, etc."

The accessory service, a relatively new idea, costs \$60 per visit. Currently, the store is running a special offer of \$30 from now until October.

She said the business opened in late August. Buda said the store has

been quite busy.

"People seem to really love it," she said. "We are unique. I don't think very many businesses offer the accessories service and I think we have a very eclectic selection, a nice quality of products, and we are out in the marketplace looking for unique things. So you're not really going to find it everywhere else."

Buda said the family chose Novi, not only for its growing location but also for its residents' fine taste in art.

"People in Novi seem to appreciate the design," she said. "They are really the right consumer for our product. Northville and Plymouth also, but Novi especially, because they seem to have more of a metropolitan edge."

Designer's Choice Imagination is located at 43155 Main Street, Suite 212 and is open from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information call (248) 380-3270 or (734) 454-9221.

Stephanie Fontyge is a staff writer for the Novi News. She may be reached at (248) 349-1700.



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SWAP MEET

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- **Cedar Point Halloweened Teen Trip, Oct. 7**
Bus departs from Novi Civic Center at 8:15 a.m., arrivals in Sandusky, Ohio, at 11 a.m. Departure from park is 9 p.m. and returns to the Civic Center at midnight. Limit of 44 (35 minimum) for ages seven grade to high school. Cost is \$85 for resident, \$85 for non-resident. Cost includes charter bus, admission, chaperones and treat bags. A buddy system will be used with chaperone check-in throughout the day.
 - **Halloween Festival**
Saturday, Oct. 28, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. for ages 12 and under at the Novi Civic Center. Cost: \$3 per child and 25 cents for carnival games. Events include face painting, candy scramble, pumpkins to decorate, and refreshments.
 - **Senior Adults**
• **"Remembering the Depression"**
Tuesday, Oct. 3, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Whether you lived in the city or

- **Dinner with "Dorothy and the Tin Man"**
Friday, Oct. 13 at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are available at Novi Parks and Recreation for \$6 per person. The dinner - chicken, mashed potatoes, salad and dessert - will be held at the Novi Civic Center. The Novi Choralaires will present their version of the "Wizard of Oz."
- **Flu Shots**
Thursday, Oct. 26, from 9:30 a.m. - noon. Oakland County Health Division will provide shots at the Novi Senior Center.
- **FITNESS & FUN**
• **Drop-In Line Dance Lessons**
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Model rooms on display at Expo show

Over 12 model rooms filled with decorating ideas will be on display at the eighth annual Fall Remodeling and Furniture Show, Oct. 12-15 at the Novi Expo Center.

"One of the quickest ways to improve a home is by upgrading its decor," said Dave Kellett Sr., president of Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan and of Kellett Construction Co., in Bloomfield Hills. "The show has more home decorating ideas and solutions than ever before."

Over a dozen model rooms have been created to provide inspiration and education about the newest color, furnishings and home accessories trends.

WNIC radio is sponsoring the Choice Contest, show attendees will be the judges for WNIC's Linda Lanci, Cyndy Canty, Dave Lockhart, Gene Maxwell, Chris Edmonds and The Breakfast Club's favorite room.

Art Van Furniture of Novi will create a living room setting featuring leather furniture, a dinette set-

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Ethan Allen Home Interiors of Novi will present their Elements living room. Collectors Classics dining room, Horizon's bedroom, E.A. kids room and British Classics home office and living room.

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The cost for adult admission (age 13 and up) is \$7; children age 12 and under, free. Seniors will be admitted for \$4.50 on Wednesday, Oct. 4 and Thursday, Oct. 5 (no coupon necessary).

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Jampa will be surrounded by a collection of Hagopian's Tibetan carpets available in a variety of styles, colors and sizes. An authentic, hand-constructed loom will enable Jampa to demonstrate the unique Tibetan loop-senneh knot technique, which is exclusive to Tibetan weaving and actually copied in Savonnerie, France. Jampa will utilize hand-washed, carded, spun and dyed yarn (and describe how wool is carried by yak through Himalayan mountains from Tibet to Nepal, hand-scrubbed in streams, sun-dried and hand-spun on primitive wooden spindles). Hand-made tools will demonstrate simplicity and age-old lineage of the weaving craft.

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A nuisance lawsuit? What if it were your kid

Novi is already getting a reputation as a town that attracts large lawsuits. Nov most recently is a \$5 million lawsuit slapped against the Novi school district...

Paul Ghannam, then age seven, suffered severe ulceration to his stomach after a third grader urged him on the homecard-bound school bus to eat crystals created from copper sulfate...

Local radio talk show hosts have had a field day with this one, with telephone pundits calling in to say this is one more example of the kind of nuisance lawsuit that is clogging up our courts...

The lawsuit charging negligence is against the school district, teachers Nancy Bain and Maggie Gonzalez-Sheeran and Principal Jacqueline Lawrence...

How it all came about is that in April, Gonzalez-Sheeran, a Novi Middle School science instructor, came into Bain's class and did the experiment with the copper sulfate crystals...

Bain is not the only one to offer that warning. A root killer product made of the same copper sulfate advises on its label that those handling use protective goggles and clothing...

It also advises "Keep out reach of children. Danger." Paul Ghannam got a mouthful of the stuff, under the impression it was candy...

Here's how it happened. Bain let the students take their copper sulfate experiments home and one of the third graders urged Paul to eat the crystals...

But based on the available facts, this doesn't seem like a case the school district would want before a jury. It simply looks like an incredibly bad error in judgment...

Novi News Quote of the Week: "We have wanted to expand and the neighbors said no, so we said bye-bye."

Father Ernest Porcari Of Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville

IN THE NEWS

Which intersection is the worst in Novi?

The Novi News asked Novi Library patrons about their most dreaded crossroads.



Bob Moreillon, Novi

Terry Lunn, Novi

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Michaela Budde, Novi

Nancy Irwin, South Lyon

"The I-96 service drive and Novi Road. Tons of traffic pour off. Also, Novi Road and Grand River Avenue. It's a toss up."

"Novi Road and Grand River, because of the shopping area."

"Grand River and Novi Road. The volume of people using it."

"Eight Mile and Hagerty, for getting on the freeway."

"Novi and Grand River, because of congestion, mostly."

By Melissa Leggiere

LETTERS

Lawsuit against schools is punitive

The news that the Novi School District and one of its teachers are being sued for \$5 million came as a shock to us. Our sons were in the third grade class last year that participated in a science experiment...

Meanwhile, the Ghannam's had contacted the school, which attempted to warn parents of the danger of the substance...

On May 31, Bain was issued a written reprimand from a school's executive director of personnel, noting that allowing the students to take the experiment home was not a responsible decision...

We have heard from parents that Bain is a fine teacher and we know that Novi schools would not have its excellent reputation if in fact, it did not have good teachers...

The potential for disaster was endless. A kid handling the chemicals could have rubbed his or her eyes, causing irritation...

Many activities carry potential risks; some can be anticipated, some not. There will always be unforeseen incidents and accidents in our lives...

The lawsuit filed by the Ghannam's lawyer does not include any medical reports, other than a picture of Paul's stomach taken during an endoscopy...

Wisconsin may be "America's Dairyland," but back at the turn of the 20th century, Michigan played a large part in the country's dairy industry...

Milk was an important staple in the diet of American pioneers. Colonists in the 18th century listed milk and bread as their main meals of the day...

While today we think nothing of obtaining butter or similar products, to those early settlers, butter was a luxury that usually was enjoyed mainly by upper-class families...

Louis Pasteur's innovations of the 1850s resulted in the killing of bacteria in milk products that allowed such items to keep safe longer. Gall Borden began advertising his condensed milk in Connecticut in 1858...

Northville's Charles Rogers was the inventor of a milk condensing machine in the early 1850s. Though condensers were not commercially successful until the 1860s, Rogers' company was the first to sell condensed milk commercially in Northville...

Photo of seniors was offensive

I do not consider myself a "prude" by any means, but the photo of the senior gentlemen on the cover of Thursday's paper was entirely inappropriate for publication, especially for the front page...

Contrary to your assertion, there are no conspirators "lurking in the shadows" and wasting public dollars. There is just an independent state agency openly seeking to retain outside counsel...

John G. Strand, Chairman Public Service Commission David A. Svanda, Commissioner

Column's spin on issue incorrect

Your (Phil Power) column entitled "In system of checks and balances, AG is the one check on states' GOP," reflects a considerable misunderstanding of the recent controversy regarding our efforts to secure legal representation...

Secondly, the money won't fix anything. This was not a foreseeable event; it was not the result of a violation of some rule or policy. When the incident occurred, the school district promptly investigated and addressed the issue...

Many activities carry potential risks; some can be anticipated, some not. There will always be unforeseen incidents and accidents in our lives, and personal responsibility is at issue...

Mary Muller and Kara Mandeville

Kelley, whom you quote in your article, issued an opinion in 1985 which concluded that state agencies could hire outside counsel under certain circumstances...

I think he's right. And that's the problem. The term "local control" in my opinion, has become a "sacred cow" in this state...

I say that because while most of us would eagerly raise our hands to say we support the concept of local control, few of us could define what the term actually means...

