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Barb Kientz, center-right, and friend Debbie Heil take a look at some of the goodies up for grabs at the Novi Chamber auction.

Going once, going twice ...

Chamber auction nets unusual items for party guests

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Watch out Novi, City Councilman Hugh Crawford is now a "Weekend Warrior."

Crawford walked away with an autographed bow and arrow from rock music's Ted Nugent after bidding \$375 on it at the Novi Chamber of Commerce Auction and Dinner Dance Saturday night.

"I don't necessarily subscribe to his music but his philosophy is rather interesting," said Crawford of Nugent's promotion of outdoor recreation and individual rights along with family values.

"I just thought it would be neat to have that," he explained, adding that as an avid hunter he might take up bow hunting in the future.

"I told the Mayor the next time (Nugent) comes to town I want to be there to present the key to the city," he said. Nugent donated the bow and arrow during a brief visit



REMAX agent Jamey Kramer, left, and a friend, pose with the winning number in the street sign auction.

to the city last month. Crawford wasn't the only big spender at the chamber auction.

The night of festivities was attended by 430 people who spent the evening mingling, bidding,

raffing, dining and dancing.

"We think everything went very well," said Chairman of the Board Diane Risko. "It's probably the best we've ever had."

Perhaps one of the biggest surprises of the night was the bidding war for the opportunity for one guest to have their name on a city street sign in front of the Novi Civic Center.

Jamey Kramer, associate broker for REMAX Real Estate in Novi, bid for the sign spending \$4,500.

"I'm doing something good for the community and also getting my name out there at the same time," Kramer said, explaining his decision to purchase the sign.

"My heart was pounding for a while," Kramer said of the intensity of the bidding, for what has traditionally been a hotly contested item in the auction. "Actually I went under my budget by \$500."

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Lawmakers propose impact fees

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

A developer puts up a subdivision of 200 luxury residences in Novi.

The owners of those homes each have two to three cars, which they drive on local streets, creating more traffic on roads not ready to take the load.

Who should pay? The city, through taxes on all residents and businesses, old and new? Or the developer, who presumably has pocketed

a hefty chunk of change?

Once again, legislation that would enable local governments to impose impact fees on developers for road construction has been introduced in Lansing, this time by freshman State Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi.

"In 1986, on the Novi City Council, I asked an innocent question. When we are growing so rapidly, why can't we look at imposing a reasonable fee to get roads built that are going to be needed?" Cassis said.

"(City Attorney) Dave Fried told me we needed enabling legislation. Now I'm in a position of trying to bring this back."

A year ago, then State Rep. Willis Bullard, R-Milford introduced an earlier version of the bill, but it never made it out of committee. In tandem with Cassis, Bullard, now a state senator, has introduced the new legislation to the senate.

House Bill 4187 is currently under review

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Playscape progressing, still needs help

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Find a penny, pick it up, all the day you'll have good luck - and raise money for the Tim Pope Memorial Playstructure.

While another \$70,000 in cash is needed for the June 11-15 project, just 12 weeks away, organizers such as Warren Jocz say they're not sweating it.

Besides, Novi kids will soon be robbing their own and everybody else's piggy bank to truck pennies in for the project.

At a critical meeting last week with Jeff Clinton, a consultant with the playscape designers Robert Leathers and Associates, the local committee learned that they're on the right track.

"Leathers and Associates believe that we should have no problem obtaining all the necessary funding and volunteers based upon our current work plan," Jocz said.

"Leathers and Associates indicated that between 80-90 percent of the playstructure projects that they work with raise one-half of their finances within the last month prior to the build date.

"Fundraising will be the easy part. Getting people to build it will be the key thing."

■ Paralyzed Veterans of America will give \$4,000 to the Playscape for wheelchair access, the largest donor to date. The story is on page 13A.

So far, \$24,000 has been raised for the kiddie nirvana that will go up at the Eight Mile Road entrance to the new Novi Sports Park.

The philosophy is that this will be a community-wide project, with as many as possible doing their part. Kinko's of Novi, for example, has donated up over \$3,000 worth of printing. It's anticipated that equipment and supplies will be contributed by other local firms.

"We really want to feature the spirit of community involvement in this. It really does have the taste of an old-fashioned barn raising. It's a celebration as much as a construction project," Jocz said.

"It's fun. It's positive. It's something for the next 20 years."

Sometimes, the money will

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Local churches prepare for Easter

Churches in the area have planned special services and events to celebrate Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter.

The following is a list of area churches and the days and times of their services:

On Good Friday, March 28, from noon until 1 p.m. there will be a Ecumenical Community Service at Holy Family Roman Catholic Church led by the Novi Clergy Association.

OAK POINTE CHURCH, which meets in the Northville High School Auditorium at 775 North Center Street, will have a 10 a.m. Easter celebration including music by the church's contemporary band, and the children's program "Adventure Land."

For more information, call the church at (810) 626-0372.

CHURCH OF TODAY WEST, which meets at Village Oaks Elementary School, 23333 Willowbrook in Novi, will have its first public celebration service on Easter Sunday at 9 and 11 a.m. Grammy award winner Karen

Taylor-Good will be the soloist.

For more information, call the church at (810) 473-0700.

Three different Easter Worship Services will be offered at DETROIT FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE, 21260 Haggerty Road in Northville, on Sunday, March 30. An early service beginning at 7 a.m. in the Atrium, there will be a time of devotion and praise culminating in the Lord's Supper. (At First Church, communion is open to all Christians.) At 8:30 a.m. there will be a contemporary celebration featuring an expanded worship team, music of praise and dramatic readings. The Festival of Easter worship and celebration at 11 a.m. will include a presentation of special music by the 65-voice Easter choir led by Don and Debbie St. John.

Free child care will be provided at the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services. For more information, call the church office at (810) 348-7600.

Church of the Holy Family, 24505 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, will have a Mass of the Last

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A special section ...

HEALTH
FITNESSBlair Bowman
named Novi
businessman
of the yearBy JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

There's no business like show business, for Blair Bowman.

Bowman, president and owner of the Novi Expo Center Corporation, has seen the schedule grow from 14 bookings in 1992, the first season, to a full house with as many as 120 events per year, 80 of them big-time. That includes the largest snowmobile exhibition in the world and the second largest golf consumer show in North America.

About 1.5 million people are expected to turn out in 1997 for programs ranging from a parade of pedigreed pooches to the sale of Civil War-era firearms.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Small Business Person of the Year Blair Bowman at a Novi Expo Center show.

Community Calendar

To have 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.

Saturday, March 29

Novi Easter Egg Hunt

Children are invited to join the search for eggs at the Novi Civic Center/Powers Park at 1 p.m. Sponsored by the Novi Jaycees and the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. Register in advance by calling 347-0400. Fee is \$4.

Sunday, March 30

Country Breakfast

The Sons of American Legion Post 224 are holding a country breakfast from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 2552 Loom Lake Rd., Wixom. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. The public is welcome. For more information, call 624-9742.

Tuesday, April 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.

Civil Air Patrol

The Skaggs Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Novi Middle School, 25299 Taft Rd., from 7-9:30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information, call 349-2669.

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 360-4115 for more information.

Board of Appeals

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

Band rehearsal

The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School.

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, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m.

Amateur Radio Club

The Novi Amateur Radio Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. For more information, call 348-0009.

Wednesday, April 2

Athletic Boosters

The Novi High School Athletic Boosters Club will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in room 107 of the high school.

Planning Commission

The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

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, call 642-7725.

Thursday, April 3

Novi schools

The Novi schools Board of Education will meet in regular session in the Educational Services Building.

Optimist Club

The Novi Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Novi Civic Center.

Monday, April 7

M.O.M.S.

M.O.M.S., a support group for mothers, meets from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church at Eight Mile and Taft roads. The group will meet upstairs. The program is the video series "Love and Logic" on Jim Faye. The first half of the series will be presented today and the second half on April 21. Child care is available for a small fee. For more information, call 348-4302 or 348-7632.

City Council

The Novi City Council is scheduled to meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Health tests

Community EMS will sponsor blood pressure testing in the Novi Civic Center from 7:30-9 p.m. in conjunction with the Novi City Council meeting.

Village Oaks PTO (VOICE)

The Village Oaks PTO will meet 7:30 p.m. in the Village Oaks School Library on Willowbrook Road.

Toy Show returns to Expo Center

Greenberg's Great Train, Dollhouse and Toy Show will be at the Novi Expo Center on Saturday, April 12, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, April 13, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Rita Schultz-Hall of N&R Trains will teach the easy "Forest in a Flash" technique. Paul Bossack will demonstrate additional scenery techniques at his detailed tabletop N Scale layout. Admission is \$6 for adults (includes parking); \$2 for children.

TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Meadows Clubhouse on Napier Road. For more information, call (810) 344-2167 after 6 p.m.

Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters

The Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters Club meets from 7-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile. For more information call Tom Lahiff at 348-6019 (evenings). Visitors are welcome.

Tuesday, April 8

Civil Air Patrol

The Skaggs Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Novi Middle School, 25299 Taft Rd., from 7-9:30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information, call 349-2669.

Beautification Commission

The Novi Beautification Commission meets at 7:15 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Audience participation is welcome. For additional information, contact Ernie Aruffo at 348-9136.

Band rehearsal

The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School.

Camera Club

The Novi Camera Club meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. For more information, call Hugh Crawford at 349-5079.

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, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m.

CHADD

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders of South Western Oakland County, serving the Novi school district, will hold a support group meeting at the Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21555 Meadowbrook Rd., between Eight and Nine Mile roads. Registration begins at 6:45 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m. Donations and refreshments are welcome.

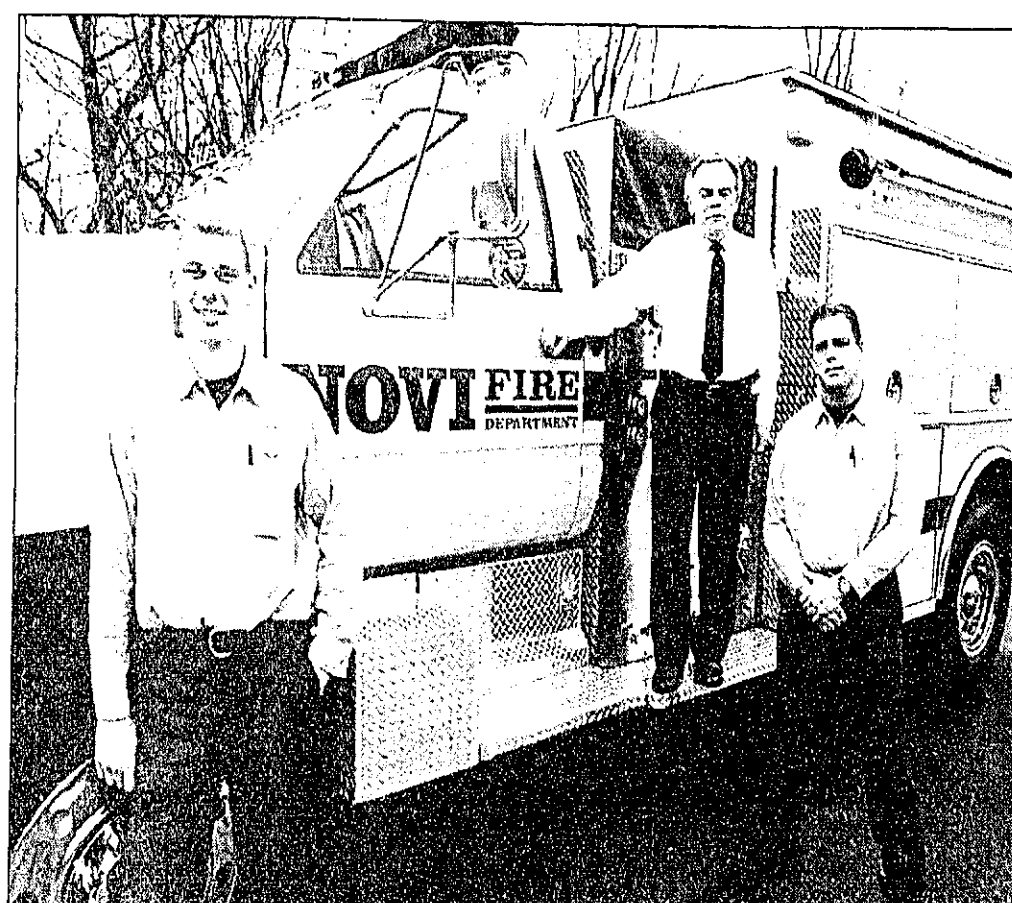


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Pride and joy

Novi Fire Chief Art Lenaghan stands by his new pride and joy — flanked by firefighters Brian Malloy, left, and Bob Carroll. The new tanker was built by the KME corporation, has a 1,500-gallon tank, cost roughly \$139,000, and replaced a fire engine built in 1976.

Trustee Streit announces bid for reelection

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

So much to get done and not enough time.

Novi School Board Vice President John Streit announced last week his intention to run for reelection in June, simply because he would like to be on board when many exciting changes take place.

"It's been an eight action packed years," said Streit, at the March 19 school board meeting, but many projects are yet to be completed, such as the black schedule pilot at

"It's been an eight action packed years."

John Streit
Vice President

Novi High School and the construction of the new Middle School.

Both Streit and Trustee John Balagna are up for election on June 9.

President Raymond Byers said he was glad Streit decided to go for another four years. "I've had a good, strong, learning eight years with you," he said.

Balagna announced he would run again at a March 6 meeting. He was appointed to the seat last spring and reelected to for one

year in June of 1996.

Streit first ran for election in 1989 and won reelection in 1993.

Citizens of the school district who wish to run for election to one of the four-year seats must pick up and fill out a petition and return it to the Educational Services Building by 4 p.m. on April 7.

The last day to register to vote is May 12. Voters can register at any Secretary of State's office and the city clerk's office.

REAL ESTATE WEEKLY

By John DiMora

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Nominations due for DSA tomorrow

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

Novi has one more day to submit nominations for the Distinguished Service Award, to be handed out by the Novi Jaycees.

The DSA is presented annually by the Jaycees to honor individuals whose dedication to serving humanity during the past year serves as an inspiration to others.

This year is the 25th Anniversary of the award.

The DSA will be awarded at the annual Community Recognition Breakfast held at the Doubletree Hotel Saturday April 12 at 8 a.m.

"It should go pretty much as things have gone in the past," said Matt Serwinski. "No major surprises."

The Jaycees will also present the Outstanding Youth, Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer, Outstanding City Employee and Outstanding Firefighter awards at the breakfast. Novi seventh and eighth grade students will also be given an award for essays.

The Novi News will present a Lifetime Achievement Award that morning. The first lifetime achievement award was presented for the first time last year posthumously to City Councilman Tim Pope by the Jaycees.

Nominations will be accepted for persons living or working in the City of Novi. The DSA is for individuals, not groups. The deadline for nominations is March 28. Nominating forms are available at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department in the Novi Civic Center and Novi Public Library. They may also be obtained by calling the Novi Jaycees at 348-6684.

Previous DSA winners include Novi PTA member Pam Superfisky, former Novi City Clerk Gerry Stipp and current City Councilman Robert Mitzel. The first DSA award was handed out in 1972 to J. Fred Bueck.

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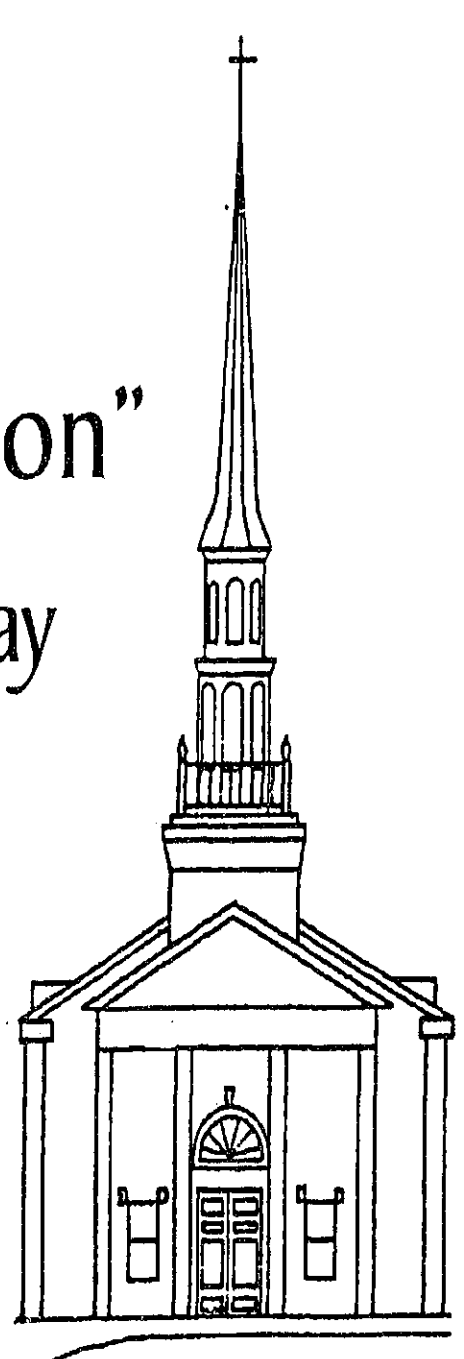
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Singing of the sea

Educator and entertainer Maureen Shiffman brings her unique Oceans of Books presentation to Parkview Elementary School students. The group of kindergartners sang and danced along to one of her musical numbers last Friday. At left, she takes a look at books, involving Laura Lodwick and Hillary Diacono in a musical number about the ocean's creatures.

Commerce set to building 14-screen theater

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL

North end Novi used to be thought of as the sleepy part of town.

But major residential development is blanketing what used to be vacant fields, and the neighboring communities to the north are keeping pace.

"We're just seeing one heck of a lot of residential development," said Bill Brownfield, Commerce Township planning director. "In six years we've picked up 4,000 people and that's a lot for this township."

Along with all the homes and population growth comes a need

for support services and retail shopping. The corner of Haggerty and Fourteen Mile roads, not even two miles from Novi's retail center, is becoming Commerce Township's answer to the population needs.

"The commercial development going on has been welcomed (by the community) ... the less distance you have to travel the happier you are to have access to something like that," Brownfield said.

Located just across the border from the City of Novi, a 14-screen United Artists movie theater, a Boston Market and an Applebee's restaurant will join a Home Depot, a Target, and a Pet Smart Store.

Another development on the same corner includes smaller retail shops such as bagel shops, a grocery store, a linen shop and other food services.

Across the street, on the north-east corner, a Sears Hardware and Frank's Nursery and Crafts store anchor another strip mall.

On the Novi side is a small strip of property at the corner zoned for business.

The \$7 million complex will span 58,000 square feet and have a total capacity of 2,834. Construction is expected to begin this spring and be completed in the fall.

Brownfield understands that while residents will have more selection, their vehicles will be facing additional traffic.

"Novi resident Andrew Mutch has been keeping up with the development to watch its progress and potential affect on Novi."

"My concern is they seem to keep approving development after development without concern for the potential impact now and in the future. Not just the roads, but the area as a whole," said Mutch.

"Just because it's not taking place in Novi doesn't mean it won't impact Novi," he added.

Mutch said his main concern is

traffic. Both Haggerty and Fourteen Mile Road are just two lanes.

"Where's the money going to come from to pay for the improvements?" asked Mutch.

Brownfield said much of that decision is out of his hands. The county controls road systems in townships and the state keeps much of road funding in its own pockets for the small amount of

roads under its control. He explained the township is working with the Oakland County Road Commission. The two are looking for ways to deal with the traffic impact as well as the M-5 connector which will dump traffic onto Fourteen Mile Road. In addition, he said the township approved a half mile roadway through the property parallel to M-5.

PUBLIC NOTICE PIANO SALE AT WASHTENAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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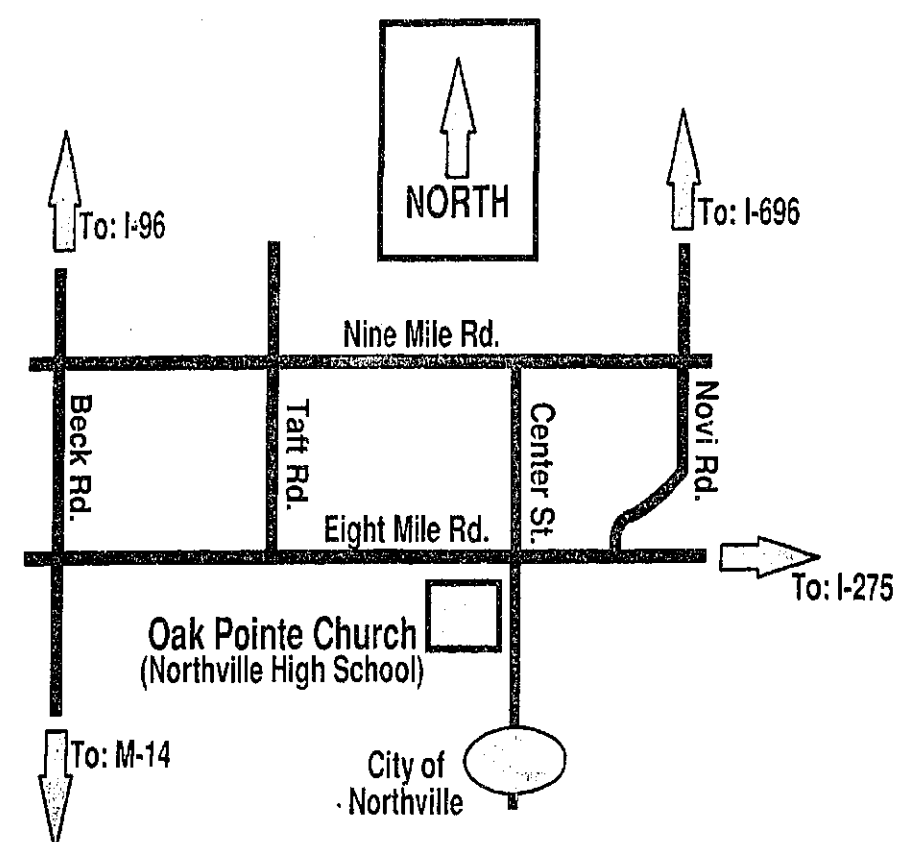
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Drumline snares state title

The Novi High School Winter Drumline is learning that repetition is a good thing. Excellence in percussion is developed over a long string of repetitions. Repetition works well for competitions, too.

Last weekend, on Sunday, March 23, in Saginaw, the Novi Winter Drumline repeated history, achieving First Place honors in the MGC State Championships. The Wildcat percussionists earned their crown in their Scholastic World Class division. The latest title continues a three-year streak where Novi has won the top honors yearly in its competitive division. Novi's score of 79.2 posted a season high in its competition scores. Dominance in the Scholastic World Class is generally more challenging due to higher caliber performance expectations.

