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Spooky stuff

The Novi Jaycees and Exceptional Equestrians are teaming up this Halloween to frighten the daylights out of folks. They dare you to enter their Haunted Barn at the Tollgate Center at Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook. The barn is full of sights and frights and is open from Oct. 14-31. The barn is closed Mondays but open Sunday-Thursday from 7-10:30 p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to midnight.

Admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for kids 12 and under. Tuesday night spooks are discounted, \$5 adults, \$3 for kids. If haunted barns give you the spooks you may want to opt for a hayride. Choose a Saturday afternoon ride from noon-4 p.m. or a moonlight ride Thursday thru Sunday from 7 p.m. till close. Adults pay \$4 to ride; kids' tickets are \$3. For more information or group rates, call 347-3860 Ext. 216.

Parents get info campaign under way

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Novi CARES, a citizens group forming to ensure voters have all the facts before they vote Dec. 13 on the Novi schools \$30 million bond issue for new and revamped school facilities, is up and running.

The group took on at least 11 new members last week and is looking for any additional support it can find to disseminate information about the upcoming bond issue.

Last week members feared they wouldn't have enough support to get the ball rolling,

but this week support and interest doesn't seem to be a problem.

We definitely had interest," said Novi CARES' newly-elected president Carol Elfring, who last week wasn't sure whether the group would thrive if there wasn't enough interest in its crusade.

Elfring said Tuesday the group - the acronym stands for Novi Children and Adults Reaching for Excellent Schools - initiated new members, designed subcommittees and filed with Oakland County to become a non-profit committee formed to promote a ballot ques-

tion. The county requires such committees to file if members intend to spend more than \$1,000 to produce ballot question information.

Elfring said she anticipates spending at least that much on the group's first mailer.

In addition to getting information to school district voters through mailers, the group intends to host information nights to answer voters questions about the ballot question. Dates for those evenings have yet to be sched-

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Judge rejects plea for lowered bond

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

David Tomassi's attorney argued Thursday an electronic tether would do what police across the country couldn't do for 11 years - keep his client in custody and from jumping bail.

"Mr. Tomassi has two full-time jobs in New Hartford, New York that are still available to him," said Tomassi's attorney Raymond Cassar who requested a reasonable bond for his client. "He has no substantial ties to Michigan. I know that has been a concern for some people. But he truly wishes to resolve this matter."

Cassar asked the court to set a reasonable bond for the man who has eluded police with his sons for more than a decade. But after hearing all that Novi Police had to do to bring the man to justice, 52-1 District Court Judge Michael Batchik denied the request and instead handed down a \$1 million bond against Tomassi.

The 40-year-old fugitive of justice is being held in an Oakland County jail on two counts of what nowadays is known as parental

kidnapping. But since the alleged abduction took place 11 years ago in 1983, Tomassi is being charged with violating a custody agreement by taking his sons, Jason and David, then 5 and 6 years old, away from their mother and out of state.

Thursday he was arraigned on the charges.

"He's a professional fugitive," said Mary Stile, the Oakland County prosecutor who handled Tomassi's arraignment.

She said she fears Tomassi would jump bail if he could post it.

Stile said police searched the man's home after his arrest in New York and found information on how to make fake driver's licenses and social security cards. They also obtained blank birth certificates, official health department seals and other documents that could be used to forge records.

"He's clearly capable of avoiding justice," Stile told the court.

Before Batchik ruled on the

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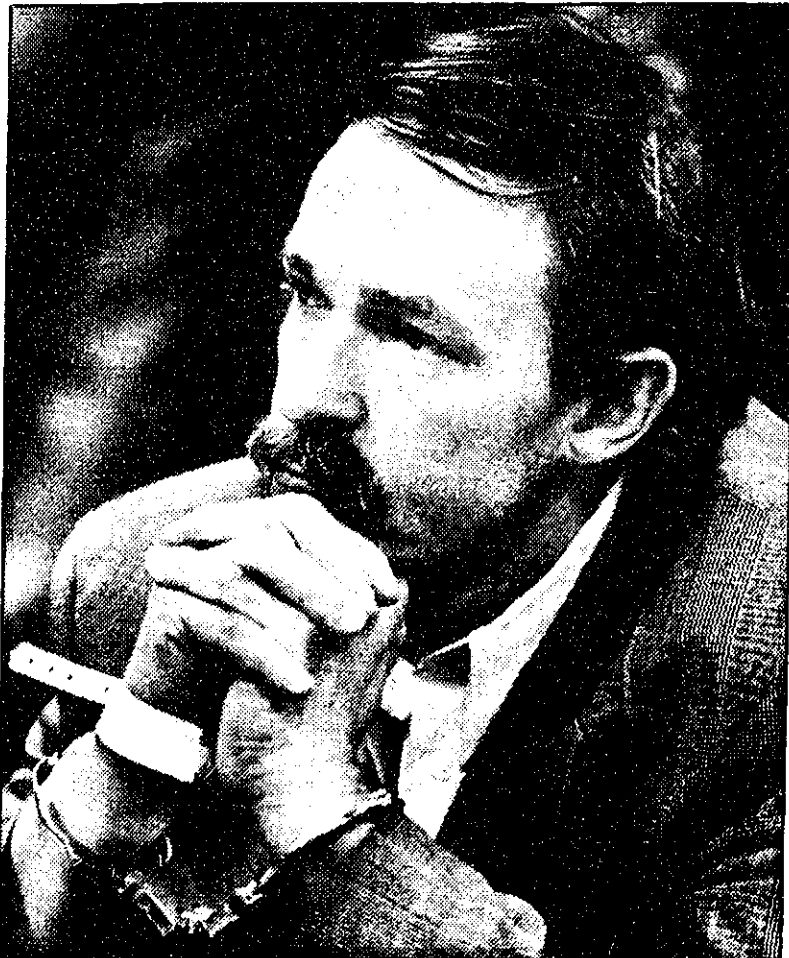


Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

David Tomassi had tears in his eyes Thursday as he faced charges of fleeing out of state with his sons in violation of a court order back in 1983.

Pope knocks
mayor for talk
with WixomBy JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Council Member Tim Pope charged Monday that Mayor Kathleen McLallen violated Novi's city charter in meeting with Wixom's mayor and city manager to discuss the proposed Taft Road extension, without the knowledge of her Novi colleagues.

Pope accused McLallen of negotiating at the session held several weeks ago; she says it was an exchange of information. City Attorney David Fried was asked to render an opinion on the controversy.

"It's clear that this item is taking on a life of its own. I was startled to learn from Wixom officials that the mayor is negotiating with their city and this council had no knowledge of that," Pope said, explaining that he found out about the meeting while at a Michigan Municipal League conference last week.

At issue is a city-financed extension of Taft Road through land owned by developer Neil Sosin, of Northern Equities. The site between Twelve Mile, Beck

and West roads is destined to become an industrial park. The land is partially in Novi and partially in Wixom.

Undergoing study is a possible cul-de-sac of West Road as part of the road project. In addition, Wixom city officials have asked that Taft Road be extended through their city all the way to Pontiac Trail, at Novi's expense, City Manager Ed Kriewall said.

"Wixom alluded to Novi spending significantly more for road improvements in their community," he added.

"Wixom's recommendation was to have the two councils meet. Do you believe that would accomplish anything?"

As an alternative, the mayors, city managers and traffic consultants from the two cities got together.

"Every member of this council is entitled to gather as much information as possible. You can make of it what you like. It was informational," McLallen explained.

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Breshgold
goes on
the attackBy JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Meet the challenger.

While it's not all holds barred, Mike Breshgold, the Democratic contender for U.S. representative in the 11th district, isn't pulling his punches when it comes to incumbent Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Hills.

Viewers of CNN and ESPN will

get a taste of this in the five commercials Breshgold will have running as of Monday.

"I think the record of our cur-

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Freshman seeking to
win a second termBy JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

He's a freshman, but he's hoping he'll make the grade and graduate to sophomore.

Congressman Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Hills, was elected two years ago in the new 11th District, which includes Novi, Milford, South Lyon and portions of Northville, as well as the majority of southwestern Oakland County. It was the first time he ran for public office.

Life in Washington D.C. is "exciting, rewarding," with never a dull moment, Knollenberg found.

"I have never worked harder in my life, but I have never enjoyed it more. I've got my sea legs, I know," he said in an interview Monday in his Farmington Hills office.

He's come a long way from the days when he was a leader in his local PTA and homeowners'

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Community Calendar

To get your organization's activities, regular meetings or special events listed in the Community Calendar, send information to Community Calendar, The Novi News, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167

Thursday, October 20

Parks meeting: The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi City Council Chambers.

Balance Disorders: Dr. M.J. LaRouere will lecture on dizziness and balance disorders and current methods of treatment at the Providence Medical Center, 47601 Grand River, at 7 p.m. To register please call 1-800-968-5595.

Choir sale: The Novi High School choir is offering for sale their tape "Holidays of the Year." The tape will be available to purchase in the Fuerst Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 21

Fantasticks: The Northville-Nowi Branch of the American Association of University Women is sponsoring a benefit performance of *The Fantasticks* at the Margulis Theatre. The wine and cheese reception begins at 7 p.m. with the performance scheduled for 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and can be obtained by calling Audrey Jacobson at 348-8055 or Lynn Clarke at 348-4558. The proceeds support local scholarships for women in financial need.

Saturday, October 22

Fall Color Tour: Enjoy the beauty of autumn with the Novi Jaycees as they walk the trails of Kensington Metro Park from 1-4 p.m. Cider and donuts will be provided. Everyone is welcome to join this fall color tour. For more information, call Amy at (810) 669-0664.

Monday, October 24

TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at Novi Meadows School, Room 6. For more information, call 348-9691.

Breast Disease Support Group: Providence Medical Center's Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., hosts a monthly breast disease support group from 7:30-9 p.m. Anyone who has experienced breast disease is welcome to attend. Call 1-800-968-5595 for more information.

Bereavement Support Group: Dr. Michael Meyer, bereavement counselor, facilitates a monthly support group for anyone in the community who has experienced the death of someone they loved and is in need of help. The group meets 7:30-9 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile. For more information, call 348-1800.

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Tuesday, October 25

Youth Assistance: Novi Youth Assistance board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

L.A.R.A.: The Lakes Area Residents Association meets at 7 p.m. in the media center at the Walled Lake Middle School. James Klausmeyer, City of Novi assessor, will speak on the new tax changes and how assessments are determined. The public is welcome. For more information call Harry Arvanian at 669-0184.

F.E.M.A.L.E.: The Novi area chapter of F.E.M.A.L.E. (Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge/Loose Ends) meets at 7:30 p.m. For more information, please call 684-6096.

Band rehearsal: The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.

Camera Club: The Novi Camera Club meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. For more information, call Hugh Crawford at 348-5078.

Chess Club: The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-9833 evenings after 6 p.m.

Wednesday, October 26

Lions Club: The Novi Lions Club will meet at Kim's Gardens at 6:30 p.m. for dinner followed by a meeting.

Seniors business: The Novi Senior Social Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center for its regular monthly business meeting.

Business Network International: The Farmington Hills chapter of The Business Network International, made up of members from 10 neighboring communities, meets at 7 a.m. at the Tollgate 4-H Education Center, Twelve Mile at Meadowbrook Road. For chapter information or an invitation to one of the meetings, please call 642-7725.

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A cable Halloween: The Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission is producing *Uncle Art's Halloween Special* on Wednesday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. in the SWOCC studio at 24021 Research Drive in Farmington Hills. The program will be broadcast on MetroVision's Channel 12 several times through the month of November. Children who would like to show off their costumes, "Trick or Treat" with Uncle Art, and see themselves on television, should call Donnell Zeidman at 473-7266. There is no cost. Space is limited.

Tuesday, November 1

Seniors meeting: The Novi Center Seniors will hold their general meeting at 11 a.m. in the Community Center of the Novi Civic Center.

Peaceful Parenting: Novi Community Education and Novi Youth Assistance are co-sponsoring "Peaceful Parenting" from 7-8:30 p.m. at Novi Meadows School Media Center. Discover how affirmation, cooperation, self-esteem, communication and feelings can work together to promote family harmony. The fee is \$7. Call 347-0410 regarding scholarships.

Menopause Support Group: Providence Medical Center's Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., hosts a monthly menopause support group from 7:30-9 p.m. for women with concerns about menopause. Call 380-4115 for more information.

Board of Appeals: The Novi Board of Appeals will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

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Left to right, Novi Rotary president Peggy Hayman and club member Bob Lim-bright help Dr. Mav Sanghvi on Tuesday to load up medical supplies bound for a new hospital in Baroda, India. Dr. Sanghvi, an Indian-American, donated the equipment in the name of the Novi Rotary. An EKG machine, an ultrasound machine, examination tables, medical cabinets and supplies such as crutches, plaster casts and bandages filled an entire truck load and spilled over into a van as well. "It's everything you can think of that would be used in an orthopedic office," Hayman said.

Photo by Bryan McNeil



DNR advises mulching rather than burning, bagging leaves

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Mulch 'em and leave 'em. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is advising folks to just mow over those fallen leaves with a lawn mower and let the minced-up dry stuff stay in place on the lawn as the "environmentally positive choice" and one which provides a healthy "top dressing" for that carefully-cultivated grass.

Not remains one of the few cities in the area which still permits burning yard wastes such as grass, plant trimmings and leaves, but that could change in 1995. Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan says. A new state law will ban the open burning of yard wastes in communities with a population over 7,500, except if it is permitted by a municipal ordinance which must then be submitted to the DNR.

But Lenaghan said the city is likely to no longer permit the fires. "We're certainly taking a hard look at that. The city's getting too built up. The problem is that Novi is kind of between suburban and rural," he explained.

"Leaf burning is really a toxic way to do it. When I was growing up, there would be a haze around the neighborhood from everybody burning leaves. We are one of the few incorporated cities left that allow it."

The DNR contends that burning leaves causes health problems, especially for people with asthma and allergies, as well as air pollution. Bagging the stuff and setting it out on the curb so that a waste hauler will dump it at a landfill is

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Art Lenaghan
Novi Fire Chief

not a better choice, according to the state.

At present, if you want to incinerate leaves in Novi, you must pick up a free permit at Novi Fire Station One on Grand River Avenue.

The fire must be 75 feet from the nearest building. However, once that fire is going, if your neighbors complain, be advised that the fire department may extinguish it.

"We will put it out if it's offensive or obnoxious," Lenaghan warned. One difficulty here is that in most subdivisions it's difficult to find a spot on your property which is 75 feet from a building, the chief said.

Moreover, some subdivisions homeowners' associations, such as Meadowbrook Lake and Carriage Hills, have asked that open burning be banned within their boundaries and the city will support

that. Leaf burning is also taboo in mobile home communities and apartment complexes.

The fire department only fields a few complaints a year about yard waste bonfires.

"People are very good about coming in for a permit and about how they are used. Fifteen years ago we had a grass fire problem and in five years we reduced those fires by half," Lenaghan explained.

About that mulch. Besides leaving it on the lawn, the DNR advises that it can be used in flower beds and around shrubs to enrich the soil. Or, the leaves can be tossed into a backyard compost pile. Novi also has an ordinance regulating composting.

For information on mulching and composting of yard wastes, call the DNR Waste Management Division at (517) 335-4863.

Lions set to Las Vegas fundraiser

Have a roaring good time and help the Novi Lions Club assist their pet charities at an upcoming fundraiser.

On Saturday, Oct. 22, it's Las Vegas Night at Novi Bowl. You can strike out with this choice of games and you could strike it rich. Take your chances with poker, Blackjack, Roulette, the Money Wheel and a "Beat-the-Dealer" dice table.

Admission is \$3 per person. You must be over 21 to get in, because there's also a cash bar.

The night begins at 7 p.m. and runs to midnight. Novi Bowl is located at 21700 Novi Road. For information, call 348-9120.

If you can't get enough of those Vegas games, a second try will come around on November 5 from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m., when Novi Bowl hosts a fundraiser for the Novi

Jaycees. New General Manager Jerry Harris says the bowling center aims to become an active member of the Novi community.

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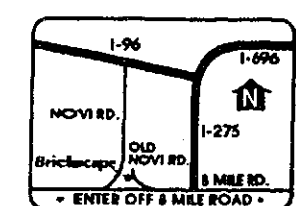
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Canine cop finds drugs at traffic stop

Police confiscated two grams of marijuana and \$861 from a Waterford man they stopped and arrested for operating under the influence on Oct. 12.

Police said the man drove through a red light at a high rate of speed on northbound I-96 at the Pontiac Trail. He was stopped after police heard him squeal his tires in order to make the turn. As soon as the driver of the 1990 Chevy S-10 truck was stopped he exited his vehicle and approached police with a strong odor of intoxicants on his breath. Police conducted a pat down search and found the two grams of marijuana in his front pants pocket along side the waist of cash.

Officers forfeited the money after canine cop Smokey detected the scent of marijuana on it.

BREAK-IN: More than \$8,315 worth of jewelry, computer equipment and video recording equipment was stolen from a home on Dixon and Twelve and a half mile on Oct. 5.

Police said the homeowner returned home from a business trip and found his home had been broken into. Police discovered the

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thief or thieves smashed a base-ment doorwall to gain entry to the home.

INVOLUNTARY COUNTERFEIT: Police were called to the Red Lobster restaurant to investigate the report of a counterfeit \$100 bill on Oct. 7.

A diner at the restaurant passed the funny money to the waitress after the patron thought the bill looked darker than other bills. The waitress in turn took the bill to the manager to determine whether it was in fact a counterfeit bill. Novi police responded to the restaurant and determined the bill was probably printed from a laser printer. The diner told police she has received the bill from her boyfriend. Police are still investigating the incident. The bill was turned over to federal agents.

LARCENY: A night out on the town proved costly for two Novi residents on Oct. 8.

The two attended a show in Detroit and returned home after that evening to turn in for the evening. The next morning they discovered a lap top computer, video camera and three rings had been stolen from inside their apartment. The police report indicates there were no signs of forced entry at the apartment.

The tenants told police they were subleasing the apartment and were not sure whether or not the former tenant still had a key to the apartment or not.

CITIZENS ARREST: The victim of a car break-in was at home when his fiancée's car alarm sounded and the perpetrators absconded with the woman's car stereo.

The incident occurred at Westgate IV apartments on Oct. 8. Police saw the man heard the alarm on the Geo Tracker sound and went outside to see why. Once near the vehicle, the man noticed the plastic rear window had been

unzipped and the driver's side door was ajar. Wires that were once attached to the car's amplifier were left dangling inside. A neighbor who witnessed the suspects fleeing the scene pointed the victim in the right direction. The man chased the two suspects into the Springs Apartments parking lot. One of the two tripped and fell with the amp in hand. He got back on his feet but fell a few feet ahead of him. At which time the victim grabbed him and took him back to the apartment where he detained him until police arrived.

When police arrived they handcuffed the suspect who had been struggling with the victim inside the apartment. A pat down search netted police a socket they found in his pants pocket. The suspect, a 17-year-old from South Lyon, said he used it to smoke marijuana. He told police he didn't know his accomplices that well since he had just met them the night before at a party in the area.

Police were seeking a warrant against the teen for larceny from an auto, but an Oakland County Prosecutor dropped the charge from larceny to receiving and concealing merchandise over \$100.

Novi Briefs

New date: The official opening ceremony of the Haggerty Connector interchange has been switched from the originally-scheduled Oct. 24 to Oct. 27. Mayor Kathleen McLaughlin says.

The gala event, now in the planning stages at the Michigan Department of Transportation, will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Meanwhile, the city's got its traffic counters out on I-96, Meadowbrook and Novi roads to do a pre-interchange tally, which is expected to provide a gauge to judge the impact of the new I-96 and I-275 interchange on local traffic.

Grounded: Council Member Joe Toth is asking that his colleagues stay at their council table seats while the meeting is going on, rather than roaming around city hall.

In a first full council discussion of proposed rules of behavior for the elected official while on the job, Toth wanted added to the list a prohibition on "wandering from the table."

"I feel they should remain at the council table unless Mother Nature calls them otherwise, but let's not wander around doing politicking or anything else," he asked.

Novi Road hearing: If you're interested in the future of Novi Road, have your say at a public hearing on Oct. 27.

Under consideration for federal funding is a five-lane widening of the road from Twelve Mile to Twelve-and-A-Half Mile Road.

The hearing is at the Novi Civic Center's multi-purpose room at 7:30 p.m. next Thursday. According to an engineering study, some 23,000 vehicles traverse that stretch daily, with 2,700 vehicles driving by during the peak traffic hour. By the year 2014, 47,000 vehicles are expected to cruise this portion of Novi Road.

The improvements could begin in summer 1995. An environmental impact study on the project has been completed and is now on file at the Novi City Clerk's office.

