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Planners reject new hospital plan

By ANNE E. WILLIS
staff writer

The public hearing on the proposed rezoning of 70 acres of land for a Providence Hospital expansion program resulted in a 6-2 vote by the planning commission against the rezoning.

The hearing saw over 300 people pack the Novi High School Commons area to speak and to hear the vote. The hearing lasted over three hours.

The commission can only make a recommendation to the city council on rezoning issues, and the planning commission's vote results in a negative recommendation to the council on the proposal.

Providence Hospital had petitioned the city for a rezoning of the land directly across from the civic center/school/library site on the corner of Ten Mile and Taft Road. Specifically, Providence officials requested that the parcel be rezoned from its current residential

designation to an RM-1 classification (low density multiple family) which would have allowed the expanded health care facility.

The proposal Providence has submitted to the city calls for a three-phase development project on the site, with each phase conditional on the needs of the community, according to Brian Connelly, president of Providence Hospital.

In the first phase the hospital would primarily expand its current facilities at Ten Mile and Haggarty

Road. The hospital would move the 24-hour emergency care to the new site and develop a three-story medical office building and a two-story patient diagnostic and therapeutic services building. The company would maintain the Haggarty site and use the facility as an office-administrative building.

In phase two the company would expand out from those buildings, adding an additional office building and expanding the diagnostic treatment building. During the public

hearing on the proposal, the architect for the Providence project said a power plant also would be added at this phase to serve the buildings in the facility.

The third phase, which Connelly projects could be as far as 10 years away, would contain an actual inpatient hospital facility. Connelly pointed out that before a hospital can be built anywhere in Michigan, a certificate of need must be obtained from the state.

City Planning Consultant Bran-

don Rogers said he had "trouble supporting the rezoning" as he felt the facility would continue the "institutionalizing" of that section of Novi. Rogers also pointed to traffic concerns for the added level of

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Public hearing draws over 300 residents both for and against the proposed project/13A

Police honor comrade

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

Flags outside the Novi Police Department are flying at half-mast in honor of Sergeant Charles Douglas Brown, who suffered a heart attack while on duty early Saturday, Dec. 19, and died at Providence Hospital in Southfield at approximately 9 a.m.

The entire Novi Police Department attended a semi-military funeral service for Brown on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at the First Church of the Nazarene on Haggerty Road. Officers from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department took over police responsibilities during funeral services so Novi police personnel could attend.

Interment was at the Acacia Park Cemetery at Southfield Road and 13 1/2 Mile.

"Sergeant Brown will be remembered as a dedicated police officer, a devoted family man and a friend to all," said Novi Police Chief Lee BeGole and Captain Richard Faulkner in a press release announcing the death.

"His presence will be sorely missed in the Novi Police Department and the community, but his spirit will remain with us always," they added.

Brown, 44 and a 15-year veteran of the Novi Police Department, was stricken while working the midnight shift on Dec. 18-19.

Faulkner said that Brown approached Officer Dennis Jelly at approximately 3:50 a.m. and reported that he was experiencing some discomfort in the chest and arms, Faulkner reported.

Jelly took him immediately to the Providence Hospital Ambulatory Care Center at Ten Mile and Haggerty Road where the problem was diagnosed as a blood clot.

Faulkner reported that Brown's heart stopped at one point while he was at the Providence/Novi Center, but doctors were able to revive him and arranged for him to be transported by ambulance to the cardiac unit at the Providence Hospital in Southfield.

Brown was accompanied in the

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Novi officers reflect on popular colleague's life/10A



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Open for business

It was move-in time at for members of the city administration staff. City hall staffers moved from their old digs at the Novi Library site to their new home at the Novi Civic Center. Although the building still has to undergo some finishing touches — staffers were able to begin the arduous task of transferring a seem-

ingly endless supply of paperwork from the old building to the new. City hall will be closed for the holidays on Dec. 24, 25 and Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. A city-wide dedication ceremony is planned at the new Civic Center for Jan. 10 from 2-5 p.m.

Teacher's sign early contract

By BOB NEEDHAM
staff writer

There won't be any teacher strike in Novi next September. A tentative three-year contract has been hammered out by negotiators for teachers and the Novi Board of Education.

Teachers and officials in the Novi Community School District tentatively settled on a new three-year contract last week.

The agreement, which must be ratified by both the union membership and the school board before becoming final, comes eight months before the expiration of the present contract.

School board President Robert Schram and district Superintendent Robert Piwko announced the new agreement at a school board meeting Thursday, Dec. 17. No details of the agreement were

released pending ratification.

The agreement, negotiated by the school district administration and the Novi Education Association, covers teachers, food service workers, and secretarial and support staff. Contracts with bus drivers and custodians also expire next year, but those negotiations have not begun yet, Schram said.

Piwko said at the meeting that the two sides negotiated with "a great deal of mutual cooperation and respect . . . All parties are working together for the educational program in Novi."

Jean Rose of the Novi Education Association said she was "very pleased" with the agreement and the fact it was worked out early. "I thought it was a fair settlement," she said.

Secretarial and food service

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Osborne facing job ultimatum?

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
and BOB NEEDHAM
staff writers

Longtime Novi High School Athletic Director, football coach and teacher John Osborne confirmed last Friday (Dec. 18) that the Novi Board of Education is lobbying for him to relinquish either his coaching duties or his athletic directorship.

However, School Board President Robert Schram said Monday that he did not know of any such pressure and the board has not decided anything about changing the present organization.

Osborne, who has been the Wildcat head football coach for 21 seasons and athletic director for 20, has won over 120 games and is just coming off the third undefeated regular season of his career. Osborne's has been employed by the Novi School District since 1962 and has led the Wildcats to a sparkling 17-2 record the past two campaigns.

According to Osborne, the school board is in favor of installing a full-time administrator to head the athletic program at Novi. That



Coach John Osborne

means a person who neither coaches nor teaches. Although no decision has been made, such a change could in effect create an ultimatum for Osborne — give up one of the two.

"It's hard to say what actions will be taken, but there is a question being raised currently," Osborne said. "The (school board) is asking for something in that direction."

"They would like to go with a full-

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Child care needs in Novi

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Parent's face day care choices

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By ANNE E. WILLIS
staff writer



It's a little after five on a cold and windy December night. The lights inside the day care center shine warmly into the parking lot as moms and dads (more moms than dads) pull in on their way home from work. Inside children color quietly, or

work with clay while the sounds of 'Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer' croon from the record player.

The parents enter the center pulling off gloves and unbuttoning coats — picking up their children is not a quick in-and-out chore. Once the children spy mom, dad or grandma — they run to the door to pull the adult in to "see what I drew today" or to "watch me climb the ladder."

The adult then spends a good 10 minutes collecting mittens, putting

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Nancy Pelke gets son Jeremy ready to leave a day care center



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

From
Sliger/Livingston

Council debates Beck area's use

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

Should consideration be given on the city's Master Plan for a commercial center at Ten Mile and Beck Road?

This was the topic of discussion at the Novy City Council's Dec. 21 meeting. Council Member Nancy Covert had asked for the item to be placed on the agenda. Covert began the discussion by questioning whether a need really would exist in the future for a 10-acre commercial parcel on that site. The city's current Master Plan shows the area as commercial.

"Over time there has been a shift in the feeling of the community regarding the number of commercial centers needed in the community," Covert said. "Throughout the recent campaign (November mayoral campaign) residents as well as small businesses asked us to take a careful look at expanding more commercial centers in the Master Plan."

Covert questioned the need for more commercial, even in the western area of the city, and the desire for it. "Typically our experience has been with residents coming out and protesting shopping centers going in — not coming out to ask for them," Covert said.

Council Member Martha Hoyer told Covert that the commercial 10 acres on the 1980 Master Plan had been the subject of a long hard debate when it was originally written. "We must plan for the needs of the community," Hoyer explained. "There will come a time when the residents of the western side of the city will want a place to buy milk or take dry cleaning without going through busy intersections," she said.

"The discussion hinged on the perceived need in the future," Plann-

ing Chairperson Judith Johnson told the council. She said she did not think the commission would look favorably on a commercial development at this time, however. "I don't think anyone could prove a case that we need it now," she said.

"We don't want the entire city coming to Ten Mile and Meadowbrook to do their shopping," Johnson added, saying that the commission had foreseen the possibility of another grocery store occupying some of the 10 acres.

Council Member Ronald Watson said that he had been opposed to the inclusion of the commercial zoning in the past — and still was. "Although some of these arguments of need are certainly valid, I see it more in terms of preserving the character of that western portion of the city."

Watson said he had concerns that by adding one strip shopping center it would have a square mile impact on the area — as the planning tendency was to buffer commercial with office, then to move to multiple as a transition from office, leading to more than just one commercial development in the sensitive western section.

Council Member Joseph Toth said that ultimately, there would be pressure from future residents for a shopping center on the western side of the city and that the Ten Mile and Beck corner was the best site for it. He also said it was more prudent of the city to plan for the center now and allow future residents to know of the real possibility of one going in there when they bought their houses, rather than changing the zoning later on.

"At this point we have more than enough shopping centers, but in 10-15 years," Toth said.

No action was taken at the meeting. The item appeared on the agenda as a matter for council discussion only.



The real thing

Excuse the editorial prejudice, but we're not too crazy about chinchilla coats (or any other type of fur coat for that matter) unless, of course, the coat is being worn by its original owner. Milissa Wilke, 11, is pictured petting a live chinchilla held by Lillian Banta of the

Living Science Foundation while Akiko Shiratori, 10, looks on. Milissa, Akiko and other Novi students had an opportunity to feel the real-life chinchilla coat during a special program offered through the Novi Community Education Department.

Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

School committee decision made

The Novi school board last week approved a charge for the committee which will evaluate the educational programs at Novi Meadows School and adopted a definition of curriculum.

Both decisions are results of a disagreement between school officials and a group of parents over a new class schedule at the school this year, and whether the change was a "curriculum" matter which required curriculum council consideration by the district curriculum council.

Sharon Peichat, a member of the board committee which wrote the definition, said the committee considered many different but similar definitions. "This, we feel, encompasses all of them, and we were very pleased with it," she said of the definition.

The definition — which is designed to apply specifically to the curriculum council — reads: "Curriculum is the overall organization of courses offered under the auspices and direction of the

Novi Board of Education as it applies to the district as a whole.

Board member Raymond Byers said, "Eighteen different dictionaries change the words in 18 different ways and it all comes out to about what we have here."

The definition passed the board unanimously, as did the charge for the Novi Meadows evaluation committee.

The committee is to be composed of three professional educators from outside the Novi school district, one teacher from the district and one citizen living in the district. The committee is scheduled to present a public report of its findings at a school board meeting Thursday, May 19.

The three outside educators have been appointed by the school board. Applications for the citizen's post are available at the administration building on Taft Road at Eleven Mile. The teacher member is to be chosen by the Novi Education Association.

School board President Robert Schram, a member of the committee which wrote the charge, said that "We did not want to tie the committee's hands; we wanted to paint with a broad stroke."

The charge reads: "1. Review existing organizational patterns and the educational process at Novi Meadows.

"2. Solicit input from students, parents, administrative staff and professional staff as it relates to the educational environment and organization of Novi Meadows.

"3. Review educational achievements of students at Novi Meadows.

"4. Report back, in writing, to the Board of Education by no later than May 19, 1988. The report should include the committee's view of the organizational patterns, the educational process and student achievement at Novi Meadows. Deficiencies noted, if any, should be accompanied by recommended solutions."

Assessor earns new city duties

Novi now has a Level IV Assessor in its department.

James W. Klausmeyer, deputy assessor for the city, recently received a Level IV designation from the State Assessors Board.

The Level IV standards involve completion of hours and hours of case work — something that Klausmeyer has been working on for months. Very few cities have a Level IV assessor, as very few people achieve that designation.

Craig Klaver, assistant city manager, told city council members during the Dec. 21 meeting that Klausmeyer's achievement had made the city very proud of him. "Jim would also like to acknowledge the support of the entire department," Klaver added.

A Level IV assessor is required by the state and county for the purposes of signing the city's assessment roll. Prior to Klausmeyer's appointment, the city had contracted with Oakland County for their assessing department to certify the city rolls. Now that Klausmeyer has achieved his certification he has been designated by the city council as the "City Assessor" for the purpose of signing the assessment roll, canceling out the previous appointment of Oakland County.

Numbers change at city hall

Feel like reaching out and touching somebody at city hall and you don't have their new number after the move to the Civic Center building?

Here's help. The following are direct dial numbers for various departments. Keep in mind that this is a new phone system with all the bugs and problems that a complicated system carries.

Because of technical difficulties encountered over just the last few days some numbers have been changed, so be patient and the folks at city hall will transfer you to the correct number.

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- FINANCE DEPARTMENT: 347-0465
- PLANNING AND ZONING: 347-0475
- ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: 347-0485
- WATER AND SEWER: 347-0495



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Moving day

The move has been completed. City of Novi employees have finished moving from former city offices in the Novi Public Library into the new Civic Center on Ten Mile . . . but give them a couple of extra minutes to find what they're looking

for if you ask for something a little out of the ordinary. Heidi Dean, a clerk in the assessing department, is shown in the picture above unpacking and filing things away in her new office.

