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City pays female cop in sex harassment lawsuit

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Monday night, the Novi City Council agreed to "amicably" settle out-of-court the third of three sexual harassment lawsuits filed by female Novi police officers.

The case revolved around charges of sexual harassment and wage discrimination made by former Novi Police Officer June Mullinix, who worked in the department's canine unit from 1988 to 1997.

Mullinix will be paid \$162,550

by Novi, in return for meeting the conditions of the settlement, which include not seeking employment again with the city. Her award is the largest any of the three women officers have received.

Novi Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford said he is happy this case has been resolved.

"This is something we have been trying to settle for awhile," he said.

He added, since this lawsuit was filed, municipal employees have attended training sessions

"Hopefully this won't occur any more."

Hugh Crawford,
Novi Mayor Pro Tem

about avoiding sexual harassment.

"Hopefully this won't occur any more," Crawford said.

On April 21, the U.S. District Court, Eastern Division dismissed the lawsuit without prejudice and

without attorney fees. By dismissing without prejudice, the court left Mullinix the opportunity to refile her lawsuit.

Instead, she and her attorney Deborah Gordon reached the accord with the city.

Monday, the council unanimously approved the out-of-court agreement as part of the council's consent agenda. The council did not discuss the case.

The agreement states that the settlement was reached "without any suggestion or admission of liability or fault."

Mullinix agreed to waive claims for unpaid overtime, attorney fees, lost wages or fringe benefits.

Mullinix, resigned from the department as a result of the alleged treatment. According to

her complaint, she told the appropriate city personnel of the behavior, but was met with "retaliation" including verbal threats and unwarranted performance criticisms.

The lawsuit stated that she was "subjected to unwelcome comments and conduct of an offensive and sexual nature by supervisory personnel." It also charged that she and the other K-9 Unit officer, a male, were treated differently by the department.

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Police arrest suspected child-stalker

By ANDREW DIETDERICH
Staff Writer

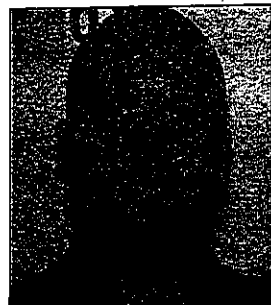
A 28-year-old Livonia man arrested for indecent exposure and attempting to accost children told Novi police he could have easily kidnapped young girls "if he wanted to."

Kenneth Stefanski was arrested July 10 after police interviewed the man several times in the middle of last week. He was picked up by police after witnesses saw the man watching children play.

"It was such a strong resemblance and strong coincidence to what we were looking for that we brought him into the station," said Novi Police Chief Doug Shaeffer.

"And he denied everything initially."

After reinterviewing Stefanski, though, Shaeffer said the 28-year-old admitted to masturbating while trying to call little girls over



Police photo of alleged child-stalker Kenneth Stefanski.

to his truck.

"He offered in his own defense that he was not trying to kidnap the girls and that he had plenty of opportunity to do it and it would have been easy to grab one if he wanted."

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Ice arena manager defends company

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Center Ice Management is not leaving its position managing the Novi Ice Arena quietly.

Center Ice President Terry Seyler sent a letter to the mayor of Novi and the Novi City Council explaining why he believes his management company should not be held responsible for the \$8.5 million arena's first year deficit. The blame should be placed on Community Clubs of Novi, which reserved the best ice times for youth hockey, and the Novi Building Authority, he said.

"(Community Clubs) did not want to look at it through a business decision," Seyler said.

In his letter to the Mayor and Council, Seyler states, "...we are

confident you will conclude that the action taken by the administration has failed to address the real problems; the failures of the administration, the Building Authority and of Community Clubs, which are the sole cause of the current deficit, and which are being falsely attributed to Center Ice."

Center Ice Inc. was given an Aug. 25 management contract termination date.

The ice arena was built through the sale of revenue bonds by the City of Novi's Building Authority. It is run by the non-profit organization Community Clubs of Novi, which includes city administrators, residents appointed by the

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Nicole Brandis, 15, was a pinball wizard recently in the game room at the Novi Teen Center.

Teen scene

Center cures summertime blues for kids

By MELANIE PLENDIA
Staff Writer

Your 14-year-old just asked you to take him to the mall for the nine hundred and sixty-second time today. Your 12-year-old told you that she just has to get the newest super-duper-gun-toting-kung-fu-fighting video game in the series because she has just beaten the machine for the eighteenth time that day. Then your youngest and sweetest comes up to you, and with puppy dog eyes, tells you that he's just plain bored.

Summer has just begun and already kids are looking for something to do. But many are finding refuge in Novi Youth Assistance Youth and Teen Center. It is based in the cafeteria at Novi High School, but field trips elsewhere are scheduled weekly.

The Teen Center was started essentially to "keep kids from just sitting in the house or going out and getting into trouble," explained Matthew Topper, one of the supervisors.

"These kids can't drive and this gives them something close by to do," Topper said.

He knows this not only from his position at the Teen Center but because he used to be a participant in his younger days.

The drop-off center at the high school has video games, movies and snacks provided by donations from parents of the kids.

They also have scheduled several speakers with varying backgrounds to come in and speak to the youngsters.

"We have had magicians, we are going to have a police K-9 unit and a world traveler, who's just an interesting guy," Topper said.

There are also community service projects planned in order to help kids get involved and invested in their communities.

Their field trips consist of excur-

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A mechanic's dream

Rough roads
rack up car
repair bills

By CHRIS C. DAVIS
Staff Writer

After another traumatic day on Novi and Northville roads, you pull into your garage, just thankful to be alive. And then you see it.

Ridges in the pavement have flattened your tires and bent your rims.

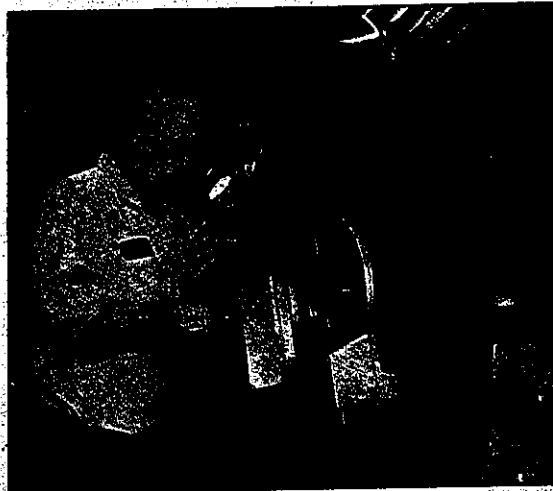
Dips in the road have butchered your exhaust system.

Your transmission has been pounded worse than a Mike Tyson opponent.

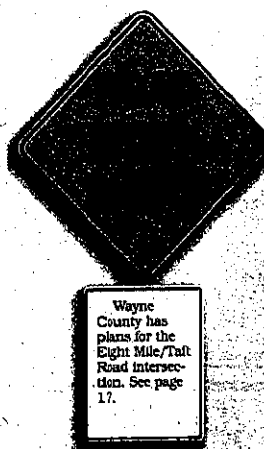
Arrghh!

And for all this, you're going to pay how much? Quite a bit, say

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Davis Auto Care mechanic Dennis Rau adjusts an alignment.



Wayne County has plans for the Eight Mile/Fair Road intersection. See page 17.

Community Calendar

Thursday, July 15

Youth baseball

Novi Youth Baseball meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting is open to the public.

Novi Rotary

The Novi Rotary Club meets at noon at the Novi United Methodist Church at 41671 Ten Mile Road. For information, contact Bob Limbri at 380-6500.

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 after 6 p.m. (248) 344-2167.

Concert series

Sounds of Summer, the Novi Parks and Recreation Department's free outdoor concert series continues at 7 p.m. at Power Park at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road. The performer is Ray Kamalay and His Red Hot Chili Peppers. For information, call 347-0460.

Novi Concert Band

The Novi Concert Band will perform at the Farmington Heritage Park at 8 p.m. The park is located on the west side of Farmington Road, between Ten Mile and Eleven Mile.

Saturday, July 17

Boy Scout car wash

The Boy Scouts will hold a car wash from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. Ten Mile Road, west of Meadowbrook Road.

Monday, July 19

ABWA

The Novi Oaks Chapter of the American Business Women's Association meets at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, at 42100 Crescent Blvd. Social hour is set at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to all working women. For reservations, call Audrey Guiley at

(248) 624-1718. For membership information, call Bettie Johnson at (248) 960-9559.

Cholesterol Screening

Total cholesterol screening by fingerstick method, will be offered 1-4 p.m. at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. Cost is \$5 fee. For more information call 477-6100.

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.

Library Board

The Novi Library Board of Directors will meet at 7 p.m. in the library's meeting room. Community members are welcome. The library is at 45245 W. Ten Mile Road.

Tuesday, July 20

Garden Club

The Novi Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Civil Air Patrol

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

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.

Bereavement Support Group

A bereavement support group meets at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., from 7:30-9 p.m. The meeting will be facilitated by Dr. M. Meyer. There will be a brief prayerful reflection during the meeting by a member of the clergy from the area.

Optimist Club

The Novi Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Big Boy Restaurant on Novi Road, across from the Novi Town Center.

The Novi Concert Band

The Novi Concert Band rehearses at Novi High School, 24062 Taft Road, at 7:30 p.m. For information, call (248) 932-9244.

Wednesday, July 21

Planning Commission

The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. at the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road.

The Michigan 50s Festival

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MONDAY, JULY 19

10:00 a.m. - Chamber Speech
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 11:00 a.m. - Harvey's Ministry
 11:30 a.m. - Coyle and Company
 Kats and Movers
 12:00 p.m. - Intercessions Word
 Ministry
 1:00 p.m. - Adventures With
 the Holy Spirit
 1:30 p.m. - Your Real Estate Con-
 ceptions: Great, Weird!
 2:00 p.m. - Financial Strategies
 Mortgage
 3:00 p.m. - Generational Grandpar-
 ents Day
 3:30 p.m. - Non-Summer Concert
 5:00 p.m. - Who, What, Where, Y
 5:30 p.m. - A Closer Today
 6:00 p.m. - The Jesus Center
 6:30 p.m. - Jazzy and Talk With
 Tracy
 7:00 p.m. - Great Christian Un-
 derstanding
 7:30 p.m. - Archaic Journal
 8:00 p.m. - BM Camp
 8:30 p.m. - New Game
 9:00 p.m. - Learning Connection
 9:30 p.m. - Step It More to the
 Greater Mt. Baldhorn

TUESDAY, JULY 20
10:00 a.m. — Legislative Forum
10:30 a.m. — Home For Life: Landscape Edging
11:00 a.m. — Law Talk: Lawrence Raymond
12:00 p.m. — Summit University
1:00 p.m. — Creature Feature
2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
2:30 p.m. — The Great Escaper

Sailing
439 p.p.m. — Next Street Beat: Bike
Society
439 p.p.m. — Chamber Spotlight
439 p.p.m. — A Cultural Adventure:
Steve and Rocky's
509 p.p.m. — The Way, The Truth,
and The Lie
539 p.p.m. — People Who Make
Things Happen: Non Clock
609 p.p.m. — Community Living
Centers
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nection
739 p.p.m. — Fitness Motivators:
Aerobics Bowling
739 p.p.m. — Financial Strategies:
Mortgages
899 p.p.m. — Salon Glamour and
Enquete With Gloria: Mastering
Bed Structure Barbering
909 p.p.m. — Let's Talk With Ben
Marks: Richard Posthumus

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21
10:00 a.m. — Building Scene
10:30 a.m. — MDOT Today
11:00 a.m. — Nothing To It: Tab-
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11:30 a.m. — Hummus Made Easy
12:00 p.m. — Legally Speaking:
Kosa Parks Story
12:30 p.m. — Consumer Corner:
Insurance Tips
1:00 p.m. — Study In Scripture
1:30 p.m. — AMVETS
2:00 p.m. — Restoration Now
2:30 p.m. — Harvest Ministries
3:00 p.m. — The Show Me Show
Recycling
3:30 p.m. — Step 'n' Move to the

Wednesday, July 22
 4:00 p.m. — *Crater Connection*
 4:30 p.m. — *Community Connection*
 5:00 p.m. — *Aviation Journal*
 5:30 p.m. — *Dinner With Virginia Showtime*
 6:00 p.m. — *The Anthropologist and the Santa Priestess*
 7:00 p.m. — *Adventures With Prate Pete*
 7:30 p.m. — *Cosby and Company: The Best of Mexico*
 8:00 p.m. — *Not Still Beat Heat*
 8:30 p.m. — *Who, What, Where, Y*
 9:00 p.m. — *Chamber Spotlight*
 9:30 p.m. — *Building Series*

THURSDAY, JULY 22
 10:00 a.m. — *Fitness Motivators: Aerobics/Boxing*
 10:30 a.m. — *Mountain Ski Series*
 11:00 a.m. — *Abundant Life Arabic*

Ministries
11:30 a.m. — People Who Make Things Happen: Novi Clock
12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy
12:30 p.m. — Out in the Open: Unauthorized
1:30 p.m. — That's Italian!
2:00 p.m. — Potpourri: Miss Michigan
2:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
3:00 p.m. — YMCA Camp
3:30 p.m. — Adventures With Pirate Pete
4:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Lawrence Raymond
5:00 p.m. — Shaarey Zedek Productions

6:00 p.m. — Battle of the Books
6:30 p.m. — Library Writing Program
7:00 p.m. — Good News for Living
Healthy: First Aid at Home
7:30 p.m. — Your Real Estate Connection: Brian Weiland
8:00 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen: Nomi Clark
8:30 p.m. — Harvest Ministries
9:00 p.m. — Law Talk: Lawrence Raymond

FRIDAY, JULY 23
10:00 a.m. — Let's Talk With Ben Marks
10:30 a.m. — (cont'l)

11:00 a.m. — Harvest Ministries
11:30 a.m. — Lumen Christi
12:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. — To Be
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4:00 p.m. — Fitness Motivators
5:30 p.m. — Chamber Spotlight
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to snub at Camp Borders. The day, July 15 at 7 p.m. After the show, YO-DUDE helps kids get a hang of the yo-yo, too. From basic tricks like Walk-the-Dog to basic yo-yo maintenance, YO-DUDE will show kids how. Kids should bring their own yo-yo.

- Gather around the campfire: Tuesday, Aug. 5 at 7 p.m. Join Lisa Hunter for an Eco-Campfire at Camp Borders. Get the same "campfire" feeling without all the mosquitoes.
- Going batty: Thursday, Aug. 12 at 7 p.m. The Organization for Bat Conservation introduces Borders Campers to the wonderful world of Michigan Bats.
- Play golf: Thursday, Aug. 19 at

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7 p.m. Borders Campers learn to golf with the author of "Golf Fore Kids," Stephen Ruthenberg.

Ongoing programs at Borders for kids include:

- Mondays at 10 a.m. Toddler Time stories, songs and crafts for children ages 3 and younger.
- Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Toddler Time shake your sillies out with stories, songs and wiggly activities for children 3 and younger.

• Tuesday, Aug. 10 at 7 p.m. Mother/Daughter Book Group meets to discuss "The Borgart and The Monster" by Cooper. Free.

• Tuesday, Aug. 24 at 7 p.m. Mother/Daughter book Group meets to discuss "Anastasia Again."

By attending seven or more events, children receive a free T-shirt. Plus Borders offers other giveaways like whistles and frisbees. Each time a child attends, her or she may enter to win a \$100 shopping spree at Borders Books & Music.

For more information about Camp Borders or any other events, call (248) 347-0780.

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Not one of Michigan's state public universities asks for a school student's MEAP test score when considering admission, *Record/News* phone interviews revealed.

Admissions offices at Michigan State, Wayne State, Central Michigan, Eastern Michigan and Western Michigan universities all said that very little stock was put into the scores reported by the controversial test.

The common thread of making the test for any down-to-earth purpose was one of the

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the days the test was given to students. Fellow Western Lakeshore high school North Platte reported more than a 10 percent no-show rate.

CMU's university relations assistant director Mike Silverhorn said Central, like most other universities across Michigan, require applicants to submit scores for consideration.

"We don't ask for (MEAP) but if a student includes his or her application package might take a look at them," Silverhorn said CMU was



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more interested in "overall academic achievement," in the grade point average in preparatory classes and some other standardized tests, ACT or SAT.

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Tom Segani, spokesman

Wayne University

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gan State, but there was the land of green and admissions officials in Ealing said they would be having prospective students had taken the exam in high

But the query would end with that question, state admissions director ter.

"Admissions to MSU mostly on how a student formed day-to-day," he said. "That's what we're going to be looking most closely at."

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was quick to say that the State didn't weigh such results in quite the same way as their sister campus at Arbor.

"[The ACT and SAT] are a frame of reference on a level," he said. "They help show a student from Michigan stacked up when compared to student in say, California. Use a whole variety of mechanisms and scales. They are the equalizers for us."

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tial alcohol problems. Stone said
 "Intoxication doesn't distract from
 liability for these bars and restaur-
 ants," Stone said.
 "You can't serve intoxicated peo-
 ple and you can't have them on the
 premises in Michigan law."
 If a patron is given alcohol when
 they are already intoxicated and
 that patron were to later get into an
 accident, the business that sold
 them the alcohol could be liable,
 Stone said.
 "But, we can't hold them 100 per-
 cent responsible. There are some
 people that you can't tell are in-
 toxicated," he added. Due to this,
 part of the discussion will focus on how
 to identify an intoxicated person
 that at first look doesn't seem
 drunk.
 However, Stone said the initial
 problem that still must be dealt with
 is people are consuming alcohol
 beyond the legal limit and the num-
 ber of people doing this is rising in
 Novi.
 With only an average six officers
 on duty in the city during prime
 drunk driving times, the officers
 simply cannot catch them all.
 "The reasons drunk driving num-
 bers in Novi are rising can be any
 one of a number of factors. First of
 all, Stone said many of the bars and
 restaurants in Novi are located in
 one area and it is growing enor-
 mously.
 In addition, he said, public trans-
 portation in Novi is almost nonexis-
 tent. Novi does have a taxi service,
 but that company also serves Ann
 Arbor and sometimes it can take up
 to 45 minutes to get a cab.
 And, perhaps one of the most
 influential effect on the rising drunk
 driving numbers, Novi police officers
 are aggressively going after drunk
 drivers.
 In Novi, Stone said, liquor viola-
 tions are strictly enforced and offi-
 cers are well trained at identifying
 drunk drivers. Once they are
 caught, drunk drivers are always
 taken into custody, he added.
 If a drunk person is not taken into
 custody and were to later get into an
 accident, the police department
 could be held responsible Stone
 said. To prevent this, all drunk
 drivers and minors in possession of
 alcohol are taken into custody and
 only released when they are sober.
 But while this town meeting will
 help educate liquor license holders
 about the law and the rising num-
 bers of drunk drivers, Stone said he
 does not believe this program or any
 other will completely eliminate
 drunk driving.
 "I don't think you can ever totally
 eliminate that, we are just trying to
 keep the numbers," Stone said.

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It's yesterday once more at Michigan 50s Festival

By B. J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

The 12th annual Michigan 50s Festival at the Novi Expo Center will be a time warp for the family, as many events are scheduled to fulfill the nostalgic feelings of those old school happy days.

The festival kicks off Wednesday, July 21 at 5 p.m. and will conclude Sunday, July 25 with a spectacular vintage car show and cruise.

Festival Manager Jane Thomas said she is expecting more than 300,000 people to attend this year's event.

"There are not only going to be events held at the Novi Expo Center, but there will also be different events held at other locations in conjunction with the festival," Thomas said.

"With the added addition of this year's Grand Prix, another dimension will be added to the weekend's fun."