Routine check-up: If you see a fire engine linking up to the hydrant near your home, in most cases, not to worry. The Novi Fire Department is conducting its annual routine check and winterization of hydrants citywide, Chief Arthur Lenaghan said. The work will continue through the end of November.

"Just so people know that we're out there," Lenaghan said. Of course, if you also see smoke...

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Campaign for Healthier Babies. Arrests will take place between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. this week. There are seven mock jail sites: Arborland Mall in Ann Arbor, Macomb Mall in Roseville, the Renaissance Center in Detroit, Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield, Wal-

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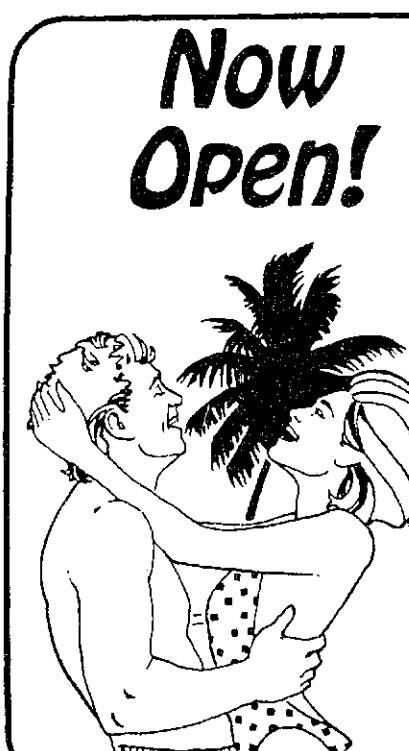
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The Log Book

The following is a complete list of the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Department for the last week. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the engine and station number which responded to the call.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8
Injury accident, Novi Road and Grand River Avenue, 12:53 p.m., Squad 1.

Medical, Manor Park and Ten Mile Road, 1:04 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 45146 Byrne Court, 9:38 p.m., Engine 3.
Transformer fire, Willowbrook south of Ten Mile Road, 10:23 p.m., Engine 3.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9
Medical, 22008 Worcester, 5:17 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, Meadowbrook and Ten Mile roads, 1:11 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 27800 Novi Road, 2:04 p.m., Squad 1.
Car fire, Meadowbrook Road at I-96, 2:47 p.m., Engine 1.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10
Car fire, 46089 Grand River, 7:35 a.m., Engine 4.
Medical, 43407 Grand River, 11:31 a.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, Nine Mile and Haggerty, 2:46 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 42445 Ten Mile Road, 4:20 p.m., Squad 3.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11
Fire, 24062 Taft Rd., 11:16 a.m., Engine 3.
Medical, 24500 Meadowbrook, 2:34 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, Twelve Mile and Novi roads, 5:13 p.m., Squad 1.
Investigation, 22190 Solomon, 6:21 p.m., Engines 1 and 3.
Investigation, 42493 Thirteen Mile Road, 7:53 p.m., Engine 2.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12
Fire alarm, Village Oaks School, 10:51 a.m., Engines 1 and 3.
Fuel spill, Grand River and Beck, 11:16 a.m., Engine 4.
Fuel spill, Grand River and Beck, 11:45 a.m., Engine 4.
Medical, 27780 Novi Road, 2:36 p.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, I-96 and Novi Road, 5:34 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 45182 West Road, 5:36 p.m., Squad 2.
Injury accident, Grand River and Haggerty Road, 5:51 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 38590 Ardel, 9:25 p.m., Squad 1.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13
Medical, 29940 Windsor Court, 9:55 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 26229 Kentucky, 3:47 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 25299 Taft Road, 5:09 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 315 Elm, 11:07 p.m., Squad 2.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14
Medical, 27750 Novi Rd., 4:41 a.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident, Ten Mile and Novi roads, 8:06 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 45701 Timberlane, 9:24 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 45825 Eleven Mile Road, 12:17 p.m., Squad 4.
Fuel spill, I-96 and Novi Road, 5:42 p.m., Engine 1.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15
Fire alarm, 27780 Novi Road, 1:39 a.m., Engines 1 and 4.
Medical, 22132 Edgewater, 10:33 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 24062 Taft Rd., 11:35 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 44000 Grand River, 2:06 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 43000 Twelve Oaks Crescent, 3:38 p.m., Squad 1.
Investigation, 21711 Shadybrook, 8:33 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 31150 Walden, 9:01 p.m., Squad 2.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16
Medical, 42019 Lebert, 8:26 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 27023 Barra, 12:28 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 47348 Cidermill, 2:43 p.m., Squad 4.
Injury accident, Pontiac Trail and Beck Road, 10:10 p.m., Engine 2 and Squad 2.

Novi man bound over on drug manufacturing charge

Novi resident Michael Zammit will face charges in an Oakland County Circuit Court that he delivered and manufactured marijuana.

Zammit was bound over to the circuit court on Sept. 16 after 52-1 District Court Judge Harold Bulgardi ruled at a pretrial examination that there was enough evidence against the 23-year-old to indicate that he did commit the alleged crime.

Members of the Michigan State Police Narcotics Enforcement Team, NET, and Novi Police gathered the evidence at Zammit's Nesrus home on June 1 when they said they questioned Zammit about the drug.

Novi Police officer David Molloy said Zammit told police the marijuana was his and that there was more in the freezer. Zammit consented to a search of

his home until police tried to enter a locked rear bedroom. He then called off the search. Molloy wrote in his report.

At 4:30 a.m., police obtained a search warrant for the man's home. Behind the locked door police found the marijuana growing operation in the east wall closet. The 16 plants were taken from the closet and Zammit was arrested.

Zammit is currently free on a personal bond pending his circuit court arraignment. If he is convicted, he faces up to four years in prison and/or a \$2,000 fine.

Board calls off tonight's meeting

BY SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

The Novi Community School Board of Education will not be meeting tonight because two members would not be able to attend.

Superintendent Emmett Lippe said last week neither Board President Craig Foreback nor Vice President Ray Byers could make the

meeting. Lippe said the meeting was expected to be held at Orchard Hills Elementary but it was postponed until the full board can be in attendance.

"We don't like to go to the schools for meetings unless we have a full board," Lippe said last week.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held Nov. 3. But the school board will be meeting Monday in a joint meeting with the Novi City Council at 7:30 p.m. to discuss the fate of the Furst property. That meeting will be held in the council chambers in the Civic Center.

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Breshgold takes on incumbent

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rent congressman is not in line with most of the voters in the district. He's too far to the right and he's too tied to special interests, special interests meaning insurance companies and banks," Breshgold said in an interview this week in his Farmington Hills home.

"When you look at his record, he hasn't done anything, he's just voted on everything," Breshgold said.

Breshgold is a lifelong resident of the 11th Congressional District, which includes Novi, Milford, South Lyon, portions of Northville, and most of southwestern Oakland County. This is the first campaign for public office the 41-year-old divorced father of three has tackled, although he served on the board of canvassers in Farmington Hills and has been a leader in the district's Democratic Party.

He's a Navy veteran who served in Italy during the Vietnam era and earned a B.S. in social science from Eastern Michigan University. Breshgold may have been in diapers during some of the Eisenhower years, but he's borrowed his slogan from the general, modifying it to "I Like Mike." He vows to cut taxes, if elected.

"The reason I'm running is I think you've got to have somebody who's out here working and raising a family. I know how hard it is to make a paycheck, stretch it, I want the voters to have someone out fighting for them," he said.

Changes Breshgold says he'd push for are an income tax deduction for auto loans and credit card

interest payments; a \$4,000 deduction for IRA contributions for each taxpayer; and Medicare coverage of prescription drugs for senior citizens. He's pro-choice and backs the ban on assault weapons, as well as putting 100,000 more police officers on the street in the U.S. In addition, he would like to see a program in which nurses would pay visits to senior citizens in their homes.

Unlike some Democratic candidates this election year, Breshgold is not distancing himself from President Clinton.

"When you look around you and see the economy today, things seem to be doing okay yet the president is getting no credit for it. The people are cynical. They listen to radio talk shows when they should be listening to economic reports. Clinton's done a pretty good job. He's reduced the deficit. There's growth in the economy with little inflation," he said.

He also supports the Clinton health care plan, although Breshgold says he thinks everyone should have the right to choose their own doctors. Clinton's plan was not explained "properly" to a public which is skeptical about federal programs, Breshgold contends.

While Oakland County is historically a Republican stronghold, Breshgold believes he has more than a sporting chance. He plans to spend between \$30,000 and \$50,000 on his campaign.

A general manager with a pharmaceutical company, Breshgold backs universal health care coverage. While he prefers not to identify

where he's employed, he promises to cut all ties to his former firm if he wins the election. That's one of the points of contention Breshgold has with Knollenberg. He says the congressman is still financed by Allstate Insurance, a charge Knollenberg denies. The congressman owns his own insurance agency.

"How can he talk about health care reform with this vested interest?" Breshgold said. "He's walking a very fine line. He's preaching cleanliness yet he's on the payroll of Allstate Insurance."

Breshgold also says he disagrees with Knollenberg's methods of raising campaign money, which include the Knollenberg Congressional Club members pay at least \$500 to belong and as part of their benefits may attend a special meeting with Knollenberg.

"The middle class doesn't have the access. You would assume you would hire politicians who would look after your interests but we have politicians who go along with the game, like Congressman Knollenberg," Breshgold charged.

"He's a nice guy. I'm not attacking him personally. I really have a bone to pick with any incumbent, Democrat or Republican, who criticizes abuses of government and yet they try to abuse it more than anybody else. Republicans are better than anyone at exploiting this. They'll exploit the frustrations of the voters but when it comes to the perks, they'll use them."

According to a Knollenberg staffer, the congressman also has a club with a \$40 membership. One area where Breshgold parts



Breshgold standing outside his Farmington Hills home.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

ways with Clinton is over the North Atlantic Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), which was firmly supported by the Republican Knollenberg. Breshgold would rather see America enter into a similar agreement with more industrially developed trading partners, such as the European nations.

"I think Detroit and the U.S. are going to lose jobs as we continue

to have a global marketplace fighting for the right to manufacture things," he explains.

He's also opposed to government subsidies and tax cuts for businesses.

Breshgold has won the endorsement of what he calls "the usual Democratic groups" like the AFL-CIO and the UAW.

Working door-to-door in the

11th District, Breshgold says residents tell him they want lower taxes and that they're cynical about government.

He aims to change that: "I think the major message I hear is that they are tired of the government taking their money and wasting it. I want government to be friendly but unobtrusive."

GENERAL ELECTION • NOVEMBER 8

Knollenberg, Breshgold face off

Challenger Michael Breshgold faces off against incumbent Joe Knollenberg for the 11th U.S. Congressional district, including Novi, Milford, South Lyon, portions of Northville, and southwestern Oakland County. The winner will earn a 2-year term.

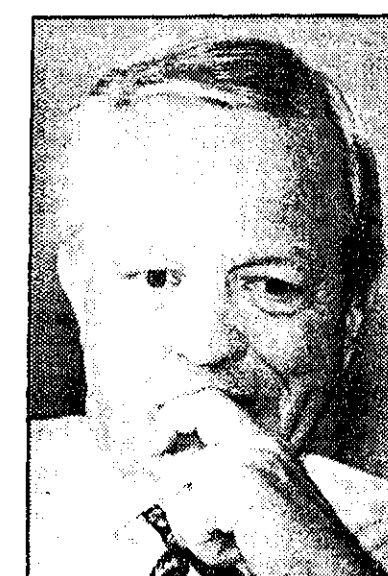


The Now News queried the candidates on their views by questionnaire. Their answers were as follows.

JOE KNOLLENBERG
INCUMBENT, REPUBLICAN
Age: 60
Education: Bachelor of Science, Eastern Illinois University

Prior to taking office in 1993, Knollenberg operated an Allstate Insurance Agency. He still owns the business. He has been active in local civic groups, from the PTA to the Southfield parks development committee.

Active in politics, he has served the chair of the Oakland GOP committee. He is married and has two sons.



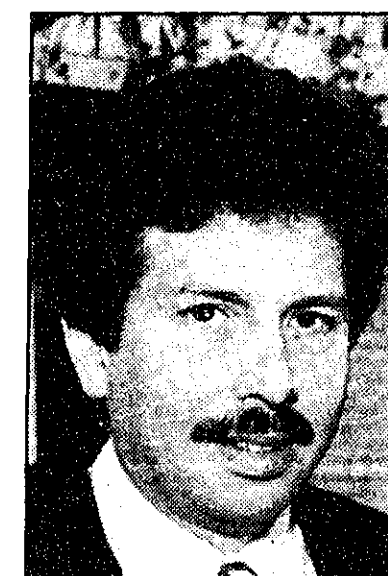
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Biography

MICHAEL BRESHGOLD
CHALLENGER, DEMOCRAT
Age: 41
Education: Bachelor of Science, Eastern Michigan University

This is Breshgold's first run for elective office, although he has been active in local politics, serving on the Board of Canvassers and with the Democratic party in the district.

Breshgold is a general manager for a pharmaceutical company, although he declined to give the name of his firm. He is a Navy veteran and currently resides in Farmington Hills.



MICHAEL BRESHGOLD

Just Compensation

If an environmental regulation prohibits a property owner from developing in a manner that would otherwise be allowed, what in your view determines whether the government should be required to compensate the owner for a "taking"? Should the subject of just compensation be spelled out more clearly in legislation?

"Over the last few years, the issue of private property rights has become an increasingly important issue in our society," Knollenberg stated. "With regard to specific compensation, I believe that if the value of an individual's property is decreased by more than 50 percent due to the application of a federal environmental policy, such as a wetlands designation, that the federal government should then provide due compensation."

Moreover, as our community and country become increasingly conscious of our environment, we should be careful to balance the rights of the individual versus that of the community and should therefore rethink the legal definition of "just compensation" to ensure that federal "takings policies" are not unnecessarily vague or over-broad."

Trade Agreements

Were you for or against the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) with Canada and Mexico? Should the agreement be expanded to include other nations?

"During last year's debate over the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), I am proud to say that I was the first individual in the Michigan congressional delegation to support the agreement. Under NAFTA, tariffs on most goods produced and traded in the U.S., Mexico and Canada are being phased out. And according to the Commerce Department, NAFTA is already paying dividends, accounting for over half of all U.S. export growth and one-third of all U.S. import growth so far in 1994," he stated.

"Here in Michigan, General Motors, Dow and Ford are all showing tremendous market gains and mounting profits as a result of NAFTA. There is now talk of expanding NAFTA to other Latin American countries, especially Chile, and in light of the increasing number of hemispheric economic alliances, I believe that the expansion of NAFTA would be an excellent addition to the U.S. trade arsenal."

Health Care Reform

What reforms, if any, should be made in the areas of health care and medical insurance? Specifically, list those reforms you favor and those you oppose?

"There are certainly some serious problems that we must address, but we must remember that we have a health care system that, even with its faults, is still the best in the world," he said. "In terms of the various reforms that have been discussed, I believe that only a bipartisan plan that focuses on elements which we all agree on. To this end, I am fighting for these reforms: portability of coverage; strict cost-containment measures; an end to pre-existing condition exclusions; an end to wasteful paperwork; a tax deduction for the self-employed; an end to needless malpractice litigation; and helping to provide reasonable, affordable access to health care for all Americans," Knollenberg said.

"I believe these reforms can and should pass Congress, if we are to have real reform."

Action in Haiti

Assess President Clinton's performance in handling the situation in Haiti? What, if anything, should have been done differently? If a vote to order a withdrawal from Haiti came before Congress, how would you cast your ballot?

"Under President Clinton, the United States' armed forces have taken on roles that I believe they are neither trained for nor properly equipped to deal with. Compounding this problem, this Administration has consistently failed to articulate a clear foreign policy anywhere in the world and it is precisely this sort of walling that has our brave young servicemen and servicewomen spread out in conflicts all over the world," Knollenberg stated.

"In Haiti, I would urge President Clinton to comply with the will of the American people and Congress and withdraw U.S. forces as soon as possible, which most certainly is well before his February 1996 Unstable. Haiti has no history of democracy and their internal politics are not a threat to the United States' strategic national interests."

World Leadership

What, if any, role should the United States take in world leadership in the future?

"The United States has long been considered the leader of the free world and as such we have consistently championed the causes of democracies around the globe," he said. "Now more than ever it is important that we remain engaged in the international community. But in these times of shrinking budgets on all fronts, we must be very careful not to overextend our resources to the point where we cannot actively and consistently promote our national interests where appropriate."

Immigration Policy

What immigration policy would you like to see the U.S. follow? Should the federal government assist states with a heavy influx of illegal immigrants in providing these individuals health care and welfare?

"Like California and Texas, Michigan, too, has a problem with the strain that illegal aliens place on their social services," he said. "We must consider all alternatives that will remove the incentives for illegal immigration." "The costs for providing these services is shifted to hardworking Americans and those who are to our country legally, who pay for them both in their federal and state taxes, and considering the fact that this year Americans only started earning for themselves in July, I firmly believe this issue must be addressed in the near future."

"Our immigration policy should include helping countries such as Mexico develop so people are not coming to American shores," Breshgold stated. "We should put some kind of method in place to stop illegal immigration at the border. We should also work to insure that those who come to this country legally have rights guaranteed. We in the federal government should do all we can since immigration is a national problem," he said.

Superfund Extension

Should funding for the federal "Superfund" for the clean up of toxic waste contamination sites be extended? Why or why not?

"Before I would consider extending federal funding for 'Superfund,' I would strongly urge internal and congressional reviews of the entire funding and implementation processes. At present nearly 80 percent of all money that has been spent on the 'Superfund' program has gone to litigation costs and the applied site standards are so stringent that only a handful of sites have been properly addressed," he said. "We need to make sure that money earmarked for environmental clean-up goes to environmental clean-up and not a corporate lawyer's pocket. Additionally, we should keep the clean-up of sites in line with the anticipated, post clean-up use. I believe that if we realized these two changes in 'Superfund' policy that the American taxpayer would begin to see the results they have been paying for and deserve."

"We should review superfund funding and insure that money spent here goes to clean up sites and not to litigation. We need to clean up this mess now and not let the matter get bogged down in the courts," Breshgold stated. "I favor tougher penalties on offenders."

Earning Voters' Trust

It probably wouldn't take a poll to figure out that many American voters are highly cynical about politicians, particularly those who serve in Washington. Why should voters trust you? What will you do to gain and hold their trust?

"All my life I have worked to build a future, first for my family and now for the people of Michigan's 11th Congressional District as their member of Congress," Knollenberg said. "In terms of my specific qualifications, I have had the opportunity to own my own business, meet a payroll, serve my clients every need day in and day out. And most importantly, I've listened to hundreds of good, hardworking people throughout the district and I know what they are looking for in a congressional representative. Qualities like fiscal responsibility, securing individual liberties and social accountability. I believe I have these traits and that my record this first term reflects those same qualities."

"I will be open in my dealings with the people of the 11th district. I will vote the wishes of the people and not the wishes of special interests," he said. "I promise to show full disclosure of all my financial transactions to the public. I promise to work hard to remove cynicism from the tax code and make people feel as though their hard earned money is going to things they believe in and not the breaks for the privileged few."

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Automatic appeal reform is enjoying wide range of support

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Proposal B would prevent convicts who plead guilty from appealing their cases to a higher court.

Except for a few political liberals, no one opposes this constitutional amendment on the Nov. 8 ballot. It voters approve, Proposal B would trim the number of Court of Appeals decisions by 25 percent.

"I don't think we ought to mess with the Constitution," said Rep. David Gutwirth, D-Huntington Woods, when the House approved putting it on the ballot by a 75-25 vote. "All we're doing is shifting the caseload from the Court of Appeals to the circuit court. It's a shell game."

"Those who plead guilty are doing so under advice of an attorney to plead to a lesser crime," agreed Rep. Maxine Berman, D-Southfield, another opponent.

Sen. Jack Taxon, D-Farmington Hills, who was a delegate to the 1961 2nd Constitutional Convention, warned against "tampering with the Michigan Constitution." He predicted more defendants will opt for costly trials rather than plead guilty in order to preserve their rights of appeal.

No one, however, has mounted a campaign to defeat Proposal B. Champion of Proposal B is Sen. William VanRensselaer, R-Jenison, best known as author of the state Crime Victims Rights Act. Among co-sponsors were Sens. Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham, and Robert Geake, R-Northville.

"There is something profoundly distorted in a system that allows a criminal to admit to a crime, describe how and why the crime was committed, and retain the right to immediately file a tax-funded appeal," said VanRensselaer, chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The Declaration of Rights (Art. I) in Michigan's Constitution guarantees the rights to trial by jury, assistance of counsel and appeal "as a matter of right." Proposal B would limit the appeal by adding: "except that an appeal by an accused who pleads guilty or nolo contendere (no contest) shall be by leave of the court."

In practice, the Court of Appeals very rarely reverses a conviction when the accused pleads guilty.

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But sometimes it remains (retains) a case to the lower court where the trial judge has exceeded sentencing guidelines.