The Michigan Color Guard Circuit (MCGC) competition at Saginaw Valley State University brings together four classes of winter drumline units. Novi represents the most elite division in Scholastic World Class due to its previous championships in other divisions. The metro Detroit area was represented by units from neighboring districts such as Huron Valley, Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield and Waterford Hills. In all, 12 high school drumlines competed in front of a crowd of 1,300 fans.

The state finals in Saginaw marked the final scholastic competition for four seniors: Section Leader Chip Lind (snare), Ken



Left to right, members of the Novi Drumline include Mike Kujawa, Eve Schell, Ellen Paulk, Sara Hofer, Ken Peavey, Brennan Wheeler and Meagan Martin.

Peavey (p), Ellen Paulk (p) and Sara Hofer (p). The departing seniors were saluted by Novi Drumline instructor Joe Kuerzi. "These seniors have seen the drumline through its formation and continued to lead us to the success of the past four seasons. They know what it takes to develop a strong program and have shown all of us the leadership that makes Novi the best drumline in the state."

As part of the state competition, Senior Chip Lind was featured

with a state exhibition solo performance. During the awards ceremony Sunday, Saginaw's Michelle Blum was given special recognition for displaying the most dedication and all-around effort in the Novi drumline unit.

Buffy Lind, Novi Band Boosters President reflected, "It's been an incredible four years for the drumline. Previously, drummers were part of the rhythm of the band. Now, with this dedicated drumline circuit, the percussionists become a special featured section with

well-deserved recognition for their skills and competitive contributions."

The Novi drumline will give their final performance of the season in a special student assembly at the high school April 10th.

The Novi High School Band Boosters is a volunteer organization of parents, supporters and friends dedicated to development of the instrumental music programs at Novi High School.

Listed as his major accomplishment

Pope award handed out to first recipient

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Pat Burth, manager of the Village of Dundee and late Novi council member Tim Pope have at least one thing in common.

Pope was, and Burth is, the kind of guy people call at home, with complaints or comments about their local government.

Burth is the first recipient of the Michigan Jaycees Tim Pope Memorial Award For Outstanding Young Government Leader.

While the award is not new, last year the Novi Jaycees convinced the state Jaycees to rename it after Pope, who was an active member of the Jaycees until his death in 1995.

"I was impressed with the young man who was honored. I certainly think this young man that was honored was worthy of it."

Becky Staab

ment is that he developed an economic program that enabled the village to lower its tax rate by five mills, creating an average savings of \$300 per year to each homeowner.

He was elected in 1995 to the position of president of the Michigan Development and Financing Association and was instrumental in lobbying for state economic development legislation written expressly for the Dundee schools.

"Pat's accomplishments as Dundee village manager serve as an example to other members of our chapter, illustrating the importance of leadership skills," said Bob Ackerman, president of the Dundee Jaycees.

Listed as his major accomplishment

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District gets moving with school plans

By WENDY PIERMAN MITZEL
Staff Writer

The Novi Board of Education awarded the first set of bids in the construction of the new Middle School last week.

The board reviewed and approved six bid awards for the school to be built at Wixom and Eleven Mile roads. Trustee Ann Newton was absent.

According to assistant superintendent of business Jim Koster, although some bids came in above budget, the cumulative total for all bids fell 1.1 percent below the estimated budget of \$24 million.

The six approved bids form more than 50 percent of the total project. Koster stated in a letter to Superintendent Emmet Lippe.

"For each of the recommended bid awards, the contractors have been interviewed to ensure scope of work, adherence to plans and specifications and scheduling. In each case the contractor has submitted the lowest bid that meets all of the specifications," Koster stated.

"These are high-need items first on the site who must schedule manpower and to order materials," he told the board.

The \$12 million total expenditure will be funded from the 1995 Capital Projects Fund.

The bids represent construction only. Furnishings and loose equipment will be sent out for bid at a later date.

Koster said the equipment can get to work as soon as the frost allows - April 10 to April 20. The

building will still be under construction during the winter months and will not be fully enclosed.

Yet, according to A.J. Etkins representatives, temporary enclosures and heaters will enable construction crews to work on the building year-round.

Trustee John Balagna removed himself from one of the bids. He explained he sells concrete piping to various construction companies and his voting on the Earlwork and Site Utilities bid could become a conflict of interest.

Five other Novi companies submitted bids for various categories but were not the lowest bidders.

Koster said the district looks at not only the lowest bid but "what is in the best interest of the school district and meets all the specifications and plans." All the bids were acceptable, he said.

Andrea Atherton, with A.J. Etkin said all bid requirements have been met and references checked.

The district received bids for the middle school on March 4 and opened them publicly on March 5. According to Koster 173 bids were submitted for the 54 bid categories.

Construction manager A.J. Etkin and architect Hall and Associates helped review the bids with Koster.

The rest of the bids will be awarded at school board meetings April 10 and April 17.

The new \$25 million middle school will be built on a 55-acre parcel of property at the northeast corner of Wixom and Eleven Mile Roads. Another 45-acres of the parcel is owned by the city, who will be responsible for bringing water lines to the site.

The 1,100 student school is expected to open in the fall of 1998.

Voters in Novi Community School District approved a \$33.4 million bond issue in September of 1995, most of which will go toward the cost of the new school.

CONSTRUCTION BIDS AWARDED

March 19, 1997 bid awards for the new Novi Middle School

Earthwork and	DeAngelis Landscaping	\$1,652,590
Site Utilities	Woodhaven	
Foundations	Simone Contracting Corp.	\$447,251
	Sterling Heights	
Masonry	J&J Construction Co.	\$3,381,336
	Wixom	
Metals	Robertson Builders, Inc.	\$1,955,839
	West Bloomfield	
Heating and	Dual Temp Mechanical	\$2,754,170
Air Conditioning	Livonia	
Electrical	Aspen Co.	\$2,320,700
	Novi	
		Total: \$12,511,886

140 bowlers help Youth Assistance

Novi Youth Assistance's 15th annual Bowl-a-Thon was a great success. One hundred forty bowlers munched on pizza provided by Domino's and bowled their afternoon away. Teams from the Novi Lions, Novi Lionsess, City of Novi, Novi Police Department, Orchard Hills Elementary, Novi Middle School, Novi Meadows, Orphan Annie's, O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi Newcomers,

and J.C.K. participated in this year's bowl-a-thon. All the bowlers received door prizes provided by area businesses. "This event would not be possible without the help and cooperation of the local merchants," said John O'Brien, chairman of this year's bowl-a-thon.

The high female bowler was Tina Parrish with a 253 high female series was Barb Knight with a 629. High male game went to Jeffrey

Krok with a 252 while Chris Weber took the male high series with a 566. The male youth high series went to Ryan Anderson with a 418 while Debbie Anderson rolled a 479 for the female youth high series.

NYA raised \$9,000 in this year's event. Don Paul Reisinger who was the top fund raiser brought in over \$2,000 in pledges. The monies raised will help fund this year's

Summer Teen Center, the camp program and the recreation and scholarship program that Novi Youth Assistance runs. Novi Youth Assistance is a non profit community based organization dedicated to enhancing healthy family lifestyles. Anyone interested in volunteering their time and talents, call (810) 347-0410.

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HEALTH NOTE

by Dennis E. Engerer, P.T.
HELP FOR FROZEN SHOULDER

The condition commonly known as frozen shoulder (adhesive capsulitis) is characterized by a shoulder that is so stiff and painful that it is impossible to move normally. The problem usually starts with a slight injury or a minor incidence of bursitis or tendinitis which prevents use of the joint. Eventually, a vicious cycle of stiffness, pain, and atrophy may follow that leads to weakening of the tissues and loss of function of the shoulder. If left untreated, the condition may slowly progress to the point where the stiffened, immobile shoulder may show partial improvement, followed by no more feeling of pain; however, shoulder mobility may remain permanently impaired. For this reason, it is important to seek treatment when you think that frozen shoulder may be developing. The physical therapist can improve mobility with various, including those to preserve or increase the range of motion of the shoulder.

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Buyers net interesting auction items

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Kramer went up against previous sign bidders John and Tom Heslop of Heslop's and a mystery bidder. Staying in the bidding until the end, the anonymous female bidder said she was bidding on the sign for someone else, but she declined to give either her name or that of the person she was representing.

Last year the sign went to the Heslop brothers for \$4,500.

The sign for a year package also included lunch with Mayor Kathleen McAllen and a Novi sweatshirt and watch.

Possibly the most adorable auction item for the night was the 6-week-old puppy, which went home with Walled Lake resident Debbie Woodruff that night for \$450.

"My husband told me no more than \$500," she said. Tom Woodruff is a member of the chamber board.

The puppy came with a 50 pounds of dog food, veterinary ser-

"This year things ran very smoothly. It all fell into place. We had a lot of volunteers. It was a lot of hard work ... We were there at 9 that morning."

Dawn Mallett
Chamber Administrative Assistant

vires from Dr. Morris Christlieb at Mearnsbrook Veterinary, a year's grooming at Top Dog from Maureen Hill and a cage donated by Ann Quinn-Walling.

Bob McCann, general manager of Time Warner Cable, won the battle for a chance to spend a day with Novi's own state representative Nancy Cassis in Lansing. The package included a night's stay at the Sheraton in Lansing for McCann, a tour, lunch and a framed state seal. McCann paid \$425.

"In our business we do a lot of legislative work in Lansing and this is a good opportunity to do that and make a donation," said McCann. "And I have a 10-year-old niece who is very interested in state government so I'd like to take her along."

McCann also bid for a three-page website from Jeff Slatislow of Online Marketing. McCann said he will donate it to the Michigan 50s Festival.

Guest host for the night, Alex Delvecchio, former Detroit Red

Wings Hockey player donated an autographed jersey which went to Brian Fannon.

But not to be outbid, Paul Rose of Bluewater Audio Visual offered to pay \$2,000 if Delvecchio could come up with another jersey, which he promptly did.

"This year things ran very smoothly," said Dawn Mallett, administrative assistant. "It all fell into place. We had a lot of volunteers. It was a lot of hard work ... We were there at 9 that morning."

A portion of the proceeds from the live and silent auctions as well as the raffles will benefit the Michigan Alternative Living Inc., a non-profit agency that is a leader in the mental health field. ACL offers programming in the vocational field, employment, supported housing, crisis residential, homeless shelter, residential care and transportation in Oakland, Bay, Macomb and Genesee counties.

Library Briefs

Holiday Closings

The Novi Library will be closed on Friday, March 28, and Sunday, March 30, in observance of Good Friday and Easter. The Library will be open on Saturday, March 29. Normal hours resume Monday, March 31.

Spring Break Activities

When school is out, the library is in! Join the Library for some special spring break activities and programs.

Tuesday, April 1 - 1 p.m. Craft Activity - Ages 5 & 6; 2 p.m. Craft Activity - Ages 7 and up. No registration necessary, but space may be limited. \$1 materials fee, 40 minutes.

Wednesday, April 2 - 1 p.m. "Bunny, Bunny, Who's Got the Bunny?" The Pippin Puppets make a return visit to the Novi Library and this time their show is all about ... you guessed it ... Bunnies! No registration necessary, but space may be limited.

Thursday, April 3 - 1-2:20 p.m. Visit with Leader Dog Pups-in-Training. Several of these pups will be in the library from 1-2:20 p.m. to meet children. No formal program is planned, but kids can visit with each dog and learn interesting facts about Leader Dogs for the Blind from their trainers. Handouts will be available.

AARP Tax Workshops:

An AARP Tax Aide workshop is scheduled for April 7, 1997. Representatives will be at the Library from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. to assist with tax form preparation. Pre-registration is required; call (810) 349-0720 to sign up.

WORK ON PLAYSCAPE PROGRESSING

Vet takes up playscape cause

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

When Sam Pope spoke to the Novi Chamber of Commerce about the death of his husband, former Novi City Council Member Tim Pope, following an auto accident injury, she found a sympathetic listener in Michael Harris.

In 1986, while traveling in South Lyon, Harris was a back seat passenger in a car crash. "I was instantly paralyzed when the car flipped over. I was spinal-cord injured. I'm lucky, I'm still around," he said.

"She got my attention right away. It just brought back memories. I'm trying to do what I can to assist her with the project."

Today, Harris is the Deputy Executive Director of Advocacy/Government Relations in the Novi-based Paralyzed Veterans of America, Michigan Chapter.

With a check of \$4,000 for wheelchair access

ramping, the organization is the largest donor to date to the Tim Pope Memorial Playscape.

While the group is often asked to help out various causes, it has only so much money, Harris explained. For the Novi office, local endeavors are a priority.

"We were committed to it right away," Harris explained.

"I think it's a worthwhile project."

In addition, Harris says he plans to contact a MSU professor who teaches a grant writing class, with the goal of recruiting students to help with fundraising for the play structure.

Last November, when local kids got together to give their input into the project's design, several children in wheelchairs offered their perspective.

"A lot of effort was made so that a good portion of the play area would be accessible," said Warren Jocz, a member of the Tim Pope Memorial Playscape Committee.

Paralyzed Veterans of America.

Jocz said opportunities are there for disabled volunteers to assist in building the play structure in June.

From its Novi office, Paralyzed Veterans of America serves two constituencies, veterans with spinal cord injuries that occurred while serving their country and those who are injured outside of service.

Harris was in the Marine Corps at Camp Pendleton, California for three years and one year in Okinawa, where he prepared and managed the annual operating budget for his battalion. He was honorably discharged from the Marines in 1979.

Today, Harris, a Westland resident, is close to graduation from Madonna College with a degree in accounting. Along with his work with the Paralyzed Veterans, he's a commissioner with Westland's bus system.

Plans progress, still need donations

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start pouring in at a donation box on the site during the actual building. But the committee is looking to start raising in the dollars at earlier dates through a series of four fundraisers.

A popular way to generate dollars recommended by Leathers is the Penny Drive. Novi's will be held on Friday, May 2 and Saturday, May 3, in conjunction with a fundraiser book sale at the Novi Civic Center.

How it works is that on May 3 Novi youngsters haul in all the pennies they can find and challenge the local business communi-

ty to match their efforts. While the business donors aren't restricted to coinage, the kids should have fun. They'll be stringing along their pennies to see how many miles they've accumulated.

"We were surprised to hear how successful a Penny Drive can be," Jocz said.

In addition, a book sale will be held of publisher's overstock titles at 40 to 70 percent off the original retail prices. The playscape will get 10 percent of the proceeds. Books will be on sale by Reading Is Fun, a company owned by Novi resident John Welch.

Another fundraising source is the 550 memorial pickets, that will

form a fence around the structure. Individuals may purchase a picket for \$100, while organizations and businesses must ante up \$500. So far, about 35 have been sold.

While money may seem like the most crucial key to success, Jocz said the committee's been advised that finding enough volunteers to actually build the wooden playscape should be their biggest concern. So far, 700 people have volunteered, but Jocz suspects as many as 200 may have to be crossed off the list of workers because they are children under the age of ten.

At any given day during the building, some 100 to 150 people

will be needed at the site. Some of them will have to be skilled labor, able to handle power tools.

"Typically, one of 12 playscape committees worry about finding and only one of 30 playscapes are unable to raise enough funds. However, the biggest failure is not having enough people to build," Jocz said.

"We have only one shot to build this, and we must have hundreds of people at the site at any given time."

Among potential pools of volunteers eyed by the committee are senior citizens during the week-days of the building and high school shop students.

Upcoming playscape events, activities

Here are a few dates for your social calendar.

Three fundraisers are scheduled for the Tim Pope Memorial Playscape: which will be built at the Novi Sports Park at Eight Mile and Napier roads. These fun doings will help raise the \$130,000 needed to do the job right.

A four-day silent auction, is planned for someone in May, but details are still underway.

But plenty more than money is necessary for the June 11-15 undertaking. Based on the principle that many hands make work light, volunteer labor will also be recruited.

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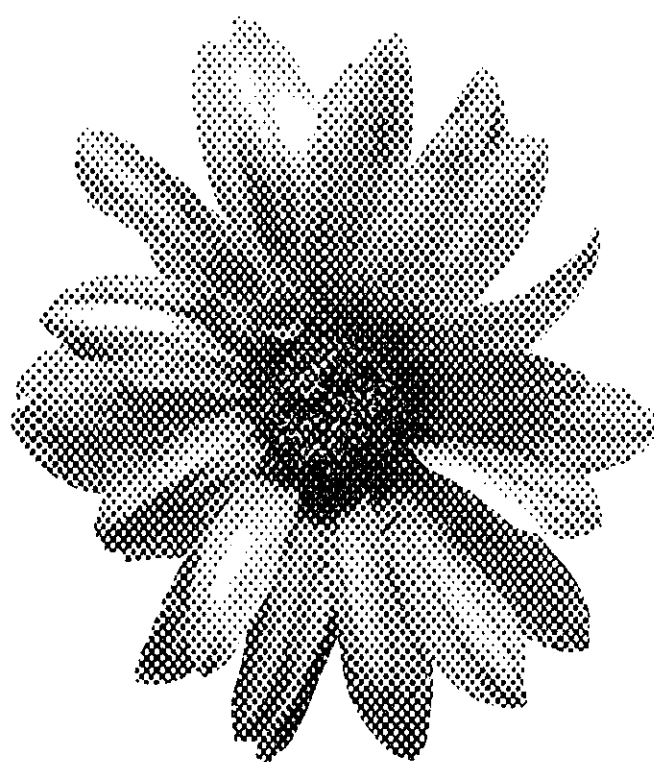
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Playscape Progress

The dollars are rolling in for the Tim Pope Memorial Playscape, but many more are needed.

Here's an opportunity to fill in the blanks by sending money to purchase a picket for the fence or to buy something neat for the playground, like a slide or chin-up bar. An undiscovered donation is also more than welcome. Send checks written to the Tim Pope Memorial Playscape to the Novi Parks and Recreation Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375. For more information, call Colleen Klamm at 349-2511.

Playground equipment

Some of the cash necessary for the playground equipment has already been collected, but opportunities to purchase items remain.

Balance on Chains - \$200; One bench - \$125; Cargo net - \$825; Castle maze - \$3,500; Chin-Up bar - \$125; Climbing Wall - \$200; Dolphin slide - \$425; Dragon slide - \$625; Glider ride - \$1,200; Horse - \$600; Low ladder - \$200; Rings - \$375; Rubber bridge - \$1,200; Seating area - \$3,000; Spider climb - \$700; Eight swings - \$200; Telephone system - \$450; Tire swing - \$900; Four-trees - \$400; Tube slide - \$2,000; Twixy slide - \$3,600; Zig-zag boulder - \$300.

ALREADY DONATED: Money has been given for these important playscape components:

Allen Tongue Slide (\$500) - Novi Meadows PTO.
Wheelchair Access Ramping (\$4,000) - Paralyzed Veterans of America.
Tight rope walk (\$550) - Pioneer Mortgage.
Suspension Bridge (\$600) - Robert Shaw.
Sandbox Mat II (\$800) - Novi Newcomers.
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Musie Wall (\$400) - Novi Chorale.
Monkey Bars (\$250) - Novi Police Lieutenants and Sergeants Association.

Fire Pole (\$425) - Donna Dempsey.
Benches (at \$125 each) - two from the Novi Optimist Club, also from Yorkshire Place and Kathy Kastin.

Recent donations

Recent business and organization donations have come from Faith Community Church and Novi High School Thespian Troupe. Individual donations have filtered into the fund from Charles and Becky Staab, Michele LaFleur, Patricia Kavech, Laura Lorenzo, Rachel Less, Sarah Less, Michael Weber, Ed and Joan Papciak, Barbara Engler, Mary Pohol, Geraldine Slipp, Fred and Mary Birkby, Maureen and Tim Rose, James and Ruth Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lindow, Tom and Luanne Kozma and Cynthia Russett.

PICKET FENCE: The playscape also will have a picket fence. Each picket will carry the name designated by the donor. For an individual, one picket is \$100. For an organization, the price tag is \$500.

Writing the checks for pickets so far are these donors: John and Debbie Carholt; Charles Melick; the Jerry Harris family; Molly Welterhoff; James and Marcia Bolivar; Jayne Szukalski; Orchard Hills Elementary School PTO; Annette Rozek; Parkview PTO; Frank and Jackie Matsano; State Senator Bill Bullard Jr.; Robert K. Brateman, MD., P.C.; Ken and Jan Meyers; Richard and Sue Gilbert; Frank and Darcy Hlavaty; Brass Craft Manufacturing Company; J.R. Attyeh (2); John W. Walker; and John and Linda Favorite. Also, Richard and Laura Larese; Joseph and Karen Dunnabeck; Danford and Randi Austin (2); Ann Kotopodis; David Taylor; Tadaki Fujimori; Gregory and Nancy Cragel; JCK & Associates; John and Debbie Goodman; Maureen Pilgan; Boisfort Center for Health Improvement; Brian and Jan Fannon; Janie Crain; and the Novi Chamber of Commerce.

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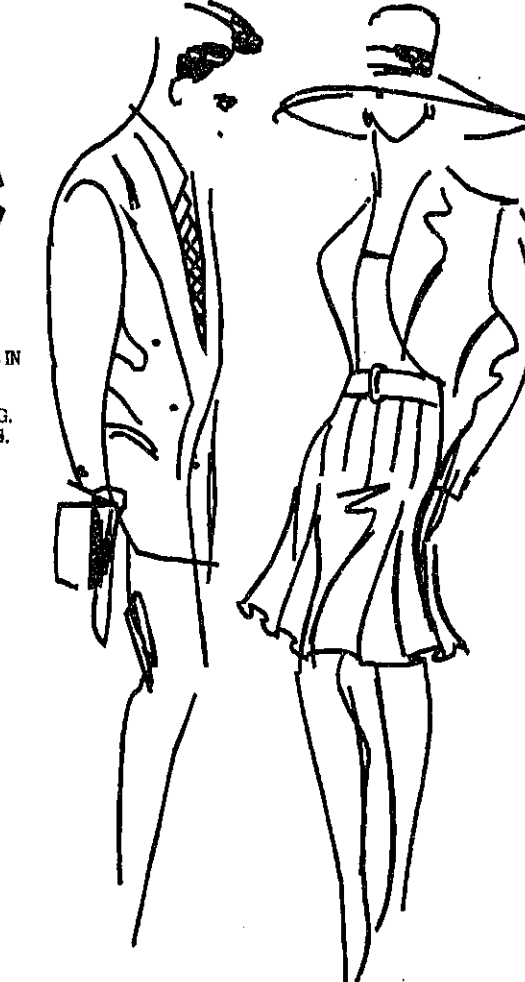
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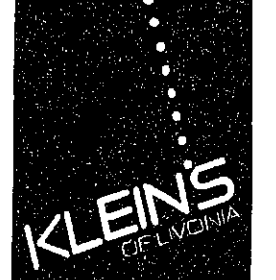
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As We See It

Time for impact fees on new development

You've got to give Nancy Cassis credit for not giving up. Back in the 1980s, when she was on the Novi City Council, she was pushing for impact fees on new development.

