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Presidential hopeful visits Novi home

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Novi was the scene of national politicking Nov. 10 as Presidential candidate Sen. John McCain visited Novi in support of Michigan House Republicans.

McCain, R-Ariz., was in Novi as the guest of honor at a fundraising reception for the state republicans at the Summit Drive home of ex-Novi Council Member Robert Schmid and Oakland County Commissioner Kay Schmid.

"Sen. McCain is frankly one of my favorite people," said Schmid. "We are looking forward to giving (Republican Presidential Candidate George W. Bush) a good race."

Guests at the reception paid $250 a person or $450 a couple to attend. Proceeds went to the House Republican Campaign Committee.

McCain said he came to the event to see if he could help out his fellow Republicans in their bids for office and raising funds for their campaigns.

He assured Novi voters he would be back in the area, adding Michigan was a very important state in the presidential primary.

In a speech at the reception, McCain joked with the crowd saying, "The good news is we have enough funding to fund the entire 2000 campaign. The state House. The bad news is most of that money is still in your wallets, purses and pockets."

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

After reading a communique from Rep. Nancy Cassis, Victor Cassis, center, welcomes Senator and presidential candidate John McCain, left, to Novi with a handshake.

He pointed out while the Republicans have a majority of the seats in the state house, the majority was held only by a small margin.

"There are going to be some very tough and close races. Your funding will help," McCain said to the crowd.

He stressed keeping the majority was not the only challenge the Republicans face. They, like the rest of the country, are facing a time when there was a "growing division between the haves and have-nots," a time when technology was making pornography easily assessable and a time when America was facing several world flare-ups.

"If we can meet those challenges, the next century will be the American century," McCain said.

McCain said he believed the Republican party had lost focus of who it serves due to soft money contributions from corporations to political campaigns.

"We have got to give the government back to the people," he said.

McCain also answered several questions from the audience, dealing with issues such as who he would select as a running mate and what he thought of the megamergers between communication companies.

He said it was too early to even think of a running mate.

As for mergers between communication companies, McCain said he was very worried about

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City continues testing sewage at DPW facility

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

While Superintendent of the Novi Sewer and Water Department Bruce Jerome returns from a seven-day suspension, city officials are continuing environmental studies of the DPW land and planning for a clean-up.

Jerome was suspended without pay for seven days following the discovery that DPW employees pumped sewage onto the ground at the DPW yard near the intersection of Eleven Mile and Delwal roads on at least two occasions.

"A seven day suspension is a significant time. It amounts to over $1,000 in lost wages," said assistant city manager Craig Klaver.

"I think it is appropriate considering the nature of the incident."

Jerome was happy to be back on the job and said things are going to change around the DPW yard.

"I'm going to be a little more involved in the day-to-day operations. At least until I can establish a little confidence and trust," Jerome said.

As for the incident that led to his suspension, Jerome said he really didn't know what his foremen were thinking when they had the sewage dumped on the ground.

Jerome said he has a policy of not extracting anything from the sewer lines. Usually, if there is a blockage in a sewer line, DPW crews break it up with a hose and the sewage particles float down the line to a water treatment plant in Detroit.

"For the most part, that is our best policy," Jerome said. The process used to take sewage out of the line is too cumbersome, he added.

"We will only take it out in an emergency situation, unless someone overrules me," Jerome said.

If the situation ever comes up again where crews need to extract sewage from a sewer line, Jerome said they have to fill out a log sheet detailing what was taken out and what was done with it. Plus, all sewage materials must be taken to a treatment plant.

Currently, the DPW can take sewage to a treatment plant in Waterford. Jerome said the department is also working on a deal with a treatment plant in Walled Lake.

In the meantime, city officials

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Deerfield closes in on 2000 opening

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

Innovation and education will be incorporated on many different levels during the 2000-2001 school year with the opening of Deerfield Elementary School.

Being constructed specifically around a specialized curriculum, Deerfield Elementary will be a school of choice/magnet school for children K-4 in the community.

"A school of choice is a school opened to all of the students within the school district's boundaries," said principal Richard Njus.

"A magnet school is when the school is following a defined program or curriculum. This comes at a time when we should all be looking for a change and what is best for our children."

At an approximate $11 million, the 87,000 square-foot learning facility is being constructed by AJ Etkin Construction, after being designed by Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc.

Sean Griffin, superintendent of construction, said construction of the new school began in April of 1999 and will be ready for the first day of school next year.

With about 40 workers constructing the site, Griffin said the crew is toiling on many different projects but will make sure the roofing and concrete will be in before the winter freeze hits.

Aesthetically, Deerfield Elementary School will be attractive to students, parents and community members alike as structures as the windowed media center complete with a domed reading room and outside amphitheater are finished.

But it is the inner workings of the school which will be most talked about as the Novi Community School District will have their first multi-age educational facility.

Njus said the K-4 school will have four full-day kindergarten classes, and there will be eight classes with students from both the first and second grades and eight classes with students from

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Deerfield Elementary School principal Richard Njus shows Katie Raeon and Cathy Reilly, right, some of the Novi school district's newest building Monday afternoon.

George Bush Jr.'s wife encourages students to read

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

Students, teachers and community members lined up in the hallways of Parkview Elementary School Tuesday as Texas First Lady Laura Bush stopped in for a visit.

Bush, hitting the campaign trail as her husband, Texas Gov. George W. Bush III is running for President of the United States, came to Parkview and learned about the school and read a story to Patti Ketelhut's second grade class.

"The most important thing is reading," Bush said to the students.

"It is a skill you need to learn because learning about other subjects requires reading."

Principal Joseph Imrick said having the Texas First Lady grace his school was something everybody was excited about.

"It is a great opportunity for us to show off our school," Imrick said.

"We are showing her things our students are doing and we will have the opportunity to show her how we are using technology — especially with our young children."

Bush's visit began with her being greeted by students who made signs showing her their appreciation of the visit.

Making her way through the school she was shown this year's Parkview Community Service Project by student Brian Smith. He explained to her the special 'theme' baskets which were donated to the Novi 'Clothes Closet' located in the Holy Family Church.

The next stop had her enter the school's media center where media specialist Janis Wagner and second grade teacher Andrea Czarniecki had students show Bush a slide presentation on computers about dinosaurs.

"It was real exciting," Czarniecki said. "The kids were excited to show

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Mutant lobster makes waves at restaurant

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

An eccentric businessman, a mysterious limousine ride, and a lobster named Chas have made operations at Steve and Rocky's restaurant a little interesting lately.

About to celebrate their second anniversary in January, partners Steve Allen and Chuck "Rocky" Rachwitz have been enjoying a successful run with their Novi business.

But it was about two months ago when Allen said the restaurant received a most interesting phone call that set this whole tale in motion.

According to Allen, a very-eccentric businessman, who wishes to remain unnamed, was referred to him from a different restaraunt manager in the Cleveland area.

"He said he found a very large lobster for sale — to eat — and he purchased it and was trying to find it a home, where he wouldn't be eaten."

With a freshwater tropical fish tank already in place, Allen said he was interested in the lobster but didn't have the capabilities of storing it correctly as the lobster needs a to be submerged in a saltwater tank.

"He then countered by asking me what would it take to get a tank designed so you could store the lobster?" Allen said.

After informing the businessman that it would probably take more than $1,000 to construct the specialized tank, Allen said he was starting to feel skeptical about the project.

"He said he would pay for the costs of the tank — this is not a joke — and 'I just want you to take care of the lobster'," Allen said.

Knowing he had to move on the interesting proposition of housing this large an old lobster, in just two weeks' time, the tank was designed and four days later was constructed and set up at the restaurant.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Steve Allen, co-owner and chef at Steve and Rocky's, holds "Chas," a 14-pound North Atlantic lobster that will live out his days at the Novi restaurant.

Community Calendar

Thursday, Nov. 18

Novi Rotary

The Novi Rotary Club meets at noon at the Novi United Methodist Church at 42471 Ten Mile Road. For information, contact Bob Limbright at (248) 380-9260.

Novi School Board

The Novi School Board meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Orchard Hills Elementary School. For information, call (248) 449-1200.

Walled Lake School Board

The Walled Lake School Board meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Educational Services Center. For information, call (248) 956-2000.

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.

Parks and Recreation Commission

The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road.

Novi Expo Center Show

The Greensburg Great Train and Collectibles Show runs today through Nov. 21 at the Novi Expo Center. For information, call (248) 348-5600.

Monday, Nov. 22

The Novi City Council meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road.

Tuesday, Nov. 23

ZONTA

The ZONTA Club of Farmington/Novi meets at 6 p.m. at the Embassy Suites Hotel (between Seven and Eight Mile roads, off Interstate 275). ZONTA International is a worldwide classified service organization of executives in business and the professions, working to improve the legal, political, economic and professional status of women. For information and reservations, call (313) 538-8043.

Northville School Board

The Northville School Board meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the third floor conference room, Old Village School. For information, call (248) 349-3400.

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An elegant showing

New Boston resident Leah Ferris prepares to ride her Arabian horse "Dru" into the showring at Friday's Horse Show at the Novi Expo Center. The North American Horse Spectacular ran from Friday to Sunday and saw thousands of enthusiasts, riders and horse breeders.

Residents come to council to protest another road bond

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

City officials' struggles to get another road bond before voters were slowed somewhat Monday, when Novi City Council Member Michelle Bononi refused to let the issue be placed on the meeting's agenda.

Bononi wanted the issue left off of the agenda because she felt the public needed more notice that the issue was being brought up again.

According to city charter, anything placed on the agenda at a special meeting must have unanimous support of the council.

Some of the audience members at the meeting were ready to give their opinion on the matter.

"Please don't let a small number of people persuade you that we want another road bond. We voted against it in the last election," said Novi resident Joe Sutika.

"What angers me is I voted and I'm telling my kids your vote counts, then before I can get the words out of my mouth, we are having this issue again."

Novi voters voted down a $28 million road bond proposal on Nov. 2 by 3,867 votes against to 3,295 votes for it.

In a memo sent to city council, Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall said it might be a good idea to bring the road bond back during the February Presidential Primary to get matching funds needed for several planned road projects.

This new road bond would have considerably fewer projects and cost city taxpayers less, he said.

"Quite frankly, with the deletion of projects that seem to raise some community concern, we could probably be successful and turn this matter around in short order," Kriewall wrote.

Novi resident Toni Nagy disagreed, saying she felt it was a little too premature for another road bond because of its timing and because the city was still fighting a $53 million judgment awarded to a developer on the city's behalf.

She added the road bond voted down because it was full of projects that were not directly for the benefit of the residents and mostly for the benefit of developers.

"Take care of the resident's first and the businesses second," Nagy said.

Novi resident Dick Faulkner pointed out that while there were roads in Novi that needed attention, he did not see why it was necessary to present a project as big as the last road bond proposal.

Faulkner said it was too expensive for senior citizens on a fixed income to support.

"If you want a road bond to pass, you have to be realistic to (senior citizens') needs," he said.

The Novi City Council will discuss a new road bond at its 7:30 p.m. meeting Nov. 22 in the Novi City Council Chambers at the Novi Civic Center.

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Teen arrested at mall with knife

A 17-year-old Oak Park boy was arrested around 7 p.m. Nov. 13 in Twelve Oaks Mall after security officers found a knife in his pocket.

Security officers were watching the boy as he was riding the escalators in front of JCPenney in the mall. While they were watching him, the boy lifted up his shirt to reveal a silver knife in his left front pants pocket.

Security officers confronted the boy as he was standing outside of Victoria's Secret and asked him to lift up his shirt.

The boy admitted to carrying the knife and gave it to the security officers.

The boy said he was carrying the knife for protection.

He was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon.

LAKEVIEW BARTENDER BUSTED

A 36-year-old Bloomfield Hills woman was issued a citation for furnishing alcohol to a minor around 6 p.m. Nov. 10 while bartending at Lakeview Bar and Grill on Old Novi Road.

The bust was part of an undercover alcohol sting conducted by the Novi Police Department.

A decoy, a 16-year-old girl, was sent into the bar by an officer working the sting.

While the officer was watching, the girl sat on a barstool at the bar. The bartender approached her and asked her if she needed anything.

The decoy said, "Can I get a Bud Light, please?"

The bartender replied, "Sure," uncapped a beer bottle for the girl and handed it to her.

The bartender did not ask the girl for identification or her age.

The decoy handed the bartender money for the beer and the bartender gave her change.

At this point, the officer came into the bar and identified himself. He informed the bartender of the illegal nature of the incident.

The bartender admitted to selling the girl the beer and expressed disbelief that the decoy was only 16 years old.

The officer issued a citation to the bartender and has submitted a liquor violation report to the Liquor Control Commission.

HAM I HOME?

A 31-year-old Walled Lake man was arrested for drunk driving around 1:20 a.m. Nov. 8 when officers found him slumped over the passenger seat of his car in the parking lot of Big Boy restaurant on Novi Road.

Earlier, an officer on patrol observed the man's vehicle fail to signal as it turned into the parking lot of the restaurant. While the officer watched, the vehicle pulled into a parking space behind the restaurant and the driver turned off its lights.

The officer followed the vehicle into the parking lot and watched it for some time.

The driver never exited his vehicle, so the officer approached it.

The officer noticed the driver was slumped over the passenger side of the vehicle. His seat belt was still on and the vehicle was turned off.

The officer noticed the driver's eyes were red and bloodshot when the driver looked at him.

The officer asked the driver if he knew where he was and the driver said he did. The driver said he was sitting in the parking lot of his apartment complex in Walled Lake.

After the officer informed the driver that he was actually sitting in the parking lot of a restaurant in Novi, the officer asked the driver how much he had to drink. The driver said he had "one beer."

The driver was given a sobriety test and transported to the Novi Police Department.

He was given a chemical breath test which indicated he had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.21 percent.

Anyone with information about the above incidents is urged to call the Novi Police at (248) 348-7100.

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Food assistance

Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency will be distributing free food through the Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program in Oakland County during the month of December.

All people that are income-eligible and not registered may do so at the site by bringing social security cards for all household members, verification of household income and photo identification.

In Novi, the local distribution place is the Novi Senior Center at 45175 West Ten Mile Road.

Distribution will be done on Dec. 14 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

For income eligibility requirements or additional information, call Trudy Long at OLHSA's Community and Family Services Department at (248) 209-2655 or (800) 482-9250.

Main Street Holiday Walk

It's that time of season and Main Street Novi is kicking off the holiday spirit this year with its Fourth Annual Main Street Holiday Walk.

Beginning at 6 p.m. on Nov. 23, the two-hour holiday parade will begin on Market Street next to BD's Mongolian Barbeque. The procession will continue to Main Street and Novi Road where a greeting from the mayor, the lighting of the holiday trees and a special visit from a jolly man in a red suit will be made.

The walk will then return up Main Street to the indoor atrium area of Main Street where there will be music, featuring the Novi High School Marching Band, food and tons of holiday spirit.

Sponsored by the merchants of Main Street, parking for the event will be behind Main Street, just north of BD's Mongolian Barbeque or the lot behind Red Hot & Blue off of Trans X Drive.

Please bring a can or box food donation for the Food Bank of Oakland County.

Police set for game with Lions

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Tickets are on sale now for the yearly basketball showdown between the Novi Police Officers Association and the Detroit Lions Feb. 17 at the Novi High School gym.

Novi Police Officer Diane MacGregor said the police union has hired a telemarketing firm to call Novi residents and businesses. During these calls, residents can buy tickets to the game and a bumper sticker that states, "I support the Novi Police." Businesses can buy tickets and an advertisement in a program being given out at the game.

MacGregor said the police union plans on giving all of the money it raises from this event back to the community.

"If it is a worthy cause, we will donate to it," she said.

In past years, money raised from the game has been used to fund a police scholarship for Novi High School students, the Novi Halloween Party and to fund various parks and recreation department youth sports teams.

"And we always send money to any fallen officer's family," MacGregor added.

She also said some of the money has been used in the past for political means, such as newspaper advertisements supporting a political candidate. However, the union rules state only up to $1,000 can be used for this, MacGregor said.

Tickets for this year's game are $20 a piece, $30 for a couple or $60 for a family of six.

Last year's game raised about $13,000 for the police union.

MacGregor said she does not know which members of the Lions team will be at the game yet. Regardless of who shows up, she said the event is a lot of fun for the spectators and players.

The Lions' players usually go into the audience and pick children to shoot their free throws for them, MacGregor said. The players will also sign autographs during halftime.

"Everyone seems to really enjoy themselves. Besides — (the police) are not the best basket ball players. Everyone can laugh at them," MacGregor joked.

While tickets are being sold through the telemarketing company, those not wishing to wait for the phone-call can contact the "box office" by calling (248) 347-3430.

If anyone has any questions or comments about the event, they can contact MacGregor or Novi Det. John Nelson at (248) 349-1700.

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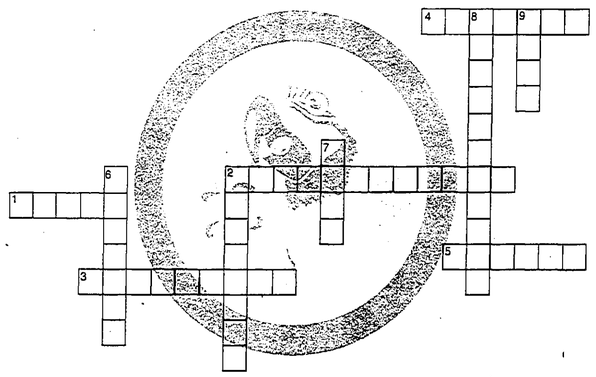

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Police call in K-9 unit after teen smoker flees

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Using a tracking dog, police searched the area around Novi Road and Thirteen Mile for a 15-year-old Novi boy who they caught smoking Nov. 11.

An officer on patrol in the Chateau Trailer Park saw the boy smoking a cigarette while walking with another boy through the park.

The officer stopped the boys and asked for identification. The Novi boy gave the officer a Novi High School identification card.

Upon seeing that the boy was underage the officer informed him he was under arrest for being a minor in possession of cigarettes. The boy immediately fled on foot.

The officer chased him, but lost sight of the boy and returned to his vehicle.

Two other officers arrived and took the other boy to his home, while the officer regained his search.

A K-9 unit was called in and the boy's scent was followed across Novi Road and down Thirteen Mile right to the front door of the boy's residence.

Sgt. Matt Conquest said the police dog happened to be in the area when this incident happened, so they decided to use it.

"It was peculiar when he ran because he had already given the officer his identification. We were concerned cause he might have been doing other crimes," Conquest said.

Officers spoke with an occupant of the resident's home who said the boy was not there and his mother was out looking for him.

On his way back to the Chateau trailer park, the officer stopped at Lakeview Market and found the boy's mother.

He informed her of the situation and she told him her son was on probation already for possession of marijuana. She further said she knew he was smoking, but he needed the cigarettes to "calm down."

The boy's mother became angry and belligerent with the officer saying he was making a big deal out of such a "small thing."

The officer asked the boy's mother to call him when the boy came home.

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Medieval singers

Novi High School Choir Director "Mistress" Paula Joyner-Clinard directs some of her select choir members in medieval festival songs during Saturday's Madrigal Dinner at Novi High School.

Novi Library

LIBRARY HOURS

The Novi Public Library is open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sundays, 1-5 p.m. The library is located at 45245 W. Ten Mile Road, just east of Taft. For more information, call (248) 349-0720.

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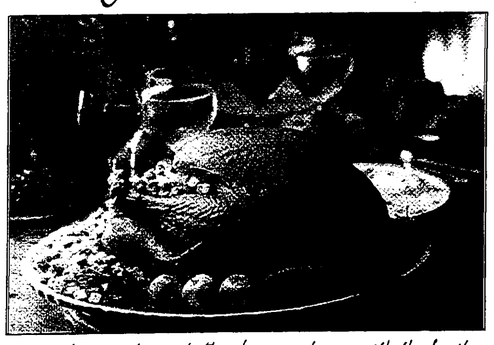

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10:30 a.m. — The Cutting Room Floor
11:00 a.m. — Harvest Ministries
11:30 a.m. — Cosby and Company: Y2K - It's Not Too Late
12:00 p.m. — Intercessions Word Ministry
12:30 p.m. — (con't)
1:00 p.m. — Adventures With Pirate Pete
1:30 p.m. — Thanksgiving Feast
2:00 p.m. — Financial Strategies: Website Strategies
2:30 p.m. — Mountain Ski Series: Altitude
3:00 p.m. — Women on the Move: Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith
3:30 p.m. — Senseless Death
4:00 p.m. — (con't)
4:30 p.m. — Novi Street Beat: Holiday Fire Safety
5:00 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
5:30 p.m. — Army News Watch
6:00 p.m. — This is Racing in Michigan: The Life of a Jockey
6:30 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy
7:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
7:30 p.m. — 3PA Access Activities
8:00 p.m. — Women on the Move: Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith
8:30 p.m. — Good News For Living Healthy: Depression
9:00 p.m. — (con't)
9:30 p.m. — Community Comments: Orthopedic Surgeon

TUESDAY, NOV. 23
10:00 a.m. — Legislative Forum
10:30 a.m. — Building Scene
11:00 a.m. — Law Talk: Maury Elrekrog
11:30 a.m. — (con't)
12:00 p.m. — Summit University
12:30 p.m. — (con't)
1:00 p.m. — Sampler Pioneer Women: Their Lives Through Song
1:30 p.m. — (con't)
2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection
2:30 p.m. — Out in the Open: Unauthorized
3:00 p.m. — (con't)
3:30 p.m. — Wise Guys: Constructive Criticism
4:00 p.m. — Step 'n' Move to the Groove: Sheila Landis Trio
4:30 p.m. — A Culinary Adventure: Red Hot and Blue and Steve and Rocky's
5:00 p.m. — The Way, The Truth, and The Life
5:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
6:00 p.m. — Harvest Ministries
6:30 p.m. — Community Connection
7:00 p.m. — Potpourri: John George
7:30 p.m. — Financial Strategies: Website Strategies
8:00 p.m. — Salon Glamour and Etiquette With Gloria: Hair Styles the Korean Way
8:30 p.m. — (con't)
9:00 p.m. — Let's Talk With Ben Marks: Jim Desana, MDOT
9:30 p.m. — (con't)

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 24
10:00 a.m. — Salon Glamour and Etiquette With Gloria: Hair Styles the Korean Way
10:30 a.m. — (con't)
11:00 a.m. — Home For Life: Installing Kitchen Cabinets
11:30 a.m. — Michigan Living: Winter Car Care
12:00 p.m. — Legally Speaking
12:30 p.m. — MDOT Today
1:00 p.m. — Study in Scripture
1:30 p.m. — AMVETs
2:00 p.m. — Restoration Now
2:30 p.m. — Traditional Healing Productions
3:00 p.m. — (con't)
3:30 p.m. — Consumer Corner: Slamming and Cramming
4:00 p.m. — Critter Connection
4:30 p.m. — Community Connection
5:00 p.m. — Thanksgiving Feast
5:30 p.m. — To Be Announced
6:00 p.m. — Senseless Death
6:30 p.m. — (con't)
7:00 p.m. — Adventures With Pirate Pete
7:30 p.m. — Cosby and Company: Y2K - It's Not Too Late
8:00 p.m. — Novi Street Beat Live: Holiday Shopping Safety
8:30 p.m. — Who, What, Where, Y
9:00 p.m. — The Todd L. Levitt Show: Perry Spencer, Chairman, Reform Party of Michigan
9:30 p.m. — (con't)

THURSDAY, NOV. 25
10:00 a.m. — Fitness Motivators
10:30 a.m. — To Be Announced
11:00 a.m. — Abundant Life Arabic Ministries
11:30 a.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk With Tracy
12:30 p.m.-1:00 p.m. — To Be Announced
1:30 p.m. — That's Italian
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3:00 p.m. — To Be Announced
3:30 p.m. — Adventures With Pirate Pete
4:00 p.m. — Law Talk
4:30 p.m. — (con't)
5:00 p.m. — Shaarey Zedek
5:30 p.m. — (con't)
6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. — To Be Announced
7:00 p.m. — Good News For Living Healthy
7:30 p.m. — Building Scene
8:00 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
8:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. — To Be Announced

FRIDAY, NOV. 26
10:00 a.m. — Let's Talk With Ben Marks
10:30 a.m. — (con't)
11:00 a.m. — Harvest Ministries
11:30 a.m. — Lumen Christi
12:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. — To Be Announced
7:00 p.m. — Cosby and Company: Financial Strategies
7:30 p.m. — People Who Make Things Happen
8:00 p.m. — Community Connection
8:30 p.m. — Good News For Living Healthy
9:00 p.m. — To Be Announced
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Battle over Huron-Cliton metropark deer continues

By MIKE MALOTT
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Nature lovers fear that the controlled deer hunts scheduled to take place in three metroparks — Stony Creek near Rochester, Kensington in Milford and Hudson Mills near Ann Arbor — are a backdoor attempt to introduce sport hunting to Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority land.

