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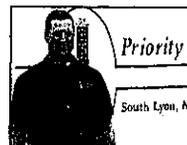
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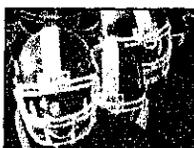
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Pro shop tops arena ideas

■ Council, arena managers seeking money-making ideas

By VICTORIA SADLOCHA
 Staff Writer

Ideas to decrease Novi Ice Arena's deficit are thrown in the ring and possibly heading for the goal.

During the Aug. 27 city council meeting, members of the council gave rink manager, Tom Anastos, the go ahead to enter into negotiations to lease the now city operated pro-shop.

"Could this be a really good idea? Absolutely," Anastos said. "Leasing the pro-shop will provide a stable revenue source for the arena. I'm really excited about it."

Pending final council approval, the company chosen will rent the

pro-shop from the arena and operate it as its own store.

"We will bring in a good quality company that will be competitive and provide full service," Anastos said. "From a customer service standpoint, it will enhance the capabilities of the shop taking efficiency to another level."

From a bottom line standpoint, Anastos said it will provide economic stability, provide a consistent source of revenue, and prevent the

city from having to tie-up financial resources in stocking its own inventory.

"We're always looking for innovative ways to generate revenue for the ice arena," said Richard J. Clark, Novi Mayor.

Mayor Pro-Tem, Laura Lorenzo, who supported the approval, voted yes because it was heavily advised by Anastos.

"It is prudent for council to go along with his expertise," Lorenzo

said. Another deficit decreasing idea the council is just starting to ponder is seeking a naming rights sponsorship for the arena.

An example of this concept Lorenzo used is the recent deal between Clarkston entertainment venue, Pine Knob and DTE Energy.

"I would like to see that proposal on an upcoming agenda," Lorenzo said.

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Recycle unsafe waste

By VICTORIA SADLOCHA
 Staff Writer

If you have spare batteries, oil or anti-freeze around the house that you want to dispose of, then Sept. 9 is the day.

From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. residents serviced by the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County (RRRASOC) are invited to bring their hazardous waste to the Novi Department of Public Works yard located at 28300 Delwal Drive, north of 11 Mile Road and west of Meadowbrook Road.

The RRRASOC services residents from Farmington, Farmington Hills, Novi, South Lyon, Southfield, Walled Lake, Wixom and Lyon Township.

"We're going to do it on a bigger and better scale this year," said Cindy Uglov, the city of Novi-neighborhood services coordinator. "It is like an open house. We're really excited."

Examples of items that may be dropped off are bug sprays, expired medicines, brake fluid, gasoline, pesticides, paint thinner, turpentine, pool chemicals and used computer equipment.

After dropping off waste, attendees can park their cars and visit the city tent, which has been extended this year to include more informative brochures and city representatives.

Some of the representatives attending this year are from Novi's neighborhood services, city clerks office, department of public works, department of public services, fire department and police department.

"There will be a slew of information and handouts," Uglov said. "We will be serving refreshments too."

A couple of topics covered at the event will be creating natural

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Novi Firefighters Todd Seog and Chris Macaleer check out a breathing apparatus and protective gear at Firestation #1 last Friday afternoon.

Firefighters settle on contract

By VICTORIA SADLOCHA
 Staff Writer

After working more than a year without a contract, the Novi Fire Department has sealed a deal leaving fire department personnel and the city of Novi somewhat satisfied.

"It's fine," said Novi Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan. "I think obviously both parties are satisfied."

The Novi Professional Firefighters Union Local 3232 contract was signed by Novi Mayor Richard J. Clark, Aug. 13, after prior approval by the Novi City Council. The six-year contract covers the period of July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2006.

"It was not an unanimous decision or ratification," said Mike Evans, Local 3232 union presi-

dent and Novi Fire Department fire marshal. "We didn't get everything we wanted."

Although decision makers did go through mediation prior to approval, contract talks never reached the point of arbitration.

"We went as far as we wanted to go without going into arbitration," Evans said. "It (arbitration) costs the union and the city money."

One major change to the previous contract, but not an unusual one, is the F50-25 retirement benefit. This allows firefighters with 25 years of service the option to retire at age 50 instead of the previous contract age of 55.

"That is standard among police and fire personnel," said Tia

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Seniors ready to dance in "Hooray for Hollywood" show

By VICTORIA SADLOCHA
 Staff Writer

Look out John Travolta, area seniors are staying alive in Novi Theatres' fall senior variety series.

Seniors from Novi and surrounding areas ranging in age from 62 to 95 will be dancing, singing and spreading comic relief this month in the Novi Civic Center.

The show titled, "Hooray for Hollywood," promises to provide hits from Hollywood movies spanning many generations.

Not only will the lively group be shaking and grooving to the 70s disco classic, "Stayin' Alive," but they will also be performing other hits such as "Singing in the Rain," "Some Enchanting Evening," "Kokomo" by the Beach Boys, "What's New Pussycat," "Under the Sea" from Disney's "The Little Mermaid" and a medley from the movie "Gigi."

"It was a challenge," said musical director George Giest. "A lot of the songs we hadn't heard of."

Giest's 86-year-old wife, Caroline, is a dancer in the show. "It is a lot of fun," Giest said.

Novi resident Len Kaminski has been involved with the variety series for two years.

"It was a challenge. A lot of the songs we hadn't heard of."

George Giest
 musical director

"It's pleasant," Kaminski said. "It is more than just singing; it is camaraderie and companionship."

There was a rumor being spread around the group's last month rehearsal that Kaminski's rendition of "If I Were a Rich Man," should not be missed.

The show, opening with what else but, "Hooray for Hollywood," will be sung by the senior chorus.

About 52 seniors are involved with the show including some impressive tap dancers and eye-popping male hula dancers.

Dancers Fran Bowen and Laurie Thompson of Novi, Jacqueline Livingston of Walled Lake and Virginia Whing of Walled Lake, Iris Rehnlund of Milford, Agnes Hay and Marie MaCura of Northville and Cathie Pons of Plymouth took a

break during their rehearsal. This is Bowen's first year participating in the series.

"It's fun, I've met a lot of people," Bowen said.

This makes the fifth year for Rehnlund and Digrolamo. They both have participated since the beginning, five years ago.

"It keeps us out of trouble," Rehnlund said.

Each year the group puts on two shows, a fall show and a Christmas show, led by Linda Wickert, director of Novi Theatres.

"Every year, the show has a different theme," Wickert said.

Luncheon shows will be performed at noon Sept. 12-14 at a cost of \$15 per ticket.

A 3 p.m. matinee show will be performed Sept. 16 at a cost of \$12 per ticket. There will be refreshments provided at the Sunday matinee show during admission.

Tickets for the two-and-a-half-hour show may be purchased by visiting the Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi.

Tickets are selling fast, but Wickert believes there are some left for the Wednesday and Thursday luncheon shows. For more information, call (248) 347-0400.



Allison Welsh, left, and Suzanne Davis and many others will be performing in the upcoming Novi Senior Center variety show.

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Novi Briefs

PROSTATE AWARENESS MONTH
The city of Novi has declared September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Richard J. Clark, Mayor of the city of Novi, signed an official proclamation on Aug. 27 urging all men in our community and throughout the country to become aware of their own risks of prostate cancer, talk to their health care providers about prostate cancer and whenever appropriate, get screened for the disease.

According to data compiled by the city, in the year 2001 about 108,100 men in the United States will learn they have prostate cancer. In addition, 31,500 men will lose their lives to the disease in 2001 and one in six men in the nation are at risk of developing prostate cancer during their lifetime.

CANCER
cancer occurs in men younger than 65.

Research suggests that men could reduce their risk of prostate cancer mortality if they followed recommended prostate cancer screening guidelines, including examination by a health care provider and increased awareness and use of early detection practices.

SAFER CROSSINGS
The Novi City Council gave its approval on Aug. 27 for the city to hire one additional school crossing guard. The crossing guard was requested by Walled Lake Schools to service children attending Meadowbrook Elementary School. The guard will be located on Meadowbrook Avenue south of Thirteen Mile Road. The council approved the proposal after traffic engineering studies recommended the hire for the safety of the children.

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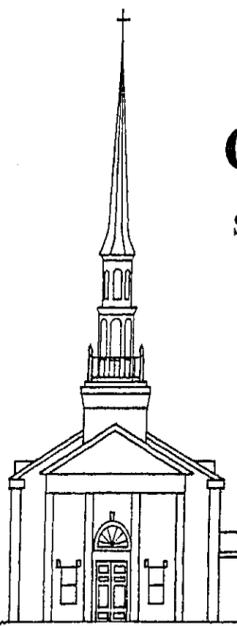
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Employee forges purchases at Lord and Taylor

Police News

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On Aug. 30 at 2:30 p.m., Lord & Taylor less prevention officers filed an embezzlement complaint with the Novi Police Department. The complaint stated an employee of its Twelve Oaks location was scanning items giving herself a store merchandise credit. The female employee would then take the credit to the Dearborn Fairlane Mall store and use the credit to purchase merchandise. During the month of August, including during the investigation period, the employee used credits totaling \$1,149.38. When confronted by loss prevention officers, the female admitted to making the fraudulent transactions and signed a promissory note to pay back the full amount. Lord & Taylor plans to prosecute.

WELCOME WAGON
After living in the city of Novi for only a couple of days, two prior residents of New Mexico received a not so pleasant welcome as a drunk driver hit their van while exiting from West Oaks shopping center on Aug. 30. A witness on the scene told police that at about 8:20 p.m. the Dodge Caravan was turning out of the West Oaks II exit when a white pick-up truck traveling by the black females. The person who answered the phone said the caller had the wrong phone number. The resident then called police. The supposed sales crew were driving a red van with a license plate registered to a 1998 Ford pick-up truck. The officers were unable to locate the van and after repeated attempts to call the provided phone number received no answer.

the scene without medical treatment.