The car show is open to all vehicles and requires a \$15 entry fee by the preregistration deadline July

17.

Some of the classic cars on display will include custom racers, modified muscle cars, stock cars and street machines.

On-site events include arts and crafts, carnival rides, family entertainment, a Las Vegas gambling tent, an entertainment tent and the Motorsports Hall of Fame Museum.

Some of the off-site events include a softball tournament at Power Park, a 5K run and walk at the Novi Town Center and the RibCrackers Model Airplane Show at Lang Aerodrome.

The entertainment tent this year will be hosting a variety of live performers, which will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday with a free performance by Steve King and the Ditties.

Thursday night's concert will be performed by Rocky and the Roller's with special guest "Beatlemania Live." Thursday's concert has a \$5 admission, charge, with children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult.

Friday's evening concert again will be anchored by the classic tunes of Rocky and the Rollers with a special guest performance by Martha Reeves, formerly of the Vandellas.

International star Bobby Vee with more than 30 albums, 38 chart hits and six gold records, will join Rocky and the Rollers at the Entertainment Tent Saturday night for a performance for attendees 21-years-old and older. Admission for Saturday's show is \$10.

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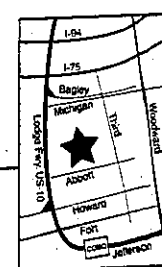
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The Log Book

The following is a complete list of the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Department for the week ending July 11. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the Engine and Squad number which responded to the call.

MONDAY, JULY 5

Medical, 35584 Blakeston, 7:28 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, Brook Forest and Heatherbrook, 10:53 a.m., Squad 3.
Fire alarm, 23445 Beck Road, 1:17 p.m., Engine 4.
Fuel leak, 45319 Grand River, 3:57 p.m., Engine 1.
Service, 41359 Carriage Hill, 6:29 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 24349 Kings Pointe, 9:22 p.m., Squad 1.

TUESDAY, JULY 6

Medical, 24150 Novi Road, 8:35 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 1289 East Lake, 2:29 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical, 24441 Willow, 5:42 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 42500 Arena Drive, 6:04 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 115 Maudlin, 6:16 p.m., Squad 2.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7

Medical, 42021 Cherry Hill, 12:16 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 41388 Beldon, 3:10 p.m., Squad 2.
Dumpster fire, 22289 Solomon, 6:37 p.m., Engine 3.
Injury accident, West Road and Beck, 7:52 p.m., Squad 2.

THURSDAY, JULY 8

Fire alarm, 25345 Taft Road, 7:28 a.m., Engines 1, 4.
Medical, 41735 Carousell, 10:16 a.m., Squad 2.
Vehicle fire, I-96 and Haggerty, 10:50 a.m., Squad 1.
Service, 45182 West Road, 1:28 p.m., Squad 2.
House fire, 22462 Windemere Court, 3:30 p.m., Engines 1, 3.

FRIDAY, JULY 9

Medical, 21104 Wheaton, 5:24 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical, 41180 Bridge St., 7:34 a.m., Squad 1.

Fire alarm, 42750 Grand River, 6:56 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical, 24500 Meadowbrook, 7:21 p.m., Squad 3.

a.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 42100 Crescent, 12:11 p.m., Squad 1.

SATURDAY, JULY 10

Medical, 50395 Ten Mile Road, 8:50 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 50489 Oregon, 9:18 a.m., Squad 4.

SUNDAY, JULY 11

Medical, 23052 Ennishore, 9:35 a.m., Squad 3.
Investigation, Haggerty and Twelve Mile, 12:40 p.m., Engine 2.
Building fire, 45175 Ten Mile Road, 3:04 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical, 43200 Crescent, 3:11 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical, 45825 Eleven Mile Road, 3:53 p.m., Squad 4.
Medical, 42705 Grand River, 10:11 p.m., Squad 1.

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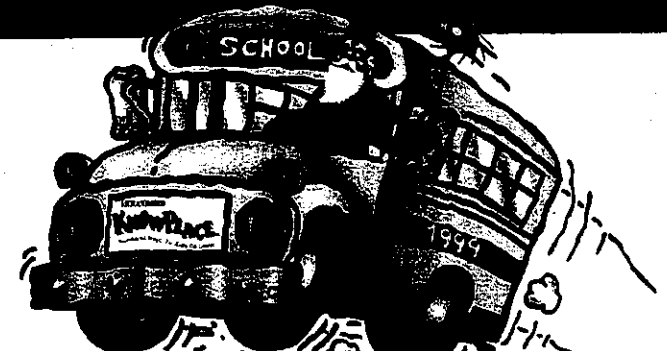
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By MELANIE PLENDI
Staff Writer

Picture diving into fox holes, wearing 50-pound rucksacks. The air reeks of gunpowder and is fraught with dust and anticipation. The grenades leave an eerie glow in the atmosphere.

As the sun goes down on this battle-ravaged scene you rest content in the thought that when reveille sounds Monday morning you'll be heading for the office.

Bruce Jerome knows this double life well. Not only is he Novi's superintendent of sewer and water, but he also serves in Michigan National Guard. In June he participated in what was called the "Baltic Challenge" held in Grayling, Michigan. The activities ran from June 5-26. The exercises were completed by June 23, with the rest of the time devoted to social events and clean-up of the area.

Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania troops all took part in the challenge with their U.S. counterparts from Michigan, Pennsylvania and Maryland.

Here, platoons of approximately 30 men each were assembled and put through a rigorous series of competitions. They were judged on rifle marksmanship, grenade-tossing, road marches and land navigation exercises. Each platoon is then rated on a point system.

At the end of the exercises the points are added and a percentage is reached. The awards are given to those who ranked the highest out of each individual country. The annual multinational exercise, was established to integrate and standardize all three Baltic military forces with those of the NATO countries. The three tiny countries border the Baltic Sea to the north of Poland and south of Finland and St. Petersburg, Russia.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

"I managed to come home with all my fingers and toes."

Bruce Jerome.

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With the split-up of the former Soviet Union, the newly-independent states sought help from the west, Jerome explained. They wanted to create small armies equivalent to the U.S. National Guard. So far two of the 19 former Eastern Bloc nations and republics have been admitted into NATO since 1993.

For Jerome's part, he has been involved in the National Guard for over 23 years. He began his military career in 1968. He spent most of his active duty in Frankfurt, Germany.

"The Army had been very good to me," Jerome said.

Jerome's National Guard headquarters is the Regional Center out of Battle Creek. This is the "schoolhouse" for the Michigan National Guard.

Here he was asked to lead the grenade-tossing and land navigation exercises for the challenge.

"It was a great honor to be chosen," Jerome said.

Jerome said that overall the experience was a positive one.

"It was like a high school athletic competition," he added.

"I managed to come home with all my fingers and toes!"

Though he jokes, Jerome explained that everyone took the competition very seriously and "they were all very competitive." He mentioned that the Michigan team had an extra pressure on them because they were hosting the event.

Once the Challenge had ended there was plenty of time to get to know the other men (and one woman) involved.

"It gives you a sense of appreciation of the opportunities that you have," Jerome noted.

Most of the participants, with the exception of those from Lithuania, were not professional soldiers.

In fact they came from all walks of life. "They were everything from college students to factory workers," he said.

Jerome traveled to Latvia through the National Guard, where he learned a bit of language and made Latvian friends.

"It is like the US in the 1930s," he said.

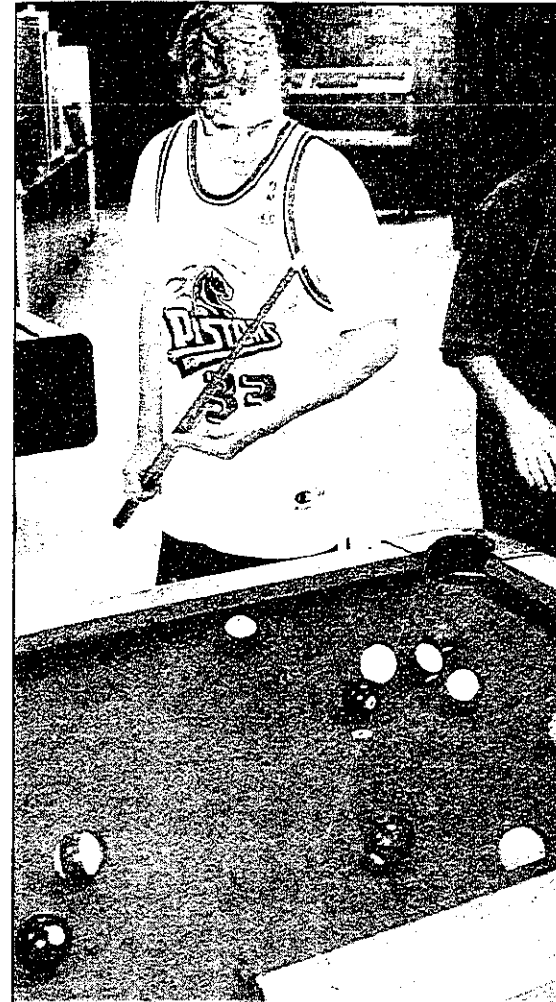
The people were very friendly but that terrain and cities were considerably less advanced than those in the U.S.

"The water supply is an open pit well with a bucket on a rope," Jerome said.

As part of the Challenge, he also had the opportunity to be a host for a few Latvians. He said that they were dazzled with the level of variety and seeming abundance in the U.S.

"They were impressed with Meijers and loved shopping at Target and Mervyn's," he added.

The future of projects such as these are unknown, given the status of the Baltic republics.



Photos by JOHN HEIDER

Above right, kids line up at electronic games. Above Stefan Zonia, left, sets up shot as center worker Matt Topper looks on.



Hangin' at the Novi Teen Center

Continued from 1

sions to the Zap Zone for laser tag, whirlyball, and the Howell Ropes Course. Here the kids had the chance to conquer a 25-foot obstacle course. Topper adds that this is more than just learning the ropes, so to speak. "The kids work on team building." The staff also participat-

ed in this course to build their team unity. Topper said of the experience: "We loved it. It gave us an excellent opportunity for the staff to get to know each other."

One of their next big activities is what is called a lock-in. Here kids will spend from 8:00 pm to 8:00 am with each other playing games.

watching movies and enjoying the mesmerizing sayings of a hypnotist.

These field trips range from \$9-\$20 per child, with most events running at about \$10. However, kids can go to the drop-in site at the High School for free. They must be at least 11 years old and activ-

ties are recommended for kids ages 11-14.

Transportation to the field trips is provided by the Novi school district, with at least one chaperone per 10 children. The center is open Monday through Thursday from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm. For more information, call (248)347-3024.

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Volunteers from Brightmoor Christian Church's youth group spent July 10 tidying up Novi.

New church on the block sends youth volunteers to aid Novi

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

In an effort to create awareness of the importance of community, 85 young adult members of the Brightmoor Christian Church sacrificed their Saturday on July 10 to help clean the streets of Novi.

Pure Planet '99 was this year's extensive work force project involving volunteer church youth members from more than 20 different local schools.

The young adults worked together from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. cleaning up Novi's local creeks, parks, playgrounds and roads.

"This was a really wonderful, generous and spontaneous activity on the part of Brightmoor Church," said Novi Mayor Kathleen McEllen.

They wanted to become part of the community as soon as possible. It's nice to see a good news story about kids doing something great."

Youth worker Andrea Davis said

this was Brightmoor's Christian Church second year participating in the Pure Planet program. Last year, youth members helped clean up Southfield and Davis said there are already plans for Pure Planet 2000 to again help clean the City of Novi.

"The children were all real enthusiastic and worked real hard," Davis said.

"We hear so much about children doing bad things and it is real refreshing to see kids do positive things for the community."

Organizers of Pure Planet '99 said the reasons the community clean-up was staged was to encourage the youth about being "community-conscious."

The organizers also want to encourage the young adults on the importance and raise awareness of the Earth's ecology, therefore calling the work program Pure Planet.

Working with the Adopt-A-Highway Program and other community

sponsors, the youths worked on cleaning up the areas on Grand River Road between Novi Road and Meadowbrook Road. The clean-up also included Lakeshore Park.

"We helped out the kids by opposing the on-coming traffic and we fed them during their lunch break," said Mike O'Neil, parish manager for Pure Planet '99 sponsor Marty Feldman Chevrolet.

"It was very gratifying watching a bunch of eager young people work hard and have fun cleaning up the community."

Currently located in Southfield, the 2,000-member Brightmoor congregation will be moving to their new location in Novi at the Northwest corner of M-5 and Thirteen Mile Road. Plans for the opening of the new church are tentatively set for August 2000.

Brightmoor is planning to build a church—a 400-student, grade K-12 school—a gymnasium, athletic fields and ultimately housing for its seniors.

State police predict August end to investigation of civic group leader

By ANDREW DIETDERICH
Staff Writer

The investigation into a Northville businessman who allegedly abused district property could take as long as another four weeks, Michigan State Police said this week.

Michigan State Police Detective Donald Laymond said there are still more people he needs to talk to before he passes the investigation on to the Wayne County Prosecutor's office.

Richard Padzieski, chief of operations in the Wayne County Prosecutor's office, said he would like to see the report sooner than later.

There is no average length of

time for an investigation like this," he said.

Laymond said he didn't want to give an exact time of when the investigation may be completed.

"I don't have a time frame," he said. "I'm still looking into the matter."

Laymond said he couldn't answer why the case, which started in March, took so long before it was given to him.

"All I know is that I was assigned this case from someone else," he said.

"I don't have any information about why it took so long before I got it."

Laymond was assigned the case

in June after the original investigation was suspended for a reason unrelated to the case.

Nield is being investigated for allegedly abusing Northville School District property.

The investigation started in March after Ray Walsh, deputy Wayne County prosecutor and former district school board candidate, filed a complaint with the city of Northville police department.

In the police report, Walsh said a concerned citizen contacted him through a letter making the allegations.

The allegations accuse Nield of using school copiers, paper and labor to benefit Families for a Bet-

ter Northville. The group threatened to recall Township Supervisor Karen Woodside, an assistant Wayne County Prosecutor, along with several trustees if a lawsuit filed against Northville Public Schools related to the construction of the new high school was dropped.

Nield said the group later focused on helping facilitate a settlement agreement between the school district and township.

Nield paid for the mailing of 23,000 district residents to raise support at a community rally March 18, a regular township board of trustees meeting.

Walsh told the Record that he

received a letter making questioning Nield's use of district equipment and that he passed it on to Northville Police.

Northville Police Chief Jim Petres and State Police Detective Tim Heideman told the Record they don't remember seeing the letter.

And the Wayne County Prosecutor's office also has told The Record the letter is either missing or may not have even existed after saying some form of written complaint would be required for such an investigation to be pursued.

Petres said he passed the investigation on to Michigan State Police to avoid showing any kind of impropriety.

The investigation by Heideman, the original officer in the case, included a visit to Nield's home where he was asked to produce receipts for all materials bought relative to the Families for a Better Northville.

Additionally, Leonard Reznierski, superintendent of Northville Schools, and Thomas Gudritz, president of the Northville School board, were interviewed in the investigation.

Nield said he couldn't comment on what action, if any, he would take as a result of the investigation until the report is completed.



Discovery Store Manager Doug Penick with trendy flashlight.

By MELANIE PLENDIA
Staff Writer

Nestled in between the wonderful world of the Disney Store and a store space yet to be filled is the brand new Discovery Channel Store, which opened June 3 at Twelve Oaks Mall.

To say this store has a variety of items would be an understatement. Here a visitor is likely to find secret treasures of the deep on video, or he or she can relive memories of the WW II era with commemorative plaques or an authentic bomber jacket.

A customer can even bring home a new friend, if a life-sized skeleton is more his or her speed.

With a motto like "explore your world," anything is likely to pop up as a purchase.

Though the Discovery Channel store is a fresh addition to Twelve Oaks, it is not a new concept. In May of 1996, Discovery Communications Inc. bought the Nature Company, which had been established to enhance the public's appreciation for the natural world.

Since then over 100 stores have been created, 50 of them with the Discovery Channel concept. The

company hopes to reach their goal of 300 stores by the end of next year.

There is also talk of more new stores coming to the Detroit area, according to store manager Doug Penick.

"The vice president of our company is from this area and believes that the market can support at least 6 stores," Penick said.

He also mentioned an interesting piece of trivia, that this VT at one time sold shoes at Twelve Oaks Mall.

Though Penick was not at liberty to discuss the store's volume, he did say that they have been doing "very well." He added: "It is hard to say after being open only a month, but we are doing really well."

There are several popular picks in this store, but Penick points out that their Feng Shui merchandise is a big seller. Feng Shui is the Chinese art of perfect placement of objects and colors to create a more harmonious environment.

"We had a customer who tried it for fun and really enjoyed it and recommended it to other people," Assistant Manager Anderson

Johns said. Penick attributes the sudden rise in sales for this product with the "overall interest with anything Eastern."

Another point of interest for many customers is the model classic cars in their "On the Road Section." They often get collectors of the older cars in the store.

"We get people who at one point owned one of these cars," Penick added.

The Discovery Channel Store is also playing host in August to local stargazers at Kensington Meiropark. Here members of astronomy clubs and the general public are encouraged to come out with their telescopes.

"One year we drew 5000 people," Johns said.

"Last year, it rained and we still

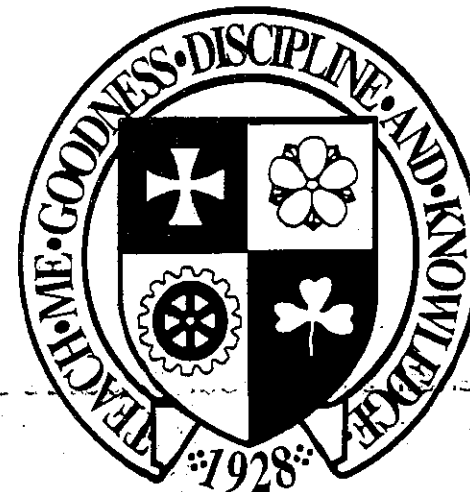
had 500 people." In the past they have had speakers such as amateur astronomer David Levy. This year, while they are not anticipating a speaker, Johns mentioned "we get a lot of enthusiasts that are very outgoing about sharing information." The party promises door prizes including free telescopes donated by the store.

"It gets bigger every year," Penick chuckles. "As long as it doesn't rain!"

In a nut shell, Penick calls the store "fun" and adds, "It has a little of everything and it's exciting and reflects the programming."

Johns concurs. "It is an interactive exploratory experience for customers of all ages," he said.

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By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

A crack of the back and a twist of the neck has helped many of Dr. Patricia Chelenyak's patients live a healthier life.

As a chiropractor for more than 17 years, Chelenyak, 39, has recently been presented the prestigious "Chiropractor of the Year" award from the Michigan Chiropractic Council.

"It feels really great to win this award," Chelenyak said.

"I am honored to receive an award like this from an organization like the MCC, which has so many dedicated workers."

The award is presented to the chiropractor who shows outstanding commitment and leadership in the advancement of chiropractic medicine in the state of Michigan.

"I like to think of myself as a primary health care provider," she

said.

"I look to the spine as a center for the cause of significant disease."

Chelenyak said that a healthy spine leads to a healthier life and will cut down on health problems such as asthma, back pains, ear infections and headaches.

"I know that if there is a spinal misalignment, I will check a patient through examinations, x-rays and then I do a surface scan, which is an EMG, and a thermal scan," she explained.

"After determining where the spinal misalignment is, I adjust the spine to release that nerve interference so the body can give itself a chance to heal."

Originally from the Downriver area, Chelenyak has had her chiropractic practice in Novi for the past eight years. She began her chiropractic career in Sebawing, after graduating from Life Chiropractic College, now Life University in

Marionetta, Ga.