Share your opinions. We welcome your letters to the editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification...

Letters to the Editor Jan Jeffres Novi News 104 w. Main Northville, MI 48167 E-mail: jjeffres@ht.homecomm.net Fax: (248) 349-9832

Monopolies must change to survive

Local phone markets in Michigan are dominated by two of the largest telephone companies in the country, SBC/Ameritech and Verizon/GTE. In recent weeks, much has been made of the long service and repair delays experienced by SBC/Ameritech customers...

That's fine. It's an outrage when an individual phone customer or, worse, an entire neighborhood loses an essential service and it takes weeks to get the telephones hooked back up...

But the standard governmental response to outages — promulgate new regulations or pass law — does not address the real cause for poor local phone service in Michigan...

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns and operates the Novi News.

Ameritech has failed to meet FCC standards for opening up its own service areas to competition.

When Mike called Verizon Select Services, he was told the company does operate in Michigan and has "no plans to right now."

History shows that when large, monopolistic organizations persistently resist reasonable demands for change, market forces almost always wind up obliterating the recalcitrant monopolist...

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Local control, but not via ballot issue

"If this fails," Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey said last week of the Let Local Votes Count constitutional amendment on this November's election ball...

That, of course, implies that there is something "sacred" about "local control." I think he's right. And that's the problem. The term "local control" in my opinion, has become a "sacred cow" in this state...

I say that because while most of us would eagerly raise our hands to say we support the concept of local control, few of us could define what the term actually means...

Local control? Certainly. Absolute local control? Certainly not. I don't want my First Amendment rights to change when I step across the city limits...

Mike Malott reports on the local implications of state and regional events. He can be reached by phone at (248) 634-8219 or by e-mail at mmalott@homecomm.net

Sacred cows generally lead to absolutist thinking and then to bad policy-making.

The Michigan Constitution frankly doesn't give us much guidance. The phrase "local control" never appears anywhere in that document...

The debate we need to have in this state is in what areas of law there should be local control. When is it appropriate for local government to call its own shots and when is it appropriate for the state government to step in?

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Novi bank leaders help teach finance

Although Oakland County is estimated to be the third wealthiest county in the nation, homelessness is a key issue with many women and their families in this area...

Theresa George is public relations director of The Marketing Source in Livonia.

Novi bank leaders help teach finance. The class discussed how to establish and maintain credit, and the third class focused on establishing a household budget...

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Stalker gets life under new law

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Recreation area at the time of the investigation and subsequent arrest.

"He was living in a converted school bus that he painted gray," Hebert said. "He finally ended up painting his pickup truck with spray paint."

Stefanski was arrested on July 10 1999 after reports that a man fitting his description was seen stalking children in at least five communities including Livonia, Westland and Wixom for approximately two weeks.

"We had at least five incidents that occurred in Novi in one day," Hebert said. "He admitted to molesting while watching them (children). He called to one little girl. But they were smart kids, they didn't go."

Stefanski reportedly told police that the male is "truly a sexual predator" and that he could have easily kidnapped young girls "if he wanted to."

Stefanski, 29, was sentenced under a new state statute dealing

with those found to be sexually delinquent that allows for child stalkers to be sentenced to a year in jail or a one day to life in prison, with discretion by prison officials as to whether the individual has been rehabilitated.

The law went into effect on Dec. 15, 1998 after it was signed by Governor John Engler. Public Act 317 of 1998, the law was designed to give judges discretion on sentencing habitual criminals.

Novi police said prosecutors had promised that they would be showing up for Stefanski's parole hearing.

"I don't think that he can ever be rehabilitated," Matthews said. "He doesn't see anything he did as wrong."

Hebert gave a large amount of credit to Matthews for her keeping to date on changes in state law.

"She did a fantastic job," Hebert said. "If it wasn't for her, I don't know how it all would have worked out."

Stefanski's lawyer was unavailable for comment on the case.

Catholic church eyes Novi site

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The Roman Catholic church located on Thayer Boulevard in Northville had plans for six new classrooms, a gymnasium and a new parking lot on land it owned on Main Street and Orchard Drive in Northville.

"After a 1997 Northville Zoning Board of Appeals rejected an expansion plan that would have required exceptions to local zoning ordinances, the archdiocese began looking for property in other locations including Northville and Novi.

Forcari said that the Our Lady of Victory's parish boundaries go up to Nine Mile Road in Novi and that they would not be relocating outside of that district.

"Our north boundary is not at Eight Mile, it's Nine Mile," Forcari said. "We will (also) be building a school, an elementary school."

"We have wanted to expand and the neighbors said no, so we said bye-bye," Forcari said.

During the debate in Northville over the new church there were

accusations of anti-Catholic bias claimed by parishioners and Forcari, but those who protested church expansion said that there was no bias. Protesters said that they were only concerned with more traffic and the property being used for non-residential buildings.

They wanted \$20,000 for the irrigation system and \$45,000 for some of the other items," Gans said.

The township board of trustees approved the payment out of the park development fund. The park is expected to open in 2001.

Developer will build park for Northville

BY ANDREW DIETDERICH

A large developer's plan to build a new 28-acre park on land owned by Northville Township for \$1 million or less came close to striking out.

That's because the cost of Millennium Park, which is being built on township-owned land by Toll Bros., had jumped to \$1.2 million after the township had made several alterations to park plans.

Millennium Park is located on the south side of Six Mile Road across the street from the

new Northville High School. Toll Bros., the company developing the land in Novi, wrote a letter to the township Aug. 8 giving the township two options: change its requests or pay for items over the \$1 million mark.

"We seek clarification on if the township no longer wants these requests included in the Millennium Park project or if the township is prepared to purchase the addition/upgrades through its own contracts," said James Hepler, land development manager

for the project. The 28-acre park will include a playground area, portions of bike and walking paths, three soccer fields, four baseball fields and a picnic area.


Mary Gans, Northville Township board of trustees, said the township asked for several additional items not in the original agreement in subsequent meetings.

The items, which included the different types of fencing, the park drainage for some of the fields,

and a different kind of playground equipment, added up to \$200,000. As a result, Toll Bros. and township officials met to discuss what would be changed and which organization would cover the costs.

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Monday, Sept. 18

Medical, 29645 Le Grand, 12:04 a.m., Squad 2.
Investigation, 27098 Arro, 3:53 a.m., Squad 1.
Building fire, 29611 Charlemagne, 11:06 a.m., Engines 2, 1.
Vehicle fire, 22821 Sagebrush, 1:43 p.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 1313 Mariga, 2:59 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 43055 Crescent, 6:42 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 27475 Huron, 7:37 p.m., Squad 1.

Tuesday, Sept. 19

Investigation, Thirteen Mile and Novi Road, 8:32 a.m., Engine 2.
Medical, 39595 Ten Mile Road, 10:45 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 24659 Old Orchard, 12:05 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 39750 Grand River, 12:22 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 21111 Haggerty, 12:35 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 47250 Ten Mile Road, 4:52 p.m., Squad 4.
Material spill, 41273 Canterbury, 6:48 p.m., Engine 3.
Injury accident, I-96 and Beck Road, 8:04 p.m., Squad 1.
Investigation, 24701 Beck Road, 8:51 p.m., Engine 4.
Medical, 24000 Nilan, 9:46 p.m., Squad 3.

Wednesday, Sept. 20

Medical, 23041 Gilbar, 1:29 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 22844 Cottage Court, 5:29 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 30852 Centennial, 9:15 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 46351 West Park, 10:03 a.m., Squad 2.
Fire alarm, 49000 Eleven Mile Road, 10:06 a.m., Engines 4, 1.
Medical, 43180 Nine Mile Road, 12:35 p.m., Squad 3.

Thursday, Sept. 21

Medical, 39500 Highpointe, 1:17 p.m., Squad 3.
Injury accident, I-96 and Beck Road, 2:12 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 1354 East Lake, 2:39 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, Fourteen Mile and Haggerty, 3:44 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, Twelve Mile and Novi Road, 7:05 p.m., Response 507.

Friday, Sept. 22

Fire alarm, 42860 Nine Mile Road, 5:45 a.m., Engines 3, 1.
Medical, 45182 West Park, 8:59 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 40600 Eight Mile Road, 12:57 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, Crescent and Novi Road, 12:02 p.m., Squad 1.
Wires down, Wixom and Eleven Mile Road, 1:04 p.m., Engine 4.
Injury accident, I-96 and Novi Road, 1:53 p.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, Twelve Mile and Beck Road, 4:39 p.m., Squad 4.

Fire alarm, 43155 Main St., 5:45 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Fire alarm, 42700 Eleven Mile Road, 7:10 p.m., Engines 1, 2.
Fire alarm, 43180 Nine Mile Road, 10:32 p.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 26247 Ohio, 11:01 p.m., Squad 4.

Saturday, Sept. 23

Medical, 22301 Solomon, 4:38 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 40000 Grand River, 7:32 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, I-96 and I-275, 9:06 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 21232 Glen Haven, 11:27 a.m., Squad 3.

Medical, Twelve Oaks and Novi Road, 11:54 a.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, Eight Mile and Napier Road, 2:02 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, Novi and Sheraton Drive, 8:56 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 23320 W. LeBost, 10:19 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 11:39 p.m., Squad 4.