HCMA officials, however, insist the hunts are a herd management tool, aimed solely at reducing the number of deer there. The critters have so overpopulated the parks that they live there in numbers two-and-a-half to almost six times what HCMA officials believe the land can support.

The first controlled hunt, in Stony Creek Nov. 5-7, was a success, Dave Moilanen, Chief of Interpretative Services and Public Relations, told the HCMA board in a meeting Thursday, Nov. 11. Thirty-three bowhunters took 37 deer, generating some 1,380 pounds of meat to be distributed to food banks and charities. Most importantly, there were no accidents. Safety was the highest priority, Moilanen said.

As a result, the board made no plans to alter its deer culling program. Another controlled archery hunt is slated for Stony Creek Dec. 3-5. Muzzleloaders will be used Dec. 10-12 and Dec.17. Shotgun hunting is scheduled for Dec. 18 and 19. At Hudson Mills, bowhunting is set for Dec. 3, 4, 10 and 11.

At Kensington, the most overpopulated park, rangers trained as marksmen will conduct deer hunts over bait piles at night sometime in mid-January. Aerial infrared surveys will be conducted before and after to update the deer population counts.

Activists reacted sharply to the report of the first hunt. The strongest statement came from Ann Arbor resident Robert Parnell, a self-described wildlife photographer and nature lover.

"It seems this hasn't been about facts. It's about politics and money," he said. "The three hunting organizations on the Wildlife Advisory Committee (the HCMA-appointed panel that studied the alternatives and recommended the herd management plan) are from the (Department of Natural Resource's) Hunting and Fishing Task Force. This Task Force has a stated objecvue to, 'Where possible, expand opportunities to hunt and fish in urban parks and recreation areas.' And further on says ... 'take any actions necessary to bring about the completion of this vital mission.' It seems that what this is really about is the HCMA playing ball with the DNR so that it can continue to receive financial favors from the DNR."

One grant referenced by Parnell was actually turned down by the DNR, but HCMA Chief Planner Dan Duncan confirmed the authority has indeed received two grants from the DNR this year — one for a playground and lake access site, the other for development of a picnic area. Neither were related to hunting. In fact Duncan, who handles grant application writing for the HCMA, said that the DNR has never asked or pressured the metropark authority to open its lands to hunting in return for grant money.

Livonia resident Noreen Owens, a member of the Metropark Deer Preservation Council, said she believes the presence of three hunting organizations on the advisory committee constitutes a conflict of interest. Those organizations — the DNR, the Michigan United Conservation Clubs and the Michigan Bowhunters Association — also had representation on the Hunting and Fishing Task Force, a panel appointed by Gov. John Engler to promote hunting activity in Michigan. Owens asked that the makeup of the advisory committee be revised.

Northville resident Judy Brock, also a member of that council, explained her group did not intend to accuse any member of the HCMA board of anything inappropriate. She explained that when council members found an Internet website containing the recommendations of the task force and that they included expanding hunting into "urban parks," they believed there was a "hidden agenda" among those three hunting groups. And she contended those groups could stand to benefit financially from the promotion of hunting.

Carol Halstead, of Hartland, told the HCMA board that, "Non-lethal methods should be given a chance. As overseers of our metroparks, you decisions-makers should be protecting the parks resources ... you should also be way of hidden agendas."

"Your criticisms are fine," HCMA chairman William Kreger said in response, "until you start making out that we are cutting deals with the DNR. There is no proof of anything like that ... I object to the innuendo that there has been some underhanded dealing. I love the deer and I couldn't shoot one myself, but if we are guilty of anything, it is that we waited too long."

Denise Mogos, Public Relations for HCMA, noted that the committee membership also included representatives of the Michigan Humane Society, Audubon Society, Natural Areas Council, Botanical Society and Botanical Club. Several of the members were wildlife biologists.

"There were meetings in which the Humane Society said, 'We can't go along with the killing of deer.' There were meetings where the hunters said, 'Our members won't go along with bringing in a sharp shooter.' Everyone was an equal footing. I don't remember any meetings where anyone said, 'Gee, we got everything we wanted,'" Mogos said.

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State senators debate school inspections

By MIKE MALOTT
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All new buildings in Michigan are inspected for structural integrity when they are constructed — all buildings except schools.

And according to state senators, they haven't been since about 1978.

Wall collapses in two Michigan school districts have brought the issue to the forefront in the state legislature — one at a middle school in Woodhaven in 1990 and another at a high school in Flushing in 1998. No one was hurt in the collapse at the '70s-era Woodhaven school, but repairs cost some $6 million, according to Joe O'Reilly, legislative aide to Sen. Christopher Dingell, D-Trenton. Four workers died, however, in the collapse at the Flushing high school, where the wall was part of an auditorium under construction at the time.

Both incidents have been attributed to improper design and construction, and senators believe inspections would have caught the problems early.

Senators now aim to address the oversight. Republicans and Democrats alike, but there are disagreements over the best way to accomplish that goal. Those differences led to heated words recently.

"Senate Republicans are endangering the lives of school children across Michigan by repeatedly refusing to include schools in the state construction code. By not mandating the inspection of school buildings ... by inspectors trained to look for structural integrity, we run the risk of putting our children in dangerous buildings like the one in Woodhaven," Dingell said.

His comments came after senators rejected a revision to the state construction code, Senate Bill 463, sponsored by Sen. Leon Stille, R-Spring Lake, and so-sponsored by Sens. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and Dianne Byrum, D-Onondaga. The state code is enforced by building officials in local municipalities. The bill had been amended in the House to eliminate exemptions to the code, and therefore local inspections, for school buildings.

According to O'Reilly, the reason for the rejection was that Senate Republicans would prefer another bill sponsored by Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Howell. Senate Bill 805 would require that all new schools be inspected by the state Bureau of Construction Codes, but it would allow school districts to opt for inspections by local municipal building officials instead.

The difference between the two bills is not just politics, Rogers' Press Secretary Sylvia Warner assured. Taking the exemption for schools out of the state construction code might have some unintended consequences, she warned. Rogers' bill, on the other hand, adds inspections in education law, resulting in the "cleanest public policy," easiest for school boards to understand and follow, Warner explained.

Rogers' bill, SB 805, has received one hearing in committee, she said. Members asked for additional research before voting, so she predicted the bill would not reach the full Senate for a vote until early 2000.

According to O'Reilly, the delay to Rogers' bill is over the question of whether inspections should be conducted now for those schools which have been built in the past few years.

SB 463, by Sen. Stille, was once approved by senators, and won approval in the House. But representatives amended the bill to end the exemption for schools, causing senators to reject the measure. The bill is now headed to conference committee. Action on that bill may also be delayed until after the start of the new year.

When all is done, O'Reilly said the goal is to get schools inspected. If senators reject SB 463, Dingell will support Rogers' bills, O'Reilly said.

The oversight that led to the lack of construction inspections has a long history, according to O'Reilly. It dates back to the 1920s and '30s. At the time, he contended, school buildings were often the largest and most complicated building projects in many communities. Municipal building inspectors often did not have the expertise at the time to review construction for buildings of that size. Additionally, there were problems with animosities between school districts and the municipalities in which they were located — which is still an issue in school construction — as well as problems with sweetheart contracts and out-and-out bribery.

"The one person considered to be above reproach was the state Superintendent of Public Education," O'Reilly said, so the job of inspecting school buildings was turned over to him. But state superintendents also did not have expertise in construction standards, so they increasingly relied on contracts with outside offices to conduct the actual on-site reviews.

In 1978, the entire job was turned over to the Office of Fire Safety under the State Fire Marshal.

"The number one safety issue for schools is fire safety, don't get me wrong," O'Reilly said. "and the Office of Fire Safety does an excellent job." But inspectors there also are not trained to review structural integrity, he said.

New school buildings have long been a source of disagreement between municipalities and local districts. Schools have for years been outside the control of zoning authorities within local governments, so while city councils and township boards are able to control the placement of all other buildings in their communities, placement of schools rests solely with the school board.

Up until 1992, zoning regulations did apply to all non-school land and buildings in a district. O'Reilly explained. So municipalities could control placement of, for example, the district's bus garage. That ended in 1992 under a bill offered by then-Sen. Jack Faxon, which exempted all school land and buildings from local municipal control.

If zoning officials don't like those rules, city fire chiefs have long had stronger arguments with the state law. While it is state inspectors who do the reviewing, it is city fire departments that are expected to put out any blazes there. Some chiefs have complained that the rules mean their first look inside new school buildings has come when they were called there for an emergency.

All those are side issues for the time being, O'Reilly said.

"The vast majority of school buildings typically exceed public building codes, but inspections are not required during construction," Rogers said. "Tragically, this oversight already has resulted in the deaths of several workers who were building an auditorium in Flushing just over a year ago. Requiring inspections of new construction projects assures parents that their children will be safe. Inspections help assure that human error won't result in another tragic incident."

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TUESDAY, NOV. 9

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Fire alarm. Twelve Mile and Novi Road, 2:38 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical. 25000 Lathrup Drive, 12:01 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical. Twelve Mile and Novi Road, 12:31 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical. 43762 West Road, 1 p.m., Squad 2.
Fire alarm. Twelve Eleven Mile Road, 1:16 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Wire down. 43022 Galway, 1:17 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical. 43256 Crescent, 1:28 p.m., Squad 1.
Brush fire. 25701 Lochmoor, 2:38 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Fire alarm. 25575 Novi Road, 6:10 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Medical. 26262 Hernanda, 7:36 p.m., Squad 3.
Brush fire. 41920 Cherry Hill, 7:48 p.m., Engine 1.
Gas leak fire. Fourteen Mile and Novi Road, 9:12 p.m., Engine 2.
Investigation. 23824 Apple Crest, 10:22 p.m., Engine 1.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 10

Medical. 47250 Ten Mile Road, 10:43 a.m., Squad 4.
Wire down. Ten Mile and Novi Road, 11:17 a.m., Engine 1.
Medical. 29200 Meadowbrook, 12:08 p.m., Squad 2.
Service. 45182 West Road, 1:01 p.m., Squad 2.
Trash fire. Novi Road and Railroad, 4:36 p.m., Engine 1.
Brush fire. 25600 Strath Haven, 4:34 p.m., Engine 4.
Medical. 1125 South Lake, 5:17 p.m., Squad 2.
Wire down. 43407 Grand River, 6:16 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical. 42460 Arena Drive, 8:42 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical. 24307 Summons, 8:44 p.m., Squad 4.
Transformer fire. 21420 Novi Road, 10:02 p.m., Engine 3.

THURSDAY, NOV. 11

Medical. 45125 Novi Road, 1:11 a.m., Engine 3.
Medical. 25710 Glamorgan, 4:24 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical. 43455 Ten Mile Road, 7:02 a.m., Squad 3.
Medical. 27550 Novi Road, 8:20 a.m., Squad 1.
Vehicle fire. I-96 and Novi Road, 8:21 a.m., Engine 1.
Injury accident. Twelve Mile and Novi Road, 8:38 a.m., Squad 1.
Fire alarm. 41140 Bridge, 10:04 a.m., Engines 1, 2.
Medical. 24874 Apple Crest, 10:46 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical. 29825 Montmorency, 12:54 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical. 39515 Burton, 1:40 p.m., Squad 3.
Fire alarm. 42200 Eleven Mile Road, 4:17 p.m., Engines 1, 2.

FRIDAY, NOV. 12

Trees burning. Glamorgan and Strath Haven, 8:26 a.m., Engine 4.
Medical. 29655 Le Grand, 11:09 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical. 49700 Ten Mile Road, 11:16 a.m., Squad 4.
Medical. 31057 Collingdale, 11:50 a.m., Squad 2.
Fuel spill. Novi Road and Main Street, 12:55 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical. 45182 West Road, 1:04 p.m., Squad 2.
Car fire. I-96 and Novi Road, 5:32 p.m., Engine 1.
Medical. 39513 Village Wood, 9:28 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical. 43453 Ten Mile Road, 11:01 p.m., Squad 3.

SATURDAY, NOV. 13

Medical. 24633 Old Orchard, 12:47 a.m., Squad 1.
Injury accident. Twelve Mile and Taft Road, 12:50 a.m., Squad 4.
Trash fire. Thirteen Mile and East Lake, 12:58 a.m., Engine 2.
Medical. 29860 Windsor, 1:19 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical. 29977 Montmorency, 2:30 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical. 45182 West Road, 9:59 a.m., Squad 2.
Medical. 24403 Bashian, 5:37 p.m., Squad 1.
Fire alarm. 20755 Emily Court, 6:26 p.m., Engine 3.
Investigation. 45182 West Road, 7:31 p.m., Engine 2.
Fire alarm. 43442 West Oaks, 8:13 p.m., Engines 1, 3.
Investigation. 30164 Rousseau, 9:16 p.m., Engine 2.

SUNDAY, NOV. 14

Fire alarm. 43155 Nine Mile Road, 9:26 a.m., Engines 1, 3.
Transformer fire. Novi Road and Nine Mile Road, 9:27 a.m., Engine 4.
Medical. 27750 Novi Road, 11:04 a.m., Squad 1.
Medical. 39595 Romayton, 3:57 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical. 26401 Novi Road, 5:47 p.m., Squad 1.
Medical. 45139 Court View, 6:59 p.m., Squad 3.
Medical. 45182 West Road, 7:05 p.m., Squad 2.
Injury accident. Fourteen Mile and M-5, 8:45 p.m., Squad 2.
Medical. 29948 Montmorency, 9:47 p.m., Squad 2.
Standby. 21111 Haggerty Road, 10:35 p.m., Response Station 3.
Investigation. 23494 Meadowbrook, 11:07 p.m., Squad 3.

Giving the gift of reading to others

Village Oaks students donate books, bookmarks to less needy kids

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

Kelly Bradford is carefully designing a colorful bookmark with a picture of a desk with books on it.

Bradford, a fourth grade student at Village Oaks Elementary School, is working along with all of the other students in her school to make bookmarks and donate books as part of the "Gift of Reading" program.

The program was founded by the *Detroit Free Press* in 1987 and Village Oaks has been participating ever since 1988.

Sherrie Konkus, Village Oaks Gift of Reading chair, said the annual program distributes books to needy at-risk children, including donations to HeadStart programs, homeless shelters, and projects for the children of drug addicts.

"Last year we were able to donate 688 books while in other years we had well over 1,100," Konkus said.

"Village Oaks has been very generous with their participation in the program and we want to always have a very generous community offering."

The program which began on Nov. 15 and will continue until Dec. 3.

Konkus said this year's theme is "Help a Child Find Their Way to a Good Book," which is emphasized by a maze display inside Village Oaks.

For every 100 books donated this year, a book and mouse will be put on the display letting students and community members know where they are during the drive.

Konkus said when donating, select new books suitable for children seven and under. Instead of coloring or activity books, easy reading books with large type, many pictures and few words are recommended as many of the kids and their parents may have limited reading skills.

About 500,000 books have been given to Michigan children and the Gift of Reading also supports literacy programs.

Village Oaks publicity chair Alison Murray said in just a couple of days the program at the school has collected 109 books.

"The Village Oaks families have always been supportive of these kinds of programs," Murray said.

"It is everyone — the parents, the staff members and the children all donating to help out people in the community."

Konkus said Village Oaks has been listed as a drop off-site for books to be donated to the program.

"Every year Village Oaks has amazing contributions," said Anne Musial, Free press community relations. "The parents there are doing something right as the children are understanding the importance of books and literacy."

For more information on the program, call Ann Musial at (313) 222-6802.

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Kelly Branford works on making a bookmark that her class will add to the books they're donating as part of the "Gift of Reading" program.

State takes steps to combat rise in identity fraud, theft

By MIKE MALOTT
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Applying for a loan or credit in someone else's name — also known as identity fraud or credit into theft — will net perpetrators a felony charge worth up to four years in jail under legislaution approved in Michigan.

No one is quite sure how often it is happening here. A legislative analysis said no data is available on how often credit applications are submitted in someone else's name in Michigan. The Attorney General's office has declined to estimate the frequency of this crime in this state.

But it does happen. Rep. Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, said a constituent in his district was a victim. After someone applied for credit in her name and wracked up $50,000 worth of debt, it took her many hours to clear her name.

And that is why he introduced House Bill 4413, increasing penalties for so-called identity theft.

"Criminals need very little information to secure credit using someone else's identity. Considering the amount of information we often provide in places of business or even through the Internet, it's easy for a person to get the information they need to apply for a credit card or get a loan using someone else's name."

Brown's bill increases the penalty for identity fraud to four years in prison or a $2,500 fine. The Senate gave approval to the bill 37-0 on Thursday, Oct. 14. It approved the by House in a 107-0 vote back in June. All local lawmakers supported the measure. It is now headed to the governor's desk for a signature.

Brown's bill was tie-barred to House Bill 4598, sponsored by Stephen Ehardt, R-Lexington, which makes it illegal to possess credit information with the intent of passing it on to another for the purpose of credit fraud. The bills also make it illegal to possess a credit application form filled out in another person's name, even if it has yet to be submitted.

"These types of crimes not only cause huge financial headaches, but they can mean a huge loss of time for the victim, who can dedicate hundreds of hours to clearing his or her name. Many people don't even realize how valuable their credit identity can be, so when it comes to punishment, we need to make sure the penalties match the seriousness of the crime," Brown said.

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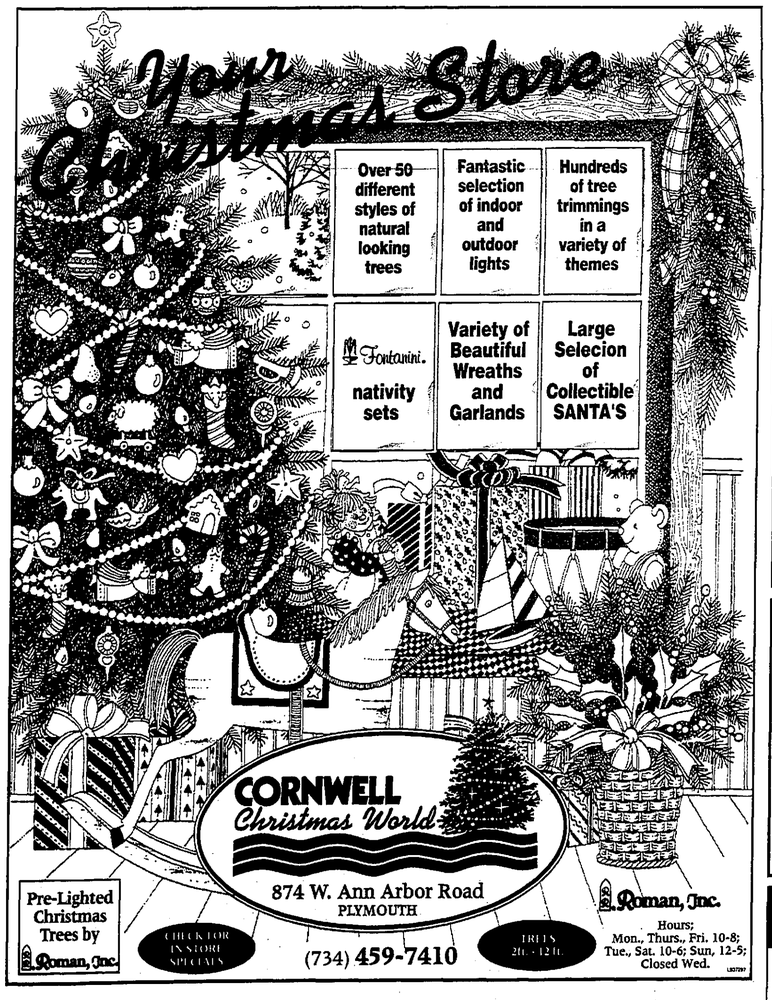

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In time for holidays, MADD sees red with ribbons

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Oakland County Chapter is distributing 200,000 red ribbons for its Red Ribbon Campaign. The campaign officially will be held Nov. 24 - Dec. 30 and is supported by the Oakland County Commission, area businesses, student groups, Triangle Road in Novi.

Fred Perkins, FOX 2 anchor, is this year's honorary chairperson and honorary sponsor. Red ribbons will be tied to a representative selection from many of the police, fire and rescue units in Oakland County.

Media figures present will be state representatives, senators, judges, prosecutors, departments, and media officials, as well as representatives from Allstate Insurance Co. MADD's national sponsor. A reception will immediately follow the ceremony and refreshments will be served.

Last year MADD, Oakland distributed 200,000 ribbons throughout the county, and many can still be seen on car antennas, mirrors and door handles. Everyone is urged to "be one off" as a visual pledge not to drink and then drive this holiday season, and hopefully throughout the new year.

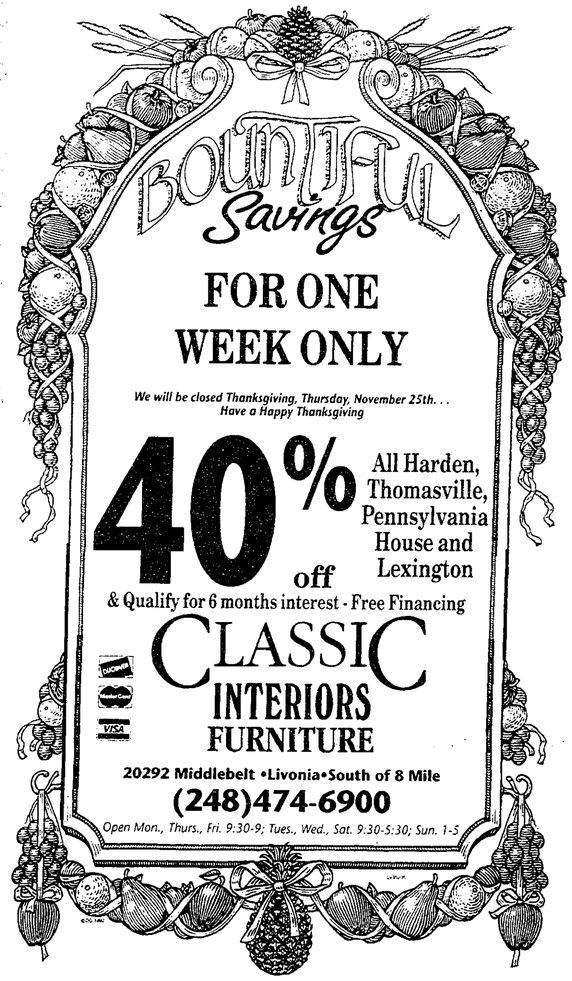
Alcohol-impaired drivers are responsible for more than 38 percent of all traffic fatalities in Michigan and in 1998, 12,775 people in this state were injured because of alcohol-related crashes, and 525 people were killed. All these deaths and injuries are avoidable – none have to happen if people will just not drive if they have been drinking.