District sets date for millage vote

March 8, 1988, is set as an election date in the Novi Community School District for considering the renewal of an expiring 10.5-mill property tax. The district operates its general fund with two separate millages of 10.5 and 13 mills. Superintendent Robert Piwko said. The 10.5 mills expired with this

month's tax collection. Last Thursday, Dec. 17, the school board scheduled a millage election for Tuesday, March 8, to ask the district's voters to renew the expiring 10.5 mills.

The 13 mills will expire in two years, Piwko said.

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The Novi Community Schools Board of Education is now accepting applications from persons interested in serving on the Novi Meadows Evaluation Committee. One community member will be selected for this position. Applications are available in the school district Administration Building. Interested persons should apply at the Administration Building before 5:00 pm on January 15, 1988.

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Council approves super sewer pact

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

Novi City Council members voted "for the 24th time" to sign an agreement with Wayne County and other suburban communities to go ahead with a proposed Super Sewer project.

Novi is facing an eventual sewage capacity problem as its available capacity is fast being used. City Manager Edward Kriewall estimated previously that the city probably has another year or so of existing capacity left in its system.

The "Super Sewer" project, the popular name for the North Huron Valley/Rouge Valley Wastewater Control System, is proposed as a joint project between 11 communities. Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Novi, Redford Township, Romulus, Van Buren Township, Wayne and Westland have all been involved in plans for the regional wastewater treatment project.

At the Dec. 21 council meeting, Kriewall told council members that final cost allocations had been determined by Wayne County. Novi's share of the \$60 million project would be \$8.1 million.

The consortium can obtain federal funds for the project, if cost agreements are signed by each community prior to Feb. 1, 1988. Kriewall explained to the council that the \$8.1 million that Novi would pay for the system is much lower

than any other alternative the city has investigated for increasing its sewage capacity. Kriewall said the next most cost-effective solution would be to construct a force main to Detroit at a cost of approximately \$15 million.

To obtain federal funding for the project, each of the 11 communities must sign the agreements. Several communities have been negotiating with the city regarding their share of the costs for the project. Council Member Nancy Covert asked Kriewall what the feeling was on whether all 11 communities were behind the latest agreement.

"Informally the feedback from McNamara's (Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara) office is that all are in accord. The motivating factor is that Wayne County has entered in a consent agreement to build the system regardless," Kriewall said. Without the federal grant money the system will cost double its current estimate so Kriewall said he believes the additional cost factor will motivate all Wayne County communities to sign in advance of the Feb. 1 deadline.

If the agreements are signed Kriewall estimated that the system would be operable in two to three years time. Although Novi would be out of sewage capacity by that time, the DNR has been allowing communities with viable plans for future capacity to continue development, Kriewall said previously.

Holiday gym time added for teams

Novi High School athletic teams are getting a little extra practice time over winter break, but the question of Saturday practice through the winter remains open.

The Novi school board approved a plan Thursday, Dec. 17, which opens the high school gym for two days in addition to what was already planned in response to an appeal from students and the athletic boosters for the additional practice time to stay sharp over the holidays.

The board voted 7-0 to open the gym from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. New Year's Eve day (Thursday, Dec. 31) and Saturday, Jan. 2. The gym was already planned to be open Dec. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 30.

Superintendent Robert Piwko, in recommending the additional time, said that Dec. 24 through 27 was not included in the recommendation so the families could more easily go away for Christmas.

Before approving Piwko's recommendation, the board heard two alternate suggestions from board members, both of which died for lack of a support motion.

Raymond Byers suggested, in addition to the hours Dec. 31 and Jan. 2, that the gym be opened Dec. 24 from 8 a.m. to noon and Dec. 26 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. After that motion died, Michael Meyer amended Piwko's recommendation to only open the gym until noon on the two days, but that also died for lack of support.

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Home break-in nets \$2,000 cash

A large quantity of IBM computer equipment was stolen from a Nine Mile residence during a break-in that occurred Dec. 11 between 4:15 and 5:20 p.m.

Police Beat

The owner told police that unknown individuals gained entry by kicking in the rear door and then proceeded to remove the computer equipment and other items from various portions of the house.

Stolen from a computer room were an IBM dual disk drive, keyboard, color monitor and wheel printer.

The responsible parties then entered a master bedroom where they removed a jewelry box which contained primarily costume jewelry. One pair of diamond earrings was taken along with the jewelry box, however.

In addition, the thieves stole a 13-inch color television set from the living room.

Investigating officers noted that the house had not been ransacked. Except for the rear door, the only damage was an overturned table in the living room which apparently had been knocked over while the thieves were removing the television set.

THIEVES MADE OFF with an estimated \$2,700 worth of cash and private property from a residence on Rousseau in the Chateau Estate Mobile Home Park during a break-in that occurred Dec. 14 between 10:15 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

The responsible parties gained entry by prying open a bedroom window at the rear of the residence. Investigating officers found footprints on a bed directly beneath the window.

Once inside, the thieves took some \$2,000 in cash from a bedroom dresser. Also stolen from the bedroom were a Winauer watch valued at \$160 and a woman's gold necklace valued at \$140.

The thieves then went to the living room where they removed a Sharp compact disk player valued at \$220 and a Fisher video cassette recorder valued at \$350.

A KITCHEN COLANDER appears to have been the only thing stolen from another residence on Rousseau in Chateau Estates during a break-in that occurred Dec. 15 between 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The complainant said she arrived home to find the colander missing from its hook on the kitchen wall where it was normally kept.

She also reported finding a cigarette burn in a new kitchen table and further noted that someone had pulled the plug out of a bathtub, allowing approximately two-to-three inches of water used for humidity purposes to drain out. Nothing else appeared to have been stolen, however.

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT was stolen from a residence on Fourteen Mile near the Frigate Inn during a break-in that occurred Dec. 18 between 8 a.m. and 10 p.m.

The complainant said he arrived home to find the front door of his home standing open. Upon entering the residence, he discovered the home had been burglarized.

Stolen were a Sansui FM tuner valued at \$300, a Sansui cassette deck valued at \$300 and a Sansui 120 watt amplifier. Also stolen were a Hamilton pocket watch, an oval shaped locket and a silver bracelet.

CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT valued at \$1,250 was stolen from a construction site at the Village Oaks Elementary School sometime during the night of Dec. 9-10.

The complainant told police that thieves removed a transit level valued at \$1,200 and a four-foot American level valued at \$50 from a construction trailer located at the construction site.

Police reported no signs of forcible entry on the trailer.

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The thieves gained entry by smashing out the driver's side window, then reached inside and removed the radar detector which was mounted on the windshield with a suction cup.

The owner could provide no apparent motive for the vandalism and said he neither heard nor saw anything suspicious.

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Novi Briefs

Winners! The Orchard Ridge Holiday Light Contest winners were decided Monday, Dec. 21. Guest judge was the honorable Mayor Matthew Quinn.

Winning first place was Tom and Glenda Simo of Harvest Drive. The lucky couple won a \$25 gift certificate to Hudsons. Second place went to Joe and Chris Heffernan and Linda and Gerry Bissi of Duchess Court and third place went to Larry and Sharon Brandon of Winthrop Drive.

The mayor and his elf (Joe Heffernan, association president) were pleasantly surprised by the large array of lights this year in the subdivision.

Thanks to Delwal! The Novi Band Boosters, band students and band parents have expressed their thanks to the Delwal Corporation for allowing students to use its warehouse on Sunday, Dec. 13, to store, sort and distribute fruit for the annual citrus fruit sale.

In addition to the use of the building, Delwal furnished a hi-low to assist students in lifting the crates of oranges and grapefruit.

"Because of Delwal's generosity, the distribution went quickly and efficiently," reported Barbara DeLazzer of the Band Boosters.

Light moment: During the well-attended public hearing on the proposed Providence Hospital rezoning, a man gave an emotional plea to keep the hospital expansion out of Novi. "My mother works at Providence in the street in front of the owner's residence on Bedford during the night of Dec. 12-13."

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Osborne's duties questioned

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time administrator (as athletic director) and that means without coaching."

"That's news to me," Schram said Monday. "The school board has not approved a full-time athletic director position yet. I've never talked to John (Osborne) about it, and I talk to John quite often."

"There's no pressure to my knowledge whatsoever," Schram added.

Schram said that over the past couple of years the board has wanted to move toward a full-time athletic director post, but has not made any decision yet. "We might be doing that for next year, but we haven't discussed it," he said.

If the district did create a full-time A.D. job, the board would then face a decision about job requirements. The requirements might, or might not, include a ban on the A.D. coaching a sport, Schram said.

Osborne said the whole process is likely but that nothing would officially happen until the beginning of 1988.

"I'm still not sure whether or not they'll proceed with it, but it's my understanding that it is in the works," Osborne said. "The school board is asking me for a decision, and I'm not sure what their reaction will be after the decision is made — but that's all still to happen and I wouldn't want to speculate on it."

Currently, Osborne is leaning toward keeping his coaching duties a decision that will undoubtedly make a lot of Wildcat football fans very happy. About a month ago, Osborne told The Novi News that "coaching" always seems to be fun — win or lose. It's something I really enjoy doing — my priorities are pro-

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bably not in proper order, but football rates awfully high with me. I would like to continue."

The most common question being asked is why. Why would anyone want to disrupt what many believe to be a smooth running athletic department? And why would anyone give one of the state's top coaches such an ultimatum?

"They would like some full-time attention given to the athletic director's job," Osborne said. "They would probably like evaluation of coaches and things that are difficult to do now because I'm a teacher and there are contracts and that kind of thing."

"They've got some concerns that some of these areas aren't getting looked after as well as they should be — and I can understand their point."

But Schram contends that changing the athletic director's job "hasn't been discussed."

Running a Class A athletic program is becoming a much more complex and time-consuming job than it ever was 10-15 years ago. It appears the overriding concern is that there are not enough hours in the day for

anybody to devote enough time and attention to coaching, teaching and running an athletic program.

Although it won't necessarily be the case in Novi, Schram said, "Generally speaking... your athletic director does not coach another sport; he's just a full-time athletic director."

"It is getting to be a bigger job every year," Osborne admitted. "A lot more paper work is involved and the A.D.'s attention seems to be directed in a lot of different ways, and that makes things difficult some times."

Eighteen months ago, Northville High School faced a similar situation when it was decided that Athletic Director Ralph Redmond was to relinquish his duties to become a full-time assistant principal. Then head football coach Dennis Colligan was offered the A.D.'s job under the stipulation that he give up coaching. Colligan did, and knows the demands of both jobs.

"You would need a lot of help to do both," Colligan said. "We no longer have athletic programs with four or five sports. Now there's at least 20 varsity sports at a Class A school and

full junior varsity and freshman programs as well.

"I'll tell you, the girls' programs are flying — they're taking off — and that's a lot of work. In my opinion, it would be very tough to do both."

When asked if he was prepared to give up coaching, Osborne said "no."

"Right now I don't want to give up coaching," he said. "However, I'm not sure what my decision will be. I've got some other problems to consider."

One of the main problems facing Osborne is a troublesome leg that required surgery last summer and hasn't healed properly. Osborne has been selected to coach at the Michigan High School All-Star Football Game in the summer of 1988 and being physically fit for that task remains one of his overriding goals.

Osborne met with his physician Dec. 17 and it appears that he's heading for further surgery — probably sometime in February. To correct the problem, his doctor is proposing that the leg be broken and reset.

"One of the problems is my health," he said. "It's not that it's bad, but my leg is still giving me problems. If the surgery happens, I'm hoping to be ready to coach again by July. With the All-Star game, it's important for me to get ready to go again by then."

"It's a matter of alignment. I'm bow-legged and they want to straighten the leg out. I feel pretty good that I'm going to beat this thing and that I'll be all set to go this summer."

The words are spoken like a coach who plans to continue coaching — but nothing concrete has been decided. One thing is sure — all Novi football fans have their fingers crossed.

Obituaries

CLARENCE E. BURKE

A funeral service for Clarence E. Burke of Traverse City was held Dec. 19 at the Ross B. Northrop and Son Funeral Home in Northville with Rev. Dr. Bartlett Hess of Ward Memorial Presbyterian Church officiating.

Mr. Burke died Dec. 16 in Traverse City. Born Jan. 13, 1909, in Paris, Tenn., he was 78 at the time of his death.

He had been a bus driver for Detroit Street and Railways.

He is survived by his spouse, Virginia, and two children: a daughter, Mrs. Bert (Bobbie) Oakha of Northville, and a son, Richard Burke of Novi. Six grandchildren and six great grandchildren also survive.

WILLIAM D. FRANKISH

William D. Frankish of Novi died Dec. 18 at Providence Hospital in Southfield following a lengthy illness.

A funeral service was held Dec. 22 at the John N. Santelu and Son Funeral Home in Garden City, officiating at the rites were Rev. Leslie Harding of the Church of the Holy Cross in Novi and Rev. M. Thomas Dietzel of Lubbock, Tex.

The son of William and Bonnie Frankish, Mr. Frankish was born July 30, 1946, in Berkeley and was 41 at the time of his death.

He was vice president and part-owner of Energy Service Inc. in Southfield prior to his retirement in 1985.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Frankish is survived by his wife, Sara (Roth) Frankish, who he married 13 years ago, and two children: Elise and Melissa. Also surviving are a sister, Sharon Weesies, and two brothers, Robert and Jeffrey.