She said her chiropractic practice is a family practice and she really enjoys taking care of athletes and children.

"I have treated my two daughters since the day they were born," Chelenyak said. "The best chance of keeping children from getting sick is getting them to see a chiropractor. I treat many young kids and the youngest I have had in the office was 2-days-old."

Chelenyak said most people wait until there are symptoms before they make an appointment with a chiropractor. But with 17 years of experience, she encourages people to make an appointment before the pain begins.

"The nervous system controls everything in the body," she said.

"It takes time — not just for a

spinal adjustment to relieve the pain, but for correcting the problem."

Chelenyak is currently serving as Program Chair for the MCC and is a member of its Executive Board.

Her other interests include spending time with her daughters, Tai, 14, and Kayla, 11.

She also stays active by earning a black belt with her daughter in Tae Kwon Do.

A fan of soccer, Chelenyak really enjoys watching her two daughters play the game and encourages them to stay active through athletics.

"I really enjoy my practice and I love to stay busy," she said.

"I like helping people get well."

CITY OF NOVI

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

There will be a Public Information Meeting on Wednesday, July 21, 1999 at 8:30 a.m. for the Novi Road/Ford Drive Southbound Right Turn Lane. The meeting will be held at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, in Conference Room B. The public is invited to attend this meeting to discuss questions and/or concerns with this project. (7-15-99 NR/NR 910855)

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 99-034

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Meadowbrook Townhomes, L.L.C., is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of a temporary sales trailer and temporary sales model on the project site for Meadowbrook Townhomes, for a length of time to be determined by the Building Official. Meadowbrook Townhomes is located on the south side of 13 Mile Road, west of Meadowbrook Road.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 9:00 a.m. on July 21, 1999, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to July 21, 1999.

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NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 99-031

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Art Van Furniture is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow a tent sale at the Art Van Furniture Store, 27775 Novi Road, from July 30, 1999 through August 3, 1999 and from August 6, 1999 through August 9, 1999. Art Van Furniture is located on the west side of Novi Road, south of Twelve Mile Road.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on July 21, 1999, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to July 21, 1999.

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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will be holding a public hearing on Wednesday, July 21, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider MORGAN CREEK ESTATES SP 98-27A, located north of Thimble Mile Road, east of East Lake Road for PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN AND WOODLANDS PERMIT APPROVALS.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning & Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 21, 1999.

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CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED VACATION OF PART OF CHAPMAN DRIVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Novi Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 26, 1999, at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the same may be reached, on the proposed vacation of part of Chapman Drive, located within the Chapman/Walled Lake Subdivision.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this hearing will be held in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan. All interested persons will be heard at this hearing.

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to the City Clerk at 248-347-0450.

TONNI BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

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Spine-tingler Novi chiropractor wins state honor

Leader of ice arena management firm fights to save contract to run the rinks

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city council and a representative of Center Ice Inc.

Seyler's letter contends that the arena started with a large deficit to overcome, which he attributes to decisions made by the Novi Building Authority. This deficit was created when the Building Authority set back the Ice Arena's opening date from the fall of 1997 to 1998, he said.

Seyler adds that further deficits were created when the city administration instructed Center Ice to move up its opening date from August 28, 1998 to July 1, 1998 and assume operations.

This date was eventually set back to the original August date, after a wall at the Ice Arena became unstable and was rebuilt.

"While such a decision may have seemed reasonable at the time, the failure to deliver the rink to management for the operating until late August meant that the current operating deficit includes all the expenses incurred during the two-month period, with none of the revenue we might have expected to earn had we been operating," Seyler's letter stated.

"The actions of the Building Authority were responsible for \$310,000 to \$340,000 of the current deficit now being attributed to Center Ice, a difference of \$910,000 to \$1,240,000."

Novi Parks and Recreation Director Dan Davis doesn't support Seyler's version of the case.

"Basically, I disagree with Mr. Seyler's opinion as to the reasons for the Ice Arena deficit," Davis said.

The city council has received the letter from Seyler, Davis said. He added that "Seyler is a little confused on the process. It wasn't an

action I took individually. It was an action directed by city council."

To address the issue, the Novi City Council has scheduled a special meeting for 6 p.m. July 19 in the Activities Room of the Novi Civic Center. This will be a joint meeting between the council and Community Clubs of Novi.

Seyler said the arena lost more money due to actions taken by Community Clubs. With this and the deficit from the Building Authority, combined with competition from other rinks in the area, the arena's first year was doomed, Seyler said.

"Disregarding this deficit and the impending problems from such stiff competition, Community Clubs over-ruled our recommendations, recommendations originally presented in 1997 in our business plan then reviewed and approved by the administration and by Community Clubs, and instituted the management policies which are primarily responsible for today's deficit," Seyler wrote.

Seyler said in his letter that Community Clubs was controlled by youth hockey interests, which allocated all of the best ice time to the youth leagues at the lowest rate possible.

"They gave it away," he said in a phone interview. "Rather than maximizing the benefits from our prime market, winter season youth hockey, Community Clubs granted highly favorable terms to Novi Youth Hockey and to the two high school programs," Seyler wrote.

But Davis said Seyler knew of the ice rates and times for Novi Youth Hockey earlier than he is stating.

Magan Flynn, a member of Community Clubs board of directors,

said Novi Youth Hockey does not control the group. "I don't know why he would say that," she said.

These favorable terms given to youth hockey included some of the best ice time at what Seyler said is less than a "premium price."

"While new rinks are charging as much as \$200 per hour for their youth programs, management was willing to settle for \$170/hour but were forced to accept a rate of \$160/hour. While most rinks write ice rental contracts for 26 to 28 straight weeks, inclusive of every day and excluding only the three major holidays, we were forced to provide two weeks hiatus during school holiday periods, during which we had no alternative but to a substantial portion of the less desirable ice hours," Seyler wrote.

According to Seyler, part of this included the taking of the arena's Saturday and Sunday evenings, costing the rink about \$2,000 a week.

In addition, Community Clubs gave very late times to senior hockey programs. Seyler said the market is very saturated with rinks that offer adult hockey leagues at earlier times, resulting in an additional loss of revenue for the Novi Ice Arena.

"Seniors would have played and paid a lot of money for an earlier time," he said.

Seyler added, in response to previous comments from city council members that Center Ice owes the city \$62,000 for a start-up loan, that this is simply not true.

However, he said, the city owes Center Ice \$40,000 to \$60,000 for feasibility studies and legal work.

Davis said Seyler is right in his statement he does not owe the city \$62,000, but he is completely wrong about the city owing him

any money.

"I have no idea what he is talking about," Davis said.

In fact, in April or May of 1998, Seyler presented a budget for the 1998-99 year that included the same ice rates and hours he complained about in his recent letter to the city council, Davis said.

In that budget and using the same numbers he discusses in his letter, Seyler indicated there would be gains in revenue, Davis said.

He added, while Seyler's letter dealt completely with the financial issue, the decision to terminate Center Ice's contract was "for reasons more than financial."

According to Davis' original letter of termination to Seyler, Center Ice did not keep the arena clean on the inside or outside. It did not secure a locker room for senior hockey players resulting in thousands of dollars in thefts and allowed a Russian summer hockey coach to stay in the locker room for a night.

Flynn agreed that Seyler's management tactics were less desirable. But, she did say the interior of the building seemed to be maintained to her, while the outside needed some maintenance, which it eventually got.

"But he (Seyler) was not as responsive as he should have been," Flynn said.

She said he would wait maintain the outside only after the grass grew long and it started to look bad.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Terry Seyler, head of Center Ice Inc., at the Novi Ice Arena.

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 99-032

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Arbor CVS Drug Store is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of two storage trailers and an extra dumpster at the Arbor CVS Drug Store, 45065 Pontiac Trail, from August 2, 1999 through August 29, 1999. Arbor CVS Drug Store is located on the south side of Pontiac Trail, west of West Road.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:15 p.m. on July 21, 1999, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to July 21, 1999.

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(7-15-99 NR, NN 910917)

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 99-033

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that George W. Auch is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of a temporary construction office trailer on the project site for Northern Equities beginning July 21, 1999 through August 30, 2000. Northern Equities will be located on the north side of Twelve Mile Road, west of Haggerty Road.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:30 p.m. on July 21, 1999, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to July 21, 1999.

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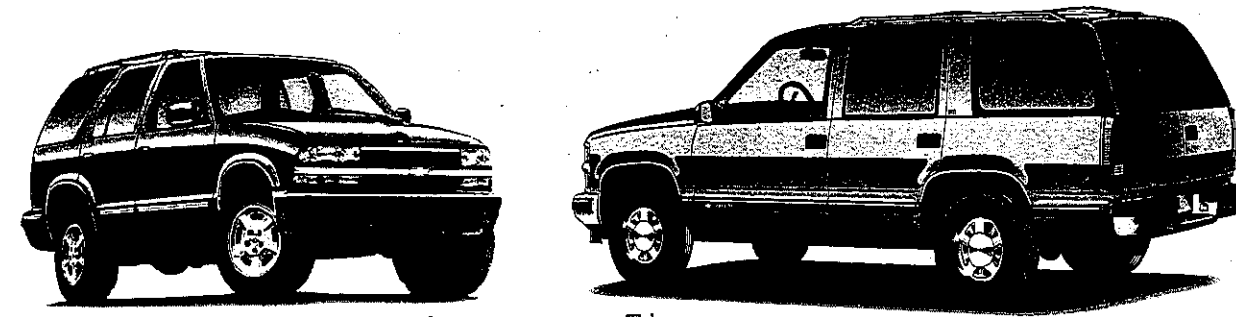
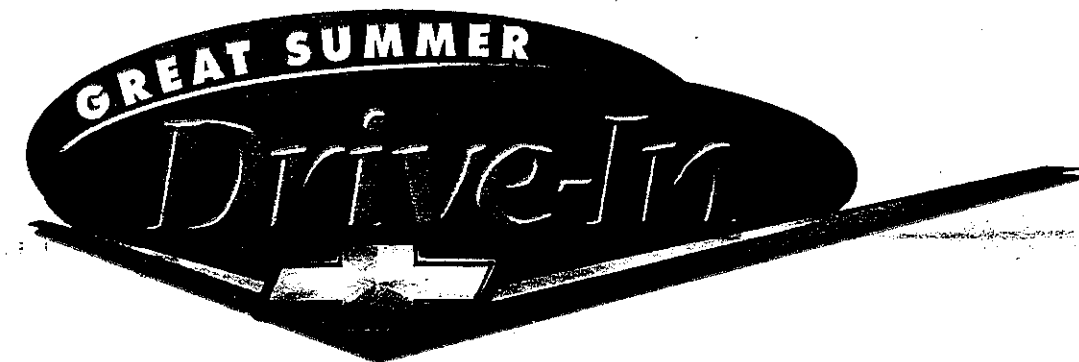
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Obituaries

MICHELINA R. BORUCKI

Michelina Rose Borucki of Novi died July 7 at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. She was born Sept. 22, 1929.

Mrs. Borucki is survived by daughter, Laura Lavin and two granddaughters, Daniel and Joshua.

Services were conducted on Monday, July 12 at St. James Church in Novi. Interment was in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

Arrangements were made by O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home of Novi.

Memorials contributions to the American Lung Association, 16556 W. Ten Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48075-2659 would be appreciated.

JOSEPH A. HEYMAN

Joseph Anthony Heyman died

July 9 in Providence Hospital, Wallingford, Conn. He was born Aug. 30, 1921.

He is survived by his wife, Lary and brother, Vincent (Irene).

A funeral liturgy was conducted on Tuesday, July 13 at Holy Family Catholic Church. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Arrangements were made by O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home of Novi.

Memorials to Elks Major Projects, 30896 Ten Mile, Farmington, MI 48336 would be appreciated.

ANTHONY LOKUTA JR.

Anthony "Tony" Lokuta Jr. died July 10 in Commerce Township. He was born July 10, 1929.

Mr. Lokuta was the assistant

coach of the girls softball team at Wallingford Central High School.

He is survived by his wife, Grace; daughters, Shirley (Edward) Capellan and Nancy (Scott) Grudzien; and grandchildren, Adam, Amanda, Jamie, Kelly and Ryan.

A funeral liturgy was conducted on Wednesday, July 14 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi.

Arrangements were made by O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home of Novi.

Memorials may be sent to the Tony Lokuta Scholarship Fund, Wallingford Central High School, 2978 S. Commerce, Wallingford, MI 48390 or the American Cancer Society.

Township, schools end fight

By CHRIS C. DAVIS

Staff Writer

Northville school district authorities announced Thursday they had received a letter from Northville Township's board of trustees that made official the end of litigation between the two bodies.

School district attorney Bob Lusk said the letter was a disposition of the case, which took the matter out of the legal system. He said he expected to receive a notice from the courts soon acknowledging the agreement between the township and the district.

The township board began its backing down from the lawsuit in late March, when the group Families For A Better Northville packed the Civic Center chambers and asked for immediate cessation of the suit, and also strongly hinted at seeking recall of township supervisor Karen Woodside and other

board members if the suit wasn't dropped.

A series of modifications to the March settlement continued being debated between the district and the township before the disposition was forwarded.

The lawsuit, which took nearly a year to resolve, revolved around zoning issues pertaining to the new Northville High School. In both instances in which the matter was debated in a courtroom, judges ruled in favor of the school district.

Lusk said the original litigation filed by the township was done so with the Woods of Edenderry kept most closely in mind, as it was the only residential area within close proximity of the new high school.

"I think that the settlement should satisfy the Woods of Edenderry, but it hasn't," Lusk said. "I'm hoping that in time they'll come around as well."

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are) still hanging around and pursuing this," Lusk said. "It seems to me that if the township has things settled in their mind, then the Woods of Edenderry folks should probably feel comfortable as well. I don't see what moral grounds their contention is based upon."

Lusk said the district and township worked closely together to negotiate the placement and height of soccer field lights, as well as the hours they would function.

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Construction can chew your car

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Northville mechanics and body shop personnel.

The maddening season of road construction has made its mark not only on the psyche of the suburban driver, but also on cars.

Jim Davis, owner of Davis Auto Care, said he's seen more than his share of vehicles coming into the shop with tires and wheels damaged because of road construction or bad roads.

"What happens with some of these roads is that it causes stress on the tires and will actually begin damaging the interior of a tire," Davis said. "The treads get out of line, you might get ply separation,

and the next thing you know there's a blister that's formed on the outside of the tire."

Davis said a sure sign that a tire has been damaged is the feeling of repeatedly driving over a bump. "It's like a dog wagging its tail," he said.

More costly and trickier to repair are bent rims. Davis said. Those items on a car become damaged when a car hits a chuckhole or a big bump.

Repairing rims will cost a pretty penny with steel rims, but aluminum rims, Davis said, get especially costly.

"In a lot of those cases with the factory aluminum rims, you can't

even fix them. They just have to be replaced," Davis said.

Not as frequent but nonetheless expensive are damaged exhaust systems, which Davis said get beat up when vehicles drive along roads where sudden dips occur, causing the car to bottom out.

That kind of damage happens with greater frequency on older-model cars where parts may have become loosened over the years.

"We've seen exhaust systems dropped out because of hitting bad bumps," Davis said.

But what about driving when you're not going anywhere? Davis said idling a car in a traffic backup with newer vehicles shouldn't be

that big of an issue, assuming a car has had regular oil and engine coolant changes.

Where problems could occur is if sensors or electronic connections in vehicles which have temperature-activated fans become damaged, or if air scoops — the plastic grates on the front end of cars which extend a few inches below the bumper — become bent inward. The scoops are designed to draw cool air inward when a car is in motion.

"If that happens, it can cause some serious damage to your car, particularly if it becomes overheated," Davis said.

Follow your car's maintenance schedule, including oil changes, tire rotations, tune-ups and coolant flushes and fills.

Drive with care to save your vehicle from wear

Here are some construction-related driving tips mechanic Jim Davis suggests:

• Watch your vehicle's temperature gauge. It's normal for a car's temperature to rise if it's hot or if you're in a traffic jam, but be certain the needle doesn't move into the "hot" zone. If it does, open your car's windows, turn on the heater full-blast, and get to a garage as soon as possible.

• Drive slowly in construction zones, for the safety of both your car and workers in the area. Bad roads are made worse with high speeds, cramped conditions and impatient driving.

• Know your route ahead of time so you can avoid rapid multiple-lane changes, which are difficult on

tires and alignment at high rates of speed.

Livonia man arraigned for accosting children in Novi

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ed to," Shaeffer said.

"Obviously he had given it some thought."

Given Stefanski's comments and what Shaeffer called a "repetitive nature," Stefanski said he believed the male is "truly a sexual predator."

Stefanski was arrested July 10 and arraigned July 11 in Oakland County Circuit Court in Pontiac on two counts: attempting to co-act with children for immoral purpose; and indecent exposure.

He could face life in prison if convicted on the charges.

There have been several reports of the suspect fitting Stefanski's description in Northville, Novi, Livonia, Westland, Wixom since June 20.

Shaeffer said upon information was given to the press about Stefanski, Novi police received several hundred tips themselves.

The tips lead to the arrest of Stefanski.

"We are exceptionally glad he was arrested, charged and incarcerated," he said.

Others are glad to see Stefanski off the streets.

"Let's be honest," said Novi Mayor Kathleen McCallen.

"Around here, the mom network was in hyper-drive."

Stefanski is being held in Oakland County Jail on a \$250,000 cash bond.



Police say the suspect cruised Novi in this red pick-up truck.

Novi agreed to settle harassment suit

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The suit also alleged violations of her civil rights. Fair Labor Standards Act and violations of the Minimum Wage Law of 1964.

"Plaintiff was denied overtime pay and compensation for hours worked, including compensations related to Plaintiff's duties as an officer/handler in the canine unit," the complaint stated.

Under the terms of the settlement, the city of Novi agreed to drop these complaints against the City of Novi and not authorize any other person to file a lawsuit on her behalf.

Mullinix is also forbidden from seeking employment for any city government job in Novi, including seeking reemployment as a Novi police officer.

"The parties agree and stipulate that the settlement amount represents compensation for alleged injuries," the settlement states.

The settlement also stipulates that Mullinix can not disclose any term of the agreement to anyone, with the exception of her tax advisor and her husband, Greg Mullinix, who is also bound by the non-disclosure clause.

The couple signed the agreement on June 25.

"Plaintiff and her attorney, Deborah Gordon and representatives of Start and Gordon her attorney's law office are limited by this agreement to acknowledge, upon inquiry by the present or former employees of Defendant, the press or other media, or any other person or entity that 'all claims against Defendant have been satisfactorily disposed of and I am not at liberty to discuss the matter,'" the agreement states.

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Eight Mile, Taft eyed for repairs

By ANDREW DIETERICH Staff Writer

Construction in the immediate Northville area was almost nonexistent.

"Was" is the operative word there.

The Northville City Council has approved Wayne County plans to resurface the intersection of Eight Mile Road and Randolph Road. The construction is sure to provide more summer construction delays once the project gets rolling.

Jim Gallogly, Northville department of public works director, said the project is needed.

"They're out here all winter with cold patch," he said. "So we wanted to try and work something out during the summer."

Gallogly said the road is "really rough" and that many of the concrete joints are crumbling.

In a report to city council, Gary Word, Northville city manager, said repairing the intersections is important because they "are in poor condition and particularly hard to maintain during the winter months."

Work should begin within the month, Gallogly said, and it could take until November.

The city requested Wayne County consider the project, which will stretch almost all the way from the intersection of Eight Mile Road and Taft Road to Center Street.