There are budget considerations, too, behind Proposal B. In a 10-month period in 1991, VanRensselaer said, the Court of Appeals handled 1,013 cases stemming from guilty pleas and reversed only nine—0.82 percent. There is little doubt those nine cases would have been heard by the Court of Appeals, even without the automatic right to appeal, he said.

Wayne County produced 500 such appeals in that period. VanRensselaer quoted chief assistant prosecutor George Ward as estimating at least two full-time prosecutors could be shifted to other functions—such as trial work—if Proposal B were adopted.

Ward favors limiting the automatic right of appeal in guilty plea cases. But in legislative hearings, Ward said the constitutional flaw could have been remedied by petitioning the Supreme Court to correct an error in a 1977 case. But no one ever petitioned the Supreme Court, and lawmakers went ahead with Proposal B.

Michigan has 24 Court of Appeals judges. The state court administrator has called for adding 16 appellate judges, saving the current caseload of 12,000 a year warrants a total of 80 appellate judges.

But backers of Proposal B say fewer additional judges would be needed because Proposal B could eliminate "nuisance" appeals. They put the savings at \$3 million a year in attorneys' costs.

Novi won't enter sewer fray

Farmington Hills plans to fight a plan to allow treated water from a Commerce Township wastewater treatment plant expansion to flow through the city via Novi.

"We intend to fight this," Farmington Hills City Manager Bill Costick told his council. "We intend to appeal. If that doesn't work, we'll look at other forms of legal action."

Novi won't be joining in the fray. City Manager Edward Kriewald said earlier. While the wastewater will flow through Seeley Drain in Novi before reaching Farmington Hills, the Novi's engineers do not see any problem with it, Kriewald explained.

But Costick's fighting words drew strong support from Farmington Hills council members who unanimously oppose the expansion, only because treated wastewater would be discharged into the Seeley Drain, which flows through the western part of their city as well as Farmington.

The City of Farmington also opposes the expansion. During the public hearing and earlier, Farmington Hills officials had argued that the change from the plant's current flow into the

Huron River basin into the Seeley Drain — and therefore the Rouge River basin — threatened residential areas and the environment. After a Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) public hearing in Farmington Hills Sept. 22, DNR deputy director Russell Harding made the decision to go ahead with the expansion, which will allow up to 8.5 million gallons of discharge a day from the plant.

The plant currently handles about 250,000 gallons a day and is authorized for 5.5 million gallons currently.

"What we're against is not the fact that Commerce Township is trying to improve its wastewater system," Costick said. "What we are against is discharging into the Seeley Drain."

There would be an increase in flow and the possibility of undiluted waste going through and the additional risk of flooding when coupled with a hard rain, it was argued.

A threatened fish — the red side dace — has been found in the drain as well, and was considered in the findings. The same fish was found near the Haggerty Connector, but that did not stop

the project. "I just heard of this in August," said Ed Gerber, president of the Copper Creek Subdivision Association. "This is going to really be bad if it's allowed."

But the DNR knocked down every argument in its response, saying:

• That even at maximum future discharge flow, the drain would be well within the river banks during normal stream flows and would not be critical during a 10-year flood.

• That the possible impact to the threatened fish will be reviewed by a DNR committee composed of professional fish biologists at various Michigan universities.

• That other drains had been rejected for either flooding, environmental or cost effective reasons.

The department also rejected a request by Farmington Hills for an additional 60-day period for public comment since it had already been extended 60 days.

"We have received authorization from the council to take whatever legal action we can," said Farmington Hills city attorney John Donahue.

A taste of Novi

Novi Sheraton Chef Joseph Yezbick won the 9th annual Taste of Novi, held at the Hilton Oct. 12.

Yezbick served up a plentiful array of autumn tastes including:

smoked duck petit fours,

assorted wild game gallantries and roasted pumpkin soup.

Pictured here in his kitchen at the Sheraton,

Yezbick's dishes were chosen the best of 15 area chef's specialties who participated. More than 320 people attended the event. The competition was judged by a panel including city Mayor Kathleen McLallen.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL



Council rejects rezoning for Providence land

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Plans for a new car dealership at Ten Mile and Haggerty roads turned out to be a lemon of a deal for Providence Hospital Wednesday.

The hospital owns the 10.5 acres of land it wanted rezoned from office use to general business for the car dealership last Wednesday night, but commissioners weren't in the mood for the applicant's sales pitch.

A 9-0 vote will send a negative recommendation to Novi City Council to deny the rezoning. Planners said they opposed the plan because it would change the master plan and because they

didn't want the dealership to be the focal point at the city limits on Ten Mile.

"We are supposed to be guardians of the master plan," said Commissioner Robert Taub.

"When we start tampering with it people in the community get upset. If we continue to change it, we change the fabric of it. Besides that is the gateway to Novi. We want to see a positive change from Farmington Hills."

Commissioner Laura Lorenzo agreed. "It is not an appropriate use of the land," she said. "It is adjacent to residential and the entrance to the city. I can't support it," she said before making the motion to recommend denial.

Commissioner Hoadley tried to find merit in the matter. He questioned city consultants about which use, office or retail, would produce more traffic.

Traffic consultant Rod Arroyo said the dealership would generate more trips to and from the property. Hoadley then asked if the rezoning request could be made contingent on the site being used only as a car dealership. Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson asked for more time to research that condition.

But when the motion was made, Hoadley's conversation and requests for information became a moot point. He voted no anyway.



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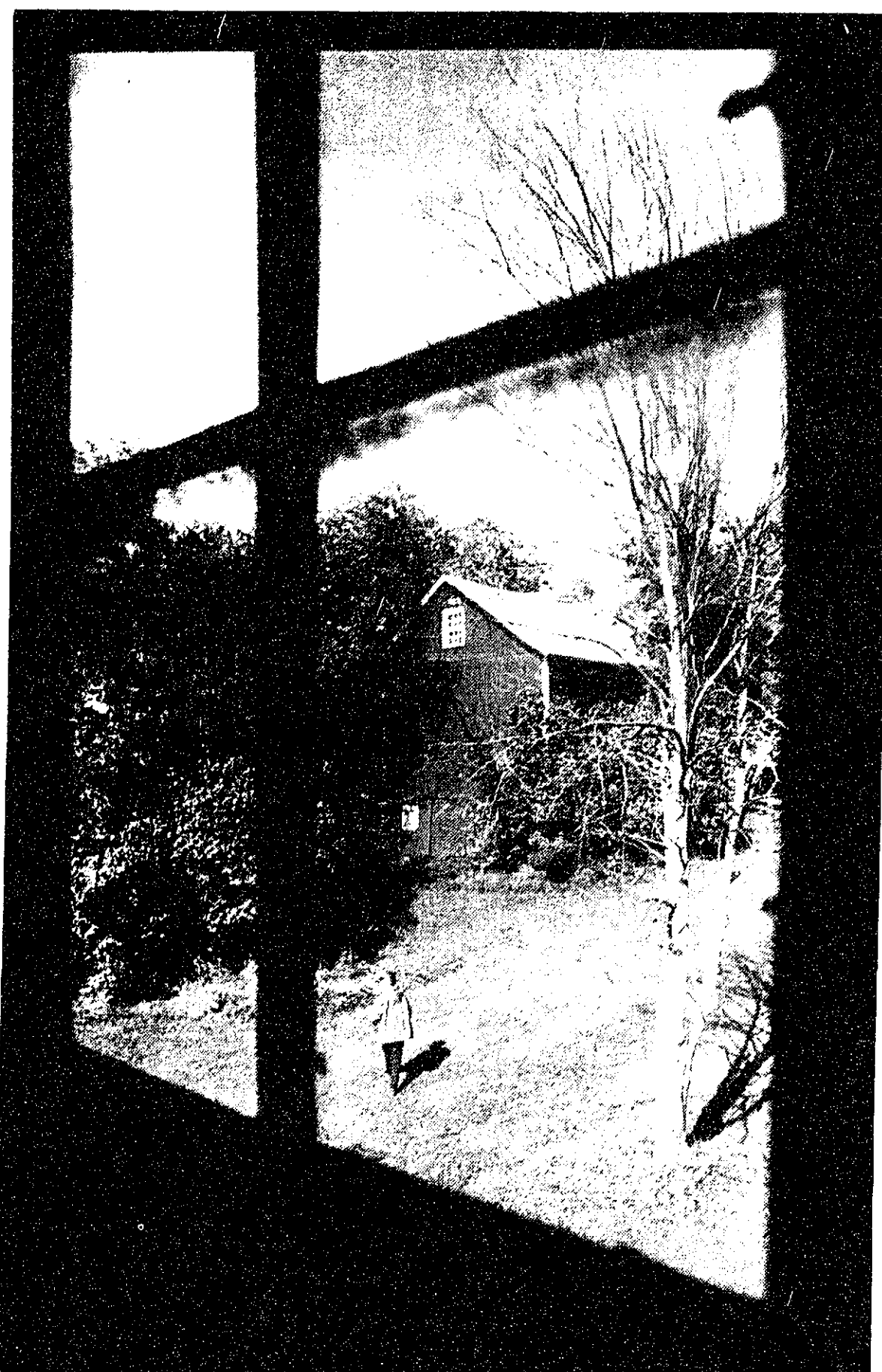
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The home of Iva and Ruby Fuerst.

A walking tour of the Fuerst Farm

Schmidt offers a glimpse of historic estate

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Wander through the grounds of the former Fuerst farm and you get a picture of how the majority of Novi residents lived in the not-so-distant past, when most folks made their living off the land.

"If you sit right here, you hardly know you're in Novi, except for the noise. You're back in another time period," Margaret Schmidt said, from a perch on the front porch steps.

It's an era where a day's work was just a short run from the house to the barn and fields, where you got your milk from the cow and your apples off the tree.

Schmidt and the others who want to keep the knot of Fuerst farm buildings standing as an educational and cultural resource now have their fingers crossed.

The property is owned by the Novi Community School District, which has put off for three months any decision on a proposal to raze the buildings.

"It's not just the house. The house itself, this is going to sound like a cliché, is an architectural gem, but more importantly, the group of buildings is what make that piece of property architecturally significant," said Kathy Mutch, president of the Novi Historical Society.

The City of Novi may opt to buy the farm, dipping into the \$9.9 million fund it raised after voters approved the sale of city bonds to purchase park land. On Oct. 24, Novi schools and the city will meet to discuss a possible land sale.

Schmidt, who's also known as "The Farm Lady" because of the children's educational programs she runs, was a member of the Fuerst Family Farm Advisory Committee, a group set up by the Novi school district to ponder the future of the site at Ten Mile and Taft roads. She's one of several advocates who have stepped up in protest now that the future of the buildings is jeopardized.

In May 1993, the committee suggested that the property become an educational center. No one's sure with that idea, yet.

"There's a lot of stories in this place. It's the kind of thing that could be shared with youth," Schmidt said.

"This is what bothered me. The schools viewed it as a place where they would have to spend money. What is good about this place is that everything is here already and virtually usable."

School officials say the buildings are a sitting duck for vandals. The house has already been broken into twice. And if anyone is injured while roaming through the abandoned site, the school district faces the risk of liability. Jim Koster, assistant superintendent for business and operations, points out.

Then there's the issue of who will pick up the probably hefty bill

to restore the old place.

Important to those who want to save the farm is not merely the Fuerst family's legacy, although sisters Iva and Ruby Fuerst were both generous benefactors to Novi. What the homestead illustrates is a rapidly vanishing American lifestyle.

Besides the house, most of the outbuildings so necessary to a working farm remain intact and in some cases partly filled with decades old and long abandoned farm equipment.

There's the two-story outhouse with its tiny circular window covered with chicken wire and nearby, a large lilac bush planted next to it to mask any unpleasant emanation. The two seats weren't meant for an odd sort of togetherness, Schmidt said.

"They'd have different size holes. Dad would have his size hole and mom would have hers and there'd be a smaller one for the children," she explained.

Nearby is a ramshackle smokehouse with meat hooks yet intact. The farm family would slaughter their hogs in the fall and smoke hams and hams there, Schmidt explained.

"The Fuersts were German, they probably made sausages," she added.

To the east of the poultry house are the remnants of the Fuerst apple orchards. The milk barn, made from the beams of an older structure, is a 1930s-era state-of-the-art operation. Metal cattle stanchions would hold the livestock in place during the milking. The recycled timbers are hand-hewn.

Schmidt interviewed the sisters several years before their deaths, tape recording tales of their earlier life on the farm. Iva, the oldest, used to drive the hay wagon into the gambrel-roofed barn, where a system of cables would heave the loose hay up into the immense loft. But she was discouraged from working out of doors.

"Most of the time her mother did not want her working around the farm. She wanted her in the home to do housework," Schmidt said. And there was much to do. Each year, an itinerant crew of apple pickers used to sleep in the oldest, 1876 barn and needed to be fed hearty meals, all cooked by the Fuerst women. The farm was big enough to provide employment for several hired hands, as well. Pigs and chickens were housed in the same barn as the field workers.

Farm equipment still lies abandoned around the property, including a horse-drawn McCormick-Deering cultivator and a hand-operated farming mill, used to separate the wheat from the chaff.

Schmidt is a barn enthusiast and had a field day tromping through the Fuerst property. The milk house with a cream separator and cooling tanks still stands.

next to the barn where several teams of draft horses were stabled.

"People have the idea a barn raising was done one day like. Actually, the frames were built in advance and put in place and on the day of the raising, they'd use teams of horses to raise the ends," Schmidt explained.

The farm equipment barn looks like Greenfield Village after a tornado. The detritus of years of hard work lies in heaps, dusty old boots, bits of rope, old feed bags, broken tools. It shows that recycling as a lifestyle wasn't discovered in the 1990s.

"Farmers kept everything. Everything could be recycled," Schmidt said.

Especially the mean bull. One of the Fuerst sisters' favorite stories was about how the teenage Iva fled for safety to the outhouse when the bull popped open the fence and chased her.

"She screamed for her mother. Within a week, the bull was loaded up and headed for the packing company," Schmidt said.

While the outhouse is kind of cute and the barns are impressive, the jewel of the collection may be the Fuerst house. Attractive but rather unimpressive on the outside, on the inside, it's spacious and lovely, with a fieldstone fireplace in the front room and fine woodwork throughout.

The house is built on the foundation of what appears from old photographs to have been an 1830s-era Greek Revival farmhouse. Around 1913, the Fuersts brought the farm. At first, the family only summered in Novi and spent most of the year at their farm on land which is now Marygrove College. Around 1930, they built the newer Novi home and moved here to stay. Oddly, the new bungalow was put up in the then-outmoded - and currently trendy - Arts and Crafts style of the "nineteen-teens," Mutch said.

Not long after Ruby Fuerst's death, someone broke into the home and stole the fine leaded-glass doors which separated the front room from the dining room and those which encased the built-in bookshelves. Preservationists fear destruction if the site's future isn't decided soon.

Money is at the heart of the controversy. It will be expensive to stabilize and restore the buildings. Schmidt says the city can seek grants and rely on volunteer labor to rebuild the place, including vocational education students. She sees it as a place for a day camp, for dollar-generating arts and crafts festivals, an opportunity for kids and seniors to plant and harvest crops. Local theater groups and the Novi Arts Council have seen possibilities in the site.

"It's a landmark," Mutch said. "It's a place people thought would always be there."



Queen's life is a busy one

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Lisa Antuna lives a hectic life. She's so busy she didn't even have time to think about being chosen Homecoming Queen.

"I was so busy with Homecoming activities, I didn't even have time to think about it until I was walking with my Dad onto the field," Antuna said. "I didn't even believe it at first. It was so surprising and overwhelming."

"My Dad just picked me up and twirled me around. My friends said he had tears in his eyes but I didn't see it."

It took quite some time for Antuna to get off the field that night with all her friends gathered around her hugging her.

"It thought I'd never get off the field."

Eventually she did and got her feet planted firmly back on the ground. With Homecoming '94 a mere memory, Antuna was looking ahead. Thursday she learned she'd been accepted to Michigan State University. Already she was beginning to miss high school.

"I'm really going to miss high school and my class," she said. "We have all been like family."

"But Michigan State will be good for me. It's far enough away, yet close enough to home."

At MSU, Antuna hopes to pursue a career in public relations, psychology or sociology, a career she's been preparing for since she entered high school.

Voted class president in 10th, 11th and 12th grades, Antuna would some day like to be the first woman president. Today, she's on her way as the district representative on the Novi Board of Education.

"I love being involved and hanging out with the administrators," she said. "I love it."

Aside from the work she does for the class of 1995, Antuna volunteers to keep busy. She likes to volunteer with blood drives at the school, although for her this one is a spectator sport.

"I don't ever give blood. I just like to help."

But good sportsmanship and a love of soccer have contributed to her high school collection of accomplishments and fosters the relationship she has with those she comes into contact with.

Antuna has played varsity soccer all four years she's been at the high school. Last year she placed on the All State second team. She

plays the sport all year round.

"Soccer has boosted my confidence," she said. "Because of it, I've learned to work as a team. It gave me a sense of responsibility and taught me the importance of teamwork."

Team work is important, Antuna said whether you're in the game or on the sidelines.

During her off season, Antuna is busy cheering on the fans and showing her school spirit as Wildcat Willie, Novi High School's mascot.

"I've just always been involved," she said. "I love it. Who knows maybe one day I could be Sparty [MSU's mascot]."

But as she looks ahead, she's careful not to forget to look back and remember the support of family and good friends.

"My parents have been most supportive," she said. "They have always let me make my own decisions whether or not they were supportive of the decisions I made, they were always behind me."

With an active social life, a commitment to help those around her, and a 3.3 grade point average, it seems Antuna's made a lot of the right decisions this year.

Novi takes in another 248 students

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

There's 248 new students in Novi Schools this year, but district administrators shouldn't expect immediate returns from the state on their growing investment.

Superintendent Emmett Lippe said official Fourth Friday student counts taken Oct. 7 reflect a growing student body but the revamped school finance act prohibits the increase from showing up in the district's revenues this year.

State revenues for the 1994-95 school year are being calculated in Lansing now that the official fourth Friday counts have been tallied. Under Proposal A, all Michigan school districts are being funded on a per-pupil basis.

In Novi, district administrators are anticipating about \$6,500 behind each student. On the surface having 248 new students this year seems like a real boost in revenues until school officials read the small print in the new school

code.

According to the state's school funding formula, state revenues for the 1994-95 school year are calculated by taking an average of last spring's actual enrollment and this October's enrollment.

Last year's February enrollment was 4,412 students. This year's count was 4,660. An average of the two is 4,536. The average figure is the one the state will use to calculate the district's 1994-95 school year revenues.

That means the district could see half the revenues it needs to educate all of the new students this year, Lippe said.

Next year should be easier because this year's increase in student enrollment will be reflected in next year's revenues, he said.

"We will get only 50 percent reimbursement," Lippe said. "That is why it is not in the best interests of fast growing school districts to fund education this way."

According to the fourth Friday

counts, Novi Schools has 248 more students this year than the 4,411 the district had enrolled last year.

The actual student count is 37 students more than what district administrators projected, but 37 less than the number enrolled at the end of the first week of school.

"Our actual enrollment is slightly more than what we thought it would be but not much more," Lippe said. "The school district continues to grow and our enrollment projections appear to be on target. We have made adequate preparations for the new students."

"But if we have more students than what we projected that will be good for us," Lippe said.

Jim Koster, assistant superintendent of operations, polled building enrollments on Aug. 26 at the end of the first school week. At that time, the district had 4,657 students enrolled. Since then 37 students have either dropped out, moved to a different district or

never showed for classes, Lippe said.

In addition, 68 new students enrolled in the district's Adult Education program will also be a source of revenue for the schools although those revenues are outside the general operating budget, Lippe said. State revenues for those districts providing adult education services is calculated differently from the regular K-12 program.

On Nov. 3 district administrators will be presenting the total enrollment-revenue picture to the Board of Education. At that meeting the board is expected to begin amending the \$34 million preliminary budget they adopted in July.

The board has also asked district administrators to trim the budget by \$421,000. In July, Koster was directed in July to trim the expenditures by \$321,000 and increase the revenues by \$100,000.

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Seniors get the nod for spirit

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Novi High School seniors are the reigning spirit champions.

As memories of Homecoming '94 begin to fade, few seniors will forget the big win on the field and in the hallways.

In this year's Homecoming activities, the senior class flashed their green and white pride when they captured first place in spirit week competitions and float design.

A second place win to the junior class in the hall decoration proved that good sportsmanship is all part of the game.

"Homecoming Week was a great success," said Senior Class President and Homecoming Queen Lisa Antuna. "Don Crockett, our student activities coordinator was phenomenal. Whenever we started to back down he kept us going."

Seniors ruled in spirit week activities followed by the juniors in second; freshmen in third and sophomores in fourth. Underclassmen fell in line behind the seniors in the float contest with juniors in second; sophomores in third and freshmen on the end.