JO ANN SALAZAR

A funeral service for Jo Ann Salazar was held Dec. 16 at St. Williams Catholic Church in Walled Lake through Lynch & Sons (Richardson-Bird Chapel) Funeral Home.

Mrs. Salazar died Dec. 12 at the Hospice of Southeastern Michigan in Southfield. Born July 16, 1941, she was 46 at the time of her death.

She had been a homemaker and was a member of the St. Williams Catholic Church.

She is survived by her husband, Roy Sr., and four children: Roy Jr. of Milford, Vincent James of California, Maria Elena of Van Buren and Gregory Martin of Milford. Also surviving are two sisters, Dee Dee Lassen of Dearborn Heights and Kathy Barbee of Dearborn Heights; and four brothers, John Buckenberger of Ohio, Charles Buckenberger III of Florida, Joseph Buckenberger of Lincoln Park and James Buckenberger. Five grandchildren also survive.

PATRICK PALINKAS

Patrick David Palinkas, the infant son of Timothy and Kathryn Palinkas of Howell, died Dec. 18 at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

He was born Dec. 14 in Howell.

He is survived by his parents and a brother, Matthew. Also surviving are grandparents: Eileen Dethloff of Hartland, Dr. and Mrs. Lyle Pettig of South Lyon and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Palinkas.

A memorial service was held Dec. 19 at the Phillips Funeral Home in South Lyon with the Rev. Mark Spaw officiating.

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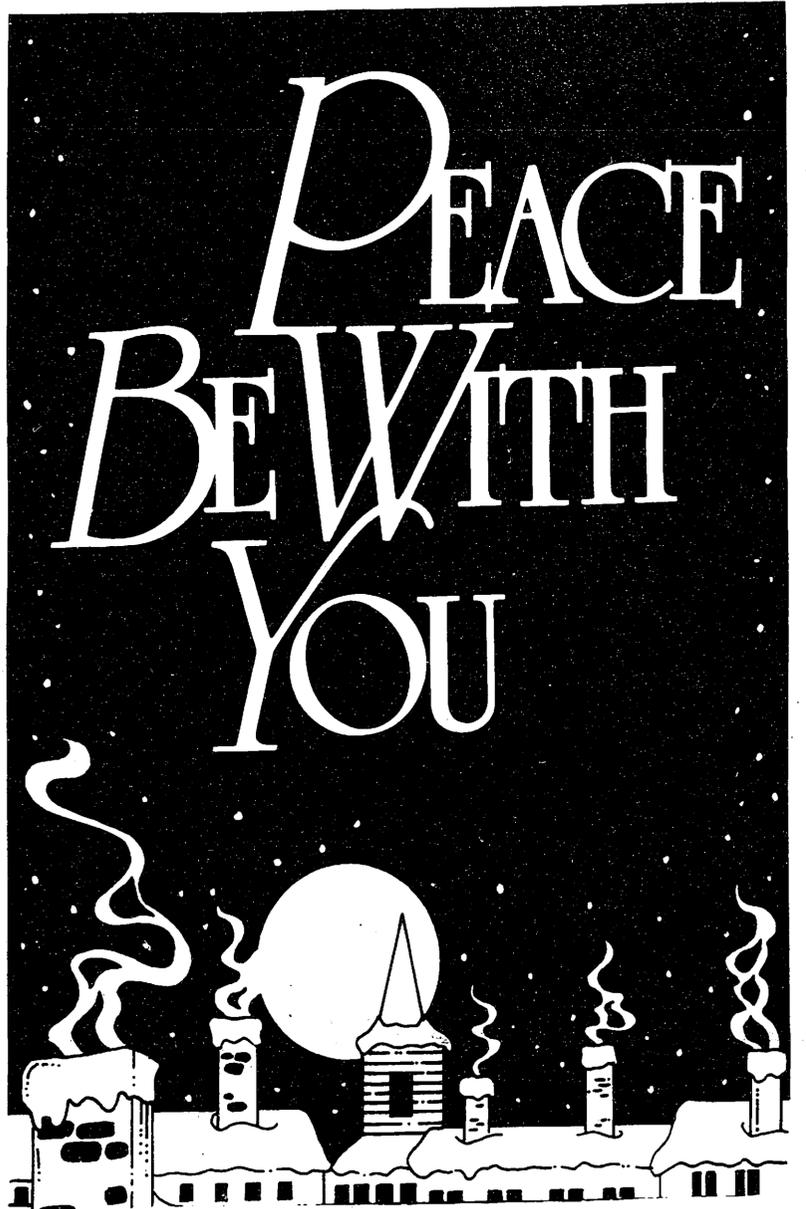
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Parents face choices when seeking day care

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on boots, talking to the teacher, hearing about the day from the child and generally catching up on the eight hours or so of play and learning the child has engaged in at the day care center. Even overtired moms with thoughts of a long night of dinner, bath and bed were smiling as they left after hearing about the day's activities.

Day care has become a part of our social fabric and for many Novy residents or workers in the city, it has become as regular a part of the day's routine as going to work or packing a lunch.

But finding the center that fits the child and the parent is no easy matter, according to most parents. "It was very difficult finding a place," said Cheryl Johnson, mother of a three-year-old. "For the first couple of years, a woman's house seemed best for him," she said, but noted that since she works and lives in Novi she definitely wanted a facility in the city.

"I looked at the ratio of adults to children and at the type of program and facilities they offered," she said when choosing a day care center. "It was very hard, I had to take time off from work. There are so many options — including that of a center or a private house. You have to take the time to interview at all the different places."

Most parents tell horror stories about trying to find a facility that will accept a child under two-and-a-half years of age. Terry Ricondo who moved to the area from Texas with her young daughter said that finding a day care center was one of the hardest parts of the move. "It was hard, no one wanted to accept her under two-and-a-half. I wanted some place she could play and be safe, but not knowing the area I didn't know who to trust."

Ricondo was able to convince the River Road Nursery on Grand River to accept her daughter, who is now 28 months old. "She loves it. I was kind of paranoid at first. She adapted so well — but I wanted to cry," Ricondo faced the same dilemma of many parents. "I have to go to work so who's going to take care of her?" she asked.

Debbie Smith had the same problem with her four-year-old son. "I called four different places," she said. "I called the latch key program (Smith does not live in Novi and it was filled.) Smith took her son to the

day care center to see how he responded and picked the one he liked. It was also the one she felt was best organized, which she liked. "He looks forward to coming here," she said.

Smith said that because of the number of women at her office who must use day care, the employees are trying to talk the employers into establishing a day care facility on site. But she doesn't think it will happen anytime in the near future.

Once the day care facility is chosen comes what may be the hardest part of all — saying goodbye for that first time. But most day care directors said the experience is toughest on the parent. "The kids love it, they make friends right away — the parents find it harder to leave," said Ruth Pawlowski, director of River Road Nursery on Grand River.

"It was very hard," Johnson said. "I sat all day at work worrying about him the first time I left him. I called the center three or four times," she said.

"Mom's suffer the most anxiety," said Andrea Lenzi, director of Little Hornbrook Day School. "Kids run in and are happy."

Different programs exist at each center in Novi. The emphasis of learning or play varies as do teaching credentials, fees and location. Parents take into account many things when choosing a center — with the facility and the program ranking at the top of the list, closely followed by the location of the day care facility. For some parents a facility close to work is ideal — allowing them to get there quickly in case of an emergency, others prefer a center close to home.

"There are all types of programs," noted Pawlowski. "Every parent looks for what interests them. There should be all kinds available for them to choose from."

Many of the centers in the Novi area are education oriented with structured time for the children to learn basic skills such as letters. "The emphasis here is on making children feel good about themselves," said Nancy Cotter, director of the Children's Ark center on Ten Mile. "The children get a lot of play experience and learn through play, rather than learning by rote."

The Children's Ark works on mastering a particular skill — such as a letter of the alphabet, something that is done in most of the day care centers in the city.

"I want to know children are learning — but are having a lot of fun doing it," Lenzi said. At her center and at many in Novi, toys and games are education oriented.

"I think of it as a nice transition. A little bit of home and a little bit of school," Lenzi said. "It's a good basis for them when they enter school."

Cotter said the need for achievement and the pressure of competition often catches up with both parents and children. "Parents feel pressured — their kids have to dance, they have to learn a foreign language..." Cotter said. She said she often has to work to make parents understand that it really isn't appropriate for their children to be reading at such young ages — as the pressure to perform often outweighs the parent's own common sense.

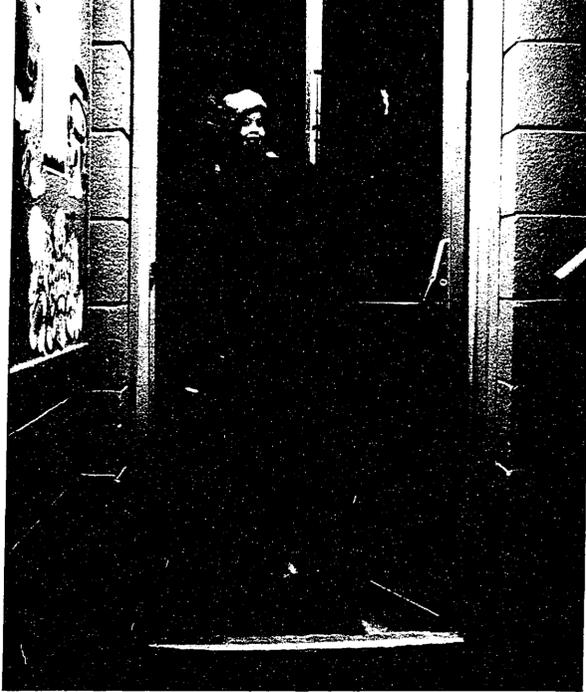
Cotter said it is a constant matter of parent education as well as children, trying to get parents to balance their competitive natures with the children's natural schedules. "There has to be really close communication between parents and the school," Cotter said.

She said she often sees children who are academically ready for kindergarten but who are socially behind. "Parents are so pumped up about getting their children educationally ready when really getting them socially and emotionally ready is the most important thing."

"Parents find the kids are a lot neater at home and a lot happier," Lenzi said, noting that the benefits of day care for working parents can sometimes come in unexpected ways. "They're exhausted at the end of the day. Parent's find them putting away toys, they have a better appetite because they're exposed to new foods at the center. They sing more," she said.

Sher Watkins, a teacher at Little Hornbrook Day School, said she believes that nursery school and day care are very important for four and five year olds. "Most of the time it's a real positive experience for them. I wish there had been this alternative when my kids were small," she said.

"A lot of people are going into day care," Cotter said. "But they're probably not very well-informed as far as the pay scale. The problem with private day care is we can't charge what it would cost to adequately pay the employees. The biggest percentage of the tuition goes to pay the staff."



Michael Smith heads home with his mom after a tough day in the office

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proving as more and more centers open up each year. However, the pay scale is still relatively low with many part-time employees rather than a few full-timers.

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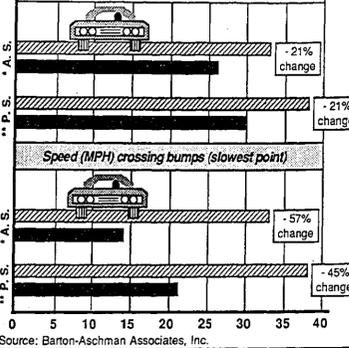
for at Little Hornbrook, going into the child care business was a natural outgrowth of her life. She comes from a large family. "I always baby sat. I had three younger brothers," Drone said.

She was originally in nursing school and switched over to get her associate's degree in child development. Now she and the other teachers enjoy the time with the children. "We go out and play in the snow with them," she said. "I have snow pants just like their's."

Looking at Novi

Slow Down

How the speed bumps on South Lake Drive have effected traffic



Area Briefs

Recall effort derailed: OUST (Organizations United to Save Our Township) will appeal a ruling by the Oakland County Election Commission which rejects petitions to recall four West Bloomfield Township officials.

The commission unanimously (3-0) ruled the wording of petitions to recall supervisor John Doherty, clerk Betty Sue Dupree and trustees Raymond Holland and Jeffrey Leib not clear enough to present for circulation to township voters.

Probate Judge Norman Barnard, chairman of the election commission, said his concerns involved the number of allegations and lack of detail. OUST officials have indicated they will file an appeal in circuit court.

The petitions listed four reasons for the recall: refusal to terminate the cluster option; using general funds to build a new town hall "against the will of the citizens"; unexplained and excessive building in the township; and a refusal to cooperate with parks and recreation in obtaining land.

Sharp shares Christmas story

By ANITA CRONE staff writer

Many families have holiday traditions. For some, it is opening presents before midnight Mass. For others, it is traveling to the oldest living family member's home for Christmas dinner.

In the Sharp family, though, it is sharing a story with the entire world. For Florence "Dinghy" Sharp's great-great grandfather, who wanted to be known as a Hebrew scholar, instead is known as the man who wrote "A Visit from St. Nicholas."

Sharp, who now lives in Commerce Township and is retired from the Farmington Public Schools, said she didn't think it was any big deal, when, as a 10th grader growing up in New York state, the teachers recited the poem that has become a Christmas classic.

"It was no big deal," Sharp said. "It was just a story my papa told me as his father told him."

Today, however, Sharp says the poem is a big deal and she has included it in her repertoire as she travels throughout the area and around the country telling stories to children and giving lectures to teachers.