WATER WON'T HELP
An Alpena resident learned water won't help after being arrested by Novi police for drinking and driving. The 31-year-old female driver was stopped Aug. 29 at about 12:20 a.m. on Novi Road south of Nine Mile Road after an officer observed erratic driving. After approaching the vehicle, the officer smelled alcohol and stated in the report that the driver's eyes were bloodshot. The driver told officers she was coming from 5th Avenue Ballroom and had three cocktails with dinner. She told the officer she drank the cocktails within a three-hour period, from 7-10 p.m. and then switched to water for the rest of the evening. After failing to complete alybri sobriety tests, the officer asked her to perform a preliminary breath test and she agreed. The driver blew a .08 and was taken into police custody.

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A 34-year-old Walled Lake resident was stopped Aug. 29 at about 1 a.m. for driving 57 mph in a 40 mph zone in the Novi and Twelve Mile Roads area. When the officer approached the car, he smelled alcohol. He asked the driver if he had been drinking. According to the report, the driver said he had a few beers at

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City settles contract with firefighters

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Ground-Fox, city of Novi director of human resources. "It is because of the nature of their work."

Lenaghan commented the police department has had a retirement age of 50 for some time now. "That was historically the only change besides the wage schedule," Ground-Fox said.

The newly approved wage schedule includes a 3.5 percent retroactive wage increase applicable to the period of July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001, and a 3 percent increase for the contract year of July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

All contract-covered personnel will receive the retroactive amount in one lump sum, Ground-Fox said.

Future increases include a 3.25 percent increase for contract year July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, a 3 percent increase for contract year July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

and a 3.5 percent increase for contract years July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005 and July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006.

When asked if satisfied with the wage increase, Evans said, "It is not as much as we hoped for, although it is comparable to other firefighter unions in the area."

All increases are calculated from the previous annual union members were making during the contract period which expired June 30, 2000.

All 25 full-time fire department employees are covered under the contract including the captain, lieutenant, training officer, fire marshal and firefighters. The contract excludes the chief, assistant chief and paid-on-call firefighters.

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Hazardous waste day is Sept. 9

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compost and improving the quality of a homeowner's soil.

"The department of public works will also open its garage for citizens to view city vehicles. In addition, police and fire departments will bring their vehicles too."

"Last year, the little ones sat in the fire engine," Uglov said. "Everyone participating in Hazardous Waste Day will have to show proof of residence before dropping off materials, and the only drop-off that will

not be accepted is latex paint. Uglov advised that latex paint may usually be disposed of by pouring cat litter in the can and putting it in with regular trash."

Additional information may be obtained by tuning into local cable channel 13 or by calling (248) 208-2270.

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Ice arena looks for new ideas

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the council. City officials and Anastos are working together to not only reduce the loss reported by the arena, but also to reduce the amount the arena owes the city's general fund.

City finance director and treasurer, Kathy Smith-Roy, stated the ice arena currently owes the general fund \$81,940. Also, in June, the arena reported a budget year-end loss of \$244,000.

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"The idea is very preliminary," Anastos said. "I've looked into it and offered some suggestions."

Anastos explained just because he is exploring a naming rights opportunity doesn't mean the city would do it.

"It would have to be a right fit," Anastos said. "It is a neat idea for a corporate and municipal partnership."

Although Anastos welcomes the idea to stabilize fees and the idea to generate income from a non-traditional source, he will not look into it further until approval to do so by

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Cleaning up the farm

Volunteers will again take on the Fuerst property

By VICTORIA SADLOCHA
Staff Writer

On Saturday, Novi residents will have the opportunity to learn more about the city's history while lending a helping hand.

The Fuerst Farm Fall Clean-Up is scheduled to take place from 9 a.m. to noon at the Taft and Ten Mile Roads farm.

Volunteers will assist in the outdoor clean up of the eight-acre property.

"We're planning on doing fall preparations of the gardens," said Kathy Mutch, event organizer and president of Preservation Novi. "We will work on the perennials and probably the fall-blooming plants. We will have to put off until November the pruning of the pear trees."

The clean-up is organized by Preservation Novi with the cooperation of other groups such as Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry.

"Our goal (of the event) is to maintain what we consider a valuable community resource, minimize the deterioration of the

grounds and heighten community awareness," Mutch said.

Cider, doughnuts and hot coffee will be served to all volunteers along with a lesson in Novi's agricultural history.

"It may not be my personal history, but it is the history of the community," Mutch said. "It is certainly an integral part of what this community is about."

In May, Preservation Novi sponsored a successful spring clean-up with about 50 attendees.

"We had a great mixture of individuals coming alone, parents with children and senior citizens," Mutch said. "It's a nice group."

"This year's fall clean-up will be a little less demanding than last year's."

"Last year's clean-up was major," Mutch said.

About 80 workers tackled the inside of the house, ripping carpet padding from the floors, washing walls, cleaning the bathroom, cleaning windows and doing minor repairs.

Other improvements done last year included painting one barn;

scrapping, priming and painting the first floor of the house; and scraping and priming the second floor.

Mutch pointed out that the overall goal of restoring the Fuerst Farm is not to make it a museum piece.

"We want to develop the farm as a community resource that may be used by the community in many ways."

Although the exterior will be restored to look how it did in the past, Mutch anticipates the inside will be restored in a completely functional manner.

Everyone is invited to attend the clean-up. Those interested may just show up the day of the event, but are encouraged to call first by dialing (248) 347-0400.

"We want to make sure we have enough refreshments," Mutch said.

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The 2001/2002 Preschool Storytime brochures are now available in the library. Registration for Fall 1 Storytime runs through Sept. 8; the program starts Sept. 24.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Selection for September is "Georgiana, Duchess of Devonshire" by Amanda Foreman.

The group meets Monday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. in the west side of the library meeting room. All are welcome.

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The Novi Library Board of Directors meets Monday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. in the east side of the library meeting room. Community members are welcome to attend.

SENIOR BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Senior book lovers are doing a study of mystery writer P.D. James for their September meeting. The group meets in the library meeting room on Thursday, Sept. 13 at noon.

USING THE LIBRARY CATALOG

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We'll cover author, title, subject, and keyword searches on Tuesday, Sept. 18, from 7-8:30 p.m. You'll learn how to limit your search results to items in our library and/or to specific types of media, such as videos or audio books. The session will include hands-on practice. Please register in advance for all internet classes in person or by calling the library.

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Police News Con't

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A Detroit Tigers game in downtown Detroit. The driver was asked to recite the alphabet from A to Q, including the letter Q. While reciting, he substituted B for P. The driver blew a .189 and was arrested by police.

COMBINATION LOCK REQUIRED

A new Novi High School teacher will remember his combination lock the next time he visits the lower level locker room. On Aug. 28 about 2:15 p.m., someone allegedly stole a wallet and set of keys from a locker at Novi High. According to a report made on Aug. 29, the teacher said he was in the locker room when a Novi High football player told him not to leave his things unlocked. The student said he would lend him a lock and the teacher left assuming the player would put the lock on his locker. When the teacher returned, his wallet and keys were gone. The case still remains under investigation.

DUDE, WHERE'S MY CAR
A resident in the 31000 block of Wellington went to his Jeep to

get his library card and found a big surprise. It wasn't there. The man said he last saw his 1997 Jeep Wrangler parked outside of building 21 on Aug. 27 at 8 p.m. He drove his company car to work on Aug. 28 so he doesn't know if it was there or not. After work that day, he went outside at 7 p.m. and found his Jeep was gone. The Novi apartment complex resident said his vehicle was locked and he was in possession of both sets of keys. He was also not delinquent on payments. The Novi police do not have any suspects and the case remains under investigation.

WALLED LAKE ANGER MANAGEMENT

A Walled Lake McDonald's customer got upset and hit and broke the window in the door on the northwest side of the restaurant Aug. 26.

Witnesses saw the man pull away in a tan blazer or GMC Jimmy. However, before he pulled away, he told the manager he hit the door because he was mad.

The case is open pending investigation.

CRAZY FOR THE DEW

A Walled Lake man admitted to police Aug. 28 that he stole 10 to 15 two liter Mountain Dew's that were placed in front of the Clark gas station.

The man was stopped for improper plates. However, the officer noticed 10 bottles of the pop in the man's backrest. Five bottles were full while the others had been opened.

He asked the man about the pop since a large amount of pop was taken from the Clark gas station in July.

The man didn't want to admit it at first but finally said he took the pop Aug. 26 about 3:30 a.m.

The officer told him that he was not under arrest but asked him if he would fill out a statement that he took the pop. He agreed.

The Mountain Dew was photographed then it was returned to the Clark gas station.

The man was released at the scene and given a ticket for improper plates.

NOT SURE ABOUT NUMBERS

Officers were on southbound S. Pontiac Trail when they observed a 25-year-old Westland woman traveling 62 mph in a 40 mph zone.

The officers swung behind her and she went into the oncoming lane. Officers asked her for her license, registration and insurance. She said she didn't have her license on her.

She began to cry and told police that she was lost and she didn't know where she was. She said she was coming from Metro Airport and she was trying to get to 8 Mile and Gratiot.

Her eyes were bloodshot and watery and police could smell alcohol on her breath.

She was asked to recite the alphabet and she quickly slurred A through Z. She was then asked to count from 95 to 82 backwards. She told the police officer that there was no way she could do that because she was too stupid.

The officer asked her again and she had to think about each number and slurred them as she said them. She stopped at 81.