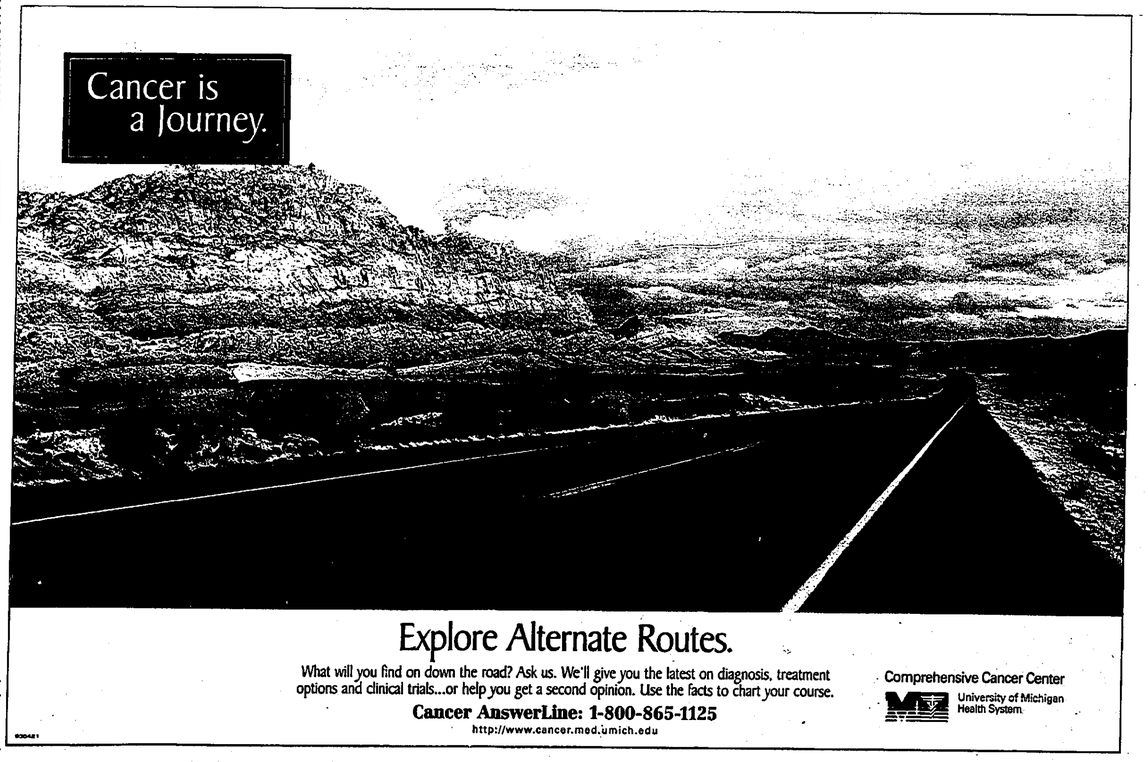
This year little 3-year old Shawn Gregory will be tying a red ribbon on a Walled Lake police car in memory of his aunt, Jeannine Gregory, who was killed by a drunk driver in California. The family resides in Walled Lake.

MADD's mission is to stop drunk driving, support victims of the violent crime, and prevent underage drinking. For more information on MADD, Oakland County Chapter's "The One Off For Safety – Red Ribbon Campaign," contact the office at (248) 623-6233.

Railroad repairs close Novi Road

Traffic havoc was created Tuesday and Wednesday when the Road Commission of Oakland County closed a portion of Novi Road so CSX could make repairs to its railroad crossing. Road commission spokesperson Craig Bryson said CSX asked Nov. 10 for a permit to close Novi Road between Grand River Avenue and Ten Mile Road. Bryson said RCOC officials had been asking the railroad company to fix the crossing for some time.





Obituaries

GLORIA D. GREEN

Gloria D. Green, 66, died Nov. 11 at her home in Farmington. She was born in 1932.

Ms. Green is survived by a brother, Donald; sister-in-law, Sharon; niece, Carla (Peter) Beers; nephew, Brett Green; great niece, Larissa; two great nephews, Kevin and Nicholas; and dear friend, Jennifer Sibole.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Charles and a sister-in-law, Jacqueline.

Services were held on Sunday, Nov. 14 at O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi. Interment was in Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit.

DOLLYANN HENSEL

Dollyann Hensel, 65, died Nov. 2 at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills.

She is survived by her husband of 41 years, Timothy; two daughters, Debbie and Ginger (Ken) Perpich; and two grandchildren, Tyler and Zachary Perpich.

A memorial service was conducted on Saturday, Nov. 6 at O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi.

Memorials to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

ALLEN C. INGLE

Allen C. Ingle, 78, a longtime resident of Northville, died Nov. 13 in Whitehall Nursing Home, Novi. He was born in Highland Park, June 26, 1921, to Benjamin and Ann (Quigley) Ingle.

Serving in the Army and with the OSS in the Asiatic Theater during World War II, Mr. Ingle was decorated by Chaing-Kai-Shek for services to the Chinese government during the war. He received his bachelor's degree in 1946 from the Detroit Institute of Technology, and his L.L.B. from the Detroit College of Law in 1949. This year marked his 50th anniversary as a lawyer. He also served as a justice for the City of Farmington, from 1951-53, and for the Township of Farmington, Now Farmington Hills, from 1953-59. Mr. Ingle served as president, director and legal counsel for the Farmington Savings and Loan Association. He was also instrumental in writing the law allowing individuals to mail in traffic citations to court instead of having to appear in person. Mr. Ingle was a member and past president of both the Oakland County Judicial Association and the Michigan Justices of the Peace, and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia; daughters, Dawn (Robert) Rosser of Milford and Jill Ingle of Farmington Hills; sons, Martin (Jennifer) of Livonia and Allen C. Jr. of Farmington Hills; and four grandchildren, Michael, Katie, Jennifer and Daniel Rosser.

Services were conducted Nov. 17 at Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home of Northville, with the Rev. Victor Halboth of Grace Lutheran Church, Redford officiating.

Contributions to the Karmanos Cancer Institute or the Hospice of Michigan would be appreciated.

PATRICIA A. LINDSAY

Patricia A. Lindsay, 67, of Novi died Nov. 4 in Ann Arbor. She was born Aug. 13, 1932, in Detroit to Truman A. and Eunice Mae Riley.

Mrs. Lindsay was a registered nurse.

She is survived by her husband, William L.; two sons, David A. (Jacqui) of Livermore, Calif., and Douglas P. of White Lake; daughter, Deborah S. (Keith) of Plymouth; two sisters, Margaret Gorham of Flat Rock and Judy Riley of Rochester; one grandson, Kyle Lindsay and two granddaughters, Hannah Jenkins and Kayla Lindsay.

Mrs. Lindsay was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, Nov. 9 at Vermeulen Funeral Home of Plymouth, with the Rev. William R. Donahue officiating.

Memorials to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, 2350 S. Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104 would be appreciated by the family.

JOSEPH F. MARTIN

Joseph F. Martin, 79, of Novi died Nov. 8 at Charter House of Novi. He was born in 1920.

Mr. Martin is survived by sons, Philip (Linda), David and Gregory; and four grandchildren, Linda, Jason, Judy and Shanna.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bea.

Services were held on Thursday, Nov. 11 in Rochester, N.Y. Interment was in Riverside Chapel Cemetery, Rochester.

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

Memorial contributions to the United Cancer Foundation would be appreciated.

LOIS C. VAGNOZZI

Lois C. Vagnozzi died Nov. 8 at her residence in Farmington Hills. She was born in Detroit, Dec. 23, 1927, to Alexander and Margaret (Roth) Carol.

Mrs. Vagnozzi attended Denby High School, where she starred on the swimming team. She enrolled at Wayne State University in 1946, where she earned a bachelor's degree in journalism, and was a staff member of the school newspaper, known then as *The Detroit Collegian*.

She served in the capacity of editor, feature editor and managing editor in her senior year. Upon graduation, Mrs. Vagnozzi was employed as managing editor of the *East Side Shopper*, a community newspaper serving the east side of Detroit.

While at the *Shopper*, she won a Newspaper Guild of Detroit award. In 1975, she was editor of *Detroit Teacher* and served as public relations person for the Detroit Federation of Teachers, a union representing the city's 11,000 teaching personnel.

While serving as *Teacher* editor, she won numerous awards including the coveted Albert Shanker award in honor of the late president of the American Federation of Teachers, the first Shanker award ever presented.

Mrs. Vagnozzi also won numerous awards by United Teachers Communications Association and the International Labor Communications Association. She served as secretary of the UTCA for many years; a scholarship program in her name was created for young editors by ILCA.

Mrs. Vagnozzi retired in June 1998. She was a lifetime member of Local 22 Newspaper Guild of Detroit. Mrs. Vagnozzi was an active member of St. Alexander's of Farmington Hills, where she was a member of the Workers of Mary and Sophie's Friends.

She is survived by her husband, Aldo; sons, Steven (Darlene) and Paul; daughters, Nancy (Rick) Pantaleo and Barbara (Howard) Fleeter; and seven grandchildren, Michelle, Angie, Brent, Alicia, Casey, Justin and Abby.

Mrs. Vagnozzi was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Armon Carl.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 13 at Mercy Center Chapel in Farmington Hills, with the Rev. James B. Wright officiating.

A private interment followed at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Memorial contributions to the Church of St. Alexander, 27835 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills, Mich. 48336, the Capuchin's, 1740 Mount Elliott Ave., Detroit, Mich. 48207, or Farmington Community Library, 32737 W. Twelve Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334 would be appreciated.

HELEN M. VANDERWILL

Helen M. (Neuhauser) Vanderwill, 79, died Nov. 10 in Farmington Hills. She was born in Detroit, Oct. 16, 1920.

Mrs. Vanderwill lived in Detroit before her move to Farmington Hills 43 years ago. Before retirement, she was a sales clerk for Sears Roebuck & Co. Mrs. Vanderwill enjoyed her family, casinos and baseball. She was a cousin of former baseball player, Hal Newhauser of the Detroit Tigers.

Mrs. Vanderwill is survived by two sons, Raymond (Janice) of Commerce and Gary (Janice) of Wixom; two daughters, Barbara (James) Kirkland of Farmington Hills and Carol (David) Goodroe of Novi; two sisters, Alice Schwartz and Mary LeCrone; nine grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jack in 1992.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 13 at St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church, Farmington Hills with the Rev. Frederick Klettner officiating. Interment followed at Holy Sepulchre in Southfield.

Arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

Memorials to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154 would be appreciated.

JACQUELINE A. ZAMBIASI

Jacqueline A. Zambiasi, 60, died Nov. 11 at Wm. Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. She was born in 1939.

Mrs. Zambiasi is survived by her husband, George R.; two sons, Michael G. (Megan) and Robert J.; brother, Arnold (Eleanor) Rzepecki; and one grandchild, Thomas Michael.

Services were held on Wednesday, Nov. 10 at St. John Newman Church of Canton, Mich. Interment was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

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

Memorials to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Mich. 48154-5010 would be appreciated.

Police look for unsafe passengers

Spurred by the dramatic nationwide increase in child restraint use and significant drop in child fatalities in just the two years since the 50-state crackdowns began on drivers who endanger children by failing to buckle them up, the Novi Police Department is joining the next Operation ABC Mobilization. Stepped-up enforcement of child passenger safety and safety belt laws begins Nov. 22 and continues through the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

"Starting Nov. 22 and continuing through the Thanksgiving weekend, our officers will be looking for and ticketing 'Deadbeat Drivers,'" said Sgt. Terry Whitfield. "These are adults who — regardless of the widespread attention on child passenger safety — are still putting children at deadly risk by failing to buckle them in."

Traffic crashes remain the leading cause of death for American children of all races.

Six out of 10 children who die in crashes are unbuckled. In addition to being encouraged by the effectiveness of the nationwide crackdowns, officer are committed to the effort because of their own personal experiences of seeing crash victims who were unbuckled children, said Sgt. Whitfield.

"Today we are calling on our entire community to adopt zero tolerance for unbuckled children," said Whitfield.

"No one should look the other way when they see a child at risk. Every citizen must make sure their relatives, neighbors and friends know that letting a child ride unbuckled – no matter how short the ride – is always life-threatening and never worth the risk."

Michigan child restraint law requires that children aged four to 16 must be buckled up in the front or rear seats, and children under one to age four (under four) must be in a child car seat in the front of a car.

Michigan's safety belt law requires that all front seat passengers must be buckled up.

The agency will also be stepping up enforcement of adult safety belt laws, because it's a proven fact that most adults, who don't buckle up themselves, don't buckle up kids.

Research had found that buckled drivers are three times more likely to restrain their child passengers than drivers who don't buckle up.

In partnership with law enforcement and state law highway safety offices, "Click it. Don't risk it." is sponsored by the Air Bag and Seat Belt Campaign and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

It is a part of Buckle Up America, an ongoing national initiative to increase safety belt uses and saves lives of all Americans.

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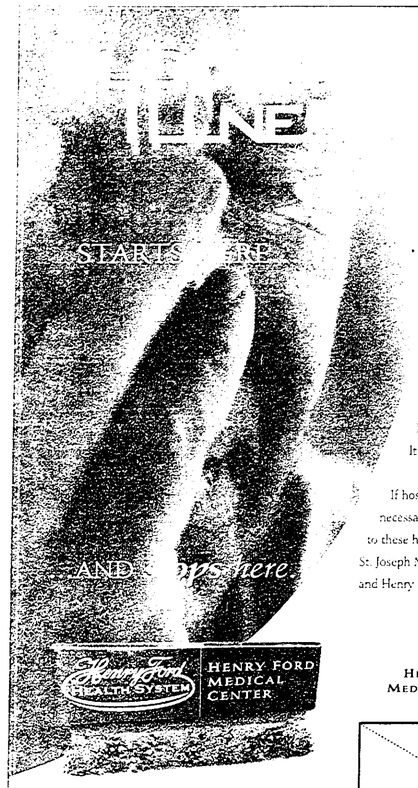

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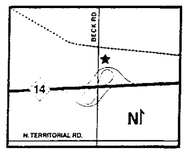

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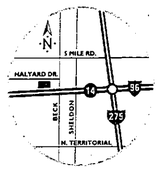

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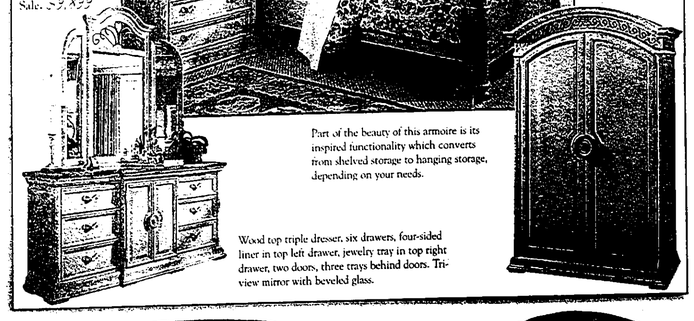

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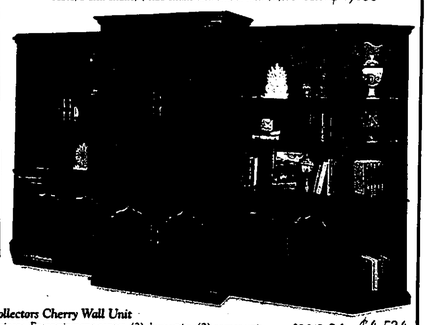

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Queen Jenny Boueri laughs as her King Mike Wahlstrom makes guests at Novi High's Madrigal Dinner Saturday evening sing for their supper. About 300 people attended.

New library may go behind high school, old building used for more city offices

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Officials are still studying plans to build a new Novi Library on Taft Road behind Novi High School.

According to library director Brenda Evans, a letter of understanding between the library and the City of Novi states the library will study this city-owned land as a location for a new building while the city is to study the current library building as the location of more office space. If both entities decide they can use the locations, the library and city will make a trade.

"It is basically a structured exploration," Evans said.

As part of the procedure, the library had an environmental assessment conducted on the city land recently which came back clear. A commercial appraisal is currently being done on the land and the current library building, Evans said.

The results of the commercial appraisal have not been tallied yet.

> "We are getting jammed up here."
>
> Ed Kriewall,
> Novi city manager

Officials are looking at building a new library because the current library is getting too small. Evans said a study was conducted to determine the cost of renovating the current library building to meet space needs and it was determined it would be more cost effective to just build a new building.

As part of the agreement between the library and city, Novi officials are supposed to study the current library building to determine if it could be used for some city offices.

Novi City Manager Ed Kriewall said not much has happened on the city's side since this agreement was put into place.

"We are familiar with the library and its potential. It used to be city hall," Kriewall said.

Kriewall said he was sure at least half of the building could be used as office space for the parks and recreation department.

Just putting the one department in the building current housing the library would free up a lot of space in the Novi Civic Center that is currently being used for city offices, he said.

"We are getting jammed up here," Kriewall said.

Kriewall said if the library were to decide it wanted the city land to build a new library in exchange for the current library building, the city would take that offer.

Jeremy McBain's e-mail address is jmcbain@ht.homecomm.net.

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They're diggin' school

Students play archaelogists at Village Oaks

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

Ancient artifacts, buried treasures and the Holy Grail were all items Indiana Jones searched for in his behind travels, but students at Village Oaks Elementary School — what mysteries will they unlock?

Exchanging textbooks for shovels and the classroom for the great outdoors, Village Oaks fourth grade students participated in an actual archaeological dig in their own courtyard.

As part of their science and social studies units on fossils, rocks and Michigan, the students created four dig sites and filled them with authentic objects with a Wolverine State flavor.

"The activity takes elements of science, social studies and writing," said enrichment teacher Jane Funfgeld.

"This is a way to cover all learning disciplines with one big activity."

To make the dig as real as possible, Funfgeld said the young archaeologists used sifting screens, brushes, shovels and trowels to excavate the objects buried by other classmates.

The exercise began with fourth grade teachers Lynn Cracraft, Barb Corwin, Tom Guilmette and Shirley Snyder asking students to bring at least one item to school and bury them in a designated spot in the courtyard.

After the objects were buried, the students switched sites and dug up the materials the other classes buried deep into the Earth.

"Students are finding out what it is like to be an archaeologist," said Karen Capanyola, a substitute for Cracraft's class.

"The kids are looking for many different objects but more importantly they are using their writing skills to record the information."

After a student excavated an object, the activity required the archaeologist to tag it by writing down their name, the date, a description of the artifact and which site number it was excavated from.

"It is a lot of fun to be an archaeologist," said Lia Barducca, 9.

"We buried some things and we're digging up other stuff. We are also getting dirty and learning a lot about rocks and minerals."

With a rock chart to help the students identify what they found, the young archaeologists began to learn the differences between minerals and igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks.

The teachers asked the students to bring something they can bury representative of life in Michigan, from the past or the present.

Looking for objects including an arrowhead, a Michigan food item or label, cleaned and sterilized bones, collected fossils and a replica of a historical document or a newspaper article, creativity was stressed when choosing which objects to be buried.

Ten-year-old Andrew Traylor dug up a Hockeytown essential as a Detroit Red Wing hockey puck was excavated from the site.

"I am probably going to play hockey with it," Traylor said.

Beginning Nov. 1, the project was scheduled to take three to four weeks to complete with kids participating in the dig during the children's classroom enrichment time.

With ancient artifacts as an old camera, pottery and candle holders excavated, the young archeologists learned about culture, science and dirt during the activity.

"I like getting dirty," said fourth grader Paul Cunningham.

"I like taking and finding all of this cool stuff after we dig it up."

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Village Oaks Elementary School Suzanne Wall, with dirt sifter in hand, goes through mounds of dirt last Wednesday afternoon during her classes' science project about archaelogy.

Novi chiropractor helps runners "adjust" after race

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

Novi chiropractor Karl Tarkanyi had a busy day recently.

Tarkanyi, along with three other Michigan chiropractors donated their services last month at the Tiger Stadium finish line of the Detroit Free Press/Flagstar Bank International Marathon.

Set up directly on the field, Tarkanyi said he and the other chiropractors helped adjust between 30 and 50 runners at the completion of the marathon.

"By training and running a 26-mile marathon, there is a lot of mechanical stress that goes through the body," Tarkanyi said.

"The free adjustments were good exposure for chiropractors and allowed the runners a chance to recover."

Besides competing in the Old Navy 5K Fun Run/Walk and helping marathon runners with back adjustments, Tarkanyi said a chance to be on the field of Tiger Stadium was a dream come true.

"Tiger Stadium is very important to me and my father," he said.

"The two of us had the opportunity to go to the last game, but to be on the field was something else."

Donated through the Michigan Chiropractic Council, the doctors' services were especially useful due to the weather conditions.

"Runners sometimes have problems with the cold weather," Tarkanyi said.

"We had three tables set up on the concourse level.

"There were food vendors, massage therapists and other things set up on the field. It was a fantastic day."

Tarkanyi has had his practice in Novi for about four years at the KET Chiropractic Center at 22120 Novi Road.

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Applicants to be interviewed in December

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Novi city council members were presented with a time frame for the city manager search Monday as they discussed how they were going to go about the process.

Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver proposed council begin interviewing applicants for the position around Dec. 18. Second interviews would be scheduled for Jan. 11 or Jan. 18 and a new manager selected before Feb. 11.

The application period for the city manger position began Oct. 11 and will continue until Nov. 30. Klaver said because the position for advertised as "open until filled," the council could consider applications sent after Nov. 30.

The date was chosen just because Klaver felt council would have enough applications to start the process at that time.

While council members said they would start to mull over what type of city manager they want, Mayor Richard Clark invited the public to take part in the process.

Clark said anyone who has any questions about the council's search for a new city manager or anyone who would like to share their thoughts on what would make a good city manager was invited to call Novi Human Resource specialist, Tia Gronlund-Fox, at (248) 347-0445 with their comments or questions.

In the meantime, three more people have announced their candidacy as Novi city manager last week, bringing the total number of qualified candidates up to 20.

The latest applicants are: Ellis Mitchell of San Jose, Calif.; Anthony Mortillaro of Blaine, Wash.; Bill Richards, Jr. of Northville.

Mitchell is currently the assistant to the city manager of Oakland, Calif. Before taking this position, he was the executive director for the Community Services Association of California and Nevada.

Mortillaro is currently the city manager of Blaine, Wash. Before taking this position, he was the consulting manager of Northglenn, Colo.

Richards is currently the assistant city manager of Farmington. Before taking this position, he was the township manager of Northville Township.

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Mill Race hosts events

Northville Historical Society vice president Melody Arndt said all the building in Northville's Mill Race will be opened from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and will be decorated both inside and out. The Cady Inn, Hunter House and Yerkes House will have special decorations put in place, she said.

Docents will be available in each of the buildings for interpretation and education on the history of the community, she said.

On top of that, several area choir groups will be on hand singing holiday tunes in the Mill Race church.

Various craft and tradespeople will also be in Mill Race demonstrating skills and talents of the past, Arndt said. The event will be capped by refreshments and a holiday boutique sale in Cady Inn.