Sunday, Sept. 24

Fire alarm, 21600 Novi Road, 2:51 a.m., Engines 3, 1.
Medical, Ten Mile and Napier, 12:24 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, Meadowbrook and Ten Mile Road, 12:29 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 29984 Montmorency, 12:36 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 24805 Upland Hill, 5:10 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 6:24 p.m., Squad 3.
Service, 45675 Lakeview, 7:04 p.m., Engine 2.
Medical, 42400 Arena, 9:40 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 22635 Woolsey, 11:26 p.m., Squad 3.

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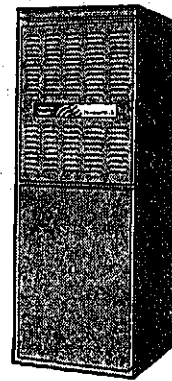
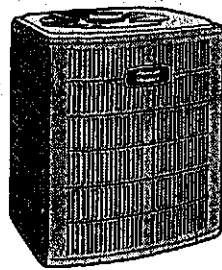
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Reporter confesses caffeine addiction



Andrew Dietderich

Dear Advice Lady,
I come to you seeking help with a love/hate relationship I'm in right now. Her name is Diet Coke.

At first I hated her, especially when I was in love with her almost-identical sister named Coke. Fortunately, I was able to leave that relationship. Coke didn't treat me well. First of all, she always wanted to be around - morning, noon and night, at meals and away. She couldn't get enough of me and I couldn't be with her enough. Then one day I took a look at both her and myself. I didn't like what I saw.

When I really looked past "all" the good she provided, I started to notice the little things. For instance, the 140 calories she gave me every time we were together. And when she would come around six, seven, eight times a day...well you can do the math.

Before I knew it, I had gained an extra 50 pounds of useless carbohydrate-filled blubber. I broke it off with Coke and I don't miss her one bit.

The problem, Advice Lady, is as follows - shortly after Coke and I ended our relationship, I fell for her sister. She is much more attractive (no calories) and after the first two years, I think I'm starting to get used to her taste. I haven't had to scarf down any Tums since I left Coke either. I've even managed to lose a few of the pounds I gained when I was in love with her sister.

But I feel guilty. Every day I wait for the other shoe to drop and some report to surface about how Diet Coke is better used as rust remover than a beverage. Here is my question: Should I be concerned about drinking six, seven, or 12 Diet Cokes in one day?

Although this would be a good question for an Ann Landers-type advice person, I unfortunately think I have a pretty good answer for my question. I say unfortunately because, like most Americans, I simply can't have Diet Coke in moderation and overdoing anything isn't really that good. And unfortunately, seeing me without a Diet Coke is like seeing a zebra without stripes - something isn't right. I almost had to call in sick last week when the Coke machine was broken in the Northville Record office.

How do I know it can't be good to have so much Diet Coke though? Well for one, there is this story I did this week that confirms my nagging suspicions about how bad both regular and diet soda can be. In particular, how bad the sodium and consistent high levels of caffeine can be for a body. I left the artificial sweetener angle for another story altogether some day.

The second reason I know so much Diet Coke isn't good, and perhaps more telling, are my attempts to justify sucking down several of the syrupy sodas in a short amount of time.

Here are some examples of what I tell myself:

"Well, I don't smoke and rarely drink so what's one little vice?"

"There aren't any calories in it - it's like getting free caffeine."

"If I'm craving it this bad, it must be good."

But even as I sit here and write about how bad the stuff is, I'm down to my last drop, which means it's time to refill.

Hopefully, you get something from today's living story and learn a little about what you put into your body. I know I did.

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Natasha Switalski enjoys her favorite combination of pop at Genitti's: Coke and Vernors.



Andy Genitti pours a jelly jar of Coca-Cola at his families' downtown Northville restaurant recently.

Story by Andrew Dietderich
Photos by John Heider

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Andrew Dietderich on his caffeine addiction

Caffeine counts

One of the best - or worst - ingredients in soda is caffeine. Here is how some of the more popular sodas stack up against other beverages.

Drip coffee has 106-164 milligrams of caffeine per 5 oz.

Percolated reg. coffee is slightly under with 93-134 milligrams per 5 oz.

Instant reg. coffee has anywhere from 7-68 milligrams of caffeine per 5 oz.

Tea that is brewed 1 min. has from 21-33 milligrams per 5 oz, while tea that was brewed 3 mins. has 35-46 milligrams of caffeine per 5 oz.

Tea that was brewed for 5 mins. has 39-50 milligrams per 5 oz.

Canned iced tea has 22-36 milligrams of caffeine per 5 oz.

The popular sodas stack up as follows for milligrams of caffeine per 12 oz:

Mr. Pibb, Diet	57
Mountain Dew	54
Coca Cola, Diet	45
Tab	45
Shasta Cola	44
Mr. Pibb	41
Dr. Pepper	40
Pepsi Cola	38
Diet Pepsi	36
Royal Crown	36
7-Up	0
Sprite	0

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In love with pop

Soda is number one, but does it have negative effects?

BY ANDREW DIETDERICH
Staff Writer

For many of us, it's second nature: a blah blah blah with a small blah blah and a large Diet Coke (or insert your own favorite soda pop.)

No question, soda - as it's called in other parts of the nation - or pop - as people around here call it, is, ahem, pop-ular.

But why do people love soda pop so much anyway?

Is it simply the palate pleasing plethora of sugar rushing down your throat to wash down that ham and cheese sandwich? Or is it the caffeine?

Only you may answer why you love it so, but there are definite pros and cons to carbonated consumption say those who know.

"I owe half my career to Coca-Cola," said Dr. James Payne, a Northville dentist. "It's a drink with fairly profound medical implications."

Soda pop's main ingredients typically consist of variations of caffeine, caramel coloring in colas especially and of course, sugar.

With about 8 teaspoons of sugar per 12 ounces, or one can, Payne said it is easy to see how the "massive amounts" of sugar can have a negative effect on teeth. For example, when children fall asleep and their saliva dries, large amounts of sugar can remain on the teeth for the feasting.

The other negative aspect of sugar consumption in soda pop is what are referred to as "empty calories." According to Go Ask Alice, a health forum run by Columbia University, empty calories are those with no nutrients such as vitamins or minerals.

In addition to no nutritional value, empty calories keep you from eating other foods more nutritional and beneficial to your health. And since sugar is a carbohydrate, it may be used by the body for energy, but if consumed in excess, it will be converted to fat.

"Regular soda is loaded with sugar and caffeine, which both can stimulate the appetite," said Carol Reedy, manager of Medical Weight Loss Clinic in Northville.

Dieters also should be cautious about drinking diet soda pop, Reedy said.

"The sodium in it causes the dieter to retain fluid which can be very discouraging for someone who is trying to lose weight," Reedy said. "I wouldn't want to make it a steady part of the diet."

The other main issue of debate with soda pop centers around caffeine. A study in the Journal of the American Medical Association indicates about 280 milligrams of caffeine, or about two large cups of coffee, are ingested by more than 80 percent of adults in the United States daily.

The study said at this level of consumption, caffeine has a positive effect by making the user more "awake and alert." In higher doses, however, the drug can produce negative effects, such as anxiety and nervousness. Some people may even overdose. According to the American Psychiatric Association Desk Reference, signs of caffeine overdose include: restlessness; nervousness; excitement; insomnia; flushed face; gastrointestinal disturbance; muscle twitching; rambling flow of thought and speech; heart palpitations; periods of inexcusable irritability; and psychomotor agitation.

Other health issues related to soda consumption are beginning to pop up too.

For example, a recent report by the Harvard Medical School said teenage girls who drink more soda triple their risk of ending up with broken bones.

So what's the answer to how much pop people should consume?

"I don't know if it really is even possible to avoid it altogether," Payne said. "It really is like everything else though in that if you do it in moderation it won't kill you. But when you start drinking 12 bottles a day, you're going to have a problem."

Northville area residents had mixed feelings on soda.

"I probably drink two cans a week," said Ed Jamison, employee at Northville Travel Plans Inc., 112 W. Main St. "It's just not good for you. The sugar content is just way too high."

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MOVIES

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REMEMBER THE TITANS

Based on the true story of two football coaches who helped turn a potentially explosive situation into a model of interracial understanding and cooperation.

In Virginia, high school football is king. It is a way of life, an institution revered and venerated, each game celebrated more lavishly than Christmas, each playoff distinguished more grandly than any national holiday. And with such recognition, comes powerful emotions.

In 1971, high school football was everything to the people of Alexandria. But when the local school board was forced to integrate an all black school with an all white school, the very foundation of football's great tradition was put to the test. In what was a potentially volatile situation with far-reaching consequences, Herman Boone (Denzel Washington) was brought up from South Carolina and hired as head coach of the T.C. Williams High Titans over Bill Yoast (Will Patton), a coach with several years seniority and a steadfast following.

