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Deemed dangerous

Three houses in city to be torn down

By RANDAL YAKEY Staff Writer

Residents of Novi would be surprised to find houses and abandoned buildings that have been neglected and are structurally unsound.

But that's just what some citizens will find in their neighborhoods and right next door. Three houses in the city of Novi

have been deemed a "danger to the city," according to the Novi Building Department and possibly more are on the way.

The first three are homes at 46481 and 46489 Grand River Avenue and 2410 Shawood Drive have been slated for demolition. A fourth, at 39609 Thirteen Mile Road, was torn down on Tuesday, according to building department officials.

The building at 39609 Thirteen Mile Road, which was listed as an environmental hazard because of a heating oil spill, was recently cleaned of the spill before being torn down.

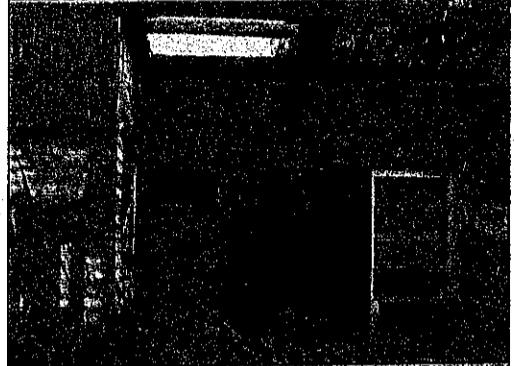
Building Official Don Savin said the two buildings on Grand River Avenue are a major concern because of their deteriorating condition and unsecured doorways.



A home on Grand River determined dangerous by the city of Novi.

"They are the worst we've ever seen," Savin said. "And it is up to the owner to board the buildings up and keep them secure."

The two structures on Grand



An abandoned house deemed dangerous by the city of Novi on Shawood Drive.

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The unforgotten veterans



Novi resident John Love, 70 holds up his Korean war medals and dog tags. Love served in the Korean War between 1951-54. He was enlisted in the Marines. He was recently honored by the Korean government with a medal for serving the country during the Korean War.

Remembering Korea

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE Staff Writer

To the men and women who served, the Korean War Conflict could never be forgotten.

After more than five decades, the time has come to honor those who answered the call, those who worked and fought under trying circumstances and those who gave their lives for the cause of freedom.

This Sunday, July 1, Mayor Richard Clark and the city of Novi will hold its first-ever Korean War Veteran Recognition Day.

This is a community-wide effort to recognize veterans and their families for the tremendous sacrifices they made and to bring

acknowledgement for their brave efforts during this war," Clark said. "We lost just as many men and women in Korea as we did in Vietnam and it's time they receive proper recognition for what they did."

The ceremony will begin at 1 p.m., and will include a number of musical performances, guest speakers, and awards.

So far 60 local veterans have registered to be a part of Sunday's event.

"We'd like to invite veterans from any branch of military service," Clark said. "We're not just looking for American veterans, but Korean veterans who served with the Korean services as well."

The city is encouraging veterans of Novi, relatives of Novi res-

idents, or former Novi residents to participate.

The celebration, which will be held at the Novi Civic Center, will open with a musical tribute by the Novi Concert Band who will be performing selections from the 40s and 50s.

The American Legion Post 19 will assist in the Posting of the Colors, followed by a perform-

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For more information on the veterans the city of Novi will be honoring, please see page 8A.

County could redistrict Novi

By RANDAL YAKEY Staff Writer

In the north end of the city, there could be a major split over who handles the area's business at the county level.

With the redistricting of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, the area around Walled Lake could be pushed into the district now covered by Nancy Dingeldey (R-Wyom) and no longer represented as a single entity.

In essence, anyone residing north of Twelve Mile Road and east of Novi Road would become part of what would be termed District 8.

Novi County Commissioner

Hugh Crawford (R-Novi) would actually lose geographic space under the realignment.

"I am disappointed to be losing Walled Lake," Crawford said. "Because of population increases, you gotta do what you gotta do."

Crawford said because the housing boom and influx of residents to the Novi area, the districts were divided the way they were.

Crawford, whose district number would switch from 17 to 9, would entirely lose Walled Lake but retain the small portion of Northville which is inside Oakland County

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Mayor submits new names for commission

By RANDAL YAKEY Staff Writer

There could be a significant battle over who is going to sit on the Novi planning commission board.

Three members who are up for re-appointment, Planning Commissioner Chair Karen Piccinini and Commissioners Andrew Mutch and Phil Konedo were not supported by Mayor Richard Clark who has submitted three new names to replace the incumbents.

Those nominated were: Gwen Markum to replace Piccinini, Tim Schoyer to replace Phil Konedo and David Ruyle to replace Mutch.

Mutch, who said he understood the "politics" behind the move, did

"Two thirds of the commission will have less than six months experience."

Andrew Mutch Planning Commissioner

say he thought the lack of experience on the commission could be a detriment to the commission in the future.

"Two thirds of the commission will have less than six months experience," Mutch said. "It take a little more than a few months to get all the intricacies down."

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Water rates will increase in July

By RANDAL YAKEY Staff Writer

Running through the sprinkler will be a little more expensive after July 1.

As a result of Detroit, City Council vote, to increase water rates in order to pay for infrastructure repairs to the system, the cost for the average home owner is expected to jump by an estimated \$4 based on how much water each individual home uses.

"What we're getting is about a ten percent jump," Novi finance director and treasurer Kathy Smith-Roy said. "It's not as much as it is in other places."

Some communities rates are expected to exceed 30 percent, according to the Oakland County Drain Commissioners office.

The Novi rates for water are expected to jump from \$34.20 per 18,000 gallons of water to \$38.88. Sewer rates are expected to go from \$25.92 to \$26.64, according to the Oakland County Drain Commission.

Novi city officials do not have a say in the rate hike but may decline to pass the increase onto residents. The Detroit water system is completely under the control of Detroit City Council. Last February, Detroit City Council voted 6-3 to increase water rates for the entire metro area.

The Detroit water system provides over 4.3 million Metro Detroit residents with water in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and St. Clair Counties.

The Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) has recently sent a letter to Congressman Joe Knollenberg (R-Bloomfield) urging funding for the Detroit water system.

According to SEMCOG, it will cost an estimated \$14-26 billion over the next thirty years to sustain the current sewer system. After accounting for inflation, the "out of pocket costs" could go as high as \$52 billion just to maintain the system.

# Teen drives drunk, strikes car

A Pinckney woman traveling northbound on Novi Road got quite a surprise on June 19 when her vehicle was struck by a west bound car with three 18-year-old teenagers inside.

Unfortunately for the three teens, they all had been drinking and face charges of alcohol violations including the driver who will also face drunk driving charges.

According to police reports, the Pinckney woman was traveling north bound around 2 a.m. when the teen driving ran the light and struck the woman's vehicle broadside.

After the collision, the teen driver from Perry, came up to the driver and said "I'm going to jail," according to what the woman told police. The Pinckney woman also told police that when the other driver opened her door, she heard breaking bottles. Police suspect they were beer bottles.

When police administered the alcohol breath test, the Perry teen registered 0.17, the passengers - one from Howell and the other from Brighton - registered 0.12 and 0.14 respectively. According to the state, anyone registering a 0.10 alcohol test is considered legally drunk.

**RESIDENT, COUNCILMEMBER HAVE FALLING-OUT**

North end resident James Korte, 47, filed a police report against Novi City Council Member Victor Cassis after the two had a verbal argument on June 22, around 1:45 p.m.

According to police reports, Korte told police that during a conversation, Cassis began to use very vulgar language and said "stop threatening me, I am going to call police and make a

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threats complaint." In the report, Korte said he would do one better and call police immediately.

Both Korte and Cassis blamed each other for the incident. "He began to use vulgar language with me and I hung up on him," Cassis said.

Korte refutes Cassis' statement saying that Cassis was the one who began using the profanities.

Both men agree the incident was based on a political argument over appointments to city commission.

**CORVETTE MAY HAVE BEEN STOLEN**

Novi police were called to the Marty Feldman Chevrolet about a missing 2000 Corvette on June 20 around 4:40 p.m.

According to Novi police, management at Marty Feldman called police when they were unable to locate the missing vehicle.

According to the report, the vehicle (valued at \$45,000) was last seen on June 19 around 4:30 p.m. when it was being washed.

An employee saw a man standing next to the vehicle, who he now believes could have been the thief. The Prieter colored vehicle had not been seen for nearly a 20-hour period before it was reported missing.

Police continue to investigate the incident.

**PIPE BOMB INCIDENT MAY BE RACIALLY MOTIVATED**

A 45-year-old Commerce Township man was punched in the face by two men who he got into an argument with at Decker Road just north of 14 Mile Road in Walled Lake.

The road rage incident on June 21 started when a man in the car in back of the Commerce man, which had another male passenger, began driving close to his car. The man said the two started making obscene gestures by sticking their middle finger at him.

"The man pulled to the side of the road and asked them 'do you have a problem?'"

The driver of the other car said "No. Do you have a problem?"

A Lamier Street family said their back window may have been broken out by a pipe bomb on June 21 around 11 p.m.

According to the police report, a plastic bottle with gasoline inside and a lighter rag hanging out was found behind the family's trailer. The window of the trailer was broken but the bottle, found under the window, was not.

The father, who is African-American, told police that the incident was racially motivated. The father had made a report of a fighting incident involving his son, which he said was also racially motivated.

Police are investigating the incident.

**WALLED LAKE FIGHT AND FLIGHT**

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The driver of the other car said "No. Do you have a problem?"

When the two men started shouting at each other but the Commerce Township man told police that he didn't know who started shouting first.

The two men in the other car punched the Commerce man and then fled the scene.

People who were passing by stopped their cars and yelled at the men to stop fighting before the suspects took off in their car.

The Commerce Township man told police that he didn't want to press charges.

**BOAT STOLEN**

A 32-year-old woman reported that her Zinker Boat was stolen, which was parked behind Nino's Bakery in Walled Lake at East Lake Drive and Pontiac Trail.

She told police that she was current on payments and she didn't give anyone permission to remove her boat.

The case is still open.

**TRYING TO GET IN**

A burned out apartment building in the 1100 block of Villa Court showed signs that someone had tried to gain entry on June 14.

Apartment management showed police that someone had tried to pry off the plywood sealing off the doorway to the west of the building.

However, they were not able to access the doorway and enter through the building.

The next day the police were called again when two suspicious cars were observed by management.

One employee heard someone flee through the woods to the west of the building.

A K-9 unit was called to track down the suspects.

## Area Briefs

**Smiles2go show**  
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**NCBA looking for groups**  
The Northville Central Business Association is looking for non-profit groups and home-based businesses to participate in downtown Northville's sixth annual Bargain Bazaar.

The Bargain Bazaar will be held on Friday and Saturday, July 27-28, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. each day. If your organization or business is interested in renting a space for this event, please contact Diane at (248) 349-5789 for more information.

**Wixom city events**  
Rosco the Clown Summer Picnic Adventures, July 12, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Gunnar Mettala Park. Fee: \$2.

For parents and kids. Pack a picnic and a blanket, enjoy a family sing-along with Gert Green and be entertained by Rosco the Clown. The kids will create a make-and-take craft. Call (248) 624-2850 to register.

**Second Annual Farmer's Market, Saturdays, Aug. 4-Oct. 27, from 8 a.m.-noon.**  
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**Rosco the Clown Summer Picnic Adventures, Aug. 9 at Gunnar Mettala Park, from 11:30-1 p.m. Fee: \$1 per child.**  
For parents and kids. Pack a picnic and a blanket, enjoy a family sing-along with Gert Green and be entertained by Rosco the Clown with his bag of tricks and Joe Chasney will provide a juggling act. Kids will complete a make-and-take craft at the end of the day.

**Korean War Veteran Remembrance Day**  
Don't forget, the city of Novi will hold a Korean War Veteran Remembrance Day on July 1 from 1-3:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Come out and honor the veterans who have been "forgotten" as the community remembers their efforts.

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# North-South Corridor group narrows choices

By RANDAL YAKLEY Staff Writer

It has been over two years since the announcement of a new corridor study to see if there was a viable route that would connect I-96 to M-59 (Highland Road) in the north. Last week, the North-South Steering Committee announced that they have narrowed the number of routes to nine alternatives with four of them starting at either Beck or Wixom Roads in or on the Novi border.

Earlier this year, public forums were held on the viability of over fifty routes through an area bordered by I-96 to M-59 with a new road segments constructed west of downtown.

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) had said that no extension of the Haggerty Road Connector would continue past the Pontiac Trail. MDOT also said that any extension of the Haggerty Connector, diverted to the west and north along Union Lake Road, would be up to the local municipalities or the Road Commission of Oakland County (RCOC) to proceed with.

The commission seems split right now," Craig Bryson, public relations officer for RCOC, said. "The committee will work to narrow the alternatives to three."