The woman failed other tests and blew a PBT .172. Her car was impounded to Escort towing. Chemical tests showed .18 and .19.

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Sadlocha joins Novi News staff

Business Briefs

By DIANE DEMPSEY DEEL
Staff Writer

Victoria Sadlocha, the newest addition to the Novi News staff, is committed to keeping readers informed about what's going on in their city.

Sadlocha is bringing her knowledge and experience of covering east side issues for the Macomb Daily to Novi. She will cover the city beat, which includes writing news from Novi City Hall, the Novi Police Department and other stories that concern the Novi community.

Kelli Cooley, Novi News/Lake Area Times editor, is delighted to have Sadlocha as part of the news staff.

"I think the community and members of city government will be pleased with the work ethic and charisma of Victoria," Cooley said. "I believe she is a fine addition to the Novi News."

Sadlocha grew up in Plymouth and graduated from Plymouth Canton High School and went on to receive her bachelor of business degree in accounting.

However, she had always had a love for writing and the news business.

"It was interesting and something I wanted to go to school for," Sadlocha said. "But I thought a business degree would be more stable to get a well-paid job."

After college, she worked as a tax law consultant for Deloitte & Touche, LLP in Ann Arbor for about 18 months.

"I enjoyed the company but I didn't enjoy what I was doing," Sadlocha said. "It just wasn't for me. I left there and tried going to a smaller CPA firm. I thought it would make a difference but it didn't. I realized it wasn't the firm; it was the profession."

That's when she headed to Wayne State University to study journalism, which is her true passion. She began her career at the Macomb Daily

as an intern while in college. She continued to write for the newspaper until she was hired to write for the Novi News.

"It was a very good experience," Sadlocha said. "I was able to write for all sections of the newspaper."

Sadlocha worked on challenging stories that were different than the one before it.

"Being sent out on breaking news assignments was a big help," Sadlocha said. "I had to think fast and get everything done right the first time because I knew I couldn't go back and do it again."

Sadlocha currently lives in Grosse Pointe Park but she plans to move to the west side

by the end of the year.

"I'm looking forward to being a part of the community and informing residents of decisions made that affect their life," Sadlocha said. "I'm glad to be back near the community I grew up in."

She's also happy about her career move.

"I'm glad I found a newspaper that fits in with my long-term goals," Sadlocha said.

Diane Dempsey Deel is a staff writer for the Lake Area Times. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 110 or ddeed@ht.homecomm.net.

Bryan Barringer has been promoted from staff accountant to senior staff accountant at Follmer, Rudzewicz & Co. P.C. of Southfield.

Barringer has been with Follmer Rudzewicz Advisors Inc. for the last two years, and has a bachelor's degree in accounting from Walsh College. He resides in Novi.

David T. Downey, executive director, Michigan Society of Planning was awarded the 2001 Key Award at the annual ORGPRO convention. The convention is an outstanding educational opportunity with networking events, held by the Michigan Society of Association Executives (MSAE) at a different Michigan resort each July.

The Key Award is presented annually to a member of the MSAE Board

of Directors, who has volunteered service above and beyond the responsibilities and demands of service on the board of directors. The board has a number of nominations this year but selected Downey for his leadership to MSAE's new professional development plan. This plan will provide professional development programming for various levels of career stages, from new staff to seasoned experienced executives.

Downey, an architect, has worked for the organization since 1994. He has overseen a merger and a resulting name change for the organization. Besides being on the MSAE Board of Directors, he has been chairman of the Professional Development Task Force for the past two years.



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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Positive ideas for ice arena

Tom Anastos, manager for the Novi Ice Arena, believes it's a good idea to enter into negotiations to lease the now city operated pro-shop.

We also feel it's a good idea to enter into negotiations that would generate needed income for the ice arena.

In June, the arena reported a budget year-end loss of \$244,000. To top things off, the ice arena owes the general fund \$811,940.

The ice arena is taking a proactive approach to raising needed funds by opening the pro-shop.

It is possible that an outside business owning the pro shop will have better resources for advertising and turn the shop itself into a store that can service other communities as well as just Novi. This brings in outside dollars as well.

Outside dollars means more dollars for the arena and for the city. Getting the arena in a better financial space means more of our tax paying dollars going to other issues of need such as

more road improvements, park and recreation funding, and wetlands preservation.

Therefore, we encourage residents to realize the importance of the arena. We hope they support the arena any way they can.

After all, it's a place where kids may eventually become a Steve Yzerman or a Kristi Yamaguchi.

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Anastos said he is looking into a naming rights opportunity. Although it may seem funny at first to eventually call it Cingular Wireless Ice Arena or Best Buy Arena, the money that comes from this business and municipal partnership will create a much

needed relief for both of the parties involved.

We encourage the city to support the pro-shop and possible naming rights as reasonable ways to create viable income from the arena.

Both these ideas show promise that the city and the arena managers are heading in the right direction.



Fancy free

Kids and students have a lot to choose from during the Victorian Festival like this 1998 Friday afternoon picnic luncheon on Northville's Ford Field. The Victorian Festival will be Sept. 14-16.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

LETTERS

Public rumor, private embarrassment

The widespread smear campaign against a high profile elected Novi official bears an eerie similarity to the secret virus attacks launched against our technology infrastructure.

Character-assassination-by-rumor is just like a computer virus because both involved careful planning, complete secrecy, a vulnerable target, substantial damage with no apparent economic gain, and virulent dissemination by an ignorant public.

The smear campaign was meticulously planned; it also impugned the

reputation of two local law enforcement agencies that were attributed as "sources" of the lies. Likewise, the injection of the rumor into public establishments guaranteed lightning circulation of the lies.

It is unfortunate that the purveyors of this poison will probably never be apprehended. In the meantime, our community would be well advised to completely disregard unsubstantiated rumor and innuendo until the "facts" ultimately are disclosed. The "presumption of innocence" still prevails in our country and applies to everyone, including our elected officials.

James J. Harrington III
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Linda Ayers
Walled Lake Director of Student Services

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GOP adds to race excitement

Don't be fooled by all the spinmeisters trying to downplay it as political-insider baseball.

Out of the blue, Republican gubernatorial nominee presumptive, Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus, reversed his earlier pledge to back his longtime friend, moderate Sen. Dan DeGrow (R-Port Huron), for attorney general. Incensed, DeGrow promptly threw his support to fellow Sen. John (Joe) Schwarz (R-Battle Creek), also a middle-of-the-roader, who has been talking about challenging Posthumus for the GOP 2002 nomination for governor.



Phil Power

Politicians and political commentators of all stripes immediately began talking about a split between hard-edge Michigan Republicans from western Michigan (fiercely pro gun, pro-school vouchers and anti-abortion) and more moderate GOP activists from southeastern Michigan.

For years, Gov. John Engler has held the various factions of the party together, if only by force of personality. But with Engler now a short timer in the last 15 months of office and having fun running the National Governors Association, there's nobody minding the store.

Some observations about what could be a defining moment in Michigan politics:

First, what was Posthumus (or Posthumus' handlers) thinking? The dumping of DeGrow was so sudden and so clumsily handled that the net effect was to pick the scab off what had been a deeply felt but relatively civil tug of war over the soul of the Michigan Republican Party. Now the schism

is out in the open, forcing people who really would prefer not to take sides, and Joe Schwarz has a real opening.

Moreover, in bringing the splits in the GOP to the surface, Posthumus has called attention to the plain fact that his campaign for governor — a long-planned, carefully prepared ascension — has failed to get much traction among people who aren't confirmed right wingers. Most political observers assume Posthumus' close friendship with Engler and his long career in office guarantees a successful fund-raising operation. I'm not so sure: most big Republican givers I talk to are keeping their wallets firmly in their back pockets.

So Posthumus' move simply doesn't add up. And when something this important doesn't add up, people start indulging in conspiracy theories.

Maybe Betsy DeVos, former state GOP chairwoman who resigned last year after a disagreement with Engler over school vouchers, was really pulling the strings. Maybe she wasn't. Maybe the GOP right wing wants to make support for school vouchers a litmus test for Republican politics (DeGrow was an outspoken opponent of vouchers). Maybe not.

But there's sure a lot of talk going on. Second, there could be more to the Schwarz campaign than most folks had believed. True, Schwarz is one of Michigan's most-respected politicians, a former Navy officer and Vietnam veteran with a busy medical practice in addition to serving as president pro tem of the state Senate. But his slow-developing campaign for governor has been the despair of his friends and raised doubts about whether he was really serious.

Now Schwarz says he's "galvanized." He and DeGrow are teaming up to lead the reform wing of the party, hoping to help the GOP shed its hard-line image of support for guns, school vouchers and Right to Life to the exclusion of anything else.

"If we don't, we're toast in 2002, especially with ticket splitters and independents who make up such a big part of the

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Michigan electorate," says Schwarz.

Schwarz and DeGrow are going to put on a show at the Republican conference on Mackinac Island in a couple of weeks. He'll stage events, raise money, recruit precinct delegates, hire campaign staff. Schwarz managed U.S. Sen. John McCain's winning campaign in the Michigan presidential primary last year, and he says McCain's will come here to campaign and raise money for a reform effort. I wouldn't be surprised if former Gov. William Milliken, who has been increasingly alarmed at the rightward drift of his party, didn't come out publicly for Schwarz.

Most insiders think Schwarz has an uphill battle. They figure Posthumus has been around so long and has such a corps of loyalists running the state Republican Party that he's got a lock on the nomination. And they also figure that Schwarz won't appeal to independent voters as well as McCain did, especially with a vigorous Democratic primary all but assured.

Maybe so, but if I were sitting in Dick Posthumus' high-ceilinged, wood-paneled office in Lansing, I'd be more than a little worried.