Hiring Boone as coach of The Titans was a very precarious situation. However, as he and Yoast learned to work together, they found they had much more than football in common. Both were men of integrity and honor, with a strong work ethic. Although from vastly different backgrounds, these two coaches not only



molded a group of angry, unfocused boys into a dynamic, winning team, but helped to guide them into becoming responsible, caring young men. Their determination to work together and win was a triumph of the spirit and brought together a town torn by prejudice and intolerance; their love of the game initiated a lifelong

friendship. Although history might not remember the names of such heroes as Herman Boone and Bill Yoast, it is because of them that Virginia will always "Remember the Titans."

Writer Gregory Allen Howard lived for several years in Los Angeles before moving back home to Virginia where he felt the creative environment was more fulfilling. During the first year back, living just

outside the D.C. beltway, he noticed the city of Alexandria was uncommonly well integrated.

"It's socially integrated in a way I'd never seen," he says. "Movie theaters, restaurants, neighborhoods. I

Denzel Washington stars as head football coach Herman Boone during the days of forced integration at T. C. Williams High School in Alexandria Virginia.

couldn't understand why. Why here and almost nowhere else? I started asking around and I kept hearing about this high school football team. I think it was my barber who first told me about the Titans and these two coaches. I couldn't imagine that a high school team could so effect an entire town. Some say they saved the city."

"The fact that this is a true story really sold me," Bruckheimer affirms. "It's about people learning to get along. We live in this world together, and as it gets more crowded we'd better learn to communicate. It's the key. It's what Boone and Yoast did and what they taught these kids."

"This is not cliché or manipulative," he says. "It's reality. And we're better off looking at the truth of where we are and learn to move forward. The Titans proved it's possible and the effects of their experience are still visible in Alexandria 30 years later."

Director Boaz Yakin found the emotional heart of the movie within the context of sport.

"It's a special film about a time when sports actually meant something other than big bucks, glamour and the latest fashion," he says. "It's about a bunch of kids who played football in a more innocent time where what they did actually affected people and changed their lives. As corny as that may sound, it's true. Today people in Alexandria still recognize one of the team captains, Julius Campbell, and what he did for their city. There's something special about that."

The early '70s were tumultuous years in America. Much of the nation was polarized by differences. It was a time of issues, from hot pants, Peter Max art and Glam-rockers like David Bowie to more serious topics like Vietnam, Kent State and the continuation of the civil rights movement. And in every community in the country, bussing was a much-debated topic. For Alexandria, it was a reality.

When Herman Boone first moved to Alexandria he believed he would be teaching in a newly integrated school system where his job as assistant coach in Triple A football was a step forward in his career after being passed up for promotion after several winning seasons in North Carolina. He had no idea he was soon to be named head coach. He had no idea he was about to change the lives of everyone at T.C. Williams High and in Alexandria.

When the school board named him head coach over Bill Yoast, an established and beloved figure in the community, no one was as surprised as Herman. But he knew he had an enormous job ahead of him. Not so much in the guise of producing adept players because combining the high schools had already given him access to some of the best players in the city, but because he had to find a way to get these young men to play together and function as a team.

"Respect," says Herman Boone. "I always demanded it of myself. I was taught to respect another man's beliefs, his culture, his space. Whatever I might think of him, I must treat him with respect." This mantra became Herman's golden rule and he expected no less of his players.

"We've stuck to the truth of who the coaches were," further explains Yakin. "But we had to take license with the boys because we had to compress all those players into seven or eight leads. We used real names, but some of the characters and their interaction are essentially made up. There's no way we were going to get each person exactly the way they were at that time. We tried to use what happened to inspire the creation of these characters and tell the story through a number of key roles. I hope we captured the spirit of the real team."

"When you make a film based on a true story, it's important to stay true to the people who lived it," says Bruckheimer. "We want the emotion of the moment to be authentic, but we are creating a dramatization. Changes are never made without a great deal of forethought and care; it's a formidable task."

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Riders finish up first season

Equestrian

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

The results weren't quite the same as the first two weeks, but that's perfectly fine to Novi equestrian Coach Nancy Burtka.

Novi completed its short, three-week season by scoring five points and finishing in sixth place at the Division I district competition at the Milford Show Grounds. The Wildcat riders scored 27 and 31 points in the first two Sunday competitions, helping them to that sixth-place finish among the seven teams in their division.

"These riders are to be commended for their hard work and dedication to their horses and the team," Burtka said following the season finale. "They really enjoyed displaying their school spirit and seemed to have a lot of fun with that."

In their last competition of the year, the team gathered two seventh and an eighth-place finish to go along with an honorable mention for their five points. Liz Dean scored two points for the team with her seventh-place in saddleseat equitation.

Kellyn Burtka had the same finish in the equitation over fences (jumping) competition while her teammate Nicole Doss scored a point in the same event.

Emily Modick had the honorable mention finish for the team, that coming in the equitation over fences competition.

Burtka said one of the reasons for her team's lower score the third time around may have been because many of the girls tried new events.

"Several of them tried gymkhana events, or events which were judged on time and accuracy," the coach said.

The first-year team impressed many who saw them compete over the three-consecutive Sundays, but none more than their own coach.

"They learned a lot through these competitions," the coach explained. "They had an opportunity to handle their horse the entire day, from the time they picked it up to the time they returned them. It broadened their scope of equestrian events."

"And I think they learned to respect the different styles of riding."

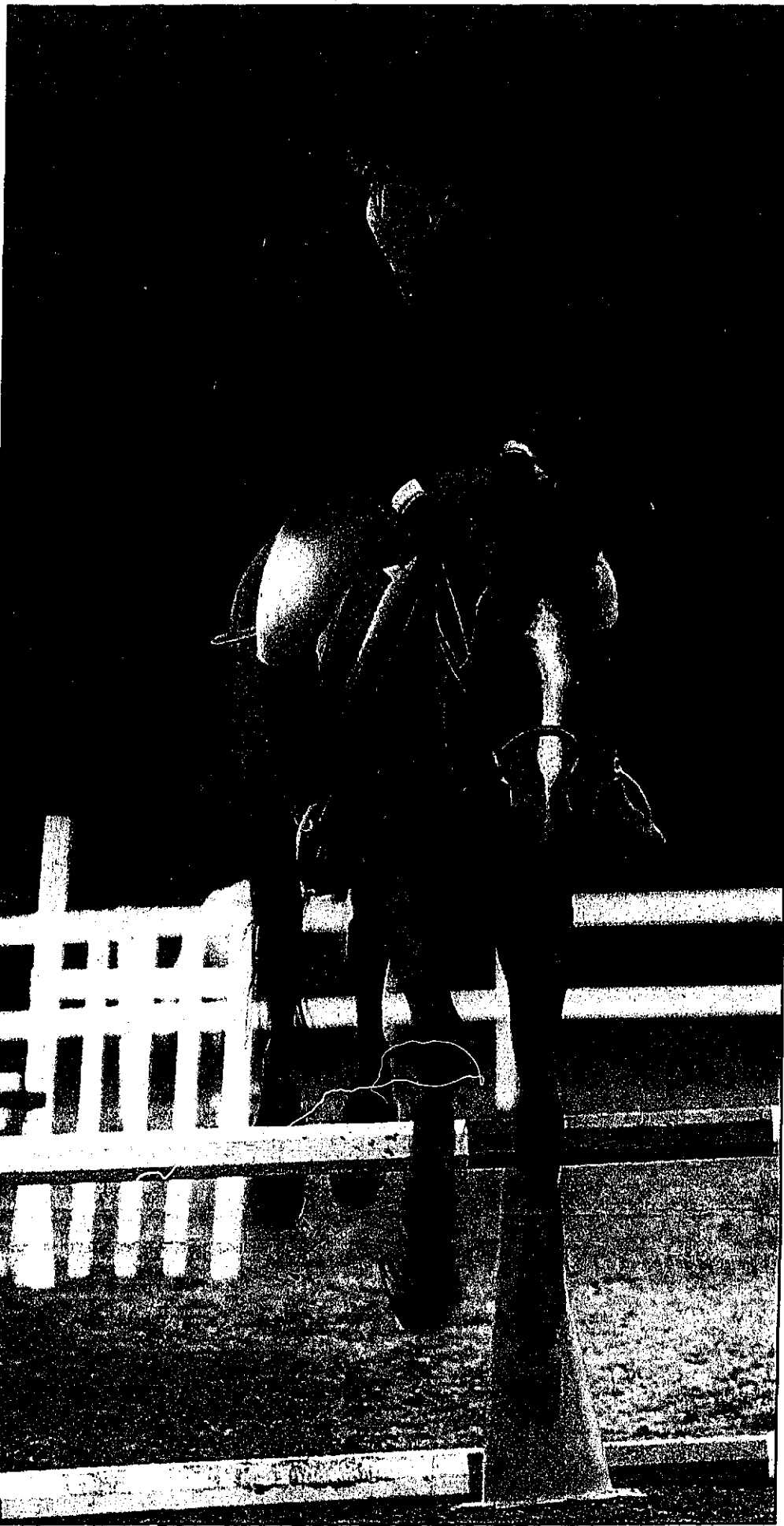


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Novi equestrian team member Emily Modick competes at the team's last competition Sunday.

