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No relief ahead for local drivers

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING
staff writer

If there is one issue in Novi that is guaranteed to raise the ire of local residents, it is traffic.

As the community grows, key intersections like Nine Mile/Haggerty Road, Ten Mile/Meadowbrook Road and Eight Mile/Haggerty are becoming increasingly congested, increasingly hazardous.

Concerns over traffic have stalled or completely halted more than a half-dozen development plans in Novi over the past six months. Among them:

- A Mobil Oil gas station, car wash and convenience store at Grand River/Haggerty;
- A Marathon Oil service station at Eight Mile/Haggerty;
- A shopping center on Haggerty,

just south of the Grand River intersection; and,

- An industrial development off Novi Road near Ten Mile.

In addition, the city put a halt to all development along on Grand River Avenue this spring while Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers studied ways to help prevent future traffic problems along that thoroughfare. The resultant zoning requires larger lots in some areas and discourages multiple driveways on and off Grand River.

While planning officials scrutinized growing traffic problems along the city's business corridor, residents in the Nine Mile/Haggerty area bemoaned escalating traffic along Novi's condo corridor. In particular, concerns were raised over construction of 825 new apartment units sandwiched between Lakewood Park



Novi News/STEVE FECHT

The Haggerty Road/Eight Mile intersection, one of Novi's biggest traffic problems, has been the scene of 18 traffic accidents since January, 12 of them involving injuries.

condominiums and Crosswinds West condominiums.

Traveling south one mile, the August opening of Northville's Meijer Thrifty Acres and the Novi Hilton

— both at Eight Mile and Haggerty — met everyone's worst traffic expectations. While Novi Police have not yet noticed an increase in traffic accidents at the location, Detective

Ralph Fluhrart noted a number of residents have called the department for instructions on how to get through

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Quazite decision delayed

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING
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City council postponed action on the Quazite Corporation Monday after complaints from a nearby resident persuaded the officials to order additional noise tests on the site.

Mary Wikman of 26220 Taft Road reported a constant "whirring" all day and throughout the night coming from the Grand River Avenue industrial operation. Although not loud, the constant annoyance "is destroying our lifestyle," she told the council.

Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver noted noise tests have been taken on the property repeatedly "without once finding any levels exceeding the allowable limits."

But Wikman's reports persuaded Council Member Edward Leininger that a visit to the site is warranted before the operation is given the city's final stamp of approval. Other council members agreed additional noise tests were needed, particularly during the unloading of gravel on the site.

The city has been reviewing the Quazite operation since May when the corporation applied for a permit from the Michigan Water Resources Commission to store chemicals underground.

"It seems clear that due to the Water Resources Commission permit process and the resulting public debate, we have subjected this company to a scrutiny that far exceeds our normal review process," Klaver noted.

Quazite has agreed to comply with each of the city's recommendations to ensure protection of the environment, he reported. As a result, Council Member Patricia Karevich suggested Quazite probably would be "one of the safer businesses in the city."

But as the environmental concerns were being resolved, a second problem developed for the Quazite Corporation. For the past four to six weeks, city council has debated whether Quazite is a "light" industrial operation or a "heavy" industrial operation.

These discussions, which have taken place in closed sessions because communication from the city attorney was involved, were based on Quazite's use of toxic chemicals in its manufacturing process.

The firm makes industrial concrete floor bricks. The operation requires on-site storage and use of such chemicals as polyester resin and methylene chloride. Because it is highly flammable, the Fire Code requires large quantities of polyester resin to be stored underground.

Some council members apparently believed that the presence of toxic chemicals makes Quazite a heavy industrial operation. However, Klaver noted in his report Monday: "It does not appear that our standard planning review process focuses on the nature of the chemicals used in a

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Subdivision well water is safe, city tests show

Test results on a water sample from a residential well in Novi Heights subdivision were "all clear," City Manager Edward Kriewall reported this week.

Results reported earlier this month from two initial tests on wells in Pioneer Meadows and Echo Valley revealed a trace of diethyl phthalate ester, a chemical on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Priority Pollutant list. The amount detected was far below the EPA level of "acceptable daily intake."

Kriewall noted the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has requested that these two wells be retested. "There is still some concern the sampling process may have been faulty," he told the council Monday.

"(The state), in conjunction with the city, is going to retest the first two wells," he explained.

A second set of water tests conducted on wells in Pioneer Meadows and Echo Valley, but from different aquifers (underground water supplies) than the first two, showed "no

signs of diethyl phthalate — and they apparently are clear in all other respects," Kriewall reported.

The water testing was initiated by Kriewall and the city's consulting engineers, JCK and Associates, after a local resident presented research suggesting a frequent occurrence of serious illness in the three subdivisions. Officials have no indication at this time that any link exists between the illnesses reported and the well water in the area.

Susan Nayh, an environmental consultant for JCK, said she has received about a dozen telephone calls from residents since the water testing was publicized two weeks ago.

"Basically the people (who telephoned) were just curious about the water in general. Not many asked about the chemical (diethyl phthalate)," she noted.

"Many wanted to know how to go about it if they wanted to have their water tested," she added. Those who inquire are provided a well water testing fact sheet printed by the East Michigan Environmental Action Council (EMEAC), Nayh noted.

The city has reported its findings from the first two water tests to the Oakland County and state health departments. In addition, Nayh has related the city's water testing activity to several different divisions of the DNR.

The city has not been notified by either of the health agencies that the level of diethyl phthalate discovered in the two wells is dangerous or that any cautions should be issued about drinking the water.

However, Kriewall noted Monday that several commercial filtration companies have come forward with products that are able to reduce the level of diethyl phthalate in the water. These filters cost about \$250-\$300, he added.

EPA research on the toxic effects of diethyl phthalate show it can induce birth defects in rats if they are injected with high doses of the chemical. Although little information is available on the chemical's possible affect on humans, it is not considered a carcinogen. Its most common use is in cosmetics as a perfume carrier.



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Superior flag wavers

Drizzling rain, damp sneakers and parking lot puddles are ignored while Susie Schram concentrates on properly executing a flag routine. Schram was one of 24 members of the Color Guard who participated in the Marching Auxiliaries of America camp in Ashland, Ohio, in July.

Murder-suicide suspected

Two people were found dead in a residence at the Village Wood Place Townhouse Apartments Friday in what police are calling a homicide/suicide.

Dead are Timothy Quinn, 33, and his wife Deborah Ann Quinn, 32. According to police reports, the bodies were found in the townhouse off Haggerty Road shortly after noon last Friday, August 16.

The body of Mrs. Quinn, a Registered Nurse, was found on the staircase, while her husband's body was found in an upstairs bedroom. Mr. Quinn was employed at Selfridge Air Force Base.

Police said Mrs. Quinn had suffered a blow to the head, apparently from a length of pipe found near her body, and a knife wound in the chest. Mr. Quinn apparently died from a gun shot wound to his head. A small caliber rifle

was found in the bedroom, according to reports.

Novi Police Captain Richard Faulkner said the investigation has not yet been completed, but police are 99 percent sure it was a homicide/suicide. "We're waiting for official results from the Michigan State Police crime lab, so we can be 100 percent sure," he said.

Faulkner said police have learned that Mr. Quinn placed a phone call to his mother in Youngstown, Ohio, the morning of the incident and told her he had terminal cancer. When he hung up before giving her a chance to respond, the mother contacted a brother in Youngstown who, in turn, called a relative in the Novi area.

When the relative was unable to elicit a response at the Quinn residence, he contacted Novi police who entered the home and found the bodies.

Bell rings Tuesday

While it still may feel like summer, students in Novi Community Schools should start packing away the thongs and beach towels and dusting off the lunch boxes and book bags for the start of the new school year next Tuesday, August 27.

All students except entering kindergartners will report for a half-day next Tuesday. Regular full-day classes will begin Wednesday. Students will have a three-day break over Labor Day weekend and return to school September 3.

Superintendent Robert Piwko said the district is projecting student enrollment for the 1985-86 school year to be "in the neighborhood of 3,250 students." He noted the administration will have more accurate enrollment figures sometime after next week.

Registration for elementary students (grades K-4) will continue

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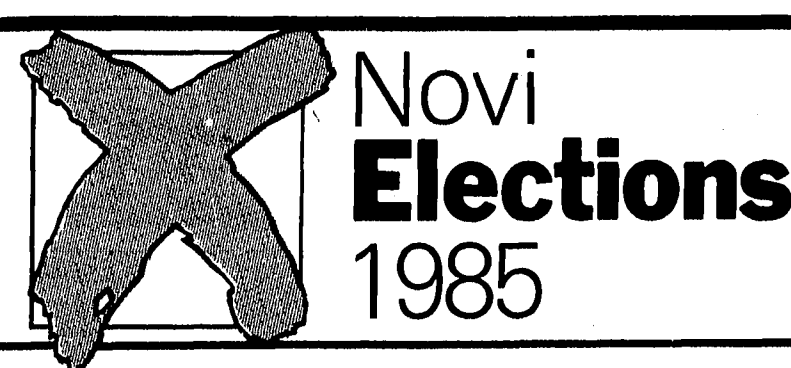
Candidates gear up for primary battle

A political telephone survey, planning campaign fund-raisers and door-to-door literature distribution have kept mayoral campaign volunteers hustling in these last weeks before the September 10 primary.

Meanwhile, Walter Cronkhite, the Shamrock Hill resident who forced the mayoral primary by his last-minute filing, vacationed from his work and warded off would-be campaign contributors.

According to the city clerk's office, Cronkhite was not registered to vote in Novi until just prior to his filing to run for mayor. Nevertheless, Cronkhite claimed he took the action as a "concerned resident" to eliminate any possible challenge of the general election results in November.

Although candidates Patricia Karevich and Carol Mason anticipated the primary, incumbent Mayor Robert Schmid did not. "We're a little behind, frankly," he said last week. "But we're trying to put it together."



Door-to-door distribution of campaign literature and the placement of campaign signs by the Schmid camp is planned for the last weeks before the primary. A fund-raiser is not planned until after the primary, Schmid said.

Karevich had a \$12-a-head fund-raiser planned this week at Country Epicure on Grand River Avenue. The candidate plans continued door-to-

door contacts throughout the remainder of her campaign.

Mason plans a "campaign picnic" this weekend, after which volunteers will canvass the neighborhood. Campaign funds were solicited through a mailing rather than by a fund-raising event, Mason noted.

In addition to receiving literature or a personal visit from one of the mayoral candidates, a number of

residents were contacted by telephone over the past two weeks for participation in a political survey.

The survey was conceived and orchestrated by Timothy Pope, campaign manager for council candidate Nancy Covert. The survey had a twofold purpose, Covert explained this week.

First, Pope, who also works at the state capitol, used the survey to determine public recognition of various state political figures. But the survey also was geared to gauge the public response on local issues, Covert explained.

"We wanted to get some feeling for the attitudes of residents," she said. Respondents were asked about the city's building height limitation and other community development concerns.

Results of the survey, which was conducted in part by Novi Republican Club volunteers using telephones provided at ERA Rymal Symes Company, have not yet been tabulated, Covert noted.

Candidate's life hectic

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING
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The sprinkler is running, the dog is barking and children are playing in the front lawn of 24500 Hampton Hill. Meanwhile, a dinner guest is on his way out the front door as two new visitors are on their way in.

Carol Mason's home is a flurry of activity. "We're busy all the time," she says while filling her grandson's squirtgun at the kitchen sink. He runs out the front door with his newly-loaded weapon and all seems calm for a moment. Then the telephone rings.

It is her daughter and campaign manager, Marti, who explains she has to work late and won't make it home in time to be included in the pictures to be taken this evening for the newspaper.

Mom is understanding — working late is a way of life for her; it's not surprising her two daughters have picked up the habit.

"We're all seven-day-a-week people," Mason explains. "The first break we all took together was a trip to Florida last March."

Carol Mason's day begins around 9 a.m. and ends some time between midnight and 2 a.m. "I'm a workaholic," she readily admits, "and everyone in the family knows it and accepts it."

Mornings are reserved for Marti's son, Patrick, who has breakfast with his grandmother each morning. The remainder of the day — often until 10 or 11 p.m. — is reserved for business. It is only as midnight approaches that Mason takes time for herself.

"Nighttime is my time," she explains. Between 11:30 and 2 a.m. she does housework, then usually curls up with a book. One night is devoted to Og Mandino's "The Greatest Salesman in the World," which she says she reads every

week. The rest of the week she reads "business stuff" and staff writer.

"I don't need that much sleep," she says. "It's just an ability I have. But sometimes I go to bed at 12 or 1 to catch up."

Her husband of 15 years, David Krom, is used to his wife's frenetic schedule. Just prior to getting married she was holding down two jobs and attending Oakland Community College.

She doesn't vacation, but takes advantage of a day off here and there. "If I'm home on a Sunday I'll spend the whole day in the yard. I love working in the yard."

Sunday evenings are the family's time together at home. But even that is a major event, with 15-20 family members and friends showing up for dinner.