The project calls for about 2,900 feet of the road to be repaved through the intersections. The internal paving program of the Wayne County road division will perform the work and supervise the work of Eight Mile Road is shared between Wayne County and Oakland County, each will share in one-half the cost for the work.

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As We See It

Was third time a charm? City settles cop's lawsuit

Monday night, without debate, the Novi City Council approved the settlement of a lawsuit brought by former Novi Police Officer June Mullinix.

Mullinix and her police dog were among the first members of the Novi Police Department's Canine Unit. At the time, the police dogs and their handlers were a big deal locally, with much publicity attached. Then, life with the dog soured for Mullinix.

She became the third of three female officers to file a sexual harassment suit against the City of Novi. She also charged the city with wage discrimination and sex discrimination.

Three women, three different stories, three legal battles.

Of them all, Mullinix has achieved the largest settlement. The city council agreed that Novi will give her \$162,550. In return, she may not seek employment with the city again and Mullinix, her husband and her attorney must not discuss the case with the media.

In April, her case had been dismissed without prejudice by a federal court judge, which meant she had the option of starting the lawsuit all over again or reaching an accord with the city.

Avoiding the press was not an issue when it came to the sexual harassment suits filed by her predecessors. The first was brought by Karen Koester, who was denied light duty by the department while pregnant and claimed that she was sexually harassed because of her condition. In 1992, the judgment was in Koester's favor at an Oakland County Circuit Court trial. She was awarded the small sum of \$5,000 and attorney's fees. The city appealed this decision, but the Michigan Supreme Court last year upheld the lower court's ruling and granted Koester a new trial.

After the high court's decision, Koester told "The Novi News" how embarrassing the whole incident had been for herself and her family. A former Novi DARE officer, she is pursuing a career in law enforcement elsewhere and said she hoped that her legal history did not follow her.

Koester said last year that she truly loved her job at the Novi Police Department, where she served for 12 years, but felt she was forced out because her peers and superiors put pressure on

her because of the lawsuit.

Deanna Hall, who filed a similar lawsuit against the city during her pregnancy, briefly became a national media star. She was even photographed and interviewed by "People" magazine.

After the Koester verdict, the city and Hall settled out-of-court. Compared to Mullinix's award, she won a paltry \$25,000 for herself and \$45,000 for her lawyer.

While it's unfortunate that Mullinix will not have the chance, if she wishes, to tell her story, the city is to be praised for not attempting to keep the settlement from public knowledge. Council members and city officials discussed the case with "The Novi News" and approval of the settlement appropriately came in a public forum.

For outsiders, it's hard to determine what really happened here. Were Novi women police routinely subjected to harassment and discrimination on the job during the late 1980s and early 1990s? Or did someone's sensitivities clash with someone else's not necessarily ill-meaning insensitivities?

Does the fact that the city agreed to settle two of these three cases amount to a tacit admission of guilt? Or is it just a good business decision to cut the losses and move on?

What is clear is that some good has come out of the disruption of these three women's lives, although they themselves will not benefit from this. In the wake of the Koester and Hall complaints, Novi drafted a new employment policy that permits pregnant female employees or disabled employees of either sex to request temporary light duty assignments.

As another move in the right direction, Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford said that the city sent its staff to training seminars with a focus on avoiding sexually harassing behavior.

"Hopefully, this won't occur anymore," Crawford added. We echo Crawford's sentiments. It's unfortunate that it took a good deal of stress and suffering on the part of at least three women to bring the city into the modern era. But it appears that the city leaders are stepping firmly into the real world.

Party season begins

Novi's official party season is now upon us. Some of us feel a little lazy when it comes to driving downtown or to Auburn Hills to see a good concert. But no problem, because we have the Bluesfest International this weekend and the Michigan 50s Festival next week. The difficulty is making a decision about how many times you'll spend an evening at the Novi Expo Center.

The entertainment line-up for these two events is downright amazing. Buckwheat Zydeco, for example, is appearing Saturday at the Novi Expo Center, courtesy of the Bluesfest. This is the Louisiana band that has performed for no less an audience than President Clinton. If you're not a Democrat, you'll be more impressed to learn that Buckwheat has been an opening act for Eric Clapton. Other blues legends appearing here include Buddy Guy, Muddy Waters' son Big Bill Mor-

ganfield and B.B. King's daughter, Sherlie King.

If you were lucky enough to have attended a live performance of The Beatles, this may not be for you. But for most of us who didn't have that pleasure, Beatlemania Live, next week at the Michigan 50s Festival, may be the next best thing. These impersonators of the four Mop Tops have appeared on Broadway.

Other 50s Fest acts are legends in their own rights, especially Motown's own Martha Reeves, formerly of the Vandellas. Then there's Bobby Vee, the guy who filled in when the Big Bopper and Buddy Holly became rock legends.

This week's "Novi News" features four pages on the Bluesfest in the AA section and a special supplement on the Michigan 50s Festival. Use them as your guide to a good time during the Novi July.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Northville needs a manager



Bob Jackson

Let me start by my weekly offering by first congratulating the six-member Northville Township Management Study Committee for completing a

time consuming study of the township's administrative management structure. It's only fair to give trustees and the committee a round of applause for completing their task and releasing a report that suggests that not having an accessible, on-site manager is a detriment to the future of the township and its tax-paying residents.

The report comes out of a study that was initiated by the township

board of trustees in 1997. Part of that study required input from township employees, many of whom agree that a full-time, on-site manager is needed in order for the day-to-day operations of township government to run smoothly.

Neighboring Novi has a full-time city manager form of government. The report recommends the township adopt an ordinance that vests full authority, responsibility and accountability for administrative operations in a... chief executive officer. Additionally, the report suggests a resolution be adopted "that clearly defines the roles and responsibilities of the board of trustees and the chief executive officer."

I would heartily agree with that recommendation. Because let's be honest here, in her position as assistant Wayne County Prosecutor, Township supervisor Karen Woodside could never hope to be able to stay on top of everything going on in this growing township

of ours. Not that she hasn't tried, mind you, but it's got to be difficult to manage the daily affairs of the township and juggle the responsibilities of her career.

With the township growing by leaps and bounds we need a full-time administrator managing the daily responsibilities. Taxpayers deserve have their interests safeguarded, their quality of life maintained.

All we have to do is look to our neighbors to see what happens when affairs of local government aren't managed properly — roads fall into disrepair, the infrastructure begins to crumble, and taxes begin to increase.

Hopefully we won't get to that point. The report presented by the management committee has some sound and reasoned recommendations.

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In Focus

By John Heider



Megan Worke paints a cat face on a poster during at the Northville library's summer reading program recently.

Whiskers

Poker game merits a hand



Mike Malott

the pastime, historians trace the game to New Orleans where it first became popular in the early 1800s. From there it spread up the Mississippi, on riverboats of course, and throughout the Old West.

Today there is hardly a one of us who hasn't played it at one time or another.

Ante up a dime to a hand of Seven Card Stud and you feel like you should be slapping the trail dust off your vest while pouring yourself a shot of rot gut. Lay a big quarter bet drawing to an outside straight and it makes want to check your six shooter in case some varmint comes up with a flush.

And oh, by the way, this national ritual is still illegal in the State of Michigan.

That's right. Play for pennies around the kitchen table and you are technically in violation of the law. Throwing down nickels and dimes with your poker pals at your regular Saturday night home game could net you a misdemeanor conviction and a \$500 fine.

What kind of sense does that make in a state hell-bent on expanding gambling opportunities? From tribal casinos up north to three new casinos coming to Detroit, wagering of all kinds is widely available here. And the latest development is that the State Lottery Commission is concerned that the new Detroit gambling houses will cut into its proceeds, so it is proposing new games. Under consideration is a state-wide Vegas-style keno game, with drawings every seven minutes throughout the day.

State Sen. David Jaye, R-Washington Twp., noticed a similar discrepancy with sports betting. Putting up \$5 with a friend over a handshake on the outcome of the Superbowl could get you in similar trouble with the law. Throwing a buck into the March Madness

office pool technically makes you a criminal in Michigan.

Jaye proposed legislation this year to legalize such small wagers. Senate bills 422 and 423 would allow you get a little action on a sporting event, as long as the bet didn't exceed \$5 and the potential winnings didn't go over \$1,000.

Apparently, there are no similar advocates of kitchen-table card games in Lansing because no other bills have been offered to legalize low stakes, home poker gatherings.

Even so, Jaye's idea has been met with a collective yawn in the Capitol, in part because it is Jaye who's proposing it. But lawmakers also say they aren't interested because, they argue, putting a dollar limit on how big a bet has to be before it becomes illegal would require a periodic review to adjust the amount for inflation. Or they would have to install some "cost of living" formula in the bill to allow the betting limit to occasionally ratchet upward.

Cops don't bust such low stakes games anyway, legislators argue. That's not really true, considering police broke up a low-level poker game in Novi and a sports betting party in Royal Oak just last year. I predict that as Michigan residents get more used to gambling, there will be more such incidents in the future. At this point, cops have to decide what is illegal gaming and what is so small that lawmakers really didn't intend to have officers bother with it.

More bizarre yet is the fact that while poker in the privacy of your own home for nickels and dimes is still technically illegal, you can go play that game in a casino card room for stakes that are a lot higher. Poker games requiring bets of \$10 to \$40 are commonplace in casinos. Of course the casino takes 5 percent of every pot, and the government gets its cut through taxation, or "compacts" in the case of tribal gaming houses.

In the old days, there was another name for the guy who said what gambling games you could play and who made that decision based on whether he could get a cut of the action. He was referred to as "the godfather." Now it is Michigan state government that fills that role.

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Supreme court rules on open meetings



Phil Power

on a final candidate is taken at a formal meeting.

The 6-1 decision, announced last month, arose from a lawsuit filed in 1993 by the Detroit News and the Lansing State Journal against the Michigan State University Board of Trustees. The newspapers argued MSU violated the Open Meetings Act when it carried out a secret search process that wound up selecting current President Peter Mensch.

The court reasoned that the Michigan Constitution explicitly gives the power to control the workings of universities to their respective governing boards, not to the Legislature. The Open Meetings Act, however, is a creation of the Legislature. Therefore, university boards are not required by the OMA to keep presidential searches open, although any formal meetings to officially select a president must be open to the public.

The court's key finding: "The Legislature does not have power to regulate open meetings for the university defendant in the context of presidential searches, i.e., it is institutionally unable

to craft an open meetings act that would not, in the context of a presidential selection committee, unconstitutionally infringe the governing board's power to supervise its institution."

During the years I served on the University of Michigan Board of Regents, I was involved in searches for two presidents, James Duderstadt and Lee Bollinger. In both cases, the university was sued by the news media for violating the Open Meetings Act. So I've got some direct experience with this issue.

Over the years, various OMA court rulings made it tough on public university boards to find good presidential candidates. I recall a sitting university president and an excellent potential candidate for the U-M presidency telling me, "I admire your university and I'd love to be its president. But under no circumstances will I let my name be considered. Why? Because the way your Open Meetings Act has been interpreted makes it certain my interest will become public. And that would damage my presidency here, whether I'm selected or not."

Michigan became known nationally in the higher education community as a state with a crazy Open Meetings Act. Able people with university leadership experience increasingly refused to let their names go forward in Michigan university presidential searches. For example, not one sitting university president allowed his or her name to be considered during the Regents' last search for a new U-M president.

The constraints forced on boards by the courts could be absurdly restrictive. During the Bollinger search process, members of our board were ordered by a circuit judge not to interview candidates, check out their backgrounds with references or talk informally among ourselves without the public being present!

The public policy issues involved go far

beyond momentary inconvenience. Able and experienced university leaders are a scarce resource, and competition to recruit them is fierce. Restrictively applying the OMA to presidential searches systematically disadvantages Michigan public universities in competing with private schools for hard-to-find leadership talent.

The recent Supreme Court decision resolves this tangled situation. University boards in Michigan may now conduct searches for new presidents in private, opening up the process to the public only at a last, formal board meeting at which a final vote is taken. Our public universities can now compete on a level playing field for talented and experienced education leaders.

The risk, of course, is that university boards might now try to use the Court's ruling as an excuse for keeping secret a slew of things now firmly in public view. Eastern Michigan University, for example, announced last month that its search for a successor to President William Shelton will be entirely closed. And some experts are worried that the application to public universities of other beneficial laws — the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, for example — might be threatened.

But, on balance, the gain for our public universities — arguably Michigan's crown jewels — far exceeds the risks.

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Writer finds city government lacking

To the Editor:

Being mid-year and preparing to enter year 2000 and preceding the coming August election and bond request, it is prudent to review the accomplishments of those responsible for governing the City of Novi.

First on the agenda is the ice arena. City management spent several thousands of dollars to construct a road primarily to service the arena. They then entered into a construction contract which held the contractor blameless for construction defects. They pledged the full faith and credit of the homeowners, without securing voter approval, to provide the funds for construction. Rather than breaking even the first year, the arena produced a loss to the extent the city has had to "loan" to keep it running. Now the arena manager has been terminated. Was this a white elephant to begin with? Were projections overly optimistic? Was there really a crying need for the arena? City management either doesn't know or won't tell.

In the matter of the many million dollar judgment granted to a builder against the city, whether or not it is reduced, it is going to cost Novi taxpayers serious money. It was definitely a poor decision to build the connections to Decker Road and keep it closed for a year or so. Who made that decision?

Next comes the loss of the \$1.1 million grant for the ring road northwest of Grand River and Novi Road. An autocredit attitude by city management has resulted in more lawsuits. Yes, sir, Novi loves lawsuits. Our city doesn't seem to know much about negotiating. If newspaper accounts are correct, the attempt to condemn land without compensation is unjust and unreasonable. What quality of legal service is Novi receiving? Seems to be rather poor.

Now Novi has terminated the superintendent of our DPW for not "working out to the city administration's satisfaction." That is a rather broad statement. After observing recent events in Novi, I have to feel the firing had as much to do with politics as with ability. Novi is also spending several

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thousand for yet another golf course feasibility study. Who is pushing this and why? I am an avid golfer, but have yet to meet a golfer (with the exception of city employees) who would support an affirmative interest in a municipal course. Is there a group of citizens requesting a course? Haven't heard of any. Do we need a repetition of the ice arena, with overpopulation and no projections? No, thank you.

If the golf course is such a great idea, put it to the voters before spending another dime for something only city management thinks is necessary. Either council is afraid to do this for fear of failure or too arrogant to trust the judgment of their constituents.

There is a problem which Novi management seems to ignore. For how many more years will our city be on an old, over water restriction? How can so many new subdivisions be added if there is a shortage of capacity? What are the administration's plans to improve the situation? Do they have a plan? Is there a design firm in on speed? Does anyone care? Other cities serviced by Detroit do not have outdoor restrictions. This is something that affects the quality of life in our city, more so than a lack of a golf course or operating an ice arena.

When you vote in the August election, you probably will be asked to approve about \$28 million in bonds for road construction. Remember that the proposed road projects have been selected by the city administration that has accomplished all of the above. We face possible tax liability for the ice arena. You also can count on a tax liability because of the judgment won over the Decker Road issue. Even though it may be reduced, you can bet it is going to cost you some money.

Before authorizing another \$28 million for the administration to spend on their projects, the city and city administration have elected to spend the taxpayers' money on legal fees and engineering

expenses.

The financial picture gets even worse. In addition to the \$1.1 million received from the state in 1994, the city officials also received \$1.7 million in 1996 from the Novi taxpayers. A total of \$2.8 million, including at least three years of interest (say 4 percent times \$2.8 million times three years = \$336,000 for a grand total of \$3.26 million).

Now if the city has to return the \$1.1 million plus at least five years of interest (say 4 percent times \$1.1 million times five years = \$220,000 for a grand total of \$1.32 million).

But Mr. Kriewall is not worried. In the July 8 "Novi News" article he is quoted as saying, "The road will help solve the (traffic) congestion problem... But should the city not get its grant, the city could issue bonds to pay for the project..."

Do they realize how foolish it looks to the Novi residents and taxpayers when they plan to ask for over \$28.5 million in additional taxes while they forfeit a state of Michigan grant of \$1.1 million for \$1.32 million?

Is this the way this city council and city administration would handle the proposed \$28.5 million road bond issue? Time, respect for taxpayers' money, and conducting ethical and proper business practices do not seem to matter with these elected and appointed officials.

Yet, in less than a year, a significant amount of Novi taxpayers' money was quickly spent to construct a semi-private road (Park Barre Avenue No. 7) and install a traffic light on a county road, for the Novi Ice Arena, the privately owned Sports Arena, and some other developer-owned parcels.

Joseph G. Toth

Lawmaker seeks uniform regulations

By Mike Malott

HomeTown News Service

It's a question of fairness to businesses, according to State Rep. Robert Gosselin, R-Troy. He doesn't want a firm to move into a Michigan community only to find out that some obscure local ordinance would restrict, hamper or even outright ban the enterprise.

He says his proposed "regulatory responsibility" legislation, House Bill 4777, would not override land use or zoning rules made by municipalities. Rather, he contends, he is simply attempting to restore the traditional division between the regulatory authority of cities and the state.

"The tradition in Michigan is home rule," responded Dan Gilmarin, Director of State and Federal Affairs for the Michigan Municipal League. He is concerned that, as written, the bill could prohibit residents from adopting rules in their own towns regarding the way businesses operate.

Examples of the types of ordinances that might fall by the way-

side are restrictions on home businesses and local welfare regulations, according to Gilmarin, laws that are common among Michigan communities.

The two are scheduled to meet with their differences. Gosselin said he would like to have the support of the Michigan Municipal League when the bill comes up for consideration in the House this fall. He said he is willing to make adjustments to the proposal in order to get the Municipal League's agreement.

Gilmarin too said he will enter the discussions with "an open mind." But it is likely to be a tough sell.

"Our concern is its impact on home rule. We feel strongly it is best to make the decisions about how a community should be run closer to home. It is best for the community to make those decisions, rather than a one-size-fits-all approach by the state," Gilmarin said.

It is clear that firms looking to locate in Michigan will be repelled

by a patchwork of competing regulatory schemes," Gosselin said. The law cuts and state regulatory reform will be for naught if business shuns Michigan as a "Bosnia" of competing, overlapping and duplicative regulations.

Gosselin said his bill would take nothing away from local governments, just prevent them from passing ordinances on subjects traditionally covered by the state.

"I'm not trying to intrude on their authority. I'm just trying to define what is the area for local regulation and what is traditionally the jurisdiction of the state," Gosselin said. "We wouldn't allow a city to, say, adopt the death penalty. That's a decision for the state."

The representative cited two local ordinances he believes crossed the line from a local responsibility to the jurisdiction of the state government — Marquette's recent total ban of smoking in restaurants and "living wage" ordinances approved in Detroit and Ypsilanti. In Detroit, voters approved a proposal in 1998 to require businesses to pay a wage of \$8.27 per hour with health benefits or \$10.33 per hour without.

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Kroger, hotel are among plans recently okayed

By MELANIE PLENDIA
Staff Writer

On Wednesday July 7, the Novi Planning commission gave preliminary site plan approval to three new developments — including a Kroger for Grand River Avenue.

An Extended Stay America is slated for the west side of Orchard Hill Place Drive, on the west side of Haggerty Road, just north of Eight Mile. The project will be a three-story hotel with 89 studio suites covering a little over three acres. Extended Stay Hotels cater generally to businessmen and women who require accommodations for extensive business trips.

According to Planning Commis-

sioner Robert Churella, though the fascia of the building, "doesn't really fit into what's there, they fulfilled all the ordinances." He went on to say that, "it would have been nice if the same type of fascia, but since they fulfilled all the requirements, you can't turn a guy down."

The difference in the facade of the building is a matter of taste and style. The surrounding buildings are more contemporary, while the new hotel has a more traditional look.