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Novi School Briefs

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Deerfield's principal, Richard Nuss, will present information about the design of the school building and programs which will be offered to students and answer questions.

Meetings are scheduled for Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. and Jan. 11 at 7 p.m.

Both meetings will take place at the Instructional Technology Center.

For more information, call Nuss at 624-849-1702.

NOVI NAMES 32 TO AP SCHOLAR LIST

Thirty-two Novi High School students have been named AP Scholars by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on college-level AP examinations.

Once about 13 percent of the more than 200,000 students who took the examinations in May 1999 performed at a sufficiently high level to merit such recognition.

The college board recognizes several levels of achievement.

Six students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken and grades of 3.0 or higher on five or more of these exams.

These students are: Daniel Hendricks, Philip Kalaj, Albert Kim, Alan Lyskawa, Ryan Rechtsteiner and Christopher Rumpf.

Ten students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken and grades of 3.0 or higher on four or more of these exams. These students are: Jennifer Bagdady, Michael Burns, John Jones, Matthew Maier, Amit Nagar, Anuradha Nagarajan, Matthew Pearl, Bhavya Rangarajan, Mark Szwast and Christopher Wagner.

Sixteen students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP examinations with grades of 3.0 or higher. The AP scholars are: Elizabeth Barrick, Jessica Dierker, Shoshana Glick, Kenneth Herlist, Michael Li, Janice Liao, Jerry Lin, Douglas Mackenzie, Lauren Parkins, Sarah Pipos, Lindsey Root, Sanmeet Sandhu, David Sorek, Ann Superfisky, Geoffrey Wang and Jack Wang.

AP examinations, which students take in May after completing challenging college-level courses at their high school, are graded on a 5-point scale (5 is the highest).

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NOVI MEADOWS HAS "KIDS HELPING KIDS"

Between Oct. 11 and Oct. 21 the 945 fifth and sixth grade students at Novi Meadows emptied their pockets, cracked open their piggy banks and donated allowances to raise $1,487 for their school's annual "Coins for Caring" project.

The annual project encourages students to have respect and compassion for others.

This year's "Coins for Caring" charity project was proposed and organized by Novi Meadows Girl Scout Troop #2316. After reading an article in the Sept. 13 Detroit Free Press Yak Corner about the need for school supplies for children around the world, the troop wanted to help out and make a meaningful difference.

Approaching their school administrators, the girl scout service project became a school wide "Kids Helping Kids" project, commemorating the national Make A Difference Day on Oct. 23.

At the end of the two week long coin drive, the girls collected all the donations and took the them to the Novi Community Credit Union for counting.

The money raised was used to purchase new school supplies, which the girls purchased and packed up.

The 337 assembled school supply kits were then shipped to the offices of International Aid in Spring Lake.

For those interested in making a donation to International Aid, contact the agency by mail at 17011 Hickory, Spring Lake, Mich. 49456, phone (616) 846-3812 or (800) 251-2502 or Internet at www.internationalaid.org.

NHS SENIORS TO MARCH IN THANKSGIVING PARADE

Deanna Brown and Kristen McGinnen, Novi High School seniors, will march as members of the Blues Honor Corps in this year's America's Thanksgiving Day Parade on Woodward Avenue in Detroit.

The Corps is a salute to high school students who have maintained good grades and have a good attendance record.

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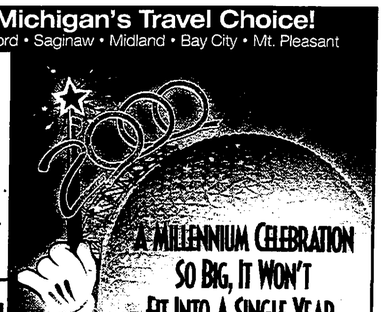

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Novi businessman will run for N'ville Twp. supervisor

BY ANDREW DIETDERICH
Staff Writer

It may not exactly be mutiny on the bounty, but next year's Northville Township Board of Trustees election may be the closest thing.

Northville Township Trustee Mark Abbo, has announced plans to try and dethrone Karen Woodside as township supervisor in next November's general election.

Abbo is treasurer of Key Plastics Inc., a Novi-based company with 34 plants worldwide.

The term of the current board of trustees expires Nov. 20, 2000.

"We are at a crossroads right now," Abbo said.

"We can go down one road that is harmful or we can down another road that is beneficial."

The election for the next board will be Nov. 7, 2000. A primary will be held in August if needed.

Abbo is in his second term as a board member. He decided to run for the top spot in the township, he said, because he feels he can contribute positively to the board due to his professional and board experience.

"I think this board has accomplished a lot," Abbo said.

"I want to continue on that path."

Abbo said he expects three issues to surround the election: type of government, development of the township and the importance of communication with other organizations in the community.

Woodside couldn't be reached for comment.

Abbo said he supports the a management situation that has a full-time manager with a part-time supervisor. That was a recommendation from the Northville Township management study committee report issued last July. With that style of government, the manager would be a full-time position with limited authority for managing administrative operations.

"It should be the elected official's job to set the vision and process and hold accountable those responsible for making it happen," Abbo said.

Abbo said development in the township should be slowed with more diversity in terms of architecture and pricing, while at the same time making an attempt to grow the tax base with more business to lessen the tax load on residents.

"We don't want all the development to come at one time," he said.

While the focus of attention should be slightly shifted from building development, more should be put towards development of community relations, he said. More time should be spent meeting with organizations such as the Northville board of education, he said, to foster more interactive creativity among the groups.

"We need to evaluate the needs of the community overall for now and going out 10, 20 or 30 years," Abbo said.

Abbo is the only one on the board that could be reached who has decided for sure what his plans are for the next election. Marv Gans, William Selinsky, Russ Fogg and Sue Hillebrand all said they were undecided. Dick Henningsen and Woodside couldn't be reached.

"I'd like to see some of the things that we've got in the works and have told anybody about take place," Fogg said.

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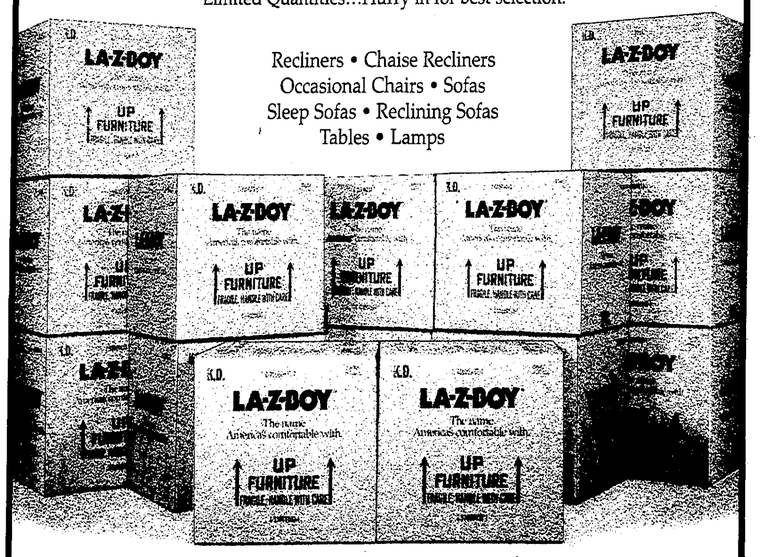

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Sewage sample undergoes more MDEQ testing

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[illegible] dumped sewage at an undetermined location on the DPW property.

According to Farnham, the sewage site is somewhere east of Eleven Mile Road, about [illegible] west of Beck Road.

Jim R. Environmental Engineer Ben Farnham said he has masked the water portion of his tests, which have indicated water in the area is not contaminated.

"The water does not appear to be contaminated through any type of leaching," Farnham said. "There was some contamination, or, the surface of the ground were the discharge was, but that was cleaned up in addition."

Farnham took his first sample from Bishop Creek where it passes under Delwal Road. This sample gave a coliform level of 2,700 colony forming units per 100 milliliters of water and an E. coli level less than 10 CFUs per 100 milliliters of water.

His next water sample was in Bishop Creek about 100 feet from the base of a "spoil pile" of construction debris were sewage was dumped in late October. This sample showed a coliform level of 4,700 CFUs per 100 milliliters of water and an E coli level of 135 CFUs per 100 milliliters of water.

This area of the creek was narrow and full of decaying plant matter, Farnham added.

His last sample for this test was about 100 feet away in Bishop Creek towards Delwal Road from his second sample. This sample had a coliform level of 5,200 cfus per 100 milliliters and an E.coli level of 56 CFUs per 100 milliliters of water.

What this test was showing was the E. coli levels going up as the creek narrowed and rising as the creek widened, Farnham said. Because the section of the creek was full of decaying plant matter, the best indicated the E. coli in the sections of Bishop Creek was caused by the decaying plant matter and not the sewage dumping, he said.

Farnham said other environmental tests are planned for the site due not only to the sewage dumping but also the excessive amount of construction debris that litters the DPW yard.

Those test will be done by Farnham and an independent environmental firm.

Farnham has even contacted Michigan Department of Environmental Quality official Brett Wiseley and scheduled for him to visit the site today.

From his telephone discussions with Wiseley, Farnham said the MDEQ official's indicated his principle concern over the disposal was the transmission of bacteria from the site to other areas of the city by small animals and insects.

Farnham said all of the results he has obtained from his testing and the results from the independent tests will be given to the MDEQ.

Even with all of this testing taking place and indications that the area is free of contamination, Farnham said he has recommended that at least the top foot of soil where the sewage was disposed be removed and taken to a landfill, along with the debris in the DPW yard.

He has even contacted the state-approved landfill, Browing-Ferris Industries of Salem Township to come and clean up the site.

Director of Public Services Anthony Nowicki said a date for the clean up has not been scheduled yet and still required some paperwork to be completed.

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White House hopeful McCain stops in Novi for GOP fundraiser

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these, because they seemed to be creating monopolies in an area that already has very little competition.

In further explanation why McCain was in Novi, Victor Cassis —husband of State Representative Nancy Cassis — said he and his wife were looking for a fund raising type of event for the House Republicans to coincide with McCain's visit.

Nancy Cassis was planning on having the event at the couple's Novi home until they came to visit their friends, the Schmids.

"I saw the lovely room (in the Schmid's home) and mentioned it would be a nice place for the reception," Victor Cassis said.

Schmid said she was excited to be a part of the event.

"As soon as Nancy and Victor asked me I thought, '(McCain) could be president,'" she said. "I'm excited and pleased they wanted to do it here and I am flattered."

Joining the Cassises and Schmids for the evening reception with McCain was a host of Republican supporters from throughout the area and all aspects of state government, including Novi Mayor Richard Clark.

"I think this is fantastic," Clark said at the reception. "The city should consider itself honored."

He added, "I think (the reception) gives Novi some national exposure. It gives us some positive press coverage for a chance. It also allows one of our national leaders to come to our city and find out what we are about and where we are at."

Clark and Victor praised praised McCain as one of the last true American heroes and he was proud to be at the reception to honor the man.

"(McCain) embodies all what makes America great. We have a presidential candidate that speaks of those same values we cherish," Victor said.

"We will always remember this day in Novi."

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Giant lobster finds home at Novi eatery

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Transported via limousine, the lobster in much the same manner of a Mafioso, was dropped off at the back door of Steve and Rocky's.

Allen said the elegant ride took its toll on the lobster as it was in very bad shape and close to death on arrival.

"We spent six hours on Saturday trying to resuscitate it but the lobster had a very tumultuous experience," Allen said. "That evening the lobster seemed to be getting better but it ended up dying."

But the quest to provide Steve and Rocky's with a lobster for a pet has a happy ending.

Allen said he began pricing other lobsters out and learned a lobster of that size would cost about $150.

That is when the eccentric businessman delivered an even bigger lobster to Steve and Rocky's.

Named after the anonymous businessman's father, Chas can be seen in his tank located in the bar area of Steve and Rocky's.

Weighing in at about 14.5 pounds, Chas, 65, is larger and healthier than the original lobster and should be swimming the good life.

"We do have lobster to eat — but not this one," Allen said. "This one is just a pet."

Allen said lobsters can live beyond 100 years and during the first seven years of a lobster's life it will grow to one pound and in each year after the lobster should grow about 4 ounces.

"I wish the first Chas would've made it," Allen said. "But we have the new Chas now and the guests really appreciate it."

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Laura Bush visits Novi's Parkview Elementary School Tuesday afternoon. The room contained food and clothing the students gathered for Clothes Closet emergency food pantry at Novi's Holy Family Catholic Church.

Laura Bush pays visit to Parkview Elementary

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off the school and all of the new learning and new programs they are working with."

During the slide presentation, Bush was guided by second grade students

Tim Starr and Heather Schramm.

"Mrs. Bush is really nice," Starr said. "We showed her the slide show and how we are using the Internet to learn."

After her trip through the media center, Bush sat down and read the book, "Officer Buckle and Gloria," by Patti Reitman.

Signing a copy of that book and "The Legend of Mackinac Island" by Kathy-jo Wargin, Bush had to leave for her trip to Lansing.

"It is always a great opportunity for our children to see people in the political life," said school superintendent Emmet Lippe.

"We were glad to welcome her and have her visit our school district."

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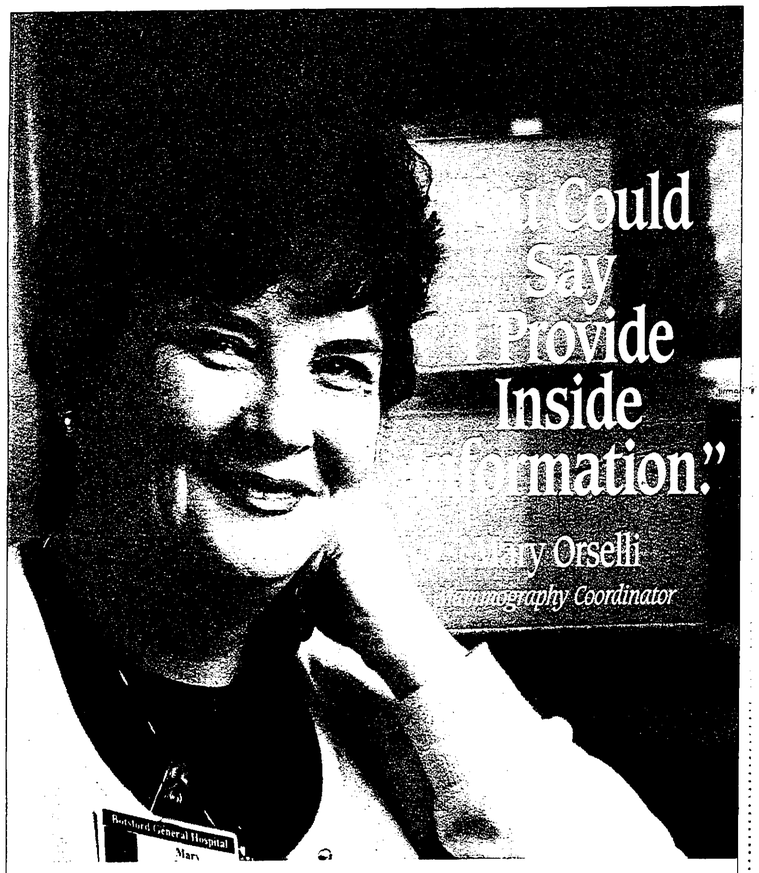

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Njus explains Deerfield educational philosophy

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both the third and fourth grades.

Designed to emphasize group learning, Njus said Deerfield is being constructed where two "neighborhoods" mirror each other and provide teachers and students the best resources possible for learning activities.

Included in the multi-age learning houses will be thematic instruction and projects, common curriculum themes and a language rich environment dedicated to learning Spanish.

"With parents and community members staying involved, we are going to bring the concept of thematic and expert teaching to a whole new level," Njus said.

"With multi-age learning the competitive nature between students of different ages will be destroyed while emphasizing the whole concept of teaming and having the child learn at their own pace."

Teaming isn't going to be just for the students but the teachers, too.

Njus said many times teachers will work with each other as the classes have movable walls which will open and emphasize the teaming concept.

Continual teaching, is another area Njus has studied and believes will work well in Novi.

"Each student is going to stay with a teacher for two years," he said.

"With classes split into two grades, at the end of the year the second graders will move on and the first graders will stay with the same teacher. Then the kindergartners who are now first graders move in and take their place — where they will be with that teacher for two years."

With the instructional programs emphasizing interactive learning and the consistent use of interactive media and technology, many people worked hard at determining what would be the best use for the newest school in the district.

Cathy Reilly, Parkview Elementary School parent teacher organization president, said the vision of Deerfield Elementary school was developed by a cadre of teachers, administrators and who researched the latest educational tools and most effective practices in determining what Deerfield should be.

"The intention is to take the best ideas of current teachers and learning theories and put it together in one school," said Katie Raeon, a member of the Innovative Elementary School Planning Cadre.

"The idea is for any student, not just gifted students, can come here and flourish in this learning environment."

Njus said currently the school district is conducting informational meetings about the curriculum and how to enroll students in the school.

Built to house 500 K-4 students, Njus said at this time the school is accepting "interest forms," and if there is too many students who want to attend Deerfield, a lottery will be held. Kindergarten registration will begin for the school in April 2000.

With a new school comes an opportunity for more teachers and Njus said at the end of January there will postings for positions available and is hoping to keep the staff in-district.

With community, climate, curriculum and character the essentials to Deerfield's vision, Njus said it was an exciting time for him as an educator and the community.

"A lot of what we are going to do is try to articulate exactly where each child is on each level," he said.

"Let's not label but take what we know from their learning environment, assess those skills and help them move on to the next level.

"The possibilities are tremendous."

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Photo by TOM HIBBELN

Singing for the season

Novi Choralaires warm up for their upcoming holiday season caroling. From left: pianist Trenda McGraw, singers Susan Egan, Frank Wassilak, Michelle Fitzpatrick, Dale Darkowski and Karen Moore. The Choralaires will be singing "Alleluia! Gloria! Magnificat! Nowell!" at area churches now through Dec. 5, the proceeds from which will benefit the Novi Senior Citizens' supplemental drug program. The Choralaires are also selling tie bows for Christmas wreaths, which can be ordered through Nov. 23. For more information, call (248) 347-0400.

CITY OF NOVI
PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there is a vacancy on the Planning Commission. If you are interested in appointment to this board, an application may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road or by calling (248) 347-0456.

TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

(11-18/25-99, 12-5-99 NR, NN 935300)

NOTICE
CITY OF NOVI
REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT
TUP 99-057

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DeMattia Group is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow the placement of a construction trailer at the Fata Automation project site from November 23, 1999 through November 23, 2000. DeMattia Group is located on the west side of Haggerty Road north 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 November 23, 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 November 23, 1999.

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(11-18-99 NN 936828)

CITY OF NOVI
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
ORDINANCE NO. 99-119.09

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 99-119.09 — **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBPART 12-173(e)(1)b., AND SUBSECTION 12-176(a) OF THE NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO MAKE HOUSEKEEPING CORRECTIONS TO THE STANDARDS FOR THE REGULATION OF WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES WITHIN THE CITY OF NOVI.**

The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, November 8, 1999. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the Office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing local time.

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(11-18-99 NR/NN 936836)

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
NORTHVILLE, MICHIGAN
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Northville Public Schools is soliciting sealed bids for the following:

• Waste Management Program, Northville Public Schools, 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. Bids should be returned to the Business Office at 501 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, no later than 4:00 p.m., Monday, November 22, 1999.

Bids should be in sealed envelopes clearly marked "Waste Management Program Bid." Specifications are available to be picked up in the Operations Department, 501 West Main Street, between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please contact Chris Geams at (248) 344-8445 if you have any questions.

(11-11/18-99 NR/NN 935320)

REQUEST FOR BIDS —
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
NOVI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
CONVERSION OF MEADOWS ELEMENTARY AND NOVI MIDDLE SCHOOL TO 5/6 FACILITY

The Novi Community School District invites the submission of Sealed Bids for: Bid Package No. 2

METAL ROOFING

On or about Wednesday, November 17, 1999, bidding documents will be made available. Call A.J. Etkin Construction Co. at (248) 737-5800 to confirm availability.

A Fifty Dollar refundable deposit made payable to "Novi Community School District" is required to obtain construction documents at A.J. Etkin Construction Co.

Bids will be received until 2:00 PM on Wednesday, December 8, 1999 at A.J. Etkin Construction Co., 30445 Northwestern Highway, Suite, 250, Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9061.

All bids will be publicly opened and read at A.J. Etkin Construction Co. 26500 Wixom Road, Novi, MI 48374 on Wednesday December 8, 1999 at 2:15 p.m.

Specifications and Bid Form may be obtained only at A.J. Etkin Construction Co., main office. The right to reject any and/or all bids is reserved. Any bid submitted will be binding for sixty (60) days after the date of the bid opening. Bid Security in the amount of 5% of the proposal amount is required for all bids over $15,160. All bidders must be able to furnish a Labor and Material Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100% of the proposal sum.

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As We See It

City's latest road bond issue may be too much, too soon

If at first you don't succeed, try again.

That seems to be what Novi city officials were saying as they looked at the November voting results of the failed Novi Road Bond.

Not wanting to let some of the projects proposed in the $28.5 million bond fail due to a lack of funding, city officials have decided to try and get City Council approval for another road bond in February.

We understand funding for some of the important projects is needed — and perhaps very soon — we think February may be way too early for another road bond vote.

While voting was close, Novi residents did not like the last proposal. Many said they felt the proposal was too "heavy" with developer benefiting projects and others did not like the thought of another tax while the city has a $53 million lawsuit hanging overhead.

Time is needed to study all of the changes, costs, funding and implications of every project included in a new bond. And time is needed for the Novi City Council to further refine these changes through discussion and debate.

To get this proposal on the ballot in time for February election, all the prep work needs to be done by Nov. 30. That leaves simply too little time for the city to come up with a new proposal that the residents of Novi will approve.

By speeding up this process in order to meet such a date, city officials and council

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members are just setting up another proposal for defeat.

This shows if the city really wants to get a road bond to pass, the old proposal must undergo a lot of work — work which will take more time than the council is apparently willing to spend.

In our opinion, the new proposal should be void of any project that would not directly benefit residents.

Projects proposed in the last road bond, such as the creation of a Ring Road and the widening of Twelve Mile Road should be axed from any new proposal.

Plus, the new proposal should keep in mind the residents' concerns about the $53 million lawsuit. This means the new proposal should cost residents a lot less than the $28.5 million proposed in the last bond.

If the city is intent on fixing the roads, then it's incumbent upon city leadership to take the time necessary to develop a bond issue worth voting for.

Sewage discovery evidence of poor management in DPW

Last week we applauded them, but this week its time to admonish them.

While we congratulated city officials last week for their openness surrounding the sewage dumping at the DPW site near the intersection of Eleven Mile and Delwal roads, we must reprimand them for not keeping track of what is going on in their own departments.

City Manager Ed Kriewall, public services director Anthony Nowicki and sewer and water department superintendent Bruce Jerome should realize as managers they are responsible for the training and actions of their employees.

These managers must always make sure their employees understand city policy and they must make sure their demands are carried out. If they don't, then you have the situation that led to the sewage dumping on DPW land in late October.

In this case, it seems the city employees did not understand that they could not dump sewage at this site and that it needed to be trucked to a treatment plant in Waterford. This shows a break-down in communication took place somewhere in the chain of command.

It is up to Kriewall, Nowicki and Jerome to make sure that such things do not happen.

Additionally, while we commend these men for the new policies they have implemented as a result of the dumping, we have to question why these policies were not in place before.