Now, as a state representative, she's introduced House Bill 4187. If passed in Lansing, the new law would give communities the option of charging developers reasonable fees for road improvements adjacent to their projects. The document is a rewrite of the same legislation proposed several times by Bill Bullard, first as a state representative, today as a state senator.

While this is generally a wildly popular concept with residents, especially those who have been in their homes a few years, it's far from popular with the development community.

In Novi, homeowners have been very willing to pass road construction bond issues, thereby increasing their tax rates. How that works is that both new- and old-timers in the community bear the brunt equally.

Opponents of impact fees contend that this is a fair way to do things, that those who use the roads should pay for the roads.

On the other hand, consider this scenario. Say 40 families lived for the past 20 years in a subdivision surrounded by farms and off of a two-lane road. Developers buy up the land and build 300-home subdivisions on either side of the old neighborhood. It's far from fair that these 40 households are then taxed equally with the new residents for the road widening triggered by the population boom.

In fact, impact fees will never be paid by the development companies. They will be passed through to the owners of new homes.

Yet, we can't see a city asking so much from the developer that the added cost on new homes is more than the market can bear.

Commerce Theaters show need to resolve funding

We think it would be a little rude to tell Commerce Township not to grow.

After all, it's just the domino effect from Novi's growth.

And the new Target, Pet Smart Store, Home Depot and now United Artist Movie Theater all at the corner of Haggerty and Fourteen Mile roads can provide services to Novi residents.

But cities, townships and villages aren't isolated entities. What they do has impacts on neighboring communities at their borders.

For instance, the growth of South Lyon has increased traffic down Ten Mile Road through Novi and the population burst in the lakes area has increased traffic on Novi Road.

So why then will it be any different as Commerce Township residential homes go up and commercial development goes in to service the new citizens? It won't.

This makes a good point for demanding the State of Michigan and Oakland County dismiss the shenanigans and find a way to solve the traffic issues in southeastern Michigan.

The funding formula for road systems puts very few dollars back in the



Government

Cassis and Bullard are clearly on the right track.

If impact fees became legal in Michigan, local governments and county road commission could tack a road-work charge on projects of over \$2 million, following a traffic plan with projections for that moment and five years in the future. This one-time hit might be used for all types of construction, including repaving, widening, building turn lanes or adding traffic signals. Ninety percent of the money collected would be dedicated for improvements near the development, the other ten percent could be used citywide.

While ultimately each new home buyer will pay a small percentage of the road construction impact fee, it's their choice to move in. State law already penalizes home purchasers through Proposal A. Under Proposal A, two households living side by side pay radically different property taxes, based on when each family moved into the residence. Yet that hasn't stopped people from purchasing homes.

Even if the impact fees are assessed on some road work, longtime residents will still finance the costs of growth both for major road improvements citywide, for the building of new schools to make room for the incoming kids and for the expansion of city services such as police and fire.

A city's growth can be both a blessing and a burden. For a community's existing citizens, impact fees would temper some of the injustice.

hands of the County Road Commission. According to Commerce Township Planning Director Bill Brownfield, the State Road Commission oversees only nine percent of the roadways but keeps 80 percent of the federal monies provided for roads and improvements.

In addition, the issue of raising the state gas tax is largely being ignored by the governor.

While Brownfield should be credited for finding alternate ways to deal with the traffic issues, such as developing a ring road around a large commercial development, because it is the county's responsibility to oversee the roads, there's not much he can do.

It's true, the state has funded the Haggerty Connector, M-5, which according to Novi traffic planner Rod Arroyo has alleviated some traffic congestion on Novi Road. But road conditions are becoming a big issue for local residents.

If the region is going to continue to grow without accounting for coordinating road systems from city to city, township to township, it could only get worse.

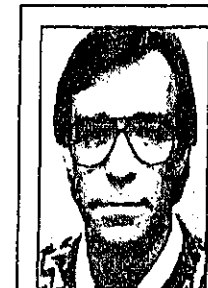
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Finding the mystery bidder



Michael Malott

bidding relatively early.

The main contest was between Kramer and a mystery bidder. The lady, seated at table seven, took the bidding well into the \$4,000 range, but eventually bowed out, and then went to make a phone call.

She said later she was bidding for someone else, but wouldn't say who. She also wouldn't give me her name, or explain why she was bidding on it, or say who she was bidding for.

As you well know, I love a mystery. So I sent all my spies into action. Reporter Wendy Piernan Mitzel was there, but came back empty handed. The esteemed Executive Editor Phil Jerome was on the case, but also turned up nothing.

I then asked Chamber Administrative Assistant Dawn Mallett what she might know. She suggested I watch for the lady's bidder number, which would identify her, and I stood a few yards behind her for almost an hour. But she was careful never to turn it over.

I asked just about everyone else in the room if they knew her, but I had no luck. I even asked Police Chief Doug Shaefler if he would have one of his officers pull her over and ask for her drivers license. He wouldn't go for that. (And good for him.)

By the end of the night, the best information I had came from Raffle Committee Chair Rhonda Gage, who could at least tell me that our mystery woman worked at ERA Rymal Syms.

It took three more days before Novi News Ad Manager Gary Keller finally produced a photograph of the lady for me to identify as our mystery bidder (just like they do at police headquarters) — yes, the bidder was Jean Freund.

But we still don't know who she was bidding for. Stay on the case, spies.

KAREVICH RECRUITED? Former mayor Pat Karevich's name has cropped up recently in some interesting places, giving this writer the indication that there would be drive to recruit the former mayor to run for that post again this fall.

Karevich said recently she has been contacted by some people who have indicated they would support her in a run for mayor, but no, she said, she is not interested and won't be running.

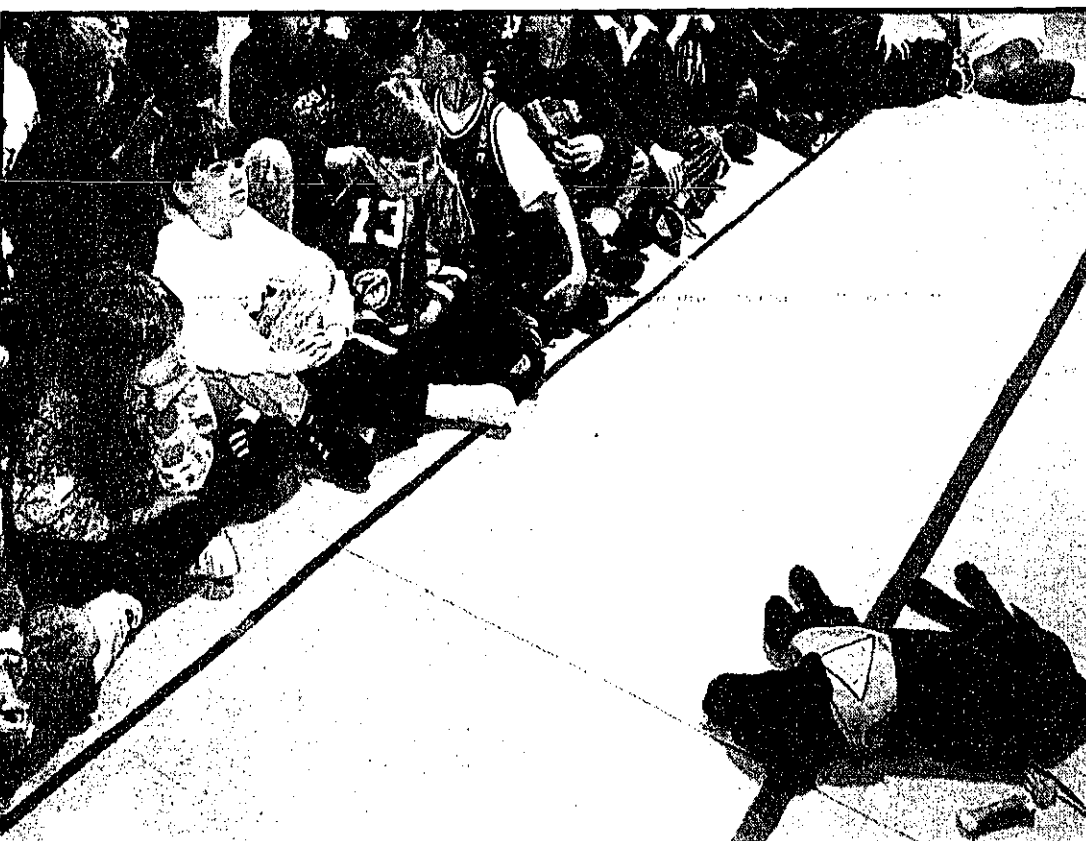
"I'm glad to see that they remember that I did everything right, because it's been long enough that they don't remember all the things I did wrong," Karevich joked.

Actually, she said, she suspects the requests came to her because it would personally bug sitting council member Bob Schmidt. Karevich defeated Schmidt in their last contest over the mayor's post.

Michael Malott is the Managing Editor of The Novi News.

In Focus

By John Heider



Asleep on the job

As puppies often do, this black lab trained as a leader dog for the blind, sleeps through the presentation to Village Oaks Elementary.

We do desire to help schools



Robert Jackson

the phone calls commence.

"Once again you show your anti-education bias with your slanted editorials and stories," the claims charge. "It's a wonder that this district is able to do anything positive because of your negative coverage."

I usually sit at my desk, phone cradled by my ear, patiently waiting for the tirade to come to some type of conclusion.

Then I politely attempt to answer any questions, restate my opinions, thank the caller for his or her time, and proceed to the next call.

So now, close to two years after I agreed to take this job and paint a red bullseye on my back, I'm going to try to set some things straight.

First, however, I should let school officials in on a little secret. If you get real close I'll even whisper it to you — the newspaper isn't the cause of your problems.

That's right. We, the staff of The Novi News and The Northville Record don't have the time, energy or inclination to wreak havoc on district employees or school children.

Nor are we, single-handedly, capable of burning

bridges with community volunteers, attempting to remove board members or the school superintendent, cause the failure of bond elections or change the votes of the membership of the local teachers union.

Nope. You folks don't need us to do that. You've done a fine job all on your own. All we do report all of the happenings to the public — what they do with the information is up to them. That's how the system works.

It is the newspaper, however, that receives the anti-education moniker. Like it or not we are the community's messenger, and we all know what happens to the messenger who is the bearer of bad news.

It is a role I readily accept. I'm not complaining about it, but I would like to share a concept that seems to be foreign to some people.

"Think about it. If we truly disliked teachers, if we were indeed anti-education, if we really didn't care, we wouldn't bother writing one word about our schools, teachers, administrators or board members. In short, we would ignore their very existence.

But we don't do that. We attend meetings, go into the schools, write about the teachers and students, and yes, voice our criticisms when they don't quite hit the mark.

For a profession that supposedly encourages critical thinking, I find it interesting that there is a rush to condemn those who are critical of public education.

If "anti-education" means that I can't voice my desires to help improve the education of students then so be it. I'll gladly accept the label rather than ignore the schools and the young minds that learn there.

Robert Jackson is a staff writer for The Northville Record and The Novi News.

Frustration of splintered courts



Tim Richard

zoning change takes a majority vote.

The Michigan Supreme Court has seven justices. But it's common for three, two or even one to sign the lead opinion. It decides a case but isn't a precedent for other cases.

A major frustration for a newsman covering it is how to explain "splintered" court rulings to the public. Lawyers complain, too, because they can't advise their clients on how to comply with the law.

Last weekend I took the problem to top, Chief Justice Conrad Mallett Jr., during Ch. 7's "Spotlight" program. Mallett replied:

"You report what you just said, that the court was divided. . . We were unable to come together on that particular issue with four. That's something we try to do, but all of my colleagues recognize — passionately — their constitutional responsibility to carry forward their opinion."

Now, teamwork is being taught as a subject, like trig or grammar. Schoolkids, factory workers, managers, even newspaper staffs are systematically taught teamwork.

Has the Supreme Court thought about hiring a management consultant to teach the justices teamwork?

Mallett bristled a bit: "We do work as a team. I am the chief executive officer of a \$200 million corporation (the judiciary budget) with a very involved board of directors, and we work very, very well as a team. We do have to have intellectual independence which we couldn't sacrifice to a management consultant or anyone else."

Much as I personally respect the chief justice, who is probably the clearest writer in the appellate judiciary, I demur. Near the end of a two-year term, the justices splinter rather badly. I cite the closing months of 1994 (the printed volume for 1996 being unavailable), with 13 splintered decisions, including:

Fletcher v. Fletcher, child custody — three justices sign the lead opinion; a fourth concurs in part; a fifth justice writes a separate opinion with which the fourth concurs; two others sign a third opinion in which they concur in part and dissent in part. Three opinions.

People v. Hicks and People v. Below, two murder cases heard together — two justices sign the lead opinion; a third concurs in the result; two concur in part and dissent in part; two dissent in the Bellow case. Four opinions.

People v. Bennis, the famous auto seizure where a lady cop posed as a looker — three sign the lead opinion; one concurs in the result; three dissent.

People v. Kewonik, assisted suicide — three sign the lead opinion; two concur in part and dissent in part; two write a separate

rate opinion, concurring in part and dissenting in part. Three separate opinions.

People v. Lino and People v. Brasher, two gross indecency cases — a "memo" opinion leads the parade; five justices write three separate opinions concurring in part and dissenting in part. Four separate opinions.

Chaney v. MDOT, an injury on a state bridge — one justice signs the lead opinion; a second concurs; a third concurs in a separate opinion; two concur in part and dissent in part; two dissent. Five opinions.

Murphy v. Michigan Bell, worker's comp — two sign the lead opinion; two concur in part and dissent in part; three dissent.

And so on, though sex offenses, drugs in prison, and the rest.

Gov. John Engler has proposed a new building in Lansing for the two appellate courts and state court administrator. The cost: \$70 million, enough to build two suburban high schools. What will we get?

Mallett replied, "You're going to get a concentrated place where all the judicial resources of the state are going to be located. You're going to have a concentration of collegial persons there making making rulings in a way that will cause the process to move much faster. . . Currently, we are spread all over."

Knowledgeable lawyers say that may be the key to a less splintered appellate judiciary — getting them under one roof.

Any improvement will be welcome. Mr. Chief Justice.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events.

Thanks to the Novi community

To the Editor:

A big thank you to the Novi community and all those that supported our 15th annual Bowl-a-Thon. The following have sponsored helped make the event a success: City of Novi, Novi Community Schools, Botsford General Hospital, Cooper, Shifman, Gabe, Quinn & Seymour, Domino's Pizza, Herbert J. Elfring Jr. D.D.S., Merritt Handling Engineering Inc., National Bank of Detroit, Novi Chamber of Commerce, Novi Education Association, O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home, Old Kent Bank East, Orphan Annie's, Ltd., Progressive Tools & Industries, Providence Hospital and Medical Center, and Tom Holzer Ford Inc.

Thanks to the following that donated prizes to our cause: Aussies, Baskin Robbins, Bob Evans, Bodies in Motion, Border Cantina, Botsford General Hospital, Breckenridge Veterinary Clinic, Brangate Veterinary Clinic, Burger King, Carriage Cleaners, City of Novi, Cooker Bar and Grille, Cooper, Shifman, Gabe, Quinn & Seymour, Cottage Inn Pizza, Dan's Auto Repair, Diamond Jim Brady's, Herbert J. Elfring Jr. D.D.S., Dr. Lawrence Spillane, Dunkin' Donuts, Elias Brothers, First Federal of Michigan, Flowers and More Inc., Food and Wine Bazaar, Golden Oaks, Grady's American Grill, Harmony House Records and Tapes, Harold's Frame Shop Inc., Homelown Newspapers, Jax Car Wash, Kinko's, Library Sports Pub & Grill, Linda's Hair & More, Links of Novi, Maitano's Italian Restaurant, Maria's Bakery, McDonald's, Mr. B's, Novi Education Association, Novi Family Barbers, Novi Hilltop, Novi Parks and Recreation, Novi Piazza, Cutter, O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home, Olan Mills, Old Kent Bank, Orphan Annie's, Ltd., Oxford Inn, Progressive Tool & Industries Co., Providence Hospital, Red Baron Printing, Red Robin, Rent-A-Pick Video, Running Fit, Santino's Place, Saint's Club, Eleven Food Stores, Tom Holzer Ford Inc., Totally Tan, Tubbys Submarines, Vaholine, Vie's World Class Market, and Wonderland Music. Special thanks to the Novi Seniors and

Letters

Diane Dorsch,
Bowl-a-Thon Committee
John P. O'Brien
Janis Wagner

Traffic light needed at corner

To the Editor:

At a recent condominium association meeting, a resident expressed frustration about the long wait for the traffic light at Decker and Waverly during parts of the day when there is little traffic. The mayor responded that she understood and added that she runs the light at Novi and Main because there is no traffic from Main.

Having previously observed many vehicles running the light at Decker and Waverly and now having heard the views from the top of Novi's government, I am concerned that people driving into Novi will proceed on the false assumption that other drivers will heed traffic lights. This could be solved by (1) removing the traffic lights, so everyone can see that intersections are a free-for-all or (2) post warning signs at the borders of Novi.

Comments on Novi ice arena

To the Editor:

Re: Community Ice Arena and Your Editorial
Now let me get this straight. In your Jan. 9 article "Site Found for Planned Ice Arena," the Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall announced that the City Council would be purchasing 15 acres of land (within a 71-acre parcel with no public street frontage) for \$232,000. Part of the purchase agreement is a stipulation that the city would construct a \$668,000 road into this 71-acre parcel — providing

what? Five to ten industrial-size lots all fronting on a newly-constructed city street? Where are these road construction funds coming from? What subdivisions repaving project or other road improvement project will be called for this "Sleight-of-hand" operation. Furthermore, soil borings and environmental testing will be done at city expense. All of this, and more, to support a \$6.5 million, 84,000-square-foot industrial-looking ice arena.

Two comments made by the city manager and cited in this article were "Novi will pay \$232,000 for the land, considerably less than (the) \$60,000 per acre going rate for industrial-zoned land" and "The ice arena is an industrial-looking building. I really . . . didn't want to see an industrial-looking building there (park)." Considering the first comment: "Novi will pay \$232,000 . . . etc. etc." Now simple math with a No. 2 pencil and plain white paper reveals that \$232,000 (cost of 15 acres) plus \$668,000 (cost of new road) is \$900,000 and when divided by 15 (purchased acreage), the cost per acre is \$60,000 for to quote Mr. Kriewall, "The going rate for industrial-zoned land."

Now to the second comment: "The ice arena is an industrial-looking building . . ." What is an industrial-looking building? The Mayan Temple or Peruvian Monument being built at Haggerty and Eight Mile Road? City hall? The Novi Expo Center? Delval Industries? If and when the ice arena building is constructed, it should not be a monstrosity but an attractive and appealing structure that can be looked at with civic pride for at least the next 50 to 75 years.

In your March 6 article, "Ice Arena Funding Raises Concerns," your reporter states that \$8.5 million in bonds will have to be issued to build the Ten Mile Road facility (ice arena) for a 78,000 square foot industrial-looking

building (a partial response to Councilor Robert Schmidt's, "I have no idea what we are building.") Time now to stop and take a deep, deep breath and look at both arenas. The price for the ice arena went from \$6.5 million (January article) to \$8.5 million (March article) and was downgraded from a 84,000-square-foot (with a restaurant) industrial-looking building to a 78,000-square-foot (with no restaurant) industrial-looking building. The road construction prices went from \$668,000 (January) to \$900,000 (March). What can we expect in May? A \$10.5 million under 70,000-square-foot industrial-looking building and a \$1.1 million industrial-looking road? I would hate to guess what we might have by July or September.

Return with me once again to the land deal of this century. City Council, upon advice from the city manager, will pay \$232,000 for 15 acres somewhere south of Ten Mile Road and a road construction cost of \$850,000 (March figures and still rising) that equates to a per acre cost of \$72,134 (\$1,082,000 divided by 15). Right now this great deal would cost the city taxpayers \$12,134 more per acre than the so-called going rate of \$60,000. At this point it would be cheaper to buy 15 acres with frontage on a public road for the going rate of \$60,000 per acre. To paraphrase a civilized remark in the *Construction Trade*, the financial advisors for this arrangement were a bubble off on this one. A good deal would be the city getting the 15 acres free for constructing the road. The value of those interior parcels would increase greatly with public road frontage.

Your March 6 editorial was outstanding and my only complaint was that it was not long enough. For I strongly believe that your editorial comments should become the start of a temple for all elected (and appointed), and hired city officials to apply to all city projects — especially projects of this size and with such a naturally broad and longlasting impact on the quality of life here in Novi.

Joseph G. Toth
Former Council Member

You don't have to pay for black out



Caren Collins

days you did not have cable service, and they will credit you for those days on your next bill.

Or, when your bill arrives, note on it the days you did not have cable, pay the amount on the bill, and next month Time Warner will make the adjustment.

Unfortunately, many cable customers don't realize that the cable company doesn't automatically deduct this amount from your bill, since they claim, they cannot tell exactly which customers are with-

out cable.

On top of that, you pay your cable bill in advance, unlike other utilities where you pay after using only for what you used.

And others didn't realize that they could ask for this refund. So that's why we, the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission are here to fill you in on what you can and should get from the cable company. Just pick up the phone.

And it's not just in this situation, anytime you push the on button and cable isn't there, you have a right to call Time Warner at 553-7300 and request a refund for your time without the big game, your favorite drama or your best "Friends."

SWOCC has also been very busy in the "renewal process." As you may know, the cable contract between the cities of Farmington, Farmington Hills, Novi and Time Warner Cable expires in May of this year.

We've been working for three years now, doing the background work (technical, financial audits, needs assessment and telephone surveys as well as focus groups) and drafting a contract. The Federal Com-

munications Commission has some pretty narrow guidelines which we must follow, so the process is more complicated than you may think.

To gain a better understanding of the procedure and issues, SWOCC called in our attorney and consultants for a special meeting at which Time Warner representatives were also present. The meeting is on tape and will be running it on the following days: Monday, April 7, at 3 p.m.; Tuesday, April 8, at 7 p.m.; Tuesday, April 15, at 7 p.m.; Monday, April 21, at 3 p.m.; Thursday, April 24, at 6 p.m.; and Tuesday, April 29, at 7 p.m. It's about two hours long so grab a bowl of popcorn and a can of soda before you dive in.