Churella added that ultimately, it should be a good mix, "he went further to say that, nobody from Turnberry has anything to say

"Two hundred people didn't want the one (Kroger) on Eight Mile."

Robert Churella
Novi Planning Commissioner

about it." This is in reference to those living in the up-scale subdivision near-by.

Another plan that was given unanimous approval was the Providence Park Plaza. This project is located at the northwest corner of Beck Road and Grand River Avenue. It is expected that there

will be a new Kroger, a gas station/convenience store with auto car wash, and a possible Home Depot.

Similar developments near Eight Mile Road had previously been denied. Churella attributed the difference this time to, "200 people didn't want the one on Eight Mile."

Last summer, a Kroger proposed for Eight Mile and Beck road was strongly opposed by a coalition of Novi and Northville residents.

Churella added, "it's about what the community wants." Furthermore he explained that the difference also lies in the fact that this development is in a highly commercial as opposed to residential area.

Churella pointed out that the gas station is going to be a state-of-the-art facility and also "very attractive."

Along with the new stores comes more road construction. Grand River will be expanded to five lanes, as well as Beck Road.

Finally, the planning commission were all in agreement on the Town Center expansion. This project is located at the northwest corner of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue in Novi Town Center. Here there will be a new restaurant and retail building.

Churella said that currently this area is just weeds, so building the buildings there will be "very desirable to look at."

There will also be an additional lane put in at the nearby car wash to improve the car stacking problem.

Language for road proposal approved

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

The Novi City Council approved on Monday night the language to be placed on the November ballot for the 1999 road bond proposal.

After learning how a request by council members to list each road project in detail on the ballot would restrict the city, they voted unanimously for a shorter ballot question.

The proposal will read: "Shall the City of Novi, County of Oakland, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed Twenty-Eight Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$28,500,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefore, for the purpose of defraying the City's share of the cost of paving, repaving, repairing, widening and improving new and existing bridges, streets and highways within the City, including necessary rights of way, sidewalks, bicycle paths, traffic signalization, curbs and gutters and proper drainage facilities therefore?"

In order to provide more information to the public about the bond, the council originally expressed interest in listing each road to be improved by this bond on the ballot.

However, City Manager Ed Kriewall convinced the council language such as this would be too restrictive to the city, especially if a federal or state grant were to be presented to the city for road improvements and this grant required some funding by the city.

The bond will be used for the following road improvements:

- Delmont Drive improvements
- Dinsler Drive improvements
- Meadowbrook Road improvements
- Twelve Mile Road improvements
- City Wide Pavement Rehabilitation projects
- Intersection improvements
- Economic Development Fund (Grand River to CSX improvements)
- Crescent Road East
- Novi Road improvements
- Nine Mile Road improvements
- Main Street West
- Beck Road/I-96 interchange improvements

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Right: Tollgate Farm volunteer Bob Mrozek waters part of the farm's "Enabling Garden" that was showcased during the Novi Garden Walk. The garden has many raised platform sections that make it easier for people using wheelchairs or walkers to attend to their plants. Below: Volunteer Ann Mitchell and Tollgate Farm's Horticultural Manager Linda Schorr admire one of Tollgate Farm's rose bushes during the recent Novi Garden Walk.

Photos by JOHN HEIDER



Linda Schorr, left, and Ann Mitchell take a walk around the farm's rose garden near the end of the Garden Walk.

Paradise Found

Nestled in Novi is a gardener's dream resplendent with dozens of varieties of plant species to tickle the senses

By MELANIE PLENDIA
Staff Writer

Much like the rest of state, the road leading up to the Michigan State University Tollgate Gardens is under construction.

But once past the rough orange cones and the road blocks there is a veritable Garden of Eden right here in Novi.

"You get the best of both worlds," said Lynn Markey, one of the Master Gardener volunteers.

Much of the maintenance, planting and supplying for the gardens comes from local volunteers.

It's a farm in the city, which you don't see too often anymore. The MSU Tollgate Gardens are part of a facility supported by MSU Extension, the Agriculture Experimentation Station and the College of Agriculture. Though it is MSU land, much of the maintenance, planting and supplying for the gardens comes from local volunteers.

Last week, the Novi Beautification Commission sponsored a garden walk at Tollgate, to familiarize community members with this local asset. The gardens officially "took root" in 1992 with the help of The Master Gardeners group. Their program is a five-week course that teaches the average green thumb how to research, plant and learn new techniques to improve existing gardens. Each member is required to volunteer 40 hours a year in a garden. Many choose Tollgate to happily fulfill their requirement.

Though most of the exhibitions are

three years old, there are two new ones designed by one of the farms' managers Linda Schorr.

The first is a Demonstration Garden. This area will be used to grow plants conducive to southeast Michigan climate and soil. Here volunteers and master gardeners will work together to develop new techniques and share gardening tips.

"We hope to have it completed by the end of the year," Schorr said.

She added that "we still need more donations."

However, the two managers, Schorr and Roy Prentice, often shoulder the bulk of the maintenance duties. Prentice lives on-site.

"The beds should be weeded every day but usually we can only get to them every other," Schorr confessed.

With over 350 plants in the rose garden alone, this is quite a task. But, she mentioned that many local businesses, such as Anglin Supply, often offer help on short notice for special events and that "most of the local nurseries have been very responsive."

Another new attraction to the gardens is a pond and constructed wetland. Schorr pointed out that they have designed the pond to act as a

natural wetlands would. This includes special plant life placed around the pond to filter runoff and keep contaminants out.

She also mentioned that there were plans to build a nature walk and teaching platforms in and around the pond. These are to be used for classes, primarily for the MSU extension courses.

Going further into the gardens, it's clear that every plant tells a story and even has its own personality. For example, the Xeriscape Gardens host arid plants that can live for an extended amount of time on natural rainfall. Donna Mrozek, who tends this area, explained that, "these plants will adapt to their surroundings."

Then there are those plants that stand head and shoulders above the rest, literally. In the Enabling Garden, those with handicaps, back troubles or simply those who have limited ground space can still enjoy gardening.

Here Bob Mrozek has created specially designed, elevated containers, that are not only wheelchair accessible, but act as "anti-stooping" devices. He explained that some people give up on gardening because of the bending and lifting involved. However, with the pots in a space above

waist level anyone can enjoy this activity.

Fun flora and fauna flourishes in the Children's Garden. Here Gabe Tiberio, one of the volunteers for this garden, stresses, "our goal is to educate, amuse, and make the learning, curve fun."

There's a tall tale for every petal in the place.

One of them comes from the tansy plant, an import from New York with the attitude to match. In the early part of the century, before refrigeration, meat markets used to use the elixir-like mixture from the plant's center on the meat to keep the flies away.

Even today, a tansy's bug-killing ability can be used on people as a natural insect repellent.

"Although," chuckled Tiberio, "You want to take a shower because the smell of it might keep people away too!"

The Children's Garden is also home to some kiddie-grown crops. As a project last year, children from Walled Lake's Meadowbrook Elementary School, came in and planted crops that are now coming to fruition. They liked it so much that the project sprouted a horticulture club. These young human sprouts come every two weeks or so to tend to their mini-gardens and reap the harvest. Last week they harvested their lettuce and the squash was not far behind.

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Northville/Novi On Campus

HALICKI SCOTT of Northville, a part-time student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, was named to the Dean's List for winter term. Students on the Dean's List earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average for the semester.

Scott is a junior majoring in history.

Northville student **MICHELLE MACKINDER** was named to the Dean's List for winter term at the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus.

Students named to the Dean's List must earn a 3.5 or better grade point average for the semester.

Also named to the Dean's List for winter term at the U-M Dearborn campus were Northville students **ALLEN ATTEE**, sophomore, undeclared; **JENNIFER DIXON**, junior, communications; **JENNIFER GRABDA**, junior, psychology; **SHARON LESKIE**, junior, anthropology; **MICHELLE MERSKI**, sophomore, undeclared; **JENNIFER MOES**, sophomore, English; **PAMELA OSENKOWSKI**, junior, biological sciences; **SCOTT PIPER**, freshman, engineering; **SUMMER SHOUCAIR**, junior, history; and **MATTHEW ZELMAN**, sophomore, prebusiness.

AMANDA C. COLE received a degree in special education from Calvin College in May, the last spring graduating class of the 20th century.

The commencement ceremony was the culmination of a weekend of activities that included a worship service, a commencement picnic, an Honors Commencement Concert and senior breakfast.

Cole is a graduate of Northville High School. She is the daughter of Richard and June Giebel of Northville.

AMANDA M. VOSS graduated from Calvin College in May, the last spring graduating class of the 20th century, with a degree in religion and theology.

The commencement ceremony was the culmination of a weekend of activities that included a worship service, a commencement picnic, an Honors Commencement Concert and senior breakfast.

Voss, a Walled Lake Western High School graduate, is the daughter of Robert and Gail Voss of Wixom.

Walled Lake students **MAD-HUCHANDA BARMAN** and **SCOTT SMITH** earned a minimum 3.5 grade point average for winter term at the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus and were therefore, named to the Dean's List.

Barman is majoring in mechanical engineering and Scott is a computer engineering major.

Part-time student **CYNTHIA KELLER** of Novi, a senior majoring in general studies at the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, was named to the Dean's List for winter term.

Students receiving this honor must earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average for the semester.

Novi student **CYNTHIA RUSSETTE** earned a minimum 3.5 grade point average for winter term at the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus and was therefore, named to the Dean's List.

Russette is enrolled in the School of Education.

Also named to the Dean's List at the U-M Dearborn campus for winter term were the following Novi students:

• School of management: **SAPNA JANVEJA**, junior, management information; **DEREK SOUTHWICK**, junior, finance;

STEVEN STOCKER, sophomore, prebusiness; and **JENNIFER WOODS**, junior, accounting.

• College of Arts, Sciences and Letters: **MICHELLE NAPOLITAN**, junior, mathematics; **DORIAN WELLS**, sophomore, economics; and **JANICE BASHI**, junior, English.

JENNY LYNN CARMICHAEL of Novi is among the Miami University students initiated into Beta Gamma Sigma, the national business honor society. Membership in the society is the highest national recognition students can receive in an undergraduate or master's program in business or management.

BRYAN JOSEPH CORT and **AIMEE C. EDGE**, Northville students at Washtenaw Community College, were recognized for their academic excellence by earning a 3.8 or better grade point average for the semester.

Among the associate degree and certificate candidates announced by the college for April and June was Cort and **AUDREY ANNE MAMMANO**, also of Northville.

BRIAN P. HORN, a freshman and biology major at Hillsdale College, was named to the Dean's List for spring semester.

Horn is the son of Peter J. and Pamela Horn of Northville and a 1998 graduate of Northville High School.

School.

Students **SARAH MCKINNEY** of Novi and **AMY SMITH** of Brighton were named to the Dean's List for winter term at Alma College.

To receive this recognition, students must achieve a 3.5 or better grade point average for the term.

Both students are graduates of Novi High School.

EMILY TESTANI of Walled Lake was named to the Dean's List for winter term at Alma College.

Testani, a graduate of Walled Lake Western, was recognized for achieving a 3.5 or higher grade point average for the term.

Commencement ceremonies were held June 5 at Walsh College. Northville students receiving degrees were **DAVID W. ARMSTRONG**, summa cum laude, master's degree in taxation; **SUSAN R. AZAR**, cum laude, master's degree, management; **DARREN M. KEHOE**, bachelor's degree in business administration; **DEBRA L. KIRAR**, summa cum laude, bachelor's, business administration; **MICHELLE A. LOBBIA**, bachelor's in business administration; **KIRK P. MACKINDER**, cum laude, master's in taxation; **MARGARET ANN SIGLER**, master's in finance; and **VICTOR C. ZONA**, master's degree in finance.

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Care group has located in Novi

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help organization for families grieving the death of a child, is now located in the Novi area at Richardson Center, 1485 Oakley Park Road, Commerce Township near Walled Lake Central High School. The group meets on the third Tuesday of the month, from 7-9 p.m.

The organization originated in England and is located in 16 different international areas; there are 26 chapters in Michigan.

This local chapter was formed in 1993 by former Novi residents Wayne and Pat Loder. At that time, Wayne was associated with *The Novi News* and his wife Pat was assistant deputy clerk for the city of Novi. Wayne is currently chapter leader for the Novi area and his wife, newly-elected development director of the National Compassionate Friends organization. They recently returned from a national conference where they hosted a well-received workshop entitled, "Sudden and Accidental Death." Due to the many registrations, a second session was presented.

A memorial balloon launch was recently held at the Novi organization. All families and siblings gathered for this family day, writing messages that were placed inside the balloons which were then released. Total/Petroleum contributed the balloons for the program.

Those who have recently lost a child can call the new number now listed in the phone book, (248) 684-4674 or call the Loders at 684-4234. Information will be given regarding the monthly newsletter and packets of available information.

Parents who have a loss of a child are encouraged to attend a meeting, perhaps several before joining the group. There are also phone numbers available for anyone feeling depressed and in need of talking to someone. Perhaps there has been a suicide, auto accident, multiple loss or short term illness of a loved one. Please feel free to call.

The group continues to remember birth dates or anniversary

Novi Highlights By Jeanne Clark

WHITEHALL HEALTH CARE CENTER OF NOVI

This center is affiliated with Centennial Health Care Corp. and offers long term and rehabilitative care in the 82-bed facility. It is presently undergoing a complete renovation of the bedrooms, activity areas, hallways, etc., with painting, air conditioning, new handrails, and new furniture in the bedrooms and dining room, etc.

A new expedited admissions process has been inaugurated; seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Arrangements can be made for a tour or information about activity programs by calling 349-2200.

Activity director Vickie Theu and assistant director Fran Simo, also coordinator of volunteer services, are looking for organizations who would like to present a community service project, or individuals who could volunteer their services for an hour or more per week to assist with activities. Volunteers are needed especially during the week-ends and evenings.

Many residents are vision or hearing impaired which prevents them from participating in activities such as Bingo. This is when volunteers are needed to assist the resident in attending activities. Once again, call 349-2288 for more information.

Lillian Hobiak visited twice a month and provided entertainment with her accordion; also assisting with various games were Sisters Shambra and Salmond. Volunteers Tom Stringfield, Bisela Murphy, Juanita Spencer and Fran Azotte of the Word Alive Christian Fellowship have also been assisting.

There is also a need for men to assist the Men's Club with their most recent project, working on model cars. If interested, the Gourmet Club is also in need of help in planning and cooking a meal. However, this month was easy, they opted for Col. Sanders and corn-on-the-cob.

NOVI NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS

Though regular meetings have been suspended for the summer, the board recently met and made plans for their involvement in the '50s Festival which starts Saturday, July 24. This is one of the club's major fund raiser with two available shifts open, from 5:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Interest group activities continuing through the summer include the Book Club which meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at Border's Bookstore Cafe. Discussion of "Endurance Shackleton's Incredible Voyage" by Alfred Lansing will be the topic for July 14. The book for discussion on Aug. 11 will be "Where the Heart Is" by Billie Letts.

Couples Golf continues with seven couples involved every Friday evening at Pebble Creek Golf Course; subs and regular players are welcome to join. Ladies Night Out at the Movies is planned for July 29.

Play groups have been busy with the following trips: the Tim Pope Play Structure and the Fort Griswold Play Structure in Northville. July 18 is scheduled for a trip to Lake Shore Park and beach and on Thursday, July 29, a trip to Maybury State Park.

Planned for Aug. 13 is a family outing to a baseball game, Detroit Tigers versus Anaheim. Following the game will be fireworks. This could be one of the last times to visit the "old ball park."

Returning in the fall will be the following interest groups: Tuesday morning bowling for those who would like to form a new team or join the league; Saturday Evening Couples League meets one Saturday a month, September through May. Sign up for this league; and a tentative preseason meeting will be held Aug. 6 for Evening Bunko. Others include a daytime Bunko, Couples Euchre, Couples Events, still other new groups will be

formed as soon as chairpersons are located.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Vacation Bible School was a great success this year with over 80 girls and boys attending the program, "Treasure Hunt Bible Adventure." The project was under the leadership of Melissa Burns and her helpers known as the "Clue Crew Leaders."

Other youth activities include 17 young people attending a week of confirmation camp at Camp Stoney Lake, July 18-24, accompanied by Pastor Bradley Gee.

Laura Pawloski, youth advisor at Camp Frederick in Ohio, and the senior high youth group will be camping July 18-24 for a week of learning, service and fun.

"Friends," a group of 20- to 40-year-olds who are single or married without children will meet for fellowship on the fourth Friday of each month. They will meet July 23 for the Birmingham JazzFest.

The Book Group that meets every third Thursday of the month will discuss "The Tempest" by William Shakespeare for this month's selection. In addition, they plan to see a play at Stratford, Ontario on July 25.

"Service Saturday," lunch for families of hospitalized children, will be held at the Ronald McDonald House July 24. Food for 20-30 people will be provided. Following the lunch there will be clean-up.

Saturday, July 17 is "Hope Golf Day"; it will be 18-hole golf this time instead of nine holes. Not much interest in that format last month. Time is 8 a.m. and the place is Glen Oaks.

Additional activities include softball games, going to Whitehall Nursing Home, and for the groups "Woman to Woman" and "Mom's and Tot's," a trip is planned for Domino's Farms on July 26. For additional information, call the church office at 553-7170.

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

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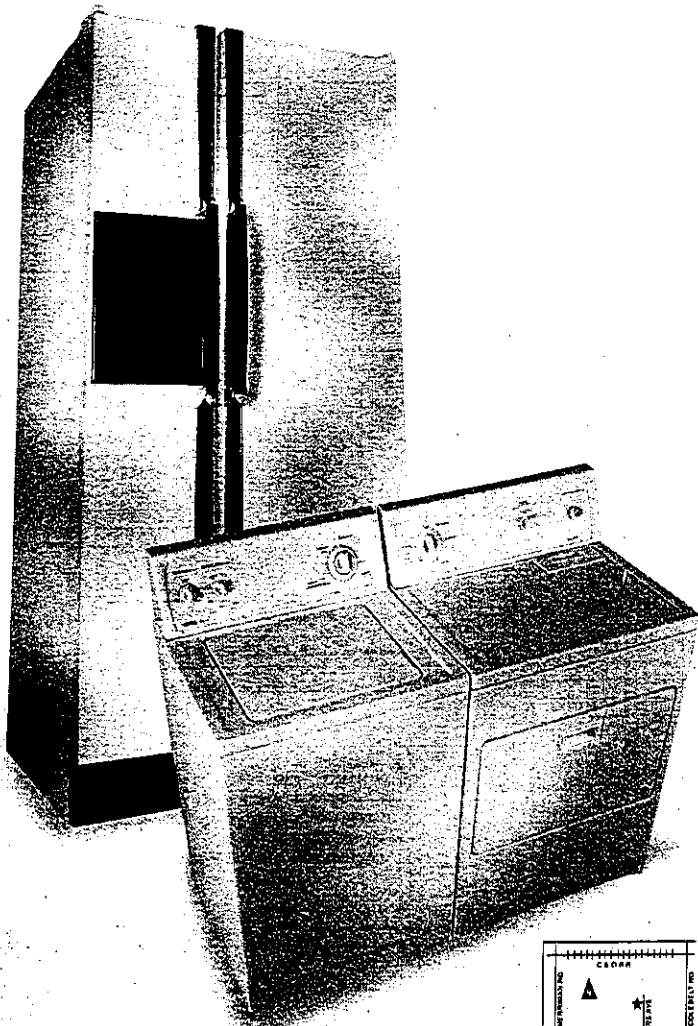
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Novi teen selected to participate in National Youth Leadership Forum

Twel Lubinsky of Novi is scheduled to participate in the 1999 National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine from July 27-July 7 in San Francisco. Lubinsky, in the class of 1999 at Novi High School, will be among a select group of outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across America and around the world who have met the qualifications required to participate in the forum. He was selected because of his outstanding academic achievements and his interest in the profession of medicine.