Why wasn't it city policy to fill out forms detailing what was vactored out of a sewer line on a job? Why wasn't yearly environmental testing already being done on the activities of city departments? How did employees get information about policy changes from their bosses?

These are questions that should not have to be asked, but they are.

Novi is one of the finest cities in the state of Michigan, with some of the best environmental ordinances and policies around. It would only seem smart that departmental managers were already making sure their employees understood the city's environmental philosophy and made sure it was adhered to.

Instead, it took an embarrassing incident and the suspension of Jerome to make them aware that employees may not have had all of the information.

We hope it does not take any more embarrassing discoveries to improve communication.

Deerfield making strides in Novi

School of choice — a magnet School, both unfamiliar terms people are going to be talking about as Deerfield Elementary School nears completion.

The Novi Community School District is proactive — assuring the best options for learning will be made available for their children. As the community grows, the district addressed the problem by constructing a new school, but instead of rezoning the district an alternative will be made available for parents.

Through informational meetings to the public, parents will be informed about the curriculum, the school's vision and how and why the school has been designed the way it is.

The next step will be for parents to decide if they want their children to attend Deerfield or stay in the elementary schools they already attend.

With instructional programs emphasizing team learning, multi-age classrooms, the teaching of Spanish as a foreign language, and the implementation of individual performance contracts between students, parents and teachers — Deerfield will be slightly different than the other schools.

Whatever the choice is, the Novi Community School District is a great place to be a student.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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More random thoughts...

Chris C. Davis

More random thoughts and observations on life...

• So here I am, once again in that "interim editor" mode, this time filling in for Jan Jeffries for a few weeks. Suffice it to say I've got a new appreciation for the amount of work that goes into being the top dog in a newspaper office. Both Jan and managing editor Bob Jackson work very hard at their jobs, which is why it means a lot to them to hear a kind word about something in the *Novi News* and *Northville Record* every now and then.

• It's nice to hear that CSX Transportation will be fixing up the Grand River / Novi road grade crossing. While they're at it, any chance they could attend to the crossing near Ten Mile and Novi? Going westbound on Ten Mile at 45 mph will get you a first-class ticket to your chiropractor.

• Today is the second anniversary of my joining the *News* staff. Interesting footnote: when I signed on with the *News* 730 days ago, it wasn't the first time my name and face had graced the paper. Some photo of me and my brother, circa ages eight and five, respectively, was taken around 1981 at the Novi Library. A year or so later, I was in as a member of the original "Family of the Year" at the library, and then got my first byline in the newspaper while a student of Joan Carmichael's Novi High School journalism class. Just some trivia for you.

• I know I'm asking the impossible here, but why don't we all send a message to the banks of America that we're simply fed up with their crummy ATM fees and not use them anymore?

• Here's something I haven't seen in a while: I visited a grocery store near St. Johns last weekend that didn't take credit or debit cards, and even had one of those old-fashioned cash registers where all the amounts had to be inputted by hand. The absence of that agonizing electronic beeping in the air was an almost deafening silence.

• It was tough to see Novi High School make quick exits from the state playoffs in soccer and football, but learning of a second-straight state championship in cross country brought a smile to my face. Congratulations to the Wildcats. (Let's hope the girls' basketball team can go the distance, too.)

• Between a lawsuit, an incumbent mayor being un-elected from office, an ice arena's management being called into question and the discovery of unauthorized sewage dumping, this hasn't been the greatest six months in Novi's history. I'm hopeful things will straighten out as we close out 1999.

• Learning of the death of Dorothy Flattery saddened me. I remembered with great fondness the dear lady with the grandmotherly voice helping me find the books in the youth section at the Novi Library, and even getting them from the top shelf when they were out of reach. She was one of the true behind-the-scenes saints of the community. She'll be sorely missed.

• Now that we're off daylight savings time and the sun sets so much earlier, is anyone finding that it seems like 10 p.m. when it may only be 7 p.m.?

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In Focus

By John Heider

Mr. Future President?

Bob Schmid, left, and his wife Kay, right, welcome U.S. Senator John McCain to their home Wednesday evening.

Helping youth is a two-way payoff

John Heider

He'll be the first, if asked, to set things straight: "You didn't pick me. I picked you," or so says 13-year-old Mike Howell. The picking (or choice) came about as Northville Youth Assistance looked to bring mentors (like me) and kids (like Mike) together. Mike "picked" me because unlike other male mentors, I hadn't listed sports as one of my top interests. Mike finds sports as exciting as long division. For me, they're somewhere south of fly-fishing and kayaking.

Mike was referred to the program because, like many kids, it seemed best for him if he had one more adult in his life to give him help if he wanted it. As I understood it, he wasn't in any major-league trouble and though I tried to get him to admit he'd gotten in some trouble with the police in Tijuana, Mexico when he was 11, he wouldn't.

Mike's typical for his age: likes a couple of classes in school, is bored to tears by others, likes to spend time with his parents, kicks butt in video games, likes the movie "Titanic" and hanging out with his friends, loves his new dog, is beginning to see that girls can be "cool" and can eat a lot, I mean *a lot*, of really "bad" food.

I got involved with NYA after being in the community for a couple of years because I wanted to help in what I saw as a very worthwhile endeavor. When I worked at the *Ypsilanti Press*, I got involved with nearby St. Joseph Hospital's "Growing Tree", a play-therapy program for kids whose parents were going through chemical dependency withdrawal.

There, I would occasionally see that a child understood what they were going through wasn't "normal" and they had a right to simply be a kid.

I was important for me, there, as it is here, to be more than just a worker or resident in the community. I felt it important to help in a community that I enjoyed being a part of.

My role in our two-hour-a-week relationship is to be on time, dependable, responsible, keep what we talk about confidential (so I can't tell you about the time that he, uh, well...or I can't say *anything* about the time that he and I, well, um — you get the idea). In addition, I have to be the designated *adult*.

Of course, that's easier said then done. When Mike and I get together, there's not a lot of ponderous stuff to talk about. Sometimes we'll get to some pretty amazing, wide-ranging topics impacting the life of the typical teenager. Usually we're just goofing off.

And I must say, it's a lot of fun.

Mike and I will head off to one of the area's playstructures and see who can knock who off the balance-thing, or he'll make the mistake of challenging me to a foot race, we've gone fly-fishing, kayaking, we've cruised the Internet, seen an "Austin Powers" movie, Ice-cream is eaten.

Two months ago we attended a Tigers' game where Mike had a girl pronounce that she "liked" him and proceeded to sit next to him the last half the game, wrangling a kiss out of him at the end. All the while Mike endured the obnoxious amorous encouragements of some well-lubed frat boy types (sitting behind us and seeing the blossoming love) to "go for it, dude". As I dropped him off at 11 p.m. that night, Mike exited the car saying: "Thanks a lot, John, that kicked a—!"

Yes it did, Mike. Yes it did.

Those interested in volunteering with Northville Youth Assistance should call (248) 344-1618. John Heider's e-mail is jheider@ht.homecomm.net

Mixed reviews in state economic report

Phil Power

One of the best things John Engler has done as governor is to have attracted Doug Rothwell to Michigan from Delaware in 1993.

Initially Director of the Michigan Jobs Commission, an agency that consolidated the various job training programs into one coherent administrative unit, the slim and intense Rothwell has won praise for his intelligence, foresight and willingness to take risks by doing new things.

He moved over to run the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, a public corporation set up outside the stifling state bureaucratic structure to oversee the state's job and business attraction and retention programs. (He got a hefty raise by moving outside civil service pay restrictions, but that's OK. You get what you pay for, and Rothwell's the real deal.)

The MEDC has just issued a report on Michigan's economy, "Strategic Directions for Michigan's Future." It makes fascinating reading.

In the decades following the Great Depression, Michigan's auto-led economy flourished, leading the nation in automation, production and technological progress. Our economy stalled in the '70s and '80s, when the auto industry was being pummeled by foreign competition and unemployment skyrocketed. But good times in the 1990s led to surging auto industry and a rapidly growing service sector.

The MEDC report points out that Michigan began to "benchmark" against other industrial states such as Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin in the early '90s. In many ways, Michigan has improved its ranking against these competitors in recent years.

Current success in automobiles, however, has led to new goals. The MEDC report suggests Michigan should now concentrate on growth over the next decade in areas where the state has a comparative advantage against other states: advanced manufacturing, information technologies and life sciences.

And the report proposes a new set of "benchmark" states, including California, Washington, Virginia and Massachusetts. When ranked against our new competitors, Michigan doesn't look so good.

For example, while Michigan's workforce productivity ranks third when compared with our old competitors, it comes in dead last against the new set. While Michigan is technologically advanced compared to its old competitors, our state is last among our new competitors in percentage of households with Internet access.

Worse is our standing in venture capital, arguably the main growth engine for new, high tech companies. Among new competitors, Michigan ranks dead last in the dollars available for venture capital financing. The dollar gap is considerable: Michigan, with $2.4 million available for venture financing in the first quarter of 1999, is far, far behind Virginia, with nearly $60 million available to entrepreneurs.

Moreover, Michigan has a poor image among business leaders. A focus group quoted in the MEDC report concludes that "a number of people didn't think of anything specific when asked for their thoughts on Michigan — nothing comes to mind or they simply said 'Detroit' and nothing else." Many business leaders think Michigan is simply dominated by the auto industry, with little room for any other kind of business.

Such perceptions, even though faulty, lead to decisions that hurt Michigan. A group of business leaders in New York, when asked which states they would consider for expansion or relocation, ranked North Carolina, South Carolina and California at the top, with Texas and Ohio in the middle. Michigan ranked last!

So part of what MEDC wants to do is as simple as educating business leaders around the country about Michigan's real strengths. There is a real story to be told here. Michigan kids scored an average of 1100 in the SAT exam in 1997, above any of our new competitors. And Michigan's colleges and universities are as good as they get: the University of Michigan, for example, is number one in the entire country in sponsored research.

(This is the first of a series of columns examining the MEDC report on Michigan's economic future.)

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@homecomm.net

Supermajority: super-confusing?

Mike Malott

Voters could see, not one, but two questions on the ballot next November about constitutional amendments that would require a "supermajority" anytime the Legislature wants to increase taxes.

Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, is sponsoring House Joint Resolution B, which would require a two-thirds majority in the House (73 votes of 110 total) and Senate (26 of 38 votes) for any increase in taxes.

Impacted would be all taxes, including income taxes, gas taxes and business taxes.

Rep. Wayne Kuipers, R-Holland, is the sponsor of House Joint Resolution G, which calls for a three-fifths vote to hike taxes. In the House, that translates to 66 votes; in the Senate, 23.

But Kuipers' plan also addresses fees, those charges levied for specific government services. It is his belief that any increase in the state revenue should be subject to the higher standard.

And House Tax Policy Committee Chair Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, wants to put both on the ballot.

"Two-thirds can be a very tough standard. It's a question of where to set the chinning bar," she said. "If we look at tax increases in future, the responsible thing to do is to look at the spending carefully to make sure that it is justified and needed ... If the hands of the Legislature in the future are tied, it won't be the Legislature that does it, it will be the citizens of the state, just as they decided on term limits."

She believes voters will be able to sort out the two questions, and she'd prefer to let them make the call.

"The chair of House Tax Policy is a very wise woman indeed," Patterson said, agreeing both should be placed on the ballot.

Patterson said he has confidence in voters' ability to sort out the details of the two. And he prefers to "empower" voters rather than decide for them.

"We should do the work," countered Kuipers. "We should refine it down to the one proposal we think is best before asking voters to decide. It it doesn't fly, we can try again in another election."

Needless to say, there are others in the Legislature who think the whole thing is a bad idea. Rep. Gilda Jacobs, D-Huntington Woods, for instance considers the entire discussion to be just politics, shortsighted politics at that."

The economy is good now, and it is easy to trim taxes when the state budget continues to create sizable surpluses. But the economy will slow and sour sooner or later, she said. Then, when the state is in need of higher revenues, the Legislature will still have to overcome the higher standard.

"It gives more control to a minority," she explained. It's possible somewhere down the road that 72 representatives will recognize the need for a tax hike, and be frustrated by only 38 holdouts.

Nonetheless, in a state that played host to a tax revolt throughout the '70s and '80s, Jacobs predicts any attempt at the ballot box to set a higher standard for tax increases is likely to get a warm reception from voters.

She's certainly right about that. One of the frustrations expressed by voters back in those days was that the state had a pretty free hand to raise taxes as it saw fit. Only the sales tax requires a vote when increased. And the only limitation on state tax levels is in the Headlee Amendment.

So it is quite conceivable to me that voters would pass both if given the opportunity. We've seen that before, where the same section of the constitution is amended in the same election, and it is always confusing. Do you adopt whichever standard is higher? Or do you adopt the standard that won more votes at the polls?

Would it, in this case, make fee increases subject to three-fifth majority votes, while taxes must have two-thirds?

I'm less concerned about the confusion voters might face when confronted with two like proposals on the ballot than I am with the confusion and unintended consequences that could result should both win approval.

Mike Malott reports on the local implications of state and regional events. He can be reached by phone at (248) 634-8219 or by e mail at mmalott@homecomm.net

Early residents came from New York

Barbara Louie

Michigan has been called a lot of things – from a water wonderland to a pleasant peninsula – but in the early 1800s, it was also known as the land of milk and honey.

Glowing reports in New England newspapers of fertile lands encouraged easterners to swarm to the western territory in droves. Especially after the opening of the Erie Canal in 1825, hundreds of people streamed west to the land of opportunity.

Once they arrived, they found life to be much more harsh than they had expected, but a chance for a new life far outweighed the hardships and struggles, and people continued to populate southern Michigan.

Erastus Ingersoll and his family of Ontario County, N.Y., were the first to settle in Novi. He lived here for about 10 years. Ingersoll was followed by a second group of settlers led by John Gould.

These families were soon joined by Joseph Eddy and Pitts Taft, both of New York State, who arrived in the fall of 1825. Determined to make the bleak surroundings more hospitable, Taft was responsible for starting the first wheat field in Novi.

Cousins William Yerkes and Thomas Pinkerton staked out their claims in Novi then returned to New York to make arrangements for the Yerkes family to follow. The extended Yerkes family was a large one, and they made up a good deal of the population of both Novi and Northville for generations.

The years 1825 and 1826 saw a number of pioneers visiting the Novi area, laying claims and returning later to work and live on the land.

Originally from England, Thomas Watts was one of the men who, in the fall of 1825, came to Novi, chose his lot and returned some months later to settle.

Watts and other early settlers generally chose land near what today is Ten Mile Road. The earliest settlers tended to stick together, intermarrying and choosing farms in close proximity of their neighbors.

Richard C. Simmons arrived early in 1825, claiming land on Ten Mile east of Beck Road. Surrounded by fruit orchards, his estate boasted one of the first brick houses in Novi, which is still used today as a private home.

Others in the section south of Ten Mile were Samuel Hungerford and James Wilkinson, who married William Yerkes' sister.

The early center of town known as Novi Corners – near Novi Road and Grand River – was first settled around 1830 by John Elmore. He was later joined by Apollos Cudworth and Benjamin Brown, who helped develop the area as the first business section in Novi Township.

Samuel White was another early pioneer who came to Michigan from New York in 1826. Active in local government, White served as Novi Township's supervisor between 1830-1835.

One of the few women who risked the difficult journey from New York, Sally Thornton was a strong-willed persuasive widow who came to Novi with her five young children. Through her drive and perseverance, her property remained in the family well into the 20th century. Her house, which was built in 1840 near Nine Mile and Novi roads, was moved in 1992 and restored to form the focal point for a subdivision off of Eleven Mile Road.

Among the throng of people arriving after 1830 was Samuel Rodgers. The Rodgers and Thornton families teamed up when one of Sally Thornton's great granddaughters married Charles Rodgers.

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Barbara Louie is the author of the book "No. VI on the Trail" as well as other local history books.

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Novi city manager Ed Kriewall as he looked in 1972

Ed Kriewal looks back on his 30 years in Novi

Novi Council Tuesday named Ed Kriewall city manager after two and a half months as the acting city manager.

"I feel we've got a capable person doing the job in his present capacity," (city council member Denis) Berry told the council. "I think Ed might have an edge on someone who was coming in new."

Mayor Robert Daley noted that the difference between the experience of the other candidates and that of Kriewall has increased because Kriewall "earned his spurs in battle."

Kriewall's salary, which was set at $22,000 a year when he was acting city manager, will remain the same, city controller Frances Loynes said.

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Nov. 18, 1974

By CHRIS C. DAVIS
Copy Editor

By his own admission, Ed Kriewall wasn't particularly enthused about the idea of becoming city manager of Novi back in 1974, even though he's stepped into the job on an interim basis several times previous.

After all, the Bay City native's professional history was rich in road construction and in public works supervision, but not in urban management.

Kriewall's first job was that of construction inspector for the Interstate 94 project taken on by the Michigan Department of Transportation. He helped supervise the work done on the new Interstate highway from roughly Nine Mile to Thirteen Mile roads.

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He shifted gears to I-75 a few years later, but then learned that the city of Detroit had its own Interstate highway office, which he joined in 1966.

But shortly after the Detroit riots, Kriewall said he had had enough of the Motor City.

"I knew from studying the MDOT maps that Novi was a town that would soon be on the move," he said. "It was right along where I-96 had gone in, so it had a lot of potential."

Kriewall took over as public works director in September of 1969. After only working in that capacity for a year or so, Kriewall was beckoned to step in as interim city manager as the infant city councils juggled managers to help run the fledgling community.

"We really didn't have a lot of stuff to work with back then," he said. "There was a certain amount of uncertainty in the air."

Finally, in 1974, Kriewall was taken in as a full-time manager. With that appointment came the nerves of a new job.

"You'd seen three or four other city managers come in and out of their offices in five years," he said. "I definitely had that on the back of my mind."

Kriewall survived, though, and has been Novi's chief executive since November of 1974. Earlier this year, he announced he would be retiring in February of 2000. The city council is currently soliciting applications for his replacement.

Kriewall said he'd be taking a lifetime of memories from his experience as city manager of the Tollgate

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Ed Kriewall at a community function in 1994. Kriewall will be retiring as city manager in February.

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MacKinnon's chef Tom MacKinnon stands with an array of turkey dishes the Northville restaurant prepares. Starting with the dish MacKinnon is holding, they are: turkey tenderloin with spiced berry sauce, barbecued-roasted turkey with sage and celery-potato pancakes, turkey-stuffed pepper and deep fried turkey with potato pancakes and cherry carrots.

Tom Talks Turkey

Tom MacKinnon says alternative preparations for turkey are giving traditional baked bird a run for their money.

By CHRIS C. DAVIS
Copy Editor

The scene:

The family has gathered in the dining room. A lavish spread awaits, but a conspicuously vacant spot is located at the head of the table.

Moments later, mom emerges from the kitchen with a massive silver platter and that familiar golden brown bird.

Delicious? Yes. But since this is the 10 billionth Thanksgiving in a row with the same style of meal, it's also a bit boring.

But it doesn't need to be, said chef Tom MacKinnon of Northville's MacKinnon's restaurant. As one who really loves cooking game, MacKinnon said it's possible to shake up Thanksgiving with some alternative turkey recipes.

The reason, MacKinnon said, is that turkey has become so versatile a food.

"Turkey is almost like chicken in that there are so many ways you can get it in the store," MacKinnon said. "It's also a very healthy meat, which has made it more popular these days."

The ease in preparation of turkey has further increased its popularity, MacKinnon said:

"For example, turkey tenderloin is about the size of a New York strip and can be prepared the same way as it," he said. "It's so easy to cook."

And though Thanksgiving still leads the pack for turkey-eating days, it's a food not just isolated to the last Thursday in November.

"It's come so far from just being something you eat on Thanksgiving," he said. "People are eating it year-round."

MacKinnon's Restaurant has four popular turkey dishes on its menu this time of year, including deep fried turkey, turkey tenderloin, stuffed turkey pepper and (grill masters will love this one) barbecue roasted turkey.

"If you put that turkey in a Weber grill, there's nothing better," MacKinnon said with a smile.

Recognizing that not everyone would be comfortable with a departure from tradition, MacKinnon had a few tips for those content to cook turkey by the standard bake-the-whole-bird-in-the-oven method.

"The first thing you need to do is make sure that the bird is properly thawed, either in a refrigerator or under cool running water," he said. "You should also cook stuffing separate from the turkey. It speeds up the cooking of both foods."

MacKinnon's is located at 126 East Main in Northville. The restaurant can be reached at (248) 348-1991.

Recipes

TURKEY THIGH OSSO BUCCO

Ingredients:

1/4 cup flour
1/2 teaspoon pepper, divided
2 turkey thighs, skinned and cut in half, crosswise
1 teaspoon olive oil
1 medium onion, chopped
1 small carrot, coarsely chopped
2 garlic cloves, minced
1 can (8 ounces) stewed tomatoes
1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce
3/4 cup white wine or lemon-lime soda
1 teaspoon chicken bouillon crystals
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
1/4 teaspoon dried thyme
1/2 cup frozen peas

1. In 9-inch pie plate combine flour, 1/4 teaspoon pepper and salt. Add turkey and turn to coat. Reserve remaining flour.
2. In non- stick 5-quart saucepan over medium heat, saute turkey in oil 5 minutes per side or until turkey is lightly brown. Remove turkey from saucepan; set aside.
3. Add onion, carrots and garlic to drippings in saucepan and stir-fry 2 to 4 minutes or until onions are translucent. Add tomatoes, breaking up large pieces with spoon, tomato sauce, wine, bouillon crystals, oregano, thyme and remaining pepper. Increase heat and bring mixture to boil.
4. Add turkey pieces. Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer 45 to 60 minutes. Remove turkey from tomato mixture and keep warm.
5. Combine remaining flour mixture with 1 to 2 tablespoons cold water. Stir into hot tomato mixture. Add frozen peas. Increase heat to medium and cook 5 minutes or until sauce thickens. To serve, spoon tomato mixture over turkey. Serve with polenta or saffron rice, if desired.

MARINATED WILD TURKEY TENDERLOIN w/ POPPYSEED AND HERB BREAD COMPOTE

Ingredients:

2 lb. wild or farm-raised turkey tenderloins
1 cup soy sauce
1/4 cup fresh raspberries (or raspberry preserves)
1 tbs. brown sugar
1 diced red pepper
2 thin slices fresh ginger
1/4 cup walnut oil

1. Blend all ingredients together, bring to a boil for 5 minutes, then cool. When cool, add raw turkey tenders and marinate for 2 hours.
2. Broil tenders in oven broiler or on outdoor grill (approximately 15 minutes)

Compote ingredients:

poppyseed bread - 4 cups cut up
1/4 cup onion
1/4 cup celery
1/4 cup cranberries
fresh rosemary
fresh thyme
1 tsp. garlic
4 romaine lettuce leaves

1. Saute onions and celery until clear. Add herbs and moistened bread. Cover and heat 10 minutes
2. Dip romaine leaves in simmering water for 1 minute, making them flexible.
3. Line inside of muffin tins with romaine. Add poppyseed dresing, press firmly. Heat and serve with tenderloin.