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Call to ease CCW off for now

The move to ease restrictions on the carrying of concealed weapons is off for the time being... the key words there are "for the time being."

Despite the fact Michigan's new CCW law went into effect as recently as July 1, gun rights advocates have already called for restrictions contained in that new law to be lifted.

Ross Dykman, of the Michigan Coalition of Responsible Gun Owners,



Mike Malott

said his group would push to eliminate the "gun-free zones" established in the law. He argues they are discriminatory and treat permit holders like second class citizens.

Further, he argues, the gun-free zones create a danger. Since owners must take their weapons off and leave them in their cars when they go into certain facilities, they may become the target of theft.

Michigan's new CCW requires gun boards to issue permits to applicants who meet the state's requirements. As long as they are over 21, have had the necessary training and have no history of mental illness or a criminal record including felonies and high misdemeanors, applicants can get a permit to carry. Previously, the final determination of whether to issue a permit was left to the discretion of county gun boards, which gun rights advocates said was unfair.

Of course, the law was controversial at

the time and part of the compromise was to add the gun-free zones. Even with the permit, CCW holders are not to be allowed to carry their guns into hospitals, casinos, schools, day care centers, sports arenas, stadiums, restaurants, bars, college dormitories or college classrooms.

It is those zones Dykman and other gun rights advocates want to eliminate.

It should be noted that the other side of the argument wants to add more gun-free zones. The airport is just one example. There is a lot of security around Detroit Metro to keep a passenger from climbing on board a plane carrying a gun, but the law did not account for that. As it is written, critics contend, the law would not allow officials to keep a permit-holder from carrying a weapon right up to the gates.

So those critics, when they circulate petitions to rewrite the new gun law, as they are expected to do for the election next year, intend to add more gun free zones.

Why then do gun rights advocates want to try to eliminate the zones already? Why not let the new law operate as is and see how it works? Wouldn't it just rile up critics all the more to get rid of the zones now?

"That's probably exactly what we will do," Dykman concluded recently. In fact, he'd already received feedback from Gov. John Engler and pro-gun lawmakers like Rep. Susan Tabor, R-Delta Township, who have said they are not yet willing to revisit that issue. They may be receptive to the idea, but not yet.

Still, he said he is also confident those zones will eventually be eliminated.

"That is the experience seen in 33 other states and I'm confident that it will in this case as well," he said. "I'm confident the public will accept the CCW law when they see there are no incidents, no problems, as

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Dykman explained it is typical for states to adopt more restrictive rules on the carrying when they first move from a "may issue" permit process to "shall issue." Eventually, those tighter restrictions are lifted, as has been the case in both Florida and Texas, he said.

Another of the restrictions in Michigan's new law that many gun rights advocates want removed is the higher age limit. It was raised in July from 18 to 21. Dykman said he'd like to see it eventually moved back.

The first hurdle for gun rights advocates is to make sure the CCW law survives the expected initiative legislation drive next November, so the restrictions will stay in till then.

One can only wonder how confident voters can be in a new law in which the restrictions appear to be only temporary... until after they have had a chance to vote.

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Nature's weathermen work well

On a fairly remote two-lane country stretch of road near my home, it's hard not to spot the most accurate predictors of weather changes and seasonal shifts.

These forecasters don't need sophisticated Doppler Radar systems or even high-tech satellites. In fact, these "predictors" live outside 365 days a year, never spent a day in school, don't wear clothes and stand about 50 feet tall.



Jennifer Norris

As I maneuvered my car through the winding turns along that narrow country road, the towering cluster of huge, old trees stood faithfully by, armed with their tell-tale message of the coming seasonal change. Glancing upward, I could see that some of the leaves on select branches were changing their hue from the standard grass-green to more of a brilliant red.

Perfect, I thought. Just in time. Since I don't have cable television or a satellite that pulls in television broadcasts from outer Mongolia, what I hear of weather reports comes from the radio or whatever stations the rabbit ears on top of the TV set can manage to pull in.

While meteorologists seem to have a handle on the day to day temperature and barometric pressure readings, I'd say the forecasters that live along the roadsides and in our backyards have a slightly more impressive way of announcing the start of a new season.

Being unequipped with such modern forecasting methods like cosmopolitan computers or satellite readings, nature has its own impressive method of predicting seasonal change.

Although the neighborhood oaks, maples and elm trees don't have the ability to predict or pinpoint approaching storms or severe weather as advanced machinery can, trees in their own right have the uncanny knack of announcing the onset of each season.

When the blistering heat of summer gradually fades away, one of the first signs of autumn will be the changing hues on the leaves. Similarly, as the icy grip of winter grabs hold of Michigan once again, the trees shed their leaves entering a state of rest. Likewise, I don't wait for meteorologists or the calendar to announce the beginning of

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spring, I watch for the flowering blossoms on our crabapple tree in our front yard.

With their own internal calendar of sorts, those roadside meteorologists have become a favorite source of information, boldly announcing to me when nature is ready to move to the next season. I'm sure within the next month or so, plenty more of these 50-foot tall "weathermen" will be silently broadcasting the arrival of the autumn.

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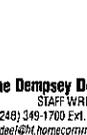
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Northville soccer league slapped with lawsuit

By LON HUHMAN
Staff Writer

The Northville Soccer Association and several of its volunteers have been hit with a lawsuit stemming from a 2000 accident in which a 12-year-old boy was struck by lightning while on a soccer practice field.

The \$25,000 lawsuit was filed with the Wayne County Circuit Court by attorney Edward Pederson on behalf of the injured boy and his mother. According to the plaintiff's filed complaint, which requests a jury trial on the matter, the cause of action against the defendants stem from the following reasons:

- The defendants organized and held a soccer practice during a thunder and electrical storm that the [injured boy] was directed to participate in.
- The NSA "acted in reckless

disregard of the safety of minor children."

- The practice fields were open, flat and unprotected.
- The injured boy was compelled to participate because of the scheduled practice.
- The injured boy would not have been struck by lightning had care been exercised.

The near-death accident occurred during a soccer practice on a field at Northville Christian Assembly on May 11 just after 6 p.m. The boy, a Northville resident, was hit in the head by the lightning bolt and fell to the ground. The bolt stopped the boy's heart and breathing. His coach was able to resuscitate the boy with CPR before professional help arrived.

"There was this explosion of bright light and a horrendous sound. The earth moved and all of the boys just went down," eye-

witness Mary Clough said.

After the arrival of Northville Township emergency personnel, the boy was transported to St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia. It was initially reported by the boy's mother that he did not suffer any major injuries. The story, which told of the youth's harrowing experience, appeared in the May 18, 2000 issue of the *Northville Record*.

The boy's mother also told the *Record* in a May 16, 2000 phone interview for the story that she did not blame the coach and she credited him for saving the boy's life by performing CPR.

"It was a freak accident," the boy's mother said in the story. "Nothing more."

There were conflicting reports from eyewitnesses regarding the weather that day. Carol Poenish, the referee coordinator for the under-six division on hand at the

time of the incident, told the *Record* last year that she did not think there should have been practice or anything going on with the way the weather was that day.

Clough, another soccer coach using the same field at the time of the lightning strike, told the *Record* last year that around 5:30 p.m. the day of the accident that she had not seen another bolt of lightning and the sky appeared to have been clearing up. She said she did not see any reason for other coaches canceling practice, even though she did.

According to Larry Bielack, the NSA president at the time of the accident, there were no set rules in place regarding weather besides using common sense. Several NSA volunteers did inform the *Record* last year that there were safety guidelines, including seeking shelter at the

first sight of lightning, and not returning to play or practice until 15 full minutes had passed since the last visible crash of lightning.

The NSA is not covered by either Northville city's or Northville Township's insurance carrier Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority, but by the volunteers own insurance provider.

Peter Jabbour, a coach for his three children's teams in the under-eight and under-seven divisions, said the case against the NSA may have a detrimental effect on the soccer association and the 1,600 youths who participate in it each year. He said changes may have to take place in order for the NSA to become an official part of the Northville Parks and Recreation Department.

"It's a great program for the community," Jabbour said. "I am

concerned about this case and its results because I will hopefully have my three boys participating in the soccer association for the next 10 years."

NSA is an independent, all-volunteer, non-profit organization that provides coaches, officials as well as the practice and game schedules. The parks and recreation department duties in connection with the NSA is to provide registration processing, field maintenance and some clerical services. Both the city and township have notified MMRMA as a precautionary step in case either of the municipalities are implemented in the suit in the future.

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Novi Wildcats sack Lakeland Eagles

Novi gridders score six touchdowns, field goal while dominating KVC opponent

By SAM EGGLESTON
Sports Reporter

The Novi Wildcats football team made winning look easy as they pounded Lakeland Friday night.

The 'Cats, who dominated the game from the start, shelled the Eagles 45-13 in a Kensington Valley Conference contest.

"I think our defense was well prepared for this Lakeland team," Novi coach Tab Kellepourey said after the game. "Our linebackers were just flying to the ball and our defensive line was getting good penetration."

The Wildcats rumbled to four touchdowns on the ground while senior quarterback Matt Gorman went to the air for two scoring air strikes and kicker J.R. Muldoon added a field goal.

"We had a lot of success rushing the ball," Kellepourey said. "We run an option football and we have a multiple offense. We move the ball when we need to."

Novi scored the first four touchdowns of the game as senior fullback Jacob Ray scampered around the left end for a six-yard score with 9:30 minutes, 21 seconds remaining on the clock before Muldoon added a 26-yard field goal less than three minutes later to put the 'Cats up 10-0.

"Novi has an excellent football team," Lakeland coach Brian Howe said. "They played great. We did not play well at all and you have to in order to win in this league."