Mason moved to Novi 22 years ago from Erie, Pennsylvania. She was active in school mileage campaigns, went to city council meetings, and worked on local campaigns, as well as a few state and national ones. When asked which issue or campaign was most important to her, she doesn't hesitate. "Every one! Every issue was the most important at the time."

Because her children were raised in such a civic-minded home, no one was surprised when she announced her decision to run for council — nor did they hesitate in offering their support.

Mason's community activity has taken a back seat in recent years while she nurtured her new business. But with Carol Mason Realty now on firm ground, she decided it was time to enter the public arena once more.

She is approaching her candidacy with the same aggressiveness and enthusiasm with which she established her business. "I don't have time to do this, you know," she laughs, admitting the job of mayor would make her days more hectic. But as she scurries out the back door for pictures in the garden, one gets the feeling "hectic" wouldn't be much of a change.



Carol Mason and husband David Krom find time to enjoy flowers.

Rollback is favored

LANSING — Nearly three out of every four constituents polled in a recent survey favored an immediate rollback of the 4.6 percent income tax rate, according to State Representative Willis Bullard (R-Highland).

Bullard said 73 percent of the respondents approved of such a tax rollback. Almost 60 percent believed the income tax rate should be reduced before any property tax relief is considered.

"The people of the 60th District solidly support a decrease in the income tax," Bullard said. "House Republicans have introduced several proposals to reduce the tax to 4.6 percent and we'll continue our efforts to accomplish this goal."

In other financial issues, 71 percent favor construction of additional prisons in Michigan and approximately 62 percent would like to see K-12 public education as the top priority in the state budget.

News story correction

A story in the August 14 edition of the News misquoted Novi resident Leo Buffa.

At a June 25 public meeting on the new Civic Center, Buffa said he was concerned about the cost of the proposed building. Buffa noted a new bond issue for the civic center would add to the city's growing list of outstanding debts.

The August 14 story should have said that Buffa suggested these debts might reach \$100 million if allowed to continue to grow.

The News regrets the error.

Jaycees honored by state

The Novi Jaycees received a total of seven awards at the Summer General Assembly of the Michigan State Jaycees on Mackinac Island recently.

Sandra Ayers was honored as management development vice president for the quarter in Population Division 5.

Colleen Gorman was named individual development vice president for

the quarter in Population Division 5 and also won the "Individual Development Superstar Award."

The Novi chapter was named the individual development chapter of the quarter for Division 5, and President Charles Staab was named one of the state's "Fast-start Presidents" for the first quarter.

Penny Sumpter and Don Goodwin received honorable mention recognition

for fund-raising for chairing Novi Gala Days, and Thomas O'Branovic received honorable mention recognition in public relations for the Novi Memorial Day Parade.

Staab said he was pleased the Novi chapter received seven awards for its efforts during the first quarter of the 1985-86 year. "I think it speaks well of the type of people we have working in the Jaycees this year," he said.

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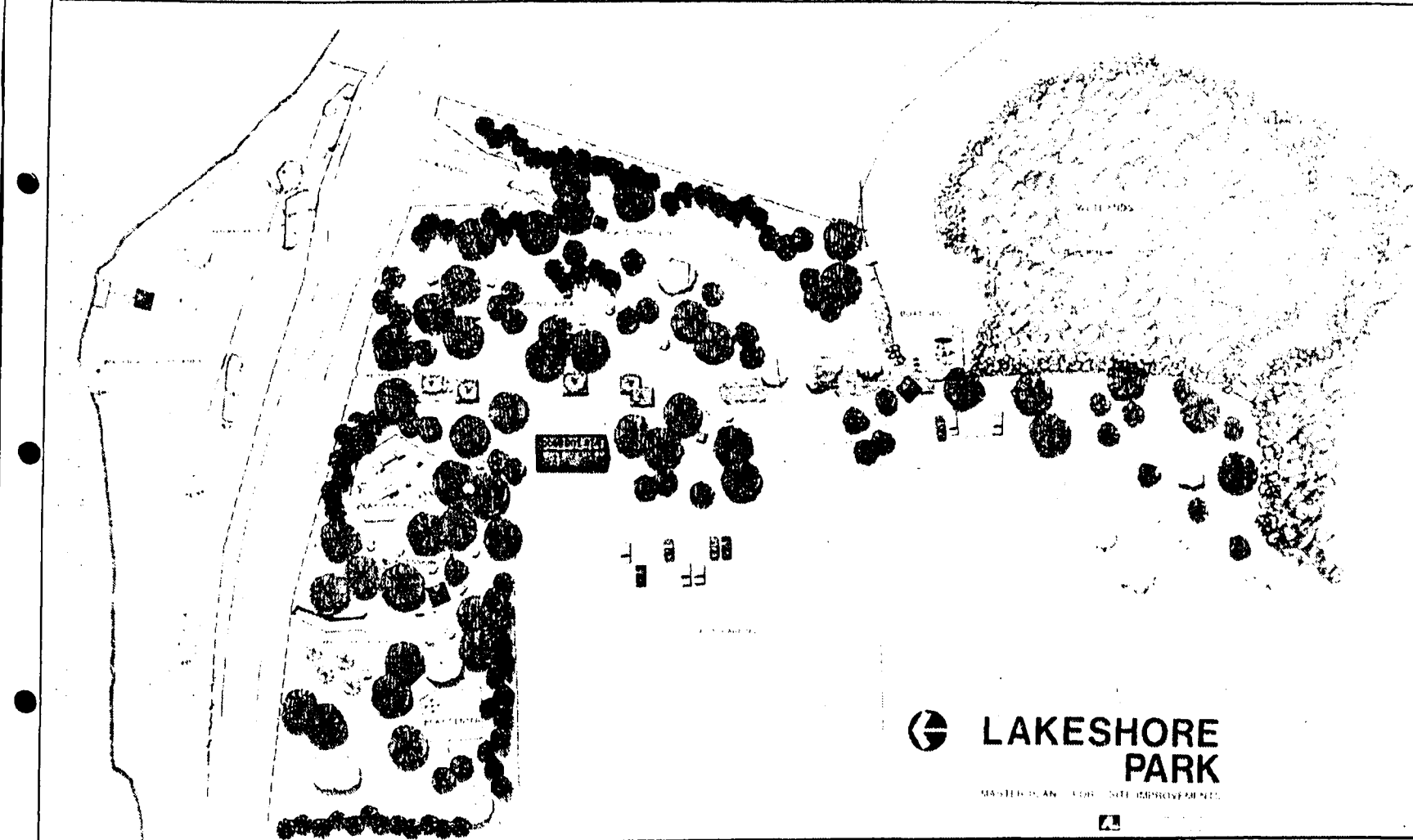
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Novi officials are planning expansion of the city's Lakeshore Park facilities on Walled Lake.

New park land is for picnickers

If double the space means double the fun, Novi's Lakeshore Park will be more popular than ever in future years.

Actually, the recent property acquisition by the parks and recreation commission adds only five acres to the 26-acre park. But Parks and Recreation Director Tom O'Branovic notes most of the new space will be opened for additional picnic grounds in the front of the park where activity currently is most congested.

The new picnic area "will give us some elbow room" in the front of Lakeshore Park, he said.

The property acquisition, finalized earlier this year, also includes 148 feet of lake frontage east of the present beach area.

The parks commission has adopted a master plan for park improvements encompassing both the old and the new park property. A public hearing on the plan is set for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, August 29 at the Lakeshore Park building.

After public review, the plan will be submitted for planning board approval. The first priority in the \$367,000 plan is the relocation of the park entrance to the new eastern-most edge of the park.

"The longer entry is advantageous from the standpoint of controlling the traffic coming in and out," O'Branovic noted.

To accommodate the new entrance, South Lake Road must be realigned, he added. Plans call for the road to be straightened and approximately six to seven feet to be cut off the grade. The lower grade will improve the visibility, which is a problem with the current entrance, O'Branovic noted.

The road realignment and new entrance together are expected to cost about \$130,000. There is no timetable for the completion of this project, the parks director added.

The commission currently has \$30,000 available to begin the grading and landscaping of the new picnic area. Demolition of a house and an old motel on the site was expected to be completed this week. Four residents were relocated as

part of the property acquisition project, O'Branovic noted.

Additional phases of the park improvement plan will be completed as funds become available, he said.

"Our number one priority now is to make the additional area usable and to clean up the new beach area. Our next priority will be to get the entrance and road relocation completed," he said.

Future plans for upgrading the park include a wetland trail area with asphalt walkways and a boardwalk overlooking Shawood Lake; a boat rental area and observation deck at the fingertip of a canal leading to Shawood Lake; a new play center; and a new concession building.

On Sunday, September 8, the Novi Concert Band is scheduled to perform at 1 p.m. with Vocal Point, a jazz vocal group featuring Novi High School Choral Director Paula Joyner, will take the stage at 3 p.m.

Two concerts remain in the 1985 series and both will be held at West Oaks in conjunction with the annual Novi-West Oaks Arts and Crafts Fair. In addition, both remaining concerts are "double headers."

On Saturday, September 7, the Novi High School Jazz Band will perform at 1 p.m., and the Novi Chorale will take the stage under the direction of Jan Wassiak at 3 p.m.

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Thieves drive thru, take shrubs

Somebody who apparently likes the landscaping outside the new McDonald's Restaurant on Hagerty Road decided to take some of it home.

The restaurant manager reported that unknown individuals removed four small shrubs and bushes from a traffic island in the parking lot.

In addition, the responsible party drove his vehicle into a 15-foot red maple tree in the parking lot. The manager told police he could not determine if the culprit was attempting to damage the tree or loosen it up so it could be stolen. The incident occurred Saturday, August 10, between 1 and 8 a.m.

Thieves have been working overtime at Twelve Oaks Mall as Novi police logged five stolen vehicle reports during the first 30 days of August.

The theft of a 1983 Ford Mustang was reported August 1 by a Westland woman. The woman, an employee at Ford & Taylor's, told police she parked the car in the Yellow Lot at 10 a.m. and discovered it missing when she returned at 3:15 p.m. The car was valued at \$5,000.

A West Bloomfield man reported the theft of his 1984 Cadillac Seville from the Red Lot at Twelve Oaks on August 3. The man said he parked and locked the \$16,000 car at 1:40 p.m. and discovered the theft upon returning at 5:45 p.m. The stolen car contained a briefcase valued at \$300 and a set of golf clubs valued at \$500.

On August 6, a Union Lake man reported that his 1984 Chevrolet pickup truck was stolen from the Green Lot between noon and 2:30 p.m. The man said the truck had been locked and he had all the keys in his possession.

Area Blotters

Two additional car thefts occurred August 10. A Livonia woman reported the theft of her 1978 Ford Mustang from the Red Lot between 9:55 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The woman, an employee at United Shirt, said the car contained 20 cassette tapes valued at \$20 apiece. The Mustang was valued at \$2,300.

Also on August 10, a South Lyon man told police he parked his 1978 Ford Thunderbird in the Blue Lot at 8 p.m. to see a movie and discovered it missing when he returned at 11 p.m. The car was valued at \$2,700.

Three "larceny from auto" reports also were filed by police at Twelve Oaks recently.

On August 7, a Livonia woman reported that both windshield wiper arms were stolen from her 1985 Ford Mustang while it was parked in the Green Lot between 3 and 5 p.m. Stolen property was valued at \$40.

A Dearborn man reported August 8 that unknown individuals broke out the passenger side window on his 1985 Chevrolet Monte Carlo and removed a radar detector from the dashboard. The incident occurred while the vehicle was parked in the Red Lot between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Damage was estimated at approximately \$132.

An Ypsilanti woman reported the theft of a stereo system and speakers from her 1981 Chevrolet Chevelle while it was parked in the Green Lot on August 11 between 11:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

The man told police that someone painted the hood, windows and left side of his 1985 Ford Mustang as it was parked in the driveway outside his home. The responsible party also spray painted the driveway of the home.

An alternative education building behind the Orchard Hills Elementary School was damaged by vandals sometime during the night of August 12-13.

The school custodian told police that unknown individuals knocked over the staircase leading to the portable unit and broke out a 2-by-7 foot glass window in the front door.

Police noted that the responsible parties used a sharp object, possibly an ax, to break a railing on the staircase. Entry to the building was not obtained, however.

An employee at the Beverly Manor Convalescent Home on Meadowbrook Road reported that someone took four wheelchairs from her 1983 Oldsmobile Delta 88 while it was parked behind the home. The theft occurred August 10 between 3 and 11:30 p.m.

The employee, a Livonia woman, reported that a loud party was going on in the subdivision behind the convalescent home the night the wheelchairs were stolen.

A briefcase valued at \$100 and a wallet containing \$50 in cash and miscellaneous credit cards were stolen from a 1983 Ford owned by a Livonia man while it was parked on Cumberland in the North Hills subdivision during the night of August 9-10.

Vandals spray painted the automobile and driveway of a residence on Cumberland in the North Hills subdivision during the night of August 9-10.

It will be a good chance for early Christmas shopping, especially for handcrafted items for children," he noted, mentioning that there will be booths of wooden toys and doll clothes.