The three alternatives should be narrow to three by August. The routes under consideration are:

**Alternative 1:** Millford road from I-96 to M-59 with a new road segments constructed west of downtown.

**Alternative 2:** Old Plank Road from I-96 to south of Garden Road going northeast to Duck Lake Road to M-59.

**Alternative 3:** Old Plank Road from I-96 to just south of Buno Road to a new road going northeast to Wixom Road to Commerce Road to Duck Lake Road to Cooley Lake Road then on to Duck Lake Road.

**Alternative 4:** Wixom Road to Duck Lake Road to Commerce Road to Duck Lake Road to Cooley Lake Road to Duck Lake north to M-59.

**Alternative 5:** Wixom Road to Duck Lake Road to a new road going northwest to reconnect with Duck Lake Road at Cooley Lake Road to a new road following the Oxbow Lake Road corridor north to M-59.

**Alternative 6:** Beck Road to Pontiac Trail to a new road going northeast to Benstein Road to a new road northeast to Bogle Lake Road to M-59.

**Alternative 7:** Beck Road to Pontiac Trail to a new road going northeast to Benstein Road to a new road northeast to Bogle Lake Road to M-59.

**Alternatives 8 & 9:** Improvements to the Haggerty Road/Union Lake Road corridor north of Pontiac Trail are being studied in a separate study known as the "Four Towns Study." The results of the study will be incorporated into the West Oaks Corridor Study.

Four Towns includes the municipalities of Commerce Township, Waterford, West Bloomfield and White Lake Townships.

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## "The committee will work to narrow the alternatives to three."

Craig Bryson  
RCOC public relations officer



## Dueling shadows

Pat Brzozowski, Dave Lincoln, and Chris Deneen, right, play some Hacky-sack in the warm afternoon sun last Tuesday at Ella Mae Power Park in Novi. The three are graduates of Novi High School.

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# City wants 'cancers' to community tore down

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River are owned by Andy Kowal of Dynamic Land Development LLC, according to Savin. Both are part of a project Mr. Kowal would like to see come before the planning commission at some point, Savin said.

According to assistant city manager Clay Pearson, the house at 39659 Thirteen Mile Road had oil pumped into the basement on accident and was deemed an environmental hazard. The title for that home is currently held by the National Union Fire Insurance Company out of Farmington Hills.

"The owners just packed up their stuff and left it for the city to take care of," Pearson said. "There was an oil delivery and they just decided to leave rather than to clean it up. The pool in the backyard was considered a hazard also, but I think that was removed."

Pearson said the city is following state law concerning dangerous buildings and the ordinance used by the city is similar to those used in Battle Creek, Grand Rapids and Southfield.

According to Savin, buildings such as those on Grand River may be part of bigger plan for redevelopment. Savin also said the home on Thirteen Mile Road and the house next door at 39539 Thirteen Mile Road are expected to be

demolished to make room for new construction.

"They (buildings) are in the way of development," Savin said. "The properties are worth more than the homes are."

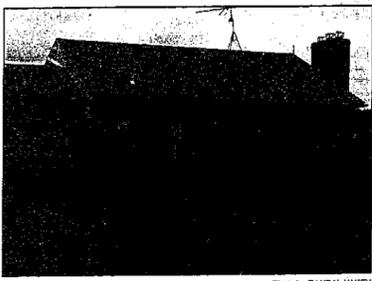
Other homes, including two at 45645 and 45675 Grand River Avenue, are also under investigation by the building department as possibly dangerous.

"We have about a dozen we are looking at in the city right now," Savin said. "And we will treat each one of those as we have done the others, step by step. I guess their (owners) feelings are why keep them up if they are only going to be torn down anyway," Savin said.

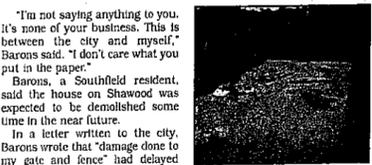
"The city doesn't wish to stand in the way of development, but they are concerned about how land developers refuse to 'keep up' on buildings on their sites."

"These homes are a cancer on our neighborhoods," Pearson said. "All these buildings have been vacant for some time. They have to be taken down. And we will continue to pursue each case as they come up."

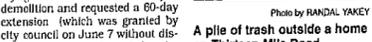
One property, at 2410 Shawood Lake in the city's north end Shawood Lake subdivision, has been abandoned for a month, Savin said. The owner, Colleen Barons, said that the property and condition of the structure was no one's business but her own.



The house at Thirteen Mile which was deemed an environmental hazard. It was tore down Tuesday.



A pile of trash outside a home on Thirteen Mile Road.



A home on Grand River Avenue that was determined dangerous by the city.

take pride in their homes and feel safe. When you invite decay into your city, you invite the problems that go along with it such as street crime, drug abuse and prostitution," Novi Police chief Doug Shaeffer said.

Warrants were issued for inspection of the first four structures mentioned on January 12. Royal could not be reached at press time.

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slightly larger population of 46,763.

The realignment was proposed by the Oakland County executives office and is based on the United States Census results.

The plan will go to the Secretary of State for final approval. Realignment is based on the 2000 Census report. Realignment is happening at the state level and at the federal level with both congressional and senatorial seats.

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made appointments to two last January.

The Novi City Council appointed two new planning commission members six months before David Landry and Lynn Kocan to the planning commission seats and re-appointed Brent Canup to fill out Cassis' seat set to expire June 30, 2002.

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He (Clark) wants his own people in there and I can understand that," Mutch said. "That's the way it goes."

All three, Piccinini, Mutch and Kameda, have terms that end this coming June 30. Voting along with the mayor were Mayor Pro Tem Laura Lorenzo and Council Member Michelle Bonetti. All three of the mayor's selections were defeated by a 3-4 vote.

"I did not go along with the mayor," said Council Member Victor Cassis, who was appointed by the mayor to fill the council seat when Hugh Crawford was

elected to the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

"This is the planning commission," Cassis said. "It's not some low level commission. Phil Kameda has had many years of service to the city. He's always prepared and always ready to go."

Cassis said experience in dealing with and the knowledge of the city is essential for the planning commission.

"Experience is a must," Cassis continued. "There is not a reason behind replacing Kameda."

After over six months of vacancies on the commission, Clark

O'Brien-Sullivan Funeral Home, Keford Collision and Evergreen 3," she said.

Malone added that each veteran will also receive a free one-year subscription of the Novi News, donated from Hometown Newspapers.

With the overwhelming success of last year's WWII Veteran Recognition ceremony, Clark is hoping to once again pay homage to the men and women of the service—this time to those of the Forgotten War.

"WWII was considered the good war because we were fighting fascism and tyranny... then along comes Korea," Clark said. "People were exhausted

from WWII and unfortunately those who served in Korea were somewhat sandwiched into WWII and Vietnam. Simply because there weren't as many under arms as in WWII and because Korea was a UN effort... they've somehow become forgotten soldiers."

In light of their efforts to recognize veterans of the Korean War, Clark and the city of Novi recently received a plaque from the U.S. Secretary of Defense, honoring Novi as a commemorative community.

Next year, Clark and the city will continue to honor veterans with a Vietnam recognition ceremony.

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Remembrance Ceremony  
Novi's Korean War Veteran Recognition Day  
July 1, 2001  
Held at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road  
1-3:30 p.m.

If you are interested in participating in Sunday's event, please contact the city of Novi at (248) 735-5628.

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# Mayor submits new names for planning

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Mayor Richard Clark, who disagreed with Mutch's comments, said he was for giving new people a change to be involved in their government.

"It's just that we have a wealth of talent in this community," Clark said. "Two of the three do have experience. Tim Schroyer was on a planning commission in Ohio and on a planning commission. Gwen Markum has experience. This isn't rocket science."

Clark also said there was nothing personal in not supporting the three incumbents.

# "Forgotten war" remembered by city of Novi

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ance of the South Korean National Anthem.

Sunday's event will also include appearances by Rep. Nancy Cassis (R-Now), Oakland County Commissioner Hugh Crawford, and representatives from Joe Knollenburg's office.

The ceremony will then conclude with the handing out of certificates to Korean War vets participating in accordance to Novi community relations director Maureen Malone, numerous donations have helped make the event successful.

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# Bill would require police to tape felony confessions

By MIKE MALOTT  
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Confessions in felony cases would have to be videotaped by police, under a new bill just introduced in the legislature. But a failure to tape a criminal's statement would not lead to dismissal of the charges.

Rep. Alan Sanborn, R-Richmond, introduced House Bills 4958 and 4959, requiring videotaping. The bills are the result of issues raised in the wake of the Justin Mello murder case in Macomb County. Two men, ages 18 and 20, were held for six months based on their confessions, which they later claimed had been coerced. But eventually charges were dismissed when a third man, already in jail for a multi-state crime spree, confessed to the killing.

Prosecutor Carl Maringa however maintained that the confessions were not coerced and has urged videotaping as a way of showing evidence that interviews

"We will be working with policy agencies to make sure this is workable."

Carl Maringa  
Prosecutor

were conducted properly by police.

Sanborn said the purpose of his bill is to support police, to be able show that confessions were not coerced when they are called into question later. But as a former probation officer, he recognizes that there may be problems with such a requirement.

"We will be working with policy agencies to make sure this is workable," he said. "We don't want to require tape recording of every arrest. That would be implausible."

Sanborn sees a number of potential problems with his bill that need to be ironed out. If there

is a requirement to tape confessions, will that make other confessions not on tape less credible in court?

Already in the bills is a provision that specific states statements and evidence are not to be excluded from court if police fail to tape interviews with suspects. Sanborn said he does not want a bill that would require officers to carry additional equipment around with them while on patrol.

He said he also recognizes that smaller police departments may not have the funding needed to purchase new videotaping equipment. If state money cannot be allocated to the purchase of equipment for those departments, then a requirement might turn into an unfunded mandate for local units of government.

Sanborn said he hopes to get input from police departments and agencies over the summer and that the House Criminal Justice Committee will take up consideration of the bill this fall.



A lunch date

Orchard Hills student Tom Dixon talks with teacher Becky Hurst during "Lunch with a Teacher". At a recent PTO fundraiser night, students could bid on pizza lunches with their favorite teachers for a day.

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# Love found question answered in Korea

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE  
Staff Writer

In June 1950, five years after World War II, 20-year-old John Love of Detroit walked up to his local corner drug store where he saw a newspaper headline that read: "North Korea Invades South Korea."

He wondered, "Where is Korea?" Nearly a year later, on the 25th anniversary of the founding of Detroit, Love enlisted into the Marines where he was sworn in on the stage of the Fox Theater.

After he completed his ten weeks of training at boot camp in Parris Island, S.C., Love reported to Chronicle, VA for Officer Candidate School (OCS) and in October 1951, traveled to Camp Pendleton, CA for additional training.

In January 1952, Love found himself about to answer that very question he asked himself at the news stand, with orders in Korea.

When Love landed in Pusan, after two and half weeks at sea with 3,000 marines, he soon discovered that his first enemy was not a communist, but sub-zero freezing temperatures.

"It was 15-18 below when we arrived," he recalled, "and I had a buddy who always had heartburn. I never knew what he was talking about but when we were going on the trucks up to the line, I was starving. They gave us a one day sea ration. I ate a can of frozen spaghetti... then I learned what heartburn was all about."

A machine gunner with the weapons company, Love found himself at 842 (meters) Hill.

"At first we didn't know what to expect," he said. "But when all this artillery and mortars started to come in on us, you got used to it." Love said they weren't even sure what they were fighting for.

"We were just fighting to stay alive and get back home," he said. "But a lot of guys didn't."

In March 1952, the whole first marine division was moved from the east coast to the west coast of Korea, north of Seoul.

"They put the whole first

marine division in the area where Genghis Khan, the great conqueror, came through, because they figured the Chinese would come down the same route," Love said.

When they arrived, 60 marines traveled up to an outpost two miles in front of their main line of resistance (MLR).

"Love said they were closer to the Chinese lines than their own, and for about six weeks every day, were hit with artillery and mortars."

"A lot of guys got wounded and I thought I'd never get out of there alive," he said.

One afternoon, Love barely cheated death.

"We were up on that outpost one day and it was our squad's turn to go down the bottom of the hill, some 3-400 yards and pick up sea rations," he said.

"Me, Scully, this young kid - 18 years old and first day on the line, and three KSCs (Korean Service Corps) and nothing but artillery and mortars all the way down. When we got back and took the sea rations to the command post, we went back over to our bunker. We're sitting there and wham, smoke and dust were flying everywhere. When we got out and looked, one 57 artillery shell was right on the edge of the back of our bunker. Another foot and we would have been gone," Love said.

After the attack, Love and his men met with the marines on the other side of the hill.

"Everyone was okay except old Sergeant Benson," Love remembered.

"He said, 'Are you guys alright?' and we said, 'Yeah' and he said, 'Well, I ain't' and pulled a piece of shrapnel right out of his butt."