Beginning June 27, Lubinsky will join his fellow forum students in San Francisco for ten days of discovery and mentorship at some of America's most prominent and technologically advanced medical institutions and research centers, including the University of California, Davis School of Medicine, Uni-

versity of California, San Francisco School of Medicine, California Pacific Medical Center, Pacific Campus, Children's Hospital, Oakland and the Travis Air Force Base. Intensive day-long concentrations at these and other institutions will allow students to examine state-of-the-art diagnostic tools and future medical specialties in detail. Students will also have the opportunity to study and learn from some of America's most distinguished medical leaders. Prominent leaders in the medical community addressing the students include Dr. Warner Greene, director of Gladstone Institute of Virology and Immunology; Dr. Edgar Engleman, medical director of Stanford Blood Center and professor of pathology at Stanford University; Dr. Elizabeth M. Mutsaers, resident in neurological surgery,

University of California, San Francisco and Dr. James Kahn, director of San Francisco General Hospital Clinical Component of aids, Clinical Research Center and assistant professor of medicine, University of California San Francisco.

Topics to be discussed include breakthroughs in genetic research, cancer research, aids, sports medicine, neonatal and pediatric research, computers in the world of medicine, public health, clinical decision-making and bioethics.

The National Youth Leadership Forum is a non-profit educational organization which sponsors highly specialized, career-oriented programs for outstanding secondary youth with demonstrated leadership abilities. You can get additional information at (202) 628-6050 or by e-mail at info@nylf.org.

A breath of fresh air

Researchers help children cope with asthma

University of Michigan researchers are helping children with asthma learn to breathe easier about the disease.

Alarmed by the rising rates of asthma among children living in inner cities, educators and researchers from the U-M School of Public Health are teaching Detroit youngsters ways to manage their asthma. Researchers also are educating parents and teachers about the chronic disease, which typically begins in childhood.

Few things are as frightening to children and their parents as an asthma attack. The wheezing and coughing of an asthmatic child is the result of obstructed air tubes in the lungs. Air pollution, tobacco smoke, humidity and allergens such as pollen or dust all can trigger asthma.

While there is no cure for asthma, it can be managed with medications, most often inhalants that relax the airway muscles. "Many parents don't understand the benchmark of good asthma care. A lot of children live with wheezing because families think this is normal in asthma," says Norman Clark, Ph.D., dean of the School of Public Health. "In fact, any child with asthma should be able to be put on a clinical regimen that will control the wheezing, the coughing or the other symptoms."

"Children with asthma should be able to lead normal lives. They should sleep through the night and they should engage in normal physical activity. To achieve that, it takes a very good relationship between the family and the physician," she adds.

That's where the U-M Open Airways for Schools Program enters the picture. On-site workers are in 14 Detroit public schools to help children — along with their parents, teachers, principals and doctors — learn about asthma and how to manage it.

Asthma rates among children in inner cities have jumped up to as much as 20 percent in recent years, Clark says. Chronic illness due to asthma are the No. 1 reason children miss school, with up to 10 million school days lost every year.

"Low-income, inner-city, minority communities reflect these alarmingly high rates of asthma and, quite frankly, we don't know why," she says. The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) has identified a number of factors leading to the growing increase in asthma among inner-city children. NHLBI, which has conducted numerous studies of asthma in young people, points to exposure to cigarette smoke, lack of access to medical care, poor housing and exposure to cockroach allergens as causes of asthma in children.

The U-M team members are teaching children to understand what happens during an asthma attack. Youngsters also talk about their asthma with other children with the illness.

"So for many children it's the first time they realize they're not the only one with the problem. Or they're not the only one feeling this way about having the problem," Clark says. "And that in and of itself is wonderful for these children."

The education process carried out by U-M researchers is touching many. Principals and school personnel are learning about building conditions that might be improved to reduce asthma attacks. Parents receive materials about helping their child manage the disease. Teachers learn about asthma and how it affects children's learning.

"By educating the child and educating everybody in their world, we think we can make a real difference in both trying to reduce symptoms and helping the kids be

able to go to school and do better in school," says Lise Anderson, program coordinator for the Partnership to Control Asthma in Public Schools (a U-M program in Detroit).

"They feel better about their asthma. They feel like they know what to do. They feel more in control of it. They're not so scared of their asthma. Like when are they going to have the next attack. That's what we're looking for," she says.

Facts About Asthma and Children:

- Asthma is the leading cause of school absenteeism due to chronic illness. Ten million school days are lost every year to asthma.

- Asthma affects more than 14 million Americans, including 4 million children 14 and under.

- Asthma is more prevalent in black children than white children.

- Asthma-related deaths in people 25 and under increased 118 percent between 1980 and 1993.

- While there is no cure for asthma, it can be treated with medication and good management by the patient and family.

- Use the web to learn more about asthma and children:

- U-M Health System Health Topics: Asthma

- www.med.umich.edu/1libr/child/child1.htm

- U-M Children's Emergency Services: Asthma

- www.med.umich.edu/surg/emergency/web/pated/asthma.htm

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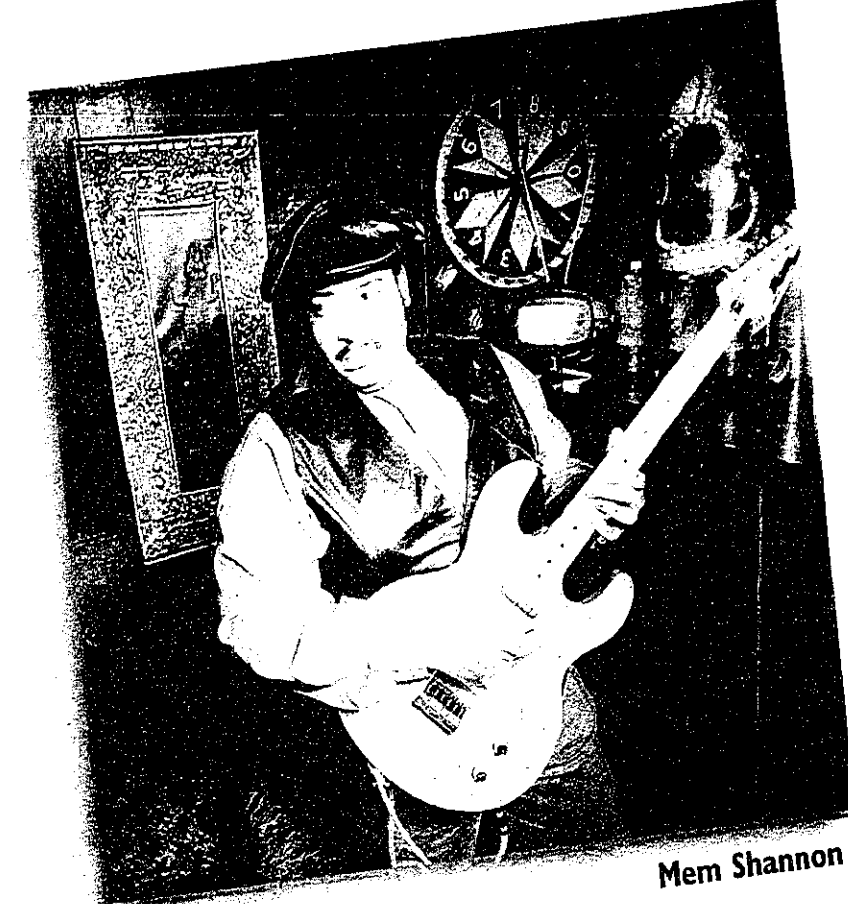
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Buddy Guy



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International '99

July 15 through 18



Steady Rollin' Bob Margolin



Big Bill Morganfield



Eddy "The Chief" Clearwater



Pinetop Perkins

Novi-Expo Center Entertainment schedule

Thursday, July 15

Admission, \$5. Doors open at 5 p.m.
6:40 p.m. / bugs Beddow
7:10 p.m. / Big Rude Jake
8:20 p.m. / bugs Beddow
9:00 p.m. / Al Hill & the Love Butlers
10:30 p.m. / bugs Beddow
11 p.m. / Shirley King

FRIDAY, JULY 16

Admission, \$15. Doors open at 5 p.m.
6:45 p.m. / Kristin Sayer
7 p.m. / Robert Jones
7:45 p.m. / bugs Beddow
9:30 p.m. / Mem Shannon & the Membership
10:45 p.m. / Kristin Sayer
11:15 p.m. / Buddy Guy

SATURDAY, JULY 17

Admission, \$15. Doors open at 5 p.m.
6 p.m. / Wallin' Inc.
6:30 p.m. / Joy'celin B
7:40 p.m. / Wallin' Inc.
8 p.m. / Andy Forest with Tony D
9:30 p.m. / Bill "The Sauce Boss" Wharton
10:45 p.m. / Wallin' Inc.
11:30 p.m. / Buckwheat Zydeco

SUNDAY, JULY 18

Admission, \$5. Doors open at 2:30 p.m.
3 p.m. / GRR
3:30 p.m. / Sun Messengers
4:30 p.m. / GRR
5:15 p.m. / Eddy "The Chief" Clearwater
6:30 p.m. / Rik Emmett
7:20 p.m. / Dawn Campbell & Blue Fusion
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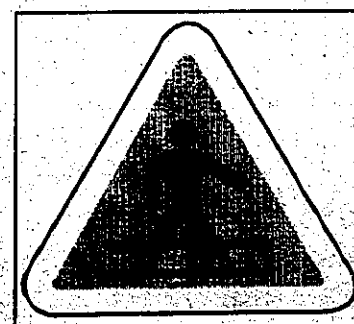
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NOVI'S GOT THE BLUES

Sizzlin' sounds

Nobody wants a cure for these summertime blues

By MELANIE PLENDIA
Staff Writer

Their babies don't let 'em. Lark ain't on their side. But they got their mojo workin', and all they need is a guitar and a bottle of whiskey to take 'em down. They got the blues.

American Rhythm and Blues has had many faces. From Etta James to Muddy Waters to Otis Redding, the blues legends have a legacy born of pain and bred on suffering. The new blues icons at the Bluesfest International are no exception and will have the festival pulsing with this tradition.

The event is held simultaneously in Novi and Windsor. First launched in Canada, the musical bash crossed the water in 1997. This week-end every soulful cry, scream and moan of Buddy Guy, Buckwheat Zydeco, Big Bill Morganfield and many more can be heard under canvas at the Novi Expo Center.

Grammy-award winning blues man Buddy Guy got his start in the gritty streets of Chicago in the late fifties. Here, he played with the likes of Howlin' Wolf, Junior

Wells and Muddy Waters. His brand of traditional "Chicago" blues and cutting edge soul guitar earned him his early recognition. Hits like "First Time I met the Blues" and "Stone Crazy" were called "frenzied" and "gutsy."

His influence is seen throughout contemporary blues including the music of Eric Clapton, Jeff Beck and the late Stevie Ray Vaughan. With two Grammys under his guitar strap and a slew of other music awards, he also garnered a Century Award which had until then only been awarded to George Harrison.

Currently Guy is still touring and in 1989 opened his club called what else, Legends in the Chicago Loop. Here, not only has he played but he has given fledgling blues musicians their chance at the big time. Countless local blues bands have graced the stage as well as Van Morrison, David Bowie, Lou Rawls and Koko Taylor.

This year he will find a home on the stage at the Novi Expo center, Friday, July 16. He will be playing at 11:15 pm. Tickets are \$15.00 and doors open at 5:00.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

With a guitar that's seen it all, this musician was a hit at last year's Bluesfest International, now playing again at the Expo Center.

If Buddy Guy typifies the icy north Chicago blues, then Buckwheat Zydeco is the firecracker, finger-poppin' tradition of the south. Zydeco is born out of southern Louisiana's French-speaking Creole accordion-led dance music. Now this is not your

typical wedding style accordion polka music. Instead it is a spicy fast-paced, herky-jerky ride through an amalgam of blues, rockabilly, country and an element that can only be described as the spirit of pure zydeco.

Stanley "Buckwheat" Dural, has had a long and varied musical career. At the onset he would be found playing piano and organ in local bands around southeast Louisiana. Throughout the 1970's he dabbled in funk music in the bands The Hitchhikers and the Is Sort Paris Band. By the early

90's Dural was ready to return to his roots. In 1990, he formed Buckwheat Zydeco, signed with Island Records and the rest is his.

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NOVI'S GOT THE BLUES

Blues legends bring a classic sound to Novi

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The four time Grammy Award nominees, have been called, "one of the greatest party bands in America." Their brand of frenzied fun has earned them tours with U2 and Eric Clapton. They will be at Bluesfest Saturday night. Their show begins at 11:30 and tickets are \$15.

Then there is the blues that spans the map. Big Bill Morganfield's music has world weary sound of the north mixed with the sultry smoky vocals found in the south. Though the name Morganfield may not ring any bells, his Dad Muddy Waters should jog a memory or two. Big Bill Morganfield's music has been described as "hard edged" and "passionate" and has very often been compared to his late father's work. However, he has not planned a trip on his fathers coat tails just yet. He has been known to say, "It's pretty easy to copy something, so I didn't want to just rely on that." "Instead," Morganfield said, "I really want to exemplify my daddy's music through my writings."

His passion for writing almost took him on a different career path. In college he studied English and even had a job as an English

teacher. However, when his father died in 1983, Morganfield decided to, "dedicate his life to music." He has said of his decision, "Everyone else was doing a tribute to him, and I thought it would be good for his son to do one, as well."

Currently, Morganfield has completed his first album, set for release this year. Some of Muddy Waters old band mates are also contributing to the album.

Big Bill Morganfield will be performing on Sunday at the Bluesfest at 9:45. He will be joined by Pinetop Perkins and Steady Rollin Bob Margolin.

Tickets are \$5.00.

Some of the other performers at the Bluesfest include BB King's daughter, Chicago's diva, Shirley King on Thursday night. Also performing that night is the jump blues and swing man, Big Rude Jake. Later on in the weekend, Bill "the Sauce Boss" Wharton will not only play music, but at the break he will make a lovely gumbo on stage for the audience. There will also be several regional and local bands in to spotlight, including 4 time Motor city Music Award winners Mudpuppy, Detroit's 10 piece R&B Band The Sun Messengers and Indiana's cowboy swing band The Starlight Drifters.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Above, crowds took to the floor during last year's event, for musicians such as the one below.



The Bluesfest International will run locally from July 15-18 at the Novi Expo Center. Doors open at 5:00 Thursday - Saturday and at 2:30 on Sunday. Tickets are \$5.00 Thursday and Sunday which is also Family day. There are family discounts available for Sunday. Tickets can be purchased at Ticket Master, 5th Avenue Ballroom, Local Color Brewing Company, Oxford Inn and Damon Restaurants.

For more information please call Craig Bender at (248)366-5200 or check out their web site at www.bluesfestintl.com.

SUNDAY LINE-UP

■ Bluesfest International '99
Novi Expo Center
Entertainment schedule:

SUNDAY, JULY 18

Admission, \$5. Doors open at 2:30 p.m.

3:00 p.m.: GRR

3:30 p.m.: Sun Messengers

4:30 p.m.: GRR

5:15 p.m.: Eddie "The Chief" Clearwater

6:30 p.m.: Rik Emmett

7:20 p.m.: Dawn Campbell & Blue Fusion

8 p.m.: Mudpuppy

8:15 p.m.: Dawn Campbell & Blue Fusion

9:45 p.m.: Big Bill Morganfield, Pinetop Perkins and Steady Rollin' Bob Margolin

Bellyful of blues

Listening to the lowdown, dirty blues give you an appetite? Not a problem at the third Bluesfest International. From Thursday to Sunday, barbecue teams from across North America will feed the crowds.

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Bob Margolin (tribute to Muddy Waters)



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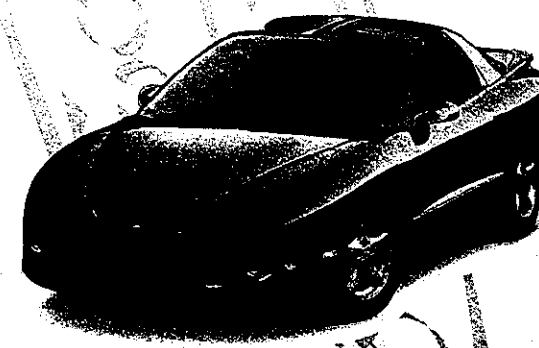
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The Blues International will feature a roster of artists who have learned their art from the legends, and are legends themselves.

THE BLUEZ
Smart, sophisticated, energetic and hard-headed, the "Bluez" are a blend of the "old" and the "new" in blues music.

They started out in Detroit in the 1950s, playing live and recording. They have since moved to Chicago, where they are now based.

He moved to New York City in 1967, but has since returned to Chicago. In February 1988, Big Duke joined a new band and hit the road two months later. Not long afterwards, he signed with Roadrunner Records.

EDDY "THE CHIEF" CLEARWATER
Born in Mississippi, raised in Alabama, Clearwater (originally Eddy Harrison) was a gospel musician when he moved to Chicago in 1950 at age 15.

In three years, the left-handed guitarist and singer made his name in the blues. His stage name is a word play on Muddy Waters (who by the way, Clearwater is a cousin).

Clearwater remained tucked away in Chicago until the late 1970s, when worldwide recognition of his musical skills came. He toured in Europe and recorded in France and England.

In June 1987, the U.S. government sent Clearwater on performing sweep through West Africa, as a diplomat of music.

In 1998, Clearwater's tune "Don't Take My Blues" won a 1998 W.C. Handy Award Nomination for "Blues Song of the Year."

Before starting his own band - his son, Paris - in 1979, Dural played with the legendary zydeco musician Clifton Chenier.

A totally Louisiana art form, zydeco features a unique mix of Cajun and Louisiana African-American music styles, but Clearwater also sings gospel, rock,

country and R & B into his music.

Backstreet Zydeco has played with U2, Willie Nelson, Keith Richards, Ringo Starr, Jimmy Buffet, and Bill Clinton, or at least the band was featured during the inaugural festivities.

Dural and band have 11 albums out, including the Grammy-award nominated "On a Night Like This," and "Trouble," the latest release. He is the only Zydeco artist who has signed with a major recording label.

Backstreet Zydeco tunes have been featured in motion pictures such as "Lone Buddha," "The Big Easy," "Fletch Lives" and TV shows such as Northern Exposure.

Music isn't enough. Dural has a recipe in Chef Emeril Lagasse's cookbook.



These musicians jammed at last year's Bluesfest International.

STEADY ROLLIN' BOB MARGOLIN
A graduate of the Muddy Waters Blues Band (1973 to 1980), guitarist/vocalist/songwriter Margolin has jammed with stars from B.B. King to Bob Dylan.

Margolin grew up in Brookline, Massachusetts, where he nurtured a lifelong passion for Chicago Blues. The first time he heard the music of Muddy Waters, he said, it changed his life.

His big break came in 1973 when Waters was in Boston and needed a guitarist.

Margolin's opened for some of the biggest names in music, including The Allman Brothers, the Rolling Stones and Eric Clapton.

In 1978, he was invited to the White House to perform for Jimmy Carter.

His latest release, "My Blues & My Guitar," mingles south side blues with rock and roll a la Chuck Berry.

BIG BILL MORGANFIELD
Morganfield got the blues the old-fashioned way, he inherited it from his daddy, Muddy Waters.

MUDPUFFY
Mudpuppy's sound mingles soul funk and swamp ditty for an audience-pleasing performance.