There are no seniors on the team, so everyone has the opportunity to be back next year. Burtka said she feels the team will grow in size.

"We're all coming back with great enthusiasm, and I've heard at least two girls

who sound very interested in competing with the team next year," the coach said. Jason Schmitt is the sports editor for the Northville Record and the Novi News. He can be reached via e-mail at jschmitt@ht.homecomm.net

Big plays boosts Novi over Eagles

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

Football

Based on the way football is supposed to be played, Hartland should have fared better than its 35-7 loss to Novi Friday night at Novi High School.

But in the end it was Novi's ability to make the big plays and Hartland's inability to stop them that led to the Wildcats' win in Novi coach Tab Kellepourey's first game against his former team.

Blake Myers scored on touchdown runs of 76 and 66 yards and quarterback Matt Gorman scored from 10 and 28 yards out as Novi improved to 4-1 overall, 3-1 in the Kensington Valley Conference.

"We definitely saw some big plays tonight," Kellepourey said. "I told the guys before the game that when you make big plays like we did, it sure takes a lot of the wind out of their sails."

Hartland moved the ball throughout the game, controlling the clock and gaining the advantage with their solid field position, especially in the first half.

"We knew we wanted to keep the ball away from them and control it," first-year Eagles' coach Todd Cobb said. "But we just missed way too many tackles and their speed hurt us."

The Eagles stopped Novi on its first possession and pushed up the field towards Novi's goal. But the Wildcats came up with a stop on a fourth down inside their own 15.

Two plays later, Myers took off on a 76-yard jaunt towards the end zone.

"Our offensive line did a nice job creating holes for me tonight. Jared Dietrich, Tim Stefanson, Courtney Byron all did a nice job for me," Myers, who finished with 183 yards on six carries, said. "That's what we like to do, open up holes, hit them and exploit the other team's defense."

The touchdown gave Novi a 7-0 lead and was a prelude to a dominating second-quarter performance by the 'Cats. Kellepourey's team scored on the third play one each of their next two drives.

Jake Ray scored from seven yards out with 7:46 left in the half to give his team a 14-0 lead. The

play was set up by Ray himself, who had a 70-yard run on the first play of the drive.

On Novi's next possession, Myers 39-yard run helped set up Gorman's 10-yard march into the end zone. The score, 20-0.

On the ensuing possession, Hartland mounted another strong drive which ended with four-straight incomplete passes from quarterback Kyle Munro. Novi took over and on the next play from scrimmage, Myers took off on a 66-yard touchdown run. The two-point conversion by Adam DeBlast made it 28-0 heading into the half.

The Wildcats added another score midway through the third quarter, on a 28-yard run by Gorman. The touchdown came a drive after Hartland had marched down the field on a 15-play drive before Novi's Drew Doll stepped in front of a Munro pass to give his team the ball back.

"We had guys open for first downs and dropped some passes," Cobb said. "You can't do that against a team like Novi. Their coaching staff called a great game."

Hartland did get on the board as Sean Hoorelbeke rumbled into the end zone from six yards out with 37.1 seconds remaining in the game. The scoring drive covered 58 yards in seven plays.

Hoorelbeke finished the game with 31 yards on seven carries. His teammate Steve Ignash had a workhorse-type effort, carrying the ball 31 times for 120 yards. Munro finished with 16 yards on the ground and was 3 for 10 for seven yards passing.

Myers led Novi's 305-yard ground attack. Ray finished with 77 yards on three carries and Gorman gained 40 yards on five rushes.

The loss drops Hartland to 2-2 in the league and 2-3 overall.

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Golfers win two

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

As long as the Novi golf team keeps winning, a chance at a Kensington Valley Conference title is within reach for the Wildcats.

Novi bounced back from a loss to Brighton to defeat both Milford and Hartland last week. The golfers are now 3-1 in league action, tied with Brighton for third place. Both Howell and South Lyon are still undefeated, but both still have to face Novi.

"These guys know they have a real legitimate shot at winning the league," Coach Brad Huss said. "Now especially after Brighton having lost to Howell."

Getting by both Milford and Hartland was big for the 'Cats. The win over the Redskins was as close as it comes. The two teams tied 166-166, but Novi's Matt Peurach and Eric Aytes both shot 43s. One counted, and the other broke the tie with Milford. Milford's fifth score was a 44.

Pete Kobylarek, Ryan Miller and Jack Tyler all shot a 41 at Mystic

Creek to lead Novi.

"We could've let this one slip away, but we got away with one," the Novi coach said. "Now we're gonna see if we can keep it going."

NOVI 143, HARTLAND 147

The two teams played on the par-34 south course at the Links of Novi, but the scores were still hard to believe. Unsure if his team broke the school record, Huss was confident the total either broke it or came very close.

"That was fabulous, unbelievable," he said.

All six Novi golfers finished with a 37 or better. Peurach led the way with a season-best round of 35. Derek Cole, Tyler, Miller and Aytes all shot 37s and Pete Kobylarek fired a 37 for the 'Cats.

BRIGHTON 151, NOVI 155

Kobylarek, Peurach and Cole all had 38s and Tyler fired a 41 in the team's first conference loss of the year back on Sept. 19. Aytes and Matt Emmenecker each had 43s at the Links of Novi.

Cagers drop a pair

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

In conference, out of conference, the Novi basketball team has hit a little rut early on in the 2000 season.

The Wildcats fell to non-league foe Walled Lake Western 51-42 last Thursday night, dropping to 2-5 overall. Novi had its chances, and traded by just two midway through the final stanza.

But two-consecutive Western three pointers, both coming off Wildcat turnovers, led to the demise of the team.

"In a nutshell, that's what did us in," Novi Coach Dennis Cichonski said. "We just couldn't play catchup in the end."

Novi kept the game close throughout, trailing by just two at the half and four at the end of three quarters.

"The kids never quit in this game. They worked hard, but our scoring has

just been erratic," the coach said.

Mickie Rzepka led the team with nine points, while her teammates Kate Rose and Megan Colligan each pitched in with eight.

BRIGHTON 46, NOVI 30

Scoring was at a premium in this league loss to the Bulldogs. Led by Karl Murphy and Brittany Henson inside, Brighton limited the Wildcats to just seven field goals the entire game.

Worse yet, Novi trailed Brighton 17-5 at the end of the first quarter.

"We're just not getting off to a good start in these games," Cichonski said. "We had a lot of unforced turnovers and they capitalized on them."

Novi trailed by 10 points at the half, but fell far behind early in the third quarter as the Bulldogs upped their lead once again.

State champs fend off DCC squad

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

For the first time this season, the Novi boys' cross country team received the scare they've grown accustomed to as their last few seasons have gone along.

Despite the tough competition in the Kensington Valley Conference, Novi hasn't had too much trouble topping their opponents this season. But for at least a day, third-ranked Detroit Catholic Central posed a legitimate threat to the two-time defending state champion.

The Shamrocks took their best shot at the Wildcats, but fell just short in their goal to knock off the champs. Novi won the Shamrock Invitational with a team total of 40 points last Saturday at Cass Benton. DCC finished with 44 points and Northville was third overall with 88. Sixteen teams competed in the event, most of them from the Western Lakes Activities Association. League foe Milford brought its B-team and finished seventh.

Chris Toloff finished in an impressive time of 14:52 to win the race for Novi. The time was a career best for the senior, but will not be a school record because of the course modifications made by the DCC coaches prior to the race.

"Anytime you modify a course this much, you have to start over (with records)," Novi Coach Bob Smith said. "But unless you were to butcher the course — Cass Benton is still a tough course to run."

Toloff's teammate, Tim Moore, was runner-up in the race in a time of 15:28. He beat out a pair of Catholic Central runners, who placed third and fourth.

Boys' Cross Country

Mark Aventus finished in a career-best time like Toloff, finishing in 15:54, good for fifth overall. In fact, seven of Novi's top eight runners and 13 runners in all set career bests.

Mitch Erickson stepped it up with Eric Walle still nursing a sore foot, finishing 11th

"I said when this kid (Eric Saurer) was a freshman that he'd be a varsity runner someday...and here he is scoring for us"

Bob Smith,
Novi boys' track coach

overall in 16:37. Eric Saurer was Novi's fifth scorer, coming in at 21st overall in 17 minutes flat.

"Eric (Saurer) was at a band competition in Toledo and he came up for our race and then went back down there to finish their competition," Smith said. "That shows the sacrifice these kids make."

"I said when this kid was a freshman that he'd be a varsity runner someday, and here he is scoring for us."

Todd Foren ran a very "comfortable" race according to his coach and finished 22nd overall, just two seconds behind Saurer. Senior captain Steve Szwest was 23rd overall

in 17:06.

Smith said DCC was missing one of their best runners, comparable to Walle. Walle started the race, but did not finish.

The senior finished 22nd at the state meet a year ago and has missed the last month while nursing his injury. His coach expects him to be back this week.

As for its meeting with Catholic Central, Smith said the Shamrocks will be there in the end.

"It's gonna be a close finish (at the state meet)," he said. "There are definitely three teams in the mix. Catholic Central, on any day, could be the team to beat."

NOVI 21, SOUTH LYON 42

A chance for Smith to challenge his team, the entire team, and he did in this win over the Lions.