The last time Love saw the sergeant was being loaded into a helicopter.

"I always wondered what happened to him," he said. "If he was paralyzed for the rest of his life or what..."

Once again, Love found himself battling weather conditions but this time with monsoons.

## John Love Marines 1951-1954



John Love in full combat gear.



John Love in Korea.



John Love with buddies at base.

"It would rain for two weeks straight. You would be just covered in mud," he said. "The war stopped when the monsoons came because everything was flooded out."

Love admitted that the worst part of the war for him wasn't the constant ambush and death, but rather that of large, disease-infested rats.

"At night they would crawl all over you, and I mean these were trench rats," he said, "spreading his arms wide. They had fleas that carried hemoragic fever so we had to put powder in our sleeping bags to kill the fleas."

After a long and trying 13 months, it was time for Love to return to the States.

"I just wanted to get home. I lost a lot of good buddies," he recalls. "Saw poor Joe from Pennsylvania get split right in half about two feet in front of me."

When Love returned to the U.S., he was reassigned to Camp Platoon, and when the war ended in July of 1953, he finally went home.

"Like my buddy says, 'I wouldn't give a million dollars to take away the experience, but I wouldn't give a nickel to do it again,'" he laughed.

As Love thumbed through his old photo album, he reminisced about his fellow marine buddies like Joe from New York, Ernie from Wisconsin, and old Scully from Baltimore.

It was apparent as he sat at his kitchen table, holding his medals and leaving through newspaper clippings, that the veteran marine had not forgotten the "Forgotten War."

"In three years, almost 40,000 guys died," Love said. "In Vietnam, some 50,000 died in

ten years, but you don't dwell on it."

After the war, Love got married to his wife Carol, with whom he's been living with in Novi for the past 45 years.

Now retired from GTE, the 70-year-old enjoys spending his time with his four sons, Craig, Robert, William, and John-Scott and his eight grandchildren.

Love is currently a member of the VFW Post 2269 in Wixom.

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# Weaver awarded Purple Heart for Korean War wounds

By RANDAL YAKY  
Staff Writer

When the United States finished fighting in Asia, Europe and North Africa, people were looking to get on with their lives.

But for one young man, who was already a veteran of W.W.II, once again the call would come over. This time to battle the forces of communism in a "police action" called the Korean War.

"Police action," Stanley Weaver said. "That's what they called it."

Weaver, who grew up in Grosse Pointe and attended Grosse Pointe South High School, spent three years in the Navy (1944-46) as a Navy hospital man, went back into the military in 1947 with the 17th Infantry Battalion. He really didn't think he would see any military action.

"In 1950, there was this little conflict," Weaver said. "And we were sent to Wonsan Harbor just off the coast of what is now part of North Korea. We were sent in and happened to be at the reservoir on Nov. 27, 1950."

November 27, 1950 was the day the Chinese mounted an enormous attack on American Troops stationed near the reservoir that day.

"The whole Chinese army dropped in on us," Weaver said. "We had heard that North Koreans were withdrawing. So we weren't expecting anything."

## Stanley Weaver Navy 1950

There was a major break between the Fox and Early companies. I guess we were surprised by the Chinese."

The battle at Hagaru was fought in temperatures reaching twenty degrees below zero and many soldiers were not prepared for the cold.

"Some were wearing canvas shoes," Weaver said. "And we didn't know the Chinese were pouring over the border."

"I was thinking 'I'm a sailor at over 8,000 feet up on a mountain-what am I doing here?'" Weaver said. "At first we thought these guys were Koreans, but they were over six feet tall. We realized these guys weren't Koreans."

Really, I didn't see many Korean (soldiers) when I was over there. The first people I saw there were Chinese," he said.

Weaver said that during the battles he came across a group of Puerto Rican fighters who had been ambushed by the Chinese.

"There were bullet holes all over the truck," Weaver said.

"They had been surprised. The Chinese wore these robes and when they went near the truck, they threw off the robes and opened up with machine gun fire."

On December 6, 1950, just a few months after being sent to Korea, Weaver caught his ticket home and not the way he wanted it.

"I was at Hagaru and I was wounded," he said. "That was my ticket home."

Weaver is a recipient of the Purple Heart awarded to soldiers who were wounded or killed in battle. Weaver now is retired and lives in Wolverine Lake.

The United States Armed Forces suffered 33,669 Americans killed in action in Korea. A total of 1,789,000 Americans fought in the Korean conflict. There are still 8,176 service men unaccounted for.

The Korean people suffered 1,312,936 casualties, including 415,004 dead. Estimated communist casualties are over 2 million, according to the United States Armed Services historical record on the war.

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Stanley Weaver, a Korean War veteran, holds a frame with his service medals in it - including the Purple Heart (middle, upper row).

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Medical, 44700 Grand River, 11:30 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 27875 Tallford, 11:31 a.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 40000 High Pointe, 12:01 p.m., Squad 5.  
Medical, 43455 Ten Mile Road, 1:31 p.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 33224 Sagebrush, 4:42 p.m., Squad 3.  
Trash fire, 1327 East Lake, 8:45 p.m., Engine 2.

**Tuesday, June 19**  
Fuel spill, Grand River/Novi Road, 2:08 a.m., Engine 1.  
Gas leak, 2453 Woodward, 8:02 a.m., Engine 2.  
Medical, 41710 Onaway, 8:41 a.m., Squad 3.  
Gas leak, Twelve Mile/West Oaks, 10:04 a.m., Engine 1.  
Fire alarm, Novi Road/West Oaks, 10:13 a.m., Engines 2, 4.  
Medical, Nine Mile Road/Novi, 10:38 a.m., Squad 3.  
Personal injury accident, Beck/Elven Mile Road, 3:01 p.m., Squad 4.  
Personal injury accident, Haggerty/Ten Mile Road, 3:55 p.m., Squad 1.  
Service, 30675 Vine Court, 4:07 p.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 39774 Village Wood, 4:25 p.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 43200 Crescent, 8:09 p.m., Squad 1.  
Personal injury accident, 21512 Novi Road, 8:36 p.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 42500 Arena, 3:26 p.m., Squad 3.  
Personal injury accident, Nine Mile and Novi, 10:43 p.m., Squad 3.

**Wednesday, June 20**  
Fire alarm, 43055 Crescent, 12:31 a.m., Engines 1, 2.  
Medical, 46850 Ten Mile Road, 3:40 a.m., Squad 4.  
Service, 26217 Georgia, 8:44 a.m., Squad 4.  
Ten Mile/Meadowbrook, 9:02 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 26020 Ingersoll, 1:22 p.m., Squad 1.  
Wire down, 28025 Samuel Linden, 3:28 p.m., Engine 4.  
Fire alarm, 43055 Crescent, 5:24 p.m., Engines 1, 2.  
Service, 40474 Mill Court, 6:02 p.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 43055 Crescent, 6:55 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 42500 Arena, 8:03 p.m., Squad 3.  
Investigation, 29865 Rousseau, 8:50 p.m., Engine 2.  
Medical, 41100 Thirteen Mile Road, 10:54 p.m., Squad 2.  
Trash fire, 301 Duana, 11:03 p.m., Engine 2.

**Thursday, June 21**  
Medical, 24238 Congress, 2:04 a.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 31275 Haggerty, 4:06 a.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 20905 E. Glen Haven, 5:49 a.m., Squad 3.  
Fuel spill, 45376 Yorkshire, 9:22 a.m., Engine 1.  
Fire alarm, 22326 Carlisle Court, 3:28 p.m., Engine 3.  
Medical, 39723 Village Wood, 5:20 p.m., Squad 3.  
**Friday, June 22**  
Medical, 48520 Nine Mile, 8:48 a.m., Squad 4.  
Medical, 1511 Ocher, 9:51 a.m., Squad 4.  
Medical, 47250 Ten Mile Road, 11:57 a.m., Squad 4.  
Personal injury accident, Novi/Crescent, 2:22 p.m., Squad 1.  
Fuel spill, Novi/Grand River, 4:07 p.m., Engine 1.  
Medical, Pleasant Cove, 4:41 p.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 8:36 p.m., Squad 3.  
**Saturday, June 23**  
Detail, 45125 Ten Mile Road, 9:40 a.m., Squad 4.  
Medical, 22555 Halifax, 11:17 a.m., Squad 4.  
Fuel spill, Thirteen Mile/M-5, 11:47 a.m., Engine 2.  
Medical, Haggerty/Nine Mile Road, 1:41 p.m., Squad 3.  
Medical, 40159 Oak Tree, 2:23 p.m., Squad 2.  
Medical, 1351 South Lake, 3:02 p.m., Squad 2.  
Fire alarm, 43155 Main St., 3:30 p.m., Engines 1, 3.  
Medical, 30640 Beck, 3:56 p.m., Squad 2.  
Building fire, 30961 Tangewood, 5:18 p.m., Engines 2, 1.  
Fire alarm, 24701 Dinsler, 6:52 p.m., Engines 4, 1.  
**Sunday, June 24**  
Medical, 24500 Meadowbrook, 12:20 p.m., Squad 1.  
Medical, 42118 Pelston, 12:53 p.m., Squad 3.  
Wire down, 47195 Eleven Mile Road, 3:37 p.m., Engine 4.  
Medical, 41891 Chaler, 7:59 p.m., Squad 2.

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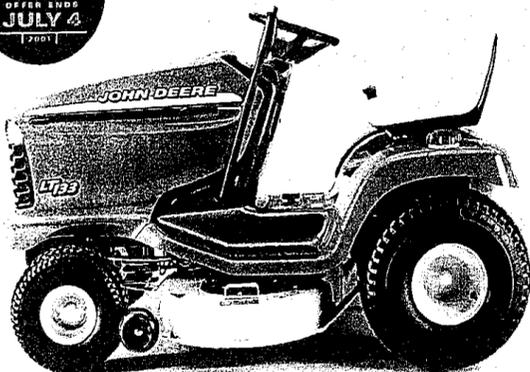
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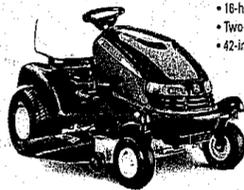
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## Obituaries

**GRACE D. BROOKS**  
Grace D. (Schroeder) Brooks, 94, of Farmington Hills, formerly of Detroit, died June 23 at Brighton Gardens Senior Living Center in Plymouth. She was born Nov. 9, 1906 in Detroit.

Mrs. Brooks works history included office manager at University Cycles Steel Co. in Detroit.  
She is survived by four nieces, Anne (Richard) Klein of Farmington Hills, Mary Linda Breneman and Grace Marie Breneman, both of Novi, and Sally Potter of Linden; three nephews, Wayne (Toni) Breneman of Brighton, Donald (Betty) Miller of Gaylord, and Arthur (Sharon) Miller of Wisconsin and several great nieces and nephews.  
Mrs. Brooks preceded in death by her husband and two sisters, Marie Miller and June Breneman.

Services were held on Wednesday, June 27 at St. Alexander Church in Farmington Hills, with the Rev. James B. Wright officiating.  
Interment followed in Holy Carmel Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were made by Heney-Sundquist Funeral Home Inc. of Farmington.

**JOSEPH A. CICIRELLI JR.**  
Joseph A. Cicirelli Jr., 71, of Holy died June 17 at his residence. He was born Nov. 16, 1929, in Livonia to Joseph A. and Angelina (Bonacc) Cicirelli.

Mr. Cicirelli was a farmer and loved gardening. He also was owner of Cicirelli's Greenhouse in two locations. Mr. Cicirelli was a life-long member of his community.  
He is survived by his wife, Lillian, two sons, Chris (Linda) of Canton and Timothy (Connie) of Holly; daughter, Juli Anne Norman of Highland; four sisters, Josephine Cicirelli, Laura Przybylski, Lucille Zaborowski, and Carmela Cicirelli; one brother, Michael (Louise) of Ypsilanti; and seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held on Thursday, June 21 at Divine Savior Church in Westland, with the Rev. Alex Kurus officiating.

**CHARLES E. CRIPPEN**  
Charles Edward Crippen, 80, of Northville Township died June 24 at his home. He was born in Grand Rapids to Harry and Jeanette (Cowan) Crippen.

Mr. Crippen served as a navigator in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. His employment after the war was with Michigan Bell Telephone Co. as a sales manager. Mr. Crippen was an active member of Our Lady of Victory Church and with the Knights of Columbus.  
He is survived by his wife, Patricia; six daughters, Jeanette (Robert) MacDonald of Okemos, Susan Roy of Livonia, Gail McSevery (Kelley Atchison) of Northville, Joanne (David) Plasecki of Farmington Hills, Patty Crippen (Michael McNece) of Farmington Hills, and Mary Lou (Richard) Maxwell of Walled Lake; and 18 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 28 at Our Lady of Victory Church, with the Rev. Steve Werleman officiating. Arrangements were made by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville.  
Memorials to the Henry Ford Hospice would be appreciated.