In 1997, this group won the Bluesfest International's Motor City Blues Awards as "The Best Band of 1997."

JOCELYN B
Sometimes called the Queen of Nov blues, Jocelyn B is a regular at hot night spots in town, such as the Oxford Inn Tavern. Last year, she won the crowds at the Motor City Blues Awards and took home the coveted "People's Choice" award.

SHERLIE KING
Like father, like daughter. And since that father happened to be B.B. King, it's not surprising that she's a genuine Chicago diva of blues.

PINETOP PERKINS
Early on, Perkins figured he'd spend his life on a farm near his native Belmont, Mississippi. But he showed an amazing natural talent, teaching himself to play the piano by listening to 78 records by Memphis Slim and Little Brother Montgomery.

Perkins performed with blues greats on radio shows such as the King Biscuit Time program in Arkansas, but his career took off when he moved to Chicago and met Muddy Waters.

He was with Waters from 1969 to 1980 and toured the world with the band.

Since his 1998 Grammy Award nomination, Pinetop's so busy performing he has little time for his favorite pastime, fishing.

MEM SHANNON & THE MEMBERSHIP
This N' Orleans-based singer, songwriter and guitarist has become the darling of the national media, including "The New York Times" and "USA Today."

A former taxi driver with a drive towards funk, he recently released his third CD, "Spend Some Time With Me."

A regular at the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival, notable gigs include The Muddy Waters Tribute at the Kennedy Center and Hong Kong's Great Eagle Hotel/House of Blues promotion.

BILL "THE SAUCE BOSS" WHARTON
This guy cooks. Really. He's been called a cross between B.B. King and Julia Child. Not only does the Florida-based slide guitarist draw on the roots of blues, zydeco and calypso in performing his music, but he cooks up his own brand of gumbo on stage and dishes up for the audience.

An estimated 50,000 have sampled his cooking over the past few years and he bottles and sells his own brand of hot sauce, Liquid Summer.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was sister, Ashley Repasky of Aurora, Colo. Bridesmaids were sister of the groom, Annette Isom of Glen Ellyn, Ill., and friends of the bride, Sandy Lollo of Livonia and Bethany Duffield of Atlanta, Ga.

The bride, who approached the altar on the arm of her father, wore a floor length, white, silk organza gown with a chapel length train designed by Vera Wang. The bride's finger tip veil was held by a headpiece trimmed with miniature roses and pearls.

The bride bouquet was a tight circle of white roses and stephanotis blossoms tied with sheer organza ribbon.

The attendants wore sleeveless, A-line, floor length gowns of periwinkle moss crepe.

The groom is the son of Bill and Judy Wisman of Northville. She graduated from Northville High School in 1979, from Michigan State University in 1983, and from Wayne State University School of Medicine in 1987. She is an internist/pediatrician with Glennan Medical Group in Detroit.

Attending as matron of honor was Carol Marshall, sister of the bride. Serving as junior bridesmaids were Katelyn Turnbull, Kelly Gleeson, and Sarah Rademaker. Meghan Gleeson, Megan Rademaker, and Lauren Devereaux were the attending flower girls.

The couple is planning a trip to Hawaii for their honeymoon. They now reside in Oakland Township.

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Romantic SWF, 21, 5'6", who enjoys camping, boating and quiet evenings, hopes to meet a SWM, age unimportant. Ad#2635

DESTINY

Outgoing SW mom, 43, 5'3", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys spending time with her children, walks on the beach and more, is interested in meeting a caring SWM, 37-50, who likes children. Ad#4383

RECENTLY MOVED...

To White Lake. She's a college-educated, Catholic DWF, 49, 5', 100lbs., a N/S, who loves the sun and water, sports cars, dancing, reading, the outdoors and romantic dinners. If you're an interested SWM, 46-58, leave a message. Ad#1225

STOP THE WAITING

Vibrant DWF, 51, 5'7", who enjoys church activities, dining out and the arts, is ISO a kind, considerate SWM, 50-60, N/S. Ad#1947

SWEET THINGS

Friendly SWF, 45, seeks a SWM, for friendship first, maybe more. She enjoys bowling, picnics, boating, long walks and the outdoors. Ad#6999

ATTENTION

Friendly, affectionate, never-married SWCF, 33, 5'10", who enjoys movies, the theater and new adventures, is looking for a SWM, 35-45, without children at home. Ad#2758

AMBITIOUS

Fun-loving SWCF, 23, 5'8", with long brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys sports, music and spending time with friends, is seeking a sincere, outgoing SWCM, 22-35. Ad#5036

HOPE WE CAN TALK

Green-eyed SWCF, 22, 5'4", with long light brown hair, who enjoys dancing, movies and traveling, is looking for a SCM, 21-30, with old-fashioned values. Ad#1822

OCEAN BREEZES

Summer is coming and I'd like to get out and have some fun. Shy at first, I'm DW mom, 42, 5'8", with various hobbies and interests, seeking a SWM, 40-43, to spend time with. Ad#9847

TOGETHER AT LAST

Get to know this DWF, 50, with blonde hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys the sun, water, sports and traveling. She's ISO a S/DWM, over 50. Ad#6665

CHANGE OF PACE

Friendly, outgoing SWF, 59, 5'1", whose interests include good conversation, dining out and more, is seeking companionship with a sincere SWM, 58-65, who enjoys life. Ad#5138

A KEEPER

Kind-hearted SWF, 45, 5'2", who enjoys movies, traveling and more, is looking for a loving, funny WWW, 40-65. Ad#1066

BRING YOUR SMILE

Sweet DWCF, 59, 5'3", is seeking a SWCM, 55-65, with a sense of humor, who enjoys movies, family time, traveling and home cooking. Ad#1219

COMPANIONSHIP

Attractive, sincere SWF, 57, 5'7", who enjoys cooking, camping and having fun, is looking for a sweet SWM, 50-62. Ad#1941

MOVE QUICKLY

Sincere, SW mom, 36, who enjoys camping, movies and cooking, wants to share friendship and fun with a kind, caring SWM, 35-42, N/S. Ad#1110

QUALITY TIME

SWF, 44, 5'7", a green-eyed blonde, who enjoys sporting events, NASCAR, fishing, quiet evenings at home and dining out, is seeking a kind, caring SWM, for a possible relationship. Ad#1954

LIFE IS AN ADVENTURE

Outgoing SWF, 33, 5'8", who enjoys reading, sports, auto racing and volunteer work, is looking for a humorous, smart SWM. Ad#4117

SONG BIRD

Outgoing, Catholic SWF, 48, is looking for a SWM, 40-52, to share music, cooking, the outdoors and the arts. Ad#9500

A MIRROR IMAGE

Humorous Catholic SWPF, 26, 5'4", with red hair and brown eyes, enjoys music, working out, sporting events, skiing, camping and more, would like to share good times with a humorous SWM, 25-35, who has similar interests. Ad#2603

GENUINE GEM

Beautiful, brown-eyed SF, 46, who enjoys walking, traveling, movies and animals, seeks a SWCM, over 40, who loves life. Ad#3865

LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR...

This DW mom, 34, 5'4", who likes cooking, animals, parks and the outdoors. She's looking for a DWM, 34-45, with a sense of humor and similar interests. Ad#2130

THE BEST

Kind, easygoing SWF, 50, 5'3", who enjoys gardening, dancing and long walks, is seeking a SWM, 48-60. Ad#1747

WELCOME TO MY LIFE

Friendly SWCF, 47, 5'4", N/S, who enjoys camping, fishing, playing cards, cooking, holding hands and church activities, seeks a kind, loving SWCM, 45-60. Ad#3755

FRIENDSHIP FIRST

Dining out, outdoor sports and dancing are interests of this delightful, Catholic SWF, 23, 5'6", 105lbs., with brown hair and green eyes. She's looking for that special someone, an outgoing, Catholic SWM, 21-27. Ad#3178

SHARE MY FAITH

Loving, caring DACF, 44, 5'2", wishes to share life with a friendly, outgoing SWCM. She enjoys going to church, long walks, reading the Bible and playing the guitar. Ad#6140

WAITING ON YOU

What a lady. She's a SWF, 36, who's interested in meeting a SWM, under 44, for a possible long-term relationship. She enjoys life, going to the movies, good conversation and meeting new people. Ad#1212

TRULY BLESSED

Educated DWCF, 49, 5'1", 102lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys cooking, dining out, movies and traveling, is ISO a humorous SWCM, 48-57, without children, who enjoys life. Ad#4826

SINCERELY

Call this petite DW mom, 46, 5'3", because she's seeking a sincere SWPCM, 40-50, for friendship and great times. Her interests include dancing and living life to the fullest. Ad#2468

HEAR ME OUT ROMEO

Never-married SWCF, 26, 5'3", who enjoys the outdoors, working out and living life to the fullest, seeks a compatible SWCM, 25-35. Ad#3811

JUST YOU AND I

Sincere, honest SWF, 50, 5'5", who would love to get in touch with a kind, trustworthy SWM, over 48, N/S, for friendship first. Ad#1979

ON YOUR MARK

Busy SW mom, 35, 5'8", is looking for adult companionship and a sharing of mutual interests and activities. She seeks a friendly, outgoing SWM, 30-40, whose interests include movies, music, sports and dining out. Ad#1103

INDEPENDENT

Healthy DW mom, 32, 5'5", with dark brown hair/eyes, enjoys exercising, family time, movies, dining out, camping and animals. She would like to share life with a family-oriented, secure SWM, 31-45. Ad#2730

PAGING MR. RIGHT

Attractive SWCF, 25, 5'11", with blonde hair, is seeking a never-married, wholesome SWCM, 21-33, N/S, who shares her enjoyment of travel, movies, clubbing and more. Ad#4833

WAITING FOR YOUR CALL

Pretty, feminine DW mother of one, 33, 5'8", with blonde hair and blue eyes, likes animals, camping, fishing, gardening, antiques, travel and cooking out. She would like to meet a nice, tall, employed SWM, 27-42, with a good sense of humor. Ad#7734

ALLURING PERSONALITY

Camping, traveling and skiing are just a few activities that this slim and attractive DWCF, 41, 5'7", enjoys doing in her spare time! She's seeking a compatible SWCM, 35-45, for friendship and possibly more. Ad#9986

TIRED OF BEING ALONE

Affectionate DWCF, 50, 5'6", with blonde hair and green eyes, N/S, non-drinker, enjoys fishing, hunting, gardening and cooking. She would like to meet a fun-loving SWCM, age unimportant. Ad#1147

FAMILY VALUES AND LOVE

This well-educated DWP mom, 49, 5'7", is hoping that the SM, 35-55, that she hopes to meet will come forward soon. She enjoys sports, quiet evenings of conversation, country living, cooking, the outdoors and more. Ad#4949

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PHONE NOW

This DW mom of one, 29, 5'10", who likes animals, sports, the outdoors and more, is looking for a SWCM, 30-40, who would like to secure a solid future with love and hope. Ad#5514

TAKE IT SLOW

Leave a message for this DW mom, 29, 5'6", who likes going to movies, sports and being outdoors. She is looking for friendship with a nice SCM, over 25, who likes kids. Ad#9760

GIVE ME A CALL

Kind-hearted, active SWF, 35, is looking for an interesting SWM, 29-39, N/S, to share animals, travel and more. Ad#3333

COMMITMENT-MINDED

Kind-hearted SWM, 39, 6'1", is looking for an outgoing, loving SWF, for a possible relationship. Ad#3111

WORTH A TRY

Fun-loving, active SWM, 30, who enjoys the outdoors and traveling, is seeking a nice, honest SWF, for a possible relationship. Ad#2463

CALL IF INTERESTED

Friendly DWCM, 30, 5'8", 140lbs., with brown hair, blue eyes and a mustache, seeks a Catholic SF, without children, who enjoys hunting, fishing, camping and traveling. Ad#7731



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Males Seeking Females

COUNTRY LIFESTYLE

DWCM, 37, 6'2", 185lbs., who enjoys camping, fishing, collecting antiques, dining out and quiet times at home, is ISO an attractive, slender SWCF, 30-45, with spirit, who knows what she wants from life. Ad#9665

PHONE ME NOW

Friendly SNAM, 34, 5'11", who enjoys dancing, sports, camping and nature, is interested in meeting a patient, humorous SF, under 40, N/S, who likes children. Ad#5421

HOPE YOU TRY ME

SWM, 48, 5'7", whose interests include bowling, biking, taking walks in the park, music and dancing, is hoping to hear from a gentle, understanding SWF, 35-48, to share friendship and fun. Ad#6431

KNOWS WHAT HE WANTS

Friendly SWM, 43, 6'2", 225lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys travel, dancing, fishing, movies and more, is seeking an attractive SWF, 36-45, N/S. Ad#2424

GOOD ATTITUDE

SWM, 42, who enjoys going to the lake, the outdoors, weightlifting and kickboxing, is looking to meet a kind, outgoing SWF. Ad#6453

A GREAT ATTITUDE..

Is what this handsome DWPM, 62, 6'2", with a slim build and outgoing personality has. He enjoys classic cars, wooden speed boats and is seeking an attractive, enthusiastic D/SWF, 36-55. Ad#3541

ROMANCE

Sincere, fun-loving, Catholic SWPM, 44, 6'1", with a wide range of interests, seeks one special slender, fit SW mom, for a romantic, monogamous LTR. Ad#1818

HE'S THE ONE

Outgoing SWCM, 30, 6', who enjoys working out, movies, moonlit walks and more, is looking to meet a SWCF, under 29, without children. Ad#2324

ROMANTIC TEDDY BEAR

Affectionate SWCM, 37, 5'10", with brown hair, hazel eyes and dimples, is looking for a full-figured SCF, who loves to laugh. He enjoys a variety of music, movies, the theater and travel. Ad#8884

MAGNIFICENT

SWCM, 40, 5'11", who thinks passionately, loves intuitively and lives joyously, is searching for a vital SWCF, 29-46, who loves the arts, for a life enhancing relationship. Ad#7977

JUST THE TWO OF US

Retired SWM, 55, 5'10", is looking for companionship with a SWF, age unimportant. His interests include the outdoors, gardening, dining out, dancing and traveling. Ad#7590

INTRODUCE YOURSELF

Handsome SWM, 26, 5'10", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys bowling, movies, horseback riding and outdoor activities, would enjoy spending time with a sincere, caring, attractive SWF, under 35. Ad#2328

COMPANIONSHIP

Outgoing, retired, Catholic SWM, 66, 6'1", 200lbs., who enjoys world travel, golf, dining out and more, is seeking an attractive, Catholic SWF, over 48, to spend time with. Ad#1579

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Retired WWWCM, 65, 5'2", 155lbs., N/S, who enjoys traveling, walking, canoeing and RV travel, would like to meet a compatible DWCF, 55-66. Ad#1213

SHARE MY WORLD

Outgoing, friendly DW mom, 43, 6'1", who enjoys training horses, conversation, traveling, children and living a country lifestyle, is searching for a SCF, 32-50, to share life with. Ad#4911

WAITING FOR YOUR CALL

Friendly DWM, 42, 5'7", who enjoys wood crafts, music and the outdoors, hopes for a LTR with a SWF, under 48, without children at home. Ad#9372

WARM AND LOVING

Enjoy music, cooking, the outdoors, travel, family gatherings and more, if you're the SWCF, under 50, who calls this physically fit WWW, a youthful 59, 5'10", 165lbs., with grayish-brown hair and brown eyes. Ad#4004

READ THIS AD

SWCM, 23, 6', who enjoys live music, playing guitar, reading and movies, is looking for a SWCF, 18-25, without children. Ad#2231

ROMANTIC AND EXCITING

SWM, 43, 5'9", 175lbs., who's handsome, educated, honest, caring and knows how to treat a lady, is looking for a slender, educated lady, a SF, 35-45, who knows what she wants. Take a chance, I am. Ad#1955

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A SPECIAL PERSON

Fun-loving, never-married SWM, 38, 6'1", is seeking a SWF, 22-40, to spend quality time with. Ad#1122

WORTH A TRY

Kind, loving SWM, 47, 6', with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys sports, music and quiet evenings, is in search of a SWF, 35-47. Ad#5334

CALL NOW

He's an outgoing, caring guy looking to share friendship and good times with a SWF, under 49. If you enjoy movies and music, amusement parks and dining out, call this handsome SWM, 39. Ad#3037

LEAVE A MESSAGE

Romantic SWM, 44, 6', 190lbs., who enjoys camping, canoeing, traveling and outdoor activities, is looking to meet an easygoing, slender SWF, for a long-term relationship. Ad#1078

LISTEN TO THIS!

Never-married SWCM, 29, 5'10", with brown hair and eyes, is looking for a petite to medium-built, never-married SWCF, 22-32, with similar hobbies. His interests include fishing, camping and dining out. Ad#1969

SEARCHING

Catholic DWM, 45, 5'10", seeks a sociable and sincere SWF, 33-51, who enjoys an active lifestyle. Ad#2323

SWEPT AWAY

Honest, amusing DWPCM, 56, 5'8", is looking for a special, attractive, energetic SWF, 36-55, with a great sense of humor, for a possible relationship. Ad#7930

STOP HERE

Affectionate, old-fashioned SWM, 48, 5'11", 195lbs., who enjoys camping, socializing and more, is seeking a sincere, honest, fit SWF, under 53. Ad#1981

LEAVE A MESSAGE

Never-married SWCPM, 35, 6'2", enjoys outdoor activities, coaching sports and Bible study. He seeks a SCF, under 40. Ad#4325

QUIET TIMES

DWCM, 35, 5'10", enjoys outdoor activities, sports, quiet walks and movies, music and he's looking for an attractive SWCF, 35-35. Ad#6226

MANY OPTIONS

Sincere SWPM, 40, 6', who enjoys Bible study and dining out, the outdoors and more, is looking to meet an honest, fun-loving SWPF. Ad#7272

WAITING FOR YOU

Catholic SWM, 22, 6', who enjoys playing pool, spending time with friends and more, seeks a very honest SWF, under 30, without children at home. Ad#4450

BE DARING

Check out this active SWM, 19, tall, slim, who enjoys working out, weightlifting and sports, and is hoping to get together with a personable, attractive SWF, 18-25. Ad#8951

STOP THE PRESS

Meet this special SWM, 39, who enjoys skiing, mountain biking, muscle cars, music and dancing. An energetic, attractive SWF, 28-42, will win his heart. Ad#4187

INTERESTED?