Recently she was at Northville's Amerman Elementary School, and the students there had the famous poem, which begins "Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house..." recounted to them in the same manner Sharp said it had been told to her.

"I always begin the same way," she said, while she bustled about her ranch-style home, getting ready for the holidays. She crinkles her eyes and stops for a moment, peering at her visitor.

"I'm going to tell you a story," she says. "It is the story about my grandfather, who was getting ready for Christmas. But he was a procrastinator, and he hadn't gone to town to get the Christmas food, even though his wife had reminded him earlier in the day that the next day was Christmas."

"But he was a daydreamer and he liked to tell stories, Sharp said. Papa knew it was important that this year, in 1822, to tell a special story, since his daughter, Charity, was very ill and this might be her last Christmas.



'Dinghy' Sharp tells students about 'A Visit from St. Nicholas'

But as he came over a hill, it became dark. But there was a full moon, and it gave a lustre of daybreak on the new fallen snow.

"And as Papa looked, he saw Peter, the woodcutter, going from house to house, delivering wood. Now Peter was a round little man, with eyes that crinkled and a droll little mouth drawn up in a bow..."

And suddenly, Sharp is no longer a woman sitting in her warm kitchen in 1987. Instead, she is back in New York, sitting on her father's knee, looking at stockings hung by the chimney with care and listening to the clatter of tiny hooves.

"You know," she says, "Papa (Clement) Moore never saw his poem in print. In fact, it wasn't until 1888, when Thomas Nast designed the pictures for it, that it was printed and really became a part of the holiday season."

And while Sharp makes no bones about her enjoyment in telling the tale, she also makes no bones about her real love — children, the classroom, and working with handicapped and particularly dyslexic youngsters.

Sharp knows whereof she speaks. Herself dyslexic, Sharp literally worked her way through college, listening to tapes and never taking more than two classes at a time. Her examinations were given orally and Sharp said it was that effort that got her into stories and story telling.

"I had to create stories to remember," she said.

She had to use the tapes and have someone read to her since the words on the pages were nothing more than gibberish. It was through effort that she earned a bachelor's degree from Albion, four master's degrees and a doctorate.

"While other students were spending money on clothes, I was spending it on tutors and tapes," she said.

And when she travels to help school districts put together programs for their learning disabled youngsters, she is spending her own time and her own money.

"I go because I am needed. All I ask is that they (the people who request her) pay for my transportation."

And go she does. Between September and Dec. 16, Sharp gave 67 lectures and she says she is "pretty well booked until mid-May of 1988."

In between times, she is active in the Union Lake Presbyterian Church and still manages to keep in close contact with her three children who are scattered between New York and California, her granddaughter and her husband.

"We've been married for 38 wonderful years," she says. "And one of the reasons is because we're so different. He's logical and precise and me, I'm Dinghy."

But she's also one Sharp cookie.

Novi police join MADD campaign

The Novi Police Department is participating in a "Tie One On" campaign during the holiday season to combat drunk driving.

In an effort to encourage sober driving, Michigan police departments are joining Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), Michigan State Police, sheriffs and the office of highway safety planning in the "Tie One On" campaign. The idea is to tie a bright red ribbon to the antenna, left door handle or outside mirror of a vehicle during the holiday season, indicating that the driver supports these agencies in eliminating drunk driving.

Novi police cars have been driving around with red ribbons for several days.

"Municipal and township law enforcement agencies throughout our state are urging people to tie this one on during the holidays," said Thomas Hendrickson, executive director of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police. "Local law enforcement agencies will join with the state police and sheriffs in the display of red ribbons symbolic of our concerted efforts to reduce drunk driving."

Bethany Goodman, Michigan executive director of MADD, said, "The visual reminder to the public to drive sober can help ensure happier and healthier holidays and celebration of all of us. MADD is very enthusiastic about the response of all Michigan law enforcement agencies in joining our red ribbon campaign."

Alcohol continues to be involved in nearly half of all fatal traffic crashes in the state. Last year, more than 800 people were killed in state alcohol-related traffic accidents.

The "Tie One On" program was announced Friday at the State Police Second District Headquarters in Northville Township.

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WINNERS CIRCLE

BY LAURIE KIPP

In an effort to learn first-hand about the experience of large prize winners, the Michigan Lottery recently sent questionnaires to 230 Lottery millionaires. Nearly 130 winners responded, telling us what it is really like to win \$1 million or more. The results showed that big prize winners generally handle their money wisely, contrary to what some might believe.

Q: Did most winners feel their new-found wealth changed them?
A: Quite the contrary. Nearly 80 percent of the respondents said they remained the same, with most saying they kept the same friends and were treated as they were before their wins by family members. The remaining respondents felt they changed just a bit.

Q: What did most Lottery millionaires do with their first payments?
A: Buying a new car was the most common response. Paying bills, sharing the prize with family members, and taking trips were also popular.

Q: Did most seek financial counseling?
A: More than 70 percent of the millionaires sought financial advice from experts.

Q: What type of financial plans did they make?
A: The majority invested their money and saved for retirement. Savings funds and trust funds for children grandchildren also were frequently reported. Some planned to start businesses or purchase annuities.

Q: Do most Lottery millionaires continue to work?
A: Nearly 40 percent were employed when they won their prizes and planned to continue working. Thirty-four percent retired immediately after their wins or planned to retire early. Twenty-two percent of the winners were retired before the time of their wins. And, a few opened their own businesses, changed jobs or went to college.

Q: Is it true that most winners move after winning?
A: About half of the respondents reported moving, most to new homes in the same area. A lesser number moved elsewhere in Michigan, while only three percent reported moving out of state.

Q: Do the millionaires continue playing the games?
A: Yet Ninety-eight percent of the millionaires reported still playing the games. While Super Lotto was most popular, Daily 3, Daily 4 and instant games also are frequently played.

For asking the question leading to this column, Sherry Stole of Plymouth will receive 50 free tickets for the Lottery's current instant game, "Winner Wonderland."

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Brown's death shocks fellow police officers

By PHILIP JEROME
managing editor

"He was an excellent cop and an excellent all-around guy. Everybody liked him."
That's what Novi Police Detective Jack Grubb had to say about Sgt. Charles Douglas Brown, who died at Providence Hospital in Southfield Saturday morning after suffering a heart attack while working the midnight shift.
Grubb's comments were echoed time and again by officers who worked with the 44-year-old Brown, a 15-year veteran of the Novi Police Department.
"He was probably the best-liked guy in the department," said Officer William Charles.
"Charlie was my best friend," said Officer Phillip Schoen, whose close relationship with Brown was mentioned often by other officers.
"He was everybody's friend," added Captain Richard Faulkner. "Charlie didn't have a bad word to say about anyone. Everyone in the department is taking his death very hard."
Brown's unexpected death did indeed appear to have a strong impact on Novi police officers, men and women who are used to dealing with medical emergencies and death in their everyday line of duty.
Grubb described Brown as a very methodical, very meticulous police officer. "Anytime we needed detail work done, we'd go to Charlie because he was so thorough," said Grubb.
"You'd give a job to Charlie, and you knew it would be done and done right. If it had been any other officer who had suffered that heart attack, it would have been Charlie in charge of working out the details of the funeral. He was a very meticulous person."
Schoen reported that his close personal relationship with Brown was a direct result of their work on the police department.
"He (Brown) started the year before I did, so we sort of grew up together in the police department," reported Schoen. "John April, Charlie and I formed a platoon of three officers in 1973 and we worked very closely together every year after that."
Schoen noted that Brown was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing. Brown had a small

cabin in Lake Huron in the northern part of the state, and the two officers often went there on hunting forays.
"That cabin was his respite... where he went to get away from it all and relieve the stress of the job," said Schoen.
"He loved hunting and fishing. Particularly hunting. He took up taxidermy as a hobby and got to be pretty good at it."
In addition to their personal friendship, Schoen also made it clear that Brown was widely respected as a police officer by the other officers.
"Whenever you have a new cop come on board, you look for two things," he said. "Number one, does he know the basics of the job. And number two, will he back you up in tough situations."
"Whenever you were in a tough situation with Charlie, you never had to worry. You didn't even need to look because you knew he would always be right beside you."
"He was one of the most carrying people I've ever known," continued Schoen. "On one of our hunting trips, he told me that he and I ought to classify ourselves as being among the best salesmen in the world. He said anybody who can go into a situation and talk a 6-foot-6 giant into accepting an arrest quietly has got to be a good salesman."
"Charlie always found a way to handle delicate situations without threat or use of force. He had a wonderful way with people."
"It was the same way with the other officers in the department," said Grubb. "As a sergeant he wasn't afraid to roll up his sleeves and dive right into the mud with the rest of his men. He was that kind of guy."
Word of Brown's heart attack spread quickly throughout the department and a high percentage of officers hurried down to Providence Hospital to be there Saturday morning.
"There were maybe 15-20 cops standing around down there — some in uniforms, some in plain clothes," reported Grubb.
"Everybody was there to do what they could do. The hard part was there wasn't anything we could do. We just stood around."
"He was too young to die," added Schoen.
"I was at the hospital when they told us he had died. I've never felt quite so helpless in my entire life."

Officer dies of heart attack

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ambulance by his wife and Jelly. In the meantime, police made arrangements for his two children also to be taken to the Southfield hospital.
"He was coherent at the hospital and was able to speak to his wife and children while he was being cared for in the cardiac unit," Faulkner reported.
Faulkner also said doctors felt they had the problem under control and proceeded to administer blood thinners as a means of removing the blood clot.
Sometime during the treatment process, however, Brown's heart stopped once again and this time doc-

tors were unable to revive him. He was pronounced dead shortly after 9 a.m., according to Faulkner.
"They worked on him a long time, but they weren't able to get the heart started again," Faulkner said.
BeGole said there had been no indication that Brown was suffering from heart disease and there had been no record of ill health. "He was in generally good physical condition as far as we knew," said BeGole. "He was definitely not overweight."
Faulkner and BeGole also reported that the midnight shift on Dec. 18-19 was fairly light with no type of incident that might have precipitated the blood clot or heart attack.

A Novi resident since 1967, Brown began his career with the Novi Police Department as a reserve officer in 1970. He was hired by the department in 1972 and had served as a shift commander on the Road Patrol Division for the past four years.
Brown received numerous departmental and citizen citations throughout his year and was the recipient of the Novi Jaycees' "Officer of the Year" award in 1975.
The son of Charles E. and Gretchen (Vredevoogd) Brown, he was born Jan. 7, 1943.
He is survived by his wife, Corinda Sue, a son, Tom, and a daughter, Janice. Both children are Novi High School students.

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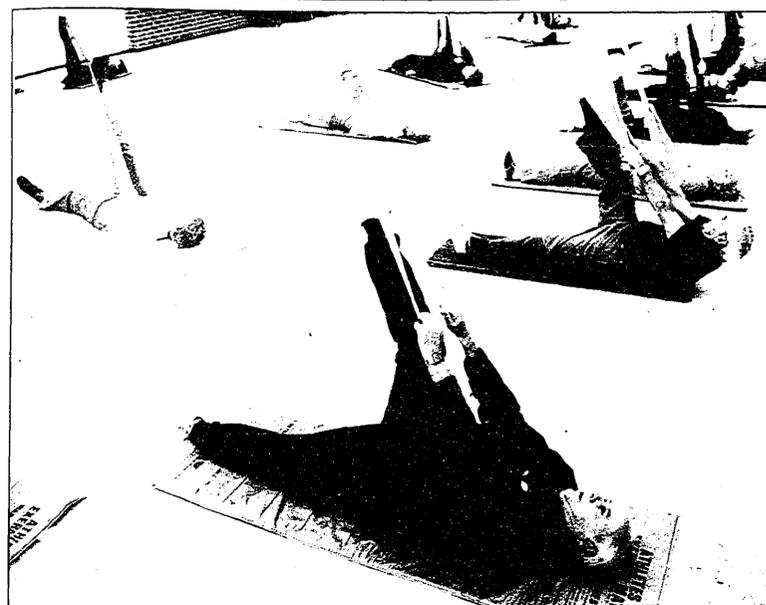
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Toning and stretching

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Hospital officials regrouping plan

By CHRISTOPHER J. KOZLOWSKI
staff writer

Providence Hospital officials will make a decision by the end of this week concerning the fate of a new expanded health care facility in Novi, according to Brian Connolly, hospital president.
Connolly said this week that hospital officials will meet to re-group plans and may consider an alternative location for the facility.
Connolly also emphasized that the hospital will remain firm to its commitment of future expansion in the City of Novi.
"We were obviously disappointed by the outcome of the planning commission's decision to recommend denial of a rezoning request, but not surprised," Connolly said. "And it was good to hear, even among those who were negative about the site, that they were still very much interested in supporting Providence in its future development of services in Novi. That is encouraging."
"At this point, we are going to re-group and decide where we are going to go from here," Connolly said. "We are going to spend a little bit of time assessing some of the comments and the impact they will have on city council members. Then we will decide on whether we will go forward with this particular site or consider a different site."
"At this point we are not really sure about whether we will pursue this site," Connolly added. "We are certain that we are going to pursue development in Novi. But I still feel this is the best site."