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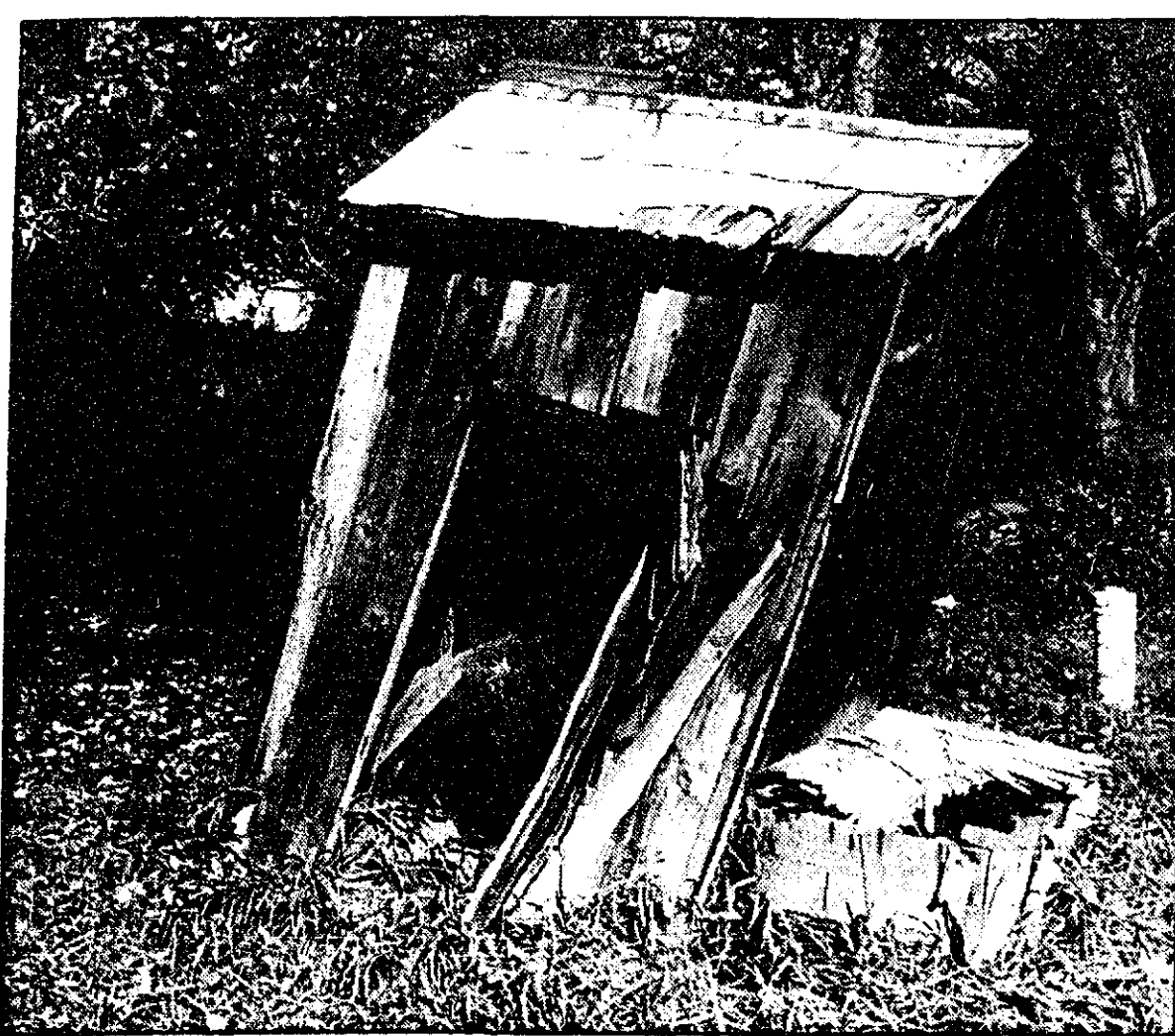
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Korte protests inclusion of arrest report in packets

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Jim Korte, chair of the Walpole Lake Sector Study Implementation Committee, quit Monday after protesting that members of the Novi City Council had received in their meeting packets copies of a police report documenting his recent arrest for having open intoxicants in public.

Earlier that evening, Mayor Kathleen McAllen threatened to have Korte "escorted" by police from the council chambers if he did not stand down from the podium after he exceeded his three-minute time limit during audience participation. This led to a later council debate about how to deal with members of the public who do not abide by the time limit.

Korte told the city council that he learned they had a copy of the report for his arrest "which I had to fight to get." He questioned what the police report had to do with the meeting's agenda.

"What does it have to do with running the city? It has to do with the constitutional rights of a citizen?" Korte said. "It is so tacky and unbelievable of people in this city administration to try to bias-phrase me."

City Manager Edward Kriewall confirmed Tuesday that the report was included in the administrative packets given to the council but those generally released to the public. He declined to comment on why the report was there, but said that the council has received police reports in the past on matters of "significant" interest.

Korte was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 11 in front of his Austin Drive home for have open intoxicants in public and for resisting arrest.

He has long been an advocate for change in Novi's north end and a sometimes raucous regular at city council meetings with complaints ranging from water quality in Shawood Lake to public urination. He accused the city of not taking care of the problems he raises, a charge McAllen denied.

"You were responded to enormously. All of the problems you brought to the council are looked at. There are not immediate solutions. Many are long-term, ongoing problems due to construction we have," McAllen said.

"Part of the problem is generated

by your continual pressure. We do try to meet with you. We do try to solve your problems. We do not seem to be able to come to any closure."

McAllen advised Korte that if he did not leave at the end of his allotted time, he'd be walked out of the chambers by police officers.

"If you do not close, I will ask you to be escorted from the meeting," she said.

"Any citizen who after continual notification of time limit has expired under city ordinances and on the advice of the attorney will be escorted by the police."

McAllen's threat was challenged by Council Member Tim Pope. She reiterated that "annoy" participants in audience participa-

tion who did not abide by the time restrictions face possible expulsion by the police.

"The work of this council is a business. We are here to act," she explained.

Pope, during a discussion of proposed council rules, asked for a standard to be set regarding expulsion of a member of the public from the council chamber. The city council tabled to a later date their discussion of a proposed packet of resolutions.

"I still see the primary function of the council is to do the business of this city in a businesslike manner. There is no business in the world that allows extended, open-ended discussion," McAllen explained.

"In many ways we are our own worst enemies. We all talk longer than we should, myself included."

Korte at the meeting's end told the council he was removing himself from the committee, which he termed a "farced city."

"Having attended the city council meeting this evening, it was made painfully aware to me that there is a vendetta against me ... I have, for a long time, presumed that one of the facts - and it can be the only logical fact - that we have been able to get nowhere is the city's resentment against me," he wrote in his letter of resignation.

"Please do not think that my complaining is going to cease."

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11:00 a.m.—Coffee and Conversation: Eating Healthy
11:30 a.m.—(con't)
12:00 p.m.—F.H. Police Journal
12:30 p.m.—Dollars and Sense with J.R. John Goodman
1:00 p.m.—Seniors on the Move: Woodcarvers
1:30 p.m.—The Word of Life: The Way Out
2:00 p.m.—Paw with a Cause
2:30 p.m.—Prisoner Check it Out
3:00 p.m.—Seniors Beware
3:30 p.m.—(con't)
4:00 p.m.—Scary Tales from Now
4:30 p.m.—Outdoor Adventure: Bow Hunting
5:00 p.m.—Travel the Movie Trail
5:30 p.m.—(con't)
6:00 p.m.—Pet Pointers: Training Puppies
6:30 p.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil
7:00 p.m.—Rainbow of Promise: Don Baker in Concert
7:30 p.m.—Chi-aerobics: Lesson 30
8:00 p.m.—F.H. Mayoral Election
8:30 p.m.—(con't)

9:00 p.m.—Democratically Speaking: Candidate County Commissioner
9:30 p.m.—Groove Session

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25
10:00 a.m.—Summit University
10:30 a.m.—(con't)
11:00 a.m.—Praise, Praise, Praise
11:30 a.m.—Life Matters
12:00 p.m.—Adventures with Pirate Pete
12:30 p.m.—Spontaneous Seniors
1:00 p.m.—(con't)
1:30 p.m.—Clydesdale Horses
2:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Relaxing Facials for Men
2:30 p.m.—(con't)
3:00 p.m.—Community Kids
3:30 p.m.—Prescription for your Health: Physicians Assistants
4:00 p.m.—Prisoners of Wedlock
4:30 p.m.—(con't)
5:00 p.m.—Crime Watch
5:30 p.m.—Living with Your Addictions
6:00 p.m.—Seniors on the Move: Woodcarvers
6:30 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Relaxing Facials for Men
7:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Sosnick/Frankel
7:30 p.m.—Viewpoint
8:00 p.m.—Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria: Relaxing Facials for Men
8:30 p.m.—(con't)
9:00 p.m.—Let's Talk with Ben Marks: Candice Miller

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26
10:00 a.m.—Catholic Report
11:00 a.m.—Study in Scripture
11:30 a.m.—AMVETS
12:00 p.m.—The Way, The Truth and The Life
12:30 p.m.—That's Italian
1:00 p.m.—Rising Tide
1:30 p.m.—(con't)
2:00 p.m.—Life, Liberty and Health: Hospital Billing Problems
2:30 p.m.—(con't)
3:00 p.m.—Medical update: MILA
3:30 p.m.—Positively: Recovery
4:00 p.m.—Crisis in the Modern Family: Paws with a Cause
4:30 p.m.—(con't)
5:00 p.m.—Impact Video
5:30 p.m.—Groove Session
6:00 p.m.—Senior Messenger
6:30 p.m.—(con't)
7:00 p.m.—The Word of Life: The Way Out
7:30 p.m.—A Culinary Adventure: Maisano's, Butsford Inn and the Radisson
8:00 p.m.—My Vote Counts
8:30 p.m.—Lansing Connection
9:00 p.m.—Speakers Row
9:30 p.m.—(con't)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27
10:00 a.m.—Senior Messenger
10:30 a.m.—(con't)
11:00 a.m.—Performance
11:30 a.m.—Bagels and Talk with Tracy and Phil
12:00 p.m.—Cash Talks: Sosnick/Frankel
12:30 p.m.—(con't)

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Northville hears new ice arena pitch

Northville Township this week got its first glimpse of a dramatic proposal, a plan for a privately-owned, privately-financed \$6.5 million multi-purpose sports arena to sit on land he owns off of Beck Road between Five and Six Mile.

Township resident John Hamilton discussed his idea with some of the members of the township's planning commission and board of trustees during a public meeting Monday night, stressing that it is "very, very preliminary" at this point.

It may become more concrete in a hurry, however. Supervisor Karen Baja said that Hamilton has a "very aggressive" development

schedule. Due to commitments with business associates, she said, he'd like to have a building ready to open by August 1995.

The township's planning commission would get first look at the proposal if anything is formally submitted. At the Monday meeting, they told Hamilton that if he does choose to submit his plan, they'll want to a marketing study that backs up his claim that public demand is high enough to make his arena economically viable.

Commissioners also asked planning officials to look into what it would take to amend the township ordinance governing special land use permits, which the arena

would need to receive. If the arena proposal is submitted, however, it's certain to draw attention.

Hamilton's plan calls for a 124,000 square foot arena and 525 parking spaces on 12 acres of land just north of the township's Water and Sewer Department building. The Water and Sewer facility sits next to a huge cement water reservoir, a Beck Road landmark. The land is part of 32 acres he owns in that area.

Included in the two-level "Hamilton Sports Center" plans are two ice rinks with spectator seating, three basketball courts, an indoor running track and a Powerhouse Gym. A 250-seat meeting room is

also included, as is a pro shop, snack bar and team locker areas. Hamilton said that an indoor soccer arena and some other uses were possible as well.

His hope, Hamilton said, is to sell memberships to the arena, with discounted family packages for Northville residents. He would line up private investors to build the arena—including millions of his own money, Hamilton said—and hire a professional management company to run it.

A key issue commissioners and board members raised at the information meeting was that of township ordinance would have to be changed to allow the complex.

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As We See It

Representing city is an appropriate role for mayor

We can appreciate that Novi City Council members don't like to be surprised, especially by the actions of their mayor and city manager. But it also seems to us that acting as a representative of the city, acting as the city's "point man" as it were, is indeed an appropriate role for Novi's mayor.

City council member Tim Pope raised objections Monday evening after he'd learned that Mayor Kathleen McLallen and City Manager Ed Kriewall met with their counterparts from the City of Westland to discuss the proposed extension of Taft Road. Proposed is the installation of a cul-de-sac on West Road in Novi. Westland officials are also hoping to extend Taft through their town all the way to Pontiac Trail.

Pope was upset because he learned of the meeting, not from the mayor, but at a Michigan Municipal League conference. He questioned whether the mayor has the authority to negotiate on the city's behalf without the prior consent of the council.

Pope has two legitimate points, although we count them as minor. First, the mayor should inform the council of her meetings with outside officials where they may lead to some kind of formal city agreement. If the meeting crops up suddenly, she should fill them in as soon as possible after the fact.

Secondly, it seems to us it would be very beneficial for the city council to have some discussion of exactly what the mayor's role is in these types of matters, not only for McLallen's guidance but also for the enlightenment of the council itself.



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Nonetheless, we see McLallen's actions as clearly appropriate, well within the bounds of behavior we believe voters expect of her.

Mayors everywhere act in a similar capacity. When officials elsewhere want to come to talk to the city, they often seek out the city manager or the mayor. It's only natural.

Now, Mayor McLallen can't enter into any agreements or make promises on the city's behalf without the council's approval. But she didn't do that in this case. Here, she merely took part in an informal discussion that might lead to some kind of proposal for an agreement.

One of the reasons we'd like to see the mayor inform council early on about such discussions is so that she has council's guidance about what she should be trying to get from such informal negotiations. Regardless, it all has to come through council eventually anyway.

The city attorney will be reviewing this matter. Probably more fruitful would be a discussion among the council members themselves about how McLallen should proceed, and get council's agreement on these activities.

Knollenberg gets our nod

In the race for the 11th Congressional district, we give the nod to incumbent Republican **JOE KNOLLENBERG**.

Knollenberg, 61, is a business owner who is seeking his second term in the U.S. House, and if returned by voters he expects he'll be able to make further inroads in Washington.

Critics can be had of Knollenberg. He is not terribly personable, lacking the warmth and charisma that many political pundits seem to think is must for a politician. Rather, he's a scrapper and enjoys the political fight of a good House floor debate.

And some may disagree with his positions on some subjects, like abortion and trade agreements. He's anti-abortion and pro-NAFTA.

But where there can be no debate is that Knollenberg is a budget cutter and an advocate of the taxpayer. He's fought to cut taxes. He's working to pass a balanced budget amendment and give the president a line-item veto.

Those positions may be relatively easy to take, but Knollenberg's "put his money where his mouth is" by keeping his own congressional office staffing low and returning to the treasury \$130,000 allocated for his office operations.

Few issues in Washington are as important as the fiscal solvency of the federal government. If the country goes belly up, many of these other issues will mean little.

Our endorsement goes to Knollenberg for another term.

Proposal B corrects a problem

Proposal B on the Nov. 8 ballot deserves a "yes" vote because it corrects a bad situation in our jammed-up courts.

The situation is absurd: A defendant pleads guilty and is sentenced. Then he protests to the Court of Appeals.

The situation costs taxpayers millions. Three appellate court justices, at more than \$100,000 a year, must look at each case. They have staffs to pay and offices to rent. Defense lawyers, usually paid for by the public, cost \$900 to \$1,000 per case. They file 35-page briefs. The county prosecutor must take a senior staff lawyer off trial work to write a 35-page reply brief. Each appeal requires a transcript average 20 pages at \$2.35 a page.

The situation occurs too often. About one-fourth of the Court of Appeals caseload stems from guilty plea cases. The 24 judges on Michigan's second highest court are so overburdened that the Supreme Court administrator is asking for dozens of additional judges.

Dozens.

The situation is a waste of time and talent. More than 99 percent of the appeals by those who plead guilty are found to be without merit.

The situation is that convicts who plead guilty have the same right of automatic appeal as those who went to trial, and the guilty pleaders are abusing that right.

The situation can be corrected. Proposal B would remove the automatic right of appeal of defendants who plead

guilty. They wouldn't lose their constitutional rights entirely because they still could request "leave to appeal" - the Court of Appeals' permission.

Critics of Proposal B are very few. They fear Proposal B would take away defendants' rights.

Not so. Remember, it applies only to those who plead guilty (or no contest). Most of their appeals allege harsh sentences. In the 1980s Michigan developed a set of sentencing guidelines based on the actual experiences of hundreds of judges. A judge may hand down a sentence that exceeds the guidelines but must justify the stiff sentence with reasons, on the record.

In 1990 the Michigan Supreme Court put teeth in the sentencing guidelines but ordering resentencing in more than a dozen such cases. That famous case was *People vs. Milbourn*. If Proposal B is added to the Michigan Constitution, a convict would merely have to cite a judge's unjustified deviation from the sentencing guidelines and cite the *Milbourn* case, and his appeal would carry a red flag that would demand Court of Appeals attention.

Thus, the Court of Appeals could concentrate on the one percent of meritorious appeals and be rid of the 99 percent that are time-wasters.

Prosecutors and politicians of both parties favor Proposal B.

We urge voters to say "yes" to Proposal B on Nov. 8.

The end isn't any nearer



Lee Snider

Is there something in the air, or is it just that half the world knows something I don't?

Maybe it's the approaching millennium, whatever that has to do with anything.

Honest to gosh, I can't remember ever living in a time when so many fruitcake conspiracy theories enjoyed such wide currency. Loony prophecies about the imminent extinction of the planet and nutty foretellings of apocalyptic doom—if I had a conspiratorial bent, I'd say there's one lurking in every shadow and hiding under every bed.

Consider: There is a pervasive feeling among many gun ownership advocates that the modest steps now being taken toward gun control are certain evidence of a treacherous governmental scheme. Arm your self immediately, they urge, because any day now our elected leaders plan to suspend the Constitution, put a weapon to your head and force you to do whatever they say.

That's how Hitler got started, you know. Disarm society, hold a helpless people hostage, then impose your own set of dictates. It's part of a huge plot masterminded by the CIA. Or is it the IRS? An organization called the Michigan Militia Corps expects martial law to be declared within two years.

While the fatigue-clad conspiracy theorists may represent a minority of anti-gun control adherents,

this notion of Big Brother taking aim is surprisingly widespread. They're already warning about the establishment of a police state post in Plymouth Township if a local proposal becomes law there. Since when did the cops become the bad guys?

Then there's this group that thinks public educators are engaged in a monstrous campaign to convert every kid in the universe to atheism. I read one of their times over the weekend, a wild-eyed volume that believes everything from "The Simpsons" to the Michigan Model for Health Education is calculated to turn children into a Satan-worshipping gargoyles.

It's called *Cradle to College*, and its central thesis is that the education elite is hard at work thinking up the most effective ways to brainwash students into mindless obedience to a secular authority. The next step is the end of national boundaries and the implementation of one world government. One world government? Most governments can't even agree on how to spank lawbreakers yet alone how to oppress the masses.