**WILLIAM J. McNEECE**  
William Joseph McNece of Farmington Hills died June 22 at

Alterra Assisted Living in Livonia at the age of 81. He was born in Detroit Nov. 27, 1919.  
Mr. McNece lived in Livonia from 1957-94. He was a repairman for Michigan Bell and a member of St. Gerald Catholic Church in Farmington.

He is survived by two sons, William (Valerie) of Farmington and Michael (Pat - Crippen) of Farmington Hills; two daughters, Christine (Mark) Martin of Troy and Kathleen (Gordon) Hamilton of Novi; two sisters, Maureen LaBelle of California, and Diane Egan of Northville; and 12 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Mr. McNece preceded in death by his wife, Marian (Fry) in June 2000.  
Services were held on Monday, June 25 at St. Gerald Church in Farmington. The Rev. Norman Nawrocki officiated.  
Interment was in Southern Michigan Services Crematory, Livonia.  
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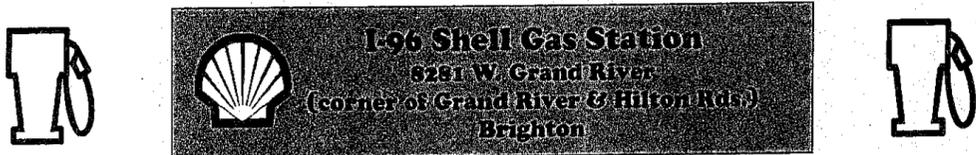
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# Cassis on hand as Bush signs federal tax cut bill

By MIKE MALOTT  
HomeTown News Service  
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Nancy Cassis told President George W. Bush "thanks on behalf of all Michigan taxpayers" when she met him at the signing of his federal tax cut bill earlier this month.

Cassis, chair of the State House Tax Policy Committee and the Republican Representative from Novi and Northville, flew to Washington D.C. to be on hand with about 200 members of the GOP at the signing of the bill. She was invited, she believes, because of the support she showed for the

cut through her sponsorship of House Resolution 33 in the Michigan legislature. The tax cut is one of only three that have occurred at the federal level, she contended. One was signed by John F. Kennedy. The second was instituted by Ronald Reagan. This one, the third, under

Bush will trim taxes \$1.3 trillion over 10 years, and because it is retroactive to this January, rebate checks are expected this fall. Cassis predicted that President Bush's plan will give the national economy a well-timed boost by putting more money in the hands of consumers.



Rep. Nancy Cassis (R-Now) and President George W. Bush.

## Library Lines

**LIBRARY HOURS**  
The Novi Public Library, 45245 W. Ten Mile Road, just east of Tall, is open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library is closed Sundays during the summer. For more information, call 349-0720.

**INDEPENDENCE DAY CLOSING**  
The library will be closed Wednesday, July 4 in honor of Independence Day.

**READING ROAD TRIP**  
Sign-up is now underway for the 2001 Summer Reading Program, "Reading Road Trip USA." The program is for children in grades four and under.

**CRUISIN' WITH BOOKS**  
Kids going into the fifth grade and beyond are invited to sign up for "Cruisin' With Books." Featured will be great programs, projects, and prizes throughout the summer.

**ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**  
Selection for July is "Welcome to the World, Baby Girl" by Fannie Flagg. The group meets Monday, July 2 at 7 p.m. in the library meeting room.

**CRAFT PROGRAMS**  
We have two craft programs scheduled for Tuesday, July 3. Crafts for children ages 5-6 will be at 1 p.m.; crafts for children ages 7 and up will begin at 3 p.m. Registration is \$1 materials fee for each 40-minute program. No registration is necessary, but space is limited.

**DROP-IN STORYTIMES**  
Storytime for children ages 4 to 7 will be held Thursday, July 5; storytime for 2- and 3-year-olds will be held Friday, July 6. Each 30-minute session starts at 11 a.m. No registration is necessary.

**THE DYE EXTRAVAGANZA**  
Kids going into fifth grade and up can make their own tie-dyed clothing on Monday, July 9 at 1 p.m. Wear old clothes and bring a 100 percent cotton T-shirt or other item to dye. There is a \$1 fee for this project. Register in advance at the Cruisin' With Books table.

**LIBRARY BOARD MEETING**  
The Novi Library Board of Directors will meet Monday, July 9 at 7 p.m. in the library meeting room. Community members are welcome to attend.

**CHRIS LINN, MAGICAL ENTERTAINER**  
Magical entertainer Chris Linn will amaze you with cool tricks and other fun stuff on Wednesday, July 11. There will be a 1 p.m. show for children ages 4 and up, and a 7 p.m. show for children of all ages. No registration is required for the 60-minute program.

**SENIOR BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**  
Senior book lovers are reading "Appetite for Life" by Noel Riley Fitch. The senior group meets in the library meeting room on Thursday, July 12 at noon.

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## Feds indict former Northville bar owner

By LON HUHMANN  
Staff Writer

Woolly Bully's owner Mark Roman and his wife, Sandra, have been indicted on nine grand jury counts of aiding and assisting in the preparation of false federal income tax returns in the years 1994 through 1997, according to the Internal Revenue Service indictment.

According to Internal Revenue Service public information officer Stephen Moore, the Romans allegedly skimmed cash from their two businesses and failed to report more than \$2.8 million in income earned from the Woolly Bully's establishments in Northville Township and Clinton Township. The Northville Woolly Bully's was opened in 1993 and sold in 2000. Moore said the financial records kept at the Northville location did not match the numbers reported on the tax returns, which helped lead to the 18-month investigation.

The Romans are residents of Clinton Township. Mark Roman was the sole owner of the Woolly Bully's bar/restaurant that was located at 43333 W. Seven Mile Road in Northville Township as well

as the owner of Woolly Bully's on Groesbeck Highway in Clinton Township. His wife is the bookkeeper for the establishments and maintains an office out of their residence.

"The investigation was initiated when an undercover IRS agent posed as a potential purchaser of the Northville location and then, at a meeting with Roman, the agent was shown a second set of financial records. It was then the agent learned of the Romans accounting practices," Moore said.

Prior to this, Roman was very concerned about showing the undercover agent his records because he did not want to put himself in a situation that he could not bail himself out of, the IRS affidavit said. Another reason the affidavit said Roman was hesitant about showing his records was that he valued his freedom.

The undercover IRS agent had shown interest in purchasing the Northville facility, which had a \$5.2 million asking price, according to the IRS affidavit. The affidavit said Roman stated to the agent that he banks in the Cayman Islands and that \$2 million of the \$5.2 million

selling price would be sent directly to an offshore bank account he has on the islands. Roman then stated that he did not intend on listing this money on the closing papers for sale of the Northville location.

In the affidavit, Roman also allegedly stated he was willing to lower the selling price by \$200,000, which represented half his capital gains tax savings. According to the affidavit, when the agent asked Roman how he planned on transferring the money to his Cayman account, he stated he takes cash money out of the country on his own.

The affidavit includes the summaries of taped conversations on the telephone and meetings Roman had with the undercover IRS agent from Jan. 14, 1998 through April 3, 1998. According to the affidavit, Roman stated what he reports on his Michigan Sales Tax Returns is not the same as the actual gross receipts of the business. Roman went on further to state that he would rather do business with cash than credit cards because with cash he can put more in his pocket.

The affidavit allegations go on to

state that Roman said he charged a cover at both locations, he estimated the cover charges to be approximately \$1,500 to \$3,000 per week and he did not report the cash receipts from cover charges on the corporate income tax returns for Woolly Bully's.

The affidavit said Roman does not report approximately half of the receipts for cover charges as Schedule C income on his personal income tax return. In addition, Roman did not report the money gained from the sales of beer at the club's entry door, the liquor shots sold by the "shot girls," as well as the pizza sold at midnight.

The affidavit said Roman kept weekly sheets that showed all ends of the operation including the true gross receipts and labor costs, which he prepared himself. Roman explained to the agent that the gross receipts figures on the weekly sheets are derived from two computers, one in each location. Every entry on the cash registers was

recorded directly into the computer at each location and the computers then produce a sales report on a daily basis that is a summary of the true daily gross receipts. Roman stated that he then printed a copy of the sales report and then copies the figures from it to his weekly sheet and then destroys the sales report.

The agent reported that Roman skimped the amount of cash he skimmed by comparing the true yearly gross receipts figures derived from totaling the weekly sheets and then subtracting the gross receipts amounts listed on the 1995 and 1996 corporate income tax returns for the Northville location. Roman said he skimmed cash totaling \$407,601 in 1995 and \$533,894 in 1996. He also said he skims approximately \$325,000 per year in cash from the Clinton Township location.

The affidavit said Roman stated he destroyed the records that show the true gross receipts for the Clinton Township location. He said

he deposits just enough cash in his business bank account to cover his expenses. Roman said his wife knows the true gross receipts of the business.

According to the indictment, in 1994 at the Northville location the actual gross receipts were believed to be \$1.7 million, but only \$1.2 million was reported. In 1995, \$1.5 million was reported, but the indictment alleges \$1.85 million was earned. In 1996, the \$1.87 million, which should have been reported instead of the \$1.4 million.

Portions of the unreported money was used to pay employees their work wages either partially or fully in cash. The affidavit stated that Roman said while he deducted payroll taxes from employees, he did not pay them over to the federal government.

Sandra and Mark Roman declined to comment on the indictment.

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# Radwanski to leave HMS

By JENNIFER NORRIS  
Staff Writer

After serving in multiple positions over a span of decades, Hillside Middle School principal Jeffrey Radwanski will be retiring from the district in December.

In December, Radwanski will have met all requirements to officially retire from the Northville School District, but his leadership days are not over yet.

"The opportunities are out there for me to begin another career in January," Radwanski said. "My goal in life is to become a university professor."

He has already taken steps to help prepare himself for this new line of work. Radwanski said he has been teaching educational leadership courses part time at both Wayne State University and Saginaw Valley State University.

He has been an instructor at SVSU since 2000 and has been instructing at Wayne State since 1997.

"I absolutely love it," he said. "You have to know when to leave. I believe I'm at the top of my game right now."

Radwanski also said he has been involved with many innovative programs that have been initiated within Northville schools.

Among his list of accolades, Radwanski has held the title of principal at both Hillside Middle School and Cooke Middle School, served as an assistant principal at Meads Mill Middle School and was also a counselor and teacher during his years with Northville schools. In addition, he was recognized as a Fulbright Fellowship Finalist in 1998, was selected as "Principal of the Year" in 1996. He also earned the Administrator of the Year award along with Counselor of the Year award in 1995 and 1997 respectively. In 1985, Radwanski was selected to receive the "Distinguished Service Award" which is an award presented to an outstanding educator by the P.T.S.A. of Northville schools.

"I've certainly won my share of awards," he said. However, the end of December will close a chapter in his life and will be the starting point of another one as he pursues a university professor position.

"I have a lot to offer at that level," he said. "It's very rewarding."

Having formed a number of friendships over the years, Radwanski said he was going to miss interacting with the teaching staff, parents and students.

However, he said he will not miss other academic realms associated with education including politi-

cians, the MEAP office and the media.

Radwanski also said several student and community oriented programs and events have been established which stand out in his memories of work within the district. Particularly the launch of the senior citizen prom and initiation of the student Cadillac lunch—a program which rewards students for doing unsolicited acts of kindness.

"These two really stand out," he said. "It certainly ranks up there as one of the highlights."

Being a part of the emergence of Hillside Middle School, from the old high school building is also another milestone in his memory.

Radwanski said he is uncertain at this point where he begins his new duties as a university professor but he is considering a position in Florida.

This new expedition has led to a fork in the road, but Radwanski is not considering retirement just yet.

"I'm not looking at this as retirement, it's a career change," he said.

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# Explosives, porn found in Hillside Middle

By JENNIFER NORRIS  
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Staff Writers

A group of students at Hillside Middle School left for summer break a little bit earlier than normal due to their involvement in selling and purchasing obscene materials and gunpowder on school grounds in late May.

According to Hillside Middle School officials, a student told the assistant principal, James Cracraft, that other students were involved in selling pornographic magazines on and off the Hillside site. In a letter sent home to parents, school officials said as they progressed with the investigation, they discovered that a student had sold a small amount of gun powder to another student on site. A total of 49 days of suspension have been allocated at this point.

According to the city of Northville police report, a city police officer was dispatched to the school on a report of students possessing explosive materials and obscene materials.

In addition, the letter also stated that two students had admitted they sold pornographic magazines, a stack of pornographic magazines, pictures, a videotape and a computer disc.

At least three students admitted purchasing the items and were found in possession of pornographic magazines, officials wrote.

Hillside officials also stated that all parents of the students who sold, purchased and who had knowledge of pornographic material on site were contacted and joined administration cooperatively in a search of their child's locker.

In the investigation, it was also discovered that a student had sold gunpowder to another student. The gun powder was contained in a small, plastic sandwich bag and was turned in to administrators by another student. The letter indicated a student admitted giving gun powder brought from home to another student.