The next SWOCC meeting is Wednesday, April 16, at 7 p.m. at Farmington Hills City Hall. The next CAC meeting is Tuesday, April 8, at 7 p.m. at SWOCC. Caren Collins is the Executive Director of the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission.

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Photo by TOM HIBBELN

Hunting for treasure

Top left, Cody Reynold, winner of last year's South East Shawood Homeowners Association Easter Egg Hunt, adds another find to his basket. The second annual Easter Egg Hunt was

held Sunday, March 23. At left, the Easter Bunny was on hand to pass out a few eggs. Above, Evan Link, 3, finds an egg well-hidden in the snow behind a tree.

Lawmakers propose impact fees

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by the house Committee on Local Government.

If it became law, county road commissions, cities, townships and villages could levy what is termed reasonable fees on projects of over \$2 million for off-site road work. This one-time assessment could be used for construction, repaving, widening or extending a road, street or bridge, as well as right-of-way acquisition, turn lanes and traffic signals.

The idea of an impact fee is one that has long had an appeal for citizens of fast-growing communities.

For a longtime resident, such as Sarah Gray, president of the Southeast Shawood Homeowners Association, it's a fairness issue.

"I think it's about time. I think developer impact fees are wonderful. Why should we keep paying and paying again?" Gray said.

But some developers point out that any new fee will be a pass-through, a cost of doing business that will be borne by future home buyers and tenants.

"Everyone thinks that they're assessing the developer with an impact fee, what they are in fact doing is assessing the next generation of buyers," Michael Horowitz, president of the Selective Group,

said. "It's politically expedient to tax a developer without a vote."

Horowitz, developer of Greenwood Oaks and Haverhill Farm subdivisions, argues that the people who are using infrastructure such as roads should pay for it.

One problem with impact fees, he added, is that too many upfront costs may force smaller developers out of the market, offering fewer choices for home buyers.

In the proposed legislation, a community would be required to draft a traffic improvement plan pinpointing areas near the new development that might need work within the next five years due to present or future traffic. Developers would be able to petition for exemption and could get reimbursements from future impact fees assessed neighboring developers.

In addition, the donation of road rights-of-way could be counted as a fee.

The proposed law would require 90 percent of any sum collected to be spent on traffic improvements within the development's zone, while ten percent could be allocated for roads citywide.

City Manager Ed Kriewall agrees that it's the new home buyer who will pay the costs, but he supports the concept of infrastructure impact fees.

"It would appear developers do quite well with developments. New development is a burden on a community and they should pay for it. They'll just pass it on to the buyer," Kriewall said.

We do a very good job historically in Novi in shifting as many of the costs as we can to the developer. One hundred percent of water, sewer and stormwater sewers developers pay entirely. Some communities are not that aggressive."

Novi has funded much of its road improvements through voter-approved bond issues, which trigger taxes borne by everyone who owns property — businesses, new homeowners and longtime residents.

In the 1970s, Novi had an ordinance requiring developers to pay half the cost of adjacent road improvements, but this collapsed following a legal challenge, Kriewall said.

Both Cassis and Kriewall think the new bill may finally make it past opposition from the development and building industries. She's drumming for support among organizations such as the Michigan Township Association.

"We may have a better opportunity this time. There are concerns with the building industry. They

see it as raising the costs of doing business. All this does is say in communities that are growing, let's be fair-minded," Cassis said.

"It's not mandatory."

But Mike Klam, vice president of the Singh Development Group, said the firm already pays impact fees. In the form of fees assessed by a local government and its consultants, including water tap-in fees, stormwater management system fees and sanitary sewer assessments. A new impact fee for roads would be an indirect tax on consumers, he contends.

"We're a little dubious that you can fairly assess impact fees and not make it turn out to be the government entity riding on the backs of the developers and ultimately the new homeowners and tenants of the project," Klam said.

"Is that fair to the new consumer to carry the road infrastructure of the city when the people who already live there are using it? It seems to me the fairest way to do it is to charge the people who use the roads. I'm in favor of the gas-line tax."

Current Singh projects in Novi include Main Street Village and a new Willowbrook subdivision.

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OCC preps Orchard Ridge for work

By TIM RICHARD

Staff Writer

It's like a 1967 Mercedes car that needs valve and paint jobs but is still an marvel, said Dr. George Keith.

"It is the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College. Keith is president of the 13-building, 147-acre showplace campus at 1-696 and Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills.

Keith said 30-year-old campus, like the Mercedes, needs modernization and renovation to make user-friendly not only to the hand-capped but to make a more "collegial" setting for older students and faculty members.

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Community Education

Mini-Rembrandts in Motion

Explore different mediums in art such as tempera, watercolors and clay. Each child may work at their own pace. Wear old clothes and bring a \$5 material fee to the first class.

Novi Woods Art Room, Session 2: April 9-30, Wednesday, four weeks, 9:30-4:30 p.m. Grade 3-6. Fee: \$26.

Masks for Every Occasion

Using different techniques, you can design masks for Halloween, Mardi Gras, Carnival, etc. Design and create three unique masks to enjoy for years to come. Wear old clothes and pay a \$3 material fee to the instructor.

Novi Woods Art Room, 3 weeks, Tuesday, April 15-29, 3:15-4:30 p.m. Grade 1-4. Fee: \$24.

Counted Cross-Stitch Bookmark

This class provides students with a great introduction to counted cross-stitch. They will learn how to read a pattern, start their project, thread needles, and change colors as they make a personalized bookmark. Pay a \$2 material fee to the instructor for the needle, thread and patterns.

Parkview Art Room, Friday, April 18, 4-6 p.m. Grade 5-8. Fee: \$18.

Soccer Camp

Students will be grouped according to age and ability while they learn rules, game strategies, team tactics and individual soccer skills.

Bring two pairs of shoes (for indoor and outdoor use) and wear gym clothes. Warm-ups and shin guards recommended.

Specify child's T-shirt size on the registration form: Youth size M or L, or Adult size S, M, or L. Registration deadline is March 20. Middle School Gym and Cafeteria, Tuesday-Thursday, April 1-4, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Grade 2-8. Fee: \$70 no discount.

Adults

Searching on the Internet

Explore the use of a variety of "search engines" on the Internet such as Lycos, Excite, Yahoo, AltaVista, WebCrawler, etc. Search strategies and different types of searches will be covered.

ITC Computer Lab, Session 2: Wednesday, April 9, 7-9 p.m. Fee: \$10 (senior citizens \$5).

Computer Awareness — Macintosh

Learn how to operate a personal computer. You will gain a general understanding of PC operations and a brief overview of the most commonly used software packages. No previous computer experience is necessary.

ITC Room 106, Session 2: April 10-May 1, Thursday, 7-9 p.m. (four weeks). Fee: \$37 (senior citizens \$20).

Education Notes

The Health and Physical Education building (H-Building) on Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills will be closed for renovations May 1-Oct. 1.

Originally constructed in 1979, the building houses a swimming pool, gymnasium and other athletic facilities. It is used extensively in credit and non-credit classes and by community groups. The Olympic-sized pool was completely restored in late 1995 with \$122,000 in repairs.

Public Access

The following is the Time Warner Channel 12 community access program schedule for Novi for the coming week.

MONDAY, MARCH 31

10:00 a.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine

10:30 a.m. — The Cutting Room Floor

11:00 a.m. — Out in the Open

11:30 a.m. — (con't)

12:00 p.m. — Coffee and Conversation

12:30 p.m. — (con't)

1:00 p.m. — Adventures with Pirate Pete

1:30 p.m. — Just a Bite: Crepes

2:00 p.m. — Novi Year in Review

2:30 p.m. — (con't)

3:00 p.m. — Farmington Hills Hockey

3:30 p.m. — (con't)

4:00 p.m. — (con't)

4:30 p.m. — (con't)

5:00 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y

5:30 p.m. — Who Do You Look Like?

6:00 p.m. — Inside Novi City Hall: Fire Bond Issue

6:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with Tracy

7:00 p.m. — Critter Connection

7:30 p.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine

8:00 p.m. — Law Talk: John Zick

8:30 p.m. — (con't)

9:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection

9:30 p.m. — Groove Session

10:00 a.m. — The Light to the Nations: Man Does Not Live By Bread Alone

10:30 a.m. — Specs Profile

11:00 a.m. — Law Talk: John Zick

11:30 a.m. — (con't)

12:00 p.m. — Summit University

12:30 p.m. — (con't)

1:00 p.m. — Drawing Men to Christ

1:30 p.m. — (con't)

2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection

2:30 p.m. — Critter Connection

3:00 p.m. — On Target: Michigan Gun Owners

3:30 p.m. — (con't)

4:00 p.m. — Out in the Open

4:30 p.m. — (con't)

5:00 p.m. — INFO TV-12 News Magazine

5:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen

6:00 p.m. — Farmington Hills Hockey

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9:00 p.m. — Let's Talk with Ben Marks

9:30 p.m. — (con't)

10:00 a.m. — Life Matters

10:30 a.m. — Excellence on Route

11:00 a.m. — Patterson and Company

11:30 a.m. — Christian Singles Today: Salvation

12:00 p.m. — Cash talks

12:30 p.m. — The Way, The Truth, and The Life

1:00 p.m. — Study in Scripture

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Novi's 'Fryst' novel author says much ado about nothing

By NAJ SERFFEJ
 Staff Writer

Local historian Kathi Barbra Much-L'Amour will sign copies of her bestselling romance novel, "Frysst On Fire," at Borders Book Store on Saturday.

"I really never expected my historical romance novel to be so wildly successful," said Much-L'Amour.

"It's loosely based on the Fryst Farm family, very loosely-based - and very loose. I took enormous romantic license."

Readers are gobbling up the early 1900s story of the two lusty Fryst sisters who by day operated a roadside produce stand in Novi and in the after-hours, every night was a different stand. "The Bridges of Madison County" meets "Lady Chatterley's Lover" is how the Novi masterpiece was described in the New York Times Review of Books. It's the saga of two farmer's daughters and a World War I soldier loved by both, as well as a series of traveling salesmen, hired hands, itinerant preachers, migrant workers and coal porters. Haystacks in the historic 1876 barn feature prominently.

The author is donating ten

percent of her royalties to the preservation of the city-owned Fryst Farm, but that may not be necessary. Fans are flocking to the site and the Novi Parks and Recreation Department is raking in money from its guided champagne tours to locations featured in the novel. Leading the tours are several gents over age 70 who claim more than a passing acquaintance with the frisky Frysts.

Much-L'Amour said she has been in executive session with several Hollywood moguls seeking the movie rights.

"One producer wants to change the title to 'Ruby took her love to town,' but I said no go. I want to retain artistic and historic control," she added.

Asked if she'd let her three young children get their hands on the novel, Kathi-Barbra snapped back: "Not until they're over 40 and have grown kids of their own. I'd like to point out that although some critics say 'Frysst On Fire' is a raunchy read, it's historically accurate in every way and truly portrays a vanished way of life in rural Novi."

New arena scores big

By DAN SCOTT
 Sports Writer

Opening night couldn't have gone any better at the Edward F. Kriewall Ice Arena.

Novi High crushed Lakeland 8-1 before a capacity and partisan Wildcat crowd Saturday. Jim Cavan, Jeremy Goodman and Tina Schowiak each scored a pair of goals in helping the co-ed squad tame the Eagles.

Not bad considering it was the school's first-ever hockey game.

"I thought the kids played with a lot of heart and dedication," said coach Steve Yzerman, who's career with the Detroit Red Wings came to a tragic end last season with a knee injury. "Our goal-tending and defense was outstanding."

Indeed it was.

Lakeland took 38 shots at Wildcat netminder Jessica Winick. But the freshman allowed just one Eagle goal, a breakaway by Russian exchange student Sergei Scoringov.

Winick was helped by strong defensive play in front of her.

Defense-people Fernando Vila, Jerec Genso, Natalie Aristeo and Maria Schimizzi made sure most of Lakeland's shots were easy chances for Winick.

"We still need to cut down on the number of shots Jessica sees," Yzerman said.

The Wildcats took a 4-0 lead by

the end of the first period.

Steve Barone scored the first goal in Novi High history with a high wrist shot at 8:36 of the period. The right winger was assisted by centerman Matt Duprey and left wing Scott Kahn.

Cavan then took over. The freshman center slam dunked his first goal on a wrap-around effort from behind the Lakeland net.

His goal made it 2-0 at the midpoint of the period. Cavan's second goal a minute later as he took beautiful drop pass from linemate Brandon Shugerman.

Novi then made it 4-0 on a power play goal by Steve Horne with just 30 seconds left in the period.

"It was really important that we get off to a good start," Yzerman said. "Cavan was a real spark plug for us in that first period."

Lakeland played the Wildcats to a 1-1 tie in the second period.

Goodman got his first goal with three minutes gone by in the period to make it 5-0.

Novi dominated the third period. Goodman scored and Schowiak got both of her goals to make it an 8-1 final.

"It was a great effort by the kids," Yzerman said of the win, his first as a coach.

The Wildcats host Brighton tomorrow then play an exhibition game against a Swedish select squad Saturday.



Camel connoisseur Ed Kriewall takes a test drive.

Photo by DAVID TURKEY

CAMEL LOT

City gets over the hump and solves mass transit problem

By NAJ SERFFEJ
 Staff Writer

Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall has a solution for the traffic jams in downtown Novi - a form of transportation so ugly it's cute.

Close the Novi Road/Grand River/Main Street area to motor vehicles and use camels to carry both people and freight, he proposes.

"The problem with horses is that the hard shoes tear up the pavement. Plus there's all that horse hoovey. With camels, their feet are soft and don't damage the concrete," he said.

"In addition, the camel's body shape enables little baskets to be easily slung under their tails to catch you know what, keeping the streets cleaner. A camel is the real Novi Special."

The erstwhile ship of the desert doesn't need much food and water and also provides that unique ambience sought for the new downtown, the city manager explained. Plus, camel cakes can be stored at the DPW yard and used for fuel the

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Ed Kriewall
 Novi City Manager

next time an ice storm knocks out local electricity.

"I'd walk a mile for a camel. It's a mean, clean jogging machine. If you're nice to 'em, they don't spit," Kriewall added.

"The real question is, do we want two-humped Bactrian camels, which are kind of jazzy? Or just the standard one-hump dromedary? I say, the dromedary. I know this guy in Egypt who'll get us a great deal. Plus, he'll tattoo 'property of the City of Novi on their hides for no extra cost."

Chief 'cloning' around with budget cuts

By MITZI MANPIER
 Staff Writer

The Novi Police Department is planning a cut back on salary costs beginning Jan. 1, 1998 by using the method of cloning.

Now that researchers have found ways to clone sheep and monkeys, Chief Douglas Shaeffer believes cloning a law enforcement model of strength, endurance and brains as well as brawn could be the wave of the future.

"We want to be the first department on

Novi Police Chief Doug Shaeffer, Doug Shaeffer sends in the clones.

board," Shaeffer said.

The first prototype for the clone would be taken from within the department. Rumor has it, Shaeffer is an obvious candidate. Other potential clones include Deputy Chief Rasmussen and Lt. David Butler.

To ensure equal opportunity cloning, Officers Joyce Fraser and June Mullinix are also

potential clones, Shaeffer said.

City Manager Ed Kriewall said the city will hire a researcher from Scotland to help with the cloning process. "We hope to develop a fast growing cloning system so from start to finish the baby cadets can be ready in a year," he explained. "The doctor is trying to put a lit-



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tle Rapid-Gro in their baby formula. They'll stop growing at age 25 ... that should suffice for a while."

Shaeffer said the Old Town Hall near the library will be used to house the community of kiddie cops - the current police station isn't accessible for baby buggies.

Former city clerk Gerry Stipp offered herself as the den mother.

"A litter of kiddie cops," she chuckled. "How fun!"

Stipp said she'll dress them in little blue uniforms with plastic badges.

The police union has agreed to the plan with the condition the clones receive no pay and no benefits. They will reside in the Fuerst home when full grown and will farm the small parcel of land for food.

Committee moves back to the future in style

By NAJ SERFFEJ
 Staff Writer

Dressed in silver metallic jumpsuits with matching ankle boots, the Novi Futuring Committee recommended Monday that the city adopt this style as a mandatory uniform for residents and change the Novi Expo Center to the Cape Novi Space Center.

"Live long and prosper, space cadets," Futuring Committee chair Craig DeRoche, now known as Craig R2D2, told the Novi City Council.

"We feel we are ready to build the intergalactic community of the future. May the force be with us."

Among the recommendations is that Novi parents name their new babies from choices available on a list submitted by the committee. Suggestions for boys include Starbuck, Skywalker and Spock; among the girls' names are Leia, Empathica and LaYoda.

Plans are already under way to replace city employees with androids, implanted with a mem-



Photo by DR. SMITH

The Novi Futuring Committee, tomorrow is only a day away.

ory chip from Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver. Vic's Galaxy Class Market is stocking up on Space Food Sticks and

Tang, as requested by the committee. The futuring folks also recommend that a launch/landing pad for starships be built at

the North Novi Park.

"You're all talented, dedicated volunteers and you've done a wonderful job, but it's not coming together for me. I thought you were focusing on a vision of Novi for the next 20 years. Where are you people from, outer space?" Mayor Kathleen McLallen said.

"Danger, Will Robinson!" R2D2, aka DeRoche, answered.

"What do you mean, 20 years? We were told 2,000 years into the future."

A quick check of the paperwork distributed to the Futuring Committee showed that a typographical error led to the addition of two extra zeros to the last number of "20/20 Focus On The Future," hurling the whole project light years ahead of the original plan.

"Why didn't they tell us what they wanted? Were we supposed to do a Vulcan mind-meld to figure things out?" a dismayed DeRoche, aka R2D2, asked later.

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Children's spring activities planned at library

By JEANNE CLARKE
Staff Writer

Spring time activities at the Novi Public Library, planned for Novi youngsters ages 5 and 6, will start on Tuesday, April 1, at 1 p.m. At 2 p.m., a craft activity will be held for ages 7 and up. Registration is not necessary but space is limited. The programs run 40 minutes and there is a fee of \$1 for materials. Wednesday, April 2, the Puppets Puppets will put on a program at 1 p.m. called "Bunny, Bunny, Who's Got the Bunny?" On Thursday, April 3, from 1-2:30 p.m. will be a visit with leader dog pups-in-training. No formal program is planned but the children can visit with the dogs and learn facts about Leaders Dogs for the Blind from their trainers. Children will be given information on the program.

A very timely and interesting display is in the large showcase near the front door. Featured are stuffed animals, bunnies and rabbits, baskets, and everything from jelly beans to books. Arranging the display were Gina Marie, Kristin and Alison Thomas.

It's also tax time and forms are available for Michigan, Federal, Detroit, out-of-state, etc. Also on display is "Time Capsule: 30 Years of Rebuilding, 1895-1900," and this collection is being shared by Thomas B. Haverly. Included in the collection are: a newspaper dated Sept. 17, 1896, coins, bottles, spoons, books, cur-

rency, dice, weapons, playing cards, and much more. March is also "Women in History" and a display towards the back of the library features Clara Booth Luce, Amelia Earhart, Louisa M. Alcott, Eleanor Roosevelt, Rosa Parks, and many more.

THE GRAND COURT

Residents at this facility will be coloring 2,000 eggs on March 26, for the big annual Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for Saturday, March 29, at 2 p.m. The eggs will be hidden in the yard around the building; all children from the area who are 10 years and under are invited to "the hunt." Also enjoying the activity will be grandchildren of the residents. Refreshments will be served and the Easter Bunny will be present. The cost will be \$1 for those wishing to have their pictures taken with the bunny. For more information, call activities director Kelly Stump at 669-5330.

The director is also looking for volunteers to help with several programs throughout the month: bingo, playing cards, helping with craft and cooking projects, decorating bulletin boards, to name a few. Residents who volunteer include May Kapinski for passing out flyers, Silka Sofka for putting out flowers, Dorothy St. Aubin for putting out invitations for the Newcomers Tea; and several others.

Novi Highlights

Speakers for this month included James Wilson, attorney, who spoke about legal protection, estate planning, and health care; Chuck Smith, Benefits Plus, presented Medicare's new senior plan available for extra benefits.

During this month entertainment was provided by Terry Matthews, pianist; the Tollgate Cloggers performance; singers Chip and Barb; and Jim Law's popular piano playing in the lobby. Those attending the Newcomers Tea receive a basket of goodies. Also, the recently-held birthday party featured a prime rib dinner for those celebrating their birthday, entertainment, corsages and cards.

NOVI MINISTERS ASSOCIATION

Plans for the annual Ecumenical service held at noon on Good Friday at Holy Family Catholic Church were finalized at the association's last monthly meeting. Holy Family is located on Meadowbrook and Ten Mile roads.

This service is open to the community with several of the local churches participating. These include the Rev. Leslie Harding of Holy Cross Episcopal Church; the Rev. Richard Henderson and the

Rev. Cy Smith of Faith Presbyterian Church; the Rev. Ned Hunt of Meadowbrook Congregational Church; the Rev. John Budde and the Rev. Denis Theroux of Holy Family; and Pastor Tom Scherger of the Spirit of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The next meeting is scheduled for noon on April 7, at the Novi Police Department. Featured will be a representative from HAVEN (Help Against Violent Encounters Now), whose program assists victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse. They offer emergency shelter and 24-hour crisis line for those involved in this type of situation. They also offer child abuse counseling for both children and adults, and reeducation for the abuser.

Other programs in which the association is involved are: the annual CROP Walk; community Thanksgiving service; and the community Food Bank. Faith Presbyterian Church, which is available to community members in need. Volunteers are needed every other Monday morning to distribute food. The ministers are also involved in the community Clothes Closet at Holy Family Church. This program is for anyone in the community who is in need of

clothing and household items. Also available to the officers of the Novi Police Department is the Chaplain Program. Ministers are available "on call" when there is a need for assistance at the scene of an accident, etc.

The Ministers Association is open to all members of clergy in Novi. Information can be obtained by calling Pastor Tom Scherger, secretary, at 477-6296.

SPIRIT OF CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

On March 27, Maundy Thursday services will be held at 7:30 p.m. The congregation has been invited to participate in the Good Friday community service at noon, March 28, with a Tenetree service at 7:30 p.m.

Other Easter plans include participating with Antioch Lutheran Church at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 29. The regular 5:30 p.m. Saturday service will be canceled for this week only.

Easter Sunday starts with Holy Communion at 7:30 a.m., breakfast at 8:30 followed by services at 10. There will be no Sunday School.