The Wildcats pulled to a 17-0 first quarter lead after Gorman connected with senior tailback Fred Napier on a 49-yard scoring strike which found Napier breaking Eagle tackles to jaunt into the endzone.

Gorman added another touchdown pass to his collection with a 13-yard connection to junior receiver Chase Chandler with 7:34 on the clock in the second quarter to put the 'Cats up 24-0.

Three minutes later, Gorman's pass was intercepted by Lakeland

Football scores

■ Novi 45, Lakeland 13

■ Brighton 21, Milford 6

■ Howell 31, Pinckney 7

■ South Lyon 32, Hartland 14

■ Northville 13, John Glenn 7

■ Walled Lake Western 40, Farmington 7

■ WL Central 35, Churchill 12

Junior Jordan Sellers which led to quarterback Sean Hooper finding sophomore Derik Jewell on a short pass which he took 28-yards for the score. Joe Kovalchek added the point-after to pull the Eagles to 24-7.

"Lakeland's defense has some strong points," Kellepourey said. "Their middle linebacker (Matt) Kujala caused trouble for us out there and forced us to throw the ball sooner than we wanted to sometimes."

The Wildcats took the second-half kick off into the endzone with some excellent clock control as Gorman faked a hand-off to the middle before scampering around the right end with senior Drew Doll trailing him on the option. As Gorman made contact with the Eagle defenders he lateraled the ball in textbook fashion to Doll who took it into the endzone on the 52-yard play.

Three minutes later Ray took a hand-off at the 10-yard line and broke three tackles before diving over a fourth defender for the score to put the 'Cats up 38-7 and out of the Eagles' reach.

"We expected Novi to be a tough team," Howe said. "This was a reality game for us. Last week went so well for us that we might have

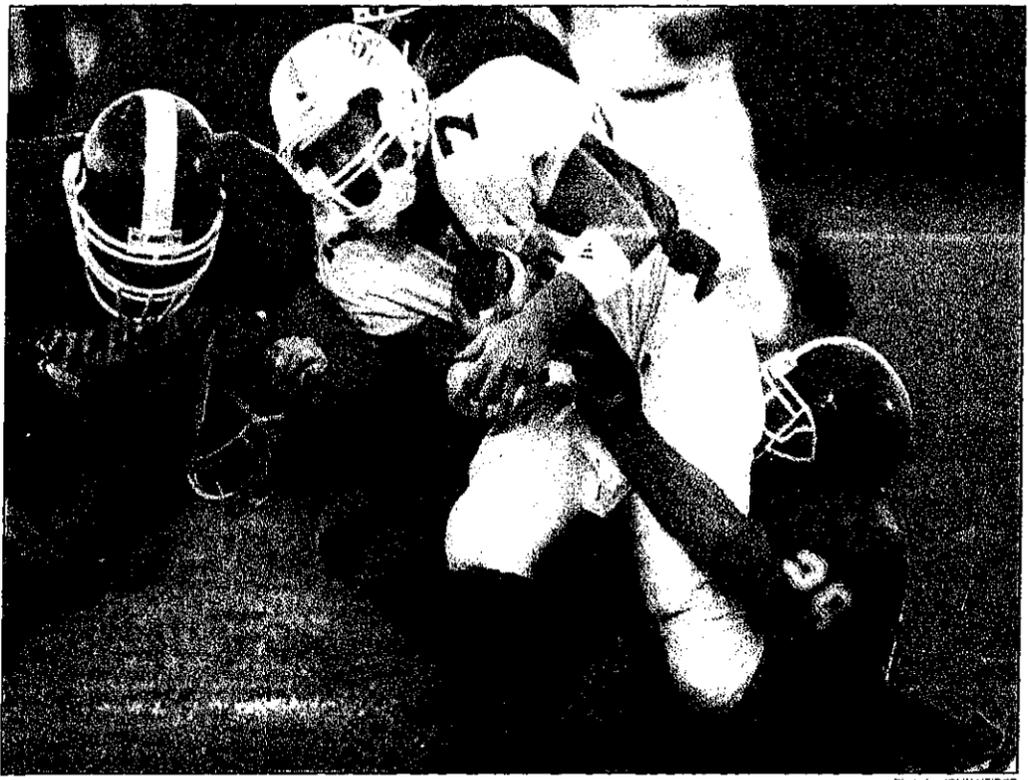


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Lakeland quarterback Sean Hooper grimaces as he is mauled by Wildcat defenders Jacob Ray (right) and Nick Mainella. The Wildcats stopped the Eagles 45-13.

taken things for granted. The biggest thing is to get back to business because we thought we were more ready than what we were."

The Wildcats were not finished scoring though. After Chandler intercepted an Eagle pass and returned it 18 yards into Lakeland territory, Doll went up the middle for a five-yard score with 9:24 remaining in the fourth quarter.

The Eagles capped the scoring after they managed their second, and last touchdown when junior defensive back Steve Stewart stripped the ball from Novi's James

Slack and returned it 72 yards for the score. The PAT was no good after Novi's Matt Murray batted the kick to the ground.

The Wildcats pulled down Lakeland's quarterback for sacks three times through the contest with junior George Bouert collecting one and senior Matt Kolich slapping Hooper to the ground for the other two. Kolich and the defense kept constant pressure on Hooper, forcing him to throw the ball before he was ready. The Novi linebacker corps, led by senior outside line-

backer Scott Kortlandt, punished

the running backs of Lakeland almost every time they touched the football as well as scrambling Hooper out of the pocket with excellent blitz packages.

Extra-point kicker Muldoon went six-for-six on PATs and added a field goal to help the 'Cats to victory.

Novi's win was not without a price as Napier went to the ground on a 25-yard kick-return in the second quarter and appeared shaken. Trainers and coaches assisted him to the sidelines where his knee was iced and wrapped.

The Wildcats (2-0, 1-0 in the KVC) will visit rival Brighton tomorrow.

"They are a fine, outstanding team," Kellepourey said. "One of the best teams in Michigan and we will be playing on their home field. They are a good defensive unit and we would like to score some points against them."

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Wildcat basketball off to a good start 'Cats edge out Harrison, Walled Lake Central in season openers

By SAM EGGLESTON
Sports Reporter

There are definitely worse ways to start a season.

The Novi Wildcats girls basketball team has invited two guests into the 'Cats Den before escorting them out with a less for their records. The Wildcats slid by Walled Lake Central 45-42 Tuesday before edging Farmington Harrison 31-30 Thursday night.

"We've been having great team effort for both of our games," Novi head coach Dennis Cichonski said Thursday. "We have some young players and they have been doing a good job for us."

Novi followed the lead of senior forward Kate Rose as she poured in 10 points against the Hawks of Harrison while junior Angie Schmitt stepped into the role of point guard in place of Brittany Barrett, who is out with ankle injuries. Schmitt

added seven points in the Novi victory while Allison Greulich and Melissa Stephen added four and Becky Gasiorok, Carrie Copp and Megan Colligan pitched in two each.

"We are not sure how long we will be without Brittany," Cichonski said. "We had to try some different combinations until we found one that was working for us."

The Wildcats struggled with Harrison through most of the game, with both teams exchanging leads throughout the contest. With 6 minutes and 48 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter, Schmitt made a move to her left before pulling up and draining a three-pointer to put Novi up 25-22 which ignited a Wildcat scoring fire.

According to Schmitt, three-pointers are not something she practices very often.

"I don't really shoot them in prac-

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Novi's Megan Garnham defends against Harrison's Merrill De Rose Thursday. The Wildcats pulled to 2-0 with the win.

Wildcats girls tennis remains undefeated Celebration time; Novi tops Northville Mustangs squad

By SAM EGGLESTON
Sports Reporter

It is time for the Novi girls tennis team to celebrate - they finally defeated the Northville Mustangs.

The Wildcats took 5 of the 8 wins in the meet to notch their win over the Mustangs Thursday.

"It has been a long time since Novi beat Northville in a dual match," Novi coach Jim Hanson said. "Both teams were pretty evenly matched in some areas. It could have gone either way in a couple of the matches."

The Wildcats notched the wins as second doubles senior Melissa Roemer defeated Northville's Allison Long 6-3, 6-2, third singles senior Carolyn Vermeulen topped Lauren Farris 6-4, 6-4 and fourth singles sophomore edged Ashley Polychuk in three sets 6-2, 5-7, 6-3. The only singles match the Wildcats lost was

the first singles, where Northville senior Lauren West controlled the match in two sets (6-2, 6-0) over sophomore Ashley Glover.

"I was happy with the way our singles players played," Hanson said. "First singles Ashley Glover gets everyone's best player. She is only a sophomore and a lot of the time the final score does not indicate how well she is playing."

Novi won two doubles matches with all four matches going three sets. The Wildcats collected wins in the first doubles as sophomores Colene Brockman and Lauren Carosio topped Sarah Polder and Sarah Price 6-2, 5-7, 6-3 and in the fourth doubles as senior Holly Graziano and junior Megha Vadula rally to defeat Amanda Retzbach and Laura Krstevich 3-6, 6-4, 6-3. Second doubles freshman Emily

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Western drops opener against Novi Vikings fall to Wildcats despite double-digit game by Rademacher, Koslowski, Coram

The Walled Lake Central Vikings couldn't seem to pull their game together when they opened their season against the Novi Wildcats August 28.

The Vikings watched as the Wildcats followed the scoring abilities of 12 players as they pulled out a 43-42 victory.