TURKEY MEDALLIONS with CUMBERLAND SAUCE

Ingredients:

2 1/2 teaspoons margarine
1/4 cup currant jelly
1 1/2 tablespoons port wine
3/4 teaspoon prepared mustard
2 tablespoons lemon juice
dash cayenne pepper
salt and pepper to taste
1 teaspoon cornstarch
2 teaspoons cold water
1/2 pound turkey tenderloin
1 tablespoon olive oil

1. In small saucepan over medium-high heat, melt 1 teaspoon margarine. Stir in jelly, wine, mustard, lemon juice, cayenne pepper and slat; heat until jelly is melted. In small bowl, combine cornstarch and water.
2. Stir into jelly mixture. Boil mixture until thickened. Reduce heat and keep warm.
3. Cut tenderloin into 3/4 inch thick crosswise slices to make medallions. Season to taste with salt and pepper.
4. In large skillet over medium-high heat, saute medallions in olive oil and remaining 1 1/2 teaspoons margarine about 2 1/2 minutes per side, or until no longer pink in thickest part of meat. To serve, spoon a thin layer of sauce on center of each plate. Arrange several turkey medallions over sauce. Garnish with sour cream if desired.

Orchard Hills hosts Bible study program

Church News

ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

The church is hosting a new women's Bible study on Wednesday mornings. This group is not being sponsored by Oak Point Church, with an open invitation for women interested to attend. The morning begins with arrivals at 9:30 a.m., followed by three phases of study: "Prayer," "Experiencing God" and "New Believer's Study." The study segment will be from 10-11:45 a.m. and noon. Child care will be available. For more information, call Orchard Hills Church at 349-5065.

The newly-formed program, Harvest Fellowship, an alternative to Halloween, was an event of games, activities and refreshments and enjoyed by all.

Also enjoyed by the church family is the newly-established potluck dinner following services on the second Sunday of the month. Each potluck held has a theme, one of which was adults posting baby pictures of themselves and all guessing who-was-who.

The Christmas Cantata, under the direction of John LaBoda, is scheduled for Dec. 19 and the children's program, under the direction of Christie LaBoda, will be held Dec. 12. Both will be held during the morning worship services.

Church family members are involved in the project " Fill an Empty Shoe Box" for a child. Gifts can include toys, school supplies, and hygiene items, with a picture of the sponsor, a note, and $5 included. These will be sent to Samaritan Purse in North Carolina for distribution.

The Ministry of the Greeters and Greetings for the coming will take place.

Call the Rev. Dr. Jerry A. Straight at 349-5065 for information about church activities.

A GROWING PLACE

This facility is a nursery school for preschool and child care. They recently enjoyed a field trip to Brown's Apple Orchard, where the children picked apples, enjoyed donuts and cider and a hayride.

The children dressed as scarecrows for the annual Scarecrow Day. They participated in farm painting, scarecrow games, learned why scarecrows are used in gardens, and had their pictures taken in the cornstalk area outside. Margaret Schmidt, local farmer and well-known speaker on farm animals, spoke on farming. Accompanying her was a turkey she brought from her farm. She sang "Old McDonald Had a Farm" and "Bingo," and also taught the children how to play a kazoo on a comb with wax paper.

Also experienced was a field trip to South Commerce to enjoy "Pumpkins and Ponies," a private home decorated extensively for Halloween. They also sold pumpkins and provided pony rides.

The biggest party of the year is on Halloween when the children dress in costume. The day included a parade, a mini carnival with games like shoot basketball; and a delicious ghoulish pudding cake made by the children. The staff entered into the fun and decorated shirts in a "witch" theme.

November is a busy month: school pictures, hearing tests and a Discovery Toy Sale, when parents do some early Christmas shopping. A Thanksgiving feast will be made by the children and will include friendship soup and pumpkin bread.

The children are busy working on the Christmas program, "Magic of the Season" with special appearance by Bill the Magician.

For information regarding various programs, call Korene Jett, director at 471-2333.

NOVI COMMUNITY EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Advisory Council and the Novi Parks and Recreation Department will co-sponsor "Show and Tell for Women" on Saturday, Dec. 4 at the Novi Civic Center, from 8:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m. The program will be held in memory of Helen Stabler, former member of the Advisory Council, with proceeds going towards the Safety Town program for 4- and 5-year-olds.

Lunch will be provided, with door prizes and piano entertainment. However, no child care will be available. Throughout the day there will be four sessions, from 9 a.m. to 3:35 p.m. Lunch will be from 11:35 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The cost of the event is $16/person and $29/couple. Registration is required either by mail, Novi Community Education, 25345 Taft Road, or phone, 449-1206.

There will be 36 different subjects to choose from when registering. Also indicate second choice should your selected class be filled. Some of the classes include: stress management, nutrition, psychic numerology, travel bargains, skin care, entertaining food for the holidays, holiday party planning, floral design, line dancing, Tai Chi, decorative painting, income tax preparation, osteoporosis, "Feng Shui" your home, stalking, becoming more effective, interior designs, alternative medicine, Yoga, handcrafted soap, massage therapy, and self defense/cardio-karate.

For more information, brochures are available at Novi Parks and Recreation or Novi Community Education.

Advisory Council officers and members are: Paul Hendricks, chairperson; Ruby Glessleer, vice chairperson; members, Carol Bagdady, Mary Ann Cabadas, Nancy Cameron, Nadine Fritz, Wendy Harfoot, Jose Kottoor, Lisa Rice, Joyce Robb, Belinda Seal, and senior member Ann Wilson.

CHARTER HOUSE OF NOVI

A luncheon is scheduled for next Monday at Ponderosa Restaurant in recognition of the volunteers who assisted the activities department throughout the year. Those recognized will be: Agatha Laudon, distribution of daily mail; Helen Lebegue, cleaning activities area; Forrest Woodworth, providing entertainment on the keyboard.

The "Rainbow Store," presented to Charter House by the Novi Lioness, is staffed by the residents and has single servings of cookies, cold pop, individual chips, among other things. Helping in the store are residents Joseph Kocsis, Sophia Wineman, Barb Turpin, president of the resident council; Bernadine Urban, vice president; Rita Cowling, Jennie Ometz, and Margaret Pokorny. Not only do these residents work in the store but assist in office work (preparation of calendars and newsletters), and baking goodies.

Each year the activities department selects a person/persons who has been most helpful and with the aid of the Community Council, makes a special time of recognition and a "thank you." Those honored will be presented with a certificate of appreciation.

For further information about the activities department, contact Heidi Yost; for those wishing to volunteer for the various programs, contact Pat Gatzke at 477-2000.

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

The annual harvest dinner will be held at **Meadowbrook Congregational Church** of Novi on Nov. 21 at 4 p.m. For more information, call (248) 348-7757.

Congregation Bet Charverim of Canton will celebrate Hanukkah on Dec. 10. The service will begin at 7:15 p.m. For more information, call (734) 480-8880.

DivorceCare divorce recovery group meets at **Forest Park Baptist Church** in Farmington Hills each Wednesday at 7 p.m. Child care is provided through fifth grade. For more information, call (248) 347-6675.

Single Place Ministries, a division of First Presbyterian Church of Northville, will be meeting next on Nov. 18 at Starting Gate Saloon in Northville. Among the featured topics of discussion will be mens' needs versus womens' needs and making it through the holidays as a single person. For more information, call (248) 349-0911

A Thanksgiving Eve service of worship will take place on Nov. 24 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at **Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church** in Livonia. The service will feature music by various church choirs and instrumentalists.

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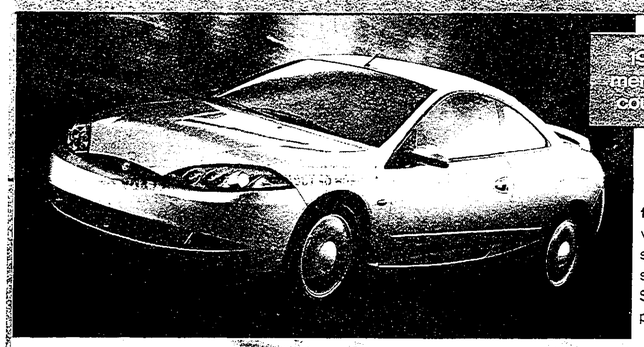

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Kriewall looks back at 30 years of Novi history

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Town. He said the most satisfying experience he had since becoming city manager was that of establishing the Novi Expo Center. Once a warehouse for the Mohawk liquor company, the building sat empty for a number of years until Kriewall and a few others in Novi city hall worked to convert the facility into a showroom.

It wasn't just the fact that a giant building found a second life, though, Kriewall said.

"It's more important that Novi now has several opportunities for art and culture," he said. "That building has meant so much to Novi and will continue to do so in the future."

Not only that, but Kriewall said the Expo Center may have saved several Novi hotels from the financial ruin. Now, with shows attracting tourists from all over Michigan, the Midwest and even the country, hotels and motels are once again seeing high occupancy rates.

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> Ed Kriewall
> Novi city manager

Running a close second to the Expo Center was the advent of Twelve Oaks Mall, which many point to as the benchmark event that took Novi from being a sleepy, swampy field to a suburb with a pulse.

Little-known fact: Novi was not the developer's first choice of communities to house the megamall. The prospect was passed up by Farmington Hill and West Bloomfield before the project was brought to Kriewall and the residents of Novi.

"I remember the public hearing that we had about Twelve Oaks," Kriewall said. "We had something like 300 people out there, and only one person spoke out against it. This was something people were really up for."

Also big on the list was reacquiring one of the Novi Special race cars for the Motor Sports Hall of Fame and Museum.

The process of bringing the car back to Novi required plenty of prodding, pleading, creative financing methods and a pile of travel, but the end result was worth the effort, he said.

"It's nice to have that car back in our possession," he said. "It'll be staying here if the (Motor Sports) museum moves."

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Weddings

Jennifer Lee Ritenour and Todd Alvin Lee were married Sept. 25 at St. Timothy Presbyterian Church. Pastor Janet Noble-Richardson officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Ritenour of Northville and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Simon of Houghton Lake. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hayden of St. Ignace and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lee of Vassar.

The matron of honor was Bridget Goss. Bridesmaids were Melanie Lee and Nicole Hill. The best man was Kevin Riley. Groomsmen were Derrick Ritenour and Michael Lee.

The bride is a graduate of Northville High School and is a student at Schoolcraft College. She is employed by the dental offices of Dr. Leslie Taub. The groom is a graduate of Inland Lakes High School and Northern Michigan University. He is employed in sales.

The couple honeymooned in Algonquin Provincial Park in Ontario, Canada. They now reside in Novi.

Ritenour-Lee

Cheung

Amy and Aloysius Cheung of Novi renewed their wedding vows when they became winners of the MLT Second Honeymoon contest based on the story of their first honeymoon. The Cheungs were among 30 other couples who renewed their vows at Oakland Mall in Troy and then were sent away to Las Vegas for their second honeymoon.

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Engagements

Jim and Jane Daniel of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Jane Haas, to Kevin Dunbar, son of Steve and Judy Dunbar of Lafayette, Ind.

The bride-elect is a Northville resident, while the groom-elect is also a Northville resident, originally from Lafayette. The couple plans a June 3, 2000 wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Howland of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn, to George D. Linart II, son of Annie Linart and George Linart, Sr. of Grosse Ile and Hartland.

The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of Northville High School and a 1995 graduate of Michigan State University. She is employed with AAA Michigan. The groom-elect is a 1990 graduate of Lawrence Technological University and is president of Engineering Development Systems if Plymouth.

The couple plans an April 8, 2000 wedding.

Haas-Dunbar

Howland-Linart

Pet Corner

Several animal-related groups have adoption opportunities in the Novi and Northville area. Here are the dates and locations for some of those organizations:

Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society
Third Saturday of each month
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
PetSmart (17677 Haggerty, Northville)
(248) 347-4337

Critter Connection
Saturday
11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Pet Supplies Plus (41660 Ten Mile, Novi)
(248) 380-0007

Volunteers For Action
Some Saturdays and Sundays
PetSmart (17677 Haggerty, Northville)
(248) 626-8051

Animal Welfare Society of Southeastern Michigan
Variety of times
(248) 624-1100

In addition, the **Pet-A-Pet** group spends time bringing animals to nursing homes, hospice locations, and residences of physically and emotionally challenged children and adults. Volunteers are needed to help with the programs. Here's a rundown of where the group will be making stops soon. For information on volunteering, call (248) 349-7185.

Old Village
Second Tuesday of each month
10 a.m.

Business

Business Network International has regular meetings scheduled on Nov. 18 and Nov. 23 from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Kerby's Koney Island at 21200 Haggerty Road in Farmington Hills, and on Nov. 24 at the Novi Hilton. For more information, call (810) 323-3800.

Ken Staples of Staples Home Building and Home Improvement from Ann Arbor was unanimously elected president of the Michigan Association of Home Builders at its autumn board of directors meeting. Staples replaces Robert R. Jones of Robert R. Jones Associates of Bloomfield Hills.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

For Information regarding rates call The Northville Record or Novi News (248)349-1700

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
9 Mile & Meadowbrook
Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod
Sunday Worship 10:00 am
Thomas E. Schraeder, Pastor - 349-0565
8:45 am Sunday School & Bible Class

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE
200 E. Main St. at Hutton - (248) 349-0911
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Rev. W. Kent Cline, Senior Pastor

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New Location
Meadowbrook Elementary School - Walled Lake
(South of 13 Mile on Meadowbrook Road)
(248) 449-8900
Services at 10 AM
Children's Church 10 AM
Minister Barbara Clavenger

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Sunday, 7:30, 9, 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Church 349-2621, School 349-3610
Religious Education 349-2559

NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
41671 W. Ten Mile - Meadowbrook
349-2652 (24 hrs.)
Sunday Worship at 9:45 a.m.
Nursery Care Available
Louise R. Ott, Pastor

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD
High & Elm Streets, Northville
T. Lubeck, Pastor
Church 349-3140 School 349-3146
Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Classes 9:45 a.m.
Wednesday Worship 7:30 p.m.

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
21355 Meadowbrook R. Novi at 8 Mile
Morning Worship 10 a.m.
Church School 10 a.m.
348-7757
Minister, Rev. E. Neil Hunt
Minister of Music, Ray Ferguson

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE
349-1144* 8 Mile & Taft Roads
Worship Services 8:00 am 9:15am 11:00am
Sunday School 9:15 & 11:00 Nursery both services (year round)
Summer Worship 9:15 & 11:00 (July thru Labor Day)
Dr. Douglas W. Vernon Rev. Thomas M. Beagan
Rev. Arthur L. Stratford
Rev. Cynthia Loomis-Abell

WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Dr. James N. McGuire Senior Pastor
40000 Six Mile Road - Northville, MI 248.374.7400
Services 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Nursery Provided
6:00 p.m. evening services
Contemporary Service 8:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NOVI
45301 11 Mile at Taft, Rd.
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Dr. Gary Ermel, Pastor

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Novi, MI 48374
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Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.
Reverend James F. Cronin, Pastor
Parish Office: 347-0778

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Masses: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 7:30 am, 8:45 am, 10:30 am, 12:15 pm
Holy Days: 9 am, 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm
Father John Budde, Pastor
Father Andrew Czarnecki, Assoc. Pastor
Parish Office: 349-8847

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE
217 N. Wing 348-1020
Sunday Worship, 10:45a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Youth Meetings 7:00 p.m.
Boys Brigade 7 p.m., Pioneer Girls 7 p.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

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For more info. call: (248) 735-8108 anytime

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
21260 Haggerty, Northville 348-7600
(between 8 & 9 Mile Rds. near Novi Hilton)
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Discipleship Service 6:00 pm
(nursery provided)
Dr. Carl M. Leth, Pastor

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
44400 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi, Novi 349-5666
1/2 mile west of Novi Rd.
Richard J. Henderson, Pastor
Jennifer M. Sadd, Associate Pastor
G.J. Cyrus Smith, Parish Associate
Worship & Church School 9:00 & 10:30am Sunday

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Sunday Evening Church Service 6:30 P.M.
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Eight Mile & Haggerty Road - Novi Hilton
Children's Church & Nursery
Home Study Groups 6:00 PM
Meeting Thursday 7:00 PM
21260 Haggerty Road - Nazarene Church
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(734) 216-7454 Ron Schubert, Pastor

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Phone 349-1175
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Sunday 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist
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The Rev. Leslie F. Harding

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Entertainment

NOV. 18

What: George Jones
Where: Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort (6800 Soaring Eagle Blvd., Mt. Pleasant)
When: 7 p.m.
Phone: (800) 585-3737

What: Tim Flaherty Trio open blues jam
Where: Frogger's (1103 East Lake Drive, Novi)
When: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Phone: (248) 624-9097

NOV. 18 - 24

What: Stewart and Stewart art exhibit
Where: Madonna University Gallery, School of Art, Livonia
When: Various times
Phone: (734) 432-5710 (event is free of charge)

NOV. 18 - 27

What: "The Figure In Motion" sculpture and drawing display
Where: Washington Street Gallery (215 E. Washington, Ann Arbor)
When: Various times (artist will be on hand Nov. 12 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.)
Phone: (734) 761-2287

NOV. 18 - DEC. 31

What: "Escanaba In Da Moonlight" stage performance
Where: Gem Theatre (333 Madison Ave., Detroit)
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 963-9800

What: Wild Lights at the Zoo annual holiday light display
Where: Detroit Zoo (8450 W. Ten Mile, Royal Oak)
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 852-4147

What: "Forbidden Christmas" stage performance
Where: Gem Theatre (333 Madison Ave., Detroit)
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 963-9800

NOV. 18 - JAN. 2

What: Railroad Days
Where: Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village (20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn)
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 271-1620

What: Display of zoo animal care
Where: Detroit Zoo (8450 W. Ten Mile, Royal Oak)
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 852-4147

What: "I Made This Jar" exhibit on enslaved African-American potters
Where: Charles H. Wright Museum of African-American History (313 E. Warren, Detroit)
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 494-5800

NOV. 18 - JAN. 5

What: Mona Lisa Mania
Where: The Print Gallery (29173 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield)
When: Various times
Phone: (248) 356-5454

NOV. 18 - APRIL 30

What: On The Air: Michigan Broadcasting 1920-2000 Exhibit
Where: Detroit Historical Museum (5401 Woodward, Detroit)
When: All day event
Phone: (313) 833-1805 (Museum is closed on Mondays)

NOV. 19

What: Pace de Lucia & Septet
Where: Hill Auditorium (825 N. University, Ann Arbor)
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (734) 764-2538

What: Cleveland Cavaliers vs. Detroit Pistons basketball
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

What: Oakland University Chorale / University Chorus
Where: Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (248) 370-3012

What: "Rock and Roll Lysistrata" stage performance
Where: Varner Studio Theatre, Oakland University
When: 11 p.m.
Phone: (248) 370-2030 (adult language and theme)

NOV. 19, 20

What: "It's A Wonderful Life" stage performance
Where: Water Tower Theater (41001 Seven Mile Road, Northville Township)
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (248) 349-7110

What: Kristen Smyth
Where: Bogey's Bar and Grill (142 E. Walled Lake Drive, Walled Lake)
When: Various times
Phone: (248) 669-1441

NOV. 19 - 21

What: "Jest A Second!" stage performance
Where: Ridgedale Players (205 W. Long Lake, Troy)
When: 8 p.m. (Nov. 19, 20); 3 p.m. (Nov. 21)
Phone: (248) 988-7049

NOV. 20

What: Wayne State University dance performance for children
Where: Community Arts Auditorium, Wayne State University
When: 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Phone: (313) 577-4273

What: Ohio State vs. U-M football
Where: Michigan Stadium, U-M
When: Noon
Phone: (734) 764-0247

What: Penn State vs. Michigan State football
Where: Spartan Stadium, MSU
When: TBA
Phone: (517) 355-1610

What: Cleveland Crunch vs. Detroit Rockers soccer
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 7:05 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

What: African Ensemble Concert
Where: Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (248) 370-3012

What: U-M Men's Glee Club autumn concert
Where: Hill Auditorium, U-M
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (734) 764-1448

NOV. 20, 21

What: "Jack and the Beanstalk" stage performance
Where: Marquis Theatre (135 E. Main, Northville)
When: 2:30 p.m.
Phone: (248) 349-8110

What: "The Women" stage performance
Where: The Farmington Players (32332 Twelve Mile Road, Farmington Hills)
When: 8 p.m. (Nov. 20); 2 p.m. (Nov. 21)
Phone: (248) 553-2955

What: "A Woman Called Truth" stage performance
Where: Quirk Theatre, Eastern Michigan University
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (734) 487-1221

NOV. 20 - DEC. 26

What: "A Christmas Carol" stage performance
Where: Meadowbrook Theatre, Oakland University
When: Various times
Phone: (248) 377-3300 (Some Nov. 20 and 21 shows are half-price)

NOV. 21

What: "Rock and Roll Lysistrata" stage performance
Where: Varner Studio Theatre, Oakland University
When: 2 p.m.
Phone: (248) 370-2030 (adult language and theme)

What: Chamber Ensemble Concert
Where: Varner Recital Hall
When: 3 p.m.
Phone: (248) 370-3012 (event is free of charge)

What: KREMERata BALTICA
Where: Rackham Auditorium (915 E. Washington, Ann Arbor)
When: 4 p.m.
Phone: (734) 764-2538

What: Milwaukee Bucks vs. Detroit Pistons basketball
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 6 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

NOV. 22

What: WCW Monday Nitro Live
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

What: Oakland University Jazz Band
Where: Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (248) 370-3012

NOV. 23

What: Manitoba Moose vs. Detroit Vipers hockey
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

NOV. 24

What: Sinbad
Where: Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort (6800 Soaring Eagle Blvd., Mt. Pleasant)
When: 7 p.m.
Phone: (800) 585-3737

What: Grand Rapids Griffins vs. Detroit Vipers hockey
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

What: St. Louis Blues vs. Detroit Red Wings hockey
Where: Joe Louis Arena (600 Civic Center, Detroit)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (313) 983-6606

Births

Michael Stuart Bielat

Michael Stuart Bielat was born Aug. 13 to David and Amy Bielat of Flat Rock. He weighed seven pounds, eight ounces and measured 22 inches long when he was born at St. Joseph's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Michael is brother to two-year-old Rose and one-year-old Sarah. He is the grandson of Jerry and Judy Stuart of Northville, Karen Jackson of Grosse Ile and Clar Bielat of Southgate. He is the great-grandson of Hattie Weatherford of Brooklyn.

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On Campus

Named to the honors list for summer semester at Michigan State University were Northville students **Jeannie Grace Mitchell**, child development; **Victoria Anne Sanocki**, chemical engineering; **Rodney Owen Thompson**, general business administration-prelaw; Novi student **Erica L. Jensen**, general business administration; and **Michael Scott Hunter** of Walled Lake, an English major.

In order to receive this recognition, students must earn a 3.5 or better grade point average for the semester.

Novi resident **Charles David Hawthorne** has been named to the summer 1999 dean's list at Detroit College of Business.

The following area students were named to the dean's list of the University of Michigan's College of Engineering:

NOVI: **Laura Carter**, **Steven Chang**, **Colleen Doyle**, **Megan Gilberg**, **David Hullman**, **David Innes**, **Eric Kadaj**, **Krystal Kornak**, **Timothy Kushman**, **Hanfei Shen** and **Tomas Sirgedas**.

NORTHVILLE: **Jared Cromas**, **Keith Droz**, **Amity Heckemeyer**, **Matthew Kowalski**, **Brian Mount**, **Srindhi Nagaraja**, **Alison Nemier**, **Jennifer Sloane**, **Amber Stephens**, **John Swanson**, **Stephen Traicoff**, **Megan Walsh**, **Luke Wilcox**, **Devon Woodruff**, and **Sven Zethelius**.

Kimberly Lang

Kimberly Lang, a 1999 graduate of Northville High School, took part in Western Michigan University's dance performance. Lang was one of two freshmen cast in the performance. She will dance one of the lead roles in WMU's performance of George Balanchine's "Serenade."