According to the police report, the student took the gun powder from his father's gun shells that were in the basement of their home. The report said the student's father competes in shooting competitions. The father informed police that the recovered powder was the only gun powder taken from his collection.

School officials acted fast after they learned of the students' behavior and immediately ended it. "We caught wind of it, investigated it and resolved it very quickly," Cracraft said. "Disciplinary action

was taken for all students involved." "It was handled very quickly and very professionally."

Students who had been involved with selling obscene materials, gun powder or spreading false rumors about the gun powder were suspended for the rest of the year. Those that purchased pornographic material received a three day suspension.

Cracraft also said police officials were summoned and the school worked closely with the police department. All seized materials were given to the police.

After learning of the trading occurring at the school, school officials said they wasted no time in quelling this activity. The police report said Hillside Middle School principal, Jeffrey Radwanski, would have kept the matter internal if it was just the pornography involved, but with the gun powder evidence, the police department was then contacted.

"I think our response on this was just outstanding," Cracraft said.

Assistant Superintendent David Boltho agreed.

He said a prompt reaction by the middle school administration was able to bring the situation under control immediately.

"The middle school administration did an excellent job...in handling the matter," he said.

Boltho also noted the efforts of the local police and parents involved.

"The support of Northville city police was extremely valuable [and] the support of the parents will hopefully make this a learning experience for the children involved," he said.

The letter concluded with a statement that stressed that such behavior would not be tolerated. "You need to understand the first

correlate of effective schools is a safe and orderly environment. We must continue to work together as parents and school officials to impress upon our student the consequences involved with bringing things to school which are not appropriate and which could cause safety issues," the letter read. "The consequences are severe."

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## County shouldn't separate Novi

With redistricting on the horizon for the Oakland County Board of Commissioners districts this summer, for the first time in the history of Novi, the city will be split among two districts.

In essence, anyone residing north of Twelve Mile Road and east of Novi Road would become part of what would be the district now represented by Nancy Dingley (R-Wixom).

Why break-up Novi? It seems the Oakland County Executives would like to keep the population at around 45-48,000 residents per district. That could easily be done by leaving Novi alone. There are already 45,000 residents in the city. And by adding the small portion of Northville and Novi Township, there is hardly an excessive amount of population base.

The best representation is that done by locals. And, though we have no complaints about the job Dingley has done, we feel the interests of the city are best served by those who live within the city.

Oakland County Commissioner Hugh Crawford (R- Novi) said because the housing boom and influx of residents to the Novi area, the districts were divided the way they were. But the influx of residents into Oakland County is just as well moving north as it is to the western ends of the county.

In the redistricting, Dingley would retain the cities of South Lyon and Wixom plus the addition of Walled Lake and Lyon Township. And her population would be more than that of Crawford's.

Crawford's district 9 would have an estimated population of 45,221. Dingley's district (renamed the 8th district) would

have a slightly larger population of 46,763. Why wouldn't the small portion of Novi be retained by Crawford and keep the city interest at the county level under one umbrella?

It doesn't make any sense and will put North Novi's best interests on the back burner. It seems that Wixom and Lyon Township has just as much potential for growth as Novi. It would make more sense to keep Novi with Crawford and it would be a minor adjustment for the commissioners to rethink splitting Novi in two.

The residents of Novi, and the north end, should realize what the executives in Pontiac are doing. They are making them a limited player in county govern-

ment. Those in the north end sometimes complain that they are kept out of 'mainstream' government decisions in the city. Well, it is happening, this time at the county level.

There is no reason that those in the north end of the city should be represented by anyone other than a Novi resident. At least, not at this point.

The realignment was proposed by the Oakland County executives office and is based on the United States Census 2000 results. The plan will go to the Secretary of State for final approval. We would like to see another plan proposed that would keep as many municipalities as possible kept 'whole' and not split them up.

We are shooting for unity and a sense of community belonging. By further alienating the north end of Novi, we are sending a message that they are not important to the county and the city of Novi.



## Sharing a glance

Photo by JOHN HEIDERY

In the warm twilight hours, Dave Richards and Kate Clarke enjoy a moment together while attending a Novi High School varsity lacrosse game.

## Graduation floods back memories

Emotions and memories from long ago stirred as I watched the classes of 2001 graduate from Walled Lake Central and Walled Lake Western.

I already knew time seems to go by so fast forward after high school graduation. My own two graduations, high school and college, seemed like yesterday as I watched the soon-to-be graduates enter the auditorium at Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center. Pomp and Circumstance filled the air and I knew the graduates and their parents were so proud of their achievement.

I was pleased at how many students graduated with honors for every level. Education is a word I am with him. Granted, I could do without his temper tantrums. However, I really love being his mother. He grew so much and achieved so much in the first years of his life.

I will cry my eyes out when he takes that Pomp and Circumstance walk, which will lead him down the aisle of life. I will also be so proud of him. I realized that other parents who were

enough to understand that during their school career. They should be proud at their hard work and diligence. They are role models for all other students to follow.

Another thought entered my mind as I sat in the balcony at the Convocation Center. I know now, almost 20 years have passed since my own graduation, that their paths will lead them into so many different directions.

They will be shocked at their own achievements at their 10-year reunion. Some will live in different states and others will live in different countries. A large majority will be married and they will have children of their own.

I almost began to weep as I thought about my own little boy. Ten years goes by so fast forward after high school graduation. My son Zachary will be almost 14 years old ten years from now. The next four years after that will pass in the blink of an eye and then I will be attending his graduation.

I hope I am ready for that day to come. I know he will be ready. It seems that I want him to stay little and he is just determined to get big. He keeps reminding me of this everyday by saying "I'm getting bigger, Mom."

I get such joy from every moment that I am with him. Granted, I could do without his temper tantrums. However, I really love being his mother. He grew so much and achieved so much in the first years of his life.

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derful thing and it's too bad that some students don't realize it until years later. I was one of those kids.

It wasn't until college that I realized the importance of education. It was then that I attained the understanding that doing well in school meant so many more options in life.

Numerous students at Walled Lake Western and Central were mature

enough to understand that during their school career. They should be proud at their hard work and diligence. They are role models for all other students to follow.

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# OTHER OPINIONS

## Results of term limits are not a pretty picture

A Constitutional amendment limiting terms in office for state legislators was approved by 59 percent of Michigan voters in 1992. Representatives were limited to three terms (six years), effective in 1996, when nearly the entire membership of the House turned over. The two-term (eight years) limit for the Senate will take effect in 2002.

Supporters argued limiting terms would get rid of careerists, who made an entire career of being elected over and over again. Professionals in politics would be replaced by "citizen politicians," who would bring new ideas to state government, do what's right and limit interest group influence. I confess that I was one of the people who made those arguments.

We now have had three years' experience with one house of a term-limited legislature. What does the evidence show? It's not a pretty picture. Instead of encouraging citizen politicians, term limits appear to have provoked a frenzy of political ambition, with legislators obsessed with running for the next office up once their term is over. Far from bringing ordinary citizens into the process, term limits have worked perversely to increase political churn.

New ideas? Not so you'd notice. In fact, most legislation introduced amends bills previously passed. Better connections between state government and ordinary folks? Because legislators don't have enough time to gain expertise and

experience, they have become more dependent on bureaucrats, lobbyists and staff.

Here's a concrete example, gleaned from a knowledgeable and experienced Lansing hand whom I've known and trusted for years but who wishes to be anonymous:

Last year, a leading member of the House walked into the negotiations for the budget for fiscal year 2001 complete with an armload of demands that had to be met in order to get agreement. These demands were for millions in park projects solely in that Representative's district. From this event arose something called a "leadership agreement," which means that to get approval, enough pure pork has to be fed into the process to satisfy members of the legislative leadership.

It's still going on. This year, tucked into an obscure corner of the proposed budget on community health, emerged another "leadership agreement" that would dump \$2 million into an arch cultural center in West Bloomfield, which just happens to be in the district of one of the leaders.

As my source says, "This isn't public policy, it isn't advocacy for an issue or a program, which is the way budgets and appropriations used to be worked out. It's pure distillation of pork, under the packaging of a leadership agreement." And the people who are doing it don't know any better because they have no experience with the way a sane and responsible appropriations process works.

As someone who was originally a supporter of term limits, I have concluded the notion was a bad idea whose time had come. As a practical matter, a legislator in office for only six years is not going to learn enough about what's going on to be effective. And a legislator who spends most of the time figuring out how to run for the next office is not going to be particularly courageous or responsible.

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What's the solution? Some say term limits should be repealed. Others say they should be lengthened to, say, 12 years.

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As my source says, "This isn't public policy, it isn't advocacy for an issue or a program, which is the way budgets and appropriations used to be worked out. It's pure distillation of pork, under the packaging of a leadership agreement."

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## Unsportsman-like conduct common

You've probably read the news stories about parents behaving in an unsportsmanlike manner at little league ball games. Moms and dads get riled and turn their wrath on umpires, coaches, other parents and sometimes even players.

It's a shame, but in my experience — I have two boys who spent many evenings this spring at local ballfields — it's extremely rare. In fact, it's apparently unusual enough that it still warrants news coverage.

Compare that to the conduct of Michigan state legislators. I've seen it so often that I don't even need to report it.

Rep. Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park, introduced what can only be described as a stonewall amendment on Thursday, June 21, that would prohibit the state from redrawing district boundaries. It contained no description of districts. It contained no maps.

At a hearing the next Tuesday, scheduled by Elections Commission chair Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, Democrats put their plan on the table for public hearing. But Democrats also made a tactical error, making a motion to approve their plan. That gave Republicans a chance to escape the committee room without ever having to show their faces. They jumped at it without hesitation.

By Thursday afternoon, June 21, Richner had a 403-page bill ready to go for consideration on the floor, complete with maps. And he had built a consensus in caucus, 57 of them in agreement to support this suddenly produced bill.

They quickly tossed out the Democratic plan they'd approved in committee and replaced it with Richner's stealth plan. Then they voted final approval for it as fast as they could — no time for messy analysis by the opposing party, no time for any unseemly commentary from the public.

Republicans apparently expect us all — Democrats, the press and the public alike — to believe they didn't have the plan done one week earlier when Richner introduced a blank party.

But if the recent actions of the House are any indication of how this process will proceed, it is clear it's still dysfunctional. Hopefully the justices of the Supreme Court will see that...

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The process of apportionment has long been dysfunctional in Michigan. In 1982, the state Supreme Court tossed out a section of the state constitution that assigned the job to an apportionment commission. The court said the commission was unworkable. And it was right.

But the justices ordered state lawmakers to come up with another system, and what they came up with was to let Representatives and Senators draw their own districts.

It is an obvious conflict of interest, but one state lawmakers conveniently ignore. Bills were passed last year that they swear will make apportionment fair this year.

If the recent actions of the House are any indication of how this process will proceed, it is clear it's still dysfunctional. Hopefully the justices of the Supreme Court will see that when it gets to them — as it always does — and order apportionment be taken out of the hands of the state House and Senate.

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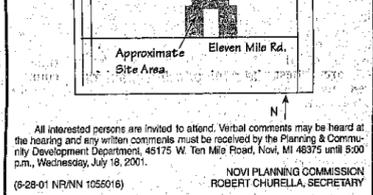
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## CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 18, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider ZONING MAP AMENDMENT 18-B1A FOR POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL FOR REZONING ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF ELEVEN MILE AND EAST OF BECK ROAD FROM RESIDENTIAL ACREAGE (R1) TO ANOTHER FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (R-1) OR ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE ZONING DISTRICT.

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, July 18, 2001.

NOVI PLANNING COMMISSION ROBERT CHURELLA, SECRETARY (248-201-NRNN 10550516)



## GOVERNMENT

Per reader request, we have compiled a list so you can get in touch with your local and regional senators and representatives. Their accessibility allows you as readers to voice your concerns directly and allows them to better represent their districts. If you feel we have missed anyone, contact us at (248) 349-1700, ext. 113.

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## LETTERS

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Mayor Clark has obtained many belated deserved wartime medals earned 60 years ago for us vets. On July 1 at Novi Civic Center, Korean vets will be honored.

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Dems critical of GOP rush to pass House district plan

By MIKE MALOTT Hometown News Service mmalott@homecomm.net

'They should be ashamed of the way they have handled this,' state Democratic Party chairman Mark Brewer said of the manner in which Republicans approved a new district boundary plan Thursday, June 21, for the House of Representatives.

'The Democrat's substitute breaks ten more municipal boundaries than the proposed Richner plan. It also shifts 39 more municipal units than the proposed Richner plan. In many instances, it is obvious that the statutory... rules were violated to favor a Democratic incumbent or for some other partisan reason.'

House districts was not available for review by the public,' Rep. Mark Schauer, D-Battle Creek, said. 'In fact, it only became available to House members after the start of House session.'