The Vikings led 6-3 at the end of the first quarter but could not hold on as Novi took a 20-18 halftime lead. Novi's lead was extended to 34-18 in the second quarter. The Vikings' offense was stifled by the Novi defense. Novi's defense was led by senior defensive end Matt Gorman and senior defensive tackle Matt Gorman. Novi's defense was led by senior defensive end Matt Gorman and senior defensive tackle Matt Gorman.

three players scoring in double digits as Katie Rademacher lead the way with 14, while Brittany Coram poured in 12 and Stephanie Koslowski had 11. The Vikings scoring rounded out with Sara Stone and Leslie Tyce chipping in 2 and Jack Becker hitting a free throw for one in the losing effort.

The Vikings took on various teams in the Dexter Invitational Friday and Saturday but the Novi Vikings were able to control the game. Novi's offense was led by senior quarterback Matt Gorman and senior running back Matt Gorman. Novi's offense was led by senior quarterback Matt Gorman and senior running back Matt Gorman.

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Point goals - Novi 2 (Barrett 1, Greulich 1); Vikings 3 (Koslowski 1, Coram 2). Total fouls - Wildcats 19, Vikings 16. Fouled out - none.

Coaches, players make job great



Sam Eggleston

Now this is the start to an exciting fall sports season. don't you think?

With the Novi Wildcats girls basketball team starting their season 2-0 behind the scoring abilities of Kate Rose and the ball handling of Angie Schmitt and the football team pounding their

way to victory behind that line of big boys such as Matt Gorman and Fred Napier, this is proving to be a nice start to a good season.

The thing that I have noticed about Wildcat, Viking and Warrior athletics is the players' excitement. From Tim Moore on the boys cross country team to Mike Crawford on the soccer squad, everybody seems to truly love the sport they compete in - that's the way it is supposed to be, right?

These athletes have taken time out of their sporting schedules to give me quotes, pictures and just to chat. To all of the athletes I have had a chance to speak to - thanks for your time and your thoughts. Here in Novi and Walled Lake (as well as Northville) it will be my first time

covering a few of the sports the athletes play and I just want to thank you in advance for your patience and informative quotes. To the athletes I have yet to talk with - I am looking forward to each and every one of you having phenomenal seasons with all of your goals being reached. If all goes well, then my job will be a wonderful experience.

And it is not just the players - the coaches that I have had the opportunities to meet are just biting at the bit to get their seasons swinging at full throttle and are eager to see what their athletes are capable of this year.

Bob Smith and Brian O'Leary have gone out of their way to make my first weeks of covering the athletes of Novi just a little

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Novi crushes Farmington

Wildcat quarterback Gorman looks like halfback, scampers to three touchdowns against Falcons

By SAM EGGLESTON
Sports Reporter

It's not every night that a football team can say every player on their team got into the game — but the Novi Wildcats can.

The Wildcats had the opportunity to cycle through their entire roster as they shelled the Farmington Falcons 44-6 Aug. 24.

"I felt as though we played an excellent game on both sides of the ball," Novi coach Tab Kellepoury said. "Our defense was well prepared and made tackles where they needed to make tackles and was very well executed."

The Wildcats opened the game's scoring as senior quarterback Matt Gorman scampers 56 yards for a touchdown with J. R. Muldoon, who made 5-of-6 extra point attempts and had a 32-yard field goal in the second quarter, tacking on the extra-point before Gorman took the ball two yards for the Wildcats' second score in the first quarter.

"Matt is a good athlete," Kellepoury said. "He made a lot of adjustments on his runs and improved as he ran. He makes a lot of things happen when he is on the field."

The Wildcats scored another first-quarter touchdown, as Drew

Doll came down with a one-handed interception before jaunting 30 yards for the score.

"It was an amazing show of athletics," Kellepoury said. "He made the one-handed catch and gathered himself before sprinting into the endzone."

The Cats continued their scoring as Gorman scrambled out of the backfield on a botched pass play and scampered 65 yards to notch another score. Doll added his second touchdown of the night, this time as the quarterback, as he rounded the edge and carried the ball 42 yards for the touchdown.

"Our offense is a multiple offense," Kellepoury said. "We have a lot of talented players that can play multiple positions and that gives us plenty of options on the field."

The Falcons' lone score came on a deep pass with the point-after being stopped by the Novi defense in the third quarter to pull the Farmington griders to 37-0.

"We could have had a little better pass defense," Kellepoury said. "We had two interceptions but we gave up more passing yards than we should have. We needed to have more pressure on the quarterback."

The Wildcats capped the scoring as Chase Chandler danced into the endzone from two yards out in the fourth quarter before Muldoon tacked on the PAT to give the Wildcats the 44-6 victory.

The Wildcats put together 311 yards of total offense with Gorman carrying the ball seven times for 132 yards and going 2-for-5 in the air for 18 yards. Drew Doll hauled two carries 45 yards. Fred Najjar had 31 yards on carries and Trey Simpson went 15 yards on a string carry. Tyson Frantz and Daren Guiley hauled down one pass each for nine yards.

The Wildcats defense held the Novi players on the field Friday night. Kellepoury said, "It makes practice the next week so much better."

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Novi tennis is playing tough

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Holt and sophomore Laura Vaughn fell to Jamie Lindholm and Erica Dobson 6-7, 6-3, 6-2 and third doubles junior Gabi Frask and freshman Lauren Thomas dropped a close match to Stephanie Patterson and Kelly Harrison 6-7, 6-4, 2-6.

"A meet can go either way when you have all of your doubles going three sets," Frask said. "That is why I am glad fourth doubles is worth as many points as the first doubles or first singles."

Novi's third singles Verneulen topped junior Jesse Lamb 6-3, 6-3 and fourth singles Switzer edged out junior Alexa Turke 6-4, 6-4 to cap the Wildcat scoring.

The Wildcats showed their depth against Pinckney when they lost the first and second singles but swept the rest of the meet to pull out a 6-2 victory. First singles

Sport Shorts

Northville Broncos 11&U
Tryouts for the Northville Broncos 11 and Under will be from 4-6:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, September 8-9, 2001 at Northville Community Park on Beck Road between Five and Six Mile Road. Players born or after August 1, 1990 are eligible to participate. The Broncos will play 40-45 games competing in the Little Caesar's league in addition to five or six weekend tournaments.

Wildcat Faceoff
"Wildcat Faceoff," the sport-stalk show dedicated to the coverage of Novi High School athletics, will resume again on tonight at 9 p.m. It can be heard on WOVI 89.5 fm every Thursday evening. Coaches corner, where they are now and athletes of the week are some of the segments featured. The show debuted October 12, 2000 and enjoyed a very successful first season. Don't forget to listen.

Walled Lake coaching positions available
The Walled Lake Western High School has coaching vacancies for Head Varsity Volleyball Coach and Assistant Volleyball Coach. Interested individuals should contact Walled Lake Athletic Director David R. Yarbrough at (248) 950-2074.

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The Novi Wildcats girls basketball team started their season on a high note August 28 as they slid past the

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Novi soccer team wins first 2001 KVC game

By SAM EGGLESTON
Sports Reporter

The Novi Wildcats soccer team showed what happens when they put their abilities together and play like a team — and what happens when they don't.

The Wildcats (2-1, 1-0 KVC) opened their first Kensington Valley Conference match-up by defeating the Lakeland Eagles 3-0 Thursday but fell to Canton's squad 2-0 August 28.

All three goals were the result of great passing combinations and showed our improvement from the game before," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said.

Mike Crawford scored the first goal on a long crossing pass from Tracy Stewart.

"The great thing about the goal was that five of our players touched the ball before Tracy as we worked the ball across the field," O'Leary said.

The second goal was scored by Alan Holdorf on a breakaway pass from Matt Urlick, putting the score at 2-0.

"In the second half Josh Churella scored on a high cross from Tracy Stewart," O'Leary said. "A.J. Gluzinski, a freshman, got the shutout in goal."

Novi couldn't get things flowing right, however, when they faced off against Canton August 28.

"They are a great team," O'Leary said. "Right now, we play as 11 individuals instead of a team. We beat Churchill because we have enough individual ability to beat many teams, but if we want to

beat the very best we are going to have to play as a team."

Canton managed a goal in each half, but according to O'Leary the goal wasn't lacking.

"On a brighter note, Sean McClintock played very well in goal," he said. He made many very good saves to keep us in the game."

O'Leary also noted that Eric Schuecker and Churella played very well in many different positions on the field.

"We have a lot of talented players on the field," he said. "Even when we played Canton, who is one of the top teams in the state, we played as individuals and lost only 2-0. We can beat good teams as a team."

According to O'Leary, one of the factors that will have to change is how the team trains.

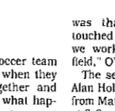
"We need to start practicing as a team," he said. "If we practice as a team instead of as individual players, then we will be ready to play the top teams."

The Wildcats will face KVC rival Brighton Thursday.

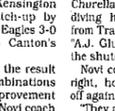
"It will probably be the game that decides the KVC," O'Leary said. "Brighton is a tough, tough team."

O'Leary said that Brighton has returned at least four players — two of which hurt the Wildcats in last year's season.