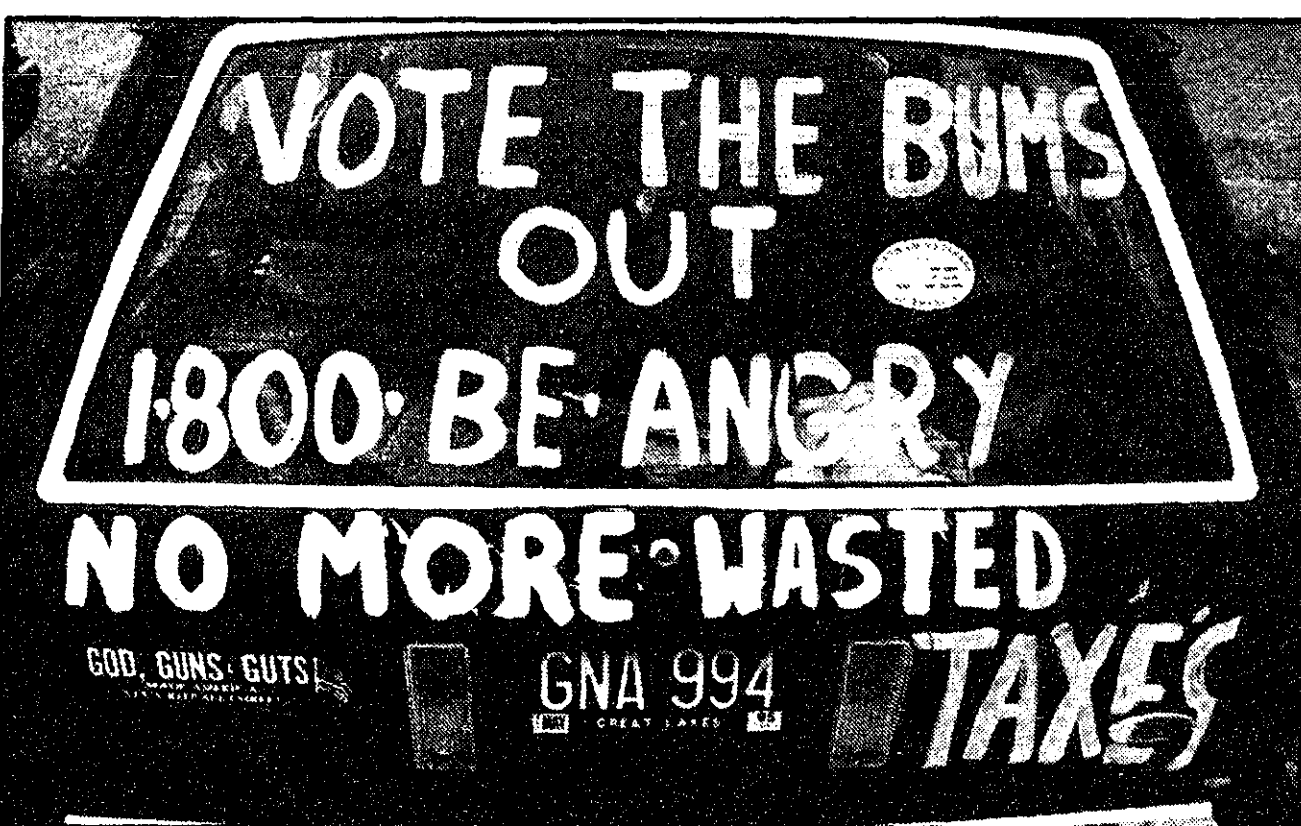
Sometimes I'll throw my hands into the air and exclaim something like, "The world's coming to an end," but it's just frustration talking. I don't really believe it. Am I the only one who doesn't?

I read once where people living in the year 1499 fully expected to be witness to the end of the world. When January 1 of the new century came and the birds began chirping and the sun split the eastern horizon, they shrugged their shoulders. Not yet, they said. It's coming, just not yet. Some 494 years later, we're still waiting, and I'm not convinced the end is any nearer than it was then.

Lee Snider is the editor of *The Northville Record*.

Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



This car has been spotted frequently around the Northville area of late.

Freedom of Speech

Have to hoist Jolly Roger



Jan Jeffries

Buy your own.

A pirate. Doesn't that conjure up images of men in ruffled shirts and eye patches, swashbuckling all over the place and naughty pirate ladies drawing daggers out of their low-cut bodices. How jolly.

But isn't the terminology a little melodramatic? I got in a big verbal brawl with a techie type over this. I can't see why I have to abide by a new code of ethics and laws set up by an industry to financially benefit themselves.

One special interest group is brainwashing us all to view as unacceptable what is common practice in every other branch of the information industry.

It's expensive to develop computer software, techies argue. Expensive? Sure. Writers take years of their lives to complete their novels or non-fiction books. Some of them half-starve during the process. In the case of non-fiction authors, add on extensive research and possible travel expenses.

A library then buys the book, checking it out every two weeks for a year. That means at least 26 readers who otherwise would have to purchase their

own copy. Multiply that by the thousands of volumes in thousands of libraries nationwide and that adds up to lots of books never sold. Millions in royalties the writer and publishing firm never bank, all whisked away by Bluebeards disguised as librarians.

Or, someone does buy the book in a weak moment at Borders and then lends it to a few friends, who are spared the burden of the purchase. Is that piracy or accepted practice?

Consider your local beauty shop, a den of thieves if there ever was one. Think of the pile of magazines the customers thumb through, each read over and over again. Hundreds of magazines which are then never purchased issue by issue because all these clients pilfered a freebie read. The same criminal activity is going on at most dentists' and doctors' offices.

Magazines are very expensive to produce. Fashion models and top photographers are paid enormous salaries. Employees get their paychecks and health insurance, the printers are paid. A real business, publishing, just like the computer industry.

This goes on and on. You're a buccaneer if you own and use a VCR, because movies and television shows cost millions and millions to create. Besides, your local video store would prefer you rent, rather than make your own copy.

Sorry, I just don't buy it. It's possible, but I'll take the Fifth on this, that my sister in Dallas got a hot copy of a computer game.

Guess I'll just have to hoist the skull and crossbones. Instead of a parrot for a mascot, I have a mouse.

Jan Jeffries is a Staff Writer for *The Novi News* and *The Northville Record*.

Crime problem needs new thinking



Phil Power

Republican governor for a "wholly inadequate" response to last month's jailbreak in Detroit.

Running for the U.S. Senate, Democrat Bob Carr is proud of his vote for the big crime bill that passed the Congress last month "because it puts more cops on the street" while Republican opponent Spencer Abraham attacks the crime bill as no big deal.

The politicians aren't dumb. All the polls agree: Crime is the No. 1 issue this fall, far eclipsing even taxes and whether Engler and his friends are just waiting until next year to amend the constitutional prohibition against public aid to private and religious schools.

Ruminating on all this heated rhetoric encouraged me to uncover some facts.

In the United States, a greater proportion of the population is in prison than in any other developed country in the world: Michigan in 1993 incarcerated 36,000, almost tripled since 1983.

Michigan spends \$1.1 billion each year

on the Department of Corrections, nearly as much as the state spends on all universities and colleges. Fueled by public fear of crime, our leaders in Lansing (both parties, mind you) have increased outlays for prisons faster than any other category of state spending.

It costs around \$25,000 per year to keep a criminal behind bars, more than five times the \$4,500 average per pupil state aid for our schools. Yet a lot of people are perfectly willing to spend whatever it takes to keep criminals off the streets.

In statistics compiled by the FBI, the incidence of serious crime (757.5 per 100,000 population) is flat.

The conclusion is clear to me: We're on an anti-crime binge, spending at a prodigious rate, filling up every newly constructed prison cell as fast as we can open it. And yet the crime rate has hardly budged.

Plainly, something doesn't add up. Maybe instead of concentrating solely on slinging the big guys into jail, maybe we should have the guts to rethink seriously our public policies on crime. Below are a few thought-starters, just in time for whichever candidate is bold (foolish?) enough to try saying something original before election day:

• Liberals hate the death penalty, and there is some evidence that trials that involve the possibility of death upon conviction cost an enormous amount. I bet wondering just why society should be obliged to pay the \$25,000 annual tab to keep an inmate, miserable but alive, in jail for life. Are there not some people so

incurably sick or some crimes so profoundly awful that the death penalty is not only appropriate but humane at the same time?

• There is growing evidence that young criminals in fact emerge from jail with enhanced standing among their peer group. Who is going to "dis" a guy who survived prison, pumped iron for five years and returned to the street? Does this suggest that treatment of prisoners in jail ought to be very much harsher?

• Are there methods of punishment less costly and more of a deterrent than time in prison? Very much suspect, for example, that the young man who was caned across the buttocks for vandalizing cars in Singapore will not want to do that again. And it might be that 20 17-year-old members of the Tinkler Indian tribe who have been banished to live a year alone on remote islands in Alaska won't beat up and rob another pizza delivery man.

I realize these suggestions will provoke a storm of protest, some emotional and some carefully considered. But it seems perfectly clear that what our society is now doing about crime is both terribly expensive and remarkably ineffective.

That's a good recipe for some fresh thinking. It's too bad it won't come out until after the election.

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Alternatives to bond must be pursued

To the Editor:

In July 1994, a document was published by the Novi Community School District regarding the findings of the Novi Board of Education Facilities Committee. The committee worked from February to June and convened nine times. The committee held two public hearings, July 18, and July 25. (Report as submitted by the Facilities Advisory Committee 8-19-94). These hearings were to gather input relative to future school facilities (FOCUS July 1994). The solutions presented to the public to alleviate a perceived "overcrowding situation, were:

1. Build a new school grades 4 & 5.
2. Build a new school grades 7 & 8.
3. Build two new schools, K-4, and a middle school (FOCUS July 1994)

The implications of choosing any one of these options were also published.

There were approximately 30 people in attendance at each of the July hearings. Most of the concerns expressed were with regard to pulling the 4th grade from the elementary setting, and thrusting them into a middle school environment. It was explained that the current K-4 facilities would then become Pre-K school (when space is available) through 3rd grade, and the new configuration would be 4-5-6 in the renovated 5/6 and 7/8 building. This concept was not embraced by the people in attendance, nor has there been an overwhelming rush to support the re-configuration. It is my perception that the only school that will accommodate the present student cap on students per classroom is Orchard Hills. Presently, the student cap in grades K-2 allow for 25 students per teacher, grades 3 and 4 allows a cap of 27. Given that only one grade school housing K-4 will exceed its cap in the year 2000, another alternative can be pursued. As the present student cap of exceeding a cap are not that alarming, if the cap is exceeded, a teacher aid has to be assigned to the classroom. There are years throughout the 6-year time frame that a school(s) may exceed at some point the union contracted cap, when and if this happens, class size can be increased by 2-3 students to accommodate the rise in enrollment. This solution, which was never approached, nor is it welcomed by the administration, seems to be a more practical solution to the redistricting threat, and the threat of moving the 4th graders from the elementary setting. I am not questioning that the enrollment is rising, what I am questioning is the alternatives presented that parents have to choose from. It's a lose-lose situation.

I continually asked if avenues other than building new schools were pursued and was told there were no other options. Given the above figures as taken from the Facilities Committee report, options do exist other than passing a 30 million dollar bond. It is unfortunate that the bond proposal was rolled into one package, instead of the two options that the school board has originally agreed upon at the Sept. 29 meeting. As stated above there are options available to the school board. Now the very strong possibility exists that the proposed bond will fail because there are still many concerned parents, that object to the re-configuration. There is no doubt that a 7-8 building is needed in the district, but not at the expense of upping the 4th graders to a middle

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enrollment through the year 2000.

The present capacity in the K-4 schools allows for 2,129 (2,257) students. (Figure shown in brackets) is per school principal, further brackets will reflect the 2,275 figures. The projected enrollment for the 1999-2000 school predicts 2,073 students. (Analysis of projected student growth and future facility needs. Appendix C, Projection Statement, Consultants' MSU Final Projection page 1.) These figures show an excess of 56 (202) available spaces for students, in the year 2000 and if divided by the current K-1,2 student cap as dictated by teacher contract, this leaves 2.2 (8.0) extra room throughout the present K-4 schools.

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school setting. It is my understanding that if the bond proposal passes as proposed, there will be a K-3 and 4-5 reconfiguration, and a new 7-8 building.

After attending both meetings in which the bond was discussed, I am not comfortable with the school board's decision. After much discussion and flip-flopping on the issues, I'm surprised that the bond is being presented at this time. Other alternatives must be pursued, and the voters must be positive that what the board offers is in the best interest of the children.

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On October 19, the ruling is supposed to come down on the piece of land between Cherry Hill and Holy Family Catholic Church. If the contamination level is favorable, I surely hope the city council does a much needed land purchase for a small park. If the contamination level is found to be unfavorable, then please purchase the piece of land between Grand River and Cherry Hill. It has been up for sale many different times over the years. I know it is zoned for medical building, but there seems to be a way to get around zoning. Does a child have to die playing in the streets before we decide to make usable park land for the children a priority?

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Where will the children play? Connie Lake-Noble

On August 16, 1993, I stood up at a city council meeting and asked what was the progress of park land being bought with the bond money that was OK'd by voters in the winter of 1992? I was assured the purchase of park land for fields was progressing along fine. I was wearing my "children are our future" T-shirt, but I don't think anyone noticed.

During the summer of 1993, I attended a hearing concerning the land adjacent to Ella Mae Power Park and the Orchard Ridge Subdivision. I listened to the concerns of the people who owned land that backs up to Ella Mae Power Park. Many of the citizens had

the attitude, "not in my backyard." I again was wearing my "Children are our future" T-shirt. Linda Ernst did say to me that she realized the majority didn't even notice what I was trying to say about the growing youth population and the need for more playing fields.

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Lower bond request rejected

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bond request he asked Novi Police Det. Bill Brown why it took so long for police to capture Tomassi.

"He had a long list of aliases," said Brown, who has been working the case for 11 years. "We were always a week or two behind him."

"He also had strong family support," Brown said over the years police had traced a phone call to the boys' mother, Emili Rateau from someone in the home of one of Tomassi's family members.

"Back in 1985-86 someone called to see if his mother was home," Brown said. "We traced the call to Pennsylvania. I suspect it was his sister's home or his aunt's

home in Pennsylvania."

Tomassi's mother was also reportedly paying a portion of the boys' college tuition when they were found by police two weeks ago at Yuba College in California, said Novi Police Det. Jack Grubb.

Grubb escorted the boys' mother and step father, John, to California two weeks ago to reunite the family and bring the boys home.

When they arrived, Grubb said he found the boys enrolled in the school under assumed names. Their IDs showed they were posing as 17- and 19-year-old college students.

Cassar argued Thursday that Tomassi did the best he could to support the boys while in his custody.

"These children were taken out of college," he said. "They were not on the run. They were attending school. They were in college and not on the street."

And they were reportedly doing well academically, police said. Jason, who is now 15, was attending school and playing on the baseball. His brother, David, 17, was doing the same and playing tennis.

The boys were living on campus in dormitories.

Despite their academic performance, police suggested Thursday that the classes the boys were taking at the junior college may have been the only formal education the pair has had since they were taken from their mother's Novi home.

"The boys told us the last time they attended school was kindergarten," Brown said in court. "They have had no schooling except kindergarten."

"We are going to ensure he stays to answer these charges," Batchik said before he granted the prosecutor's request for two \$500,000 bonds on the two counts.

It was then Cassar asked the court to delay Tomassi's pretrial examination so his client could submit to a forensics competency exam.

"My client has some emotional problems," Cassar before his request was granted.

Tomassi is expected to return to district court in 30 days.

Pope, mayor argue over talks with Wixom

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The proposed road work is part of an \$18.8 million road-improvement package OK'd by Novi voters in 1990. Novi is expected to hold a public hearing on the Taft Road extension within the next 30 days. But to date, most council discussion of the project has been behind closed doors.

In Wixom, Sosin's industrial park site plan was approved by the planning commission but turned down by that city council.

"Does the (city) charter provide the mayor with the authority to negotiate with another community without authority from council or providing documentation to council?" Pope asked Fried.

The city attorney suggested Pope ask him if the meeting were informational or a negotiation session. Pope also requested from Fried a definition of the

purpose of executive sessions and why items discussed in these closed door council sessions are held in confidence.

Kriewall said it's common for mayors from two cities to meet to discuss issues of mutual interest.

"That is a standard practice in all communities. You are trying to place limits on it. That's entirely improper," the city manager contended.

"We have to carry out the serious charge of administering the city. You would have us negotiating everything in public, tipping our hand in every situation."

Pope found a supporter in Council Member Joseph Toth, who said he was "extremely disturbed" by the situation.

"I'm deeply concerned that there are sensitive issues being discussed without knowledge of full council," Toth said.

Parents launch bond info campaign

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uled because the group is still organizing its efforts. Members have yet to draft a mission statement or determine their actual course of action. But they have been reviewing publications and letters from other citizens groups that have formed in other school districts to promote similar issues.

"We haven't pinned everything down yet," Elfring said. "In fact we are still bouncing ideas off of everybody."

That means the group may be piecing mealing their campaign together from bits and parts of efforts that have worked in other school districts, Elfring said.

The president said she was surprised to learn how many districts have active citizens groups working to get bond sales and millage campaigns passed.

It is the first time Novi Community School District has had a group to do what Novi CARES is proposing to do.

Elfring said the formation of her group is representative of the times.

"The world has changed," she said. "Novi used to be able to sit back and run elections."

That's not the case now, she said. Now it takes more effort to inform voters about ballot questions.

The district may have seen the first signs of a taxpayer revolt when the electorate rejected the district's request for three enhancement mills last June. That defeat was the first one to be rejected by Novi school district voters in more than a decade.

The defeat may have spurred some of Novi CARES efforts, Elfring said.

The president said many of the details of the group's plan have yet to be ironed out but one thing is clear. Novi CARES isn't a pro-bond committee. They aren't working with school officials or administrators. Nor are members expected to be a mouthpiece for the district, she said.

"We aren't a political action committee," she said. "We are a committee joining together to get information out to the community about an issue."

Nor are members of the group a select group with the inside track to the school district. Instead, she said some members are parents,

others have no children in the schools but want to get involved anyway. Others who attended the first meeting had a lot of questions about the ballot issue and the district's decision-making process that led up to asking for the \$30 million.

"We are not a select group," she said. "We are trying to draw from everywhere."

When the group first formed, Elfring said, members weren't out to campaign for passage of the bond issue. Admittedly, she later said, she'd like to see the proposal pass because she believes it is a necessary expenditure, but the group is gearing its efforts to ensure voters cast informed ballots about the proposal.

If the proposal fails, Elfring she

wants to know it failed because people are against the idea and not because they didn't understand what they were being asked to approve.

Anyone interested in joining Novi CARES or making donations to fuel their efforts are asked to call Carol Elfring at 348-0311 or send checks in care of Novi CARES to 21671 Shadybrook, Novi, MI.

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FALL INTO NORTHVILLE & NOVI

A
AT THEBy CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

The peak has
passed for fall
color viewing up
north. You'll
have to act
fast if you
want to
view a
spectacular fall
color show closer
to home. And it
can be enjoyed in
a variety of ways.

As we're rushing to and from work, errands, volunteer duties, and school we do have a chance to catch a glimpse of nature's fall display.

But there are other more relaxing ways. Local state and Metroparks offer a variety of alternatives to catch the splendid array of colors and catch our breath from our busy schedules.

Maybury State Park has somewhere in the neighborhood of 50 different species of trees, said Karen Gourley, park interpreter. The sugar maple, hickory, oak, beech, and walnut trees are all in abundance at the park.

"Maples can be really showy," she explained. "They start out bright red, go into gold and then yellow."

Trees can be seen by bike path, walking nature trails, horseback and hayrides.

The Maybury Riding Stables are open Tuesday through Sunday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. through the end of November. Reservations for horse rentals are not accepted. It's on a first-come, first-served basis. There are 30 horses to rent and the cost is \$12 per hour during the day and \$15 on the weekend. No horse-back riding experience is necessary. The only requirement is that children be at least 4 1/2 feet tall and 8-years-old. "A trail guide goes with each group every half hour on weekdays and every 20 minutes on the weekend," said Keith Gordon, the manager of the riding stable. "We have horses to suit everyone."

"Lots of people come out just to see the leaves," he said.

Hayrides are a wonderful way for groups to view the colors. A 25-minute hayride is \$2 per person, with a minimum charge of \$50 even if the party is smaller than 25 people. There are three different size wagons to accommodate groups from 25 to 45, and wagons can be attached for larger groups. Reservations are necessary for hayrides.

Kensington Metropark estimates there are at least 30 different major species including oak, maples, dogwoods, hickory, and aspen, and several varieties within each species.

Kensington has several scenic lookouts located at the Farm Center, the Park Office and other points throughout the park. Scenic lookouts can be reached by car and by the hiking-biking trails.

An 8.2 mile bike trail around the lake is an option and for a more leisurely look at the leaves, nature trails are also available.

A pick-your-own-pumpkin hayride leaves every 20 minutes on the weekends for \$1 for children and seniors and \$1.50 for adults. The cost of pumpkins varies from \$.50 to \$5 depending on size, but it is another way to see the fall colors.

Ten miles of horse trails are available for those who want to view autumn's outdoor show on their own horses, but a release is required in advance. Contact the park office for details.

Maps of the park and scenic lookouts are available at tollbooths.

Kensington Metropark is open from 6 a.m. until 10 p.m. daily. Daily entrance stickers are available for \$2 during the week and \$3 on the weekend. Tuesday is a free day, no sticker required.

In Michigan's 18-million acres of forests, there are close to 100 different species of trees. What we can't see is the process that makes the leaves show off in autumn. As the day length decreases and the nights get cooler, cells are activated between the leaf and stem. These cells deprive the leaf of its water and mineral supply, eventually cutting the leaf off from the stem. A substance called chlorophyll uses energy from the sun to make food for the plant. It's also what makes leaves green. The colors we see in the fall are in the leaves during the spring and summer, but because of the bold chlorophyll, we only see green. As the chlorophyll fades, the timid colors burst forth and announce their splendor.

Some trees have a variety of colors in them. Pin. wild cherries, and sassafras turn red first, then yellow. Others, such as the sumac become orange, then bright red.

Still other trees have only one color hiding inside. Poplar trees are strictly bright yellow. Sugar maple leaves are fiery red.