Elaina Shope, age 11, of Novi received honorable mention in the August 1999 Cricket League art competition. For this contest, each entrant was asked to design a monument. Elaina's name appears in the November 1999 issue of the award-winning magazine.

Cricket features the best short stories, poems, and articles by the world's finest children's authors and is illustrated by the best artists from here and abroad.

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"Thank God for tea. What would the world do without tea? – how did it exist? I am glad I was not born before tea."

—Sydney Smith (1771-1845)

Margit Erickson

Etiquette

One of the most delightful ways to entertain is by giving a tea party. It is not quite as formal as a sit-down dinner, nor does it require as much preparation. Nonetheless, it can be a very charming and elegant affair.

There is a civility which one associates with afternoon tea. It can be given to honor a house guest, for out-of-town friends, welcoming new neighbors, or simply entertaining your friends in an informal, relaxed atmosphere. Tea time is usually set between the hours of 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Unless it is a very formal tea, invitations are usually made by phone.

Ideally, the serving table should be a long one and set up in an area that does not interfere with the circulation of guests. Tea is served at one end of the table and coffee at the other. In between should be the foods being served, which are usually on the sweet side such as small fruit tarts, almond or butter cookies, petit fours, nuts, or other small, dainty treats as opposed to the hors d'oeuvres offered at a cocktail party. These foods should be small enough to fit on the saucer next to one's tea cup. Tiny finger sandwiches made with minced ham or chicken salad, or cucumbers and cream cheese fillings and which can be eaten in a bite or two may also be served. If larger items of food are served, such as layer cakes, a tea plate with forks should also be provided. This, of course, necessitates small tables placed about the room so guests may sit as it would be very awkward to try and balance everything while trying to talk and eat all at the same time.

If you are the hostess, greet your guests at the door and see that they are introduced to others, especially your guest(s) of honor. Any friends you wish to have as servers should be asked prior to your party. If it is a two-hour affair, it is best for each to pour for only one hour so you will need four servers.

This way, they too may have an opportunity to mingle with guests.

If you are a guest, appropriate attire would be a suit or afternoon dress if you are a woman; a business suit for a man. Don't hover around the tea table or pile your plate high with food as if it will be your last meal on earth. You may return for more food or drink but wait until all others have been served. Also, do not tie up your host or the guest of honor with long conversations – they have responsibilities to other guests. When you are finished, place your cup and plate on the tea table. Most guests stay for an hour or so before leaving – just be sure you thank your host first and say a few words to the guest of honor.

Tea time is also becoming a popular way to promote and nurture positive business relationships. Many hotels are now aggressively seeking the business market to partake in this genteel ritual at mid-afternoon. It is a refreshing change from the coffee break or the martini.

And why not?

It's quite difficult to perceive of a hostile business meeting over tea. In fact, clients may well perceive you as having a genuine respect for traditional values.

So whether your tea party is social or business, I agree with etiquette maven, Letitia Baldrige: "Having someone over for tea is a wonderful way to give pleasure to friends. It is a warm, friendly custom, and we do not do it often enough."

A last note: I am always amused when I hear or read that a group or an organization is having a tea party and calls it "high tea." I am sure they do so thinking that it sounds classy and elegant.

Actually, it is exactly the opposite. "High tea" is the British contraction of "Isn't it high time we had something to eat and some tea?" Technically, high tea refers to a poor man's supper consisting of potluck and leftovers.

The British must be laughing at us behind our backs.

Margit Erickson of Margit Erickson & Co. has been an etiquette consultant for more than 10 years and conducts seminars in business and social etiquette for adults, teens and children. She is also host and producer of her own television program "The Elegant Life" on Channel 12. You can write to her at P.O. Box 841, Northville, Mich. 48167.

Community Events

The **Novi Choralaires** will present a holiday concert, "Alleluia! Gloria! Magnificat! Nowell!" on Dec. 3 at Farmington United Methodist Church, on Dec. 4 at Novi United Methodist Church and Dec. 5 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi. Proceeds from the concert will benefit the Novi Community Food Bank and the Novi Senior Citizens' Supplemental drug prescription program. The Choralaires will also be performing Dec. 14 at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. For more information, call (248) 347-0400.

Copies of "Lunch With the Northville Garden Club" will be available for $10 each during the Northville Christmas Walk on Nov. 21. The sale will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cookbook includes information for many soups, salads and appetizers. For more information, call (248) 348-1946.

A **blood drive** will be held at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church on Nov. 18 from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call (248) 374-5956.

The **Salvation Army** kettle will be in Northville for the Christmas season again beginning Nov. 26 and running through Christmas Eve. Bellringers will be setting up posts at Shopping Center Market, the Northville post office and Great Harvest Bread Company. For more information on volunteering as a bellringer, call (248) 348-2678.

The **Northville Woman's Club** will be holding a meeting Nov. 18 at First Presbyterian Church of Northville. The guest speaker for the day will be Donn Werling, who will speak about lighthouses and their historical significance to the Great Lakes region. The guest day event gets underway at 1:30 p.m. For more information, call (248) 348-1325.

Christmas trees will be on display in businesses throughout Northville beginning Nov. 8 which can be won through a raffle sponsored by the **Friends of the Northville District Library.** The trees will take on several themes. Those holding the winning tickets will have the trees delivered to their home (within 20 miles of Northville) on Dec. 13 and 14. Tickets will be on sale at merchants displaying the trees. For more information, call (248) 348-6023. Proceeds benefit the materials acquisition of the library.

Christmas cards to benefit **Right To Life - Lifespan of Detroit** are on sale. Prices range from $5 to $14 per package. For more information, call (248) 777-9090.

Highland Park High School is looking for members of **Highland Park's class of 1950** for an upcoming 50th reunion, slated for June. For more information, call (810) 263-8179 or (313) 345-9104.

Reunion organizers are seeking **Northville High School graduates from 1982 to 1999** who sang under the direction of Mary Kay Pryce. For more information, call (734) 913-4830.

Several other area high school reunions are on deck in the coming weeks. Here's a rundown of the classes, dates, locations and telephone numbers for reunions:

- **Taylor Center High School class of 1979** (Nov. 27, Marriott Hotel, Romulus) (248) 360-7004, ext. #7
- **North Farmington High School class of 1989** (Nov. 27, Big Daddy's, West Bloomfield) (248) 366-9493, ext. #3
- **Farmington High School class of 1989** (Nov. 26, Best Western, Farmington Hills) (248) 360-7004, ext. #4
- **Royal Oak Kimball High School class of 1989** (Nov. 26, Fox and Hound, Troy) (248) 360-7004, ext. #8
- **Royal Oak Dondero High School class of 1989** (Nov. 13, Fox and Hound, Troy) (248) 366-9493, ext. #5

The **Plymouth Theater Guild** will be taking auditions for parts in the upcoming stage performance, "Oliver!" Children's auditions are slated for Nov. 21 at 2 p.m., while adults will try out no Nov. 22 and 23 at 7:30 p.m. All auditions take place at Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital. For more information, call (248) 669-0436.

Mentors Plus will be hosting another training and orientation session for persons interested in serving as a mentor. The next session is Nov. 20 at the Oakland County Courthouse in Pontiac. For more information, call (248) 858-0041.

The **Schoolcraft College ski club** is taking reservations for a trip on Feb. 4, 5 and 6 to Blue Mountain, Ontario. The trip includes condo reservations, two day-night lift passes, two breakfasts and one dinner. The trip is available to members at a cost of $169, while non-members can sign on for $200. For more information, call (734) 462-4422.

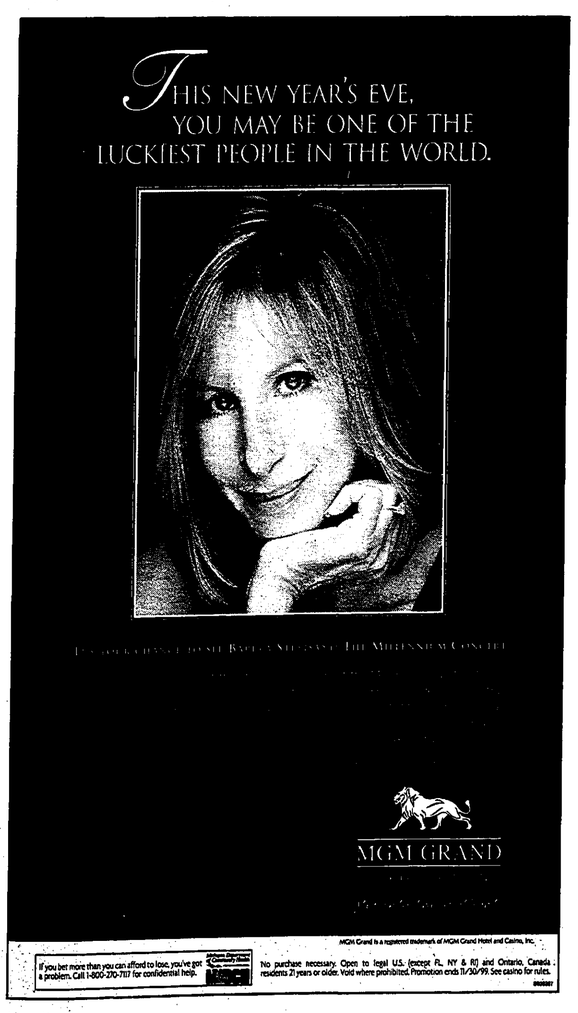
The 52nd annual **Goodwill Antiques show** kicks off Nov. 18 with a preview party, followed by the auction Nov. 19-21 at the Michigan State Fairgrounds. Proceeds from the show benefit Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit. Admission to the auction is $7 or $6 for senior citizens. Tickets to the preview party range from $75 to $125. For more information, call (313) 886-6787.

The third annual **Ypsilanti Christmas Home Tour** will take place Dec. 5 from 1 p.m to 6 p.m. The tour features five private residence, the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority house at Eastern Michigan University, and the Parrish House Bed and Breakfast. Proceeds from the event will benefit Ypsilanti Meals on Wheels. For more information, call (734) 483-3286.

The annual **Holiday Tables** event at Cranbrook House in Bloomfield Hills is slated for Nov. 18 through Nov. 21. Twenty table honoring the 20th century and conceived by area personalities will fill eight rooms at Cranbrook House. A special patron tea for the event is also set for Nov. 18 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call (248) 626-5026.

A presentation on foxes, wolves and coyotes will be made at **Kensington Metropark** on Nov. 27 beginning at 1 p.m.

Representatives from the park's nature center will discuss myths and realities on the mammals of Michigan. On Nov. 28, Kensington will present a second seminar on the wildlife of Australia. For more information on either event, call (248) 685-1561.



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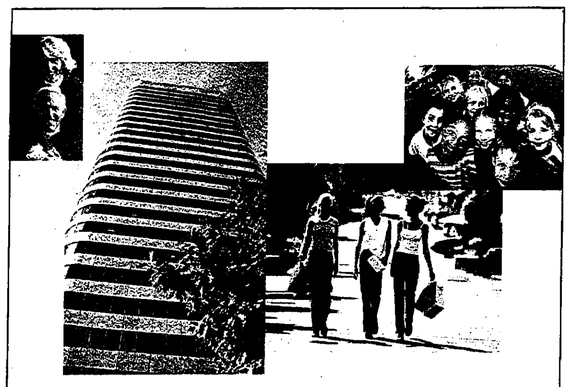

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The train keeps a-rollin' along

Greenberg exhibit lures train buffs to see tiny railroads

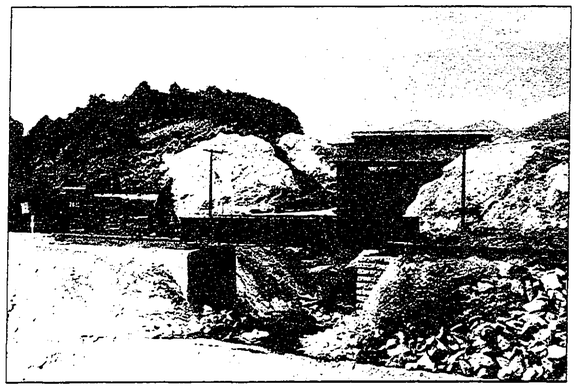
By CHRIS C. DAVIS
Staff Writer

Just in time for the early part of the holiday season, one of the nation's largest traveling model railroad shows will be making a stop at the Novi Expo Center on Nov. 20 and 21 — the Greenberg Train Show.

Coincidentally, November is National Model Railroading month.

Among the items that will be on display for the event are:

- A giant 60-foot by 26-foot N-scale layout;
- A Marklin M-track reflecting a true German railroad;
- An American Flyer S-gauge display layout from Tiedke's department store in Toledo, Ohio;
- A live steam garden railroad setup;
- A working yard and industrialized city in a 10-foot by 33-foot N-scale layout, and;
- The Winnepesaukee Central Railroad, an HO-scale layout featured in *Model Railroader* magazine.



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The Greenberg train show will return to the Novi Expo Center this weekend. Several ultra-detailed model railroads, like the one above, will be on display at the show.

In addition to the mammoth display of trains, dealers and traders will be on hand ready to sell and trade their wares. A wide range of hobby-related publications will also be available. Hourly door prizes include Kalmbach magazine subscriptions and a chance to win $50 in marketplace money. Collectible toy dealers will also be at the Expo Center for those whose interests go beyond model railroads.

Admission to the event is $6 for adults (includes parking) and $2 for children ages six to 12. Scouts in uniform are admitted free. Admission is good for both days of the show. The Nov. 20 show runs 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., while the Nov. 21 show is slated for 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, call (248) 348-5600, or visit *www.greenbergshows.com* on the Internet.

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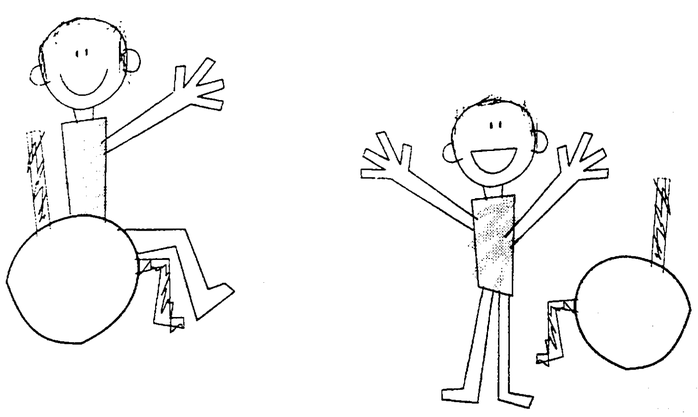

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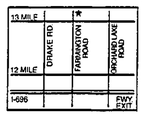

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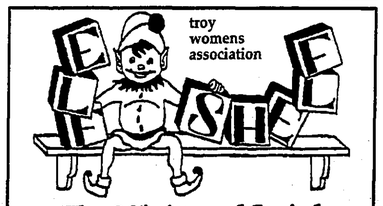

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Voices guide Joan of Arc

Milla Jovovich plays Joan, a peasant girl from a remote village who becomes a national heroine when she leads the resistance to the English invasion of France in "The Messenger: The Story of Joan of Arc."

Joan of Arc was born the youngest daughter of a peasant farmer in Domremy, France around 1412, a time when France was being overrun by the English during the bloody Hundred Year's War.

In addition, an internal war was being waged within France, with the region of Burgundy siding with the English.

A deciding factor in the war was who would control the city of Orleans, which sits strategically on the bank of the Loire river. Only one thing could save France from its darkest period in history ... a miracle.

When King Henry V of England and King Charles VI of France both die in 1422, the English declare Henry VI, a mere child, king of both England and France.

Charles VII of France has no intention of abandoning his kingdom and declares himself heir to the throne, but he cannot be made king until he is crowned at Rheims — which is under English occupation.

Meanwhile, in Domremy, 13-year-old Joan spends most of her childhood kneeling in prayer. She not only loves to confess many times daily, but often hears voices from the sky and has strange, startling visions.

In her own words:

The voice told me that I must depart and go into France. And the voice said that I would raise the siege before Orleans. And it told me to go to Vaucouleurs, to Robert de Baudricourt, captain of the town, who would give me men to go with me. And I answered the voice that I was a poor girl who knew nothing of riding and warfare.

From the very beginning, she was told what her mission was: she was chosen by God to restore France and to give aid to the Dauphin Charles, who was to be king of France. In order to do this, she must wear men's clothing, bear arms and lead an army.

One day, after playing in the fields, Joan runs home to find the English have invaded her town. As she hides in a cupboard, she witnesses English soldiers murder and rape her 18-year-old sister. After this tragedy, Joan is sent to live with her aunt and uncle in a neighboring village.

It seems highly unlikely that this innocent girl who never went to school and cannot read or write will eventually lead the French army in defeating the powerful English army and liberating her country. But by May 1428, Joan no longer doubts that she has been bidden by God to come to the aid of the king, and she takes action.

Leaving the only home she has ever known behind, Joan rides to Chinon to see Charles, the Dauphin. At first the King and his subjects don't know what to think when word arrives from young Joan.

Aware of her professed visions and suspicious of her intentions, Charles orders Jean D'Aulong, his finest archer, to pose as king. Joan arrives at the castle, impresses Charles by calling him on his bluff, and secures a private with him.

In her words to Charles:

I bring you news from God, that our Lord will give you back your kingdom, bringing you to be crowned at Rheims and driving out your enemies. In this I am God's messenger. Do set me bravely to work, and I will rise the siege of Orleans.

Persuaded to take her claims at face value, Charles agrees to Joan's request, providing her with an army to achieve victory against the English and secure the city of Rheims for his coronation. Though many feel that Joan is at best a harmless hysteric and at worst a threat not only to the king's throne but to his life, they also detect in her a magical quality and a persuasive attitude that cannot be discouraged or resisted.

Joan arrives at the battlefield dressed in white armor and carrying her personalized banner. This makes an impression on both armies, who are not used to seeing a woman in combat.

In the trenches with her countrymen, Joan wins a victory for the French, who are rejuvenated by their inspirational new leader. But the battle is not over yet — Joan insists on pressing further and rallying the troops once more to dissolve the English occupation of Orleans.

Despite a valiant effort, they are exhausted and lose hope when Joan is shot in the chest by an arrow. The French retreat and tend to Joan's wound.

The French continue to win battles against the weakening English, but young Joan feels a strong sense of remorse as she views the carnage. Overwhelmed by the gravity of the slaughter, Joan approaches the English and offers them a chance to retreat.

Miraculously, the English retreat. It is a surprising victory that allows Charles to proceed to Rheims for his coronation.

Once Charles is crowned king, he is wholly satisfied. Joan however, is not, and she continues to fight on. Her troops — which number in the hundreds instead of thousands — are tired and hungry.

Aulon informs her that not only has Charles given up on the war, but he has been planning to betray Joan should anything happen to her.

Reiterating her devotion to God, Joan feels obligated and determined to continue to fight until her voices send her a message otherwise.

Against everyone's better judgment, Joan moves on to Compiegne for a battle in which she is quickly captured by the Burgundians, a group of mercenaries fighting for the English.

Sold to her enemies, she wakes up in a prison cell with her conscience, who comes to her in the form of a mysterious, hooded man.

He defeats Joan's confidence and asks questions that make her question the validity of her visions.

Accused of heresy and sorcery, and with no one to rescue her, the trial to prove Joan is a witch begins.

She is questioned repeatedly about her visions and her faith in the Catholic church. Between court sessions, Joan has conversations with her Conscience, who criticizes Joan's faith in him and her naivete. This devastates Joan, and she appears to lose hope.

Near the end of the trial, Joan is told that she must either renounce her past deeds and swear to never carry arms or wear men's clothing again, or she will be burned to death.

She agrees to do so, and she is sentenced to life in prison. Ultimately, however, she refuses to submit to the English-constituted court's judgment. Now considered a "relapsed heretic," Joan's decision means certain death.

On May 1431, she was burned at the stake in the marketplace at Rouen.

'Being John Malkovich' keeps viewers on their toes

Chris Sandberg
GUEST MOVIE REVIEW

"Being John Malkovich" is one of the most inventive, creative and bizarre movies that I've ever seen.

There is never a dull moment in the film. Charles Kaufman creates an utterly original heap of entertainment that makes "Alice in Wonderland" look like a teen flick.

Whether you're laughing or crying the film will keep you on your toes.

The first few minutes are a little slow but you still find yourself intrigued by the bizarre camera work.

John Cusack plays Craig Schwartz, a deprived puppeteer who is an excellent, yet sadly unknown puppet master. Schwartz doesn't think he needs a day job until he offends a little girl's father with one of his puppet shows, and gets punched square in the face.

After that he realizes that he needs a day job to support his wife, and hopefully a future child.

Cusack's job interview leads to some of the funniest 20 minutes I have ever seen on screen. With dark, and intellectual comedy at it's best, it's one of those scenes where you just die laughing in the aisles.

Cusack's boss is old and senile and thinks he has a speech impediment when actually he talks better than Cusack himself.

He works on the 7th floor where the ceiling raises five feet above the floor. It's a place were everyone has to bend over to walk.

While filing one day Cusack drops a folder behind a file cabinet. While retrieving it he finds a small door that leads inside the brain of John Malkovich.

These minutes of entertainment never dumb down, or slow up. It just gets better and more surreal. You would expect them to run out of ideas; but they don't. The laughs come on stronger and the movie bullets in a different direction.

Cusack ends up only being able to spend 15 minutes in Malkovich and afterwards gets dumped out by the side of the New Jersey Turnpike.

He proceeds to tell his wife, played by the beautiful Cameron Diaz, who in this movie looks awful and utterly unattractive.

She wants to try it, and what she ends up finding is not a portal within John Malkovich, but rather a mirror into her innermost desires. She finds her true self in another person's body.

Instead of using this portal to try to find what the significance of it is, Diaz and Cusack use it to fulfill their sexual fantasies with Cusack's co-worker, played by the lovely Catherine Keener. However, it seems she is only attracted to them when they are inside the body of Malkovich.

The plot spirals into many different directions at this point, and steers clear of comedy. It becomes a philosophical message.

"Being John Malkovich" could be considered the "Truman Show" of 1999, only more imaginative and bizarre. The film is so deep that it is poetic. Everything in the movie has a meaning, and represents a symbol for life.

John Cusack gives an excellent performance. In the beginning you feel sorry for him. In the middle you hate him. At the end you feel sorry for him once more.

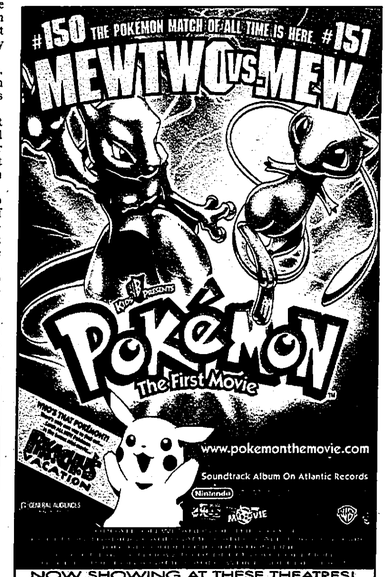
Cameron Diaz clearly has made the transition from comedy to drama, and establishes herself as a future award winner.

The last words heard in the film are "Look Away," muttered by Cusack in a depressive state. However, you can't look away. You are so intrigued by the ending that you can't do anything but stare at the film.

This film deserves a standing ovation for what it has done for filmmakers. It tells them to think of every possibility.

Hopefully we will see more original films like "Malkovich" and less trite films like "House on Haunted Hill."

Maxine (Catherine Keener) runs into co-worker Craig (John Cusack) on the 7th floor in "Being John Malkovich."