Teachers agree

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workers are scheduled to vote on the contract Jan. 12, and teachers will vote Jan. 13 and 14, Rose said. The school board is expected to vote on the contract some time in January.
Schram said this is the third contract negotiated under the district's program of "accelerated negotiation." The idea is to settle the contract before Christmas of the year before the expiration year as a present to the community, he explained.
The early settlement removes worries about a possible teacher strike next fall, Schram said.
Before the first contract negotiated early several years ago, Novi had two teacher strikes. "We didn't want the same thing to happen," so the district began accelerated negotiation, Schram said.
"It's a great process if it works," he added.
"In general, in a labor confrontation you almost have to go to a strike. It's sort of a game-type situation," Schram said.
In Novi, however, "both sides trust each other now," he added. "It's a great process and a great relationship between the two parties. (The contract) is excellent for the teachers and excellent for the school district."

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As We See It

'Super Sewer' still makes good sense

Super Sewer. Those two simple words are beginning to sound like the introductory words to a fairy tale.

So often the words "super sewer" have been used in conjunction with plans to increase the sewer capacity of the western suburban communities which are fast approaching a time when development will come to a full halt due to a lack of sewer taps.

The idea for a regional system that will allow 11 communities to send their excess flows to the Detroit Sewage Treatment Facility makes a great deal of sense. The project is estimated to cost \$60 million dollars when fully built and the 11 communities would be apportioned shares in that cost. In addition each community would be responsible for certain local work to prepare their systems for the regional hook-up.

The whole idea makes such perfect sense that it is hard to figure out just why this plan has been in the proposal stages for so many years. Super sewer has come and gone and come again. It's an idea that just won't die — and because it appears to be the most cost-effective solution to Novi's particular sewage capacity problem — it's an idea that our city would like to see implemented as soon as possible.

Unfortunately the latest vote by the city council to sign up for the regional system does not mean the system will be on its way. The council did the right thing in approving the signing of the contract for the regional system. The \$8.1 million that is Novi's bill for the system is the least expensive route the city has found to expand its sewage system. But the contract does not wait on Novi.

To keep the federal funding that will cut in half the costs of the entire project, the individual city contracts must be signed by Feb. 1. If Wayne County does not get all 11 cities signed on the dotted line by that date, it will be faced with a much bigger

'Saving tax dollars'

Novi residents received a tax reduction several weeks ago — and few probably even realized it.

To say that residents received a reduction in taxes is a bit misleading, even though that's what happened in the final analysis.

What happened is this. The city council awarded contracts after receiving bids on two bond issues — a 1987 Special Assessment Bond in the amount of \$2.5 million to finance water and sewer projects in the West Grand River Corridor and a 1987 Transportation Bond in the amount of \$610,000 for general street repairs. The Special Assessment Bond was let at an interest rate of 6.889 percent and the Transportation Bond was let at an interest rate of 6.808 percent.

According to Dennis Neiman of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone — the city's bond attorneys, both bonds were awarded at one percent below the current market rate. "That speaks well on behalf of the investing public," commented Neiman. "You have saved the taxpayers and citizens of this city a great deal of money."

In addition, Robert Bendzinski of Bendzinski and Company — the city's financial advisors, noted that the ease in which the city was able to



Neil Geoghegan

Government

headache — getting them to sign an agreement for twice the price.

City Manager Edward Kriewall told the city council that he is hopeful that the federal funding deadline will convince reluctant Wayne County communities to sign their contracts. It would make sense for all the communities involved in the agreement to sign up before the deadline.

Several communities have been negotiating over the cost apportionment segment of the contract. That negotiation has ended with Novi's share of the cost rising slightly from \$7.5 million to the new \$8.1 million. Novi is still ready to go ahead with the plan and one would certainly hope that all negotiations have ended and the rest of the communities are also ready.

Kriewall said the most liberal estimates for the super sewer project to be on-line is two or three years down the road. That's if the present time table is adhered to. Novi is in need of additional sewage capacity within as little as one year, but Kriewall has indicated extensions are being given for cities that are actively pursuing viable programs for expanded capacity. Super sewer would fill that requirement. As other communities are facing deadlines on capacity even sooner, it is in everyone's best interest to sign the contracts — now.

Like in any fairy tale, the most we can hope for is a happy ending. An ending where all members of the 11 communities live happily ever after — with sufficient capacity for the future.

So who's Bill Laimbeer?



Neil Geoghegan

Almost every basketball enthusiast dreams about being able to do some of the things that Michael Jordan, Dominique Wilkins and Magic Johnson can do on the court.

Soaring through the air — seemingly undaunted by the laws of gravity — to slam the ball through the hoop, much to the amazement of the spectators, not to mention the defender watching helplessly.

It's called playing above the rim. Very few basketball players on this earth have the ability or the height to play that way and maybe that's what makes it so special — so desirable. You either have to be close to 6-foot-6 (or taller) to consistently get up near the rim, or you need to possess incredible jumping ability like a Spud Webb — and neither one is very common.

As a 5-11 basketball fan with a gimpy knee, the odds of ever finding out what it's like to dunk a ball like Charles Barkley does seem quite remote — that is if the rim is the standard height of 10 feet. But what if the rim was lowered, say, a foot — what would that do for my chances?

Well, on and off for years, a group of friends and I have been gathering at an elementary gymnasium in Union Lake every Friday night during the winter months to play a little hoops — NBA style. Yes, the rims at this gym are only nine feet from the ground — a full foot shorter than regulation. It provides a lot of mediocre players a chance to shine like most professionals and a lot of college players — and what's wrong with that?

With a rim a foot shorter than regulation, all a player has to do is add a foot to his own height to get an idea how tall he is now playing. For example, when I

play on the shorter rims, I become 6-foot-11 rather than 5-11 and I can get a pretty accurate idea what it's like for Bill Laimbeer to play the game. You quickly find out it still isn't easy, but it sure is a lot more exciting playing above the rim.

I know what a lot of basketball purists out there are saying, but all of their arguments don't mean anything to us. The common objection is that we are making a mockery of the game, but I say we aren't doing that any more than Michael Jordan does every week with his almost unhuman-like ability in the NBA. Or what about 7-4 Minute Bol and even 7-3 Chuck Nevitt. All we are doing is seeing what it's like to be blessed with some of the physical ability that most basketball stars have.

Others would say we are ruining our real ability — that we will never be able to play as well on a 10-foot rim again. But everyone who comes to play each Friday isn't playing competitively anymore, so we don't really care about any of that — and besides, it's more fun on the shorter rims.

To top it all off, we play the games with the smaller basketballs commonly found in the sports department of your local K mart of Meiers. These balls are even smaller than the ones used in girls basketball — but the only difference between them and regulation balls is the size. With these, palming the ball is easy and so are one-handed passes and tricky dribbling. But the way we figure it, if we're going to play NBA style ball, it might as well be realistic. These balls are probably as small to our hands as a regulation ball is in the hands of Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

The game takes a while to get used to, and if your outside shot isn't coming along, you can always dunk the thing — it is supposed to be the highest percentage shot in the game. It's a great workout and because you are having so much fun, you push yourself even further. I'm not embarrassed to admit that I am a much better player at 6-11 than I ever was at 5-11.

Forum

By Chris Boyd



Ta-Dah

'Say humbug to the humbugs'



Phil Jerome

Important news bulletin: If you're reading my column on Wednesday, it's Dec. 23. If you're reading it on Thursday, it's Dec. 24.

Oh, I know what you're thinking. You're thinking — "So what?"

But that's the point. It's Dec. 23. Or Dec. 24 depending on when you start reading. And that means that Christmas is coming up Friday. This week. Tomorrow is either Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. See, I told you it was an important news bulletin.

present. I've even got them all wrapped — a task I don't usually accomplish until Christmas Eve.

The thing is that I figure a lot of people out there feel just like I do. I just got done editing this week's paper, and it suddenly occurred to me that there's darn little in it about Christmas. Is it possible that the entire newsroom has been too busy taking care of business to give much attention to what's going to happen early Friday morning when Ol' Santa Claus comes slipping down the chimney?

Neil Geoghegan was scheduled to write the column at the top of the page this week, but he did write about Christmas or Santa Claus or visions of sugar plums dancing in his head? No, he wrote about basketball.

The good news is that it's not too late to do something about it. As soon as I finish my column, I'm going to start singing Christmas carols... sucking red-and-white candy canes... and reminding myself to leave Santa some milk and cookies when he arrives Friday morning.

Humbug to the humbugs. Merry Christmas, everyone.

Residents taking it in the neck

Letters

To the Editor: Once again the residents and property owners are taking it in the neck thanks to our city government.

The hotel property on South Lake Drive and the Sudden property (Evelev Mile, east of the Town Center) are alike as two peas in a pod. Both properties are highly desirable, and the city is always looking for a means to increase its tax base.

The city, however, is not empowered by charter to become a landlord even if the weak guise is described as "common good."

If Trammell Crow desires the Sudden property, then Trammell Crow should negotiate directly with the owners for a mutually settled upon selling price.

When, and if, the Sudden property is condemned, then every citizen and resident of Novi should be aware that their own property may be condemned next for "the common good."

Edward W. Phelps, Jr.

Board falls short

To the Editor: I have been patient, persistent and willing to do my homework to present information to the community or the school board. But even my "good will" has a limit.

At the last school board meeting on Dec. 17, a letter sent to the Secretary of the Board of Education was lost. Ironically, I anticipated this possibility and had copies of the letter for the school board and newspaper reporter.

It is not the first time that information sent to the board has been lost or passed over. If something is lost or

misplaced, all efforts should be made to secure another copy from the person who sent the information. Responsible elected officials would do this.

The definition of curriculum approved by the board at this same meeting is "curriculum is the overall organization of courses offered by the School District under the auspices and direction of the Novi Board of Education as it applies to the District as a whole."

I ask you if this makes clear what curriculum is so that future conflicts can be avoided?

Another issue has been the need to bring tape recorders to school board meetings because information given at one meeting has been contradicted at the next. Inadequate minutes that give no details of needs and concerns of citizens only reinforce the necessity for another means of record keeping.

Many school boards tape their meetings and so they have an accurate account of the proceedings. They are made to be accountable to their citizenry.

Sadly, I have had to be a watchdog common member because this board is either unwilling to do their job or they are so busy with important questions that will give them necessary information or they simply don't know what to ask about curriculum matters or are communicating other than at public meetings about the best items.

What price should the Novi school

board pay for a unified front? These problems are no longer a one-issue situation but points out how the school board has and continues to conduct its meetings. I have lost respect for these individuals during the 1987 school year. Perhaps 1988 will hold renewed respect.

Sally Marchak

Nature protected

To the Editor:

Although I live in Novi, a portion of the Pheasant Hills wetlands in Northville abuts my property and I have been closely involved with this wetland issue since the beginning. The long-awaited decision by the Department of Natural Resources has finally arrived, as permit approvals with certain stipulations are forthcoming.

Nature is one of my greatest passions and much of what I have learned about the vast natural world and its wild creatures has come from having the wonderful opportunity to share and be a party of that world as an observer and a steward.

No one could value and care for these precious natural resources and the wildlife that lives here more than I.

My environmental standards are high, but all that I could expect out of all of this was for the developer to meet his environmental potential and in doing so, achieve the best possible balance between the needs of people

and nature. The DNR appears to be satisfied that our realistic, workable goals have been achieved and I know that they and the Singh Development Co. have done their best to reach an agreement that we all could live with. It was a tough decision that involved understanding, consideration and compromise and I sincerely thank both parties for their commitments.

I believe that the harsh criticism that Singh has received from The Northville Record and some members of the public has been undeserved. Although I was a strong voice of opposition to their original proposal to alter the wetlands, I believe that they have acquired a deeper environmental conscience and have shown their willingness to keep an open mind, cooperate and make commitments.

They are also one of the few developers that has had the foresight to develop on large lots (without complaining about it either) which can not only provide monetary profits, but profits that come from an overall development that they can be proud of and that residents can be proud to live in, as well as next to.

Profits that come from developing a good reputation and earning respect and trust from people in the community.

Living in the Lexington Green subdivision, I am surrounded by Singh developments to the north (Bradford of Novi) and to the south (Pheasant Hills). Both are impressive, blending the natural beauty of the land with beautiful homes, and I couldn't have asked for better neighbors.

Laura J. Lorenzo

Hospital hearing draws crowd

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

The community turned out in force when the Providence Hospital petition to rezone 70 acres of land went to a planning commission public hearing.

Expecting a crowd, the commission moved out of its normal room in the Novi Library and took over space in the Novi High School commons area. The move paid off as over 300 people turned out to participate in the hearing.

Brian Connolly, president of Providence Hospital, started things off by telling the commission of the Concerned Citizens of Novi, a residents group opposed to the proposed site for the health care center, spoke at the hearing. The group formed within days after Providence submitted plans for the medical facility, according to group spokesman Rick Symke.

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Planners vote against hospital zone

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service in what is a predominantly residential section of the city.

"There is a reason that hospitals are not allowed in single family zoning designations," Rogers said. "I personally feel there are other sites."

Rodney Arroyo, city traffic consultant with the firm of Barton-Aschman Associates, gave the commission some traffic generation figures "for discussion purposes only." According to Arroyo, the 70-acre parcel under its current B-4 residential zoning designation (3.3 units per acre) would generate a total of approximately 230 p.m. peak hour trips per day. Under the scenario of an outpatient care complex (using figures submitted by Providence to Barton-Aschman), the use would generate a total of approximately 1,105 p.m. peak hour trips per day.