The youth group of the church, under the direction of Diane Alexander, were busy this month starting with a kick-off continental breakfast at the Sunday School Family Fair, and a pizza and movie night the following week. The

youth group was responsible for Youth Sunday, March 23, and also for one of the Lenten suppers. Also on their agenda is: helping to cook and serve Easter breakfast, putting on an egg hunt, and painting faces. In addition, they have been babysitting during the "Triumphant Marriage" classes on Sunday evenings.

Credentials of the new music director for the younger children state "music therapist." A special program, April 13 at 4 p.m., is open to the community. The Lutheran Choralaires will be featured at this musical celebration. This group is now in its 50th season and has several charter members still singing with them. There are many younger singers with two second-generation men following their dads in this group.

Members are from several communities reaching a span of 70 miles from one area to the last including Grosse Pointe Shores, Northville, etc. Their backgrounds represent a variety of business and vocational fields. Director David Marasus is an accomplished organist, pianist, composer, director and arranger. Donations are used to offset organizational operating costs with any excess contributed to Lutheran charities.

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Church members share gifts through performance

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

Faith Community Presbyterian Church members shared their exceptional gifts as musicians, singers, storytellers, and as set and costume designers with audience members attending the production of *The Choice* on Sunday, March 23.

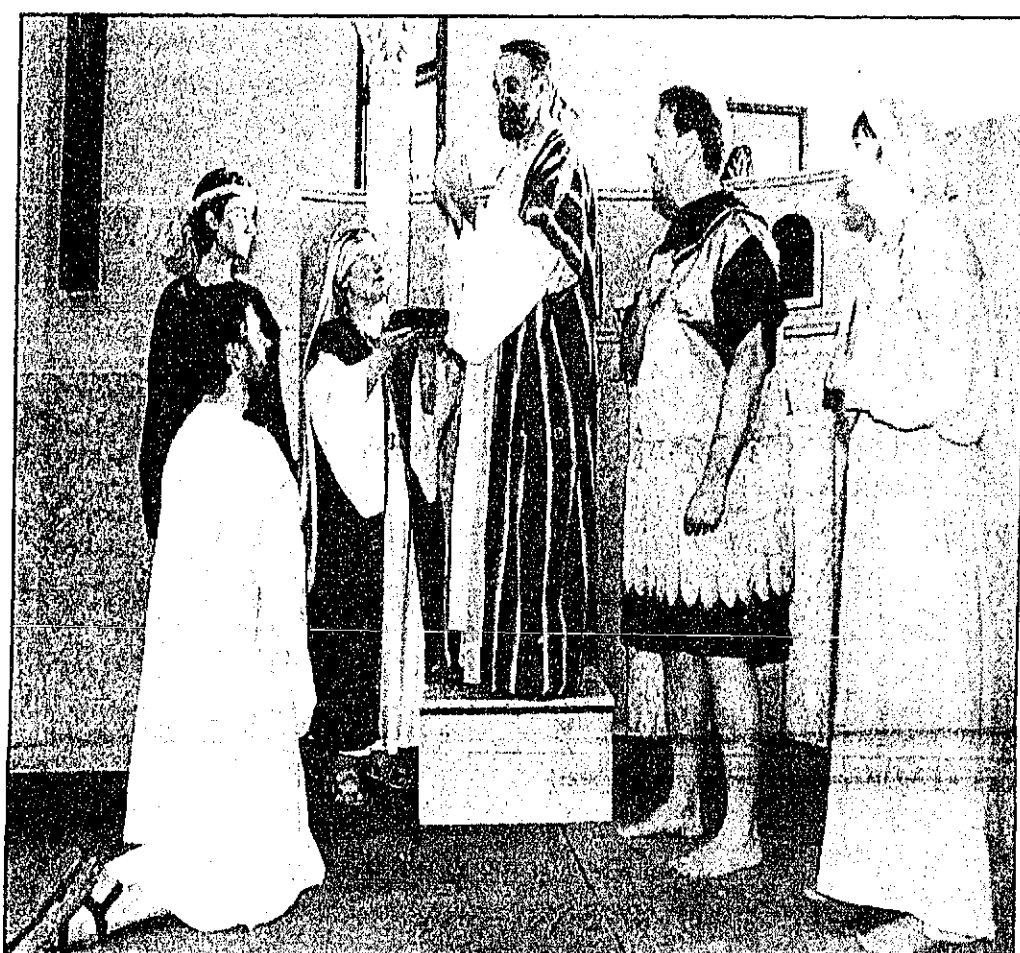
Sixteen cast members, eight narrators, 31 members of the Joy Singers and Praise Choir youth choirs, a 16-member orchestra,

and the Sanctuary Choir had the audience engrossed in the moving musical drama that focuses on a Roman centurion who is torn between the teachings of Christ and worldly wealth and power.

Set during the reign of Tiberius Caesar, the story revolves around the young Roman centurion Marcus, played by Kevin Crain, who falls in love with a beautiful Jewish girl named Hannah, played by Heidi Fifeild. She is a follower of Jesus Christ, played by Tom Anan,

who is thought to be a radical teacher from Nazareth. Marcus, who is in the center of the events leading to the execution of Jesus, must weigh the words and example of Christ against the wealth and power of the world and thus is faced with "the choice."

The choir director for the third dramatic musical for Faith Community Presbyterian Church, 44400 West Ten Mile Road, was Elaine Wroe. Mary Kay Davis was the drama director and Shelly



Tom Anan (from left), Heidi Fifeild, Grace Wilfong, Larry Molloy, Kevin Crain and Paul Grisell were among the Faith Community Presbyterian Church members in "The Choice."

Photo by THOMAS R. HIGBLEN

New church to open doors

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

Come Easter Sunday, residents will have one more denomination to add to the half dozen or so already welcoming members to services every week.

Church of Today West in Novi, which is renting space at Village Oaks Elementary School at 23333 Willowbrook, west of Haggerty and South of Ten Mile Road will hold its first services on Easter Sunday, March 30, at 9 and 11 a.m. The soloist for the services will be Grammy award winner Karen Taylor-Good.

The founding minister of Church of Today West in Novi is Barbara Cleveland, formerly associate minister at Church of Today in Warren.

"Unity is Bible-based in its Christianity," she said. "We take a little different view of Jesus. We believe Jesus is the great example, not the great exception. We focus more on his life than his death. The way he lived his life was a teaching to us how we can do it too."

Cleveland, who lives in Birmingham, chose the City of Novi because of its location.

"I was figuring out where I wouldn't be in anyone else's backyard," she said.

Sunday Services and Youth Education will be the same after Easter - at 9 and 11 a.m. Most Sundays the service will have either music or drama.

"Our music is always carefully selected for the message," she said. "It isn't just religious songs, we will use anything that gets the message across."

The youth group lessons coordinate with the adult message. In the 12 weeks following Easter, the youth will be traveling through the Land of Oz down the "yellow-brick

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Barbara Cleveland
Founding Minister
Church of Today West

road" of understanding. Cleveland graduated from and was ordained at Unity School of Christianity in Unity Village near Kansas City, Mo. She has been an associated minister for two and a half years at Church of Today in Warren.

"The universal truths is what we teach," she said. "For us sin is missing the mark and just try again."

Cleveland, who was raised Methodist went to her first Unity church in Fort Wayne in 1985, came to a fork in the road when she was getting more and more involved in her church especially with the youth group and helping the minister and spending less time in her closet business in Fort Wayne, Ind.

"That's where I really saw it's a way of life, it's not something you do for an hour on Sunday," she said.

Cleveland is married to Dan Hursh and has a 22 year old daughter, Beth Cleveland, and a 20-year-old stepdaughter Rachel, who is married to Dan Smith, who



Karen Taylor-Good

have a 1-year-old daughter Delaware.

Church of Today brings in speakers and authors on religious, recovery and transformation topics.

The church's youth education program is under the direction of Amy Clarke of Walled Lake. There are also 35 different 12-step support groups.

Unity was co-founded in 1889 by Charles and Myrtle Fillmore in Kansas City, Mo., and is built on the belief in the healing power of affirmative prayer. Myrtle was healed of terminal tuberculosis after praying for perfect health for two years.

Charles was healed of injuries received in childhood after using the same type of prayer. Unity supports the medical community and still believes in people getting help in every way they can. The Fillmores did not set out to start a religion.

"We are very loving when someone is sick and we believe we have some responsibility for getting well," she said. "It sounds like a paradox but it isn't."

The Church of Today West website is www.cotwest.com. For more information about Church of Today West, call Cleveland at 810-473-0700.

Play captivates audience during opening weekend

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

Lend Me a Tenor opened this weekend at Schoolcraft College Theatre to a sold out audience attending the dinner/theater package. The show has four more performances - dinner/theater on March 28 and 29 and theater only on April 4 and 5.

Novi High School graduates Shannon Krause and Jennifer Allie were among the cast members who captivated the audience with Ken Ludwig's farce involving grand opera, a not-so-dead corpse and two singers, Max and Tito, who both decide to rise to the occasion when the show must go on.

Staged and directed by Associate Professor of Theater James R. Hartman, the comedy is set in a hotel suite in Cleveland, Ohio in 1934.

Krause, a Novi High School graduate, in an engaging performance as Maria, the wife of Tito Merelli marked her first appearance with the Schoolcraft College Theatre. Krause's other theater credits include the roles of Cecily in *The Importance of Being Earnest* at the Farmington Community Center and as Mabel in *The Pirates of Penzance* at Novi High School.

The role of the saucy Diana was adeptly played by Jennifer Allie, also a Novi High School graduate. Allie returns for her third production with Schoolcraft. Earlier in the season, she was the understudy for the roles of Lydia and Sue in *All My Sons*. Last season, Allie appeared in the role of Mimsey Hubley in *Plaza Suite*. While at Novi High School, her theater credits included *Kismet*, *Meet Me in St. Louis*, and *Lili Abner*. While a member of the Novi Performance Plus, she appeared in *Look Homeward Angel*, *The Crucible* and *Alice in Wonderland*.

Adam Conger's riveting performance as Max marks his first appearance with the Schoolcraft College Theatre.

Lend Me a Tenor marks Brian Taylor's seventh production with Schoolcraft. Taylor's performance as Tito Merelli was energetic and dynamic. His previous credits at Schoolcraft include the roles of Joe Keller in *All My Sons* and Sam Nash and Roy Hubley in *Plaza Suite*. Macbeth in *Macbeth*, Speed in *The Odd Couple*, the Herald in *Man of the Year* and the Duke in *The Fantasticks*.

Making their first appearances with Schoolcraft were Jessica Brown who plays the well-mannered Maggie and Kathryn Cobleigh as the glamorous and peppy Julia.

The role of the enthusiastic bellhop is played by Ryaniver Klann who is making his stage debut with this production.

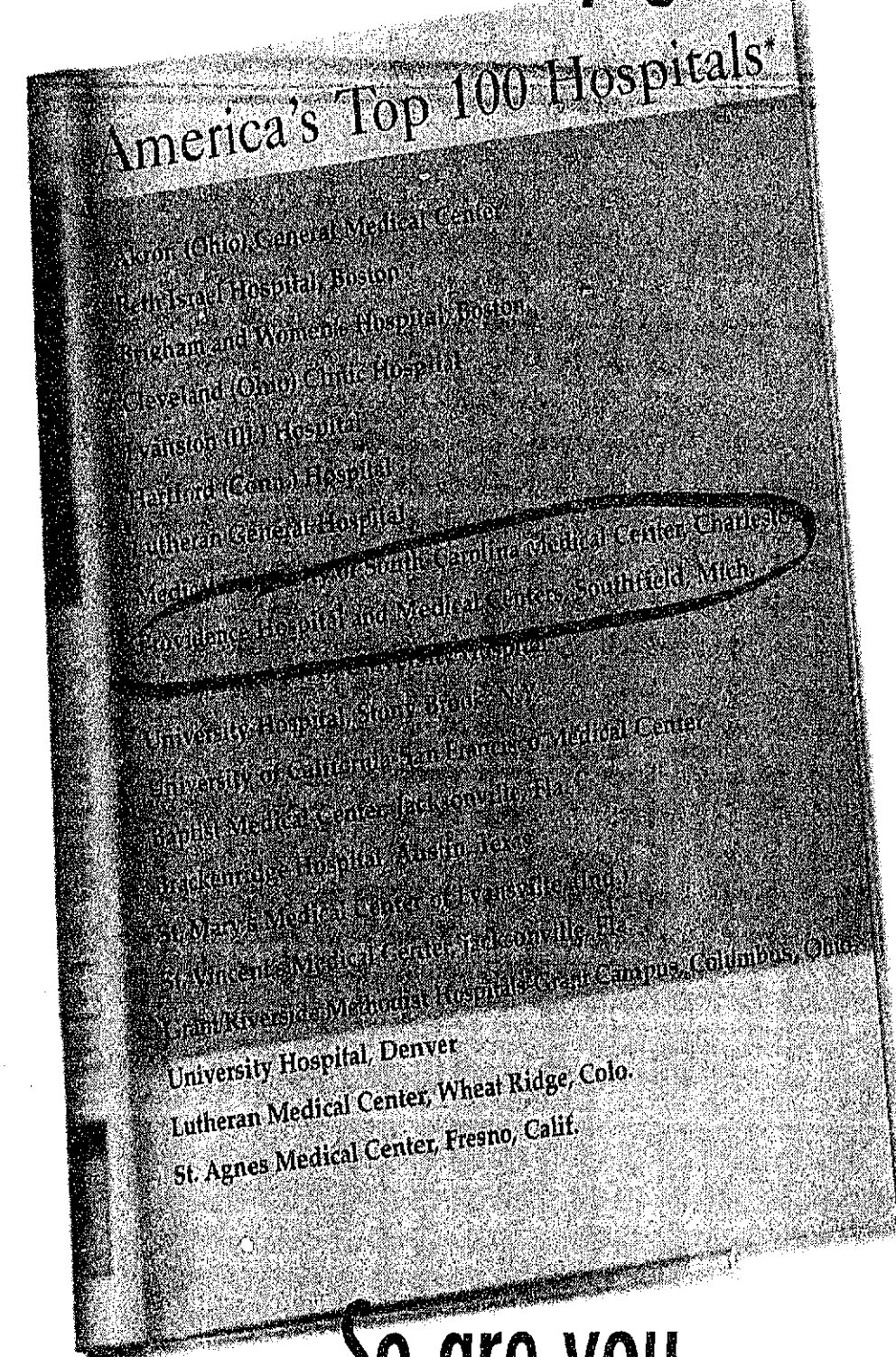
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Anna Sylvester, the Maybury State Park supervisor, received the AAUW 1997 Community Enrichment Award for her contributions to the education of women and girls.

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Park supervisor honored

Anna Sylvester was presented with the Northville-Novl branch of the American Association of University Women's 1997 Community Enrichment Award at the group's spring meeting held March 11.

Sylvester, the Maybury State Park supervisor, was recognized for promoting the education of girls and women in the fields of math, science, and the environment. The award acknowledges people who have a current or historical impact on the community and who reflect AAUW's goals of promoting equity for women and girls, lifelong education, and positive social change.

Sylvester came to Maybury in 1990 as the assistant manager. She had spent summers working at Island Lake Recreation Area while attending Michigan State University where she earned a bachelor of science degree in agriculture.

After college, she worked at Island Lake, Pinckney Recreation Area, before becoming the assistant manager of the Mitchell State Park in Cadillac, the position she held prior to coming to Northville.

Once at Maybury, Sylvester developed the learning program Partners in Education along with

the Northville School District. Partners in Education allows fourth graders to spend a day in the park with Sylvester learning about ecology and nature preservation through outdoor activities and hands-on projects.

When Sylvester was almost transferred to Escanaba during the 1992 reorganization of the state Department of Natural Resources, she was recruited to the Northville-Novl branch of the Partners in Education program, which she has been leading ever since.

Besides her involvement with Partners in Education, Sylvester acts as the parent committee member on the Northville Middle School Science Materials Selection Committee. Her contributions include helping to revise the curriculum by combining earth science, life science, and physics into one class to be taught in three one-year sections, rather than three separate one-year courses.

"She is conscious of the issues surrounding classroom bias, and works both to make science and math of greater interest to girls and to make teachers aware of how the girls' interests are manifested," Community Enrichment

Awards Committee member Christa Coxon said. In 1995, Sylvester was saluted for her evening program "Becoming an Outdoors Woman" by the Law Enforcement Division of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Sylvester also makes education presentations to Girl Scout troops, routinely sponsors a girl on "Take Your Daughter to Work Day," and actively recruits and mentors female interns who are working to be park rangers.

She helps with the AAUW Northville-Novl branch's annual Excited about Science and Math workshops for girls that are held at Maybury.

"As one of very few female park supervisors in the state, Sylvester provides our community with a rare role model," Coxon said. "Combined with her expertise in the sciences and park management, her concern for environmental protection and her strong interest in promoting education for women and girls, Sylvester's mentorship of youngsters exemplifies the spirit behind the Community Enrichment Award."

Anna is married to Don Sylvester.

Residents exhibit at show

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

The 1997 Ann Arbor Flower and Garden Show has among its exhibitors Northville residents Penrhith Golf, Joan Doty and Winnie Boni and Novi resident Marcia Stewart as well as students who attend Garden City's Burger School for the Arts, which includes Northville residents.

The Burger School students developed their flower show project entitled "Sunny Day Fun" based on their vision of what a summer day is like in the garden, according to Mary Mirabitar, a Northville resident and one of the 30 teachers who worked on the project with the students.

Golf, the president of the South-eastern Michigan Bromeliad Society, will display the use of bromeliads in home decorating—wreaths, bouquets, hanging baskets, mounted plants, etc.

"The society has exhibited every year since the show started," Golf said. "We intend to keep on doing it."

Bromeliads are a family of plants originally found only in the south-eastern United States, and Central and South America. The most familiar is the pineapple. Another is the Spanish moss which grows (like many orchids) on the branches of trees.

Although the flowers themselves are often uninteresting and short-lived, the change in coloration of the plant can last for weeks, even months. They are becoming popular in commercial interior decorating because they are exotic, rugged and can endure low light levels.

Doty, exhibiting in the Roots and Shoots category, is developing a

creative dried arrangement in a niche 4-feet-by-4 feet and 30 inches deep using dried cholla cacti from Arizona. The background of the niche will be painted spring green. Wisteria will be incorporated to give the appearance of roots.

"I'm kind of formulating this design using a tall green dried pencil cacti I picked up in New Orleans," said Doty, who has exhibited in all but the first Ann Arbor Flower and Garden Show and is a member of the Livonia Garden Club.

Last year Doty won the creativity award for best creative design in the flower show and the traveling trophy for the best design depicting the theme of the show, which is offered by the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan.

The theme of this year's show is "An American Bouquet."

Stewart, who usually exhibits or judges every year, will exhibit a pot of blue hyacinths in the horticulture category.

She has planted and timed the pot of bulbs which will hopefully peak at the time of the show. "Most of the time it has worked for me," said Stewart, a member of the Hill and Dale Garden Club in Farmington.

"It is a really interesting show for people to come to," Stewart added. "It really gets you in the mood for spring and gardening and getting outdoors again."

The show will celebrate great American gardens from a Martha's Vineyard seaside retreat to the sunny hills of California. The eighth annual program will showcase the best new plant cultivars, new garden styles, and the latest in horticulture and landscape

design. The featured 2,600-square-foot garden this year, "The New American Garden," is inspired by the work of renowned American architect Frank Lloyd Wright. Other influences are Jens Jensen, hailed as the dean of American landscape architecture, and 20th century landscape designers Wolfgang Oehme and James van Sweden.

The show will also feature more than 500 displays and exhibits.

Sponsored by the University of Michigan, show dates and times are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 3, 4 and 5, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, April 6, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Senior Days are Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The Ann Arbor Flower and Garden Show is held at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road in Ann Arbor.

Tickets are available through Kroger Food Stores until April 2 and at the University of Michigan Student Union ticket office at (313) 763-8587.

Advance tickets are \$8 for adults and \$3 for children ages four through 12. Children three and under are free.

Admission at the gate is \$9 for adults, \$3 for children ages four through 12 and \$8 for seniors on Senior Days. Free on-site parking is available.

A complimentary shuttle bus will run from the Briarwood Mall (southeast entrance) every 15 minutes.

For shuttle locations and show information, call the Ann Arbor Flower Show office at (313) 998-7002.

Singles

SINGLE PLACE, an adult ministry for single people at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, meets for brunch at Northville Crossing at 12:30 p.m. on Sundays.

Sports events for the month include bowling on March 28 at Novi Bowl, 21700 Novi Road. The cost is \$6 plus shoes. There will be no volleyball in March. For more information about any of the Single Place programs or to register, call 349-0911.

HOLY FAMILY SINGLES is a group for separated, divorced, widowed or never-been-married persons. For more information, call Church of the Holy Family at 349-8847.

SINGLE PARENT GROUP, 17000 Farmington Road in Livonia, meets the first and third Tuesdays in the Calvin Room at Ward Presbyterian Church from 7 until 8:30 p.m. Free child care is available. There are activities for children and parents to enjoy every month.

The Uniquely Single Group for those who have never been married meets the fourth Tuesday, also in the Calvin Room, from 7 until 9 p.m.

New Start for widows and widowers meets every other Thursday in room A-15 from 7:30 until 9 p.m. For more information, call 422-1150.

SINGLE POINT MINISTRIES of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road at Six Mile in Livonia, invites you to join over 450 single adults every Sunday morning at 10:45 a.m. for fellowship and encouragement.

Reverend Paul Clough delivers messages to help singles in their life struggles. Coffee, donuts, conversation and Christ are always present.

SPM has a program and activity for every age group and every life situation.

Single Parents meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m. in the Calvin Room. This group offers support, fun, fellowship, vacations and other activities. Free child care is available.

Single Point also offers other groups which are open to all singles.

For further information about Single Point Min-

istries call 313) 422-1854.

FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONALS is a non-profit group for singles ages 25-40 who share common interests and want to form new friendships. Membership is not limited to the Farmington area. The group participates in over 350 activities per year. Every Monday night the group meets at the Maples of Novi on Fourteen Mile Road for coffee, pinocle and dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$7 for members and \$8 for non-members. Cash bar and munchies are available.

Wallyball begins at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesdays at Racquetball Farmington on Nine Mile west of Farmington Road. The cost for one hour is \$4 for members and \$6 for non-members.

For details on upcoming activities and information about Farmington Single Professionals call the FSP hot line at (810) 851-9989.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS INC., an international, non-profit, non-sectarian, educational organization devoted to the welfare and interest of single parents and their children, meets every second Friday of the month at 8 p.m. (7:30 p.m. for orientation for new members), in the small banquet room at 300 Bowl, 100 South Cass Lake Road in Waterford. Orientation for prospective members takes place at 8:30 p.m. The cost is \$4 for members and \$5 for non-members.