Erickson won the race at Island Lake State Park in 17:49, edging out Brian Lee (17:51) for first place. The win was the junior's first of his career.

Saurer performed well again, finishing third ahead of Toloff and Moore. Matt Harsha-Strong was eighth overall and Aventus came in ninth.

"It was a renaissance meet for us," the coach said. "We needed to see if our other guys could step it up and win the meet. These guys have to learn how to win in case Chris (Toloff) and Tim (Moore) aren't racing, or are hurt."

Smith said he thought this race was a "true team effort."

"They did that completely on their own. They would have won the race even without Chris, Tim and Mark," the coach said.

Hot Picks

The third season of football picks is underway, and everyone will be trying to top the two low-ranking champions, Jason Schmitt and The Flip of the Coin. The odds for each pick this year, so hopefully, everyone has at least a 50 percent chance of finishing out of last place, are listed.

	Jason Schmitt	Bob Jackson	Chris Davis	John Heider	Kelli Cooley	Randal Yeakey	Kevin Meoak	The Flip of the Coin
Churchill at Northville	Northville	Northville	Northville	Northville	Northville	Northville	Northville	Northville
Novi at Milford	Novi	Novi	Novi	Novi	Novi	Novi	Novi	Novi
Brighton at Pinckney	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton	Brighton
John Glenn at Farmington	John Glenn	Farmington	Farmington	John Glenn	Farmington	John Glenn	Farmington	Farmington
Wisconsin at Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Wisconsin	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Northwestern at MSU	MSU	MSU	MSU	MSU	MSU	MSU	MSU	MSU
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Tampa Bay at Wash. (NFL)	Washington	Tampa Bay	Tampa Bay	Tampa Bay	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington
Baltimore at Cleveland (NFL)	Baltimore	Baltimore	Baltimore	Baltimore	Baltimore	Baltimore	Baltimore	Baltimore
Minnesota at Detroit (NFL)	Minnesota	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Minnesota	Minnesota	Detroit	Detroit
Last Week	5-5	5-5	6-4	7-3	8-2	6-4	7-3	4-6
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Colts sweep Lake Orion

The Northville-Novl Colts visited Lake Orion last Sunday. The Colts swept the hometown Eagles with victories at the Freshman, JV and Varsity levels.

The Freshman notched their first victory in a hard fought 12-6 contest. The defense led the way with Nicholas Gatt intercepting a pass for a score. Brady Rodriguez led the Fresh Colts with six solo tackles and free safety Tyler Hooper stopped a key Eagle drive. Alex White, Trevor O'Connor, Joshua Moses and Charles Mallo forced a defensive front that kept pressure on the Eagles all afternoon.

Tommy Storch completed the scoring for the Fresh Colts with a 10-yard run behind the line of Keenan Hart, Bobby Thomas, Daniel Stern and Geoff Gomersall. The JV team dispatched Lake Orion handily in a 22-8 contest. The JV Colts dominated the line of scrimmage with strong play in the trenches from Erik Markstrom, Jake Whitecar, Greg Hasse, Dave Stewart, Mike Maul, Nick Zoroya, Rob Low, Rob Napier, Dane Ruppel, and Steve Kowalchuk. Zach Elker added two quarterback sacks to the cause.

The JVs scored on two runs by Brandon Carnegie and a quarterback draw by Adam Chandler. David Bandy's 60-yard scamper, moving the ball to the Eagle 2-yard line, set up the second of Carnegie's touchdowns. The victory took the JV record to 3-2.

The Varsity Colts went on a stampele in the finale, 32-0. All game long the defense put the senior Colts in excellent field position forcing six Eagle turnovers. The Colts intercepted four passes, one each by Alex Bartlett, Ryan Murphy, Daniel Thomas and Bryan Stadtmiller. The ball-hungry defenders added fumble recoveries by Doug Reid and Greg Harris.

The Colts ground attack accounted for four of the five touchdowns, with touchdowns runs by Cory Patterson, Kevin George, Dan Thomas and David Carnegie. A David Carnegie to Chris McGuire pass concluded the touchdown scoring for the Colts.

Next up for the Colts are the Southfield Jayhawks at the Colt Homecoming next Sunday. The parade starts in downtown Northville Downs at 9:40 a.m. with the freshman game beginning at 11 a.m.

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Novi stays perfect with a win over Pinckney

Soccer

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

Novi has picked up some big wins this season, but Saturday's 2-0 win over Northville may have been the biggest of them all.

The win was the team's first over a state-ranked opponent and put it on par with other fellow top 10 programs. Novi is now 8-1 and has earned a number five ranking in the latest Coaches Association poll.

Mike Crawford and Alan Holdorf each notched a goal in the win, which was the team's seventh straight. Crawford's came about 10 minutes into the game of a crossing pass from Sean Thompson and Holdorf's was on a free kick 10 minutes later. The remaining 60 minutes of the game went back and forth, with neither team able to penetrate the goal.

Chris Schleuder marked Northville's top player, Tim Kelleher, perfectly, holding the senior all-stater scoreless in the game. Nick Sloan made 10 saves in goal to get the win. His best save came on a point-blank shot by Kelleher in which the senior dove across the goal for a one-handed save.

"Nick has been playing unbelievable and has only given up one goal in four games this year," his coach said.

Novi played Howell this past Tuesday (after the Novi News' deadline) and take on Lakeland tonight in round two of league action.

NOVI 3, PINCKNEY 0

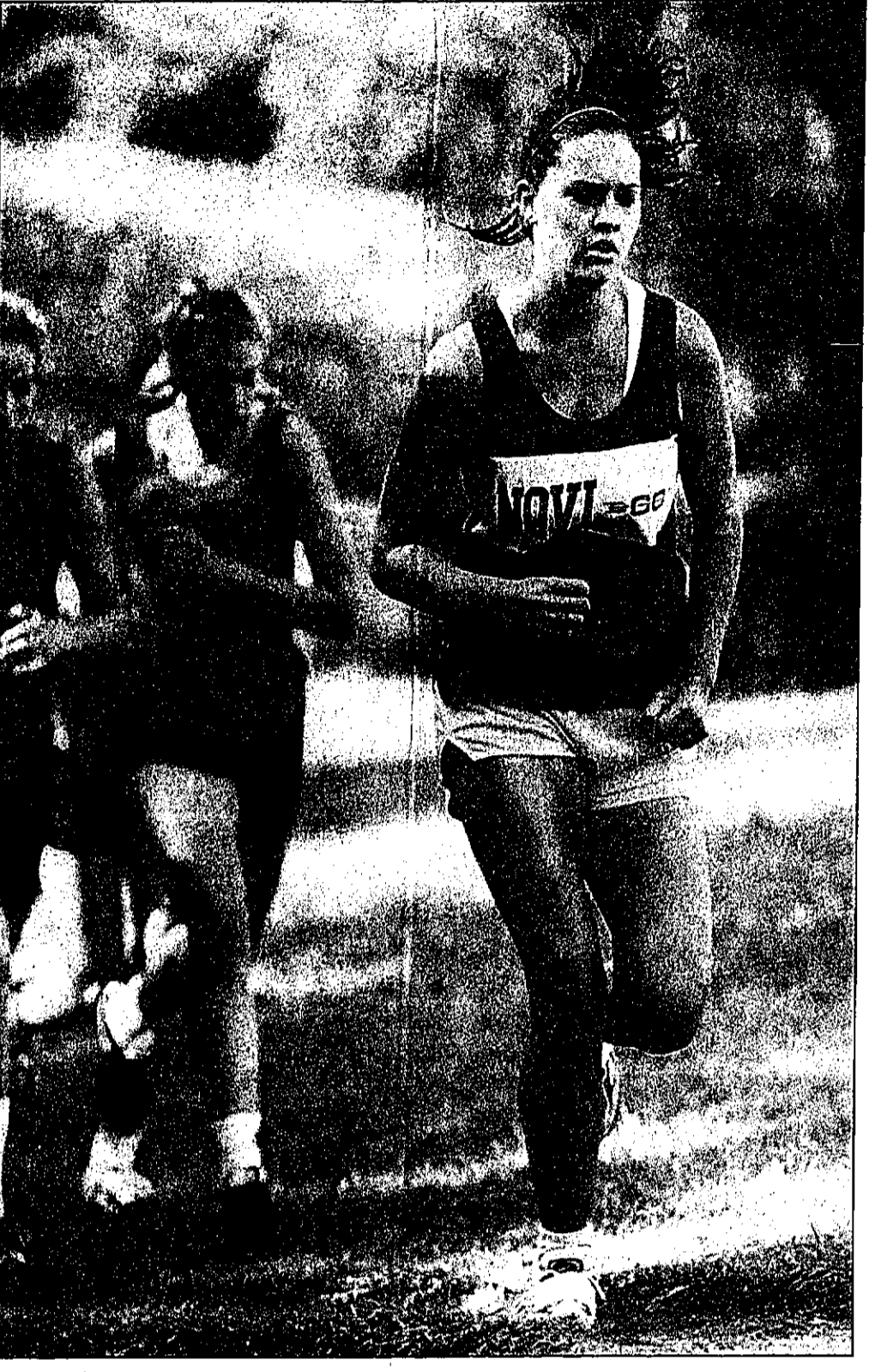
Moving the ball well and marking Pinckney's big guns, Novi remained undefeated in the EVC with this win over the league's newest addition.