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# Leisurely bike rides stil require safety measures

By JENNIFER NORRIS  
Staff Writer

With the mercury soaring, many head outdoors to enjoy those rays of sunshine as they pedal their way through streets, local parks and bike trails. However, police and bike enthusiasts want motorists to practice street smarts when it comes to bike riding and sharing the road with cyclists.

## SHARING THE ROAD

Matthew Clemence, a bicycle safety and patrol officer for the Northville City Police department, said bicyclists have to follow the rules of the road. Whether it's stopping for red lights or braking for stop signs, cyclists have to abide by the same traffic laws as motorists do.

Although cyclists typically move slower than regular traffic, police said bike riders are allowed the same road rights as

motorists.

But sometimes the rights of cyclists are overlooked by impatient or distracted drivers.

Wendy D'Haene, a cyclist and participant of the Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society, has first-hand experience of irate motorists infringing cyclists' privileges to ride safely in the roadways.

D'Haene said a driver recently rolled down his car window and began cursing at a group of cyclists on Seven Mile Road. She said he then turned his car around and tried to run the group off of the road. D'Haene said the driver ended up hitting one of the cyclists and an ambulance was summoned for the rider's injuries.

"It was totally intentional," said D'Haene. "He was screaming and swearing."

She also said that a policeman saw the entire situation and pulled the driver over.

D'Haene said drivers should use caution and consideration when encountering cyclists on

the roadways.

"Give us a little bit of space," she said. "We have the same rules as a car has. It's scary when [cars] go by very close."

She also said that sounding a car horn can frighten bicyclists.

"The main problem is the driver are just too impatient," she said. "They just don't understand how scary it is when they come by us like that."

"They need to be aware we have the same rules as [motorists] do. The same exact rules apply to us. They need to respect on the road."

## HOW TO RIDE SAFE

When it comes to commuting safely on a bicycle, the most crucial steps of preparation include dressing properly and being aware of surroundings.

"With bicycling, it's a matter of being alert and being seen. You want the drivers to be able to see you," Clemence said.

Wearing light-colored or reflective clothing can help make riders

more visible to motorists. Also, installing reflectors on the back and sides of a bicycle or a headlight in front can increase a rider's level of visibility.

Dressing appropriately is also a major element of riding safely.

Clemence said wearing a bike helmet is crucial.

"Definitely always wear a helmet," he said. "The helmet protects you in so many different ways."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, bike crashes can result in serious injury. In 1997, more than half a million people were injured badly enough to need emergency department care as a result of bike crashes in the United States. The CDC also stated that wearing a bike helmet reduces the risk of brain injury from a bike crash by as much as 88 percent.

Others agreed that donning head protection is a must for cyclists and should fit properly.

Dan Foster, manager of D & D Bicycles in Northville, said a bike

helmet should touch the top of the head and not have a lot of side to side movement.

"The new helmets now fit much better than they used to," said Foster, adding that some new ones fit just like baseball hats. Sturdy shoes (like tennis shoes) are also a good choice to protect your feet and toes.

Foster also recommended wearing gloves to protect the hands. But even the best-dressed rider must pay close attention to traffic and surroundings.

"You've got to watch out for driveways [and] intersections," Clemence said. "You're not always going to be able to be seen."

Foster also stressed the importance of paying attention.

"It's up to the riders to be aware of the surroundings," he said. "You don't want to assume drivers are always going to accommodate [cyclists] on the road."

Foster also said most accidents don't occur between bikes and cars — they occur between other

bicyclists or roller skaters.

"There's an element of risk, but it's minimal if you stay alert," said Foster.

Like D'Haene, Foster encourages motorists to be careful when traveling with cyclists on the roadways.

"Most drivers are considerate, but there are a lot that are not," said Foster. "There's a lot of rude drivers that do not respect the rider's space. They see us as an obstacle, not just a person exercising outside."

Clemence said that when motorists want to maneuver around a cyclist to use caution and consideration.

"Give them space," he said. "Be patient and wait for a clear opening and a safe way to pass them."

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## West dominates East in softball, 8-0

By TIM ROBINSON & STEPHEN BELL  
HomeTown Newspapers

It didn't take long for the West All-Stars to come together during Wednesday's HomeTown Newspapers All-Star Softball Game at South Lyon High School. "It was really different at first," said Fowlerville's Allison Boyce,

who played for both teams on Wednesday. "I had never talked to many of the girls before, but about the second or third inning we got to know each others' names and we started to act like a team."

The West All-Stars, which included seniors from Brighton, Fowlerville, Hartland, Howell and Pinckney, scored five runs in the fourth inning to blow open an 8-0

win over the East All-Stars, which included players from Lakeland, Milford, Northville, Novi and South Lyon.

"It was good to play with a group of girls where everything was just fun," said West catcher Kim Wilkinson of Pinckney. "Everyone knew what they were doing."

West coach Jack Peters said familiarity helped a little.

"It helped that nearly everyone in the infield at one point was from Hartland," said Peters, who finished up a 12-year stint at Hartland earlier this month. Hartland had five seniors on the 10-player roster. "It especially helps when you have a pitcher who throws a lot of groundball outs."

That West pitcher was

Hartland's Jamie Von Ehr, who handcuffed the East All-Stars most of the game, allowing only three singles. Von Ehr was the most active West infielder, too, handling five chances, including all three outs in the first inning. She also struck out three.

"I had a pitching lesson (Wednesday) morning, and that helped a bit," Von Ehr said. "I was

pitching well when I went to Ann Arbor (for the lesson), so I had a feeling I'd be in control (Wednesday)."

There was a little bit of a learning curve for Von Ehr and Wilkinson, not the least of which was Von Ehr's repertoire of pitches. "My pitcher (with Pinckney) only

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## Wildcats grab berths on All-Area track team

While girls' track and field isn't yet on the same level statewide as the local boys', it's getting closer. From the KVC, Lakeland, Milford and South Lyon all had state-caliber athletes — as proven by their performances at the state meet. Milford and Lakeland were two of the best teams in the league, finishing second and third at the conference meet. Northville, meanwhile, had state-worthy competitors in Maggie Ossola and Heather Moehle, even if they didn't

make the actual meet in Rockford.

### Shot put

**Rachel Nelson, Milford 33'9"**  
Milford had all kinds of depth here. Freshman Vanessa Gracer was the KVC champ, but she didn't have the best throw of the year. That belonged to teammate Rachel Nelson, whose top effort was 33'9"

### Discus

**Kristin Donovan, Lakeland 114'2"**  
Only a freshman, Donovan will be a mainstay in the throws for three more years. She was third in the discus at the regional. She also set Lakeland's class record in the shot put with a throw of 32'6 1/2" at the West Bloomfield invitational.

### High jump

**Whitney Fuelling, Milford 5'4"**  
The high jump was another field event where Milford benefited from its depth. Whitney Fuelling was a state qualifier and her jump of 5'4" against South Lyon was a school freshman record. Redskins teammate Nicole Granroth was the KVC champion and a regional medalist in the event.

### Long jump

**Maggie Ossola, Northville 17'6 1/4"**  
Despite splitting time with Northville's state-ranked soccer team and the track squad, Ossola, a junior, made the most of the few chances she had on the track. She broke the school record with her jump of 17-6 1/4. Her jump of 17-1 at the Milford regional seeded her among the top three at the state meet. She did not compete at the state finals, however, as she spent the day playing in the soccer regional finals.

### Pole vault

**Mickie Rzepka, Novi 11'0"**  
A sprinter by trade in her early years, Rzepka, a senior, became a master of the pole vault as time wore on. She dominated the area with her best vault of 11'0". She was also a letter-winner in basketball and volleyball.

### 100-meter hurdles

**Kate Maxwell, Lakeland 15.0 seconds**

No one-year wonder, Maxwell chased a fine freshman campaign with a sophomore season which placed her among the state's elite hurdlers. Her best time — 15.0 seconds — is a school record, set at the regional, which she won. Maxwell was fourth in the state and KVC champion.

### 100 meters

**Maggie Ossola, Northville 12.53 seconds**

She wasn't able to make the team's invitational meets, so her best times came in uncontested dual meets. Her best time of 12.53 was just off the school record. She won the Western Lakes Activities Association league title in the event.

### 800-meter relay

**South Lyon 1:46.7**

The 4x200 team of Kiersten Isgrigg, Marquita Whitfield, Jacquelyn Gaudreau and Andrea Gaudreau got points all season for the Lions, breaking the school record a number of times. It was one of three South Lyon relay teams to make the state finals.

### 1,600 meters

**Kristyn Kern, Lakeland 5:11.7**  
A mainstay of the Lakeland program for four years, Kern's senior season was her finest. She was the KVC champ in the mile with an area-best time of 5:11.7. Kern was also the regional champion.

### 400 relay

**South Lyon 50.6 seconds**

The team of Kiersten Isgrigg, Marquita Whitfield, Jacquelyn Gaudreau and Andrea Gaudreau was more than two seconds faster than the area's next-best team. This group ended up 12th at the state meet.

### 400 meters

**Connie Mallinson, Milford 58.9 seconds**

Connie Mallinson is three for three, having won the KVC 400-meter championship in 1999, 2000 and 2001. The Milford junior's best time, 58.9 seconds, made her the regional champion.

### 300-meter hurdles

**Kate Maxwell, Lakeland 44.9 seconds**

Maxwell broke her own school record a number of times, with a best of 44.9 seconds. She was KVC and regional champion and placed fifth at the Division I state meet.

### 800 meters

**Kristyn Kern, Lakeland 2:19.9**  
Kern ran her best time — 2:19.9 — at the regional, establishing a school record in the process. She was the



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Novi High School sophomore Michelle Burke prepares to hurl the shot put in a home meet warmup. One of the 'Cats best shot-putters, Burke has hit 29 feet in past competitions.

KVC champion in the 800 with a time of 2:22.

### 200 meters

**Connie Mallinson, Milford 26.7 seconds**

Not her primary event, but Mallinson still ran the best 200 in the area. The scary thing is, next season look for her to break out at the state level not in the 200 or 400, but the 800 meters.

### 3,200 meters

**Heather Moehle, Northville 11:41.6**

When healthy, Moehle, a sophomore, was able to tear up the track and post some impressive times. But that wasn't always the case this season. Her best time of 11:41.6 came at the regional meet

in Milford, where she won a regional title. Her legs got the best of her, however, and she wasn't able to run at the state meet. She was fourth in the WAAA meet in the 3,200.

### 1,600-meter relay

**Milford 4:03.5**

The jewel of the Redskins' talented lineup was its 4x400-meter team of junior Colleen Johnson, freshman Whitney Fuelling, senior Tiffany Wese and junior Connie Mallinson. Milford ran 4:03.5 at the regional, good for a fifth seed at the Division I state meet ... where Milford was fourth.

### HONORABLE MENTION

**Shot put**  
Vanessa Gracer, Milford 33'8"

**Discus**  
Michelle Burke, Novi 99'8"

**Long jump**  
Kate Maxwell, Lakeland 16'3 1/4"

**Pole vault**  
Shannon Quinlan, Lakeland 9'0"

**3,200-meter relay**  
Northville, 10:05

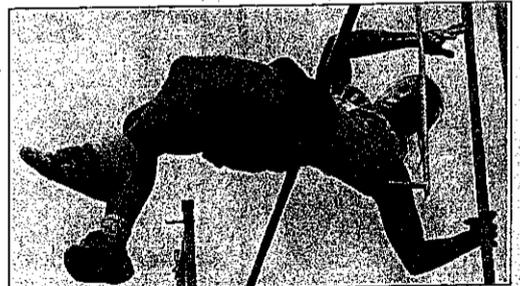


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Mickie Rzepka clears the bar for Novi. She was the team's — as well as the area's — best female pole vaulter.

**100-meter hurdles**  
Kiersten Isgrigg, South Lyon 15.3

**100-meters**  
Andrea Gaudreau, South Lyon

12.8 seconds

**Lindsey Hill, Northville 12.8 seconds**

**800-meter relay**  
Milford, 1:48.4

**1,600 meters**  
Canty, Milford 5:14.2

**400-meter relay**  
Northville, 52.7 seconds

## Sportsmanship message may be getting through, state says

Evidence that progress is being made in its ongoing sportsmanship efforts became apparent during the 2000-01 school year, with the Michigan High School Athletic Association releasing statistics showing that ejections by officials of players and coaches at high school sporting events reached an 11-year low.

Since 1991, the Association has tracked ejections of players, coaches and others from high school sporting events, and recently has recognized those schools

which have received a high number negative officials reports in a given season, as well as those which have received no negative officials reports at all.

An overall decline has been in progress since 1998-99, and has given MHSAA Executive Director John E. "Jack" Roberts some cause for hope.

"In school sports, we sometimes claim victory when we feel that things are not getting any worse when we compare ourselves to the deterioration of sportsmanlike

behavior in youth, college and professional sports," said Roberts. "But when we see hard data that show the number of ejections in our games is going down over the past 18 months, we become optimistic that we are actually turning the tide a bit."