"There also will be a lot of woodwork, including wooden clocks, as well as calico and country crafts," he said.

Black said he had been selective in assigning space and that manufactured items were not permitted.

Among the other crafts listed for the show are pottery, ceramics, wreaths, punch tin work, puppets, stuffed ducks, tool leather items, tote painted wares and hand-painted jogging suits.

From 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. the Northville Alumni Band will play in Northville's town square park from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Black said crafts people would be setting up early — by 8 or 8:30 a.m. In event of rain, the show will be rescheduled for September 7, the Saturday after Labor Day.

Novi News Briefs

RIBBON CUTTING for the city's new 28,000-square-foot maintenance facility off Eleven Mile will be sometime in September. City Manager Edward Kriewall reported this week.

The city issued itself a temporary certificate of occupancy for the building last week. An official ribbon-cutting and dedication is being delayed until department of public works, water and sewer department and parks and recreation personnel finish moving into the new building.

The \$1.5 million maintenance facility replaces a 5,000-square-foot pole barn on Grand River Avenue used by the city for the past 15 years. The new site, which encompasses 32 acres across from the Delval Corporation, was purchased by the city in 1982 with federal revenue sharing funds.

The maintenance building includes a large garage for housing up to 22 vehicles, including the entire DPW and parks and recreation fleet. The vehicle maintenance area in the new building has twice the space and twice the equipment as the former garage. Storage space is provided for vehicle parts, tools, and parks and recreation equipment.

ISABEL COLLINS was appointed to the planning board this week. Collins, of 24614 Olde Orchard, replaces Joseph Brett, who resigned midway through his second three-year term on the board. She was appointed by a 4-3 vote of the council, with Mayor Robert Schmid and council members Arlen Schroeder, Guy Smith and Ronald Watson voting in her favor. Collins term will expire June 30, 1986.

Council members Patricia Kerevich, Martha Hoyer and Edward Leininger cast their votes for Diana Canup, Collins and Canup were among seven residents who applied for the planning board vacancy.

Obituaries

LILLIAN E. HUNT

Funeral service for Lillian E. Hunt of Wixom was held August 17 at the Church of the Holy Family in Novi. Mrs. Hunt died August 15 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. The daughter of John and Eliza (Morrison) Lynn, she was born in Iowa on May 18, 1907, and was 78 at the time of her death.

She is survived by her husband, Louis Ragaly, and three children: Barbara Hirt, Mary Lou Smith and Sarah Ragaly. Also surviving are four sisters, Anna Koska, Garella Szabo, Margaret Szabo and Regina Honer, and two brothers, Steven Frank and Kaiman. Mrs. Ragaly was preceded in death by a brother, Julius Szabo. Six grandchildren and four great grandchildren also survive.

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Novi News/STEVE FECHT

Rainy weather

Senior citizens from Novi and South Lyon were supposed to have had a picnic on a lovely August morning at Lakeshore Park last Wednesday. Unfortunately, somebody forgot to tell the weatherman who ruined their plans and washed out the proceedings with heavy rains. That didn't stop the seniors, however, who adjourned to the Novi Community Building and had their picnic indoors. In the picture above, the Novi seniors wish a soggy farewell as the South Lyon contingent prepares to board the bus for home.

Quazite fate debated by council

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manufacturing process, but rather the process itself."

Declaring Quazite in violation of the zoning ordinance based solely on the existence of hazardous chemicals would represent "a departure from our standard practices," he concluded.

But at least one official was not convinced. "I'm beginning to wonder

why we're spending all this time . . . on an obvious non-conforming use in an I-1 (light industrial) district," Mayor Robert Schmid commented.

"Unfortunately, somehow it got in there . . . Frankly, I'm ready to say, sorry, we goofed, but it's in an I-1 (light industrial) district and it's not allowed. And before we allow it in an I-2 (heavy industrial) district, I think we should look at the ordinance and determine whether this type of use is suitable in a city where we have

groundwater for drinking water."

Council Member Martha Hoyer noted an environmental study already is underway. This study is to include a recommendation for an ordinance to ensure environmental safeguards in the city.

"There is a danger here if these kind of (environmental) issues are ignored," Council Member Arlen Schroeder said. "But there's another danger — and that's going overboard

in the other direction, like saying we want to ban this type of use from the community." Quazite already has gone out of its way to accommodate the city's environmental concerns, he noted.

"If you ban this use then you must ban all service stations," Hoyer added, pointing out that leaking gasoline tanks have been found to be the number one cause of contaminated groundwater in Michigan.

Novi's traffic jams likely to get worse

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the intersection safely. City officials are quick to note that the most congested intersections are at crossings under county jurisdiction. County officials, of course, then complain of inadequate road funds from the state.

Notes County Commissioner John Calandro: "Everyone attempts to absolve themselves of responsibility for the traffic problems. But the bottom line is, somehow we've got to address the problems."

Novi, along with several other rapidly growing communities, is lagging behind in road funding and road improvements, according to City Manager Edward Kriewall. "But whatever we're experiencing, it's worse in Troy, worse in Farmington Hills and worse in Southfield," he suggested.

Much of Novi's traffic congestion is due to the fact I-275 was never extended. The traffic on Hagerty Road, along with that on all the mile roads feeding into Hagerty, would be reduced significantly with another freeway access ramp between Commerce and Kriewall noted.

"But Novi's not going to invest a lot of local tax dollars to resolve the Hagerty Road problems," he added, noting that Hagerty Road comes under the county's jurisdiction.

"The city's position is that we shouldn't be expected to solve the problem for Commerce Township and points north. We've got precious few road dollars anyway — and I think we should spend them on Novi roads. The alternative to spending local dollars, of course, is persuading

the county to fund the needed improvements."

"We've complained about the situation several times over the past three years. In fact, we just had a meeting with the Oakland County Road Commission within the past month," Kriewall noted.

Seven of the fastest growing communities in Oakland County were represented at this meeting. Road Commission Director John Grubba noted. Development in these communities is expected to generate 20,000-30,000 jobs over the next several years, he said. "That's equivalent to five Saturn plants! What's going to happen to the already inadequate county road system (with this new development)?"

The Oakland County Road Commission is attempting to persuade the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to review its formula for allocating federal highway funds for 1986, Grubba explained. In addition, county officials have lobbied for a change in the allocation of state fuel and vehicle tax proceeds to increase the share for local units.

But county officials have not been able to generate even "mild enthusiasm" for the proposed changes, Grubba said. "It just appears there's going to have to be more local dollars," he said.

Unless local, county and state officials are able to operate in partnership to address the traffic problems of Novi and other fast-developing communities, special road millages will be the only answer, Calandro suggested. "And no elected official likes the thought of doing that."

Fall term starts up

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through Friday. Parents should register students anytime between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the school they will be attending.

Middle School South (grades 7-8) also will accept registrations from new students through Friday. Registrations will be taken from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Novi High School will be open

through Thursday to register new students or make schedule adjustments.

Students at Middle School North (grades 5-6) should have registered for classes last week.

Additional information about registration is available by calling the school your child will be attending. Parents who are unsure about school assignments should call the central office at 348-1200.

Craft show in Northville this Saturday

NORTHVILLE — A wide variety of crafts will be exhibited and for sale at the downtown Northville craft show this Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Del Black, who is chairing this new event for the downtown merchants, reported Monday that the response has been "even greater than expected."

Initially, about 40 crafts persons were expected. Black said he now anticipates that there will be 50-60 exhibitors in spaces on the downtown sidewalks.

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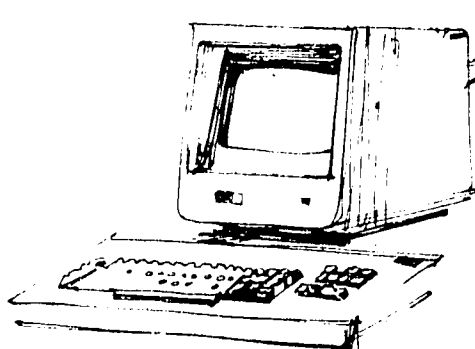
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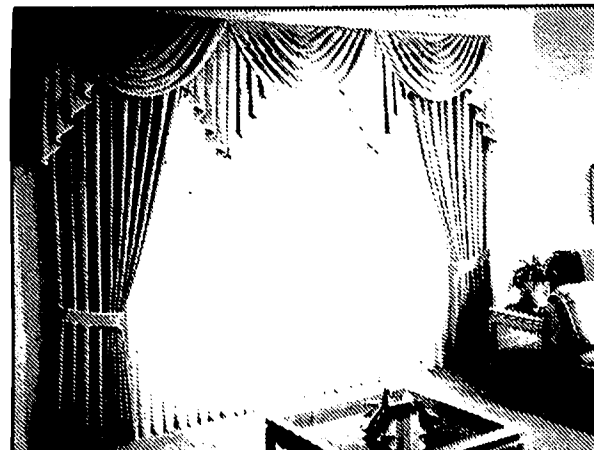
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Final touches set, Hilton doors open

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING
staff writer

It was like watching the pieces fall into place on a giant puzzle, each one adding another unique feature to the overall picture.

Those inside the Novi Hilton this summer — the managers, staff and various work crews — shared the excitement as color, texture and dazzling illumination were added to the grey shell of the seven-story building at Eight Mile and Haggerty Road.

"It's never fast enough," said Manager Gary Seibert on a muggy afternoon in mid-July. Inside an equally muggy office — the kinks were still being worked out of the air conditioning system, the hotel manager described his hectic summer days.

"It's a lot of work. I spend a lot of time opening boxes," he said. Among the shipments this particular week were pots and pans for the kitchen and desk tops for administrative offices. The desk tops were the wrong size and had to be shipped back — a small delay in the overall scheme, but irritating nonetheless.

There are still a few pieces missing here and there, but the grand picture of the Novi Hilton is close enough to completion for its proud developer, Joseph Gerak, and general manager, Seibert, to stand back and marvel.

"It's unlike anything else; it's unique, it's different," Seibert said of the formidable structure rising out of a wooded corner of the Orchard Hill Place office park.

From the point of drop-off under the glowing, Porte Cochere, to "Zip Out Check Out," Gerak and Seibert endeavored to create a unique experience for Novi Hilton visitors.

The 160-foot-long front desk is designed to prevent check-in delays, but guests may wish to linger anyway to enjoy the likes of Glen Michaels, Richard Kozlow and other Michigan artists featured throughout the lobby.

Seibert describes each room in detail, from the inlaid hardwood floor in the Orchard Cafe to the intricate neon lighting in Whispers lounge. But it is more the mechanics than the aesthetics that make the Hilton unique.

Gerak and Seibert chuckle over the publicity their plumbing system has received — less water with every flush saves money for the hotel and water for the city.

"We've got the newest and the latest in a lot of areas," they agreed. The elevators are another example. The system uses battery power to go up, then recharges the battery on the way down. It can operate up to nine hours with no electrical assistance. The system was developed by Otis Elevator

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last year. The Novi Hilton has the second system installed in Michigan.

The lock system in the Novi Hilton is the first of its kind in Michigan, according to Seibert. Produced by Safelock of Troy, the system replaces door keys with a plastic card. The cards, which have been pioneered in other hotels throughout the country, are inserted into the door, when a tiny light comes on, the door is unlocked. But the card must be removed before the door can be opened. "So you can't forget the card in the door," Seibert noted.