Mike Crawford scored all three goals for the Cats, tallying two in the first half and the last in the second. Davis and Sean Thompson assisted on the first two and Crawford nailed a penalty kick with five minutes left in the game.

"Mike's been doing an outstanding job lately," O'Leary said. "He's been playing many different positions and has been playing them all well. When he plays forward, he attacks, passes and makes great runs. When he plays mid-field, he distributes the ball to the forwards and defends well and wins 50-50 balls."

Pinckney played tough throughout the game, and forced Novi into several off-side situations.

Nick Sloan picked up four saves in goal for his third shutouts in four games.



Even without senior Brittany Albright (above), the Novi girls still managed to win the DCC invite.

Ladies win Shamrock

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

The course may have been different, but the results were far too familiar for the Novi girls' cross country team as the Wildcats topped the field at the Shamrock Invitational last Saturday at Cass Benton.

Although the race was on Novi's normal course, the layout of the course was different for this race. It didn't matter as Novi's Nina Schmitt won the race and coach Norm Norgren had the nice pack that he has been looking for all season long.

"We've been working and working and working on our pack," Norgren said. "They've got to be sick of me talking about it by now."

Sick or not sick, the Wildcats' 2-5 runners all finished within nine seconds of each other, leading their team to a 60-point winning effort. Livonta Stevenson was runner-up with 73 points and Farmington had 79. Rounding out the top five were Salem (136) and Walled Lake Central (165).

Schmitt was the overall champion, finishing the shortened course in a time of 19:33. She was the only 'Cat in the top 10, but that didn't matter.

Bethany Kittle and Jenny Thomson both finished at 20:34, with Kittle taking 12th and Thomson 13th overall. Margo Wolowicz was fourth on the team and 14th overall in the race in a time of 10:37. Tae Kono finished the team scoring with her 20th-place finish in 20:43.

"I was extremely pleased with that pack," Norgren said.

Vidya Mahadevan was nursing a sore leg and finished a respectable 27th in 21:08. Amanda Noworyta was 49th in 22:18.

"We (coaches) were talking to each other after the race and were trying to figure out what we were going to do with the times," Norgren said. "Everyone you'd ask was saying their top girls were much faster."

Stevenson was a bit banged up, but then again Novi was too. Senior Brittany Albright had a sore knee and missed the competition. Five other Wildcats were at a band competition in Toledo and missed the race.

NOVI 15, SOUTH LYON 45

Novi's pack wasn't exactly what Norgren was looking for, but it didn't matter as the 'Cats breezed to their second Kensington Valley Conference win.

Schmitt won the race in 21:24 and Kittle also broke 22 with her time of 21:49. Mahadevan was third at 22:18 and Wolowicz was fourth at 22:36. Thomson rounded out the top five in 22:51.

Kono (23:12) was sixth overall and Emily Cross was the last Novi runner to cross in 24:31, good for 13th place.

The ladies faced Hartland Tuesday (after the Novi News' deadline) in an important league meet. This upcoming Tuesday, the team will travel to Milford in what could be another key conference matchup. Milford is the odds-on-favorite to win the league this season.

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Wildcats drop a close one to 'Dogs

Swimming

Never an easy opponent, Novi had all it could handle and took much in a dual meet against Brighton last Tuesday.

The Bulldogs depth was just too much for the Wildcats to handle as the Kensington Valley Conference's best team defeated the home Novi team 100-86. Novi did win nine of the 12 events, but Brighton had 10 runner-up and eight more third-place finishes to gather enough points for the win. Novi took last place (10 points) in all 12 of the events, which every wild could have been the difference.

The 200 medley relay team of Lindsey Vermillion, Andrea Yocum, Blati Tyler and Amanda Smith won the opening event in a time of 1:55.62. Not much like the rest of the meet, Brighton nabbed second and third place.

The 200 free event really hurt Novi, as Brighton took the top three spots and outscored the Cats 13-3.

Novi gained some of the points back in the 200 individual medley as Yocum and Tyler finished 1-2 to give the team 10 points.

In the next event, Smith showed her speed by winning the 50 freestyle in a time of 25.68. Brighton actually tied Novi in the event, however, after capturing second, third and fifth.

Larvel Weiss won the diving competition with 210.65 points while Christina Thompson was third with 162.55.

Tyler was tops in the 100 butterfly, but Brighton scored big with a 2-3-4 finish.

Smith and Kristine Elrod were 1-3 in the 100 free and Vermillion came back to win the 500 free in a time of 5:27.53.

Brighton dominated the 200 free relay with a first and second.

Vermillion was runner-up in the 100 back and Yocum was a winner in the 100 breast.

The team of Tyler, Vermillion, Yocum and Smith earned out of Brighton's best in the 400 free relay, swimming in a time of 3:19.60. Brighton came in at 3:52.58.



Senior Carolyn Vermeulen is one of the reasons Novi is unbeaten in the KVC this year.

Novi seem unbeatable in KVC action

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

Save for a season-opening loss to Northville back in August, the Novi tennis team has looked awfully strong.

The Wildcats beat South Lyon 8-0 five days ago, a day after a 6-2 win over a very competitive Saline squad.

The wins over Lions leave Novi 2-0 in the Kensington Valley Conference and in first place. The team is 7-1 overall.

The Lions posed little threat to the Wildcats. Novi won every match in straight sets, picking up five double bagels in the process. Glover, Roemer, Vermeulen and Frask lost a combined five games in eight sets. The doubles teams were actually better, having lost just three games in eight sets.

"I told the girls to go out and play hard," Novi Coach Jim Hanson said. "Don't treat them different than anybody else."

As hard as that may have been, the Cats did all that and more.

A day earlier Novi had one of its biggest tests of the season against Saline. The Hornets posed a threat at almost every level, with only Roemer and Vermeulen, along with the doubles tandem of Andrews and Dinsmore having a relatively easy time.

Roemer and Vermeulen won in straight sets, as did Frask at fourth singles.

Andrews and Dinsmore won 6-3, 6-2. Nicole Panowicz and Ruchika Khetarpal won a convincing 7-5, 6-4 win at fourth doubles.

Tennis

Curioso and Vaughn were also tested, for the first time this season. The pair won 7-6 (8), 6-3.

"They've had too many easy matches, and they finally met a quality opponent," Hanson said. "And they held tough in that first set. This was good for them because when we get to regionals, they're going to face teams like Pioneer and Huron and they'll have to play in matches like these."

Novi's two losses came at first singles and first doubles. Cypher and Brockman were defeated 6-3, 6-1, 4-6 at the top doubles flight.

It was a phenomenal match, good for the spectators and also good for both teams because it was so close," the coach said. "This was doubles tennis at its best."

Glover lost to Laura Radloff 3-6, 2-6 at first singles. Hanson said it was a good experience for his freshman.

"Radloff was a tough little player and Ashley gave her a good match," Hanson said. "I'm happy with the way she's playing this year. She's playing everyone's best player and doing a great job."

Hanson said the match was the best his team has played this year.

"I credit that to our opposition. They raised the level of our play," Hanson said. "That's the reason we're scheduling matches like this. We know they're going to be tough."

Milford readies for Novi meet

By Stephen Bell
MILFORD TIMES SPORTS EDITOR

Going against a competitive field at Saturday's Jackson Invitational, Milford was without not only its front runner, Katie Kramer, but also its key senior.

"Realistically, I was hoping for third," Redskins coach Brian Salyers said.

His team had other plans. Milford scored 105 points to claim second place, ahead of Kalamazoo Loy-Norris (108 points) and Ann Arbor Pioneer (109). Saline, with the meet's third and fourth-place runners, was the winner with 66 points.

The woman of the hour for Milford was Tiffany Wiese. She wasn't even scheduled to run but with Martilla's injury, did. And when some other regulars weren't on their game Wiese came through in their stead to end up as the Redskins' fifth runner, 42nd overall.

"You never know when it's going to be your turn, and this was her time," Salyers said.

Colleen Johnson was Milford's top finisher, placing ninth. The freshmen, Lisa Canty and Tiffany Kaid, were 12th and 19th, with Stephanie Morrison coming in 24th.

The second place finish was a tribute to our girls, who showed that this team isn't just Katie Kramer and then the other runners," Salyers said.

Lakeland, with 401 points, placed 16th in the 19-team field. The finish would have likely been higher had Eagles' senior Kristyn Kern—who the week before won the Walled Lake Invitational—been able to finish the race. She dropped out because of a pulled hamstring.

Without Kern, Lakeland's top finisher was sophomore Kate Maxwell, 54th with a time of 22:23. Tara Krukowsk was 86th, Alyssa Dimmer 88th, Amy Stewart 89th, Becky Hadding 97th and Jeni Walker 103rd.

"We did an admirable job considering we were running sick and injured," Lakeland coach John Kabbalik said. "Amy didn't finish on Tuesday and Becky, who is usually our number three runner, gutted it out. She could hardly breathe."