Trees with varying shades of yellow colors are hickories, eastern cottonwood, tulip tree, yellow birch, and striped maple.

Some of the prettiest trees for color viewing are aspen, oak, maple, birch and sumac, which may be in your own back yard, or someone else's.

Hines Drive and other local streets make for a good Sunday drive and if the weather permits, a picnic as well.

Volunteer

It's A Fact



CAROLYN DICOMO

DiComo chairs
1994 fashion showBy DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

You are invited to a closed-door evening fashion show at Jacobson's Laurel Park store on Nov. 15, according to Carolyn DiComo, volunteer chairperson for a \$35-a-ticket fund raiser for Angela Hospice Care Center in Livonia.

From 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. you will help yourself to finger-foods supplied by local restaurants and you'll watch models wearing the latest styles for men, women, and children walk past you. There will also be a strolling magician, a caricaturist, and a chocolate chef.

However, if you're not free that evening, but you still want to support the Care Center, you may buy raffle tickets at a dollar a piece for things like flight tickets, gift certificates, and an overnight at a ski lodge.

Just what is Angela Hospice Care Center? DiComo said it's an organization established in 1985 to provide specialized care to peo-

ple with a terminal illness.

Originally Angela Hospice just visited patients in their own homes to relieve relatives and friends for a few hours each day. Then it opened a Care Center to provide Patient Day Care with rooms to accommodate sixteen. This fall it is opening a pediatrics program at the Care Center.

Carolyn DiComo said she has volunteered for Angela Hospice since it opened. "I believe in it," she said. "... I've chosen to do fund raising."

This is DiComo's second year organizing the show at Jacobson's, and, she said, "Our goal is \$40,000."

The telephone number to call to buy a \$35 ticket to the show or a \$1 raffle ticket, to volunteer for Angela Hospice Care Center, or to receive more information is (313) 464-7810.

Also — if you want to visit the place, the address is 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia.

City of Novi Housing

The City of Novi has consistently ranked in top five communities in the seven county Southeastern Michigan region in number of total residential construction permits, being first in 1992 in such permits with 941. For single family detached homes City ranked first with 456 new home starts.

There were 14,589 existing dwelling units as of December 1991, with 5,286 pending new units expected to be built in the near future. In total, 9,247 units would be single family detached homes, 8,772 - multiple dwellings (apartments, condos), and 1,856 mobile homes in five parks, totaling 19,875 dwelling units. Based upon the proposed Residential Density Plan and Population Forecast, there is expected that the City's housing stock will grow to about 26,000 units by Year 2010 and 27,864 units at ultimate holding capacity.

Housing values and rent levels have also substantially increased from \$80,100 median house value in 1980 to \$127,900 in 1990, and from \$304 median rent level in 1980 to \$602 in 1990. Need for senior housing is recognized in the Plan.

SOURCE: City of Novi

New officers of Novi 4-H Club plan a busy year

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

The Novi 4-H club has resumed regular meetings again at Tollgate in the Science Building with the following new officers: President, Meghan Mutch; Vice President, Katie Marshall; Secretary, Chloe Clark; and Treasurer, Jennifer Davies.

According to a report of some of the activities this summer, Kristin Dee, age 10, won a first place award in the Michigan State Fair this summer. Her blue ribbon entry was the skirt she made in 4-H sewing. Several others took part in the Livingston County Fair. All received top awards. They included Ricky Marshall, who received a trophy in photography; Katie Marshall, who received the Judges Award in photography and fourth place Premium for Treasury Report; Danny St. Clair won the Judges Award in Sewing; and Christina St. Clair received Best of Show in Creative Arts and Judges Award in Needlework.

More recent activities included a Voyager canoe trip down the Huron Valley River with "Captain Bob," a naturalist who accompanied and spoke regarding Michigan History in that area. Shawn Opperman, who heads up the Natural Resource group planned the trip which started at Oakwoods Metro Park near Flat Rock. Adults who also went included Gretchen and David

Opperman, Betty Lewis and Diana St. Clair.

Coming up will be an appearance by the clowning group who will be assisting Novi Parks and Recreation giving away balloons, face painting at the first Search for the Great Pumpkin to be held Saturday, Oct. 29 at Novi's Tree Farm Park. Other upcoming projects include Junior Cooking with Mrs. Lewis, clowning with Mrs. Opperman and Mrs. Davies. Workshop on decorative painting and stitching with Debra Hurt, Pet a Pet nursing home visitation with Mrs. St. Clair, sewing also with Mrs. St. Clair, a new group called Reptiles with Ryan Opperman and also ethnic cooking and restaurant field trips. Any family interested in more information on this group for boys and girls 8 years of age and up can call 348-4949.

SIXTHGATE CLOGGERS

This club, made up of members who are at least 40 years of age or over 70, continues to have a full schedule with rehearsals at the Civic Center and performances not only locally but at nearby facilities, parades, and more. Those who wish to perform must be 50 and Michigan History in that area. Shawn Opperman, who heads up the Natural Resource group planned the trip which started at Oakwoods Metro Park near Flat Rock. Adults who also went included Gretchen and David

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includes show practice on Wednesday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. sometimes they have guest instructors and then there is open dancing from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Beginners meet usually on Fridays from noon to 1 p.m. with intermediate from 1 to 2 p.m. and then open dancing again from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

On Friday, Oct. 21, the Cloggers will be appearing at Canterbury on the Lake in Waterford. Jeanine Lamb was the guest instructor the first of October.

September was a very busy month with guest instructors Berdella and Duane Root who taught "Bring it On Down to my House," and "Summer Time Blues." Performances in September included the Plymouth Fall Festival and on the 17th they were at the Troy Senior Center. Then on Sept. 17 they participated in the Country Western Festival at the Novi Expo with some of the newer members. Sept. 18 they were at the St. Williams Parish Picnic at Walled Lake with the audience learning the line dance called "Tulsa Time." On Sept. 24 they participated in the Fall Fling 94, Old Fashion Corn Roast and did

clogging under the Stars. This month they were involved in the South Lyon Pumpkinfest and went to St. Anne Meads in Southfield, also the Borman Senior Residence in Detroit.

The date for their annual Winter Beach Party for themselves and their guests at the Novi Community Center has been set.

Glenna Sherman arranges bookings and can be reached at 349-2589 for more information.

WHITEHALL HOME FOR THE AGED

This facility is located on Grand River near Meadowbrook Road in a state-of-the-art, white home. The program has a capacity of 31 residents and consists of assisted living for the aged who presently range in ages from 60 to 97. The residents for the most part receive help from the state for living expenses. Recently the monies for activities was cut so they do not have any outside activities such as trips, etc., and many of the in-house activities have been cut because of cost.

Presently, Barb Hildebrand of the staff has undertaken a project called S.O.S. (Support Our

Seniors). She is looking for people, young and old, service groups, and church groups who can assist in some way with entertainment through singing, perhaps accompanied by guitar, accordion or key boards. Other in-house programs could be craft programs by a group, or even furnishing construction paper, craft books, colored pens, Elmers Glue, etc. would be a big help.

Hope Church comes in and plays Bingo once a month. The monthly birthday parties are furnished by the Epicure Restaurant who always bring cake and ice cream. First Baptist furnishes transportation to Sunday School and church for those who wish to attend.

One of the projects they did recently was decorating the Hallways by cutting out their own styled pumpkins and decorating their bulletin board. They also had a painting class using small painting kits and computer paper which will be on display in the hallway.

Anyone interested in assisting in project S.O.S. can call Barb Hildebrand at 474-3442.

ACTIVE FRIENDS OF THE HOMELESS

Oct. 29 is the date set for the next meeting of this local group from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Holy Family Parish. They will be making plans to be at the United

Methodist Church Craft Show with their fundraiser of selling the original House Pins. Additional volunteers are needed to be in the booth to assist in this project. More information can be obtained by calling Carol Ann at Holy Family Church at 348-8847. The pins are most unusual and come in three styles. One shows a single house, another a city high rise and the third is a small tack pin. The pins can also be obtained at Genie's Restaurant in Northville and at several other art shows in the future.

A big thank you to the community for their support at the Real Estate One Garage Sale with over \$400 profit. The next Craft Show they will be at Madonna University Holiday Craft Show on Nov. 5 and 6. Items that will be available at the booth include crafts, house pins and entertainment books.

The Active Friends of the Homeless program has been in existence since April 1988 when the ABC television drama *God Bless the Child* inspired residents to help people in need with the basic necessities of life.

Novi Highlights is written by Jeanne Clarke. Should you wish to contact her with information for this column please call 624-0173.

On Campus

STACY L. SCHWANDT, a junior at Kalamazoo College, is one of 180 students participating in the College's study abroad program, an integral part of the educational experience at the College. Kalamazoo College has the highest participation in study abroad of any college in the nation, with 85 percent of its students participating.

Schwandt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard T. Schwandt of Northville. She is a graduate of Novi High School.

Schwandt will be studying in Fourah Bay, Africa. Other students are living with host families in the countries of France, Germany, Spain, Ecuador, China, Japan, Russia, Italy, Greece, Hungary, the United Kingdom, and Denmark. Schwandt will receive full academic credit for the successful completion of work overseas.

Recognition for outstanding scholarship has been extended to the following Schoolcraft College students named to the Dean's List for the Winter 1994 semester: KATHLEEN J. BONE, JASON JUDE KUCMIERZ, MICHAEL THOMAS MARTIN, LINA MORENO, MARIA YOLANDA ORDONEZ, and BRET MICHAEL ROW. All students are Novi residents.

The name of those students who earned a place on the list were announced by Dr. Louis Reibling, Dean of Instruction, who sent notification and congratulations to

each. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must carry at least 12 hours during the semester and earn a 3.5 (B+) grade point average or better.

RYAN L. KARVOILA, SANDRA A. KESSLER, and JENNIFER WROE, all of Novi, and MATTHEW LISTER of Wixom are among prospective freshmen who have been selected to receive a share of \$1 million in academic scholarships from Western Michigan University this fall.

The awards are part of WMU's Medallion Scholarships Program. To be eligible, participants had to be admitted to WMU by Jan. 10 with at least a 3.7 grade point average in high school, or at least a 3.5 GPA and an American College Test score of at least 30.

The top students were awarded Medallion Scholarships valued at \$25,000 over four years; those scholarships are among the largest merit-based awards in American public higher education. Several other top participants won Board of Trustees Scholarships of \$16,000 over four years.

The rest of the students won one of three types of awards: University Scholarships of \$12,000 over four years; University Excellence Awards of \$8,000 over four years; or Academic Scholarships of \$4,800 over four years.

Novi student to attend conference

Amanda Chorba of Novi has been selected to attend The National Young Leaders Conference from Oct. 25 to Oct. 30 in Washington, D.C. The conference is a leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. Chorbha is a senior at Novi High School and will be among 350 outstanding national scholars attending the conference from across America.

The theme of the conference is "The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today." During the six-day conference, Chorbha will interact with key leaders and news makers from the three branches of government, the media and the

diplomatic corps. Highlights of the program include welcoming remarks from the Floor of the United States House of Representatives, a panel discussion with journalists at the National Press Club, visits to foreign embassies and policy briefings from senior government officials. Chorbha will meet Senator Carl Levin, Senator Donald W. Riegle and Representative Joseph Knollenberg or an appointed member from their staffs to discuss issues facing Novi and the nation. Leadership skill-building activities are also included.

The National Young Leaders Conference is sponsored by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council.



Submitted photo

Ervin Nichols will be featured flute soloist at Novi concert.

Local musician to perform with Novi Concert Band

Ervin Nichols will be the flute soloist at An Autumn Fest Concert presented by the Novi Concert Band.

Nichols will play Mozart's Flute Concerto No. 1 in G Major. Jack Kopnick will conduct the evening's program which will also include Festival Prelude, Suite of Old American Dances, Army of the Nile March, Selections from Porgy and Bess, Dance of the Comedians and a Salute to Duke Wellington.

An Autumn Fest Concert will start at 3 p.m. on Oct. 30 at the Novi Civic Center. The \$3 donation at the door includes refreshments.

Nichols, a Novi resident, has played with many organizations, including the Third Army Band and Symphony Orchestra, Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Parks Band, Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, and various orchestras at Music Hall and Falace.

After obtaining two music degrees from Wayne State University and the University of Michigan, Nichols taught music for 35 years in the public schools. He has been in demand as a private flute instructor in the Detroit area for many years.

Correction: Bud Sovel's Sunoco station is located at Ten Mile and Meadowbrook roads. An article which appeared in last week's Novi News incorrectly stated that the service station was at Twelve Mile and Meadowbrook.

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Brass-knuckle tales

'Pulp Fiction' explores Los Angeles underworld

Writer/director Quentin Tarantino's "Reservoir Dogs" and "True Romance" takes on the Los Angeles underworld with an all-star cast in his new action thriller "Pulp Fiction."

Skilfully weaving together three lurid tales of smalltime criminal life, Tarantino unleashes his creative imagination to make the action humorous as well as spectacular.

The movie opens and closes on Honey Bunny (Amanda Plummer) and Pumpkin (Tim Roth), a couple of small-time thieves who are deciding that liquor stores are getting too risky and they need a change of venue. Eating breakfast in a neighborhood coffee shop, they vow to start holding up coffee shops — after all, a lot of people go to them and that means a lot of wallets.

We are then introduced to Vincent Vega (John Travolta) and Jules Winnfield (Samuel L. Jackson), a pair of underworld henchmen who are under orders to retrieve a mysterious black briefcase from a group of double-crossing amateur crooks.

At the end of the third segment, Vincent and Jules decide to have breakfast at the local coffee shop where they encounter Honey Bunny and Pumpkin, right where they left them in the film's first scene.

The three intertwining "slice of life" narratives center on a pair of thick-witted hitmen, a double-crossing prizefighter on the run, his absent-minded French girlfriend, the hit-men-hiring mob boss, his exotic but drug-addled

wife and the two young lovers contemplating a career change from sticking up restaurants instead of liquor stores.

As the title implies, "Pulp Fiction" takes its inspiration from the popular, and often lurid, crime fiction of the thirties and forties, most associated with cheaply printed, garishly-illustrated newsstand publications like "Black Mask."

From the yellowed pages of these low-rent "pulp" came brass knuckle tales of world-weary private eyes plagued by two-bit hoods, blonde black widows and the existential void. Here, writers like Dashiell Hammett, David Goodis, Cornell Woolrich, James M. Cain, W.R. Burnett and Raymond Chandler forged a new kind of American literature, the hard-boiled noir tradition of the dark city, which in turn triggered Hollywood's film noir cycle of the forties and fifties.

To bring this unique underworld vision to life, Tarantino assembled a cast that includes John Travolta, Bruce Willis, Samuel L. Jackson, Uma Thurman, Harvey Keitel, Tim Roth, Amanda Plummer, Maria de Medeiros, Ving Rhames, Eric Stoltz, Rosanna Arquette and Christopher Walken.

In 1986, while working as a video store clerk in southern California, a 23-year-old Tarantino was trying to get a script he had written off the ground.

After making several attempts to get his feature-length script made, he sat down to write a short film. His idea was to complete the short film and hopefully receive some

feedback along with encouragement to do another. Even if it took some time, in the end he could put the stories together to make a feature film.

He then came up with an idea inspired by the "Black Mask" crime magazines of the thirties and forties. He wrote a short story and told a friend, Roger Avey, to come up with the second story. Soon after, Tarantino wrote a third story about a failed jewel heist. It turned into "Reservoir Dogs," which became his much-acclaimed directorial debut. His first script, "True Romance," finally made it into production under the direction of Tony Scott, and the two short stories were put on the back burner.

After wrapping up "Reservoir Dogs" and "True Romance," Tarantino contemplated what to do next, and decided to return to his original idea of three stories.

This time, he sat down to write, intending to have a different director for each story. But in the course of talking with other directors, it occurred to him that it might be more fun writing a script and having the three stories all work together in one movie.

Tarantino was attracted to the idea of using the same characters to move in and out of different stories.

"I like the idea of working on a large canvas," he said. "I like the idea of playing with the rules that apply to novels and applying them to cinema because I think the translation can be very cinematic. One thing that certain novelists do that I really get a kick out of, like

Larry McMurty or J.D. Salinger, is have characters float in and out of all their books."

Novelists can bring characters back from previous stories to appear for a moment in something new — but it's an option generally not available to filmmakers, said Tarantino. "It's something that's kind of hard to do in movies, because once you write a movie, you've sold the rights to those characters. You can't just say, 'hey, can I have Mr. White show up as a supporting character?'"

In "Pulp Fiction," Tarantino has the opportunity to play with his characters and have them move from story to story. The main character of one story would go on to be a supporting character in the next. As Tarantino points out, "This was the chance to do three movies for the price of one."

"The idea behind 'Pulp Fiction,'" said Tarantino, "was to take the oldest situations in the books, the ones you've seen a million times, the boxer who's supposed to throw a fight and doesn't, the mob guy who's supposed to take the boss's wife out for the evening."

The third story, "The Wolf," is basically the first five minutes of every Joel Silver movie, two hit men come and kill these guys, then they cut to Arnold Schwarzenegger a hundred miles away and eventually the two stories converge.

"What I wanted to do," he said, "for instance, with the third story is hang out with Vincent and Jules after they've finished their business and see what happens to them the rest of the morning."

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Gridders take 21-14 win over Brighton 'dogs

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

A third quarter 88-yard touchdown punt return by Jason Witherspoon led Novi to a 21-14 road victory over Brighton Friday night.

The sophomore's run gave the Wildcats a two-touchdown lead. Brighton cut the gap to seven at the end of the third quarter and threatened to tie late in the fourth.

But Jon Wroe made an end zone interception to stop the Bulldogs' final drive and preserve Novi's third straight victory. And a huge interception it was.

The Wildcats have a shot at their first Kensington Valley Conference championship since 1989. Four teams, actually, have a chance.

Howell, Hartland, South Lyon and Novi go into the final game of the KVC season tomorrow night at 4-1. The Wildcats will face Howell at home while South Lyon plays Hartland.

So the task is simple — beat Howell and share the crown with either the Lions or Eagles.

"I'm very pleased for the kids," said coach John Osborne. "They've been playing good football. Things are coming together."

Things came together for Brighton early Friday.

The Bulldogs forced Novi to punt on its first possession. They then marched 78 yards in 13 plays.

Brighton, which featured more than a dozen players over 200 pounds, ran right at the 'Cats. Halfback Scott Niles ran behind 6-foot-6, 319-pound right tackle Matt Carlton much of the drive and scored on an 11-yard burst to make it 7-0.

Novi came right back. Starting from their own 25-yard line, the Wildcats used the option to perfection.

Witherspoon got his team out of a hole with an 18-yard option run on third down. Moments later, Wroe got 27 more on the option. The senior then capped the drive with a 13-yard run.

The first quarter ended with the game tied 7-7. The Wildcat took the lead just before halftime.

Brighton moved from its 15-yard line all the way to Novi's 24. But Eric Hoffman and Matt Buck forced a Niles fumble and Wroe recovered at the Wildcat 30-yard line.

Mike Hicks ran 22 yards on a counter play minutes later to make it 14-7. Osborne was very concerned with how the game was going to that point.

"They were consistently moving the ball," he said.

Fate appeared to be going Brighton's way early in the third quarter, too. Novi fumbled the opening kickoff and the Bulldogs recovered at the 23-yard line.