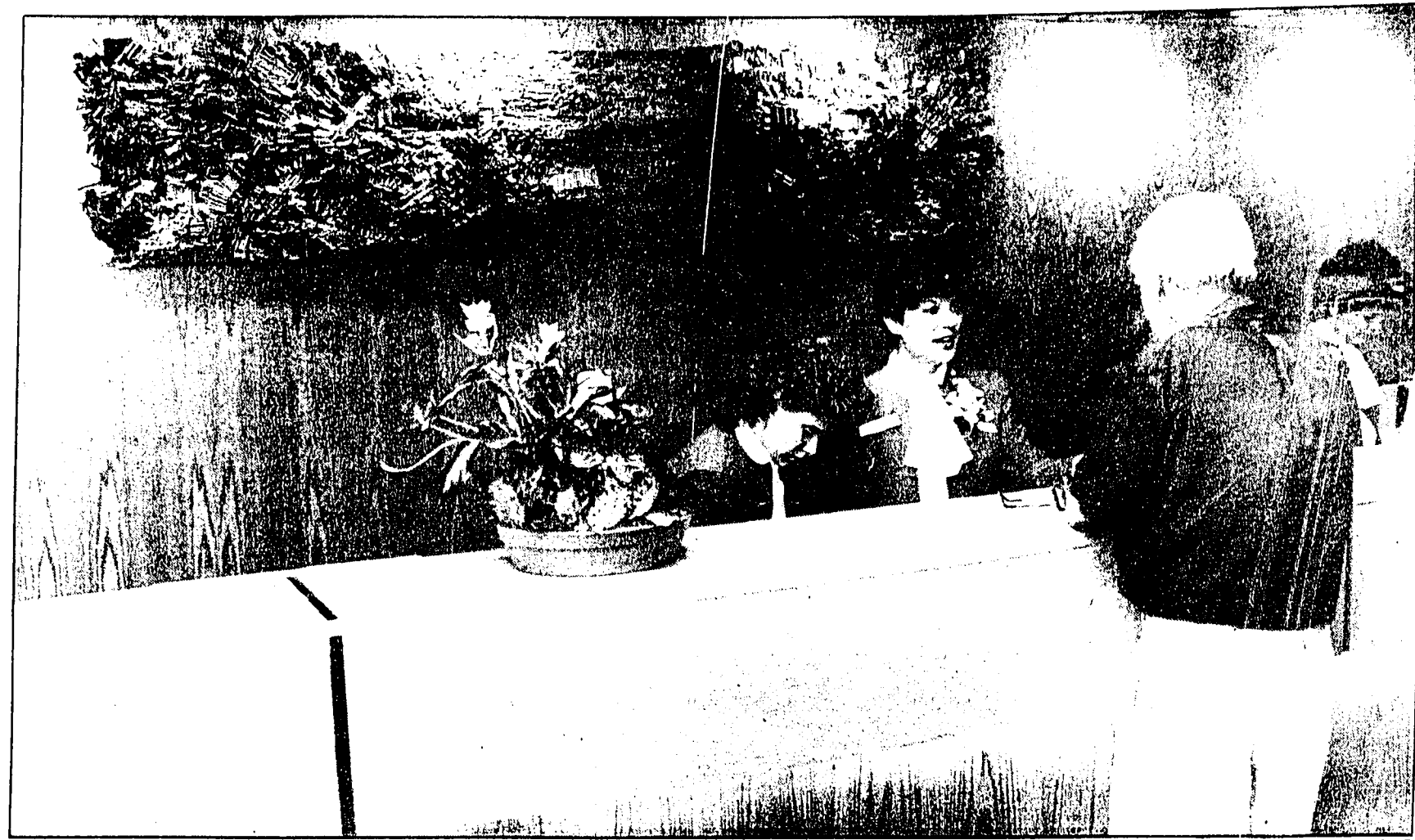
The anticipated market for the Novi Hilton is expected to lean heavily toward frequent, individual business travelers. Therefore the amenities designed especially for these traveling business men and women abound: Oversized desks to accommodate computers, electric shoe polishers and pants pressers, bathtubs, televisions in the bathrooms (so they can listen to the news while shaving or applying makeup) and complimentary breakfast.

The Novi Hilton also has made special accommodations for the handicapped traveler. But instead of relying on their own ideas as to what a handicapped guest might want, Gerak and Seibert called in a local resident who is confined to a wheelchair.

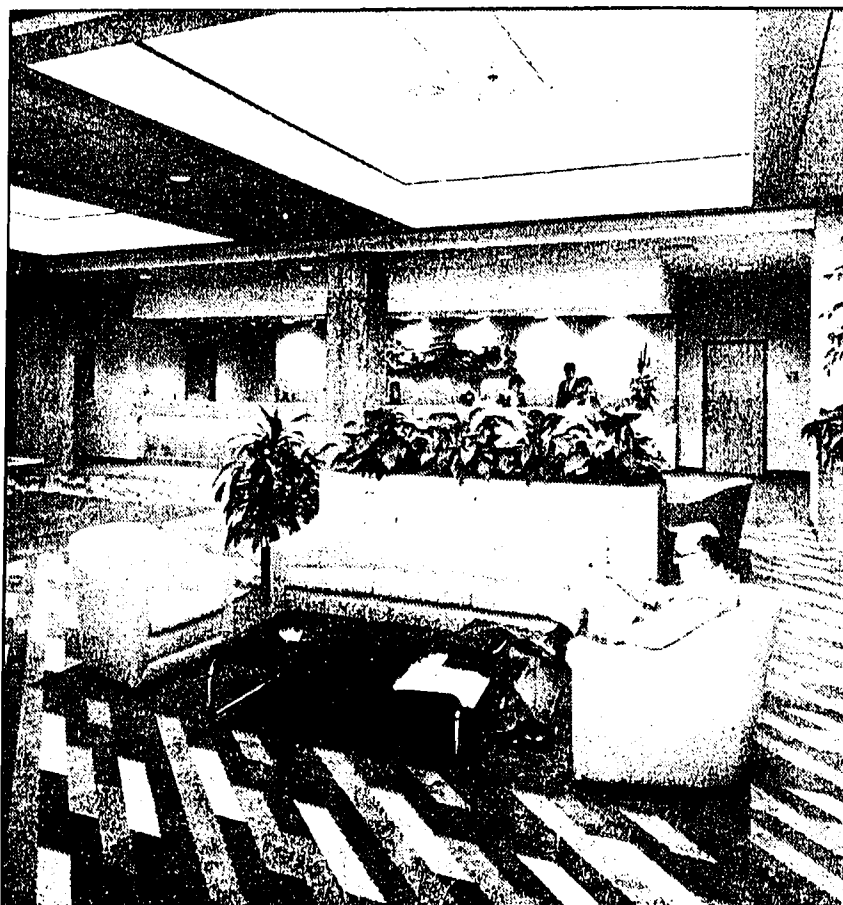
"Some of the things he came up with we never would have thought of," Seibert noted. For instance, doors to the handicapped rooms now have two peep holes — one at eye level for someone standing, the other at eye level for someone seated.

Their "expert" also noted that hotel rooms often place heavy chairs in front of the air conditioning controls. This problem has been eliminated at the Hilton. "I think we've got all the angles covered," Seibert noted.

Gerak describes the staff of over 200 as "a very vibrant young group." Many are recent Schoolcraft college graduates in various areas, he noted.



Works from some of Michigan's top artists enhance the decor at the new Novi Hilton



The lobby of the Hilton is both roomy and comfortable



Debbie Marshall displays one of the Hilton's plush conference rooms

Nearby

SUMMER YOUTH THEATER will present "Sir Slob and the Princess" at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday in the Novi Community Building. More than 20 young people from Novi and Northville are participating in the summer theater program sponsored by Novi Parks and Recreation and directed by Chris Ruona of Stage 1 Productions. Tickets for this weekend's performances are \$2 for adults, \$1 children 12 and under.

BROOK S. SHIELDS will make a special guest appearance at Hudson's at Twelve Oaks Mall from noon to 1 p.m. Monday, August 26, to promote her new line of sportswear.

COMICS AND CARDS are the featured attractions at the Comic Book and Baseball Card Show, Sunday, August 25, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 29500 Nine Mile at Middlebelt in Farmington. Admission is \$1.50 at the door.

HEARTBEAT takes the stage this week with top-40 music for listening and dancing for the first-ever engagement at the Novi Hilton's Whispers Lounge. The group performs Tuesday through Saturday night.

NOUVEAUTE brings *enchante* top-40 sounds to Anthony's Lounge at the Sheraton Oaks Tuesday through Saturday nights. For more information, phone 348-5000.

SOUTHERN SMOKE heats up the dance floor at O'Shea's Tavern, 4910 Grand River at Wixom Road, with country-rock sounds from 9 p.m. to close Thursday through Saturday. For details, call 348-4404.

CASEY CLARKE & THE JAMBOREERS chug into the Starting Gate Saloon and Restaurant at 135 North Center Street in downtown Northville this Friday and Saturday night. For information, call 349-5660.

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS comes to the Boisford Inn in Farmington Hills at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 28 when the Oakway Symphony performs with special guests pianist John Cannon and Ernest Jones. Among the planned works to be performed is Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue." Tickets are \$8 and may be purchased at Madonna College ad Hammell Music in Livonia, at Executive Office Supply in Farmington and the Boisford Inn. For ticket information, call 532-2444 or 478-6544.

A SUMMER ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW will take place Saturday, August 24 in downtown Northville in the Town Square Park by the clock on Main Street east of Sheldon. Forty craftspersons are expected to showcase their wares at the show.

THE MICHIGAN STATE FAIR opens at 10 a.m. Friday, August 23, and runs through Monday, September 2, at the State Fairgrounds in Detroit. Music, bachelorette parties, contests and livestock exhibitions are among the daily special events at the fair. Admission is \$4 for adults, children 11 and under free with companion by an adult.

THE RED GARTER BAND will perform a free concert at 7 p.m. Friday, August 23, at the West Oaks Shopping Center. The Dixieland-style band is planned in conjunction with the West Oaks "Moonlight Madness" sale.



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Future looks good for psychic group

By B.J. MARTIN
staff writer

Scorpiana peers across a table at the Sheraton Oaks hotel and says this:

"It's come to our attention that not all psychic people are spiritual people. We believe in using our psychic gifts to help people. We don't want to encourage devil-worship or witchcraft."

Her eyes and the tone of her voice project an image of utterly calm sincerity, as if she were confiding her reasons for forming a local gardening club instead of an entity she calls The Psychic Eye, Ltd.

The Psychic Eye, Ltd. is a non-profit organization dedicated to the study of what it refers to as the "esoteric sciences" (among them clairvoyance, psychometry and many others) and psychic phenomena. It opened its fifth chapter in the Detroit area this summer, this one for residents of Plymouth, Canton and Northville.

The newest chapter (a sixth is in the process of being organized in Ann Arbor) now has about 15 members and is welcoming new constituents — if they have the right spiritual orientation.

"There is the potential to develop psychic ability and tune into the lower forces," explains Scorpiana (she prefers her given name not be publicized). "A lot of cults, especially out in California, have done this. We've had to tighten up [our membership] so we can keep the energy on a high spiritual plane."

Generally, spiritually gifted people are kind, like animals, they have a peaceful temperament and they tend to meditate. . . . A person does not necessarily have to be psychic to join. But they have to be spiritual.

"People from all walks of life come to us. Usually the reason they come is something they can't explain."

Chapter functions generally consist of monthly dinner meetings with speakers, classes, meditation circles, readings and parties. Among the planned activities are a "Psychic Night at the Races" and an annual ghost story-telling party. "The only difference," Scorpiana adds, "is that we've got the

Scorpiana: 'People from all walks of life come to us. Usually the reason they come is something they can't explain...'

real stuff.

But there is a larger agenda to The Psychic Eye's aims, she says. "When I'd founded it, I'd intended it to be a national organization," she explains. "I expect it will be an awesome force for national and international use. I see it as a network of helping people become more enlightened."

"We're not out to force our opinions on people. We like people to think for themselves. I think skepticism is healthy to a certain degree."

Scorpiana herself was the skeptical type. But she confides that a sudden spiritual-psychic awakening and subsequent prophetic dreams have persuaded her the supernatural world is very real.

"I remember one night seeing an angelic form and being surrounded by light. It was so bright I literally thought the room was on fire."

From then on, she was convinced. "The difference between a psychic and someone going to church is that churchgoers hear about prophetic things and have no way of knowing if it's a psychic experience. It. Once you've had a spiritual encounter, life becomes full of questions. Your values change. But there is no doubt in your mind what



Scorpiana is starting a local chapter of The Psychic Eye

soever that there is a life after death. "I remember hearing all that stuff when I was younger, but it was always skeptical. But now there's no doubt in my mind that a higher force guides you through your life."

Scorpiana, a guest on local television and radio talk shows, herself does weekly individual readings at various locations, including the Sheraton Oaks in Novi. "Usually, I use cards or candle wax drippings when I do readings," she says. "Most people ask about their love life, but I hate it when they ask when they're going to die. I don't want to have to tell them when they're going to die."

Scorpiana herself is designing a deck of cards for fortune-telling based on animals and plants in nature. She hopes to have it placed on a national market by this Christmas.

Scorpiana, along with psychics Marlene Wilson, Jan Jarrell and Elaine Ulrich will be among the guests at this month's meeting of the Plymouth-Canton-Northville chapter of the Psychic Eye. The public is invited to come to the meeting, which will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, August 26 at the Plymouth Hilton. For more information on The Psychic Eye, phone headquarters at (313) 356-6354.

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ORDINANCE 85-18.09**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council has adopted Ordinance 85-18.09, an Ordinance to amend Subsection 7 of Section 1602 of Ordinance No. 84-18, as amended, the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance, to permit Multiple-Family Dwellings within the Town Center District subject to the conditions therein imposed.

A Public Hearing having been held hereon pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Act 207 of the Public Acts of 1921, as amended, the provisions of this Ordinance take effect fifteen (15) days after adoption. The Ordinance was adopted on August 19, 1985 and the effective date is September 3, 1985. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public purchase, use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45225 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., local time.

Geraldine Stipp
City Clerk

(8/21/85 NR, NN)

**CITY OF NOVI
NOTICE OF ENACTMENT
ORDINANCE 85-119**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance 85-119, an Ordinance to provide for the protection of wetlands and watercourses throughout the City of Novi; to reduce the need for private and public expenditures related to flood and pollution control; to require use permits for activities within wetlands and watercourses; to establish standards and procedures for the issuing of such use permits; and to provide penalties for violations of this ordinance.

This Ordinance was declared to be an emergency ordinance which is immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety. It shall become effective immediately upon adoption. The Ordinance was adopted August 19, 1985, and the effective date is August 19, 1985. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45225 W. Ten Mile Road, during regular office hours.