For more information, call (313) 383-2473.

The **CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB OF DETROIT** is for single Catholics 21 and older who have bachelors degrees and are free to marry in the Catholic Church. For more information call (810) 271-4213.

CHRISTIAN SINGLES TODAY, an outreach ministry of Anchor Bay Fellowship, 35520 Grand River, Suite 344 in Farmington Hills, is a full-Gospel, spirit-filled, born-again, faith-filled fellowship, offering a program for singles and those who are single again. Bring a friend and let's have fun. A donation is suggested. Call (810) 615-1280 for more information.



Submitted photo

AnnaMary Postma (from left), Margaret Gill, Hazel Coon, Ethel Ogilvie and Marie Barr were among the 19 volunteers who attended the Arbor Center's training program in February.

Arbor Center to open

By CAROL WORKENS
Staff Writer

Although officially opening March 31, the new Arbor Center—Bereavement Services for Children, Teens and Adults has already begun receiving phone calls from those suffering the loss of a loved one.

The Arbor Center, an outreach of Arbor Hospice - Home Care and Care-ousel, will offer information about grief support groups and individual counseling.

"This bereavement (service) is for anyone whether they had hospice or not, or whether they had Arbor or Angela," said Norma Peltz, the marketing coordinator for Arbor Center and a Northville resident for 25 years. "It is open to anyone who is grieving."

The center will be staffed by trained volunteers during the week. The volunteers will take telephone questions and try to arrange

support group memberships for callers. They'll also attempt to form new support groups where needed.

Among the 19 perspective volunteers who gathered at Genitt's Hole-in-the-Wall for an all-day information and training session on Feb. 28 were Northville residents AnnaMary Postma, Margaret Gill, Hazel Coon, Ethel Ogilvie and Marie Barr. Another training day is scheduled for April 11.

Volunteers are taught how to talk to callers and how to be empathic listeners. "We have almost 400 volunteers in Arbor Hospice alone," Peltz said. "Our nucleus in Northville will probably be about 30 to 35."

The Director of Adult Bereavement at the new center, Kathy Clough, has 11 years experience. Sally Downing, ACSW, is the director of children's services.

Adult services are offered free of charge. Children's individual coun-

seling is provided by certified social workers and scholarships are available.

"Laughing on the Outside," a comedy showcase to benefit the center, will be held on Sunday, April 13, at Genitt's Hole-in-the-Wall, 108 E. Main Street in Northville. There will be two seatings, 5:30 and 6:45 p.m.

The dinner/show tickets are \$50 per person. The fund-raiser is open to the community. The deadline to purchase tickets is April 1. The evening will feature Genitt's home-style dinner and performances by local comedians and celebrities.

Arbor Center will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1 until 4 p.m. For more information, call (810) 348-4980 or 1-800-783-5764.

Arbor Hospice is a non-profit hospice agency serving Wayne, Oakland, Livingston, Lenawee and Washtenaw counties for 13 years.

Hospital offers classes for patients and their partners

Over 35,000 Michigan residents live with Parkinson's disease, a slowly progressive disorder that gradually steals control of the part of the nervous system that governs movement, posture, balance and walking. For those with this condition, it is a devastating diagnosis, but now an innovative program offered at Botsford General Hospital is giving help and hope to those with Parkinson's and those who care about them.

This month, Health Development Network at Botsford will present a comprehensive seven-week program, "Living With and Understanding Parkinson's," for people with the disease and their "care partners." The only program of its kind in southeastern Michigan, "Living With and Understanding Parkinson's" focuses on a positive approach to coping with the disease. The program will feature noted experts who will discuss such aspects as managing common symptoms; types of treatments; the use of medication; cop-

ing techniques; nutrition; and physical and speech therapy. "Living With and Understanding Parkinson's" is cosponsored by the Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

"This program really provides people with Parkinson's and their loved ones valuable resources and a forum in which they can hear information in an easily digestible manner and can feel comfortable asking questions and discussing their concerns," said Deborah Orloff-Davidson, RN, director of HDN.

The program runs on consecutive Wednesdays, through April 30, 1-3 p.m., at HDN, 39750 Grand River, in Novi. The cost is \$40 per person or couple. Preregistration is required. For more information or to register, call HDN at (810) 477-6100.

Parkinson's Disease Fact Sheet • Parkinson's disease is a slowly progressive disorder caused by damage to cells in the region of the brain that governs control of movement.

• The symptoms have a severe impact on the well-being of the person diagnosed with Parkinson's, as well as on the person's family members.

• Parkinson's strikes more people than multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy and Lou Gehrig's disease combined.

• Parkinson's affects 35,000 people in Michigan and about 2 percent of the population over age 60 nationally.

• U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno, Michigan Supreme Court Justice Dorothy Constock Riley and the Rev. Billy Graham are among the better-known people diagnosed with Parkinson's.

• Parkinson's is not preventable nor generally hereditary; there are, however, several highly effective medications to relieve symptoms in most patients.

• Continuing research offers new hope in the development of effective treatments for Parkinson's disease and understanding its causes and prevention.

Church Notes

For the Celebration of Easter Services schedule, see page 1A.

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH, 46325 Ten Mile Road in Novi, will have an Easter Egg Hunt for parish children ages six and under on Saturday, March 29, at 10 a.m. Register by calling the church office.

The youth of The First United Methodist Church of Northville will perform *Aud Jesus Said* on Monday, April 14, at 7 p.m. at St. James Church.

For more information call the church at 347-7778.

The theme for April at **OAK POINTE CHURCH**, a new, contemporary, non-denominational church which meets for a one-hour service at 10 a.m. in the Northville High School Auditorium at 775 North Center Street, will be "Stories of Changed Lives" with former Tiger pitcher Frank Tanana on April 6. There will be a live band, coffee and baked goods. There will also be children's programs for ages newborn through 11.

For more information, call Bob Shirrock at (810) 626-0372.

CHURCH OF TODAY WEST, which meets at Village Oaks Elementary School at 23333 Willowbrook in Novi, offers Sunday services and Youth Education at 9 and 11 a.m.

For more information, call the church at (810) 473-0700.

The atmosphere is casual and all are welcome at the spiritual adventure at **NEW SONG COMMUNITY CHURCH**, which meets at Walled Lake Middle School on Fontaine Trail near Beck Road.

For more information, call the church office at (810) 926-1512.

NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH, which meets in the former Plymouth Wesleyan Church at 42290 Five Center Street, is looking for singers and musicians to participate in Sunday morning services from 10 until 11 a.m.

If you are interested, call music director Don Austin at (313) 823-7700 or (313) 451-0714. For more information contact New Life Lutheran Church Pastor Ken Roberts at (313) 459-8181.

Do you have news to share?

Have you recently become engaged? Newly betrothed? Or are you proud new parents? Are you celebrating a big anniversary? Send the information and picture if you have one to The Northville Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main

Street, Northville, MI 48167, or stop by the office and pick up a birth, engagement or wedding announcement form and we'll see to it that your happy news appears in the paper. There is no charge.

On Campus

BRIAN DAVID SHELTON of Novi was named to The Founders Day Honors List for the first semester, 1996-97, at Indiana University-Bloomington.

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Actors star in comedy

The lives of four men who are mentally challenged are explored with warmth and humor in *The Boys Next Door*, opening Friday, April 11, at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia.

Northville resident Jason Birkby plays Lucien, while Dan Gurnina of Redford in the role of Arnold, Gary Brda of Westland as Norman and Mark Barrera of Royal Oak as Barry live as a family, sharing hopes, problems, and ambitions as well as an apartment.

Their social worker, Jack, played by Randy Coble of Novi, is assigned to help them live successfully, but it's hard to tell who is helping whom as Jack copes with job burnout and contemplates a change of careers.

The comedy by Tom Griffith was first produced in 1986 by the McCarter Theatre Company in Princeton, N.J., and later opened in New York City. The Trinity House Theatre production of *The Boys Next Door* runs through May 3, with performances on Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Sunday afternoons at 4 p.m.

Also in the cast are Bob Ketterer of Northville, Laura Gurnina of Redford, Beth Temple of Royal Oak and Patricia Hughes of Royal Oak. Trudy Mason of Dearborn is the show's director and the producer is Elizabeth Bradford of Plymouth.

Tickets are priced at \$8 and may



Novi resident Randy Coble (left) plays Jack in "The Boys Next Door" with Gary Brda, Dan Gurnina, Jason Birkby of Northville in the role of Lucien, and Mark Barrera at Trinity House.

be purchased by calling (313) 464-6302. Trinity House is located at 38840 West Six Mile Road in Livonia. Group rates are available.

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Entertainment listing

Normal: Submit items for the entertainment listings to The Northville Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167, or fax to 349-1050.

AUDITIONS

TRAVELING MUSIC SHOW: Auditions for energetic college-age and high school students only are set for April 10, 11 and 17 at Waterford Oaks County Park from 4 until 7 p.m.

Traveling Music Show hopefuls must sing 16 bars from two contrasting songs and be prepared to dance as part of their audition.

Rehearsals begin early in May with contracts running June 16 through Aug. 16. This is a paid position.

Waterford Oaks County Park is on Scott Lake Road between Dixie Highway and Pontiac Lake Road. Auditions will take place at the park's Lookout Lodge.

To schedule an audition, contact Dunleavy at (810) 858-4647.

AUTHENTIC BRITISH BRASS BAND: The Motor City Brass Band is conducting interviews for percussion and BB flat tuba (treble clef) musicians.

Rehearsals are held on Mondays from 7:30 until 9:30 p.m. with engagements usually twice a month on weekends or in the evenings.

For more information or to schedule an audition, call founder John Aren at (313) 531-7389.

SPECIAL EVENTS

BENEFIT BUFFET BREAKFAST: A benefit buffet breakfast for the Northville playhouse project is being held at the Raven Gallery and Acoustic Cafe every Sunday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. The Raven is located on Center Street one block north of Main Street in Northville.

COOKING CLASSES: Kitchen Glamour continues its series of cooking classes. April classes include "Casseroles with Hearty International Flavors" on April 8 at 1 and 6:30 p.m., "Hugh Carpenter Wakes into Summer Cooking" on April 13 at 1 p.m., "Rice - Risotto - Sweet and Savory" on April 15 at 6:30 p.m., "Sweet and Savory Quick Breads" on April 22 at 6:30 p.m., "Mother's Day Brunch" on April 28 at 6:30 p.m., and "Main Course Salads with Infused Dressings" on April 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Some classes are \$3 each per person.

For more information, call (810) 380-8600.

MORE COOKING CLASSES:

The Kitchen Witch presents cooking classes, including "Cooking a Turkey from Tip to Tail," with Maestro Ernesto and Chef Steve on April 8.

Classes are held from 7 until 9 p.m. and are complete each week. Preregistration and payment are required. Each class is \$30.

The Kitchen Witch is located at 134 East Main Street in Northville.

For more information, call (810) 348-0488.

PERFORMER'S SHOWCASE: The public is invited to attend the Performer's Showcase performances held prior to select city council meetings in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. On occasion, performances may be taped by Times Warner and cablecast to residents.

Musicians, actors, poets, dancers, etc., are invited to submit application forms and audition tapes, if available, to the Novi Arts Council.

For details, contact the arts council at 347-0400.

CARRIAGE RIDES: Northville Carriage Co. offers carriage rides throughout the year and packages for holidays and special occasions.

For more information or reservations, call Northville Carriage Co. at 380-3961.

THEATER

TIMBERS SEAFOOD GRILLE: Timbers, the home of Business Comedy Club, is located at 40380 Grand River west of Haggerty Road in Novi.

For ticket information, call (313) 724-1300.

MARQUIS: Pooch Visits Storyland returns with live stage performances through April 27. The performance time is 2:30 p.m.

Children younger than 3-years-old will not be admitted.

The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main Street in downtown Northville.

For general ticket information and for teachers to arrange for special school performance times and rates, call the theater at (810) 349-8110.

MUSIC

THE RAVEN GALLERY & ACOUSTIC CAFE: The Raven will present open mike night on Wednesdays, all acoustic music, string instruments, horns and some jazz on Thursday through Saturday evenings.

Upcoming performances include Jan Krist on March 27; Tim Diaz "Spunk" on March 28; The Immigrants on March 29; Terry Conda on April 4; Mike McNevin on April 5; and Southern Son on April 6.

The Raven is located at 145 N. Center Street in downtown Northville.

For ticket information or reservations, call 349-9420.

MR. B'S FARM: Tim Flaherty hosts a blues jam every Tuesday from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Mr. B's Farm is located at Novi Road north of Ten Mile.

For more information, call 349-7038.

OXFORD INN: The Oxford Inn is located at 43317 Grand River in Novi.

For more information, call (810) 305-5856.

COUNTRY EPIQUE RESTAURANT: The restaurant offers two non-smoking dining rooms and a smoking dining/lounge area.

Country Epique Restaurant is located at 42050 Grand River in Novi.

For details, call (810) 349-7770.

TUSCAN CAFE: Tuscan Cafe presents a variety of entertainment nightly except Sundays.

Weekly performances are from 8:30 to 10 p.m. First the Wednesday blues jam from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Tuscan Cafe is located at 150 Center Street in Northville.

For more information, call 305-8629.

CAFFE BRAVO: Caffe Bravo features the talents of many artists performing everything from classical guitar, jazz and blues to contemporary and folk music every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The cafe is located at 110 Main-Centre in downtown Northville.

Call 344-0220 for details.

FRIGATES INN: Frigates offers live music every Tuesday at 8 p.m. featuring 2XL Band. The Sunset Blues Band will host the Wednesday blues jam from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. All musicians are welcome.

Dance with The Globe at 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

Frigates Inn is located at the corner of Fourteen Mile and East Lake Drive in Novi.

For more information, (810) 624-9607.

COCKTAILS: 31735 Plymouth Road in Livonia, offers live entertainment.

Larry Nozaro and Friends perform intimate jazz from 8-11 p.m. on Mondays.

Ron DePalma plays jazz piano from 7-11 p.m. every Tuesday featuring a wide variety of guest performers. Guest singers are welcome.

Scrolling musicians David and Francesco entertain diners on the accordion, mandolin and guitar from 6:30-10:30 p.m. Thursdays. On Friday and Saturday Ron DePalma performs.

For more information, call (313) 261-2430.

ART

GATE VI GALLERY: The Plain Air Society will exhibit works from the summer of 1996 at the Novi Civic Center now through April 14.

Media will include water media, pastel, mixed media, monotype, oil and colored pencil. Northville locations represented in this exhibition include Mill Race Village and several local residential gardens.

Local artists interested in exhibiting at the Civic Center should call (810) 347-0400.

Exhibits are in the atrium of the Civic Center for viewing during the hours that the Civic Center is open.

NEARBY

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Ghost takes brother's team from worst to first

Just as college basketball star Antoine Tyler (Kadeem Hardison) is about to realize his dream of making it to the NCAA Championships, he dies, leaving his younger brother Kenny (Marlon Wayans) to lead the perennially last placed Washington Huskies to victory.

Heartbroken, Kenny loses his drive to win until Antoine's ghost appears, determined to take his team from worst to first.

Although nobody except Kenny can see or hear Antoine's wisecracking, prankster ghost, sports reporter R.C. St. John (Michael Michele) is determined to discover the reason behind the miraculous comeback the Huskies make following the slump that was triggered by Antoine's death.

As the team dribbles and slam dunks its way to the championship, the outcome is both comedic and heartfelt as Kenny comes to realize he must ask "The Sixth Man" to leave the team so he and his teammates can play fair and square, in Touchstone Pictures' comedy "The Sixth Man."

A Mandeville Films Production, "The Sixth Man" is a Randall Miller Film, directed by Randall Miller, produced by David Hoberman, written by Christopher Reed and Cynthia Carle. Executive producer is Jody Savin. Buena Vista Pictures distributes.

From the earliest stages of gestation of "The Sixth Man," producer David Hoberman had very definite ideas about who he wanted cast to play the story's main characters. Kenny Tyler and his brother Antoine. "I always wanted to work with Marlon Wayans and Kadeem Hardison as a team and this seemed the perfect opportunity," Hoberman says. "The script is magical and uplifting," he continues. "But it has so many other qualities: comedy, drama, emotion and sports, all rolled into one, and I thought Kadeem and Marlon

were exactly right for the roles. It's very rare in this business that you end up with the people you set out to get."

For Marlon Wayans, the youngest sibling in a family of celebrated brothers and sisters, the role of Kenny was familiar ground. "Kenny's very much like myself. He's a little brother and as such he's often placed in his older brother's shadow. I'm kin to three stars, Damon, Keenen and Kim, and I'm working to make my way and find my identity. So it was easy for me to relate to the character."

Kadeem Hardison, best known to audiences for his seven years co-starring as Dwayne Wayne on the popular sitcom "A Different World," has his own insights into the ghostly Antoine, whom he plays in "The Sixth Man."

"As the leader of the team, he's basically a good guy, but he wants everyone to do things his way. Meanwhile, he wants to make every shot and win the big game. He loves the pressure of it, because that's when he's in the spotlight. He's a little arrogant, and now, he's died before he gets to live out his dream of an NCAA championship. There's unfinished business for him. More than about basketball, the movie reveals what can happen when you lose someone close to you."

Wayans adds, "The movie is about Kenny learning to deal with grief and becoming a man. When his brother Antoine dies, Kenny is scared, lonely and confused. He's a kid, but he doesn't have the initiative to be the star athlete that Antoine was. So he's dealing not only with the loss of his brother, but also with the reality that all his life, he's been his brother's shadow and he doesn't know how to live any other way. He thinks he can't go on. This movie is about finding self-confidence and becoming a man."



In Touchstone Pictures' new comedy "The Sixth Man," Kadeem Hardison (center) is Washington Huskies' basketball superstar Antoine Tyler — who dies just before reaching his goal of making it to the NCAA Championships.

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BY HEATHER WADOWSKI
NORTHVILLE

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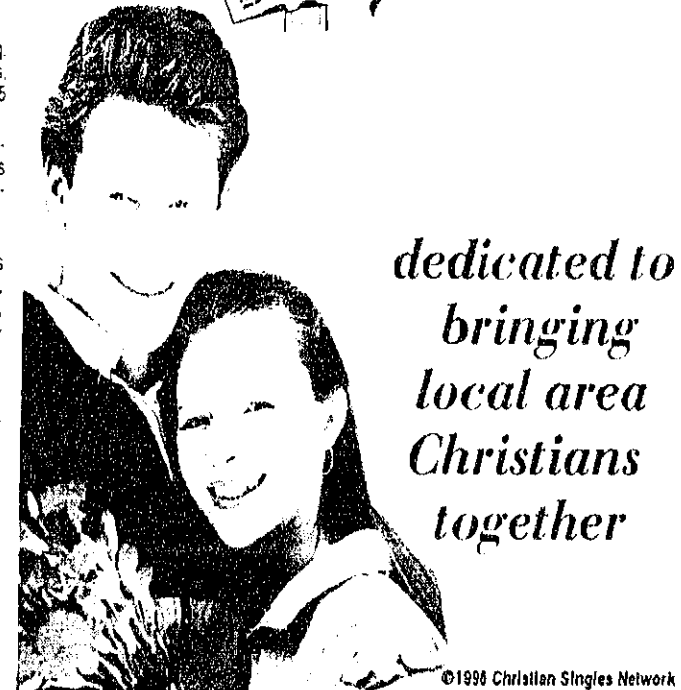
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the NOVI NEWS Sports

Drury named to top area v-ball squad

The teams represented in Hometown Newspapers' East All-Area Volleyball First Team are highly competitive and for the most part, very evenly matched. The teams are much more aggressive than they used to be and continue to be competitive with each other.

This year's first team is led by skilled hitters and smart athletes. South Lyon's Laura Gilga and Novi's Lindsay Drury were among area leaders in kills. Each one of the First Team members rank in the top 20 in at least one category, such as kills, aces or blocks.

South Lyon's pair of Gilga and Jill Summerlee and a representative from Lakeland, Milford, Novi and Northville round out the area's first team.

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ALL AREA VOLLEYBALL		
First Team		
Name	Grade	School
LINDSAY DRURY	SR	NOVI
DANIELLE JASKOTT	SR	NORTHVILLE
JILL SUMMERLEE	SR	SOUTH LYON
LAURA GILGA	SR	SOUTH LYON
LINDSAY DALE	SR	MILFORD
TAMARA DOMINICK	SR	LAKELAND
Second Team		
Name	Grade	School
LINDA SALZYNSKI	JR	LAKELAND
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AMANDA DEKKER	SR	NORTHVILLE
SARAH MCGILLEN	SR	NOVI
ERIN POKORA	SR	MILFORD
MELISSA LAWSON	SOPH	SOUTH LYON
Honorable Mention		
Northville - Kara Kalso, Lauren Metaj, Melissa Poole		
Novi - Sara Howell		
South Lyon - Tanya Roth, Stacy Hover		
Milford - Elaine Smith		

Sarah McGilgen made our all-area volleyball second team.

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Wildcat senior on 2nd team

Picking All-Area squads is never easy. No matter whom is chosen there's always another athlete that legitimately could've gone on the first unit.

This year's Hometown Newspapers' East All-Area Volleyball Second Team has a roster full of those types of players. Start with a pair of players from Northville.

Most years, Ashley Ossola and Amanda Dekker would've made our first team. Ossola was voted one of the top players in Wayne County while Dekker was a major spark plug for the Mustangs.

Sarah McGilgen of Novi, Melissa Lawson of South Lyon, Linda Salzynski of Lakeland and Erin Pokora of Milford were excellent players as well. Perhaps a more appropriate name for this group would be 'Hometown Newspapers' East All-Area Volleyball 1A Team.'

At any rate, here's a closer look at each player.

LINDA SALZYNSKI
Lakeland, senior
Defensive specialist served 66 aces as the team's most aggressive server. She also added 112 kills.

"She's the best passer on the team," coach Dave Montgomery said, "and the best defensive player I have. She's very dedicated."

In addition to receiving first team All-Kensington Valley Conference honors, Salzynski led the team to a 15-5 record in regular season.

Salzynski was a three-year varsity player for Montgomery.

ERIN POKORA
Milford, senior
Pokora, a setter, led the Redskins with 450 assists and 135 assists for kills. She also

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Roundball Royalty

Kearney makes first unit

This year's Hometown Newspapers' East All-Area Basketball First Team is vertically challenged, no ifs ands or buts.

At 6-foot 5-inches tall, South Lyon's Steve White is the tallest player on our first team. You might say our first unit features Steve White and the four dwarfs.

But, heck, size isn't everything... even in roundball. Especially when you've got talent.