In making his pitch for the rezoning to the commission, Connolly explained the need for the health care facility in a rapidly growing area like Novi. "You must begin planning for the future. As a community grows and ages, it needs more health care," he said.

Connolly pointed out that although Novi is currently a young community, it will have a significant portion of aging residents within 20 years. Connolly said health care

figures show that senior citizens require four times more health care services than their younger counterparts.

Although many of the residents speaking out against the project said they were not against the facility — just the location, Connolly said that the site at Ten Mile and Taft Road had been chosen according to specific criteria.

"The site must be large enough to add services — it should have the reasonably acquired with services (sewer, water and utilities) . . . it must have a community orientation, be in the geographic center of Novi . . . access roads to the facility must be uncongested (property near a road) . . . one of the most desired residential areas in the city," he said.

Connolly added that the company hoped to build a health care campus that would blend with the surrounding area, including a proposed district. "Any development at this site will add traffic," he said. "Our development will maintain the current B (acceptable) level of traffic."

The hospital president said the Providence facility also would add jobs to the community and provide an educational opportunity for high school students.

After hearing from a large number of residents (see related story) and a

fair number of Providence Hospital employees, commissioners voted not to recommend the rezoning to the city council.

The majority of commissioners state that although they would love to see Providence expand in Novi, they felt the proposed site was wrong for such a facility.

"The issue is not emotional," Commissioner John Balagna said. "I think all of us would love to have a full-service health facility in the city, but this is a zoning issue and I think the foresight of the 1980 Master Plan (calling for residential zoning) should be adhered to."

Planning Commissioner Gary Phillips called the proposed hospital site in Southfield to have his children born — something he would not like to repeat.

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The Lehmkuhls (from left), Dana, Angela, Brad and David, and their dog Pepper, will have a happier Christmas because of the kindness of a neighbor.

By ANGELA LEHMKUHL
special writer

I was one of those cold, rainy, wintry days that seem to have become synonymous with December in Michigan in recent years. Only three weeks left till Christmas and still so much to be done. The rushing was on!

lock after block we searched, rain pelting our faces through the open car windows as we called for her, hoping to hear a familiar bark in response. Not wanting to give in, we finally returned home, dreading the worst.

THANKS

Unselfish act of kindness saves dog, makes holiday happy

The question was simply, "Has anyone seen Pepper?" Suddenly, four people found themselves looking questioningly at each other.

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For some reason, the first call was made to the Novi Police Department. From the family room, I could hear my son inquiring about our dog and then I was suddenly aware of the excitement in his voice as he said to his sister, "Tell Mom quick. Quick. Tell her now."

And the next thing I knew, she was rushing into the family room excitedly saying, "Mom, I think they found Pepper. Someone found Pepper. We have to go to the police station as soon as they call back and tell us they have the dog."

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Family dog returns home in time for Christmas

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watch officer a brief description of Pepper, which must have satisfied him, and were told to drive around back to a pen located by the dumpsters.

But nothing seemed to say exactly what I really wanted to say. Finally, I asked Tim for his address, with the intention of sending this stranger a generous reward for what he had done for our family.

Editor's note: The story of Pepper does not end there. Tim's name is Tim Gordon and his parents are very good friends with the Lemkuhls.

Area churches to hold Christmas Eve services

Novi Highlights

The Faith Community United Presbyterian Church will hold Christmas Eve services Thursday, Dec. 24, at 7 and 10 p.m.

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Letters to Santa Claus
These are some of the notes to Santa which made their way to Santa Claus' helper at Twelve Oaks Mall last week.

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Music conventions pull crowds

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

Music collectors always seem to know when and where local record conventions will be held, but many times, the general public and newcomers are left in the cold.

These local conventions are normally attended by several hundred people who collect anything related to music — anything from records, cassettes and compact discs to photos and press kits.

A lot of people outside the exclusive fraternity don't realize there is at least one record convention in the Detroit area every other month and there are several dozen nationwide in any given month and even some foreign cities like Toronto, London and Belfast.

The Metro Detroit Record Club sponsors six such events a year and has become the major force in providing record conventions for the Detroit area.

Orangapod Productions holds its "Record Collector's Convention" in Ann Arbor a few times a year, and the "Western Michigan Record Convention" is held in Grand Rapids from time to time and services the western portion of the state.

Mike Himes, owner of a record store in East Detroit, is a member of the Metro Detroit Record Club and has been involved in putting together conventions for nearly two years. He reports that the response from the public to these conventions is very good, but that there has been an emphasis on getting more people involved.

"We usually have conventions six times a year — every other month," Himes said. "On a good day, we get anywhere from 400 to 500 people through the doors. The response is always good, but we are trying to get some new faces involved. We have a mailing list of about 4,000."

"We usually have about 40 or 50 dealers who have record stores or are avid collectors themselves; they come to sell their products. We get dealers from all over Michigan as well as Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. We usually don't get anybody who has to drive more than seven or eight hours."

The dealers pay \$25 to set up their



Record conventions offer plenty of hard-to-find and unusual buys

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music-related items on the tables provided. The admission price is \$2 for the public. The show advertises anything from "Seger to Sinatra" and just about anything that is collectible and related to music can be found — new and used.

"We have records, cassettes, videos, posters — really anything related to the music industry itself," Himes said. "I've also seen press kits, photos, display items and magazines."

"People come to buy but there is also some trading. Unlike at your

local record store, there is a lot of bartering and dealing going on."

If you're into the Beatles or Elvis or Motown but have had trouble finding certain items, chances are you can find what you're looking for at a record convention. If not, there is bound to be somebody on hand who can point you in the right direction.

It's important to remember that most dealers are music collectors and fans, just like the buyers, so they are always interested in helping people find what they are looking for.

The next convention in the Detroit

area is sponsored by Choice Promotions of Warren and will be held Jan. 10 at the Fairlane Holiday Inn in Dearborn. For more information, call 977-8033.

For more information on The Metro Detroit Record Club Conventions call 381-7975; The Western Michigan Record Conventions call (616) 338-7887; The Record Collectors Conventions in Ann Arbor write Orangapod Productions, P.O. Box 2323, Ann Arbor, MI 48106.

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Brown sparks matmen

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN writer

With Scott Brown leading the way, the Novi wrestlers established themselves as one of the county's best teams at the Oakland County Championships at OCC on Dec. 18-19.

Unfortunately, the Wildcats may have also lost their status as the Kensington Valley Conference favorites in the process.

Novi accumulated 156 points to finish fourth in the 42-team tournament. But that was six points behind fellow KVC foe Lakeland, which surprised everyone by finishing third.

Lake Orion won the county championship with 197 points, while perennial powerhouse Hazel Park finished second with 190 points.

"We were seventh last year so this was a definite improvement," observed Tom Fritz, coach of the Wildcat grapplers. "But coming in behind Lakeland tells me we are no longer the favorites in the KVC."

Because of the holiday break, Fritz didn't have the service of three regulars, but his team still managed to qualify 11 wrestlers for the second day — a feat only three other teams were able to accomplish.

The highlight of the tournament for the 'Cats was undoubtedly Scott Brown's performance at 126. The senior registered three pins in the first day of action and then came back to win impressively in the semifinals and finals to capture the county title.

It was the first Oakland County title ever won by a Novi wrestler.

"It was a very impressive performance by Scott," Fritz said. "Heading in, I was expecting him and (Ron) Nett to do extremely well, and they both did."

After winning a 5-2 decision over a wrestler from Rochester Adams in the semis, Brown dethroned Lakeland's Jeff Mussen 4-2 in the all-KVC final.



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Wildcat cagers up mark to 4-1 with two wins

Bad weather and a strange decision by Walled Lake school officials forced the Novi cagers to play two games in two days last week, but the 'Cats came out of it unscathed with two wins and a 4-1 record heading into the holiday break.

Even though Walled Lake Western students had school on Dec. 15, it was decided to postpone all after-school activities because of the weather. The decision mixed the Warriors' non-conference game at Novi that night. The Warriors proceeded to down a pesky Farmington team two days later 52-50 and then bounced Western the following evening 60-45 in the make-up game.

The wins up Novi's non-conference record to a sparkling 4-0.

"Having to go back-to-back is rough on the kids but I thought they responded fairly well," observed Wildcat Coach John Cicchelli.

Against Farmington, Novi pulled out to a 15-11 lead after one quarter and built the margin to 10 (29-19) at halftime. Cicchelli inserted reserve guard Ed Cote into the line-up just before intermission and he exploded for nine points — a three-minute span to give the 'Cats a nice cushion.

The Falcons gained a little ground in the third, but midway through the fourth, Novi was maintaining a 12-point lead and it appeared to be over — until the 'Cats fell apart.

A combination of missed free throws, missed easy shots and turnovers opened the door for Farmington to get back into the game — and they did. With three minutes left and Novi ahead by eight, the Falcons started to get hot. While the Wildcats were making only 4-of-9 free throws (including three one-and-one situations) down the stretch, Farmington was closing the gap with each possession.

Novi's only point in the final 3:40 of the game came when senior center Brian Schram hit the front end of a free throw with 32 seconds left. Fortunately, it was just enough for the 'Cats to hold on for a slim two-point victory.

"We let (Farmington) off the hook and certainly made things interesting at the end," Cicchelli said. "We got ice cold and they got hot just when it looked like we were in control of things. They capitalized on our mistakes and made a nice run at us."

"But we hung tough and pulled it out and that's the important thing. It wasn't the way we wanted to end it, though."

Senior Dave Skown led all scorers and rebounders with 19 points and 12 boards. Schram added 18 points and Cote chipped in nine. In addition, point guard Craig Cowden had his best all-around game of the season with four assists, three blocked shots and three rebounds.

The first half of the Novi-Walled Lake Western contest was very close, thanks to the hot shooting of Warrior guard Mike Berling. At halftime, the two teams were knotted at 28-28 as Berling had scored 20 of the Warriors' points.

"I knew at halftime we needed to make a defensive adjustment on Berling, and we did," Cicchelli explained. The Wildcats came out and played their best quarter of the season, outscoring Western 20-7 to open up a 13-point lead. While Novi outscored the Warriors 10-0 in the last two minutes of the third, forward George Arnold was keeping the wraps on Berling. A 38-35 lead quickly became 48-35 margin.

The Wildcats held the lead in the fourth this time and eventually won by 15. Schram scored 20 to lead Novi, while Skown added 17 points and 12 rebounds. Berling ended with a game-high 26 points.

"Our 10-0 spurt at the end of the third really made the difference in the game," Cicchelli said. "That was the turning point. We made three or four quick steals and converted them, and that was basically the margin."

New coach takes charge of Wildcat volleyball team

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

A new coach, a new system and a new season may help — but the Novi volleyball fortunes aren't expected to change dramatically after years of failure.

The new coach is Teri Wyman, and she faces the monumental task of trying to turn around a sagging program that hasn't won a single dual meet in 22 months. The 'Cats are coming off a winless season, and it's hoped a new coach and a new system will take some of the sting away from the past three seasons which featured only six wins in 61 tries.

"The first thing I want to stress is a better attitude toward volleyball," Wyman said. "This program needs a boost — we need to have more excitement. The girls have to have a good time, and it's very hard to enjoy yourself when you're losing all the time. If the team gets along well and we stress positives, we'll have a much better chance of winning."

Wyman's team features seven seniors and five juniors. Many of the key performers have varsity experience, but most haven't experienced much success on the court — and that is something Wyman wants to change.

"I don't think it's realistic to think we can turn the whole thing around in one season, but we do have some talent and it will be up to them as to how far we progress. They will have to be dedicated and work hard."

The team's top player again this season may be senior Kristina Higley (5-8), who was a second team All-Area selection a year ago. Higley will be a middle hitter in the Novi offense, and Wyman has been impressed with her abilities in early workouts.

"Kristina's strong physically and she can hit and block well," observed Novi's new volleyball coach. "I think she can do a lot for us — I've been impressed with her."

Senior Jennifer Henstock didn't play last season, but had varsity experience as a sophomore. She is a versatile performer who can be utilized as either a setter or a hitter.

"She's a very good setter," Wyman said. "She's strong and dependable and I'm sure she'll keep improving as the season goes on."

Other players vying for the final starting berth include senior hitters Linda Clynick (5-6), Julie Watkins (5-6) and Mary Marcus (5-5) and senior setter Denise Cota.

"We'll have to learn to be consistent," Wyman said. "That's one thing I'm picky about. In our hitting and serving, we need to be consistent. It doesn't matter how hard you hit the ball if it doesn't go in. As we improve in that area, we can work on hitting it harder — now we just want to get it in."

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She's flexible enough to set and I'd feel confident using her as a hitter too."

Hitters Nicki Kasten and Vicki Muzzin are probable starters on the team as well. Kasten is a 5-5 junior with a lot of natural ability and Muzzin, a senior, is a veteran varsity player who is steady and excels in the back row.

Another regular in the line-up is Katie Hansen (5-0) who is very physical, quick and can be employed as either a hitter or a setter.