Geraldine Stipp,
City Clerk

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**CITY OF NOVI
NOTICE
REQUEST FOR BIDS — FUEL OIL**

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Regular Gasoline, Unleaded Gasoline and Diesel Fuel according to the specifications of the City of Novi.

Sealed bids will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, 45225 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48050 until 2:00 P.M., prevailing eastern time, Thursday, August 29, 1985. Bids will be publicly opened and read at that time. Envelopes must be plainly marked, "FUEL BIDS," and must bear the name of the bidder.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, or any part of the same, to waive any irregularities, and to make the award in a manner that is in the best interest of the City of Novi.

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As We See It

No easy answers to traffic problem

The most difficult aspect of the city's growing traffic concern is the realization that Novi is just one small part of a much larger traffic problem in Oakland County.

Residents seem to be constantly reminding city officials that they moved to this community for its rural atmosphere. As getting from home to work or from store to store becomes increasingly difficult, many residents are beginning to realize that their "rural" community is really not all that rural anymore.

One half the traffic chaos is a result of Novi's own growth pattern, the other half from the growth outside city boundaries.

In addressing the first half of the problem — the growth within Novi — the city's planners are still floundering with their primary line of attack: "marginal access roads." These are roads which run parallel to a major thoroughfare. They reduce the number of driveways onto a heavily traveled road by providing access to a number of businesses from one entry point.

The city has tried unsuccessfully to implement marginal access roads at several locations in the city, particularly along the west side of Novi Road opposite Twelve Oaks Mall. Original plans called for all businesses north of West Oaks Drive to be serviced by a single marginal access road, but the city had difficulty getting the road established. Planners are encouraging or requiring developers to construct buildings far enough away from property lines to permit marginal access roads, but no plans for construction of such roads have materialized.

The Eight Mile/Haggerty Road intersection is another location where marginal access roads were recommended, but never implemented. In this instance, the access road was proposed by the city's police department. Traffic officials warned that the combination of the McDonald's restaurant and the Elias Brothers Big Boy Restaurant on this heavily traveled corner would create the potential for tremendous traffic jams and a high volume of accidents.

The narrow configuration of the parcels for the two restaurants and their inability or unwillingness to purchase bigger parcels to accommodate the access roads resulted in this recommendation being scrapped. Consequently, the anticipated traffic problems at this location already are a reality. Novi Police report 18 traffic accidents at the intersection since January — and Northville's Meijer Thrifty Acres has not been open long enough for its impact to be included in the statistics.

Marginal access roads now are being discussed and planned along the Grand River Avenue corridor. This was one of the most important aspects of the Grand River study. If these access roads are not provided, the zoning changes made along Grand River in the interest of controlling development and preventing traffic problems will have little impact.

But what of the traffic coming through Novi, backing up at every Haggerty Road intersection along the city's eastern border. It is not enough for Novi to handle its own

traffic; right now it must deal with vehicles coming from all points north, rushing to reach the freeways each weekday morning. It is on this level that Novi residents must accept their traffic problems as part of a much larger county-wide issue.

Many residents do not realize that local tax dollars go toward the construction and upkeep of local roads only. County roads, which include Haggerty and all the mile roads, are improved and repaired with county dollars, or with state and federal dollars allocated by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT).

As county and state officials are quick to point out, the allocation of these dollars follows very complex formulas that even they have difficulty explaining. For traffic nightmares throughout the county, only \$600,000 from the county's general fund is dedicated for road improvements — a mere pittance considering the magnitude of the problem in rapidly growing areas such as Novi, Troy and Rochester.

Other funds come from state fuel and vehicle taxes divided up among the state's 83 county road commissions and the thousands of city and township road commissions. Because these taxes are allocated for roads, the county government has taken the position that major allocations for roads should not come from county coffers. However, as Road Commission Director John Grubba notes, the county is actively pursuing economic development throughout the county. This development depends on an adequate road system. But when road improvements are made to accommodate growth, the resulting increase in county revenues benefits the county general fund exclusively.

Grubba points out that county revenues were \$51.9 million in 1974; the road commission's was \$30.8 million. In 1985 the county general fund revenues were \$216 million (a 316 percent increase); while the road commission's were \$44.9 million (a 45 percent increase).

Clearly the solution to traffic problems in Novi and elsewhere in the county will not come from any one source. There are measures such as marginal access roads that the local government can take to improve the situation. Beyond that, however, local officials can only continue to pressure county and state officials to resolve the road funding inequities and to take action on problems such as the need for another 1-96 access ramp between Commerce and Novi.

Novi officials have done more than their share in this regard, having supplied the state with ideas for solving the traffic problems along Haggerty when none were forthcoming from state or county road personnel. The state subsequently organized its own study of traffic conditions along Twelve Mile from Haggerty to Southfield. This study area was recently extended to include Novi.

With traffic along Twelve Mile and traffic along Haggerty Road still in these "study" phases, the situation along both thoroughfares is likely to get much worse before it gets any better.

Letters welcome

This newspaper welcomes Letters to the Editor. We ask, however, that they be issue oriented, confined to 500 words and that they contain the signature, address and telephone number of the writer. Names will be withheld on request.

quest, but a brief explanation of why the request is being made should accompany the letter. Deadline for submission is 3:30 p.m. Monday. We reserve the right to edit letters for brevity, clarity and libel.

Birthday party frightens dad



Kevin Wilson

My personal list of prohibited risks-to-life-and-limb has been expanded by one. The list includes such mundane items as driving northbound in the southbound lanes of I-275 at 100 miles per hour, jumping out of airplanes, piloting a barrel over Niagara Falls, and reading Joseph Sobran when my sense of humor is at low ebb. The new addition is the most fearsome risk of all — hosting a birthday party/backyard barbecue for a three-year-old.

It was more than two weeks ago now, so my pulse has returned to normal and the wounds are starting to heal, but the simple act of reflection is enough to quicken my heartbeat and make the scabs itch. I might have stayed out of psychoanalysis had the guest list not rapidly expanded in the last three days before the big event. Fortunately, they didn't all show up.

The guest-of-honor's mother had to go to work that weekend, so it fell to her obedient servant to dash about on Saturday, birthday-boy-to-be in tow, making preparations for the big event scheduled late Sunday. Certain things are beyond contemplation, though, so the nine-month-old (who will never have such a party) was deposited with the sitter.

Five, count them, five trips to various grocery stores, butcher shops, produce markets and liquor stores later, wonder-boy and I dragged our numbed limbs into the house long enough to drink Kool-Aid and contemplate the vicious nature of Saturday shoppers. Knowing smirks from the woman who only had to care for cardiac patients for eight hours did not help my mood as I weaved through traffic to pick up the baby, drop him at home and return to the produce market for more ears of corn for roasting and more cake. The anticipated crowd required at least 25 ears of corn on-hand and enough cakes to feed all of Marie Antoinette's France.

The rest of Saturday was easy. Feeding time at the Wilson zoo, baths for the boys, and the long-awaited bedtime were followed by assembly of a Big Wheel and the wrapping of various oddly shaped packages. I stopped looking at the clock at 3 a.m. — too discouraging.

In sight

By Steve Fecht



Wings

Wife's stunned by thoughtful gift



Philip Jerome

Garage sales are not my bag. Now I realize some people like nothing better than driving around to look at other people's discards. It's just that I'm not one of them.

Every garage sale I've ever been to seems to have the same old junk. And why anybody would want to buy that stuff is an absolute mystery to me.

But garage-sale junkies may be happy to learn that I finally found something worth buying . . . and it happened at a garage sale in my very own neighborhood.

I was really just paying a social call, stopping by to see how mad my neighbors were at me after the column about the lady in the aerobics class with the geese she calls "the guys."

And, lo and behold, as I was engaging the ladies in conciliatory chatter, I spotted them — four beautiful matched glasses in bright colors of red and blue, except, of course, for the gorilla who was colored brown.

"How much for the Godzilla glasses?" I asked anxiously.

Anticipation so overwhelmed the youngster that on the actual day, he decided he wanted to cancel the whole thing. Too scary. I was beginning to agree. Sunday became a self-contradictory mix of mad activity interspersed with efforts to convince the focus of the hurricane that a birthday party was "no big deal, just some company coming over for dinner." Heaven took pity on us, cancelled all scheduled heart attacks in the Dearborn area that day and allowed the kid's mom to come home four hours early. No pay for those four hours, but who cares at a time like that?

Memory of the remainder of the day is a sketchy pastiche of scenes that includes a flow of hamburgers, hot dogs and ears of corn across the top of the grill, fights over new toys, crying and soiled babies, bandages on burns, tripping over great-grandpa's old dog and snapping too few photos. Examining the refrigerator later told more of the story.

Evidently, the shortage of guests with teeth capable of tackling an ear of roast corn-on-the-cob left us with 16 ears. This due to a few no-shows and our failure to subtract infants and senior family members from the shopping list. No-shows, diabetics and dieters left us with one layer cake in the freezer (reserved for future use) and another gorgeous teddy-bear cake made of rubbery, inedible angel-food. It stares at me accusingly, absent both legs, one arm and an ear, from a perch on the top shelf of the refrigerator.

The kid got over his fear of the battery-powered toy drill, loves the water colors, still can't pedal the Big Wheel, brags about his new clothes and tells everyone he meets that he's "three years old, now." Otherwise, his life has returned to normal. My therapist says I should be okay by October — just in time for his younger brother's birthday.

God Next Exit/America 5 Miles



B.J. Martin

"If you don't believe in God yet," Chris said as he wheeled our mini-van southward at Rock Springs, Wyoming, "you will pretty soon."

I'd been in some doubt of His existence for the last couple of days. I was baffled as to why The Almighty could not provide some sort of shortcut through Iowa and Nebraska. But the sun was setting over the mesas of western Utah as we sped toward southern California, and already I felt a supernatural chill at the sheer scale of the countryside.

Late at night, in the desert, Chris pulled over to introduce me to what the sky really looks like at night. From horizon to horizon there were no clouds and enough stars to drive someone mad if one stared at them long enough. As I looked at them, I couldn't help thinking about the Greek myths related to the constellations. Before, I had wondered what on earth could have inspired someone to write such wildly imaginative legends. For the first

time, I could see with perfect clarity it wasn't something on earth at all.

We hit Las Vegas at about 10 a.m., a strange time, with all the neon signs turned off, and all the visitors trying to sleep off the night before. I pushed a nickel into a slot machine and pulled the handle. Grapes, then an orange, then a lemon.

All of a sudden, I'd never felt so ridiculous. This was Las Vegas? This was the place people couldn't wait to visit, the place where you couldn't get a hotel room on a Friday night? I guess I should have suspected I would be out of sync in a town where Elvis Presley impersonators and Wayne Newton sell out every show.

"Welcome to Southern California. Now go home," read countless bumper stickers hurtling along the manic Los Angeles freeways. It was easy to understand the sentiment. I had a hard time picturing how the L.A. area could maintain its present rate of growth, since already the city's expressways required a suspension of logic to drive. At warp speed, bumper-to-bumper, the vehicles whipped in and out of tiny pockets in the traffic flow.

California is a miniature United States.

Everything is there: deserts, mountains, lakes, seacoasts, huge cities, virgin forests. It's no wonder the state has inspired so many second-hand jokes, and it's no wonder so many political honchos figure if they can make it there, they can make it anywhere. From Richard Nixon and Ronald Reagan to Tom Hayden and Jerry Brown, there's more than enough of a political prism for any country.

Well, I'm back from vacation now, and my horizons have shrunk from the Grand Canyon and the Pacific Ocean to perimeter of my word processor. Oddly, it hasn't been hard to adjust. I still feel Northville is important. Novi is still important. So are the stories that affect them.

About one I wrapped up this week — the third part of *Kids Games*, an examination of issues in local sports for children: Some people may remember I coached a girls' soccer team in Northville, and that my recent article's prescription of fair playing time for everyone in youth sports was one I myself violated many times as a coach.

I was wrong. That was a mistake, and I'm sorry I made it. I'll bet the girls I coached are sorry, too.

Why the change of heart? Call it seeing God out West.



Novi News/RICK SMITH

Not Sir Slob

Wendy Pierman is cast as "The Princess" when the youngsters in a summer theater workshop co-sponsored by Stage 1 Productions and Novi Parks and Recreation present "Sir Slob and the Princess" this Friday and Saturday, August 23-24, in the Novi Community Building on Novi Road between Grand River and I-96. Curtain time is 7 p.m. both nights. All cast members in the fairytale farce are between the ages of 8 and 12 years. Tickets are priced at \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 12 and under. Tickets may be obtained at the door or at the Parks and Recreation office on Sixthgate. For more information call 349-1976 or 669-4050.