This outgoing, Catholic DW dad, 39, 5'10", 170lbs., with blonde hair, blue eyes and a mustache, is looking for an outgoing, friendly SCF, 29-39, for a monogamous relationship. Ad#2057

HASSLE FREE

Handsome, caring SWM, 33, 6'2", with dark hair and blue eyes, who enjoys sports, concerts and movies, is seeking an attractive SF, 18-42, for a possible relationship. Ad#8705

ONE ON ONE

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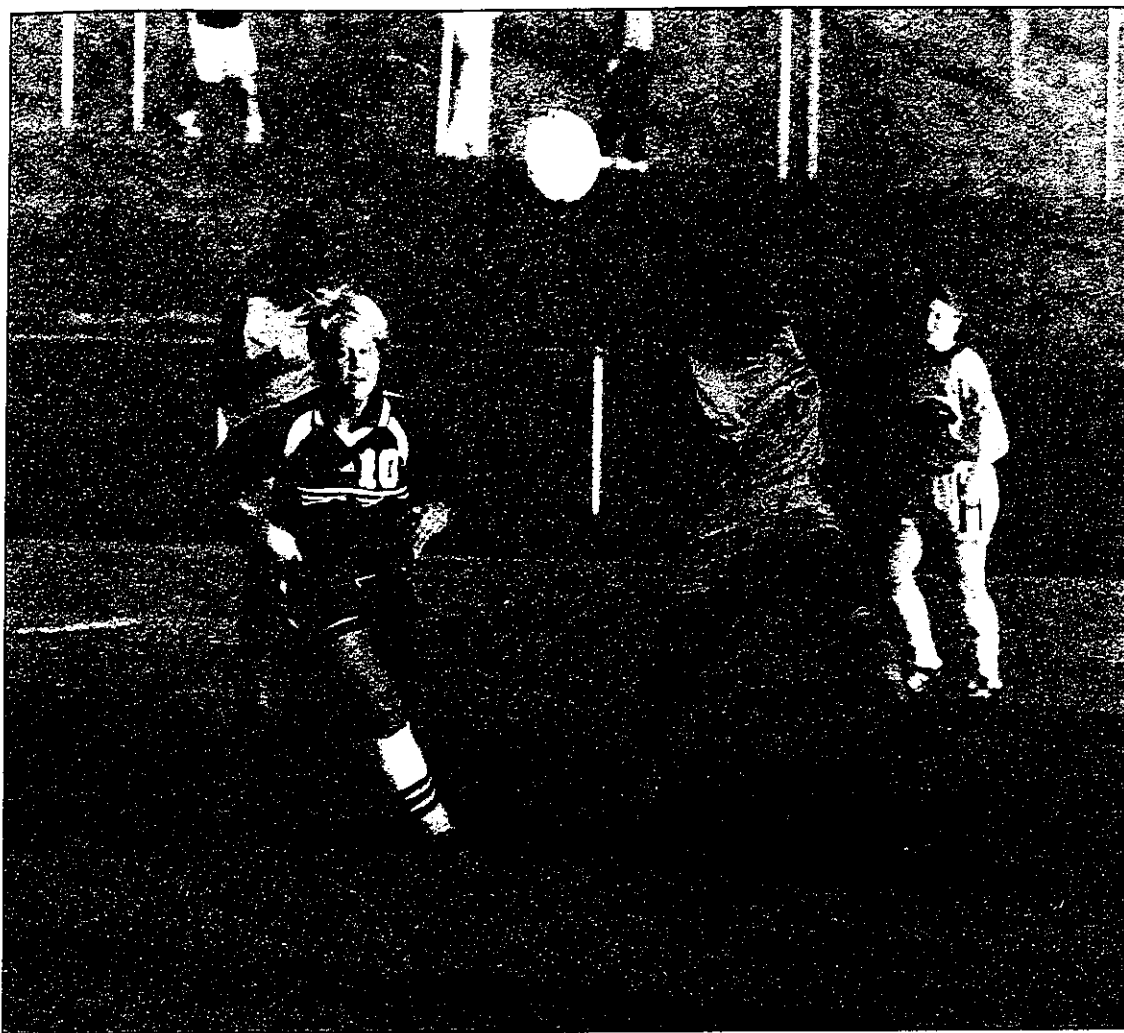
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Photo by TOM HIBBELN

Senior midfielder Jill Gibson marks Northville's Brigid Bowdell in the two team's 1-1 tie earlier this season at Northville.

Arrington—Player of the Year

Novi Junior best player in HomeTown's coverage area

Although there were no conference champions among our all-area teams this season, most of our teams took yet another step towards improving their programs.

Northville finished 10-4-2, with two of their losses coming to state finalist Livonia Stevenson and their two ties coming to Brighton and Novi.

The Wildcats finished 10-2 in the Kensington Valley Conference, despite losing 10 seniors to graduation a year ago. South Lyon continued to close the gap on Brighton and Novi, playing Novi to a pair of one-goal games this season.

Here's a look at HomeTown's east and central office's all-area team for 1999.

Kristi Arrington—forward
Novi junior HomeTown's Player of the Year

As if teams didn't mark Arrington enough this season, next season you may see six or seven girls on her.

The junior followed up a stellar sophomore season (34 goals, 23 assists) with an even more

Kristi
Arrington

impressive junior campaign (38 goals, 7 assists). She scored over 60 percent of her teams' 59 goals. She is a repeat all-area and all-district performer and was selected as her teams' hardest worker.

"She did some great things on a team that was no where near as good as it was last year," Christoff said. "We didn't have the luxury of a second prolific scorer, so she was marked very well by the better teams."

Cassie Teeple—forward
South Lyon senior

Teeple gave up a successful track and field career to try her feet at soccer. It was a successful crossover, as she was South Lyon's leading scorer and earned a scholarship to Grand Valley State.

"Cassie is an explosive scorer [a hat trick against Milford, for instance]," South Lyon coach Bill Stevanovic said. "She has terrific one-on-one moves."

Michelle Williams—midfield
Milford senior

Williams was the Redskins' leading scorer as both a junior and senior.

"But Michelle did more for us than just score goals," Milford coach Malia Sauer said. "She was a true midfielder who could also drop back and play stopper

against big scorers."

Sarah Clark—goalie
Novi junior

Not quite the season she had last season, Clark dropped off a bit and allowed .54 goals per game this season.

But kidding aside, she was again the most dominant goalie in the KVC in the 14 games she spent in goal.

A hockey player by trade, Clark found herself out of goal more often this season than last, to better utilize her skill in the field.

"We were fortunate (backup goalie) Michelle Jewel came along for us this year," Christoff said. "Sarah worked extremely hard in the field and was instrumental in some tie games, where we used her as a stopper."

Sarah
Clark

Brigid Bowdell—forward
Northville senior

Why break the string?

Bowdell was selected to her fourth-straight all-Western Lakes and all-district teams as Northville's top player in 1999. She went one step further and was an all-region selection after

earning all-region and all-state honors a year ago.

The Northville captain had 11 goals and eight assists in the best soccer conference in the state. For her efforts, Bowdell has received a full-ride scholarship to Duke University.

"She was a strong, aggressive forward for us, and a real leader," her coach Doug Lyon said. "She motivated all the other players and really stepped into a leadership role I haven't had in a long time."

Jill Gibson—midfield
Novi senior

One of three bonafide scorers on the team this year for Novi, it was Gibson who set up Arrington

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Training Center
offers summer
programs for kids

Suburban Training Center kicks off its summer schedule with programs for both kids and adults.

• **3 on 3 Summer Challenge**
One-day 3 on 3 hockey event to promote individual skill development. Team registrations only with four skaters and one goaltender per team. Two divisions - House and Open. Three 20-minute game guarantee. **Mite** - Saturday, July 17, noon-5 p.m. **Squirt** - Saturday, July 24, noon-5 p.m. **Pee Wee** - Saturday, July 31, noon-5 p.m. \$200 per team.

• **Learn to Skate - Suburban Skating Academy**

Instruction in proper skating technique for ages 3 and up. No experience required. Emphasis will be on basic skills with instruction on forward stride, stopping, crossovers, turning and backward skating. Eight-week session offered Wednesday afternoons or Saturday mornings throughout the summer, July 7-Aug. 28. Half-hour sessions offered during the following hours: Wednesday, 3:30-5:30 p.m.; Saturday, 9:30-11 a.m. \$80 per skate.

• **Learn to Play Hockey**
Designed for beginning hockey players age 4-6. Introduction of the beginning principles of skating and puckhandling with an emphasis on fun. Limited to 20 players and will be conducted by Suburban Hockey instructors. Preregistration is required. Eight-week program beginning Wednesday, July 7 and ending Aug. 25. Helmet with facemask, elbow pads, shin pads, skates and sticks are required. Wednesday, 4-5 p.m. \$80 per player.

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• **Summer Skills and Conditioning Series**

Organized summer conditioning skates to prepare house level players for evaluation skates. Emphasis will be on skating with and without the puck. Sixteen available skates. Mondays and Fridays beginning July 5 and ending Aug. 27. Each skate is limited to 20 players and will be conducted by a Suburban Hockey instructor. Preregistration for desired dates is required. Full equipment required. Mondays and Fridays, 3-4 p.m. \$12 per session - 10 sessions for \$100.

• **Pop-In Hockey Practice Session**

Open ice time provides hockey players the opportunity to work on ice with stick and pucks on skating, puckhandling, passing and shooting skills. Monday through Friday, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Open to players of all ages and skill levels. Instructor on hand to answer questions and supervise. Full equipment is required. \$8 per player per session.

• **Shooting Range**

Open ice time to practice and perfect shooting skills. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3-4 p.m. Open to players of all ages and skill levels. Radar gun set-up to test the speed of your shot along with weighted pucks. Instructor available for tips and questions. Full equipment is required. \$6 per player per session.

Please call Suburban Training Center at (248) 888-1400 for more information and to enroll.

Donate boats, help
out kidney foundation

If you are buying a new boat this year, here is a great way to rid yourself of the old one. Not only will you make room at the dock, you will be helping people in need. By donating your unwanted boat to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan's Kidney Cars Program, you will help the thousands of Michigan residents living with kidney disease.

The Kidney Cars Program is year-round, fully licensed and insured program. It's a great way to get rid of that boat taking up dock space. Call 1-800-488-CARS, complete and return donor paperwork and arrange a

pick-up date. The NKFM will pick up your boat free of charge and acknowledge your gift for tax deduction purposes. Donors must consult their tax advisors for more information.

All proceeds raised by the Kidney Cars Program will benefit the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan's programs and services. With one phone call to 1-800-488-CARS your boat can become a life-saver to Michigan residents suffering from kidney and urinary tract disease. So throw out a line and call 1-800-488-CARS to find out more about the Kidney Cars Program.



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Terminators terminate the competition...

The Terminators, a Novi Parks and Recreation U-10 soccer team, recently completed a highly-successful 1999 season by finishing undefeated last fall and finishing tied for first place in the third season of indoor soccer at SoccerZone. More recently, the team finished in first place in their flight at the Canton Invitational Tournament.

Team members include (sitting) Brad Petroskey, kneeling Jimmy McCusker, Patrick Shrader, Bradley Frey and Timmy Baertson. Standing are Ryan Dwyer, Sean Bugbee, Patrick Haffey and Tommy Claverilla. Coaches are Gary Shrader and Ben Frey. Not pictured is John Hendrick.

Country Club turns 100

It was July 11, 1899, when 15 Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti area residents formed the Washtenaw Country Club, laying out a three-hole course to enjoy the "wonderful new game of golf being played on the East Coast."

The third oldest country club in the state, Washtenaw will begin celebrating its week-long centennial observance on July 11, 1999. The Detroit Golf Club and the Saginaw Country Club are the first and second oldest clubs in Michigan.

More than half the Washtenaw Country Club members reside in the HomeTown Communications Network communities of Plymouth, Livonia, Farmington Hills, Northville, Novi, Canton, South Lyon and Brighton.

Current president of the Washtenaw Country Club is Plymouth's Clark Ewing who noted that a membership campaign has been launched to attract new members during the week-long cen-

tennial celebration which will feature special events daily from July 11 through Saturday, July 17.

The course is widely recognized as a "golfers' test with rolling fairways and traditional greens. Tim Johnson of Northville is the course superintendent.

One of the highlights of the observance is the publication of a 120-page hardcover centennial book written by Bill Sliger. It records the club's history with emphasis on achievements of former junior golf program members. The book also contains a number of turn-of-the-century photographs. One of the historic photos shows sheep on the fairways. Sheep were used to keep the fairways both trim and fertile.

For more information about the book or membership call the Washtenaw Country Club at (734) 434-2150.

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Health Column

Artificial pump may help thousands

An artificial pump that gives precious months to people awaiting a heart transplant may permanently help thousands of other with congestive heart failure when surgery isn't possible.

The University of Michigan Health System is one of 20 centers nationwide participating in a study of the left ventricular assist device as long-term help for people with congestive heart failure who are not candidates for new hearts.

"We've gained a considerable amount of experience in using LVADs as a bridge to transplant and we want to apply that experience and use the LVAD as a potential permanent therapy for patients who are not candidates for heart transplantation," says Francis Pagani M.D., director of the Heart Transplant Program at umhs.

The LVAD typically is used in people with congestive heart failure who are awaiting transplant surgery. Implanted in the chest cavity, the LVAD takes over the pumping operation of the heart's left ventricle. The left ventricle is the workhorse of the heart; where the right ventricle pumps blood to the lungs, the left ventricle is responsible for pushing blood throughout the body.

"The LVAD has the function of really increasing the patient's ability to achieve a more normal lifestyle. It increases his or her exercise capacity. It essentially gives the patient an opportunity to recover from congestive heart failure and reverse the symptoms associated with congestive heart failure," says Pagani.

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increases his or her exercise capacity. It essentially gives the patient an opportunity to recover from congestive heart failure and reverse the symptoms associated with congestive heart failure," says Pagani.

About 4.9 million Americans have congestive heart failure; every year, up to 90,000 patients lapse into serious heart failure.

People with congestive heart failure are treated with medications, rest and a modified diet. However, in the most serious cases, patients may require a heart transplant.

About 4,200 people nationwide are awaiting heart transplants, although the demand far exceeds the supply of organs. About 1,500 people are left waiting for a heart. 20 percent of who will die before a donor is found.

The American Heart Association estimates 16,000 people age 55 and younger could benefit from heart transplant surgery.

The LVAD provides additional months of life for transplant candidates - people who five years ago would have died waiting for a new heart. The LVAD is operated by rechargeable batteries worn at the patient's side.

"The pump allows patients to go home and wait for their transplant. This is clearly something that patients were not able to do a number of years ago, so that in itself improves their quality of life," Pagani says.

Now doctors will learn if the LVAD can help those patients who aren't transplant candidates but need more than medication to treat their damaged heart.

"This technology now offers significant hope to patients who would otherwise be in a serious medical condition with only little hope of treatment," Pagani says.

I think in the next few years we'll see significant technological advancements that will enable us to offer this as a permanent form of treatment to patients with congestive heart failure."

University of Michigan Health System

UM-FACTS

Facts About Heart Pumps and Heart Transplants:

- About 4.9 million Americans have heart failure, with 400,000 new cases diagnosed each year.
- About 4,200 people nationwide are awaiting a heart transplant.
- There were 2,340 heart transplants performed throughout the country in 1998.
- The left ventricle assist device can be implanted to work for the damaged heart while a patient awaits a transplant.

University of Michigan Health System

Health Notes

Community Health Education Classes

Smoking Cessation
Providence Medical Center, Novi Park; July 10 and Aug. 7, from 10 a.m.-noon.
This program combines the power of hypnotic conditioning with behavior modification techniques to help kick the habit without gaining weight. The first 45 minutes is a free orientation. \$59.

Weight Control

Providence Medical Center, Novi Park; July 10 and Aug. 7, from 1-3 p.m.
This program combines behavior modification techniques with the power of self-hypnosis to help change your way of thinking regarding weight loss. First 45 minutes is a free orientation. \$59.

The basics of Sports Nutrition

Providence Medical Center, Novi Park; July 12 at 6 p.m.
This class touches on the basics of sports nutrition - fluid and nutrient needs, carbohydrates, protein and fat. \$10.

Facing the Challenge of Alzheimer's

Providence Medical Center, Novi Park; July 21 and 28, from 7-9 p.m.
This two-part series will include an overview of the disease, understanding the behavioral components of the disease and community resources available for caregivers and patients.

For further information and to register for all classes above, call toll free, 1-877-345-5500.

Surgical Preparation

Through the Sally the Surgery Star program, children scheduled for surgery are taken on a tour and familiarized with the surgical experience. A variety of educational materials and supportive teaching tools are used to help children deal positively with the idea of a hospital stay. Admission to the program is by appointment only. There is no charge. Call the Providence Medical Center-Providence Park at (248) 380-4170 to register.

Weight on the Run

Conducted by an exercise physiologist and a nutritionist, this 12-week program starts with a fitness assessment and nutritional consultation, followed by three weekly monitored workouts and weekly nutritional support. Day and evening classes are available.
A \$300 fee includes enrollment in the class "ABC of Weight Loss." For more information and to register, call (248) 473-5600.

Child Health Clinics

Oakland County Health Division's Child Health Clinics provide free ongoing well care for children from birth to school entry. Families who do not have an HMO or Medicaid may be eligible. Clinics are held at 12 locations throughout Oakland County.

Services include: Heights and weights; head-to-toe physical examination; immunizations; vision, hearing and lab testing; growth and developmental screening; and counseling with referrals to physicians and area resources as needed.

Appointment is required. For more information, call: North Oakland, Pontiac, (248) 858-1311 or 858-4001; South Oakland, Southfield: (248) 424-7066 or 424-7067; West Oakland, Walled Lake: (248) 926-3300; and Holly residents: 1-888-350-0900, extension 8-1311 or 8-4001.

Healthy Solutions Seminar

Healthy Solutions are offering a seminar series over the next few weeks.

All seminars are free and begin at 7:30 p.m. Please call (248) 305-5785 or stop in healthy solutions to reserve a seat (space is limited). You may show up the night of the seminar, however a seat may not be available.

Hot Flash Study

Women who suffer from multiple daily hot flashes associated with menopause are being sought to participate in a nationwide study to assess the safety and effectiveness of an investigational hormone replacement skin patch to treat hot flashes. Women may be eligible if they are between the ages of 45 and 65, have not had a menstrual period in six months, or a hysterectomy. For more information, call 493-6580.

Blood pressure checks

Providence Medical Center-Providence Park is offering free blood pressure checks Monday through Friday from 9 to 11 a.m.
Area residents are invited to visit Providence Medical Center-Providence Park, 47601 Grand River Ave., to obtain the service. Screening will take place in Providence's Emergency Care Center located within the center.
For more information call (248) 380-4225.

Food Allergy Counseling

Individuals with food allergies can receive counseling on food choices and substitutions from a Boisdorf Hospital professional. The fee is \$30.
For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (248) 477-6100.

Prostate Cancer Support Group

Offering knowledgeable speakers each month, this support group provides encouragement and education about prostate cancer, its treatment and the physical and emotional issues associated with it. It meets the third Monday of every month at 7 p.m. and it's free.
Sessions take place in Boisdorf's 2 East A Conference Room, 28050 Grand River Ave., in Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 477-6100.

Foot and ankle consultations

Experiencing heel pain, bunions, hammertoes, fungus nails, warts, ankle pain, ingrown nails or other foot ailments? The Foot Health Centers offer an initial consultation free of charge, excluding x-rays, lab tests or treatment. The Foot Health Centers, operated by Dr. Ken Poss and Dr. Randy Bernstein, are affiliated with Boisdorf, Sinai, Oakwood and Kern hospitals. They have two area locations, at 41431 W. Ten Mile Road in the Novi Plaza at Meadowbrook, and 30931 W. Severn Mile Road in Livonia. Call (248) 349-5559 or (248) 478-1166 for more information or to schedule a consultation.

Menopause Support Group

Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi offers a free monthly support group for women who have concerns about menopause.
The group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Providence Park Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., at the corner of Grand River and Beck in Novi. The purpose of the support group is to provide women with educational information on topics relating to menopause.
For information, call (248) 424-3014.

Free Foot Screenings

Free foot screenings are offered every Tuesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Boisdorf General Hospital, Suite 200, South Professional Building, 28080 Grand River Ave. in Farmington Hills.
For more information or to make an appointment, call (248) 473-1320, weekdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Heart Disease Risk Reduction Programs

These risk assessment and reduction programs are designed to help modify risk factors associated with heart disease. The fee is dependent on the level of programming.
Call Boisdorf General Hospital at (248) 471-8870 for more information.

35th Anniversary Tent Sale

Golf's Best Prices of the Season Begin July 21st Under the Pro Golf Tents

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as low as
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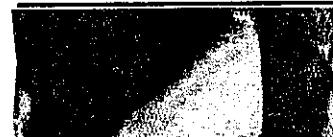


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