Start with Kensington Valley Conference player of the year Nick Demester. The senior guard averaged nearly 13 points per game as well as being one of the area's best three-point shooters.

Speaking of shooters, Novi's Kyle Kearney could fill it up with the best of them. Northville junior Dave Terakides also showed he was one of the area's best scorers.

So while this year's all-area team doesn't need to step in the big and tall section, it's still a fine collection of talent. Here's a closer look at our 1997 first unit:

Photo by AL WARD

ALL AREA BASKETBALL		
First Team		
Name	Grade	School
STEVE WHITE	SR	SOUTH LYON
NICK DEMESTER	SR	KENSINGTON VALLEY
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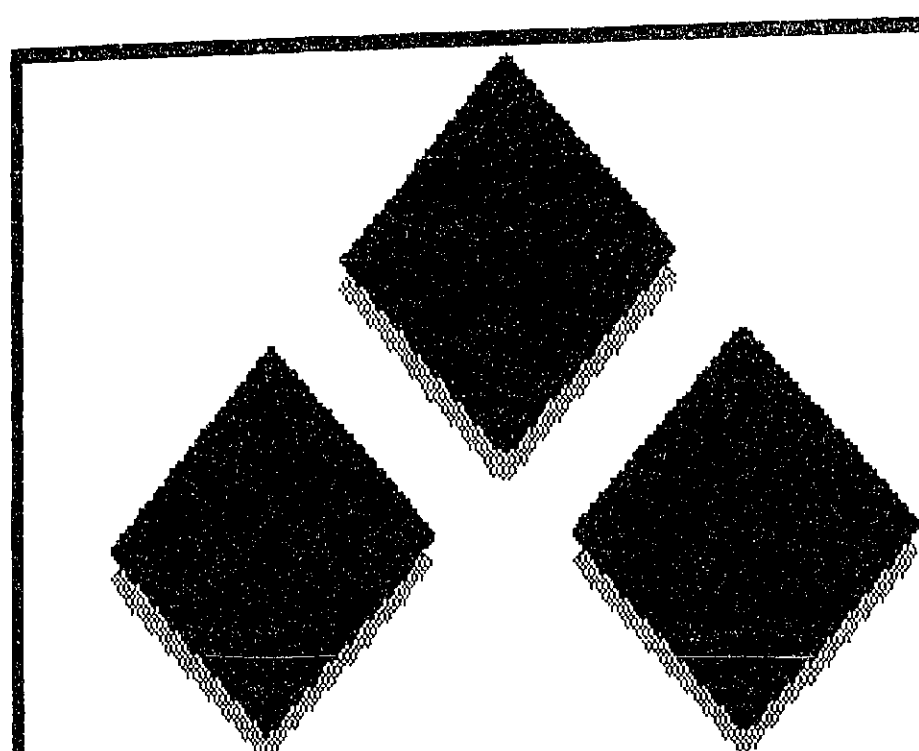
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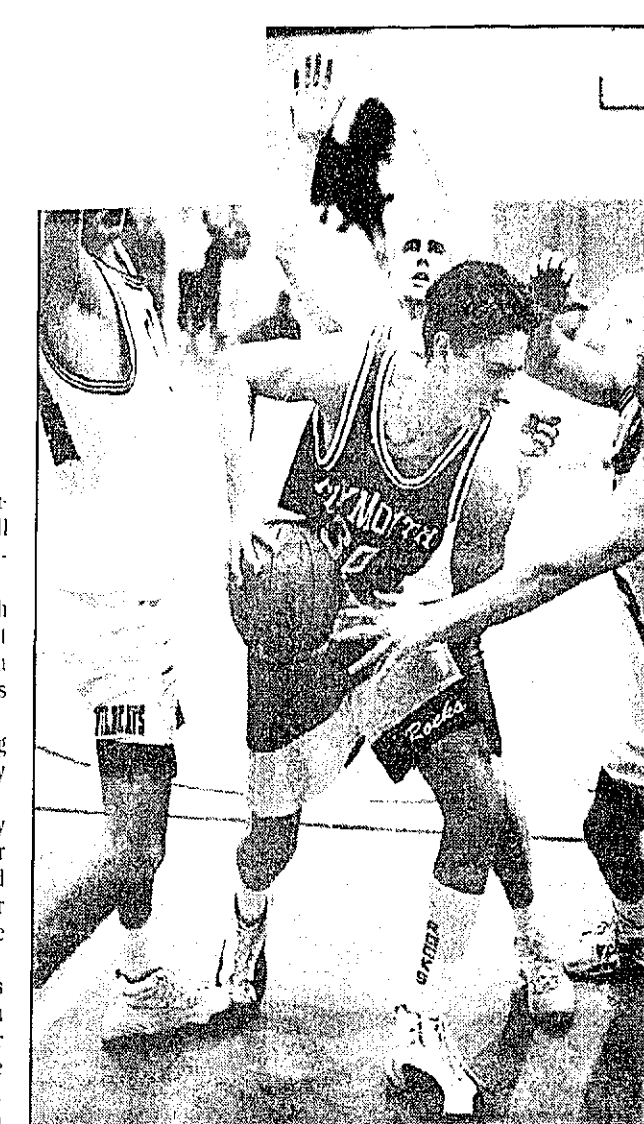
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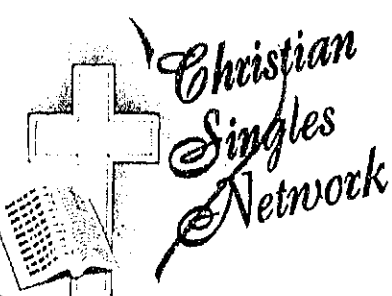
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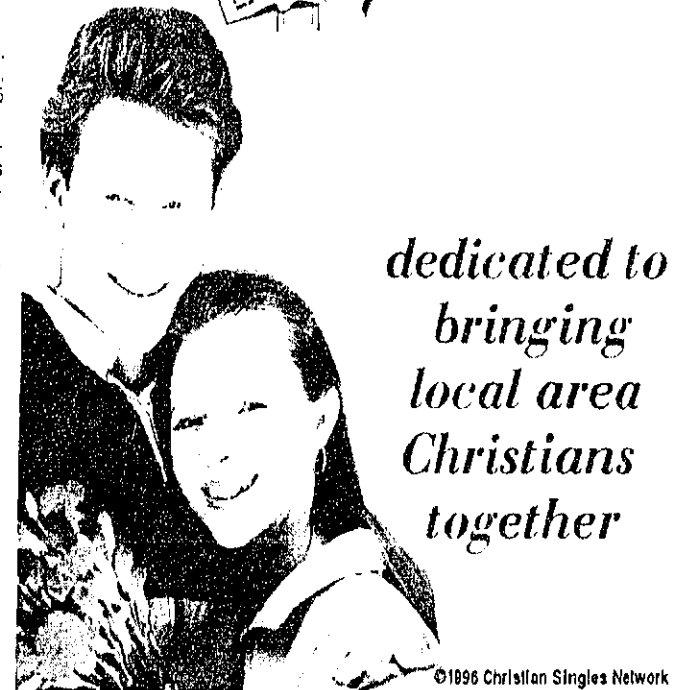
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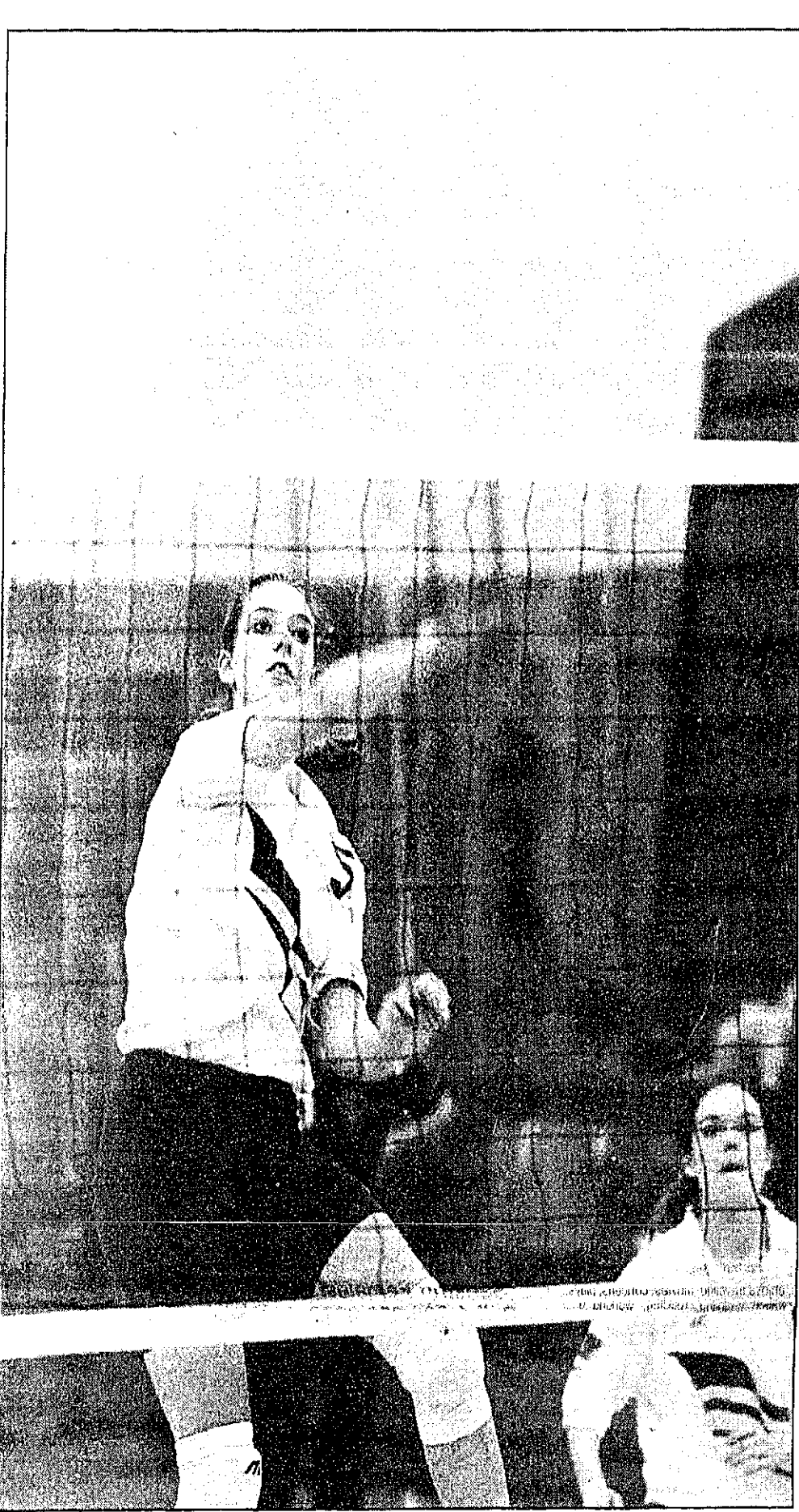
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Drury named to top area v-ball squad

The teams represented in Hometown Newspapers' East All-Area Volleyball First Team are highly competitive and for the most part, very evenly matched. The teams are much more aggressive than they used to be and continue to be competitive with each other.

This year's first team is led by skilled hitters and smart athletes. South Lyon's Laura Gilga and Novi's Lindsay Drury were among area leaders in kills. Each one of the first team members rank in the top 20 in at least one category, such as kills, aces or blocks.

South Lyon's pair of Gilga and Jill Summerlee and a representative from Lakeland, Milford, Novi and Northville round out the area's first team.



Sarah McGlinnen was our all-area volleyball second team.

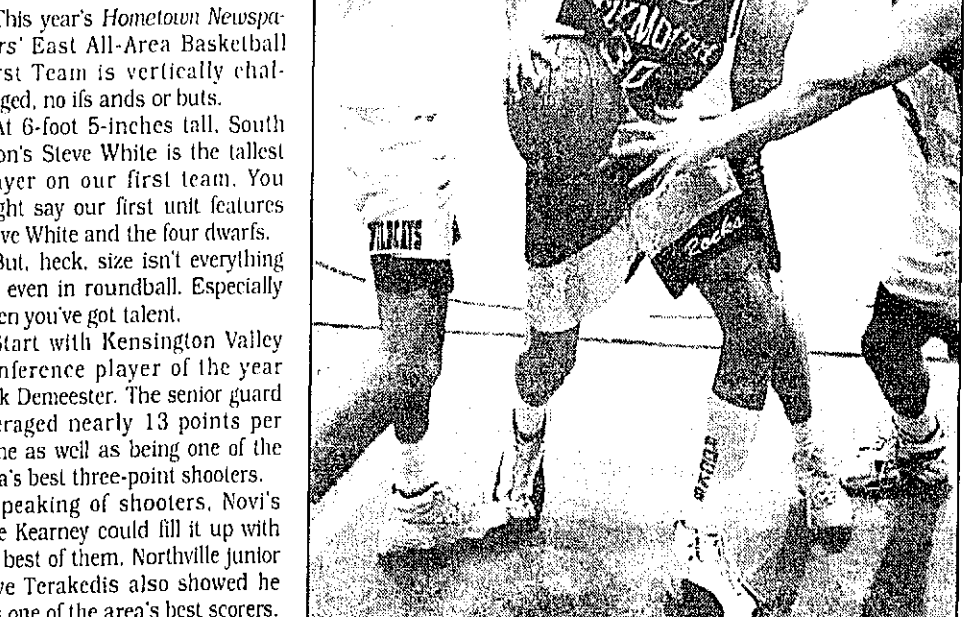
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ALL AREA VOLLEYBALL		
First Team		
Name	Grade	School
LINDSAY DRURY	SR	NOVI
DANIELLE JASKOTT	SR	NORTHVILLE
JILL SUMMERLEE	SR	SOUTH LYON
LAURA GILGA	SR	SOUTH LYON
LINDSAY DALE	SR	MILFORD
TAMARA DOMINICK	SR	LAKELAND
Second Team		
Name	Grade	School
LINDA SALZYNSKI	SR	LAKELAND
ASHLEY OSSOLA	SR	NORTHVILLE
AMANDA DEKKER	SR	NORTHVILLE
SARAH MCGLINNEN	SR	NOVI
ERIN POKORA	SR	MILFORD
MELISSA LAWSON	SOPH	SOUTH LYON

Honorable Mention
Northville - Karla Kalso, Lauren Metaj, Meissa Poole
Novi - Sara Heusel
South Lyon - Tanya Roth, Stacy Hoyer
Milford - Elaine Smith

Roundball Royalty

Kearney makes first unit



Pat Lyskawa (far left) and Ivan Sader (far right) made honorable mention for Hometown Newspapers' All-Area Basketball.

Edmunds lands on 2nd team

This season's Hometown Newspapers' East All-Area Basketball Second Team is loaded with talented athletes, all of whom could have easily qualified as candidates for the first team.

Beginning with Lakeland's James Saylor, whose vertical jump puffed crowds with several dunks throughout the season, to the rock-solid Jeff Arenz, averaging 12 points a game for Northville, there is enough athleticism on this team to go head to head with most any team around.

Taking a look at this season's second team:

JAMES SAYLOR
Lakeland, forward
With a vertical jump of 36 inches, Saylor was the most athletic Eagle on the squad.

"I don't think I'll coach another kid that can jump like he can jump," coach Randy Wilkins said. "He is a very gifted athlete. He had 10 dunks this year."

Saylor, at 6-foot-11-inches tall, can not only reverse dunk, but can shoot from the floor as well. He averaged 8.3 points per game and hit 14 triples. He also averaged nine rebounds per game for the Eagles.

"When he scored in double figures for us we usually won," Wilkins said.

BILL NASH
Milford, forward
On most teams the athletic Nash would've been a starter. But at coach Don Palmer's request Nash came off the bench for the Redskins and he turned into the top reserve in the KVC.

"I think he understood (coming off the bench) but I don't think he liked it," Palmer said. "If the KVC would have had a sixth man of the year he would've been it."

Nash might not have been in the starting lineup but he was always on the floor at crunch time. He was named to the all-KVC second team after averaging 10.6 points and 5.2 rebounds per game.

With Milford's other talented offensive weapons drawing attention from opposing teams, the 6-foot-3-inch Nash often took advantage of the mismatches he was presented.

"He was an exceptionally tough cover," Palmer said. "He's our tallest kid and one of our quickest and he's a good ball-handler. Usually he drew a defender that he could just abuse."

KRIS LAMONTAGNE
South Lyon, guard
LaMontagne has been one of South Lyon's best defensive players over the last two seasons, coach Ron Shanks said.

"He's probably our best athlete when it comes to quickness," Shanks said.

LaMontagne led the team in blocked shots and offensively, put up 12 triples for the Lions in his senior campaign. He was also a co-captain of this season's squad.

Wildcat senior on 2nd team

Picking All-Area squads is never easy. No matter whom is chosen there's always another athlete that legitimately could've gone on the first unit.

This year's Hometown Newspapers' East All-Area Volleyball Second Team has a roster full of those types of players. Start with a pair of players from Northville.

Most years, Ashley Ossola and Amanda Dekker would've made our first team. Ossola was voted one of the top players in Wayne County while Dekker was a major spark plug for the Mustangs.

Sarah McGlinnen of Novi, Melissa Lawson of South Lyon, Linda Salzynski of Lakeland and Erin Pokora of Milford were excellent players as well. Perhaps a more appropriate name for this group would be "Hometown Newspapers' East All-Area Volleyball 1A Team."

At any rate, here's a closer look at each player:

LINDA SALZYNSKI
Lakeland, senior
Defensive specialist served 66 aces as the team's most aggressive server. She also added 112 kills.

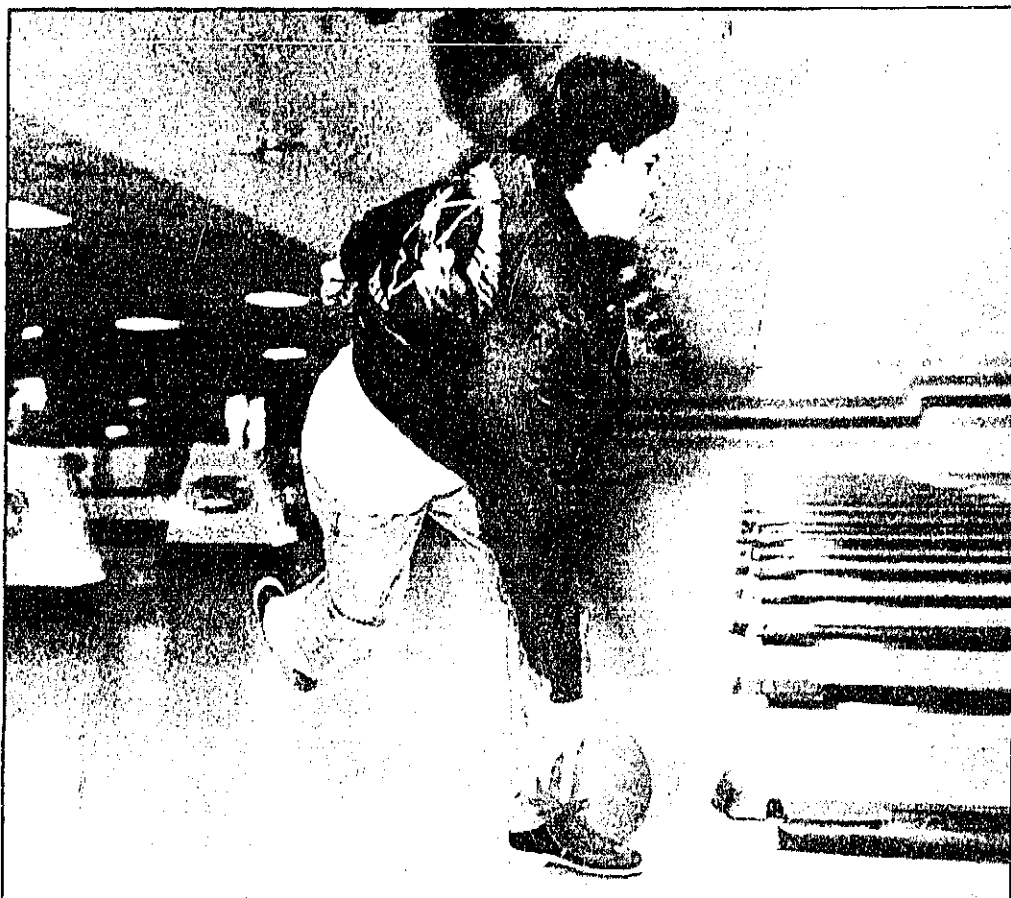
"She's the best passer on the team," coach Dave Montgomery said, "and the best defensive player I have. She's very dedicated."

In addition to receiving first team All-Kensington Valley Conference honors, Salzynski led the way fifth in the area in service aces.

Salzynski was a three-year varsity player for Montgomery.

ERIN POKORA
Milford, setter, led the Redskins with 450 assists attempts and 135 assists for kills. She also

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Darin Flores of Novi recently bowled a perfect 300 game. He also plays baseball and football.

Flores bowls 300 game

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

Who says dads don't give good advice? Certainly not Novi resident Darin Flores. His father, John, changed his delivery a few years ago and the 15-year-old has been throwing strikes ever since.

"I use to throw a straight ball," said Darin, a sophomore at Novi High. "My dad started me throwing a hook. He thought it would improve my game. He said it would give my ball a better angle to knock the pins down."

DARIN FLORES
Local bowler

Flores used that hook shot to toss a perfect game back in January. He threw 12 straight strikes at Cloverlanes in Livonia for 300 in a Sunday league match.

"I didn't get nervous until the last frame," said Darin, who added that he starts off a lot of games with two or three strikes.

Flores said he didn't think about throwing a perfect game until after throwing 10 straight. With two balls left, he had to throw two strikes to reach 300.

The right hander's 11th shot looked past the head pin and hit the pocket on the "breakdown" side. Two pins wobbled before falling down.

Flores said he relaxed after seeing the five and eight pins fall. The 12th and final shot was a perfect strike. Darin's 300 eclipsed his dad's own 298 thrown last year. The younger Flores previous best was a 257.

"I did that in the state tournament in Bay City," he said.

Flores began bowling at the age of 4. His first game was a 67, although he admits he was aided with "bumpers" that prevented gutter balls.

From there, he began bowling in leagues. He's competed in both Saturdays and Sunday leagues since the age of 7.

Darin comes from a bowling family. Both his father and mother, Jean, bowl two to three

"I use to throw a straight ball. My dad started me throwing a hook. He thought it would improve my game. He said it would give my ball a better angle to knock the pins down."

days a week in their own leagues. Flores said his parents are pretty good, too, both having thrown games well over 200.