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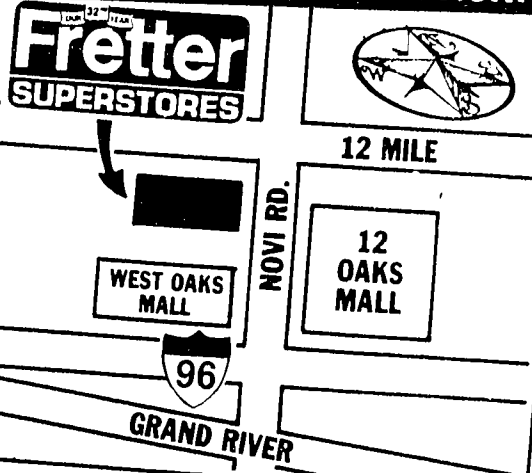
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Employers moving toward part-time jobs

After the birth of her son, Carol negotiated to resume her job as a clinical researcher, working just three days a week. Her part-time position lets her spend more time with her children and continue her career — the best of both worlds, she says.

Rhonda works part-time, but not by choice. The supermarket where she is a cashier hires only hourly employees in order to avoid paying overtime and fringe benefits.

To make ends meet, she cleans office buildings at night, and she babysits, putting in more than 60 hours a week at minimum wage.

Some call it opportunity; some say exploitation. Part-time employment is a fast-growing phenomenon in the American work force, according to Joyce L. Kornbluh, research scientist at the University of Michigan's Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations.

"In 1982, one out of every five American workers was employed on a part-time basis, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Some studies have predicted that half of all jobs will be part-time by the year 2000," she said.

In professions such as dentistry or medicine, part-time work offers practitioners such attractions as flexible hours and more time for family, education and leisure pursuits.

But in the rapidly expanding service sector, the advantages of part-time employment are more heavily weighted on the side of the employer, Kornbluh said.

"Relatively few part-time employees receive paid vacations, health insurance, pensions or other benefits beyond Social Security," she noted. In 1982, they earned an average of \$3.88 per hour, compared to a \$6.44 average for full-time workers. Part-timers have little job security or opportunities for advancement.

Employers not only save on labor costs but can increase productivity by scheduling part-timers during peak business hours, Kornbluh pointed out.

Financial planner launches phone-in program on radio

Ron Davies, a local financial planner, is hosting a new phone-in radio program called "Ron Davies Financial Spectrum" on WPON (1460 AM) every Sunday from 5-6 p.m.

Each week Financial Spectrum will address different areas of personal finance, including how to reduce income taxes, staying ahead of inflation and what is good financial planning. The show's format consists of four 15-minute segments, each followed by a phone-in, question-and-answer period.

R.O. Davies & Associates is a 20-year-old financial planning firm based in Bloomfield Hills. The firm currently handles investment portfolios with a combined worth of \$75 million on behalf of more than 500 clients.

A native of Fraser, Michigan, Davies spent five years in the Detroit Tiger farm system after an outstanding amateur career as a left-handed pitcher. He has maintained close ties with the Tiger organization and has several professional athletes among his clients.

"For example, many banks hire extra tellers for the noon-hour shift. Similar patterns are apparent in retail outlets and fast-food chains."

The people who fill these positions also are changing, said the U-M labor expert.

"Part-time jobs were once considered suitable only for teenagers, retirees or persons who were either unmotivated or incapable of filling fulltime jobs."

"Now we are seeing a dramatic increase in the number of people who are working part-time because they are unable to find fulltime positions," Kornbluh said.

"This category more than doubled between 1970 and 1982 from 2.9 million to 5.8 million. The number of involuntary part-time workers is the highest every since the Bureau of Labor Statistics began keeping records 30 years ago."

The majority of such workers are women, who likewise are concentrated in the lower-paying service industries, Kornbluh said. "While men hold 30 percent of all part-time jobs, they are likely to be moonlighting to augment a fulltime salary. For women, it is often the only option."

As the part-time job market continues to expand, Kornbluh sees a need to ensure part-time employees more parity with their full-time counterparts.

"We need legislation that protects part-timers with some benefits," she said. "Raising the minimum wage would help, since many are paid at minimum wage."

Another solution, she believes, is to shorten the work day. "A six-hour work day would coincide with school schedules and enable both men and women to spend more time with their children," she suggested. "The 40-hour work week was established during the 1930s. Why not set it at 35 hours, or 30?"

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Hospital photo shows pulverization equipment in use

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following first-person story was written by Ann Chowdhury of Northville, a free lance writer for The News and a patient who had a kidney stone removed successfully in a new method being welcomed as a major scientific breakthrough.

By ANN CHOWDHURY
special writer

Exactly three months ago, on May 21, I found myself literally up to the neck in warm water and waiting for more than 1,000 shock waves to start pounding through my body. I looked up at the life preserver someone had hung over the bath with a "Swim at Your Own Risk" sign attached. The attempt at humor helped relieve my tension.

This was not your everyday kind of bathtub. It had cost about \$2 million and was designed to deliver powerful acoustic shock waves to the "bather" at the rate of about one per second. If I were fortunate, an hour's treatment would pulverize the large stone lodged in my only kidney.

In January, my urologist, Dr. Virinder Bhardwaj at Oak Creek Medical Center in Livonia, had shown me the stone on an X-ray. "That kidney is your lifeline," he said, "and to protect it the stone has to come out of there. You don't have another kidney to rely on so we mustn't wait too long."

I had already experienced episodes with high fevers and extreme weakness in the previous weeks and written them off as flu. They were, in fact, the result of an infection caused by the stone.

Small tasks were beginning to seem large burdens. Christmas had loomed ahead like a chore instead of a joy. I had not even had the energy to bake cookies, and decorating the tree had left me exhausted.

There were two methods, the doctor told me, for removing the stone. One was open surgery during which the stone would be lifted out in one piece. It was major surgery with about two weeks in the hospital and a long, eight-week recuperation. The other was percutaneous removal, whereby the stone would be broken with shock waves sent through a tube inserted into my kidney through my side.

The latter method was less traumatic but still a major procedure and, if it caused bleeding in the kidney, I would have to have open surgery anyway.

I knew that kidneys were occasionally lost in such surgery, and I did not have a second one as a back up. The possibility, however remote, of having to rely on dialysis for the rest of my life or the need for a transplant was frightening.

The doctor understood my reluctance for surgery on that only kidney and encouraged me to investigate a new method of removing kidney stone which was only just being approved for use by the F.D.A.

He warned me that it was not yet available in Michigan nor covered by most health insurance plans.

He sent me for a second opinion to Dr. Joseph Cerny, chairman of urology at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, who already had sent several patients for the new treatment to Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis.

The treatment is called Extracorporeal Shock Wave Lithotripsy. Extracorporeal means outside the body and lithotripsy means stone pulverizing.

The patient is placed in a bathtub-like device, and acoustic waves are generated underwater by a "spark plug" electrode. Ignition of the electrode generates a spark which vaporizes a small amount of water. This causes a pressure wave to pass through the water and biological tissue to the stone. Multiple ignitions aimed at the stone result in its pulverization but do not damage the surrounding tissue. The gravel resulting from the stone is passed, usually painlessly, in the urine.

Dr. Cerny told me the method had been developed in West Germany by Dornier, an aerospace manufacturer, with the cooperation of urologists from the University of Munich. He said the treatment is to medicine what the Wright brothers' first flight was to aviation.

It's the most striking advance in the treatment of kidney stone disease ever, a stupendous advance for the preservation of kidney function.

Unfortunately, it is not for everyone. There are height and weight limits and certain medical conditions that make the procedure unwise. Adults as old as 85 and children as young as three have been treated successfully, however.

Fortunately, I met the medical criteria, and my health insurance plan agreed to cover the cost. It would be less than

SHOCK Treatment

Up to her neck in water,
Ann Chowdhury awaited a pounding
that was literally for her own good



Ann Chowdhury finishes up her story

Novi News/STEVE FECHT

open surgery — \$4,600 as opposed to \$6,200.

The waiting list, however, was a long one. I was taking antibiotics to keep infection at bay, and the stone was pretty uncomfortable at times. If it moved, or complications arose, I realized I would have to go ahead with surgery, but I decided to try to wait it out.

Often I would wake up at night, conscious of a nagging, tender spot in my side. It was a bit like living with a time bomb.

Finally the long wait was over, and I lay strapped to an operating platform which had been lowered into the bath with an overhead crane. My arms were strapped alongside my head, and my body was numb from my underarms to my toes.

The medical team positioned me so that the energy of the shock waves would be concentrated on the stone.

Dr. James Lingeman, a Methodist Hospital urologist and one of the first doctors to go to Germany to learn the new procedure, was now in charge of my case.

He instructed me to breathe shallowly and not to try to speak or move as the shocks were delivered. The doctors said, could see the stone on a screen because of the two X-ray monitors in place over my abdomen. They would monitor the progress of the stone as the shocks proceeded.

There was a bright flash under my right side and a loud bang. Then the shocks started to come in quick succession, like a jack hammer. It didn't hurt. All I could feel was a slight sensation in my side like someone flicking.

From time to time the shocks were stopped, and I was repositioned in the bath.

"It's breaking up," I heard someone say and tried to remain relaxed despite a surge of relief. I tried counting the shocks but was lightheaded with valium and could not keep count for long. It was well into the hundreds.

Then it started to get uncomfortable as the anesthetic began to wear off. The shocks started to feel more like a punch in the stomach than a gentle flick in the side. Dr. Lingeman, who kept watching me closely, noticed me wince, and the shocks stopped immediately until more anesthetic took effect.

The discomfort was never such that I regretted not having gone the more usual route and asking for a general anesthetic. I enjoyed visualizing the stone breaking up more with every shock. It was like being a conscious participant in my own return to health. I couldn't help thinking what the alternatives would have been had the stone only been found a few weeks earlier, before this method was available.

About 45 minutes and a total of 1,000 shocks later Dr. Lingeman said, "It's all broken up now. Just 200 more for good measure."

I tried counting them off in 50s and the feeling of relief as they came to an end was euphoric.

The whole medical team shared my happiness as though they were all enjoying being part of a procedure that is revolutionizing the treatment of one of the most painful diseases known.

"I am going to write about this when I get home," I told them as they lifted me out of the bath.

"Just be sure to spell our names right," one of them quipped.

Most of the next day was spent wandering around the hospital corridors, glass of water in hand, following my instructions to walk and drink a lot to help the gravel pass. Other patients were doing the same, and we compared notes and marveled at the new procedure that had enabled us to avoid major surgery.

The only evidence of the shock waves were a few slight bruises across my back and abdomen — nothing compared with the scars that would have resulted from surgery.

Next morning Dr. Lingeman released me from the hospital. I was free to travel back to Northville. No more antibiotics, no more waking up at night wondering about that nagging tenderness in my side.

After a good night's sleep at home I went to work energetically digging my garden, trying to make up for this year's late start.

I thought as I worked of what Dr. Lingeman had said. "The inventors of the lithotripter deserve the Nobel prize. It was a brilliant idea and brilliantly executed. It is as easy to use as pushing a button. It is less painful, costs less, shortens the hospital stay and has fewer complications." To me it is nothing short of a miracle.

Wixom plans hunter safety class

Wixom Parks and Recreation is accepting registrations for a Hunters' Safety Clinic to be held at the Birch Park Hunt Club in Wixom on Saturday and Sunday, August 31 and September 1.

Students who complete the course will receive state certificates which are required for obtaining a hunting license. The course is open to all pre-registered students who will be 12 during the hunting season through 16 years old. Adults also are encouraged to attend.

The course is free to Wixom residents; there's a \$1 fee for non-residents. To register or for more information call Wixom City Hall at 624-4557.

COMMUNITY ED: The Walled Lake Community Education Department will conduct registrations for its fall session beginning the week of September 2.

Credit classes will begin the week of September 12, while swimming, enrichment and fitness classes will begin the week of September 16.

Offered during the fall session will be a wide variety of adult, youth, senior

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citizen, leisure-time and recreational classes, activities and leagues. For more information call Walled Lake Community Ed at 624-4202.

PROVIDENCE/NOVI: Volunteers are needed to staff the information desk at the Providence Hospital Ambulatory Care Center in Novi. Duties include greeting visitors, escorting patients and transporting patients in wheelchairs. Openings are available Monday through Friday during the day. For additional information or to schedule an interview appointment call Jeanne Pederspill, director of volunteer services, at Providence Hospital in Southfield, 424-3300.

WIXOM-WIRE MUSEUM: The Wixom Wire Museum will be open every Sun-

day throughout the summer from 1-5 p.m. Located at the corner of North Wixom and Maple roads, the historic house/museum is fully furnished with period pieces.

An exhibit of mementoes of the World War II years of 1941-45 will be on display during the month of August. Admission is free. For more information call Mary Nau at 624-1784.

CCC CLASSES: Regular registration for the 1985 fall semester at Oakland Community College will be held September 3-4 according to an alphabetical schedule from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Fall semester classes officially begin Thursday, September 5, at 8 a.m. Applications for the 1985 fall semester currently are being accepted. New students should contact an admis-

sions counselor at the campus of their choice for a schedule of classes and information on admission procedures. The number of the Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills is 471-7500; the number of the Highland Lakes campus in Union Lake is 360-3000.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC: The Oakland County Health Division will offer an immunization clinic for Walled Lake and surrounding areas at Wixom Elementary School on Tuesday, September 3, from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Immunizations will be available for measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough. A parent or legal guardian must accompany children under 18 and should bring any previous immunization records, including notices from the child's school.