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South Lyon player Mike Harrison works against a Brighton foe in his team's win over the Bulldogs.

KVC ins and outs...

Brighton Efficiency In the Bulldogs' football game with Lakeland, Brighton quarterback Cullen Finerity was only able to run 13 plays from scrimmage. But don't shed a tear. Seven of those coaches went into the end zone. He completed all three of his throws for 107 yards and three touchdowns. Guess what, Brighton won—60-12.

Hartland Tops in the KVC The basketball team continued its torrid 2000 season with another big win in KVC action. The Lady Pirates were a perfect 7-0 overall and 2-0 in the KVC after a 48-45 win over Pinckney last Thursday night. "We're very happy with our start," said Hartland senior guard Kristen Cullen, who had 15 points, including the free throws that put the Eagles ahead to stay, 46-45, with 1:04 remaining. "We only have three seniors on this team, and everyone's been stepping up. Everyone contributes."

Howell Unblemished The golf team still hasn't lost in league dual matches, 5-0 after beating hartland 165-169 last Thursday. Key players for Howell are John Kizer, John Parke and Dan Aney. Kizer was one-very against Hartland.

"The kids have a lot of confidence right now," Howell coach Jared Lange said. "They know we can win anything we want to right now."

Lakeland Can't stop McCobb Like Milford earlier, Lakeland's hoop squad ran into the best player in Oakland County, North Farmington's Samantha McCobb. Like Milford, the Eagles lost. "Samantha was just outstanding," Lakeland coach Brian Ives said. "Everything they did went through her, and she had 35 points. We simply couldn't slow her down." The final was 55-38.

Milford The first time. Officially, Milford's football team already had a win this season, per the South Lyon forfeitures. But in their heart of hearts, the Redskins knew they weren't really winners. Before last Friday, that is. Milford, minding its own business and the passing of Jeff LaClair, beat visiting Pinckney 42-27. LaClair, a sophomore making his first start, threw four touchdowns passes. Another sophomore, Jim Preasley, ran for two scores. There were still defensive lapses—two Redskins gave up twice as many touchdowns as they did first downs—but it was obvious that the ability was there for Milford to make some noise the rest of the way under first-year head coach Pat Fox. "The star of the Milford girls' cross country team is Katie Kramer. But there's more to the team than that. Without Kramer—another sophomore and defending KVC Runner of the Year—the Redskins still finished second at the Jackson Invitational. Colleen Johnson placed eighth and Tiffany Wiese, who was not even scheduled to run, stepped up as Milford's fifth runner...."

Novi Who stopped the clock? If Chris Toloff's time of 14:52 at Cass Benton in Northville looks like a misprint, it isn't. The Novi senior posted the time at this past Saturday's Detroit Catholic Central Shamrock Invitational. The time, however, must be attached to an asterisk. DCC coaches decided to shorten the course up a bit, causing nearly every runner's time to drop. In the girls' race, Novi's Nina Schmitt walked away the winner in a time of 19:33, which would far and away be her career-best time.

"Unless you were to butcher the course, Cass Benton is still a tough place to run," Novi coach Bob Smith said. The tennis team remained undefeated in conference play with an 8-0 win over South Lyon last Wednesday. The team is now 3-0 in league play and has beaten Brighton twice this season. The second-doubles team of Lauren Carosio and Laura Vaughn are undefeated this season. They are two of the five freshmen who earned varsity starting spots this year.

Pinckney Challenges? The Pinckney girls' tennis team has jumped out to a 3-0 conference mark and a perfect 7-0 record overall. Does this mean they'll challenge perennial powerhouses Novi or Brighton for the league title? After this week the rest of the league will know. The Pirates faced Milford this past Tuesday, a day before Novi was to take on the Redskins. The Pirates square off with Novi this upcoming Tuesday in what could be a battle of umbrellas.

South Lyon They've found that loving feeling Tracee Center, the first-year soccer coach, knew his team didn't lack for talent. A number of the kids had impressive travel resumes. What the team lacked was chemistry. The various personalities began to coalesce two weeks ago, and solidified with a 2-0 win at Brighton. That capped a three-game win streak—the Lions first three wins of the season. South Lyon has put eight seniors in the starting lineup, and John Hernandez, the team's leading scorer from last year, has finally found the net. The soccer team wasn't the only squad to get its first shutout. So did South Lyon's ballers, beating Walled Lake Central 33-31. Coach Jim Brennan admitted it wasn't the prettiest baseball ever played, but he'll take it. A key in this game was that it was the Lions making throws, rather than their opponents. Alex Miseta sunk a key try down the stretch for three of his six points.

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Health Column

USDA finally hits the weights

Every five years the U.S. Department of Agriculture updates the dietary guidelines for Americans. In May, the guidelines for 2000 were released and for the first time the importance of exercise in maintaining proper weight was highlighted and emphasized.

The 10 guidelines released in May (there used to be seven) are grouped in easy-to-remember ABC theme. Aim for fitness. Building a health base. Choose sensibly.

Aim for Fitness

- Aim for a healthy weight.
- Be physically active each day.

Build A Healthy Base

- Let the food pyramid guide your choices.
- Choose a variety of grains daily, especially whole grains.

- Choose a variety of fruits and vegetables daily.
- Keep foods safe to eat.

Choose Sensibly

- Choose a diet that is low in saturated fat and cholesterol and moderate total fat.
- Choose beverages and foods with less salt.
- Moderate your intake of sugars.
- If you drink alcoholic beverages, do so in moderation.

A full look at the guidelines are available on the Web, go to www.usda.gov/cnpp/DietGp.pdf

These new dietary guidelines act as another alarm in an ongoing wake up call to place focus on what I call "upstream healthcare." In other words, placing more focus and responsibility on taking care of ourselves prior to get-



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ting into any health problems versus the mindset of doing nothing and if we get sick, look to a medical professional to fix us. Once we are fixed, in this situation, many of us do nothing to eliminate any future potential health problems. Heck, we got fixed once (i.e. a heart bypass,) we can get fixed again and the negative pattern rolls on.

As you may recall in 1998, the Office of the Surgeon General released the first Surgeon General report on physical activity and health. Here, the importance of physical activity was outlined and emphasized in detail. The report went so far as to compare the risk of the lack of physical activity to smoking a pack of cigarettes per day. Countless other scientific studies pointing out the value of regular physical activity have graced the cover of most major newspapers. Television news programs are including health and fitness sections. And

many of the top selling books are related to health, diet and fitness.

With continued startling statistics such as 55-60 percent of all adults and 10-20 percent of American children are overweight, more of these health messages are likely. The government is talking about taxing soft drinks and snack foods and using that money to fight obesity. Insurance companies are beginning to contribute to health club memberships and fitness programs. Bills and grants are being brought forward to increase physical activity in our schools.

What can you do today?

- Take a honest review of your current lifestyle.
- Forget about fitness programs that maybe didn't work well for you. Don't let that stop you from trying again.
- Seek out a fitness option that can work for you. Home training, health club memberships, sports and other activities are all options.
- Realize all options are not perfect, all require a lifestyle adjustment and a priority.

When you look at a 168-hour week, a 2-3 percent investment in time for your health and quality of life offers no better return on investment. Good luck.

This column was written by Chris Klebba, owner and operator of the Water Wheel Health Club and Synergy Fitness. Klebba is also a certified personal fitness instructor. For more information or for a 14-day free membership, call (248) 449-7634.

Health Notes

Free Foot Screenings

Free foot screenings are offered every Tuesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Botsford General Hospital, Suite 200, South Professional Building, 28080 Grand River Ave. in Farmington Hills.

For more information or to make an appointment, call (248) 473-1320, weekdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Intermediate Water Aerobics

This is a 50-minute water exercise class for postnatal and post-physical therapy patients. There is a \$35 fee for the six-week course and registration is required.

For registration and information, call the Botsford Center at (248) 473-5600.

Child Clinic

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

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

Appointments are required. For more information, call: north Oakland, Pontiac: (248) 858-1311 or 858-4001; south Oakland, Southfield: (248) 424-7066 or 424-7067; west Oakland, Walled Lake: (248) 926-3300; and Holly residents: 1-888-350-0900, extension 8-1311 or 8-4001.

Panic attack and agoraphobia support group

They have monthly meetings starting in September at both Northville and Livonia locations. It's a comfortable group support setting for individuals experiencing panic attacks. The cost is \$5. For more information call Susan Franceschi at (734) 420-8100.

ABCs of Weight Loss

A registered dietitian will work with you individually for three months to set up a realistic weight loss plan, organize your appetite and discuss the best strategies for weight loss. A \$95 fee and appointment is required.

The class is sponsored by Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. in Novi.

For more information and to register, call (248) 477-6100.

Asthma Education

Individual sessions with a registered nurse can provide the tools to better understand and manage asthma. Day and evening sessions are available. Families are welcome.

There is a \$30 fee and an appointment is required. For more information and to register, call (248) 477-6100.

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Healthy Solutions Seminar

Healthy Solutions are offering a seminar series over the next few weeks.

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

Hot Flash Study

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

Blood pressure checks

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