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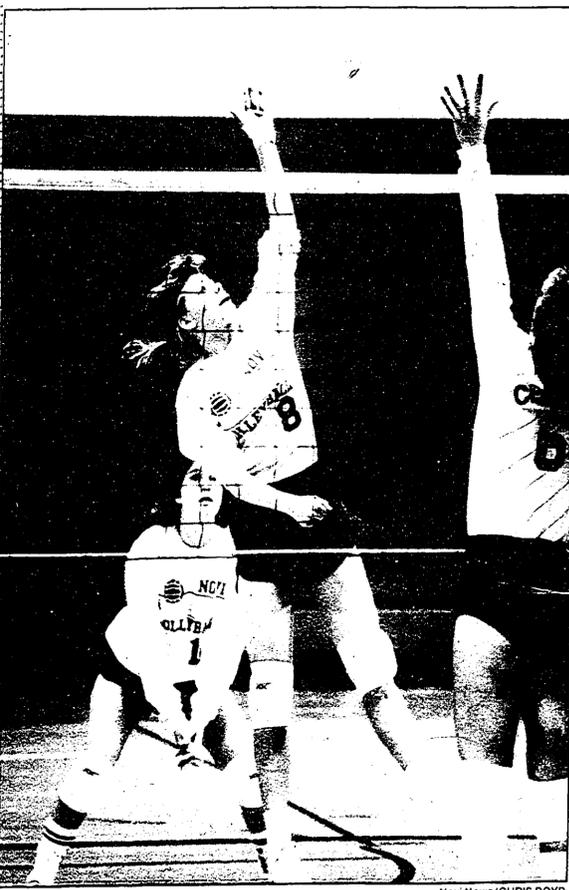
"We finally got our passes going in game two and that's why it was easier. In game one, we didn't pass accurately enough."

Senior setter Katie Brugman did a nice job of distributing the ball and middle blocker Debbie Stevens played exceptionally good defense with seven solo blocks for the match.

For Novi, game one was the highlight. According to Wyman, the 'Cats ran their new offense well and were very competitive even though Northville eventually claimed the victory.

"I thought we got off to a good start with the first game," she said. "We ran our offense well, but we just got down a little in the second game."

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Kristina Higley (8) will be a key player for the Novi spike squad this season

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'Autorama' cruising into Detroit

The 38th annual Detroit Autorama, the nation's biggest and oldest custom car event, comes to Cobo Hall Jan. 7 through 10.

More than 100,000 people are expected to see the 500 custom cars on display. William Shatner will be among the celebrities present.

Parking for the show is easier this year; municipal Detroit facilities will be open for \$1 for an entire evening near People Mover stops. A preview for senior and handicapped citizens is scheduled Friday, Jan. 8, from 2-4 p.m. Handicapped persons and seniors with a guest will be admitted free.

"Educating Rita": Meadow Brook Theatre will present *Educating Rita*, Willy Russell's comedy variation on the *Pysmalion* theme, for a four-week run opening New Year's Eve at 8 p.m. Performances, including some matinees, are scheduled through Jan. 24.

For more information call the Box Office at 377-3300. For group sales call 370-3316. Meadow Brook Theatre is on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester.

Art exhibit: A fine art and commercial art exhibit by G. Panyard will be on display at Madonna College, 196 and Levan Road in Livonia, through Jan. 18 in the library wing's Exhibit Gallery. There is no charge.

Hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. For more information call 891-7548.

Weavers Guild: The Oakland County Cultural Council presents the Michigan Weavers

Nearby

"Promises, Promises": The Neil Simon, Burt Bacharach, Hal David musical *Promises, Promises*, based on the 1960 film *The Apartment*, opens a five-week engagement Dec. 30 at the Birmingham Theatre.

The show runs for three years on Broadway and almost two years in London. Tickets priced from \$15.50 to \$29.50 are now on sale at the theater box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. Special discounts for students and for groups of 20 or more are available at 644-3576.

For information or to charge by phone call the Birmingham Theatre box office at 644-3533.

Toy train appraisals: The Detroit Historical Museum is holding a toy train appraisal Sunday, Dec. 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The session is conducted by the Bluewater Michigan chapter of the National Railway Historical Society. There will be a \$1 donation per item and a limit of three items per person.

The donations will go to the Historical Museum's Glancy Train exhibit fund. The

museum is at 5401 Woodward at Kirby in the cultural center and is open Wednesday through Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Victorian Christmas: The Plymouth Historical Museum is showing "A Very Victorian Christmas" — a special presentation with a variety of related exhibits — through Jan. 15.

The museum's halls are decked in greens, the trees are decorated in themes ranging from patriotic to antique die-cuts, and the men and women are dressed in holiday finery. Special exhibits include hand-painted and ceramic Santa Claus figures.

The Plymouth Historical Museum, located at 355 S. Main Street in Plymouth, is open to the public Thursday, Saturday and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Admission is \$1 for adults, 50 cents for youth (11-17) and 25 cents for children (5-10). For more information call 455-3940.

"Auntie Mame": The Hilberry Theatre continues its silver anniversary celebration with the popular comedy *Auntie Mame*, running in repertory through Jan. 30.

Written by Jerome Lawrence (who is also a visiting artist at the Hilberry) and Robert E. Lee, the play is directed by Anthony Schmitt. The show is running in repertory with Howard Burman's *Thelma's Play*, and joined later by Mober's *Thelma's Play*. Tickets can be reserved by calling 377-2972.

To have an event listed in "Nearby," write to: Nearby, Novi News, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167.

Top Ten

Here are the top ten selling albums at Harmony House in West Oaks II on Novi Road:

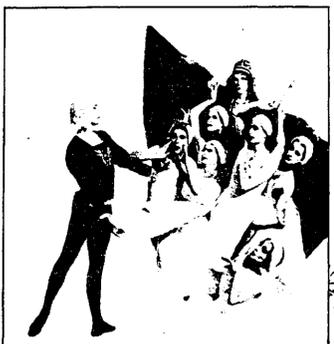
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- "Faith"
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- Belinda Carlisle
- "Lovecome Jubilee"
- John Cougar Mellencamp
- "Cloud Nine"
- George Harrison
- "Kick"
- INXS
- "Permanent Vacation"
- Aerosmith

'Ballerinas' to perform

The "world's ugliest ballerinas," Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo, bring their unique comedy ballet back to Detroit's Music Hall next weekend.

The all-male mock ballet company has performed at the Music Hall for the last nine years. This year's engagement will debut two new pieces — "Four Seasons" and "Gaius Bolos" — in addition to Trocadero favorites "Dying Swan" and "Yes, Virginia, Another Piano Ballet."

The Trocaderos are scheduled to perform at 8 p.m. Dec. 31, Jan. 1, and Jan. 2; and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 3. Tickets are \$18 to \$22 and are available at the Music Hall box office, all Ticketmaster, AAA and Hudson's outlets, or by phone at 423-6666. New Year's Eve and group packages are available at 963-7622.



Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo

Tankers sink North Farmington

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN
staff writer

The Novi High School swimming team gave Coach Larry Teahan a nice Christmas present on Dec. 15 — another win over a Western Lakes Activities Association (WLA) league squad.

With an 81-91 victory over North Farmington, the Wildcats head into their holiday vacation with a 2-1 overall mark. The team is now in the midst of a 28-day break until competitive swimming resumes Jan. 12 with a meet against the WLA's best team, Plymouth Salem.

The win over North was very important. It provided Novi with a winning record and gave the team some needed momentum heading into the long period of inactivity. The 'Cats nabbed eight of 11 firsts in the meet, but needed a strong finish to slip past the Raiders.

"It went a little tougher than expected," Teahan admitted. "I thought we'd do better — we just got off to a slow start. We had a very long, hard workout the night before, and I think it took us a while before we got things going."

Joe Cohen, Steve Cohen and Steve Warthman — the heart of the Novi squad — provided the winning punch at the top of the lineup once again as each of them won two events. Jon won the 200-yard IM (2:02.70) and the

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100 breaststroke with a new North Farmington pool record time of 1:01.16. Jon's younger brother Steve continued his winning ways with firsts in the 200 freestyle (1:55.11) and the 500 freestyle (5:08.00), while Warthman added a pair of wins in the 50 (23.68) and 100 freestyle (51.48) races.

The other firsts came from diver Joe Jablonski (214.75 point total) and the 400 freestyle relay team of Jon Cohen, Steve Cohen, Rudy Speerscheider and Warthman. The relay team provided insurance for the win in the last race of the meet by winning by half 10 seconds (3:32.30).

Second-place finishes were registered by Speerscheider in the 200 freestyle (1:57.20) and 500

freestyle (5:13.51), and the 200 medley relay combo of Josh Matta, Dave Suchyta, Matt Lorenz and Steve Strausberg (1:53.86).

Other key finishes came from Suchyta (third in 100 breaststroke in 1:10.12), Phil Byers (fifth in the 500 freestyle in 6:12.70) and Bob Bates (fifth in the 100 breaststroke in 1:12.73).

"We did a nice job with the first places again," Teahan said. "I was pleased because we fell behind a little bit midway through the meet, but we picked up a lot of points later by getting our share of firsts, and we also got some of the seconds, thirds, fourths and fifths."

Even though Novi won four of the first five events, they only held a

slim 40-38 advantage. After a 1-2 finish in the 100 butterfly, the Raiders pulled ahead by four points for the first time in the meet, and the 'Cats didn't get back in front until a 1-2-5 finish in the 500 freestyle made it 64-62.

Heading into the final race — the 400 freestyle relay — all Novi needed was a win or a 2-3 finish — and they got it.

"North Farmington has a good program, and anytime you can beat a team like them it's helpful," Teahan said. "With some of the teams we still have on our schedule, it's important for us to get as many wins as we can."

"It's a nice feeling to come back on the road like we did. North Farmington has a nice modern pool, but it's not an easy pool for a visiting team to swim in because it's so shallow."

With nearly a month until the Wildcats return to action, Teahan worries his team will lose its competitive edge, but he does have some things planned to try to avoid any of that.

"We'd like to have at least one competition in there, but we don't so we'll probably set up an intra-squad meet after Christmas," he said.

"With all this time, it's a good chance for us to pile on the yardage and get in good condition for the rest of the season."

Wildcats of the Week



DAVE SKOWN

Senior cager Dave Skown has been a terror on the boards and a dependable inside scorer all season for Novi. For proof, all you have to do is look at his last two games. In a 52-50 win over Farmington on Dec. 17, Skown led all scorers with 19 points and lead all rebounders with 12.

The following night, the 6-4 forward helped the 'Cats trounce Walled Lake Western 60-45 with a 17-point, 12-rebound performance. Novi is now 4-1 and Skown is a big reason for the success. That's why "Wildcat of the Week" honors are definitely in order.



SCOTT BROWN

Senior Scott Brown became the first wrestler in Novi history to grab an Oakland County title last week, and we think that merits "Wildcat of the Week" honors. Brown registered three pins and two decisions en route to the 126-pound crown at the Oakland County Championships last weekend at OCC. In the finals, he defeated Lakeland's Jeff Mussen 4-2. Brown was the only Novi grappler to finish first and helped the Wildcat team place fourth in the 42-team tournament. "It was an impressive performance by Scott," commented mat coach Tom Fritz.

"Without his regular performers at 98, 105 and 119, Fritz had to go with some back-ups, and that may have cost the team a place. But Fritz wasn't about to downplay Lakeland's surprise performance.

"Lakeland looked real good," he said. "On paper, I don't see how we can beat them but thank God matches aren't wrestled on paper. If we'd have had all our regular wrestlers in there, it wouldn't have made that much difference. We may have moved ahead of Lakeland, though."

Novi grapplers take fourth in county

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Due to some questionable seedings, Brown wound up as the only Wildcat to take a title or finish as a runner-up, but that didn't mean there weren't other outstanding performances. At 112, senior Ron Nutt won 3-1 for the tournament — losing only to the eventual champ from Hazel Park — but because of the seeding, he was unable to take a second and had to settle for third. Nutt advanced to the semifinals with a pin and two decisions but then lost his first match of the season 9-1 to Jamie Mathy — a wrestler who placed third in the state a year ago. Ironically, the number one seed from Lakeland, Mike Sanderson, was pinned by Mathy earlier, and yet he still placed ahead of Nutt. That didn't sit too well with Fritz.

"Ron would have finished second if the seedings were fair and if the tournament was run better," he said. "It just wasn't fair, and I told them (tournament organizers) how I felt."

Another controversial third place finish for the 'Cats came at 167 when Matt Brinker was disqualified in a semifinal bout. With Brinker ahead 8-2 over Avondale's Dale Wright, the mat judge ruled that he had executed an illegal move — a call that Fritz questioned. Wright came up injured following the move and was unable to continue, thus winning the match by disqualification.

"If it was an illegal move, Matt deserved to lose, but that's not the way I saw it," Fritz said. "It was a very, very controversial call. And the kid from Avondale, who couldn't go on against Brinker, was back in there wrestling in the final."

Bret Keir (98) was the only other Novi wrestler to place in the top three. His only loss was a 1-2 decision to Kurt Phillips, the eventual champion, from Lake Orion. It was only Keir's second loss this season and both have been to Phillips.

Dan Brogan and Ron Fritz were the only other top-six finishers for the Wildcats. At 138, Brogan

tell to Ortonville Brandon's Ernie Rivers 6-1 in the quarterfinals, while Fritz lost to Clarkston's Jason Campbell 10-3 in the quarterfinals at 185.