WALLED LAKE OLHSA: The Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency's (OLHSA) field services office in Walled Lake has been relocated to Walled Lake Western High School (Room A-125) on Beck Road. The phone number remains unchanged, 624-5520.

In Uniform

Navy Fireman **KELLY MORGAN** has reported for duty aboard the destroyer tender USS Samuel Gompers, homeported in Alameda, California.

A 1981 Novi high school graduate, she is the daughter of James and Donna Morgan of Clark Street in Novi. She joined the Navy in October 1984.

Navy Seaman Recruit **DAVID PERRY** has completed the Basic Yeoman Course. The son of Lewis Perry of Grand River in Novi, he joined the Navy in March 1985.

During the nine-week course at the Naval Technical Training Center in Meridian, Mississippi, Perry received instructions in office organization, English, typing and filing. He also studied correspondence procedures, records preparation, administrative reporting requirements and office management procedures.

Army Private **ERIK HAASETH** has completed one station unit training (OSUT) at the U.S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia. A 1984 Walled Lake Central graduate, he is the son of Iven and Linda Haaseth of Walled Lake.

OSUT is a 12-week period which combines basic combat training and advanced individual training.

Captain **GERALD SPARKS** has graduated from the U.S. Army engineer officer advanced course at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He graduated from Michigan State University in 1978 and is the son of McClellan and Aileen Sparks of Walled Lake.

During the course emphasis was placed on the engineer's role to plan and provide support of combined arms operations in a hostile environment. Students also received instruction in management principles.

Sparks is scheduled to serve with Headquarters, V Corps, in West Germany.

Staff Sergeant **LAURA LUCKER** has participated in Global Shield 85, an exercise involving U.S. Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, Navy and Marine Corps units as well as elements of the Canadian forces. A 1979 Walled Lake Western graduate, she is the daughter of Kay Garland of Wixom and William Garland of Pontiac.

Lucker is an administration specialist with the 410th Bombardment Wing at K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base.

Engagements
The engagement of Karen Ann Bray to Richard William Cronkhlite is announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Bray of Milford.

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Weddings



MR. AND MRS. DONALD McDONALD

A wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, followed the marriage of Diane Marie Barnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Barnes of Glibar in Novi, and Donald Andrew McDonald at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Farmington.

The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Donald McDonald of Old Orchard in Novi. They previously lived in Northville for 17 years.

Officiating at the double-ring service April 26 were Father Kean D. Cronin, first cousin of the bride's father, and Father John Orman, a friend of the bridegroom's family. During the service red roses were presented to the parents of the couple and to "Our Blessed Mother" as Chris Vogel sang "Ave Maria."

The bride's gown was of matte taffeta and Alencon lace embroidered with pearls. It was fashioned with leg-of-mutton sleeves and an illusion yoke. A satin and pearl headband held the sculptured veil. White silk roses, stephanotis, baby's breath and ivy were used for the bridal bouquet. The bride carried a white Irish linen handkerchief with embroidered shamrocks which her mother brought her from Ireland.

The bride's cousin Anne McClorey was honor maid. Bridesmaids were Eileen and Sue Barnes, sisters of the bride, Laurie McDonald, sister of the bridegroom, and Moira Witmer. They wore dusty blue taffeta tea-length gowns with embroidered white organza overskirts.

Toni and David McDonald, niece and nephew of the bridegroom, were flower girl and ring bearer respectively.

Paul McDonald was best man for his brother. Ushers were brothers of the couple, Tom and Doug McDonald and Bob and Denny Barnes.

A reception for 250 guests followed at Glen Oaks Country Club in Farmington Hills.

The bride, a 1981 graduate of Our Lady of Mercy High School, is head bookkeeper at Steve Hagopian and Company in Southfield. The bridegroom, a 1979 graduate of Catholic Central High School, is a salesman at RAM Communications in Southfield. They are making their home in Farmington.

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Girl Scouts announce fall plans

By JEANNE CLARKE
special writer

All Novi area girls from kindergarten through eighth grade are being invited to attend a special program entitled "Glow Around With Us" at Middle School North on Saturday, September 7.

The program is being sponsored by the Novi Girl Scouts to explain the advantages of becoming a part of the Girl Scout program. Invited to attend are girls who were Scouts last year, girls who may have dropped out of Scouts and girls who have never been Scouts. Parents and other adults interested in helping with the program also are encouraged to attend.

Activities will include crafts, songs and games as well as workshops in clowning, mime and cake decorating. There will be a nominal charge for the day, and each girl should bring a sandwich, "Sides" and a beverage will be provided. Call Jill Streit at 348-6786 for more information.

Adult leaders are reminded to register for the Great Escape Weekend at Camps Nardin and Metamora on October 4-6. The fee is \$25 for two nights' lodging, meals, snacks and more than 50 workshops.

COMMUNITY ED: Registrations are now being accepted for the CARE Program offered by the Novi Community Education Department. CARE is modeled after "latchkey" programs which provide child care supervision before the start of school in the morning and after the close of school in the afternoon.

Now in its second year, CARE programs will be offered at all three elementary schools plus Middle School North. School leaders are Chris Balagala assisted by Sue Carlson at Village Oaks, Joan Weinberg assisted by Debbie Korek at Orchard Hills, and Linda Kessler assisted by Lori Phillips at Novi Woods. More information about CARE is available by calling Program Specialist Dolores Vedro at 348-1200.

Community Ed also is accepting registrations for fall preschool programs. Classes include "Three's Play and Learn" and "Creative Expressions" for four-year-olds. Call 348-1200 for more information.

Residents interested in Adult High School Completion credit courses should call Program Coordinator Sharon Campbell at 348-1200 to schedule an appointment.

NOVI LIBRARY: The Novi Library's Summer Reading Club was a huge success as 348 children read more than 2,465 books. Some 235 children earned certificates and 161 children attended the awards program featuring Ming the Magnificent and Barbara.

The summer crafts program also proved to be successful with a total of 103 children attending.

The library will screen two free films for children on Friday, August 30, at 1 p.m. Films to be shown are "The Little Mermaid" and "Cat in the Hat."

Teens are reminded that the library has a "Teen Alley" section geared specifically to teenage interests. Included are a fantasy series for young adults, a list of humor books for teens and a variety of books regarding college.

The library offers information on how individuals can donate books or other equipment to honor a specific individual. All contributions are tax deductible.

CO-OP NURSERY: The Novi Co-op Nursery will be starting soon with classes for two, three and four-year-olds at the Novi Methodist Church.

There are openings for three and four-year-olds, but the class for two-year-olds is filled and has a waiting list. Joan Sellen will be starting her ninth year as teacher of the co-op nursery. She will be assisted by parents.

Co-op Officers are Paula Alpert, president; Kathy McCorty, vice-president for four-year-olds; Carol Borsanelli, vice-president for three-year-olds; Sharon Szymke, secretary; Linda Saxton, treasurer; and Jane Dean, membership chairman.

The Co-op Nursery is planning a raffle with first prize to be a free train trip and hotel accommodations in Toronto, courtesy of Bennett's Travel Service.

Second prize will be dinner for two at the Country Epicure and third prize will be a Christmas turkey from Jack's Meat Market. The drawing will be held the Christmas Tree Lighting Program in December.

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Leslie Timko. Special guests were the birthday girl's two great grandmothers, Mrs. Betsy Clarke of Waterford and Mrs. Travis of Northville.

Local residents dining at the Country Epicure on Grand River last week were Dr. Steve Minns, Geraldine Stipp, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Serra, Mr. and Mrs. John Calandro, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kelber, Mrs. Kelber's mother Maryanne Koenig of Livonia, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Jerome and Sandra Mitchell with her daughter Megan.

SIXGATE SQUADRON: Several members of the Sixgate Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Squadron have received promotions recently. Jeffrey Reynolds received a stripe making him a Cadet Airman, Cadet Airman William Heller Jr. became Cadet Airman 1st Class, and Cadet Sergeant Jon Dickinson was promoted to Cadet Staff Sergeant. The Cadets had to pass tests in aerospace education and leadership to obtain the promotion.

Cadet Deputy Commander Kirk Kabel has been promoted to Flight Officer and P.O. Kabel received the Billy Mitchell Award, making him eligible for promotion. Sonia Bradshaw was promoted to Cadet Airman and Flight Leader Cadet Staff Sergeant Paul Harding was promoted to Cadet Tech Sergeant.

The Lions were cited by the Novi City Council for helping Boy Scout Matt Lorenz with his community clean-up program.

PERSONALS: Relatives came from West Virginia, Texas and Florida to help Nick Males celebrate his 50th birthday last Saturday. Guests included his mother, George Pandarus, from West Virginia; his daughter Marie and her husband Dave from Texas; and Mike and George with daughter Mary from Florida.

Mary Thomas of East Lake Drive and her daughter Jean Irenne have returned from a visit with Irene Kelly in Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Button attended the Midwest Mobile Manufacturing Home Show in Southfield, Indiana.

Former resident Katherine (Noble) Fraser with son Stewart and Bruce were in the area visiting friends last week. Her father, Richard Noble, was one of Novi's first policemen. Now 85, he resides in England.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Clarke hosted a family dinner party to celebrate the ninth birthday of their granddaughter.

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Sports

the NOVI NEWS

Playing time key in youth sports

By B.J. MARTIN
Staff writer

This is the final part of Kids Games, a three-part series on youth sports in the Novi/Northville area.

In Part One of Kids Games we noted three principal functions served by sports were: a fulfillment of the urge to play, an instrument of character development and exercise. It stands to reason any successful physical education program, either in schools or in a governmental recreation department, should address those aims.

Let's examine how we can approach those three functions point by point.

Fulfilling the Urge to Play

When a child is signed up for a sport, the parents should consider themselves signees as well. As in any contract, parents should take a good look at the terms and make sure it's in everyone's best interests by asking themselves the following questions:

Is my child really interested in the game, or is he or she signing up because I/we expect it?

There are numerous dangers in signing up a child for a sport he or she doesn't want to play. Among them is the worst thing that can happen in a child's game: boredom. Not only will the player not get the exercise he or she could get in a sport he or she likes better, but often a lack of interest results in a lack of playing time. And if a sport is boring, it's absurdly boring to watch from the bench.

Does my child's coach have an appropriate perspective on winning?

Rainer Martens of the Department of Physical Education at University of Illinois believes there are extremists on both ends of the question of youth competition: the win-at-all-costs faction and the winnings-isn't-important-at-all faction.

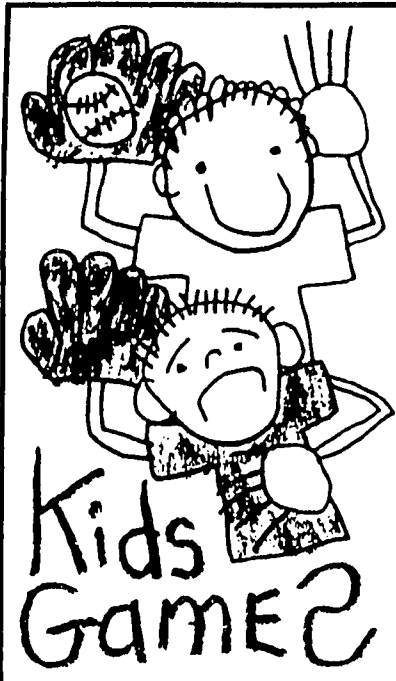
Martens comments: "The key to whether youth sports are an opportunity for learning to cope or a jungle in which a high degree of competition is essential to simply survive, is dependent on the objectives emphasized by parents, coaches and sport organizers. When the predominant emphasis is usually on the child's physiological and psychological development and not just on winning, the chances increase that competitive stress will be put in perspective."

Most importantly, make sure your child plays. If parents are vigilant in guarding their children's right to participate in the game, eventually every coach will get the message.

Is my child's ability and maturity suited to the level at which he is to play?

Children are susceptible to stress in sports, as Martens points out. In the charter of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation (AAHPER), the problem of too much competition too soon is clearly addressed:

"Inasmuch as pupils below 10th grade are in the midst of a period of rapid growth, with consequent bodily weaknesses and maladjustments, and partial ossification of bones, mental and emotional stresses and physiological adjustments, be it the fore-resolved that the field of physical and health education should do all in their power to encourage interscholastic competition." This age level because of its strenuous nature.



Kids Games

More about kids and sports

Among the books useful in preparing Kids Games, and provocative reading for adults interested in their children's physical education were:

Children In Sport: A Contemporary Anthology, edited by Richard A. Magill, Michael J. Ash and Frank L. Small (Human Kinetics Publishers, 1978). Contains an excellent series of essays on the psychological and physiological effects of youth athletics.

Sports In America, by James A. Michener (Pawcett, 1976). The epic novelist tackles the subject of the title with a critical but affectionate perspective. Every chapter contains interesting and thoughtful material.