A Novi adjustment helped keep

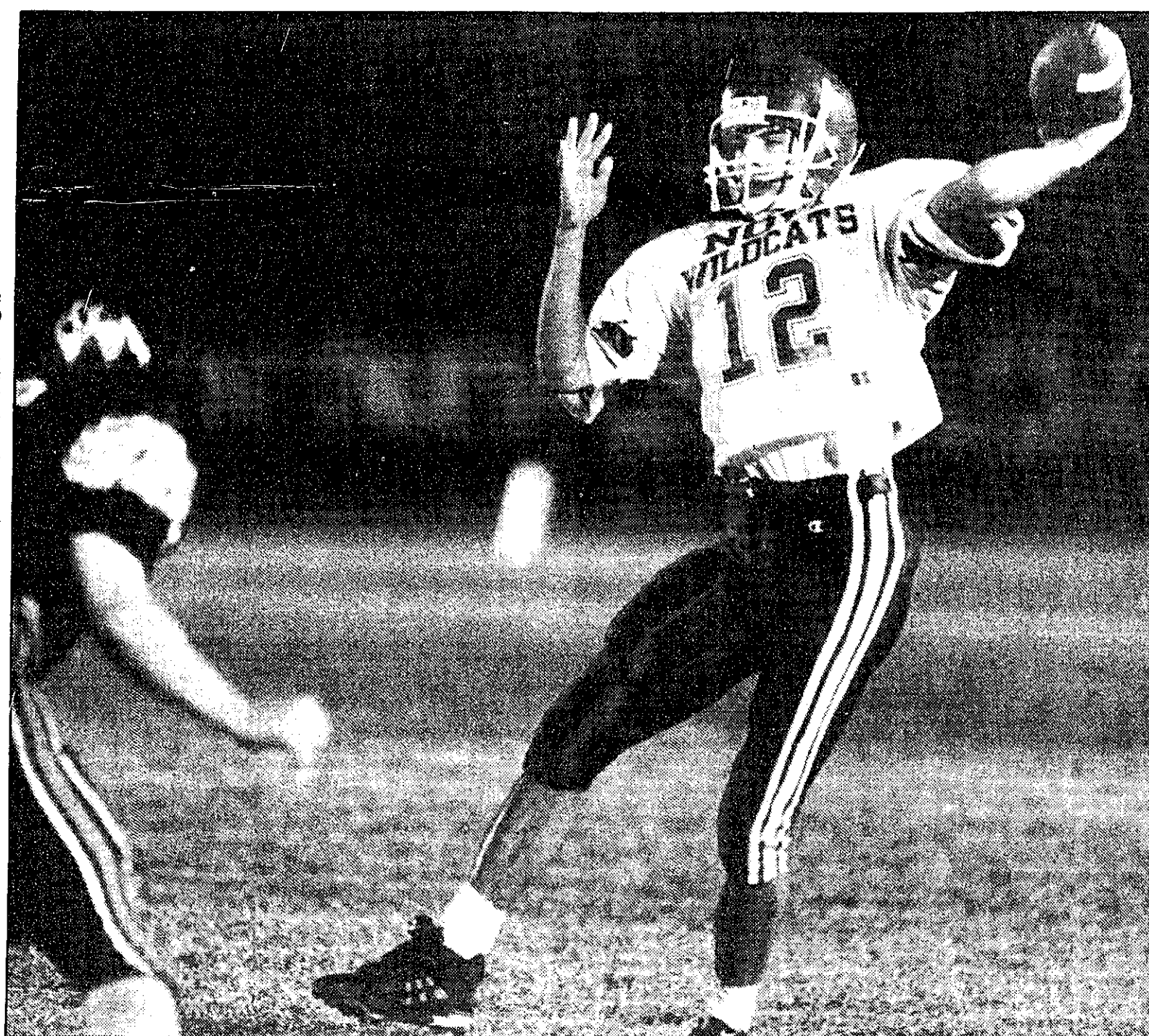


Photo by SCOTT PIPER

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Kickers win KVC championship with 1-0 win

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Playing in the biggest game of their high school lives Thursday, the Wildcat soccer team came up with a big-time effort and a big-time 1-0 win over Brighton.

It took 100 minutes of grueling, physical soccer. But for the Kensington Valley Conference championship.

"It was the mother of all games," said coach Larry Christoff. "I've never seen a harder fought game in terms of intensity and effort."

Since the KVC's inception more than a decade ago, Brighton has been king of the soccer hill. Only

once before, in fact, have the Bulldogs failed to win the title.

"They didn't lose any power or any talent," said Christoff. "They had as much talent as last year. It was just that we were more determined."

Novi has been determined from the start of the fall campaign. Ranked No. 9 in Class A, the 'Cats are 14-2 overall and 11-0 in the KVC.

The new league champions officially closed their KVC season Tuesday (after The Novi News' deadline) in a road game with Howell. Novi opens the state tournament Monday against Farmington Hills Harrison.

Whatever happens in that tournament it'll be hard to duplicate the high of Thursday's win.

Brighton clearly came out with revenge on its mind for the setback Novi handed them last month.

"They controlled the ball much better than we did in the first half," said Christoff.

The Wildcats were able to fight off repeated Bulldog rushes, however. Trouble came on a rush of Novi's own later in the half.

Kevin Ansara, the Wildcat sweeper, collided with Brighton goalkeeper Joe McCarthy. Officials ejected Ansara and McCarthy had to leave the game.

McCarthy's replacement, Travis Miller kept Brighton in the game.

"He did a great job," Christoff said. "He saved them on four occasions."

Most of those chances came in the two overtimes.

Novi goalie Dave Hart and Miller kept the game scoreless in the second half.

With about seven minutes gone by in the first overtime, the Wildcats began to dominate. On one exchange, Joe Schimmi, Chris Young and Dave York took turns firing at the Brighton net. But Miller kept them off the scoreboard.

The Wildcats finally broke through in the second overtime.

York connected on a 40-yard pass to Young. The Wildcat forward made past two defenders, side-stepped Miller and pushed the game-winning

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Netters finish third in KVC

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

The chance was there for the Wildcat tennis team Oct. 11.

Novi High had a shot at stealing the conference championship going into the final round of the KVC meet at Howell. But it wasn't to be.

Trailing Brighton and Hartland by a point going into the finals 12-11, the Wildcats could manage just one more point. Novi wound up as the league's third place team with Brighton winning the crown and Hartland taking second.

Coach Jim Hanson wasn't disappointed with the result, however.

"We played our best tennis of the season," he said. "I was really pleased with the kids. They did an outstanding job."

If nothing else, the Wildcats extracted a measure of revenge against Hartland. The Eagles beat Novi twice in KVC dual matches. But the 'Cats may have kept Hartland from winning the league title last week. Novi upset Eagle players at four singles and first doubles — taking valuable points away Hartland.

Emily Pipas tried for another upset of an Eagle, but came up short. She beat Howell's Danielle Huffnagle 6-1, 6-0 in the semi-final then lost a three-setter to Hartland's Nina Bush in the final. Susan Lemay made it to the

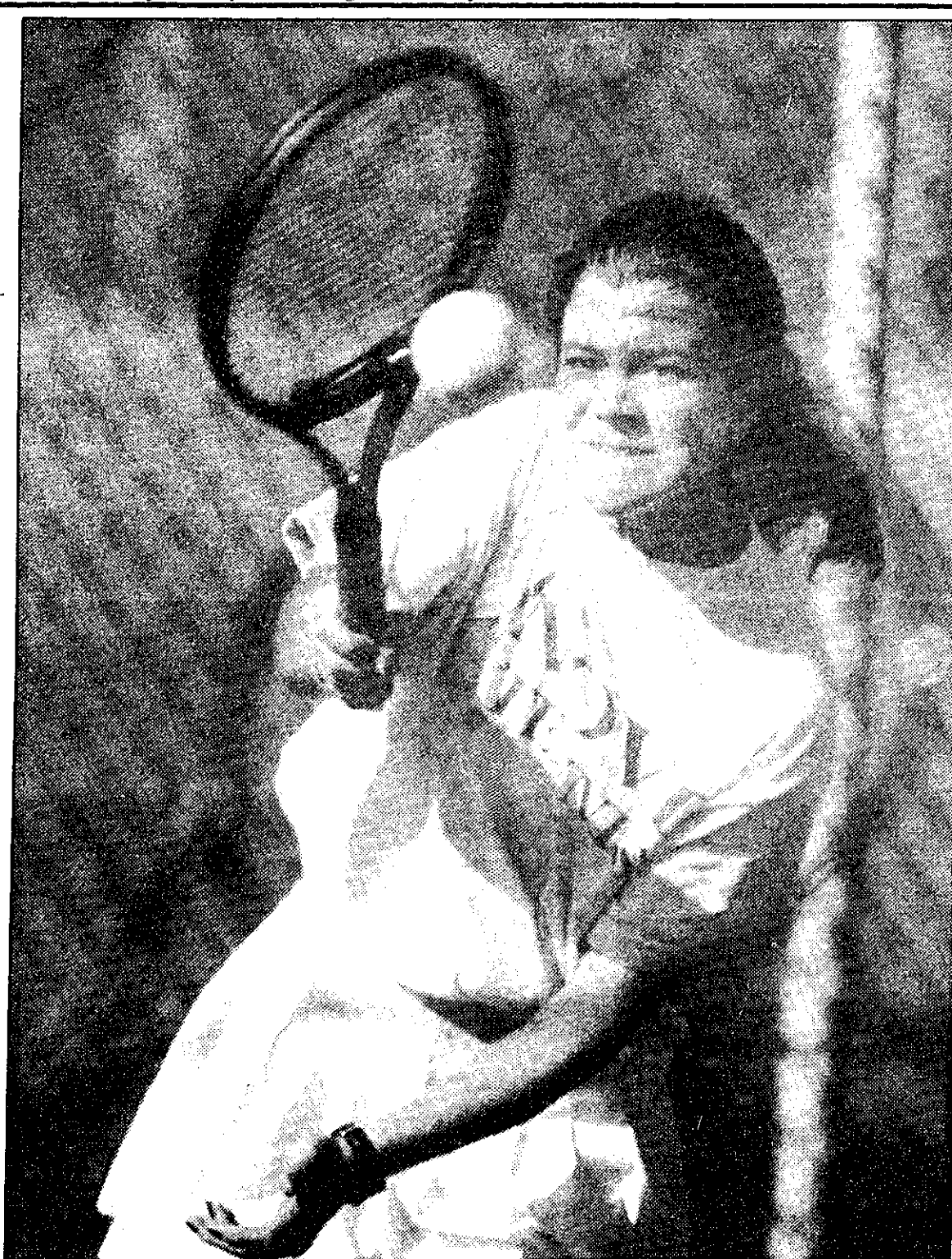


Photo by HAL GOULD

Continued on 10 Jenny Diedzic returns a shot in a KVC tournament top doubles match.

Runners beat Bulldogs easy

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

It's getting more and more difficult to find enough adjectives to adequately describe the Wildcat girls' cross country team.

Superb. Magnificent. Tremendous. Take your pick because they all fit.

Especially after last week's 22-35 victory over Brighton. Novi made mincemeat out of last year's state runner up with performances all most hard to believe.

"The girls responded," said coach Norm Norgren. "They ran the best times ever in the history of Novi High School."

With a huge gallery at Northville's Cass Benton looking on Oct. 11, the Wildcats ran the first, second and fourth fastest times in school history on the course. Beating Brighton says a lot about where the program is, according to Norgren.

"It tells us the victory and times were very, very good," he said.

Novi is clearly in the driver's seat for a Kensington Valley Conference title. The Wildcats, now 5-0, were to finish the league campaign against Howell Tuesday (after The Novi News' deadline). The league meet will be Monday at Marshbank in West Bloomfield.

Katie Zimmerman ran an elite race as well by finishing in 20 minutes flat for fifth place. Angel Root was sixth at 20:29.

Novi took seventh, ninth and 13th as well. Michelle Harrison was the first to cross the line (20:37) and was followed by Angela Pelletier (20:56) and Meghan Kranyak (21:24).

Camp beat out a three-time all-star in Brighton's Hillary Green. Jenny Hampton finished just five seconds behind Green but took third place with her personal best time of 19:40.

Novi took seventh, ninth and 13th as well. Michelle Harrison was the first to cross the line (20:37) and was followed by Angela Pelletier (20:56) and Meghan Kranyak (21:24).

"It could've gone either way," said coach Dennis Chichonski who added that the loss was a "heart-

could've tied Hartland. But the shot fell short and Laura Snider put the rebound back in for two points as Novi came up short 48-47 at home.

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League Line

GIRLS UNDER 14 SELECT: The Saimee Little Devils defeated the Novi Jaguars 2-0 on Oct. 9. The game was played in Novi.

BOYS UNDER 10: The Jaguars defeated Livonia 2-1 on Oct. 9. Adam Southworth and Joseph Lynch scored for Novi. The effort was one of the squad best of the season.

BOYS UNDER 13: The boys U13 select squad defeated Wayne-Westland 5-3 on Oct. 9. Harvey Steele scored twice for Novi while Kevin Southworth, Jim Bishop and Matt Zumstein added goals. Greg Brazunas, Jason Cole and Justin Sterett contributed to the team's victory.

Wyatt Sandberg and Chris Hanson scored goal keeping duties. On Oct. 4, the Jaguars beat Huron Valley 5-4. Kevin Southworth had a hat trick to lead the way. Vinnie Moreno and Matt Zumstein added goals.

BOYS UNDER 14: The Novi Jaguars, which play in the Little Caesars Premier League, have been undefeated in their last eight games. Team members include: Rusty Herbst, Oliver Chapman, Scott Hec, Dan Lomas, Paul Ansara, Luke Leftwich, Matt Smith, Kevin Avenius, Tom Hayes, Tim Whelan, Chris Christoff, Derek Ornkian, Anthony Gargaro and Rob Strikulis. Overall, the squad is 18-4-3.

Sports/Recreation briefs

GOLFER: Wildcat golf junior Rich Vandermass competed in the Class A state final Friday. He shot a 77 on Michigan State University's East Course. The cut for Saturday's final round was 74.

"He's going to be one of the better golfers in the state of Michigan next year," said Novi High coach John Peace.

MARATHON: The 17th Detroit Free Press/Mazda International Marathon was held Sunday. Several Novi runners competed. Below is a list of the competitors.

Men: (age 20-24) Steve Dean 3:15:25 (361); (age 25-29) Karl Zubal 2:46:53 (50); Mark Stulgross 3:08:49 (124); Andy O'Neil 3:48:13 (945); (age 30-34) Bob Campbell 4:14:03 (1346); (age 35-39) Gary Fraser 3:40:17 (795); Larry Hudson 3:58:20 (1142); (age 40-44) Mark Squires 2:58:51 (138); Jim Duprey 3:54:57 (1077); Jim Glass 4:19:28 (1416); Steve Snow 4:49:26 (1644); (age 45-49) James Bahke 3:35:37 (109).

Women: (age 30-34) Lissanne Antole 4:05:04 (183); Lynne Harris 4:55:33 (351); (age 35-39) Debbie Meyers 4:55:10 (350); (age 50-54) 3:55:45 (148).

Walkers: Robert Lamb 5:46:53.

SEARCH FOR THE GREAT PUMPKIN: Drop in anytime between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Tree Farm property (Twelve-and-a-half Mile and Dixon roads) and search for the great pumpkin. Find your pumpkin and if it has a special mark, you will receive a surprise. Clowns, balloons, candy, refreshments and a decoration station. The cost is \$3/car entry (plus the cost of a pumpkin - optional). Bring the entire family for great Halloween fun.

FOCUS HEALTH WEEK: Nov. 1 through Nov. 7, join the activities at the Novi Civic Center and other community locations for a week of health-related activities, events and displays. Nov. 1, nutrition is on the agenda; Nov. 2, focuses on stress and leisure; Nov. 3, centers activities around exercise and activity; Nov. 4, celebrates heart health with the annual American Heart Association Lock-up; and Nov. 7 focuses on prevention and early detection.

SEASONAL JOBS: Fall and winter jobs are available now through Novi Parks and Recreation for the positions of five-on-five basketball supervisor, three-on-three basketball supervisor, youth basketball supervisor, youth floor hockey supervisor, basketball and floor hockey referees. For more information, applications and job descriptions are available at the department offices or call 347-0400.

LECTURE: A lecture on dizziness and balance disorders will be held on Oct. 20 at Providence Medical Center, 47601 Grand River. Current methods and treatment to help individuals who suffer with dizziness and balance disorders including Meniere's disease will be discussed. To register, please call 1-800-968-5595.

FITNESS FACTORY: Fitness Factory classes registration begins the week of Sept. 12 and will run for 10 weeks. Combination classes will run Monday through Friday at Village Oaks Clubhouse, 22859 Brookforest, between Meadowbrook and Haggerty roads, from 6:30-10:00 p.m. Also starting now for the Fall session will be a combination step class at Novi Civic Center from 10:15-11:15 a.m. Babysitting available for all classes at \$1.50 per child. Call (810) 349-7928 between 9 a.m.-9 p.m. for additional information.

COACHES NEEDED: Manager and coaches for travel baseball teams are being sought by the Novi Baseball Alliance. The NBA currently coordinates three teams of Novi youth playing in metropolitan Detroit travel baseball leagues, and is looking to expand for 1995. Several age brackets are offered by the NBA. For further information or to apply for a position, call 347-0400.

Kickers win KVC

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goal in the net at the 92:11 mark. Novi pulled back defensively in the final minutes and held on for the 1-0 victory.

"I knew this game would be a brawl," said Christoff. "It could've just as easily been a state final in terms of intensity."

The championship came a little sooner than the coach thought it might. Christoff, who is in his fourth year, said he had an idea of what it would take.

"I thought we needed five years to be competitive," he commented.

Development of youth soccer in the community has speeded things up.

"The program has come a long way," he said.

SCOREBOARD

KVC FOOTBALL STANDINGS

Hartland	4-16-1
South Lyon	4-16-1
Howell	4-16-1
Novi	4-15-2
Brighton	1-4-3-4
Midford	1-4-2-5
Lakeland	0-6-0-7

AREA LEADERS

Rushing Yardage	1047
Douglas (Fowlerville)	225
Watson (South Lyon)	529
McGuire (South Lyon)	496
Warner (South Lyon)	477
Kersey (Northville)	471
Kelly (Brighton)	427
Elio (Howell)	466
Niles (Brighton)	436
DeH (Howell)	370
Gommesal (Northville)	330
Miller (Midford)	280
Harrington (Novi)	275
Doane (Brighton)	337
Jackson (Lakeland)	231
Fingston (Lakeland)	225
Schick (Midford)	189

PASSING YARDAGE

Sorenson (Pinckney)	726
Balko (Hartland)	734
Connelly (Northville)	561
Caldwell (Midford)	488
Laura (Lakeland)	488
Dukes (Howell)	354
Erig (Brighton)	280
Smith (Lakeland)	220
Haspala (South Lyon)	152

RECEPTIONS

Zay (Northville)	23
Greenman (Pinckney)	21
Siedler (Midford)	18
Cabana (Pinckney)	13
Singhan (Pinckney)	13
Grobe (Pinckney)	9
Anderson (South Lyon)	9
Hall (Lakeland)	6
Furnacek (Lakeland)	6
Hackett (Fowlerville)	6

INTERCEPTIONS

Wintmyer (Hartland)	5
Hassenzahl (Fowlerville)	4
Sand (Howell)	4
Douglas (Fowlerville)	2
Hunt (Fowlerville)	2
Kuznetsov (Hartland)	2
Anderson (South Lyon)	2
Hartley (Lakeland)	2
Sargent (South Lyon)	2
Pingston (Lakeland)	2
Amodeo (Howell)	2
Salvage (Howell)	2
Forsyth (Howell)	2
Fog (Fowlerville)	2

TOTAL OFFENSE

South Lyon	34.9
Brighton	21.9
Hartland	23.1
Novi	20.5
Fowlerville	23.7
Howell	20
Northville	19.0

ASSISTS

Rowden (Hartland)	48
Strickowski (Fowlerville)	42
Davis (Brighton)	40
Niles (Northville)	40
Cosgrove (Pinckney)	40
Huot (Northville)	39

TOTAL DEFENSE

Howell	6.3
Fowlerville	8.0
South Lyon	10.7
Pinckney	12.4
Hartland	12.6
Brighton	17.3
Novi	14.6
Northville	10.7
Midford	12.0
Lakeland	33

KVC GIRLS BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Brighton	7-0-1-3
Howell	6-10-0-3
Niles (Brighton)	5-20-4
Midford	2-5-7
South Lyon	2-5-10
Lakeland	2-6-7
Novi	1-6-9-9

AREA LEADERS

Scoring	22.3
Cushing (Pinckney)	19.1
Leger (Northville)	15.2
Kearney (Novi)	13.6
Novi	12.1
N Davis (Brighton)	11.7
Sunday (Howell)	11.8
Edwards (Novi)	11.7
Schmidt (Midford)	11.3
Walker (Howell)	11.7
C. Henderson (Midford)	10.8
Metz (Northville)	10.3
Sutton (South Lyon)	10.0
Rowden (Hartland)	9.5
Agency (South Lyon)	9.5
Dogby (Lakeland)	9.3
Kastamo (South Lyon)	9.2
Nancy Dean (Hartland)	7.8
Colingham (Pinckney)	6.1
Harris (Hartland)	8.4
Colingham (Pinckney)	8.3
Blakeslee (Howell)	8.2

REBOUNDING

Metz (Northville)	12.1
Leger (Northville)	11.8
Walker (Brighton)	10.5
Blakeslee (Howell)	9.5
Cushing (Pinckney)	9.9
Ebert (Fowlerville)	11.2
Agency (South Lyon)	9.8
Schmidt (Midford)	9.0
Uball (Lakeland)	8.4
Chasson (Northville)	8.0
Anderson (South Lyon)	7.2
Zwinn (Lakeland)	7.1
Dogby (Lakeland)	6.9
Massa (Pinckney)	6.0
Rowden (Hartland)	4.8
Sutton (South Lyon)	5.5
Krust (Pinckney)	5.3
Edwards (Novi)	5.3
Reetzsh (Brighton)	4.9

FREE THROW PCT.

Walker (Brighton)	78
Kastamo (South Lyon)	75.7
C. Henderson (Midford)	74.0
Dwyer (Lakeland)	71.4
Schmidt (Midford)	66.0
Mulder (Lakeland)	62.5

FIELD GOAL PCT.