At 119, senior Kevin Moody didn't place, but he did win four of five matches the first day and one of two the second day. His overall record of 5-2 helped Novi gain several additional points.

"Moody did an excellent job," commented Fritz.

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Rec Briefs

7-8th grade basketball: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department offers a 7th & 8th Grade Basketball League with separate divisions for boys and girls. The league will meet on Tuesdays and Fridays from 3:45 to 5:45 p.m. in the Novi Meadows gym beginning Jan. 5 and running through Feb. 5.

There's a registration fee of \$15 per player and registration deadline is Monday, Jan. 4, at 5 p.m. There will be a mandatory meeting for all players on Tuesday, Jan. 5, at 2:40 p.m. For more information call 349-1976.

Officiating classes: Officiating classes in basketball, soccer, softball, baseball and volleyball are being offered through the Walled Lake Community Education Department. Participants who complete the class can be state certified and registered.

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Cross-country skiing gains fans

Surveys of how Americans spend their recreation time have shown that cross-country skiing keeps growing in popularity. Cross-country is not only a good way to keep exercising during the winter, but also allows you to enjoy the winter Michigan scenery.

If you're interested in cross-country skiing, but have shied away from starting because you didn't know how or didn't have the proper equipment, there are places available in the area to help you out with lessons, equipment rentals and trails for different skill levels.

So far this season, the weather hasn't really cooperated, and some classes have been cancelled for lack of snow. But more are scheduled throughout the winter. The opportunities include:

□ Novi Parks and Recreation classes: A December class had to be cancelled, but three more are scheduled. Sessions will be held Jan. 9 and 30, and Feb. 6.

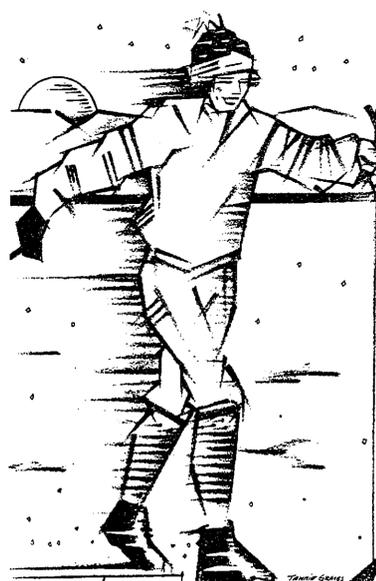
Each class runs on a Saturday from 9 to 10:30 a.m., and one session will teach you all the basics. Cost is \$10 per person if you bring your own skis and boots, or \$12 per person if you want to use the equipment provided.

Registration is required ahead of time at the Parks and Recreation building at 43315 Sixth Gate Road off Novi Road, south of Grand River. The classes are held at Maybury State Park on Eight Mile in Northville.

□ Northville Community Recreation classes: Three classes are scheduled during January for anyone five years and older.

Sessions are set for Tuesday, Jan. 12, from 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 16, from 10:30 a.m.; and Thursday, Jan. 21, from 7:30 p.m. Fees are \$5 per person with no rental or \$10 per person with equipment rental.

Registration is by mail through a form in the Northville Community Recreation winter brochure or in person at the recreation building, 303 W. Main Street. The form should in-



clude shoe size. The classes are held at Maybury State Park. For more information about lessons call 1-800-247-2757.

Once you've been through the lessons, area parks offer regular hours for skiing and equipment rental.

□ Maybury State Park: The park has 10 kilometers of trails marked for cross-country skiing. The park is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. A permit is required for vehicle en-

try. Annual permits are \$10, daily permits are \$2 (\$1 for age 65 and older).

Ski rental and snack bar hours are 12 noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Rental costs \$10, and you must present your driver's license. Rental includes skis, shoes and poles. The park also has a sledging and tobogganing hill, and a partially enclosed shelter with a fireplace. For more information call 348-1190.

□ Kensington: The park has over 15 miles of cross-country trails for novice, intermediate and advanced skiers. The park is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday; 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Rentals of complete equipment sets are \$6.50 per half day, with skis, boots and poles available separately. There is also a \$2 insurance charge with \$1 returned if equipment is in good shape. A driver's license is required.

Special group rates are available Monday through Friday. Reservations are required. It must be an organized group with a minimum of 10 people. For more information call 1-800-247-2757, extension 436.

□ The Cranbrook schools: For the extra drive to Bloomfield Hills, cross-country skiers can enjoy the surroundings of Cranbrook through Cranbrook P.M., the schools' continuing education program.

Parking is free at the Cranbrook campus. The cost is \$25 for a season pass for one person; a family season pass is \$50.

Registration is through the mail. The address is Cranbrook P.M., Box 801, Bloomfield Hills, 48013. Participation in the program is limited, so early registration is advised.

Proceeds from Cranbrook P.M. benefit the schools' financial aid programs.

Cranbrook is on Lone Pine Road (18 1/2 Mile) between Lahser Road and Woodward Avenue. For more information call 645-3635.

Nutritionist to speak at center

Nutritionist Sheri Hasse will be the featured speaker at the Jan. 8 meeting of the Professional Women's Network (PWN) at the Farmington Community Center at 24705 Farmington Road in Farmington Hills.

Her topic will be "Weight Management — Food Facts and Fallacies." The PWN holds 7:15 a.m. breakfast meetings on the second Friday of every month.

Reservations and advance payment must be received at the Farmington Community Center by Dec. 30. Cost is \$5 for PWN members and \$6 for non-members. For more information call 477-8404.

Swim/Fitness Program: The Mercy Center on Eleven Mile between Middlebelt and Inkster roads in Farmington Hills, is offering a pair of winter swim and fitness programs.

An early morning open swim is offered Monday through Friday from 6:30 to 8 a.m. and Saturday from 7:30 to 9 a.m. The program includes lap swims, swim classes, private lessons, adult synchronized swimming and adapted aquatics.

The Trim-Gym-Swim fitness program is designed to strengthen and tone the body and includes a special senior citizen discount.

The first session is Jan. 8 to Feb. 25 and the second session is Feb. 25 to April 22. For more information call 476-8010.

Fitness over 50: Twelve Oaks Mall is providing a safe, proven and highly effective workout for older people and others who are interested in a low impact aerobic exercise pro-

Fitness notes

gram. The program is offered every Tuesday and Thursday from 9-10 a.m. in the Lord & Taylor Court (lower level).

The "Fitness over 50" program has been designed and field tested for more than 10 years at the University of Michigan. It provides a non-strenuous but invigorating program that will improve your strength and muscle tone, and increase your energy and endurance.

The event is free and open to the public.

Walking at the mall: People who enjoy walking are invited to use the climate-controlled corridors at Twelve Oaks Mall. Walkers are welcome Monday through Saturday at 8 a.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m.

All walkers must register at the Twelve Oaks security office.

The lower level track is five-tenths of a mile, while the upper level track is eight-tenths of a mile. A complete trip around the mall is one and one-third miles.

Open swimming: The Novi High School swimming pool is open for general use every Tuesday and Thursday night.

During the holiday season, however, the pool will be closed on Dec. 24, 29 and 31. The pool also

Fitness Tips

will be closed Jan. 14 and 26.

Open swimming runs from 7:30 p.m. and lap swimming is available from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. There's a fee of 50 cents per person. Call Novi Community Education at 348-1200 for more information.

Stop Smoking: Freshstart, a comprehensive quit-smoking program, is offered without charge at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. Cosponsored by the American Cancer Society, Freshstart is designed to help participants understand smoking as a habit, chemical addiction and psychological dependency.

The program will be presented in six one-hour classes. Strategies for conquering smoking physically and psychologically will be explored. The program will be held Jan. 26 and 28 and Feb. 2, 4, 9 and 11 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. Pre-registration is necessary. For more information call 464-6500, ext. 2669.

Novi Trackers: Enjoy camaraderie with fellow running enthusiasts of all ages and abilities by joining the Novi Trackers Running Club. For more information contact Lee Karvola at 349-7224 or Kelley Simpson at the Novi Parks and Recreation office, 349-1976.

Open Swimming: Open swimming at the Northville High School pool is offered every Monday and Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. The pool is also open for open swims on Saturday from noon to 1 p.m.

By PEG CAMPBELL
special writer

More and more people are becoming aware that they can greatly influence their health and longevity.

It's often been said that the most productive thing a person can do to insure a long and healthy life is to choose the right parents. While you cannot choose your parents, you still can have some control over your destiny. Since genetics do influence illnesses you may be prone to, you should be aware of your health risks in order to modify that influence.

The role individuals play in their health has become very evident during the past 15-20 years, and we have seen the rate of heart disease drop significantly in this country. This drop has been attributed to the fact that Americans have taken an aggressive approach that physicians are recommending to help lower cholesterol levels.

Doctors are finding that magic number seems to be 200 for total cholesterol levels. The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI) has announced these guidelines for all Americans. Total blood cholesterol should be below 200 — that's 200 milligrams of total cholesterol per deciliter of blood. Most physicians who find patient's cholesterol levels above that number put them on cholesterol lowering diets. Some physicians may even recommend lower levels for their patients.

Diet is still the safest and, in most instances, the most effective way to lower cholesterol. An NHLBI panel focusing on treatment strategies for adults recommends drug therapies only if intensive diet therapy fails after six months.

Because of the high interest in lowering cholesterol, the Northville Health Center will focus the next several articles in this fitness series on cholesterol.

On Jan. 7 the Northville Health Center will serve as a cholesterol testing site for a national survey sponsored by CBS and the National Institute for Disease Prevention. Cholesterol tests will be available for \$6 with results and information given immediately.

The Novi News is working in conjunction with medical authorities at the University of Michigan Medical Center (M-Care) in Northville and M-Sport to provide up-to-date information on a variety of health-related topics.

The series of articles is being coordinated by Peg Campbell of the M-Care staff.

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Green Oak firm's specialty is rebuilding damaged autos

By DELIA SCHOENEICH

Rebuilding and selling cars has been a trademark of Kensington Motors Inc. for the past nine years. Located at 2827 Dixboro Road in Green Oak Township, the business specializes in selling popular Ford-Lincoln-Mercury cars such as the Mustang and Thunderbird, but also includes in its retail line a mixture of General Motors, Chrysler and imported vehicles.

In addition, Kensington Motors sells used car parts. "What's unique about the business is an unheard warranty," said owner Steve Gronow. "Once the car is built and sold you'll never have to spend major dollars for repairs. We've never denied anyone a repair."

The business guarantees a 90-day, 100 percent unconditional parts and labor warranty with no deductible.

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The auto shop at Kensington

rebuilds as many as 50 cars per year. Approximately 500 vehicles are sold each year with sales estimated at \$2 million annually.

The majority of cars come from the insurance pool, which acquires damaged or theft-recovered cars. Gronow explains that some of the cars come from professional people who prefer to sell their damaged cars rather than wait to have them repaired. A small number of cars come from car-leasing companies that sell them because the cars may be theft-recovered or may just simply have too many miles on them.

"For those persons who are in a wreck who don't want their car, we can get them out of it," said Gronow. More specifically, Kensington Motors pays the difference between the insurance settlement and the actual value of the car. For example, if the car is valued at \$12,000 and the insurance company pays \$8,000 for damages, Kensington Motors will buy the car from the owner for \$6,000.

After a damaged car has been purchased, the process of re-building it begins. "It usually takes two to three cars to make one sellable. There are generally 15 cars in process at any one time," said Gronow. A typical job for the business may

be to take the undamaged chassis of a car that has been theft-recovered and stripped of its interior, remove the interior parts of a frame-damaged car that is of the exact same model, and combine the two to make one complete vehicle at a substantially lower-than-factory price.

For example, one customer said she paid \$5,000 for an Escort GT which was selling for \$9,000 book price. Gronow describes the process as being "like the assembly line at Ford Motor Co., where they take the bare body of a car and then start adding all the components." After the car has been built, it goes to the paint shop where it gets a "better-than-factory" paint job, he said.

The finished product then goes back to the production shop for a "button-up," which is the final checklist. Each technician signs the checklist and then one employee will drive the car for a week to ensure that nothing has been overlooked.

In addition to the button-up, Kensington Motors Inc. also undergoes police-safety inspections at which time someone comes out from the

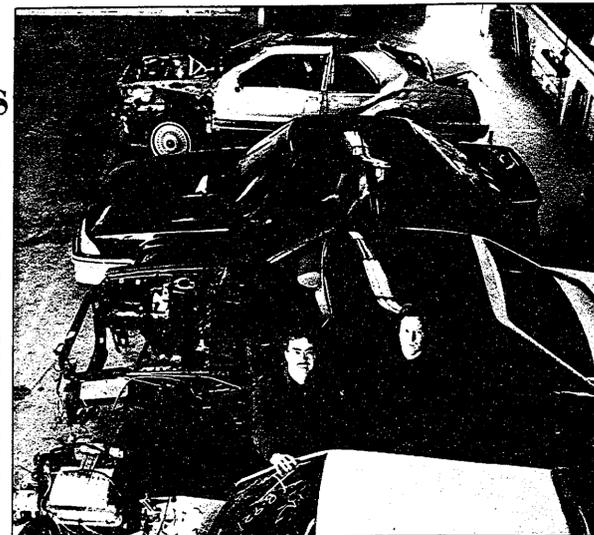


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Kensington Motors Owner Steve Gronow (left) and General Manager John Dickhart are surrounded by cars

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