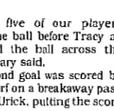
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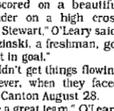
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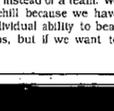
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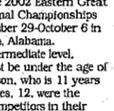
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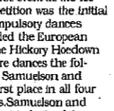
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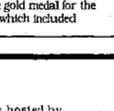
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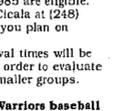
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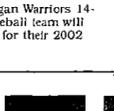
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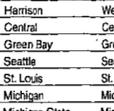
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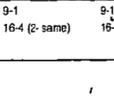
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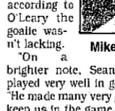
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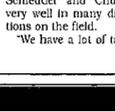
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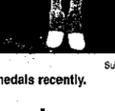
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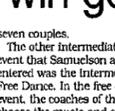
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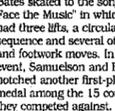
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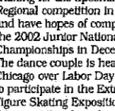
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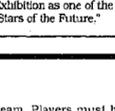
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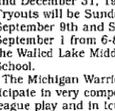
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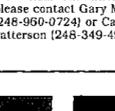
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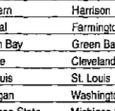
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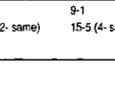
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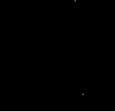
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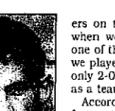
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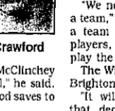
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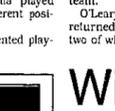
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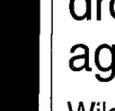
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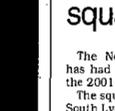
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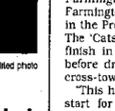
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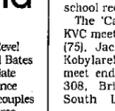
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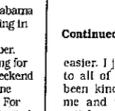
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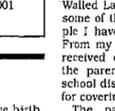
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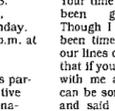
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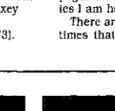
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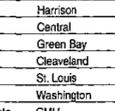
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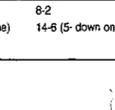
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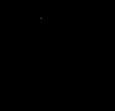
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KVC Football Standings

Kensington Valley Conference		Team		League		Overall	
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Brighton	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
Howell	1	0	2	0	2	0	2
Novi	1	0	2	0	2	0	2
S. Lyon	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
Hartland	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
Lakeland	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
Milford	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
Pinckney	0	1	1	0	1	0	1

Next Friday's Games

Novi at Brighton
Hartland at Pinckney
Lakeland at Howell
Milford at South Lyon

Sam Eggleston is the sports reporter for

Engagements

Jessica Hubel and Terry Allen are happy to announce their engagement, with a wedding planned for Aug. 10, 2002.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mary and Eric Hubel of Novi and a 1997 graduate of Novi High School. She is currently attending Central Michigan University and anticipates graduating in December.

The groom-elect is the son of Ted and Diane Allen of Big Rapids. He graduated from Michigan State University in 2000, and is currently teaching at Belleville High School.



Hubel-Allen



Schmitt-Golphin

Suzanne Lynn Golphin and Jason Edward Schmitt, both of Novi, are pleased to announce their engagement. Suzanne is the daughter of Robert Golphin of Tarrant, Mass., and Thelma Golphin of Novi. Jason is the son of Mary Schmitt of St. Johns and the late Ed Schmitt.

The bride-elect is a 1991 graduate of South Lyon High School and received her bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University. She is currently employed in the sales department at The Daily Tribune newspaper in Royal Oak. The prospective bridegroom is a 1992 graduate of St. Johns High School and received his bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University in 1996. He is currently employed as a sports writer at The Daily Tribune. A Sept. 22 wedding is planned.

Community Events

The Novi Cooperative Preschool has a limited number of enrollment slots available for the autumn months. For more information on the school, call (248) 960-8988.

Northville-based New Hope Center for Grief Support will be offering free support for widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday night of each month at St. Kenneth's Parish. In Plymouth from 7 to 8:30 p.m. New Hope for KIDZ meets at the same time, and is designed to assist children ages 4 to 11. For more information, call (248) 348-0115.

Arbor Hospice is seeking the help of a high-school-age volunteer to mow the Northville facility's lawn and do some light trimming on the property on a weekly basis. The work will count towards National Honor Society volunteer hours. For more information, call (248) 348-4980.

A host family is being sought for

On Campus

Precious N. Shah of Northville, a student in the Robert R. McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science at Northwestern University, has been named to the Dean's List for spring quarter.

Shah was recognized for attaining a 3.75 or better grade point average for the quarter.

A Swiss exchange student who will be arriving in America at the end of August. The boy, 16, has his own spending money, is fully insured, and is traveling under the auspices of EF Foundation, and will also be expected to assist with regular family responsibilities. The host family is responsible for providing a room, meals and a stable environment. For more information, call (248) 380-7390.

The three-mile Victorian Fitness Walk and Run is scheduled for Sept. 15 at 8:30 a.m. Pre-entry fees are \$10 or \$12 on the day of the event. Entry fees are tax deductible donations benefiting Northville park improvement projects. For more information, call (248) 349-0203.

The Northville Victorian Festival is slated for Sept. 14, 15 and 16 in downtown Northville. The festival begins with a kickoff parade at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 14. A variety of Victorian-era entertainment, art and festivities will be made a part of the day. For more

information, call (248) 349-7640.

Schoolcraft College will be hosting "Food in The Spotlight" on Sept. 23 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Waterman Campus Center. Northville restaurants Emily's, Bonfire Bistro, Steve and Rocky's, and Little Italy will be participating in the event. Tickets are \$40 per person or two for \$75. Several prizes will also be raffled off at the event. Tickets for more can be purchased for \$5 each. For more information, call (734) 462-4670.

The Educational Merit Foundation is looking for volunteer families to host high school-age students from Europe, Japan and Korea this year. Students will arrive in August to attend local public schools and are looking to experience life in America. Students speak English have their own spending money and are expected to share in daily household responsibilities. For more information, call (972) 495-3868.

The New Hope Center for Grief

Support will host the second annual Good Grief Golf Outing on Sept. 8 beginning at 10 a.m. The \$100 per-person fee includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch, dinner and prizes. Dinner-and-auction-only tickets are \$50. Proceeds from the outing will benefit the Northville-based bereavement counseling center. For more information, call (248) 348-0115.

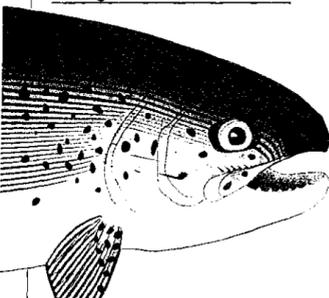
The Novi Ice Arena will host two free open skating sessions for people interested in signing up to learn to Skate classes. Skaters from age 3 to adult are eligible. Open houses will be held Sept. 5 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. and Sept. 8 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. For more information, call (248) 347-1010.

Pet-A-Pet is seeking volunteers from the Novi area. The organization allows volunteers the chance to share their pets with others unable to have or access pets of their own. Pets must be vaccinated, good with people and able to be handled by people. For more information, call (734) 449-8339.

Platoon Leader. Promotions were awarded after an intensive one-week Officer Candidate School held in August.

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The map stood extremely well—and it was lost several years after it first appeared in print. Incredibly, the printer entrusted with the original drawing and printing plates, neglected his duty, then carelessly handed Higbee's 30 years of work to a handoff.

The few remaining dog-eared copies became a prized collection of a few professors. Professor Higbee was offered \$400 for one of his last maps. And state agencies were forced to keep their copies under lock and key.

Experts said Professor Higbee had regrets were impossible, because the maps were printed in non-photographic blue.

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Victorian Festival welcomes historic home tour



124 W. High Street.

By LON HUHMANN Staff Writer

Historically speaking, there are many homes in Northville worth getting a better view of and in turn, a better knowledge of the Victorian era.

Interested residents and visitors have the chance to view five homes in the city of Northville that are a century old. The Northville-Novu branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) is sponsoring its seventh historic home tour of Northville on Saturday, Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

According to the AAUW's publicity Chair Carol Welsch, the historical home tour has been the most successful and important fundraiser for the Northville-Novu branch since 1995.

Welsch said all five homes have historical significance, but have been properly renovated to meet modern day standards. The tour will cover a walking distance of 1.5 miles in the historical district in the western section of the city.

"The historical home tour gives



562 Randolph Street.

people the opportunity to get an even better feel for and glimpse into Northville's Victorian past."

There are two tour homes located on Randolph Street. According to Welsch, the home located at 562 Randolph is a part of the land

deeded to A. Aldrich in 1825 by President John Quincy Adams. The home is believed to have been built in 1868 from the Steenkens family and was the original farm-

house for the area. Welsch said the original structure had very little trim or ornamentation, leaving the current owner, a decorator, with a blank canvas.

The other home is located at 124 Randolph and is believed to have been built in 1873 for Willard Stark. Welsch said the home is an example of Carpenter Gothic. At 124 High Street is the home built by James Dubuar in 1880 for



124 Randolph Street.

his family. Dubuar owned the lumber business on the site that later became the Ford Motor Company plant. Much of his lumber was used to build many of the homes in Northville's historic district.

The next home is located at 501 W. Cady Street and the first patent on the land where this home sits was given to Ira Rice in 1826.

Welsch said this home was part of one of Northville's most notable events in 1950, a military training jet crashed across the street from this home and bits of debris flew

all over the area, including a piece which went through the front window of this home.

The last home on the tour is at 549 W. Dunlap Street and it is believed to have been built in the late 1800s. This home served as the parsonage for the Northville Methodist Church from 1939 until 1957.

Tickets can be purchased at Gardenview, 202 W. Main Street, and Morrison's Antiques at 105 E. Main Street. Prices are \$10 per person pre-sale (must be 12 or



549 W. Dunlap Street.

older) and \$12 per person the day of the tour if any are left. Welsch said tickets could sell quickly considering the past success the tour has had.

Tickets also act as a program guide including a picture and brief description of each home. Welsch said there are several requirements for tour participants, and they are shoes must be removed when entering a home and no bare feet. In addition, interior photos, smoking and children under 12 are not permitted.