Despite his heavy involvement with the sport over the years, Flores said he never gets burned out.

"I enjoy it," he added. "I enjoy the competition with the other kids."

Flores bowls at Drake's Lane in Farmington Hills on Saturdays. He takes his shots at Cloverlanes in Livonia on Sunday.

The season at both establishments is winding down. Leagues typically start in late August and run through April.

Flores said he's looking forward to competing in this year's state finals next month. He'll compete individually and in a team with some friends.

Last year, his team placed second. He was 100th in singles and his doubles team was 220th.

He's hoping to improve on each showing in Muskegon next month.

Flores will also play junior varsity baseball for Novi High. With all of the practice throwing, you'd think he'd be a pitcher. But Flores plays the outfield.

"I don't have enough control to pitch," he said.

Drury makes top v-ball unit

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for three years at the varsity level. She was also named to the 1997 All League Keweenaw Valley Conference team.

LINDSAY DALE
Milford, junior

First on the team with 80 kills and second with 100 digs, Dale definitely earned her spot on the First Team.

An outside hitter, Dale also served up 30 aces and had 47 blocks, including 11 solo blocks. She was also named to the 1997 All League Keweenaw Valley Conference team.

"Lindsay is by far my best overall player," coach Lisa Ebert said. "She's got a great senior year ahead of her."

Dale was a co-captain of this season's squad.

LINDSAY DRURY
Novi, senior

If you were looking for one word to describe Drury, intensity might be the right choice. The senior was Novi's leader both emotionally and on the court.

"Lindsay epitomizes the meaning of the word athlete," said coach Julie Fiset. "She was my leader on and off the court."

Drury led the Wildcats in both kills and digs. A two-year starter and three-year varsity player, she was named to the Keweenaw Valley Conference's all-league squad.

Drury played outside hitter and middle blocker. Besides her considerable physical skills, Fiset said she was always in the

game mentally. "She's a very smart athlete," the coach said. "She knows the court and knows where people are."

That is pretty good considering her goal for the season was 100.

Giga was the team's second primary passer behind Jill Summerlee and was a consistent 92 percent serving. She led the Lions with 199 service points.

A co-captain, along with Summerlee, she was named to the All-Keweenaw Valley Conference first team.

JILL SUMMERLEE
South Lyon, senior

This season's Lions' team was designed around defensive specialist Summerlee. South Lyon is a small team and Baldwin designed the team around her talented passing game.

"I haven't done that with anyone else in a long time," he said. "But it worked."

Summerlee served for 86.5 percent and had 17.6 percent average, although she didn't serve as often as she would have liked.

Baldwin made the decision early in the season to put Summerlee at the end of the rotation. "Early in the year she asked me about the rotation," he said. "I wanted to have her serve more too, but the rotation worked better with her serving last and she understood."

Summerlee made the first team All-Keweenaw Valley Conference in addition to being among the area leaders in aces. She was also a team co-captain with Giga.

Standing at 5-foot-6-inches tall, coach Ed Baldwin says Giga plays much taller than she is. "She plays a lot taller," he said.

Giga is among area leaders in kills and led the team with 161.

Laura Murray, the Mustangs' best player.

The junior led Northville in kills with 210 and was also in the top three in serving aces and defensive digs. Ossola also had a hitting average (kills/errors) of better than 50 percent.

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led the team serving with 89 percent accuracy. She was second on the team with 70 digs.

"Erin just had a great attitude," coach Lisa Ebert said. "She was great all-around, even though we were a bit out of sync. She's a great role model."

Pikera, a co-captain this season with junior Lindsay Dale, received an honorable mention in the Keweenaw Valley Conference voting.

SARAH MCGLENN
Novi, senior

A middle blocker, McGlennen was second on the Wildcats in kills and led the team in blocks. Coach Julie Fiset said she was versatile enough to play anywhere on the court.

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Kearney Novi's lone representative on top hoop squad

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Eagle squad, helping the team to a district final appearance.

Hardin shot 61 percent from the free throw line and 55 percent from the field. He also averaged 3.5 assists and 4 steals per game. He was also given first-team All-Keweenaw Valley Conference honors.

NICK DEMESTER
Milford, guard

If Hollywood were to produce a remake of "The Little Big Man," Demester would definitely have a shot at the lead role.

The quick, experienced playmaker led the Redskins to the KVC title and he was voted Player of the Year in the conference despite his diminutive size.

"I think he's the most impressive thing about Nick is that he was able to be an integral part of a championship team as a 5-foot-9-inch guard," MHS coach Don Palmer said. "You rarely see a kid of that stature lead a team to a

title."

Demester led his team in scoring (12.9 points per game) and assists (2.9 per contest) and he hauled down more than four rebounds per night as well. A three-year varsity player, Demester finished his Milford career ranked among the top five players all-time in scoring, assists and three-pointers.

"It's just one of those guys that wins," Palmer said.

DAVE TERAKEDIS
Northville, guard

The junior went from obscurity to a starting role with the Mustangs this season.

He came to camp without a starting job. A few scrimmages later, Terakedis was Northville's starting shooting guard.

He didn't disappoint, either. Terakedis averaged 16.6 points with an assortment of drives to the basket and jump shots. He shot 41 percent from the field and 37 percent from behind the three-point

line.

"He was our best offensive player," said coach Tim Turner. "When we put the ball in his hands most of the time something good happened."

Terakedis made all-conference in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Turner said the guard, who is about 5-8 and 130 pounds, took a pounding with his slashing offensive style.

"I was impressed with his courage," the coach said. "He had black eyes and twisted ankles and just kept playing."

KYLE KEARNEY
Novi, guard

An ankle injury slowed the senior during the first portion of the season. But Kearney came on strong in the second part of the season to lead Novi.

Kearney averaged 13.9 points and made 35 percent of his three-pointers. The shooting guard also averaged 2.5 assists and three steals per game.

"He really found his confidence toward the end of the year," said coach Pat Schuler.

Kearney was a first team All-KVC selection. A captain of the Wildcats, Schuler said the senior may try to play college ball.

STEVE WHITE
South Lyon, center

This three-year varsity player has been a starter and mainstay on the floor for the Lions for two years.

White led the team in scoring and rebounds in the last two seasons and was the top three-point shooter on the team, rare for an inside player.

White averaged 12.5 points per game for South Lyon and shot 44.9 percent from the field.

White also earned first team All-Keweenaw Valley Conference honors.

Sports Shorts

OLV Hoops

The Our Lady of Victory CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) Junior Varsity Boys' basketball team finished its season with a record of 16-2. The team, which consisted of fifth and sixth graders from the Novi Northville area, had a perfect 10-0 record in the Northwest Suburban Division. Tournament results included a championship in the St. Helen Belmarie Thanksgiving Tournament, second place in the Catholic Central Christmas Tournament and third place in the Our Lady of Refuge post-season tournament.

Members of the team included: Steve Balra, Nick Draugelis, Matt Emmenecker, Roger Garfield, Kyle Ghedotte, Bryan Gutkowski, Pat Kelficher, Adam Konst, Andrew Kurpansky, Dean Leger, Chris Lewis, David Olajide and Nick Posa. John Greenwood coached the team and Ron Gutkowski assisted.

Swallow & Punsalan

Northville native Jerod Swallow and wife Elizabeth Punsalan placed sixth in ice dancing at the World Figure Skating Championships at Lausanne, Switzerland, last weekend. It's the highest finish for the couple, who now live in Pontiac, in world competition.

Swallow and Punsalan, who plan to compete in next year's winter Olympics, won their fourth U.S. championship last month in Nashville.

Skating Star

Katie Haller of Northville Township recently took first place in the ladies juvenile freestyle division of

the Garden City Figure Skating Competition. The seventh grader is a member of the Plymouth Figure Skating Club.

Help Wanted

Due to expanding player demand the search is on for new coaches and trainers for Little Caesars & Recreation Soccer Teams.

At the Little Caesars level they are specifically looking for people interested in coaching girls U13, U14, U16, U17 and U18/open. The league is also interested in finding coaches for all age groups in both boys and girls recreation teams, and any coaches interested in coaching in the U10 and U11 Select Team level.

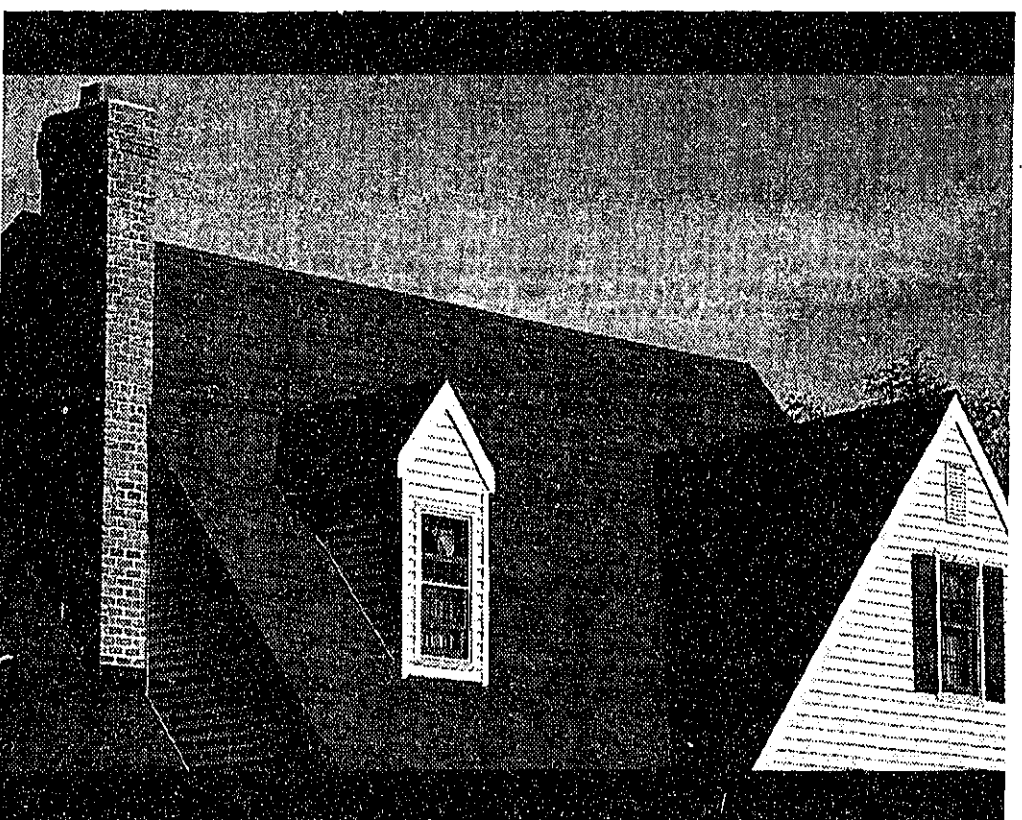
The club will assist in putting together new teams, provide help with organizing practices, provide a list of trainers available to help, and provide whatever other support is needed to ensure the successful launch of the new teams.

Anyone interested in volunteering to coach one of the teams should call (313) 464-9114. All inquiries will be held in strict confidence.

For the most part these will be brand new teams and will provide an excellent opportunity for players looking to play a top-notch club.

Any player interested in getting on a new recreation team or any players, especially goalies, who are interested in receiving information on a Select or Little Caesars team, should call (313) 464-9114.

Any trainer who would like to work with the club on either a voluntary basis or as a paid trainer should also call (313) 464-9114.



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First Team				
Name	Grade	Position	School	
KYLE KEARNEY	SR	GUARD	NOVI	
DAVE TERAKEDIS	JR	GUARD	NORTHVILLE	
ERIC HARDIN	SR	GUARD	LAKELAND	
NICK DEMESTER	SR	GUARD	MILFORD	
STEVE WHITE	SR	FORWARD	SOUTH LYON	
Second Team				
Name	Grade	Position	School	
KRIS LAMONTAGNE	SR	GUARD	SOUTH LYON	
JEFF ARENZ	SR	FORWARD	NORTHVILLE	
JAMES SAYLOR	SR	FORWARD	LAKELAND	
BILL NASH	JR	FORWARD	MILFORD	
ELLIOT EDMUNDS	SR	CENTER	NOVI	
Honorable Mention				
Novi - Jeff Fannon, Pat Lyskawa, Ivan Sader				
Northville - Phil Kozdrov, Jon Woodsum, Luis Guarjardo				
Lakeland - Brian Kennedy, Mike Leithen				
South Lyon - Craig Mollanen, Matt Nelson				
Milford - Justin Williams, Treavor Phillips, Eric Hix				

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- Aerobic Classes
- Step Classes

SPRING CLASS SCHEDULE

12-WAYNE
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Wayne Community Center
14635 Horne Rd. (Horse & Ann Arbor)
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Non-Res: November 1 day per week \$40 2 days \$54
\$30 F.F. adm. fee will be collected by the instructor the first day of class
Steps available on site
M/W 7:15 P.M. STEP Circuit April 7 L. Prevost
T/Th 7:30 P.M. Low/Hi Impact April 8 Novak/Novak
Sat 8:30 A.M. Sculpt & Tone April 12 L. Burke
\$100 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step
\$30 F.F. adm. fee will be collected by the instructor the first day of class
M/W 7:00 P.M. Low/Hi Impact April 7 M. Sheehan
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Baker Recreation Center
(3665 Ford Rd., E. of Newburg, behind City Hall)
1 day per week \$40 2 days \$54 Unlimited \$69
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\$100 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step
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M/W 7:05 P.M. Low/Hi Impact April 7 Staff
T/Th 9:30 A.M. Sculpt & Tone April 8 Staff
T/Th 5:55 P.M. STEP April 8 T. Barckman
T/Th 7:05 P.M. STEP April 8 T. Barckman
Babysitting available \$1.50 per child \$3.00 per family

13-WESTLAND
St. Theodore's Catholic Church
(8200 Wayne, bet. Warren & Joy Rd.)
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16-SOUTHFIELD
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Swinging away



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Staying strong and flexible will help your balance and your overall golf game.

Tips for injury-free golf season

The weather is warming, the golf courses are getting ready, soon thousands of people will be teeing it up on courses all over Michigan. You may have read golf books, watched tournaments on television, been part of the new attendance record of over 40,000 at the Novi golf show or even hit a few buckets of golf balls at a local golf dome, but is that enough physical preparation? Dennis Preebe, local golf pro and personal trainer, says probably not.

Preebe owns Golf Etc., a local golf training company that combines golf instruction with golf specific physical conditioning for a complete approach to the game. He has designed programs for individual clients from celebrities to the physically challenged, beginners to pros, since 1975, and has currently formed a joint venture with the Water Wheel Health Club in Northville for individual and group sessions.

Preebe says, "Most golfers think preparing for the season and plan-

ning better is the result of beating more golf balls. Actually, the opposite is true, hitting golf balls with your current swing can only make it tougher. Others think the answer is in the latest equipment. The secret is - there is no secret.

"The touring pros all swing differently and all use different equipment. The one attribute they all have in common is balance. Balance comes from being flexible, strong and understanding how your body works while playing a particular sport. Your body will seek to maintain its balance. Your body doesn't care if you hit the ball or where it goes. Improving your balance throughout your game will let you play your best and be more consistent."

Since the key ingredient is to improve your balance, and ultimately your swing and game, here are some preseason tips for an injury-free, improved golf season.

• Year round conditioning - every golfer is at different skill levels, but to help avoid back and

shoulder injuries and to get the most out of your season even the Sunday golfer needs to look at conditioning. Types of conditioning include:

• Flexibility - stretching is key. There are specific golf stretches but even basic stretching helps. Never bounce during the stretch and hold the stretch for 15 to 30 seconds each.

• Cardiovascular conditioning - it is very important to maintain some level of cardiovascular conditioning. Walk, treadmill, swim or jog - three to four times a week, 20-30 minutes while maintaining your target heart rate. (Check with a fitness professional or physician to determine your specific heart rate range.)

• Strength - shoulder and back injuries have become common in the game. Preebe states, "A certain amount of injury is more problematic in the game due to the specific movement of the body, but being stronger and in better overall physical shape minimizes your

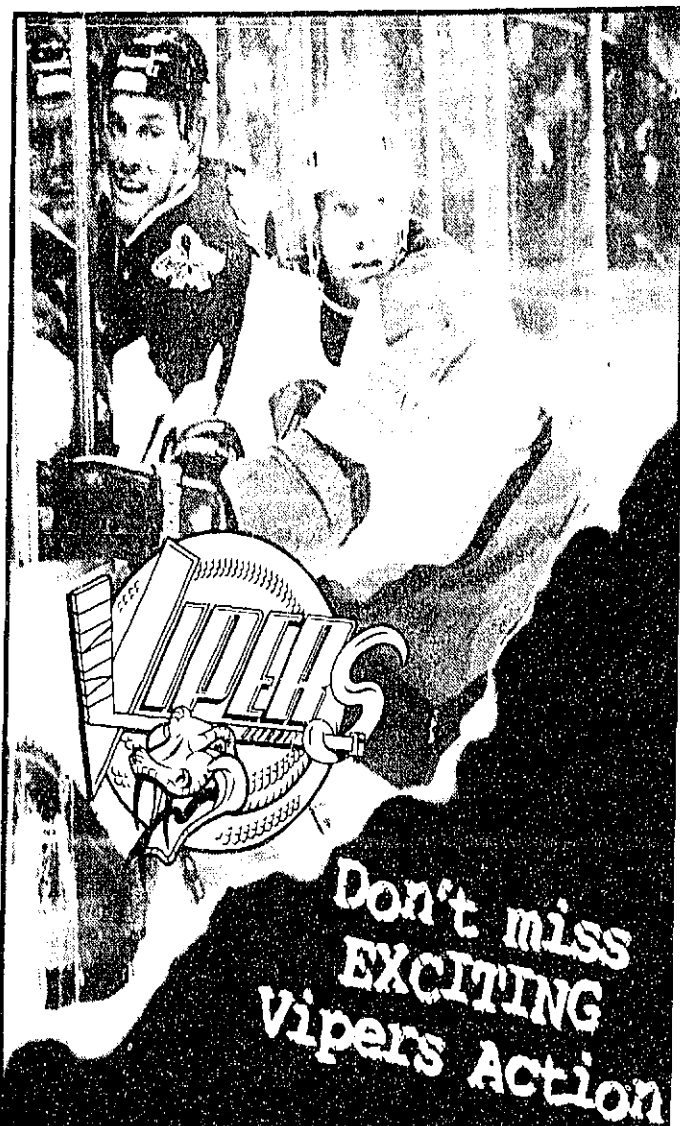
risk."

Look to some weight training to strengthen the muscles. Depending on how serious you are, you may investigate golf specific training programs. Basketball players train differently than football players. Golfers should train for golf.

• Maintain your bodyweight - "There are golfers of all sizes and weight, some very good. But your body has to compensate for the weight factor," Dennis says. Carrying a lot of extra weight is just one more marginal factor in your game.

Combining these conditioning factors with practice and professional golf instruction are vital ingredients to overall preparation.

Written by Chris Klebba, owner of the Water Wheel Health Club in Northville. For more information on individual or group golf specific training programs, contact the Water Wheel Health Club at (810) 449-7634.



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Health Column

All foods can fit into a healthful diet

It is hard to describe the eating styles of ordinary Americans without contradicting oneself.

On the one hand, statistic after statistic shows that Americans seem to be obsessed with eating right: Each year, an estimated \$33 billion is spent on diet books, over-the-counter medications, health club memberships and low-calorie foods.

On the other hand, survey after survey in recent years consistently reveals that

only about 30 percent of Americans are doing what they can to eat healthfully.

Why?

A recent national survey conducted by The American Dietetic Association found that perceived obstacles of taste, time and confusion about nutrition information are deterring most Americans from achieving a healthful eating style.

The slogan for the 1997 National Nutrition Month campaign will help consumers learn that "all foods can fit" into a healthful diet and that enjoying a variety of foods encourages lifelong, healthful eating habits. Thousands of local and national groups, private companies and public agencies are expected to host activities to reach the public in all 50 states with the campaign's messages.

For the first time, ADA and Dietitians of Canada are joining forces during National Nutrition Month to reach the public with a common message. All across Canada, con-

sumers will learn how "all foods can fit" into a healthful eating style.

So what constitutes a "healthy" diet? Contrary to popular belief, the healthiest diet isn't necessarily 100 percent fat free, or sugar free, or low sodium. A "healthy" diet is one that is based on three important principles: balance, variety and moderation.

A balanced diet is one that does not exclude any one particular food group. The "food guide pyramid" is an excellent guide to daily food choices. Each of the food groups provide some, but not all, of the 40 or more nutrients needed for good health. Foods in one group cannot replace those in another. In other words, no one food group is more important than another. To ensure adequate nutrition for good health, you need to incorporate them all.

Variety is simple: It's including a wide assortment of foods in your diet. Balancing out a variety of selections during the course of a day or week, with an emphasis on grain-based dishes and fruits and vegetables, can lead to an overall healthful eating pattern.

Moderation is something many Americans often ignore. Webster defines the word "moderate" as "observing reasonable limits."

Moderation is the key to making all foods a part of healthful eating. It doesn't mean you give up certain foods, it means setting limits on how much and how often.

A healthful eating pattern is not created or destroyed by one meal or one food. It is the overall pattern of food intake and choices over time that are important.

There are times when you feel the need to indulge on certain foods, such as a candy bar or goopy pizza. If you go a bit overboard with high-fat food, balance your diet with a variety of grain foods, fruits and vegetables and other

lower fat choices from the base of the "food guide pyramid" during the next day or two.

By following these basic guidelines, consumers can eat right and stay physically active while reducing their risk of nutrition-related diseases such as diabetes, cardiovascular disease and certain cancers:

• Be realistic. Make small gradual changes to your eating pattern and level of physical activity. Small steps work better than giant leaps.

• Be adventurous. Expand your food repertoire to include a variety of foods.

• Be flexible. Go ahead and balance what you eat and your physical activity over several days. No need to worry about just one meal or one day. And, physical activity doesn't just have to be done in one big burst - small increments of activity can add up to a physically active lifestyle.

• Be sensible. Enjoy all foods, just don't overdo it.

• Be active. Walk the dog, don't just watch the dog walk.

Consumers can call the National Center for Nutrition and Dietetics' Consumer Nutrition Hot Line at 1-800-366-1655 for a referral to a registered dietitian in their area (9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Central Time, Monday through Friday) or listen to recorded messages in English or Spanish (8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Central Time, Monday through Friday).

For customized answers to your food and nutrition questions from a registered dietitian, call (900) 225-5267 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Central Time, Monday through Friday).

This article was written by Nelda Mercer M.S., R.D., F.A.D.A., the director of Community Nutrition, the University of Michigan Health System.



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