Joy and Sadness in Children's Sports, edited by Rainer Martens (Human Kinetics Publishers). The list of essays sampled in this collection ranges from columnist Erma Bombeck to Hall of Fame pitcher Bob Feller.

Other top-notch sports figures find the way youth athletics programs are run similarly lacking. Football great Fran Tarkenton is an outspoken critic of youth football programs, and Hall of Fame pitcher Bob Feller has expressed similar sentiments toward little league baseball.

Building character: Good and bad

Playing time isn't the only aspect of recreational sports necessary to preserve players' interest in athletics. Every season in youth athletics, it seems, there are losers. Not just 4-8 teams, or 2-10 teams, but 1-11 or 0-12 teams. Every time that happens, coaches and parents should take a very close look at what is happening in a league that causes that to happen.

At the beginning of most recreation sports season a draft is held to make sure there is a reasonably equitable distribution of talented and less talented players. More often than not, this is a loosely constructed draft that allows some flexibility with regard to geographic logistics and friends' ability to play on the same team.

But when the spirit of the draft is not entirely followed, coaches who are unfamiliar with the players are easy prey to be saddled with a team of less-talented players and a losing record.

So is that such a terrible thing? Jerry R. Thomas of the Department of Health, Physical and Recreational Education at Louisiana State University answers "yes."

"Failing players consider themselves low in ability, meaning there's little hope for future success," Thomas contends. "Subsequently they are less likely to respond to failure with increased effort (emphasis ours)."

In test cases of losing teams, he adds, "Children feel the outcome of the game is beyond their personal control, and thus, they tended to drop out of the sport."

Seconding that notion was G.C. Roberts, who said in a 1975 address to the AAHPER: "Teams which consistently lose were more likely to attribute their success to unstable factors (luck) instead of their own ability."

Thus, when coaches meet to select teams, they should take special care to spread the pool of talent as evenly as possible. Appointing an independent commissioner to approve the draft distribution may be an appropriate way to deal with continued lopsided records.

'Physical' in Physical Education

Already, local middle schools and elementary schools offer an intramural sports program. These provide an excellent opportunity for youngsters to sample various sports.

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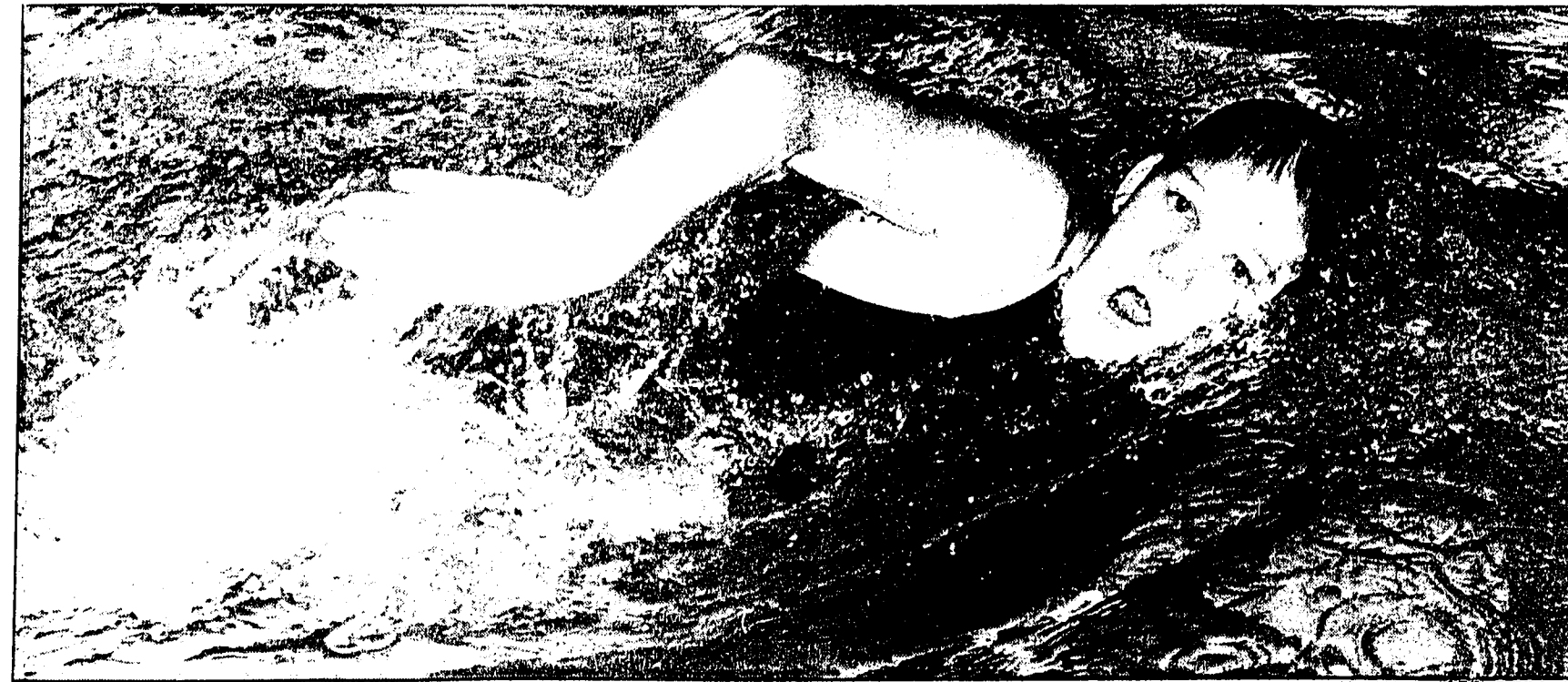
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Heather Burgess, shown doing the freestyle, won a state championship in the 50 backstroke in the 11-12 Girls Division

Bobcat tankers claim state titles

Novi Bobcats claimed a total of 13 state championships in the 1985 State Swim Meet sponsored by the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association at Jackson Park Pool in Wyoming recently.

Bobcat swimmers added 11 seconds and eight thirds in the state meet to finish the day with a total of 32 gold, silver and bronze medals.

The Bobcats were paced by Scott DeWolf and Lance Son, each of whom won two individual championships.

Competing in the 9-10 boys division, DeWolf took first place in both the 50 butterfly and the 100 individual medley. He received a third gold medal for teaming with Chris Foreback, Greg Thomas and Dennis Suchyta to win the 200 medley relay in the 9-10 boys division.

Son, meanwhile, earned a pair of gold medals in the 15-17 boys division, winning both the 200 freestyle and the 200 individual medley.

The Bobcats came away with eight additional gold medals at the state meet. Chris Foreback accounted for one of them, winning the 50 backstroke with a new Bobcat record time of 36:50 in the 9-10 boys division.

Jamie May won the 50 backstroke in the 11-12 girls division with a Bobcat record time of 34:00. Heather Burgess won the 50 backstroke in the 11-12 girls division, tying the Bobcat record of 33:00. Michelle Stephens won the 50 breaststroke in the 13-14 girls division with a new Bobcat record of 34:00 and Jill Jannola won the 100 breaststroke in the 15-17 girls division with another Bobcat record time of 1:21:60.

The Bobcats' other gold medals came in relay events. In the 13-14 girls division, Michelle Patail, Michelle Stephens, Linda Deering and Heather Holden won the 200 medley relay with a time of 2:06.1 and Christie Duthie, Stephens, Deering and Holden won the 200 freestyle relay with a time of 1:54.1. In the 15-17 girls division, Shelly Lanstra, Jill Jannola, Mara Deline and Nancy May joined forces to win the 200 freestyle relay with a time of 2:12.0.

Winning silver medals for the Bobcats were Chris Foreback in the 50 breaststroke and Greg Thomas in the 50 butterfly in the 9-10 boys division; Carrie May in both the 50 freestyle and 50 breaststroke in the 9-10 girls division; Heather Burgess in the 50 freestyle in the 11-12 girls division; Michelle Patail in the 50 backstroke and Linda Deering in the 15-17 girls division in the 100 freestyle.

Shelly Lanstra in the 200 freestyle in the 15-17 girls division; and John Newmyer in the 100 freestyle in the 15-17 boys division.

Trackers finish 8th in 'team marathon'

Five members of the Novi Trackers Running Club raced to an eighth place finish in the Crystal Lake "Team" Marathon in Beulah, Michigan, recently.

A team marathon is an event in which five members of a team run a leg of the overall 26.2 mile marathon. The first four run a five-mile leg and the anchor man finishes up with a 6.2 mile leg.

The Novi team was comprised of Kevin Dunivin, Mike Everett, Jim Fahrner, Howard Eule and Hugh Sweeney. Bill Ahrens, president of the Trackers, drove the van which transported runners between transition points.

The Trackers finished eighth overall out of 47 teams participating in this year's event. In addition, they placed second in their aggregate age division

(184-225) with a combined time of 2:39:43.

Sweeney reported that the first five miles of the Crystal Lake Team Marathon was run through and around the town of Beulah with the balance of the race being run around Crystal Lake before returning to the finish line back in Beulah.

"The 'team marathon' was a unique experience in road racing," commented Sweeney. "Because all the members of the team are transported around the course in a van when they're not running their leg, you get a 'runners' high' that lasts throughout the 26.2 miles of the race."

Sweeney added that the Trackers are planning to return to the Crystal Lake Team Marathon next year and may send two teams.

Local golfers eligible for Red Wing tourney

Local residents are invited to join the Detroit Red Wings and other sports celebrities for a round of golf at the new Links of Pinewood home of the Michigan PGA in Walled Lake on Monday, September 2.

All proceeds from the new benefit tournament will go to the Children's Center, Michigan's oldest and largest provider of services to children - abused and neglected children, homeless and runaway children, school dropouts, suicidal and homicidal teens, and teen parents and their babies.

Each entrant will participate in and/or receive a buffet lunch, open bar, golf shirt, greens fees, golf cart, dinner, group picture and celebrity auction as well as an opportunity to play a round of golf with local sports celebrities.

Each foursome will include a celebrity. Among the celebrities confirmed to

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This Primary Election will involve only the Mayor Race. The Civic Center Complex Bonding Proposition will also appear on the ballot.

All qualified and registered electors may vote at this election.

The Places of voting will be as follows:

- Pct. 1—Church of the Holy Cross, 48200 10 Mile Road
- Pct. 2—Novi Middle School South — 25299 10 Mile Road
- Pct. 3—Novi Library — 45245 W. Ten Mile
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CIVIC CENTER COMPLEX BONDING PROPOSITION

Shall the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring, constructing, furnishing and equipping a Civic Center City Hall Complex as a part of the Civic Center Complex together with site improvements and site improvements for the adjacent Police Building and all necessary parking improvements, appurtenances and attachments thereto?

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Novi Bowl stages comeback to win playoff championship

Novi Bowl capped an outstanding season August 11 by winning the playoff championship of the Men's Sunday Softball League sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

"It's definitely been a big season," observed John Gibson, manager of the squad.

"We went into the season knowing we had a pretty good team, but we never expected to do as well as we did."

Indeed, by winning the playoff championship of the Men's Sunday Softball League, the Novi Bowl team has won the championship of the league. The Novi Bowl team has won the championship of the league.

That setback was the last of the season for the Bowlers, however, as Gibson's team came roaring back to win the playoff championship in the Men's Resident League. And then completed their outstanding tournament play by taking the playoff championship in the Men's Sunday Softball League.

After beating ABC Top Soil, Jamie's on 7 and Brew Brothers in their first three tournament games, the Bowlers ran into a hot Novi Inn squad which hammered out an 18-7 victory to relegate the Bowlers to the loser's bracket.

By knocking off Powerhouse Gym 7-2 in the finals of the loser's bracket, and made the most of the opportunity by taking two straight from the Inn to claim the title.

Needing a victory to stay alive, the Bowlers pounded out a 12-5 victory over Novi Inn in the semi-finals to give both teams one defeat and force a decisive winner-take-all showdown in the final game. The Inn scored twice in the top of the first, but Novi Bowl countered with a run in the bottom of the first to make it 2-1 and then erupted for five big runs in the bottom of the second to take a 6-2 lead they never relinquished.

The championship game was a different matter, however, as the two teams battled into extra innings before the Bowlers secured an 11-10 victory that gave them the championship.

In an exciting battle, the Bowlers scored three times in the first inning and took a 6-1 lead into the fifth when Novi Inn scored five times to knot the score at 6-6. The Bowlers regained a 6-4 lead with a pair of runs in the bottom of the fifth, but the Inn battled back with single runs in the sixth and seventh to knot the score at 8-8 and send the game into extra innings.

Novi Inn appeared headed for the title when it scored twice in the top of the eighth to make it 10-6, but the Bowlers rallied for three runs after two were out in the bottom of the eighth to clinch the 11-10 victory and the championship. Paul Shilito singled home Joe Kin with the winning run in the exciting come-from-behind victory.

"It was a good year," reported Gibson. "Winning the playoff championship in the resident league was satisfying, but coming back the way we did to win the playoff championship in the Sunday league was the icing on the cake."

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