Baustian (Lakeland)	50.0
Uball (Lakeland)	47.7
Agency (South Lyon)	37.7
Sutton (South Lyon)	37.1
Porter (Midford)	35.0

KVC GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY STANDINGS

Lakeland	6-0-5-0
Brighton	4-1-1-1
Midford	4-1-1-1
Hartland	3-2-5-2
Howell	1-4-1-4
Novi	1-4-1-4
South Lyon	0-5-2-6

KVC BOYS CROSS COUNTRY STANDINGS

Lakeland	6-0-5-0
Brighton	4-1-1-1
Midford	4-1-1-1
Hartland	3-2-5-2
Howell	1-4-1-4
Novi	1-4-1-4
South Lyon	0-5-2-6

KVC BOYS SOCCER STANDINGS

Novi	11-0-14-2
Brighton	8-21-0-4
South Lyon	4-7-5-9
Howell	5-6-6-7
Lakeland	4-5-15-5-1
Midford	3-2-5-2
Hartland	0-9-0-10

KVC GIRLS TENNIS STANDINGS

Brighton	7-0-17-1-1
Hartland	6-1-19-2-1
Novi	5-4-8-6
Midford	2-4-22-5-2
Midford	2-6-25-7-2
Lakeland	0-7-0-9

KVC BOYS GOLF STANDINGS

Brighton	4-24-2
Hartland	4-17-2
Howell	4-17-2
Lakeland	4-24-3
Midford	5-15-26
South Lyon	1-5-3-7
Novi	1-4-3-4

Runners compete in Ann Arbor invite

By SCOTT DANIEL

Sports Editor

It pays to look beyond the final score sometimes.

Like in Novi High's 16-46 boys cross country loss to Brighton Oct. 11. On the surface it looks like the Wildcats ran a very poor race.

But nothing could be further from the truth. Novi had several excellent runs against Brighton despite the big loss.

"It was a perfect day to run. The kids took advantage of it and ran very well."

"He's got so much talent," said Smith. "He's a very intense athlete."

Robbie Namm had an excellent run as well. He had a personal best and was eighth overall in 17:26.

"He was solid the whole way," Smith said.

Mike Girard was another Wildcat that had a personal best. He was 14th in 18 minutes flat.

Chris Duprey placed 21st in 18:16. Ryan Henderson was 22nd in 18:21 and Cameron Chippert was 24th in 18:37. Rob Mutch finished in 18:46.

"We have nothing to be done about," said Smith. "This is a good team."

Novi traveled to Ann Arbor Saturday to run in the Richard Invitational and took 13th out of 15 schools.

Much of the Wildcats regular lineup was out of action. Saturday was the day for the PSAT test.

At any rate, Smith said it gave his younger guys a chance to compete at the varsity level.

Novi results included: Mutch 50th in 18:19; Jason Sabol 58th in 18:33; Girard 60th in 18:35; David Grooms 80th in 19:14; Joe Blackmore 84th in 19:26; Jim Lee 87th in 19:48 and Brian Fischer finished in 19:51.

Recall the 1988 death of basketball superstar "Pistol" Pete Maravich, who collapsed while playing a pickup game and died at 40. An autopsy revealed his heart had no left coronary artery - a rare finding. Consider the untimely deaths of Hank Gathers and, more recently, Reggie Lewis.

Reports of exercise-related cardiovascular complications have appeared in both the medical literature and the popular press, suggesting that strenuous physical activity may actually bring on a heart attack or sudden death in some people.

Consequently, some important questions regarding the value of exercise have emerged:

1. Is exercise risky? When a person dies of a heart attack while running, the public frequently assumes the exercise caused the death. However, given the millions of Americans now running, some number of them could be expected by chance to die during exercise - just as some die while eating, reading, watching television and sleeping.

The critical question: Does strenuous exercise temporarily increase the risk of cardiovascular complications as compared to less vigorous activity? The answer appears to be "yes."

Exercise-related cardiovascular complications are extremely rare in the general population. A landmark study in 1982 reported only one jogging death per year for every 7,620 joggers in Rhode Island, corresponding to an hourly death rate for joggers of one per 396,000 hours.

Nevertheless, this rate was almost eight times the hourly death rate of one in three million hours for non-vigorous activity. The higher rate suggests a causal relation between jogging and sudden death in susceptible people. For heart patients, the relative risk of exercise-related complications is estimated to be even greater.

2. Does the benefit outweigh the risk? These reports seem contradictory to those of use who have been led to believe that regular exercise reduces the risk of heart disease and its complications. The problem, however, is to determine if the benefit of regular exercise outweighs the risk.

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Recreation

Search on for Great Pumpkin

By CINDY STEWART

Special Writer

It looks like autumn is finally here with cool mornings, bright blue skies and the beautiful color-drenched trees. Autumn also means pumpkins, apple cider and donuts, and of course Halloween. It's one of our children's favorite holidays complete with costumes, masks, trick-or-treats and candy.

Novi Parks and Recreation has come up with something new this year to celebrate Halloween - Search for the Great Pumpkin.

Bring your entire family to Novi's Tree Farm Park at Twelve and A Half Mile and Dixon roads, off Novi Road for an exciting adventure on Saturday, Oct. 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is only \$3 per car and this includes a \$5 coupon towards the purchase of a Christmas Tree at the Tree Farm. (Christmas is less than nine weeks away.)

As you enter the Tree Farm, volunteers will be on hand with flyers detailing the day's activities and will also direct you to the parking area.

A variety of remedies exist. All over-the-counter medications are combinations of one or more of the following categories of ingredients:

Decongestants are particularly useful because they cut down on runny nose and congestion. They also relieve sinus and ear pressure. You should be careful about taking them if you have high blood pressure or a bad heart.

You should not take a decongestant for more than a week at a time without the advice of a physician. Some common decongestants are pseudoephedrine (Sudafed), phenylpropylamine (Dristan) and ephedrine (Nifedine). Oxymetazoline (Afrin, Neosynephrine) is a decongestant in a spray form.

Analgesics and antipyretics are a fancy way of saying pain reliever and fever reducer. They relieve some of the aches and pains of being sick. The usual medicine in cold formulas is acetaminophen (Tylenol). Acetylsalicylic acid (Aspirin) and ibuprofen (Motrin) also work, but they have potential harmful effects on the stomach, kidneys and liver. Because of the risk of Reye's Syndrome, children should always use acetaminophen (Tylenol) instead of the others.

Antihistamines reduce the quantity of secretions and improve nasal itching and sneezing. Over-the-counter preparations commonly cause drowsiness. While useful at bedtime, drowsiness can be dangerous while driving. Antihistamines thicken secretions, which makes them difficult to pass. Some antihistamines are diphenhydramine (Benadryl), chlorpheniramine (Chlor-Trimeton) and triprolidine (Actidyl).

Cough suppressants do just that. They reduce the urge to cough. Dextromethorphan (Beyrin DM) is the most effective in this category.

Expectorants are designed to loosen secretions so they can be padded more easily. Common ones are guaifenesin and iodine solutions (Gyogardin, SSI).

Some cold remedies contain significant amounts of alcohol. Read the label.

Finally, a word about choosing medication. Before you shop, decide what symptoms you need to treat. Then, choose a remedy containing a combination that matches your needs.

Also consider cost. Content does not necessarily dictate cost. Some brands, such as Robitussin, charge one price for any of several differing combinations. Other brands determine pricing by the number of active ingredients in their product. Generics are usually less expensive.

Before you buy, read the label to check the ingredients. Also look for other, similar products that may be more economical. Good luck in your search for relief!

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Have you ever wandered pharmacy aisles searching for a cold remedy, only to find your options confusing or overwhelming? If you have, you are not alone.

In this article, the typical symptoms of the common cold and some of the available remedies are discussed. If you have questions regarding whether a particular medicine is right for you, you should speak with your doctor.

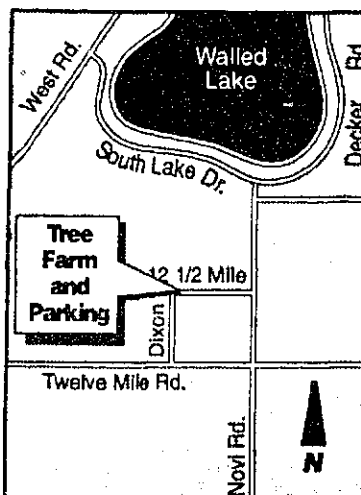
I refer to medicines by their chemical (generic) name. Brand names are mentioned for clarity. Mention of a brand name does not constitute an endorsement of that particular brand.

First, a word about upper respiratory infections also known as the common cold. Upper respiratory infections are caused by viruses. Viruses are tiny particles that can spread from person to person. In the case of a cold, it is usually passed by respiratory secretions or by casual contact. Fortunately, a cold will not kill you; unfortunately, only time will cure the misery of it.

Cold symptoms can include runny nose, watery eyes, cough, sore throat, fever, aches, malaise and sinus pressure. The sinuses become blocked off and develop a bacterial infection on top of the viral one. You need to see a doctor if this happens.

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Tankers fall to Chelsea

Chelsea handed the Novi High swim team a 112-74 loss Oct. 11 — just the Wildcats second setback of the season.

Swimming at Chelsea, the Wildcats were able to win just two events. Novi, now 7-2, will look to get back on the winning track tonight on the road at West Bloomfield.

Here's a look at last week's results:

Michelle Pantaleo, Lisa Newkirk, A.J. Utz and Jeannie Smith were second in the 200-yard medley relay in 2:09.57. Christina Tardella, Erin Stevens, Kari Kokko and Sujay Nath were fourth in 2:22.72.

Meghan Mutch was second in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:12.56 while Roxanne Warner was fifth in 2:19.66. Tammy Veit's 2:45.45 was third in the 200 IM and Heidi Zimmerman was fifth in 2:51.05.

In the 50-yard freestyle, Michelle Sveller was second and Stevens fifth. Sarah Hofer placed second in diving with 182.65 and Audra Wolowicz fourth with 134.5 points.

Mutch won the 100-yard butterfly in 1:08.58 and Utz was fourth in 1:13.77. Sveller took second place in the 100 freestyle, Smith was third and Emily McGuckin was



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Roxanne Warner competes frequently in the 500-yard freestyle for Novi.

In the 500-yard freestyle, Warner finished third in 6:11.52. Shelley Williams was fifth in 6:22.70.

1:50.93. Tardella, Veit, Hillary Nims and Jenny Solomon were fourth in 2:05.38.

Pantaleo placed second in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 59.24. Utz was fourth in 1:17.22 and Stevens was fifth in 1:18.51.

Warner, Mutch, Newkirk and Stevens were second in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of

Newkirk was second in the breast-stroke.

Novi won the 400-yard freestyle relay to close the meet. Sveller, Mutch, Warner and Smith swam a 4:12.19. Williams, Veit, Nims and Jenny Brownco were third.

Novi takes 21-14 road win over Dogs

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the Bulldogs off the scoreboard. The Wildcats brought in some of their players with more size and put eight men on the line to stop Brighton's rushing game.

The Bulldogs tried a field goal at the nine-yard line and missed.

Novi did manage to hang on to the ball after taking over on its 20. But after a first down, the Wildcats punted away.

Then after forcing Brighton to punt, Witherspoon made his 88-yard return. He broke a pair of tackles then scooted up the sideline for the TD.

Brighton got its final score on its next drive. Tim Rambo caught an 18-yard pass.

A pair of big plays in the fourth quarter preserved the win.

Nic and Chad Dicken stopped a

fourth down fake punt by Brighton. Then with time winding down, Wroe made his interception.

HOWELL PREVIEW:

Novi will have to deal with another team with good size tomorrow night. But that's not all.

Osborne said Howell will work out of the wishbone and try to power the ball down the field. Both offensive and defensive lines, he added, are excellent. Joe Adam anchors both lines.

"They've had a great season," said Osborne. "They've beat both Ann Arbor Pioneer and Westland John Glenn."

The coach is confident his team can beat the Highlanders, though.

"We're as good as them going into this game," he said.

Netters finish third

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semi-finals as well. She won in straight sets in her opening match and then fell 6-1, 6-2 to No. 1 seed Kianan Fu 6-1, 6-2.

At No. 3 singles, Cassie Lewis was a 6-1, 6-1 winner over Jenny Baecker of Lakeland in her opening match. She then was dropped from the tournament by top seed Nicole Wink of Brighton, 6-2, 6-4.

Jill Kellogg made it all the way to finals. She beat Hartland's Holly Coldgrove 6-3, 6-4, who was top seed at that flight.

Kellogg beat Crystal Bowlen of Howell 6-4, 7-5 in the second round. She lost 6-1, 7-6 to Katie Shea of Brighton in the finals.

Jackie Gabriel and Jennifer

Diedzie made it to finals as well. They beat Howell's Michelle Rzendzian and Jessica Anderson 6-2, 6-4 in the first round then knocked off Hartland's Sara Schillinger and Heather Phinnery in three sets. Brighton's Jenelle Eichinger and Carrie Wagner beat Gabriel and Diedzie in the finals in straight sets.

Sarah Rittner and Kristin Martell lost in the opening round to Michelle Kurkowski and Jenny Haney 6-3, 6-4. At third doubles, Akiko Shiratori and Jenny Cowley made it to finals before falling to top seeds Melissa Broski and Beth Maligorski 6-4, 7-5.

Alice Lin and Beth Crowley won their opening match.

Cagers fall to Eagles; beat Waterford Mott

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breaker."

The Wildcats fell to 1-6 in the KVC and 5-9 overall.

Novi had a lead in Thursday's game, but

couldn't hold it. A strong defensive effort led to a 26-21 lead at halftime.

Hartland used a three-quarter court trap in the period to force numerous turnovers.

The game remained close all the way.

Free throw shooting was a big factor in the game. Novi made just 6 of 15 whole Hartland was 9 of 13.

Kearney led Novi with 19 points. Christine Edwards added 15.

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN ANNUAL REPORT 1993/94

This annual report reflecting financial data is published in order to inform the citizens of the Northville Public School District of the financial position of the district for the fiscal year 1993/94.

A detailed, audited financial report was submitted to the Northville Public Schools Board of Education at a regular meeting held on September 12, 1994, by the audit firm of Plante & Moran, CPAs. Copies of this report are available for inspection at the Board of Education offices, Office of the Superintendent, 501 West Main St., Northville.

SIGNED: LEONARD R. REZMIERSKI, PH.D.
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

(10-20-94, NR NN)

SCHOOL INFORMATION K-12 PROGRAM 1993/94

Value of Equipment	\$8,402,755	Number of Classroom Teachers FTE	177.4
Number of Buildings in Operation	10	Total Classroom Teacher Salary	\$8,993,286
Number of Classrooms	183	Ratio of Pupils to Employees Holding	
Full Time Pupils	4,158	Valid Teaching Certificates	18.1
Teacher Salaries:		State Equalized Valuation	\$85,091,280
Minimum BA	\$28,242	Mills Levied:	
Maximum BA	\$48,983	Operating	29.50
Minimum MA	\$31,106	Debt	4.30
Maximum MA	\$58,203	TOTAL	33.80

COMPARATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30TH

	GENERAL		SPECIAL REVENUE		DEBT SERVICE		CAPITAL PROJECTS		EXPENDABLE TRUSTS	
	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994
REVENUE										
LOCAL SOURCES	\$23,000,745	\$25,312,387	\$1,554,790	\$1,543,404	\$3,449,657	\$3,716,664	\$140,984	\$26,901	\$2,004	\$1,842
STATE SOURCES		151,061	872,323	870,288						
FEDERAL SOURCES	375,977	360,908	124,770	127,378						
INTERDISTRICT SOURCES	111,010		5,788,105	5,712,168						
BOND AND NOTE PROCEEDS										
OPERATING TRANSFERS	710,042	627,878	198,147	396,723						
PROCEEDS OF LONG-TERM DEBT						6,015,000				
TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER SOURCES	\$24,197,774	\$26,452,234	\$8,538,135	\$8,649,961	\$3,449,657	\$9,731,664	\$140,984	\$26,901	\$2,004	\$1,842
EXPENDITURES										
CURRENT:										
INSTRUCTION	\$12,385,352	\$13,789,397	\$3,825,566	\$3,719,651						
SUPPORT SERVICES	9,154,129	10,422,287	1,915,775	1,935,748						
COMMUNITY SERVICES									575	1,325
FOOD SERVICES			793,332	861,474						
DEBT SERVICE:										
BOND AND NOTE REDEMPTION	312,478	304,383			1,780,000	7,940,000				
BOND AND NOTE INTEREST	63,442	32,634			2,041,425	2,036,383				
OTHER EXPENDITURES					60,105	245,921				
CAPITAL OUTLAY	34,663	156,838					5,597,843	1,014,903		
INDIRECT COST										
OTHER TRANSACTIONS	707,775	513,197	1,290,709	1,475,543						
OTHER USES:										
BOND ESCROW AGENT										
OUTGOING TRANSFERS	942,868									
OPERATING TRANSFERS	198,147	396,723	710,042	627,878						
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	\$23,798,854	\$25,615,459	\$8,535,424	\$8,620,294	\$3,881,530	\$10,222,304	\$5,597,843	\$1,014,903	\$575	\$1,325
REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$398,920	\$836,775	\$2,711	\$29,667	(\$431,873)	(\$490,640)	(\$5,456,859)	(\$988,002)	\$1,429	\$517

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1994

	GENERAL		SPECIAL REVENUE		DEBT SERVICE		CAPITAL PROJECTS		TRUST AND AGENCY		GENERAL FIXED ASSETS		LONG-TERM DEBT	
	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994	1993	1994
ASSETS														
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT INVESTMENTS	\$1,462,163	\$5,400,800	\$33,379	\$26,395	\$836,778	\$396,713	\$2,162,106	\$668,678	\$153,227	\$162,842				
INVESTMENTS									175,218	187,322				
RECEIVABLES														
ACCOUNTS	22,517	21,619				25,606								
TAXES	627,423	441,332			142,474	92,815								
LAND CONTRACT						1,100,000								
DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS	3,085,048	3,020,762			6,139		42,957							
DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS	204,892		3,187,114	3,043,780										
INVENTORIES	20,369	20,369	55,036	43,750										
PREPAID EXPENDITURES AND OTHER ASSETS	62,328	107,073												
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT											50,895,312	52,618,849		
AMOUNT AVAILABLE IN DEBT SERVICE FUNDS													985,391	494,751
AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED FOR RETIREMENT OF GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT													29,783,695	28,186,489
TOTAL ASSETS	\$5,493,740	\$9,011,765	\$3,275,529	\$3,116,925	\$985,391	\$1,615,194	\$2,206,063	\$668,678	\$330,445	\$350,164	\$50,895,312	\$52,618,849	\$30,769,086	\$28,681,240
LIABILITIES														
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	223,735	\$171,472	\$160,218	\$153,401			\$599,217	\$36,958	\$15,357	\$15,086				
ACCRUED PAYROLL	1,223,911	1,734,941												
ACCRUED LIABILITIES	462,838	387,123												
DUE TO OTHER FUNDS			3,090,510	2,920,267		20,443		12,876	43,634	67,186				
DUE TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS														
DUE TO STUDENT GROUPS		456,011												
BONDS PAYABLE													29,495,000	27,770,000
NOTES PAYABLE	2,700,000	4,850,000											304,383	
OTHER LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS													769,703	911,240
HEALTH INSURANCE LIABILITY	149,272	299,272		10,889		1,100,000								
DEFERRED REVENUE	56,426	62,883	22,090											
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$4,790,402	\$7,471,702	\$3,272,818	\$3,084,547	\$0	\$1,120,443	\$599,217	\$49,834	\$151,375	\$173,847	\$0	\$0	\$30,769,086	\$28,681,240
FUND EQUITY (DEFICIT)														
GENERAL FIXED ASSETS											50,895,312	52,618,849		
FUND BALANCES:														
RESERVED									157,936	154,566				
UNRESERVED														
DESIGNATED FOR DEBT SERVICE				985,391	494,751									
DESIGNATED FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE		160,000												
DESIGNATED FOR FUTURE PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS		130,000												
DESIGNATED FOR FUTURE HEALTH CARE COSTS		150,000												
UNDESIGNATED	703,278	1,100,063	2,711	32,378	0	0	1,606,846	618,844	21,134	21,651				
TOTAL FUND EQUITY (DEFICIT)	703,278	1,540,063	2,711	32,378	985,391	494,751	1,606,846	618,844	179,070	176,217	50,895,312	52,618,849	0	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$5,493,740	\$9,011,765	\$3,275,529	\$3,116,925	\$985,391	\$1,615,194	\$2,206,063	\$668,678	\$330,445	\$350,164	\$50,895,312	\$52,618,849	\$30,769,086	\$28,681,240