"The credit for the decline has to go to schools, which have taken the time to describe and demand the appropriate standards of behavior to their players and coaches; and to some of our coaches associations, which have made sportsmanship

a priority over teaching the X's and O's of their games to their members.

"That doesn't mean we can relax, because the behavior in the stands at games by adult spectators, especially parents, may actually be getting worse at the same time that behavior on the field and on the sidelines may be improving," Roberts concluded.

The numbers for the recently-completed 2000-01 school year (compiled as of June 18), showed that officials ejected an all-

time low 591 players, and 130 coaches, the drop in the former number 15 percent from the year before, and for coaches, 27 percent from 1999-00. The year also saw the lowest number of officials reports submitted for concerns at high school events, 761, a drop of 24 percent since the all-time high number of 1,004 reports during 1996-97.

The number of schools receiving three or more negative officials reports also hit an

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# Ouch! East blanked by West softball All-Star team

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has two pitches, and Von Ehr throws six," Wilkinson said. "Also, I never had to call a pitch during the season, but Mr. Peters left it up to Jamie, and I to call the pitches. It was fun."

The East's pitcher, South Lyon's Melissa Tavildan, hadn't thrown as recently as Von Ehr. In fact, she hadn't taken the mound since the Lions played Plymouth Salem in a district final due to an injury.

"I was a little rusty and out of it, but that's OK. We had fun," Tavildan said.

Tavildan pitched the first five innings. Milford's Erica Autio

threw the last two and didn't give up a run.

As in any All-Star game, there were players who were playing out of position. But that didn't seem to bother Harland's Kim Light, who made an error to start the bottom of the fourth on a grounder by the East's Erica Autio.

But the next hitter, Tavildan, hit a liner that Light backhanded, then threw to first to get Autio for a double play.

"I played shortstop maybe twice this season," Light said with a laugh. "That double play was sweet."

Meanwhile, the West scored in

"Our kids relaxed and went out to have fun. That's all we wanted to do...to have a good time."

Jack Peters  
head coach — West All-Star Softball team

the first inning with two outs without benefit of a hit.

With two outs, Kristin Cullen walked, went to second when Tavildan hit Jennifer Miller with a pitch and to third when Wilkinson walked to lead the bases. Cullen then scored on a wild pitch by Tavildan.

"It felt really good to get the lead," Von Ehr said. "We've played

so many close games this season that when we come out with a lead like that it helps relax you. It was a fun game."

The West made it 2-0 when Megan Kellepourey, who learned she was named to the Division I All-State team just before game time, singled, went to second on a passed ball, stole third and scored on a single by Cullen.

With one out in the fourth, Sara Nofsinger of Howell struck out, but reached first when the ball got away from East catcher Erin May. Kate Varney of Powerville and Boyce then walked, and Kellepourey singled to drive in a run.

The next batter, Rachel Roberts of Brighton, hit a grounder that got past both East shortstop Allison Tingwall and leftfielder Erica Autio for a triple, clearing the bases and giving the West a 6-0 lead. Roberts then scored on a grounder to short by Cullen.

Nofsinger started another rally in the fifth, scoring the final run in the walk-off, going to second on a walk to Varney, and scoring on a

Kellepourey single. Boyce, as mentioned, played for both teams after the East had only eight players at game time.

"I was the only red spot on a field of blue," she joked, a reference to the colors of shirts used by each team.

She played the first inning in right for the East, then moved to the West when a ninth player arrived for the east.

It was typical of the low-key atmosphere surrounding the event, in its second year.

"Our kids relaxed and went out to have fun," Peters said. "That's all we wanted to do, to have a good time."

2001 AREA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL	
<b>NORTHVILLE</b> Aug. 24 at North Farmington Aug. 31 John Glenn Sept. 7 Plymouth Canton Sept. 14 Livonia Franklin Sept. 21 at Walled Lake Western Sept. 28 Farmington Hills Oct. 5 at Livonia Churchill Oct. 12 TBA Oct. 19 at Novi	<b>WALLED LAKE CENTRAL</b> Aug. 24 at Milford Aug. 31 at Livonia Churchill Sept. 7 at Farmington Sept. 14 North Farmington Sept. 21 at Livonia Stevenson Sept. 28 John Glenn Oct. 5 Plymouth Salem Oct. 12 TBA Oct. 19 at Walled Lake Western
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## Study: good sports growing in number

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all-time low in 2000-01, as only 40 schools fit into that category. Schools which receive three or more reports of concern in a given year have their names published in the August edition of the MHSAA Bulletin as a measure to expose these institutions. Since the 1992-

93 school year, over 600 schools have annually received reports of concern, but this year's total of 575 schools is the lowest since 1991-92, when 571 schools were written up. Approximately 170 schools will receive letters of commendation from the MHSAA for receiving no negative reports.

Officials reports praising the

actions of a school, a team or an individual member 70 during the recently-completed school year, the second highest number in the 11-year tracking period, and a 15 percent increase over the previous year.

The one statistic that has actually gone up in the past few years is ejections for taunting, which is an

automatic disqualification in any Michigan high school sporting event. Taunting-related ejections numbered 16 in 2000-01, the second highest number since that offense became an ejectionable action in 1993-94, when there were 33 such ejections, and an increase from nine in 1999-00.

## Around The Bases

In Girls Advanced softball, the Pizza Cutter Cubs defeated the Athletics 6-5. The Cubs were led by Lindsay Wheeler and Kathy Hayes who scored 5 of the six runs. Kristen Hayes had 3 hits. The A's Jessica Albosta had 2 doubles.

Blue Jay Joe Hewlett had an unassisted double play — his second of the season in the team's June 19 tee-ball game against the Tigers. Blue Jay Michelle Nelson went 3-for-3 at bat, driving in three runs.

Justin Green scored a run and Brendan Nostrant had one hit, in addition to playing second base in rookie tee-ball. Dalton Nostrant had two hits and came home in the end-of-season game, followed by a pizza party for the Pizza Cutter

Navy Blue Team.

The Marlins defeated the Giants 10-2 on June 12. Catherine Salvatore had 3 hits and scored two runs for the Marlins. Stefanie Sherman, Suzie Boli and Allison

Jenney combined for a game-ending triple play. Bonnie Bakewell pitched 2 scoreless innings for the Giants.

The Marlins defeated the Athletics by a score of 12-6 on June 19. Allison Hughes had 3 hits and 4 RBI's for the Marlins. Jessica Stambouljan had 2 hits, scored 2 runs, and made 2 put-outs at catcher. Meredith Adamisin had 2 hits for the Athletics, including a bases-clearing double.

In Coach Pitch league play, Yankee Daniel Brenner caught a pop fly, while teammates Bradley Stegmeyer and Collin Kelly got back-to-back doubles in the second inning against the Orioles.

Against the Athletics, Yankee Joshua Hall hit a strong line drive for a single. Graham Smith lost a tooth while playing shortstop. Athletic Jack Sine got a double, while Bobby Sable hit a ball into left field for a triple.

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**CARDINALS 20, TIGERS 12**

Tigers Kirby Brackel hit a line drive to pull in Jessica Scott, Caitlin Williams at second base in the fifth inning forced 2 outs to end the inning. The Cardinals Amy Johnson hit two singles and a double with 3 RBIs and Kelsey Lewis got on base in all four times up to bat and scored twice.

**CUBS 13, TIGERS 7**

For the Cubs, Kristen Nuyen had 2 hits and made several putouts in the field, while Andrea Zinkosky had 2 hits and also played a good game in the field.

**TOWN & COUNTRY EYE CARE**  
**CARDINALS 17, ATHLETICS 9**

Cardinals' Blair Powers was a key defensive player in assisting all three put-outs in the fifth inning. She also hit a double and a single and had 2 RBIs. Kara DeMarco hit three solid singles and scored twice.

The Pizza Cutter Cubs defeated Cummings Marlins 7-3 on June

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## Engagements

Patrick and Katty Leahy of Novi announce the engagement of their son, Jeff, to Kristin Burke, daughter of Bob and Martha Burke of Clemmons, N.C.

The bride-elect is a 1991 graduate of West Forsyth High School. She graduated summa cum laude in 1995 from North Carolina State University, with a bachelor of science degree, and is currently employed as a network engineer at SAS Institute Inc.

The groom-elect graduated in 1991 from Novi High School. He received his bachelor's degree in architecture from Ohio State University in 1996, and earned two master's degrees, architecture and engineering, from the University of Michigan in 1998. Jeff is currently employed as assistant project manager for Bovis Lend Lease.

An October wedding will be held in Winston-Salem, N.C.



**Leahy-Burke**

The engagement of Courtney Armstrong and Patrick Gordon is announced by both parents, Randall and Rebecca Armstrong of Northville and Michael and Rita Gordon of Newnan, Ga.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Northville High School. She graduated this year from Georgia Southern University and is now teaching elementary school.

The groom-elect graduated from Northville High School in 1996, and from the University of Georgia in 2000. He is currently studying at the Medical College of Georgia and anticipates graduating in 2004.

A July 2003 wedding is planned.



**Armstrong-Gordon**

Monica Dawn Watson of Ferndale and Todd Stephen Hammerick of Northville announce their engagement; they are planning an August wedding.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Raymond and Phyllis Watson of Isom, Ky. She is a 1997 graduate of Ferndale High School and a recent graduate of Central Michigan University. Monica will start student teaching this fall in the West Bloomfield School District.

The groom-elect is the son of Ralph and Kathleen Hammerick of Dearborn. He graduated in 1997 from Divine Child High School and this year from Central Michigan University. Todd is currently employed at Arthur Andersen Associates, an accounting firm in Detroit.



**Watson-Hammerick**

## Religion

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**First Presbyterian Church of Northville's** Single Place offers several weekend activities, including Friday evening meetings at Tremor's in Livonia, Saturday morning walks at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills, and Sunday morning worship and brunch at Northville Crossing. Single Place also offers two divorce recovery workshops — one for persons early along or in the midst of the divorce process, and another for those beyond the grieving point. For more information on any of these programs, call (248) 349-0911.

## Births

C.J. and Tami Estes announce the birth of their son, **Brendan Tyler**, born April 23 at 3:14 a.m. in the University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor. He weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces and was 22 inches long. Brendan has a sister, Lindsay.

Grandparents are Chris and JoAnn Floyd of Milford and Curtis and Miki Estes of Saline.



**Brendan Tyler Estes**

Kristy and Jeff Wolcott of Commerce Township announce the birth of their daughter, **Reganne Marie**, born at 8:10 a.m. May 11 in Huron Valley Sinai Hospital, Commerce Township. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches in length. Reganne has a sister, Riley, age 20 months.

Grandparents are Bob and Sherry Wolcott of Boyne City, Bruce and Carolyn Johns of Swartz Creek, and Denny Doolan of Flint. Reganne's great-grandmother is Laura Reese of Corunna.



**Reganne Marie Wolcott**

## Class Reunions

SCHOOL/CLASS	CITY	DATE	FACILITY	LOCATION
Adams 1991	Rochester	Aug. 25	RiverCrest	Rochester
Bishop Borgess 1990	Detroit	June 30	Dearborn Hills Country Club	Dearborn
Canton 1981†	Plymouth	Aug. 4	Northville Manor	Northville
Churchill 1981	Livonia	Aug. 11	Douglas-Tee-Nowi	Novi
Cody 1986*	Detroit	Aug. 31	St. John Conference Center	Plymouth
Dundee 1981	Royal Oak	Aug. 11	Northfield Hillon	Troy
Henry Ford 1991	Detroit	July 21	Karas House	Redford
Huron 1981	Ann Arbor	July 7	Holiday Inn-Ann Arbor	Ann Arbor
John Glenn 1991	Flint	July 28	Warren Valley Country Club	Dearborn Heights
Kearsley 1991	Flint	July 13	Dearborn Country Club (Flint)	Dearborn
Lake Shore 1991	St. Clair Shores	Aug. 4	Dearborn Hills Country Club	Dearborn
Lincoln Park 1984	Lincoln Park	July 14	Karas House	Redford
Mackenzie 1991	Detroit	Aug. 24	Northfield Hillon-Troy	Troy
Oak Park 1981	Oak Park	July 28	Barton Hills Country Club	Ann Arbor
Pioneer 1981	Ann Arbor	July 13	Northfield Hillon	Troy
Pontiac Northern 1991	Pontiac	Aug. 25	Edison Inn-Fort Huron	Port Huron
Port Huron 1971	Port Huron	July 27	DoubleTree-Nowi	Novi
Redford Union 1971	Redford	July 21	Somersat Inn	Troy
Rochester Adams 1981†	Rochester	Aug. 18	Northfield Hillon-Troy	Troy
Southeastern 1951	Detroit	July 28		

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## On Campus

**Julie Cieslak** was named to the Dean's List for spring semester at Hillsdale College. She is a junior majoring in business finance history.