Welsch said the proceeds from the event support the activities of the branch. The activities include two endowed scholarships for women at Oakland Community and Schoolcraft colleges. Local projects have included a Gender Equity Project at American Elementary school and the science camp for girls.

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Lawnmower

WARNING: When motor is running, blade is turning!

Microwaveable Pizza

(underside of cardboard liner):
"Do not turn upside down."

Curling Iron

"Do not insert curling iron into any bodily orifice."

Soft Drink Can

(printed on underside):
"Do not open here."

Spray Paint

"Do not spray in your face."

Bathtub Cleaner Solution

"For best results, start with clean bathtub before use."

Lighter Fluid

WARNING: Contents flammable!

Hand Lotion

Warning: Starts healing skin on contact."

Household Nails

CAUTION! - Do NOT swallow nails! May cause irritation!"

Blow Drier

"Do not blow dry in sleep."

Drink Bottle

(backside of label):
"Do not peel label off."

Orange Juice Can

"100% pure all-natural fresh-squeezed orange juice from concentrate."

Candy Bar Contest Promotion

(outside of label)
"No purchase necessary - Details inside."

Lunchables

NACHOS:
DIRECTIONS: Dip chips in cheese and salsa."

Golf Cart

"Not for highway use."

Pilot's seat

on NATO AWAC Aircraft (E-3A).
"Seat must be facing forward for take off and landing."

Children's Cough Syrup

Caution: May cause drowsiness; do not drive or operate heavy machinery"

Can of Sterno

"Do not use near fire or flame."

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Large fish give comfort to Northville

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Some people have dogs and some have cats or both, but Northville resident Mike Conrad has fish.

Not just any fish, but Japanese koi fish. Some may have the opinion that this type of fish are just an overrated carp. However, Conrad said the sheer beauty of a full grown koi will diminish this opinion.

"It started with constructing a small pond in the backyard," Conrad said. "I thought it would be a fun thing to do with the family."

Koi, also called "nishikigoi" in Japan, can be labeled the best fish to be placed in a garden pond. 200 years ago the koi were discovered by Japanese farmers in the mountains of Niigata. It was in the village of Yamakoshi where farmers first observed a red carp swimming among the black carp, which were raised for food.

"It's a very high-quality fish," Conrad. "I've purchased 30 koi from California that were imported from Japan. The breeder was Dainichi, a known and famous distributor of Koi."

Through selective breeding, the original Japanese breeders created over 100 named varieties. Koi are also bred in Israel, Singapore and in the United States. Conrad has three types of koi in his two ponds. He keeps kohaku, taisho sanke and showa sanshoku in his front and back yard ponds.

Nishikigoi koi come in sizes anywhere from four inches to over three feet long. They can be kept in a small aquarium or a large outdoor pond. Conrad said he has learned that Koi are sensitive fish and do not like overcrowding.

"Right now I have six or seven of my best koi at what I call a summer growth camp in Gaines at the home of a breeder wholesaler" Conrad said. "There in a larger outdoor pond where they have the chance to grow larger than they would if they were here in my two ponds."

Kohaku is white with red highlight markings and are probably the most common variety. Tancho kohaku are white koi with a red spot on their heads and an inazuma kohaku has a continuous red marking from the head to the tail, but with variation. Taisho sanke are simply known as sanke. Those type of koi have red and black markings on a white background.

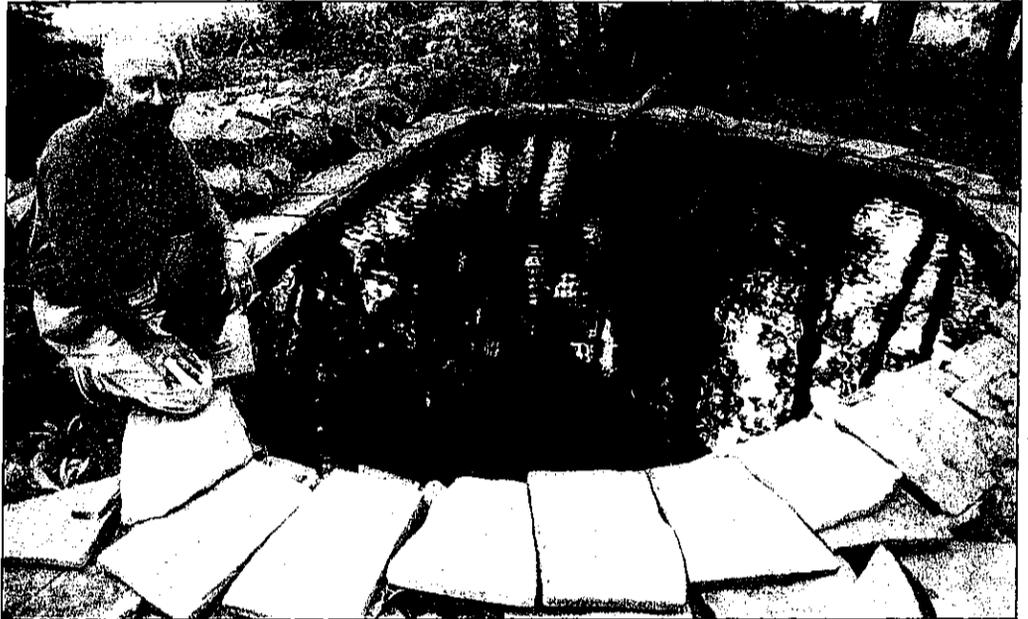
Showa sanshoku or showa have red and white markings on a black background. Conrad said the best quality koi come from Japan. His largest koi is 25 inches long and he said the key to koi selecting is through keen observation.

Conrad said before making a final selection a koi buyer should take into consideration the breeders pond and the koi's mood. A clean, non-smelling pond is the preferred environment. Jerky movements or if the koi has its fins clamped to its body are bad signs that a koi is not happy and probably should not be purchased.

After a koi has been selected, helping it grow properly is key to its maturity. Conrad said installing a pond with all of the necessities, such as filters to keep the water clean and heaters for the winter, is essential. He said for the koi to reach its full color potential and remain healthy it must be kept in pristine conditions.

"One of the benefits to having koi is seeing them mature into healthy, colorful fish," Conrad said. "Obviously, they are not like a cat or dog, but I do get satisfaction out of seeing them mature into healthy and colorful fish."

One major way a koi owner can help the fish become healthy and colorful is to feed them properly. Conrad feeds his koi food pellets



Mike Conrad pauses by his front-yard Koi Pond along Seven Mile Road.

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Mike Conrad's reflection in his Koi pond.

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made by Dainichi specifically for the fish they have bred. The rule for koi is to feed them little and often.

Overfeeding can be very detrimental to the koi's health as well. Conrad said the best way in getting the koi to eat from your hand is to let them work up an appetite. This, he said, will make them bolder or tamer allowing the person feeding them to get an up close look.

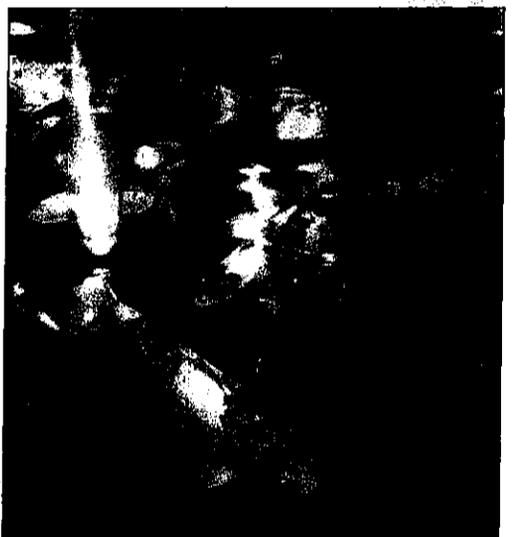
The are certain foods that can help enhance the color even more. Pellets that have carotene or spirulina in them are especially useful. Both enhance the red pigmentation and if carotene is used at a high concentration, then there is a

chance the white will turn into pink.

Conrad said adding koi to his pond complemented the style of the type of landscaping at his home off of Seven Mile Road.

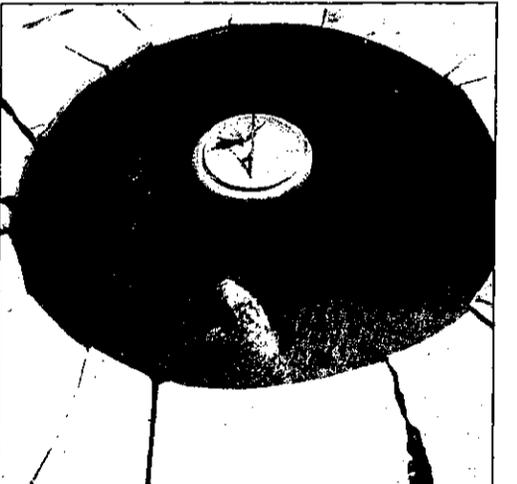
"I moved to Northville in 1975 and one of my first projects here was to landscape the yard," Conrad said. "I like to think of my landscape setting as being a Japanese-American garden. I have a bamboo fence and Japanese maples that add greatly to this style. The garden setting offers a sense of serenity, which is good since my office is just inside the house and I have a great view."

Conrad has situated both ponds so he and his family as well as vis-



Koi fish swim around in the small pond of Mike Conrad at his Northville home.

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A Koi goldfish rises to some food in one of Conrad's smaller backyard ponds.

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itors can see the fish from the front and back windows. He believes landscape architects often overlook the value of placing something within the ponds they usually recommend to the inquiring homeowner.

"Having koi in a pond can help make it into a living art piece," Conrad said. "The koi can spur interest. There are times when

interested children or adults come walking by home and see the pond with the koi in them. Watching the koi swim in the pond is very relaxing."

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