Cieslak is the daughter of Ron and Joyce Cieslak of Northville and a 1998 homeschooled graduate.

**David Burton Walle** graduated from Vanderbilt University in May with a bachelor's degree in English. Walle is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard A. Walle of Novi.

Three Novi residents graduated with honors from Michigan Technological University in May: **Wendell B. Dayton Jr.**, cum laude, bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering; **Robert Popovezak**, summa cum laude, bachelor's degree, mechanical engineering; and **Andrew Phillip Storm**, cum laude, bachelor's degree in engineering technology.

Sara K. Eifring made the Dean's

List at the University of Notre Dame for outstanding scholarship during spring semester. She will be a senior in the College of Engineering, majoring in mechanical engineering.

Eifring is the daughter of Herb and Carol Eifring of Novi.

**Cynthia Anne Mills** was recognized for her academic achievement during spring semester and was named to the Dean's List at Wake Forest University.

Mills, a sophomore from Northville, is majoring in psychology. Alma College held their annual Honor's Day program in April. This is a day when classes are canceled and students share their original creativity, research and talents with an audience of their peers.

Senior Dana Weston of Novi presented a paper titled "The Spirit of Paula: Magic Realism in the Work of Isabel Allende."

**Cristina E. Lopez** of Northville earned a 4.0 grade point average during winter semester and was named to the Dean's List at Siena Heights University.

Lopez is a 2000 graduate of Ladywood High School in Livonia.

**John F. Waymouth IV** has been selected as a Charles O. Thompson Scholar, an honors designation for outstanding first-year students at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

To be eligible, students must receive all A's and B's, with a minimum of six A's during the first three terms of the Institute. Waymouth is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Waymouth III of Novi.

Appearing on the Dean's List at Washburn Community College were Northville students Steven Dennis Roman and Mark Joseph See. They received recognition for earning a 3.8 or better grade point average.

The college also announced that

**Corbin Charles Bates** has been named a degree and certificate candidate.

**Lillian Ghrab** of Northville recently was awarded a juris doctor degree from Michigan State University-Detroit College of Law.

She is the daughter of Jezail and Buokas Ghrab.

**Jennifer Wulf** of Northville has accepted membership in The National Society of Collegiate Scholars. She will be honored during a campus ceremony this fall at Michigan State University.

The NSCS recognizes first- and second-year undergraduate students who excel academically.

**Andrew Brown** was named on the Dean's List at Kettering University for winter semester. He attained a minimum grade average of 92 out of a possible 100, with no grades below B's.

Novi students **Meghan C. Rehl**

and **Joanna M. Zeoli and Anne M. Pignas** of Wilkom were named on the Dean's List for winter semester at Saginaw Valley State University.

**Trevor Williams**, Northville resident and Cranbrook Kingswood student, Trevor Williams was named to the Detroit Press Press All-State Academic Team. He is the son of Robert Williams and Treva Womble.



**Jennifer Wulf**



**Trevor Williams**

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## Community Events

The **Northville Country Garden Club** will host its eighth annual garden walk on July 11 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Seven gardens in Northville will be featured in the event, and a post-event reception will be held at Mill Race Village. Tickets are \$8 and may be purchased at Gardenviews, Morrison's Antiques, Gardenviews and Mill Race Village. For more information, call (248) 347-9633. No day-of-event tickets will be sold.

Volunteers are needed for **Safety Town** this summer, as part of the **Northville Parks and Recreation** department's programming. Persons are needed to work with preschool-aged children at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Northville during one of the two-week camp sessions. For more information, call (248) 349-0203.

**Altera Wynwood of Northville** will be hosting a **strawberry festi-**

val on June 30 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., the proceeds from which will benefit the Alzheimer's Association of Michigan. Various strawberry desserts will be available for sampling, as well as entertainers and raffle. Tickets to the event are \$5 in advance or \$7 after June 27. For more information, call (734) 420-5104.

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White Lake Rd. White Lake, MI. 48386

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Valid Mon.-Fri. 12pm-2pm. Weekends & Holidays after 3pm. 2 times only. Applies only to 2001 Golfing Season. Rental of power cart required. Excludes: League play & outings. Not valid with other discounts or coupons.

**Whispering Pines Golf Course**

2500 Whispering Pines Dr. Pinckney, MI 48169

**(734) 878-0009**

Valid Mon.-Fri. 10am-2pm. Not valid Weekends & Holidays. 4 times only. Applies only to 2001 Golfing Season. Excludes: League play & outings. Not valid with other discounts or coupons.

**For more information or to order by phone call Carolyn @: 1-888-999-1288 ext.226**



## Strictly classified!

Advertise in our Green Sheet, and your stuff will sell.\* But every once in a while, some clown decides the newspaper is the best route to getting rid of his junk. (NOTE: This never happens in our newspaper, where it's only the finest merchandise money can buy!) In any event, the stooge who places a classified ad doesn't seem to get two very important concepts in advertising: a) some stuff just wasn't made to sell, and b) it's crucial that you use the right phrasing to attract a potential buyer. You'll see what we mean in this collection of real but ridiculous classified ads from around the nation's newspapers...

### For Sale

**MIXING BOWL SET** designed to please a cook with round bottom for efficient beating.

**SNOW BLOWER** for sale. Only used on snowy days.

**GREAT DAMES** for sale.

**FOUR-POSTER BED** 101 years old. Perfect for antique lover.

**FREE PUPPIES** Part German shepherd, part dog.

**1983 TOYOTA HUNCHBACK.** \$2,000

**FREE PUPPIES** Half cocker spaniel, half sneaky neighbor's dog.

**FREE YORKSHIRE TERRIOR** Eight years old. Unpleasant little dog.

**FULL-SIZED MATTRESS** 20-year warranty. Like new. Slight urine smell.

**NORDIC TRACK** \$300. Hardly used. Call Chubbie.

### Help Wanted

**MOTHER'S HELPER** — peasant working conditions.

**ATTRACTIVE GIRL** needed. Exciting interesting work. Lucrative. Nudity required.

**WANTED** unmarried girls to pick fresh fruit and produce at night.

**GIRL** wanted to assist magician in cutting-off-head illusion. Blue Cross and salary.

### Miscellaneous

**NOTICE** To person or persons who took the large pumpkin on Highway 87 near Southridge Storage. Please return the pumpkin and be checked. Pumpkin may be radioactive. All other plants in vicinity are dead.

**OPEN HOUSE** Body shapers, toning salon. Free coffee and donuts.

**PUBLICIZE** your business absolutely free! Send \$6.

**LOST** Small apricot poodle. Reward. Neutered. Like one of the family.

\*The preceding message brought to you by Hometown Communications Network, maker of better classified ads.

## Lend me a 9 iron — golf's roots go back to Roman era

The origin of the game of golf has never been clearly established.

The Romans during the reign of Caesar playing a game resembling golf by striking a feather-stuffed ball with club-shaped branches.

Book illustrations show the Dutch playing a similar game on their frozen canals about the 15th century.

In 1457 golf was banned in Scotland because it interfered with the practice of archery, which was vital to the defense effort. Nevertheless, the Scots continued to brave the opposition of both Parliament and church by playing the game on seaside courses called links.

Scotland is the home of the world's oldest golf course, St. Andrews, which was used as early as the 16th century.

Golf became firmly established in Great Britain by the 17th century when James VI of Scotland, later James I of England, was attracted to the sport.

The Royal and Ancient Golf Club at St. Andrews, the cradle of golf, was founded in 1754.

During the 1800s the gutta-percha ball, or "gully," replaced the feather-filled ball that had been used for centuries.

In 1860 the first British Open was played at Prestwick, Scotland. The competition was opened to both professionals and amateurs the following year.

The first permanent golf club in North America, Canada's Royal Montreal Club, was founded in 1873.

St. Andrews, one of the oldest golf clubs in the United States, was established as a 3-hole layout in 1888 at Yonkers, N.Y. Its founders were known as the "Apple Tree Gang" because of the many apple trees on their course, which was extended to 6 holes on a cow pasture.

During the next few years numerous 6-, 8-, 9-, and 12-hole courses were opened in the East.

The first 18-hole course in the United States, the Chicago Golf Club, was founded near Wheaton, Ill., in 1893.

Source: [www.golf.com](http://www.golf.com)

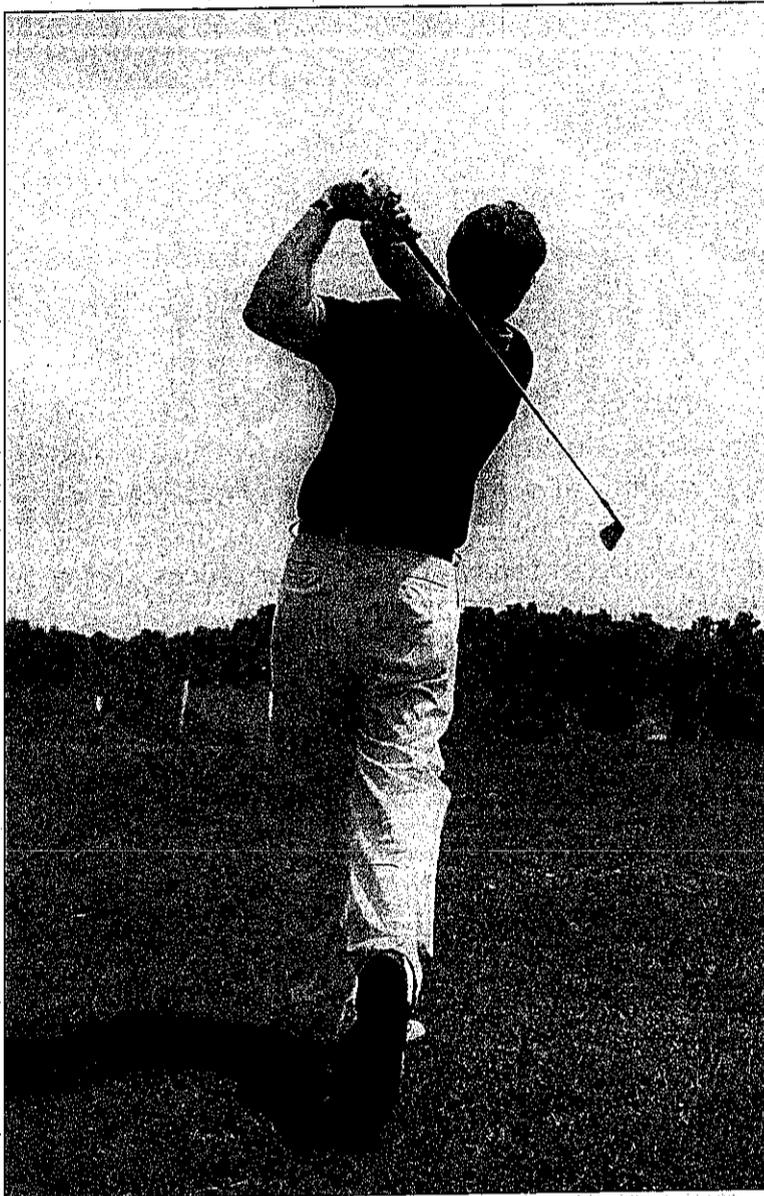


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Todd Gerhart, PGA professional at the Maples of Novi, tees off on the course's fifth hole last Friday afternoon.

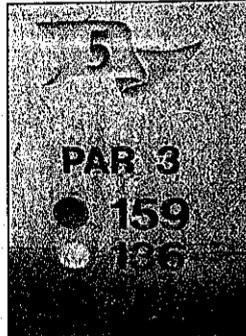


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A marking in stone notes the distance and par for the Maples's fifth hole.

### DON'T BE BOGE-Y

For beginning golfers, there is more to learn about the game than driving, chipping and putting. Good game etiquette also is essential.

Avoid bringing beepers, pagers, or cellular phones onto the golf course. If you must do so, turn them off while on the course.

Play without delay. Once all the players have sunk their puts, place the flag in the cup and move on quickly.

On that note, do not look for your ball for more than three minutes. If not found, take it as a loss.

When a player is teeing off, the others in the group should be standing together outside of the markers and off to the side to avoid being a distraction. Standing behind a player who's teeing off is akin to reaching over someone's shoulder. It is rude and should not be done. Use your common sense.

Keep golf carts away from the greens and the tee boxes.

The person who is farther from the green hits first. And when others are hitting there's one rule: be quiet.

Never step directly in someone else's putting line.

If you're going to a club, call ahead to find out what the dress code is. Generally tee-shirts or halters are not allowed on the grounds. If you're not sure of the dress code, a collared shirt is always appropriate. Some golf clubs don't allow shorts either, so pants are always appropriate.

Source: [www.golf.com](http://www.golf.com)



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Maples of Novi pro Todd Gerhart putts on the fifth hole.



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Maples of Novi resident Ai Morelli tees off on the course's fifth hole.

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A golf ball is ready to be launched to the sky.