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She's a fun, intelligent SWF, 19, 5'2", who enjoys the little things in life. She is looking forward to meeting a caring, honest SWM, 19-23, to go out and have a good time with. Ad#.7180

MAKE THE MOVE
Outgoing, never-married SWF, 33, 5'6", with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys sports, long walks and picnics. She's looking for a SWCM, 32-42, with similar interests. Ad#.1308

THE PRIME OF LIFE
Charming Catholic WWWF, 68, a brunette, is seeking a youthful, sweet SWCM, 65+, with whom to share common interests such as Bingo, dining out, dancing, sports, bowling and long walks. Ad#.5720

LIVE IT UP
This outgoing SW mom, 38, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys camping, long walks and spending time with family, is looking for a family-oriented SWM, 35-45, to spend quality time with. Ad#.9028

YOUR SERVE
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Friendly DWPF, 48, 5'8", who enjoys a variety of interests, is looking for an intelligent, attractive SWM, 44-60, who enjoys life, to spend time with. Ad#.2289

GIVE ME A CALL
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MELODY OF LOVE
This outgoing DWCF, 51, 5'7", is a member of the choir who's ISO a romantic, considerate SWCM, 50-61, N/S, for friendship, maybe more. Ad#.6127

START RIGHT HERE
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WILL GET BACK TO YOU
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NOTEWORTHY
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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

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

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

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, 40-48, to spend time with. Ad#.9847

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A RARE GEM
Outgoing, friendly SWM, 20, 6', who enjoys movies, music, sports and auto racing, is ISO a SWF, 18-22, who shares similar interests and would enjoy a true gentleman. Ad#.7179

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, 32-42, for friendship first, possible long-term relationship. Ad#.9665

Light Up Your Life With Romance

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

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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

Males Seeking Females

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LET'S GET ACQUAINTED
Outgoing and friendly, this DWC dad, 44, 6'1", enjoys exercising, family times, horses, and dining out. He is seeking a SWF, 34-44, in good shape, for dating and maybe more. Ad#.1246

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AFFECTIONATE
Shy SWM, 32, 5'10", who enjoys animals, boating and fishing, is looking for a SWF, 32-41, to share special times with. Ad#.4767

DON'T WAIT
Never-married SWM, 38, 5'10", 165lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys animals, boating, and golf, seeks a SWF, 25-40. Ad#.7714

INNER BEAUTY...
Is what matters most to this outgoing WWWM, 42, 5'4", 135lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys boating and fishing. He seeks a SWF, 35-48. All calls will be answered. Ad#.6272

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Friendly DWPM, 51, 5'10", who enjoys golf and meeting new people, is seeking a SF, over 45, who has a good sense of humor, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad#.3308

SINCERELY
Professional SWM, 33, 5'10", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys traveling, fine dining and more, is searching for a kind SWF, 20-34. Ad#.1616

MUSIC LOVER
Warm, educated, physically fit SWPM, 45, who enjoys ballroom dancing, concerts, reading, and good conversation. He is seeking a smart, affectionate SWPF, 26-38, for a lasting relationship. Ad#.4412

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LEAVE A MESSAGE
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Fun-loving, sincere and athletic, this Catholic SWM, 40, 6'1", enjoys family, friends and romantic times, and is seeking a trim, fit SAF, 21-38. Ad#.6969

WORTH A TRY
He's a sincere, honest, outgoing SW dad, 41, 5'10", who enjoys fishing, going for walks, and more. He's seeking a loving SWF, 34-44, for a possible relationship. Ad#.8899

A GREAT ATTITUDE..
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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

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

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

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

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

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

ONE ON ONE
Kind-hearted SWM, 20, 5'10", who enjoys auto racing, the outdoors and movies, is looking for an outgoing, sincere, loving SF, 18-24. Ad#.1722

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

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

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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The best in tennis

Tennis is expanding, and this season was evidence that the competition in the metro-Detroit area will continue to grow as indoor tennis facilities are being constructed.

Milford took big steps in asserting itself as a force in the Kensington Valley Conference, finishing 8-3-1 in conference duals and tying Novi the second time around. They, along with Hartland, made perennial powers Novi and Brighton take notice of things to come.

Northville continued its dominance of the Western Lakes Activities Association, winning seven of eight flights at the conference tournament and finishing with a perfect regular season. The team finished 11th at the Division II state tournament.

After calculating all of the head-to-head matchups, combined with the overall records and accomplishments of area netters, here's what HomeTown Newspapers' all-area first team looks like:

Jessie Mills
Northville senior

Having been a huge part of the most recent success of the Northville tennis program, Mills again displayed her brilliance on the court in her senior season. Her record of 19-5 stands

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Despite playing about half the year, Holt still made HomeTown's 2nd team.

Cagers win district opener

Last night's game to decide district finalist

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

Taking no chances, and avoiding any major upsets in the state tournament, Novi quickly dispatched of Livonia Churchill Monday night in the district opener 63-26.

The win set up last night's district semifinal with neighboring Northville, which had a bye in the first round.

Novi defeated Northville 50-37 in their only other matchup this season back on Oct. 16. Novi came into last night's game with a 20-1 record, the best in school history. Northville finished their regular season with a 13-7 record. The winner of that game will play the winner of the other semifinal matchup between Plymouth Canton and Salem. The championship game will be played at 7 p.m tomorrow night at Novi High School. Results of last night's game as well as district final's coverage will be in next week's Novi News.

Against Churchill, Novi jumped out to a 15-3 lead after one quarter and never looked back. The large lead allowed coach Dennis Cichonski the opportunity to prepare his team for upcoming games.

"We emphasized taking care of the ball, and we worked on rotating our lineup so we could work on things for the next game," he said. "We were trying to see what we could do with different girls playing with each other."

Jessica Gilbert led the team with 12 points and Beth Rice added 10. Twelve of the 13 girls who suited up for the game scored.

Novi dominates 2nd team

Just because Northville dominated the all-area first team doesn't mean that's the end of great tennis in this area. Novi shared the Kensington Valley Conference title with Brighton this year, marking the fifth-straight year the school has won or shared the title.

Milford's AnnMarie Jasieniecki performed brilliantly, setting herself up for what should be a promising three years ahead of her. Lakeland and South Lyon continue their drive to compete with the conference's best, and Lakeland's Jessica Hunt is proof of that.

"From top to bottom, this was the best the KVC's ever been," Novi coach Jim Hanson said. "With the addition of Pinckney into the league, it'll be an interesting season."

Here's a look at HomeTown Newspaper's all-area second team.

Sarah Holt
Novi Sophomore

A wrist injury halfway through the season was just about the only thing stopping Holt from battling Brighton's Dana Krozek for the league title. She finished the year 7-3, with wins over No. 1 singles players from Milford, South Lyon, Hartland and Howell. Her only losses came to Jessie Mills of Northville, Krozek and Battle Creek Central's Meaghan Clark.

Melissa Roemer
Novi Sophomore

It's not easy stepping up and playing in someone else's position, especially when it's at No. 1 singles. But Roemer did

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ALL AREA TENNIS

First Team

Flight	Name	School	Grade
1 singles	Jessie Mills	Northville	Senior
2 singles	Kerry Woolfall	Northville	Junior
3 singles	Lauren West	Northville	Sophomore
4 singles	Carolyn Vermeulen	Novi	Sophomore
1 doubles	Nicole Lindholm	Northville	Senior
	Joanna Lee	Northville	Junior
2 doubles	Lauren Farris	Northville	Sophomore
	Sarah Poirer	Northville	Sophomore
3 doubles	Rachel Huang	Northville	Junior
	Emily Stevenson	Northville	Junior
4 doubles	Emily Krywko	Northville	Junior
	Jamie Lindholm	Northville	Freshman

Second Team

Flight	Name	School	Grade
1 singles	Sarah Holt	Novi	Sophomore
2 singles	Melissa Roemer	Novi	Sophomore
3 singles	Ann Marie Jasieniecki	Milford	Freshman
4 singles	Jessica Hunt	Lakeland	Junior
1 doubles	Amrutha Nagarajan	Novi	Senior
	Tara Stevens	Novi	Senior
2 doubles	Karen Andrews	Novi	Junior
	Emily Dinsmore	Novi	Junior
3 doubles	Janina Hahn	Novi	Senior
	Nicole Hapanowicz	Novi	Junior
4 doubles	Mami Ito	Novi	Senior
	Sarah Ehlers	Novi	Sophomore

Honorable mention

Lakeland - Nicole Dell
Milford - Molly Heyn, Lacie Rudolph, Steffanie Roose
Northville - Gina Halicki
Novi - Taeko Nakazawa, Amrutha Nagarajan
South Lyon - Kristen Pfeffer, Georgia Hornbrook

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Senior Frank Raburn was one of four Wildcats to make HomeTown's all-area first team.

Four make our first team

When you start talking about this year's all-area team, you have to start with some of the accomplishments of their teams first. Because individuals make up great teams, it's only right to mention them first.

After dominating the soccer world a year ago by winning the school's first-ever state championship, Novi came back strong in 1999. The team didn't suffer a letdown, and made it all the way to the state quarterfinals before losing to Livonia Stevenson. The team was an unblemished 19-0 against teams other than Stevenson and Brighton, and finished 19-2-1 overall. Although four of its top players graduate this year, Novi will return a strong corps of players next season.

Northville may have ended up 8-9-1, but it was a healthy sub-.500 record. The team was the unfortunate victim of playing in an elite soccer conference, the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Here's a look at the individuals that comprise the teams, the best 11 players from Novi, Northville, South Lyon, Milford and Lakeland.

Joe Irimescu * HomeTown's player of the year
Novi senior

While he was a vital part of Novi's state championship team of 1998, that team was never "his team." That team went 23-1-1 en route to the state title.

So Irimescu returned to lead this year's team to a 19-2-1 record and a state quarterfinal berth, having had one of the most productive careers in Novi soccer history. This season Irimescu scored nine goals while collecting a team-best 14 assists. Because teams often marked the senior with two or three players, other Wildcats were able to prosper, including sophomore Brandon Davis (15 goals, 11 assists). This senior was named second-team all-state by the coaches association.

Irimescu was a second-team selection last year after garnering first-team honors as a sophomore. That season he had 14 goals and six assists.

Ryan Rzepka
Novi senior

No matter where the ball was on the field, Rzepka was always near it. The senior was second to Davis on the team with 13 goals and picked up eight more assists for 21 points. That total was good for third on the team.

Rzepka earned second-team all-state honors this year by the coaches association and was a second-team HomeTown selection as a junior. With Rzepka in the lineup, Novi was 42-3-2 over the last two years.

Scott Jettie
Novi senior

An extremely athletic player on the field, Jettie used both his speed and agility to toil with defenses throughout the Kensington Valley Conference. He scored nine goals and assisted on three others, leading Novi to a 10-1-1 record and a second-place finish in the conference standings.

Frank Raburn
Novi senior

Alongside fellow Wildcat Sean Thompson, Raburn was one of Novi's best defenders and one of the best in the KVC for that matter. He didn't score many goals, and didn't assist on many either. But he led Novi to 16 wins in its last 18 games, in which the team allowed just five goals, three of which came in the quarterfinals to Livonia Stevenson.

Brandon Bethell
Northville senior

Over the last four years, there's been one guy who's seen and done it all at Northville High School. That guy is Bethell, who earned all-conference first-team honors in the toughest soccer conference in the state of Michigan. Both he and fellow teammate Tim Kelleher earned first-team all-WLAA honors and were named to the all-district and all-regional teams in 1999.

Bethell led the team with seven goals and added two assists. His Northville team finished just 8-9-1, but played one of the toughest schedules in the state, a schedule that included games against Novi (state quarterfinalist), Stevenson (state semifinalist) and Salem (state finalist).

Tim Kelleher
Northville junior

After his breakout season a year ago, Kelleher wasn't a secret to opponents anymore. So coach Henry Klimes moved him back to the midfield to help open things up offensively for the Mustangs.

For Kelleher's stats, the move didn't help. He was continually marked and finished the season with four goals and seven assists. But fortunately for him, the rest of the conference coaches

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Skaters lace 'em up for opener

Northville game marks start of season for Wildcats

By JASON SCHMITT
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Editor

When the puck is dropped for Friday night's matchup between the Northville and Novi hockey teams, there will be a different aroma floating around the rink than there was last year at this time.

Last season's first matchup between the two schools was the first of the season for Northville, but only the second ever for Novi. Both schools were relatively young, but Northville had a year of experience under their belt and it showed. The Mustangs won that first matchup 6-1 and went on to defeat the Wildcats 7-2 in their second showdown a month later.

This year, both team's had tremendous turnouts at team tryouts, and should have the depth necessary to compete in the upper echelon's of their leagues. Novi will look to improve on a sixth-place finish in the Kensington Valley Conference while Northville hopes to make a great first impression in the newly formed Western Lakes Activities Association.

Northville looks to replace lost talent...

Sometimes losing a talented goal scorer can be a plus for a hockey team.

That's the attitude Northville Mustang Hockey coach Brad O'Neill has as the Mustangs prepare to kick off their season against arch rival Novi Friday. Not returning to the Mustang lineup this season is Sean Nappo, one of the teams' big guns last year. Nappo will play junior hockey this year, O'Neill said.

"Sure we'll miss Sean in the lineup. That's a big void for us to fill, but that's also good in a way because we don't have to focus on one player to do most of the scoring," O'Neill said. "And actually, I'd prefer that. I think we'll actually be a stronger team this year than last because we're looking for everyone to make a contribution."

About 40 players skated in tryouts for the team,

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Two Wildcats scramble for the puck at Monday's practice.

Hockey team looking to improve on 9-15-1 record of a year ago

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O'Neill said, which is the biggest turnout he's seen in his three years as Mustang head coach.

"I was really impressed with the number of kids that turned out, and the talent that was on the ice," O'Neill explained. "We had to make some tough decisions, and I think our team is well rounded."

O'Neill has 10 returning players from last year - Rob Ryan, Aaron Selwood, Jason Wilchowski, Tyler Sedam, Scott Schneider, Jason Engelland, Josh Block, Steve Lariche, Thom Snyder, and Adam Dilley - and will be joined by newcomers Tim Hillebrand, Kristian Balangero, Bill Sallotte, Adam Zold, Brandon Szotkowski, Brian Morrell, Scott Weyandt, Brett Cheaney, Mike Stewart, Jett Minch and Dave Stewart.

"This year we should be a better team overall," O'Neill said of his lineup. "The returning players now have the experience of having a year of high school hockey under their belts, and that's important."

O'Neill said the team has looked good in practice and that he was impressed with their play in a scrimmage game against Brighton.

"We're sharing the puck more and the passes are a lot crisper," he said. "I'm looking forward to having all players contribute."

O'Neill also said that returning goaltender Josh Block will get the nod as the starter, but that backup sophomore Dave Stewart will get some playing time as well. "There was some real good competition at the goaltender position during tryouts," O'Neill said. "Josh brings plenty of experience and will be our starter in net, but (Stewart) has looked real good in practice and will get some playing time."

Friday's season opener against Novi will be a good indicator as to how the team will look this season, O'Neill explained. "I expect this year the game will be a lot tighter than last year," he said. "They've got a year's worth of experience, they have talented players and a fine coaching staff. I expect them to be tough."

Novi looks to build on its strong defense...

Last year Novi struggled in the early going, losing its first nine games of the season. But the team turned things around and won their next six and finished the season with a respectable 9-15-1 record. Leading the charge in that late-season run was their defense, which will be the base for this year's team.

"My coaching philosophy is that defense wins championships and I still feel that although we have offensive firepower, we do have a good nucleus of our defense back that is familiar with our system," Novi coach Dan Phelps said. "I'm a strong believer that a strong defense creates an offense for a team. So we're not looking to win games 10-2, we're looking to win them 2-1. A win's a win."

Heading up the defense will be Jered Genso, Jeff Poulos, Dan Szlaga, Phil Stackowski and Brian Eberline. With four of six defensemen back from last year, Phelps hopes to rely on this unit to control the game.

The last line of defense for Novi will be its goaltenders, of which the team has three solid go-to-guys. Returning starter Beau Brandeau will lead the way.

"Beau is back," Phelps said. "He comes in as our number one starter, our MVP from last year. His play spoke for itself. It was very obvious that he earned the most valuable player award last year."

Phelps will also have junior Jeremy Goodman back, as well as newcomer Brian Markowicz, also a junior. "Both he and Jeremy are very good goaltenders. Right now Beau is number one going in, but you never know what can happen.

"They work well together in a three-goalie system," Phelps said.

Offensively, Phelps hopes his returning captain Travis Malott will help the team get on the board. Helping him will be newcomer Brad Zarem (AAA last year) and freshman Brian Jaussi.

"Going down the list they all have the capability to score," Phelps said. "Angelo Barduca, you can't forget him. He's a tough, little gritty player who knows how to put the puck in the net."

Gone from last year's team are (goalie) Brian Ward, (forwards) Chris Booth, Trevor Schneider, Rob Innis, Andy Saari, Geoff Paquette and (defensemen) Ryan Major and Matt Hoy.

Helping fill their vacancies are newcomers Robbie Harrell (AA), Jared Perras (AA) and Ryan Layton (transfer from John Glenn) along with Jaussi and Zarem.

"We're bringing in these new kids, and right now everything looks good on paper," the coach said. "Every year you look to fill in for the seniors you've lost. Well this year we've filled in for the seniors we've lost, plus.

"But the bottom line is how well they develop together and that will tell the tale."

Game time...

The Northville/Novi game will begin at 6 p.m. tomorrow night at the Novi Ice Arena, which is home to both teams. Northville will be the home team for tomorrow's game.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Wildcat skaters huddle around coach Dan Phelps during a team practice Monday.

Novi doubles teams make second team

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so in impressive fashion.

Roemer posted a 9-5 record at No. 1 singles after Holt went down with a wrist injury. She lost to Milford's Molly Heyn twice at No. 1 singles, but beat the Redskins' Meg Lowry in the first dual meet of the season.

Roemer was a regional semifinalist and had a 15-9 record overall.

AnneMarie Jasieniecki
Milford Freshman

Jasieniecki played beyond her years, losing only two matches all season as Milford's third singles player. She was KVC champion, then won her first round match at the regional tournament. Her final record was 17-2.

Jessica Hunt
Lakeland Junior

"She ended up being our best player by the time the end of the season rolled around," Lakeland coach Gerhard Schubert said.

Though she finished up at .500, Hunt played her best tennis when it mattered. At the KVC tournament she avenged two regular season losses to clinch the league title at fourth singles. During the regular season Hunt also won her flight at the Walled Lake Western invitational.

Tara Stevens
Novi Senior
Christina Cypher
Novi Junior

Stevens is perhaps the best doubles player the school has seen. Cypher could match Steven's efforts by the time she graduates next season.

The duo were 17-2 at first doubles this year, winning the KVC crown and failing to lose a set. In fact, Stevens and Cypher lost just six sets all season long, and just one in 14 conference matches.

Stevens has a 55-16 career mark at Novi, one less win than 1999 graduate Sarah Pipas, who holds the school record with 56 wins. Cypher was 21-2 overall this season.

"If we ever had a sure point, it was Stevens and Cypher," Hanson said.

Karen Andrews
Novi Junior
Emily Dinsmore
Novi Junior

This doubles team really got it clicking after the halfway point of the season. They racked up nine straight wins before bowing out to Ann Arbor Pioneer in the regional semifinals. Along the way the pair won the KVC title with wins over Howell, Milford and Brighton. The latter two wins came in three sets.

"If anyone played the most three setters, they did," Hanson said. "In tough matches they came through. They were 4-0 in three-set matches."

Both junior varsity members last year, Andrews and Dinsmore posted a 17-5 record together. Dinsmore was 19-6 overall and Andrews had an 18-6 record.

Janina Hahn
Novi Senior
Nicole Hapanowicz
Novi Junior

After seeing time with many other partners throughout the season, this pair combined efforts to finish runnerup at the KVC meet. Hahn finished the season with a 7-6 record and Hapanowicz was 10-9 overall.

"Hapanowicz is a very aggressive doubles player, someone who improved vastly over the summer," Hanson said. "She'll represent some of our depth next season."

Mami Ito
Novi Senior
Sarah Ehlers
Novi Sophomore

They didn't play the entire year together, but when they did they were impressive. As a unit, Ito and Ehlers were 7-1 and KVC champions. The defeated Brighton in three sets to help propel the Wildcats to the league tournament win and a share of the league title.

Individually, Ito was 11-4 and Ehlers 11-5 on the season.

"Ito never played all the time on the varsity, but she came through when we needed her to in the end," Hanson said. "With her and Ehlers, I was trying all kinds of combinations, and when it was all said and done these two came through."

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The U-10 Hawks recently finished undefeated in round-robin play at the at the Orange and Blue cup.

U-10 Hawks makes name for itself

The U-10 Michigan Hawks soccer team is making quite a name for itself. The Hawks recently returned from the prestigious Orange and Blue Fall Cup in Champaign, Ill., having finished as the only team undefeated in round-robin play. The team beat JB Marine out of St. Louis 3-1 before knocking off the Carmel Crusaders from Indiana 1-0 in their second game. They also pounded the Little Illini Soccer club 7-0 before tying a team from Libertyville, Ill. 2-2.

The Hawks reached the finals of the Oakland University Soccer World Classic last month, outscoring their opponents 26-1 to reach the championship game. They lost to the LA Dynamite in a shootout after tying them 1-1 in regulation.

The team is coached by Tiffany Graves and include Katie Chaklos, Alyssa Fraser and Jamie Fratto of Novi, Kyle Richard of Northville, Alyssa Curtis (Brighton), Jalese DiBiasi (Allen Park), Allison Eckler (Farmington Hills), Alyssa Wombwell (Grand Blanc), Courtney Whalen and Kathleen Griffith of Livonia, Sara Ross (Canton), Sloane Levin (Hamburg) and Kelsey Kassab (Pinckney).

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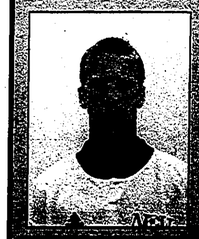
Joe Irimescu - Senior

Irimescu followed former Novi standout Alan Lyskawa's lead, being named HomeTown Newspaper's player of the year for 1999.

The senior had nine goals and a team-leading 14 assists this year. He had four assists in Novi's 6-2 win over Dearborn in the regional semifinals. He was named to his second all-area first team squad this season.

Ryan Rzepka - Senior



Along with Irimescu, Rzepka earned second team all-state honors after helping his team to the state quarterfinals. [illegible]

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ALL AREA SOCCER

First Team

Name	School	Grade	Position
Joe Irimescu	Novi	Senior	Forward
Ryan Rzepka	Novi	Senior	Midfielder
Scott Jettie	Novi	Senior	Midfield
Frank Raburn	Novi	Senior	Defender
Tim Kelleher	Northville	Junior	Midfield
Brandon Bethell	Northville	Senior	Forward
Erik Anderson	Northville	Senior	Midfielder
Chris Ming	Milford	Senior	Defender
Pat Lombardo	Milford	Senior	Defender
Tim Haffey	South Lyon	Senior	Defender
Mark Poniatowski	Milford	Senior	Forward

Second Team

Name	School	Grade	Position
Brandon Davis	Novi	Sophomore	Forward
Nick Slovan	Novi	Junior	Goalkeeper
Sean Thompson	Novi	Junior	Midfielder
Eric Bitell	Northville	Junior	Midfielder
Peter Klauser	Northville	Sophomore	Midfielder
Tony Wampler	Northville	Senior	Defender
Keith McCaffery	Milford	Sophomore	Goalkeeper
Larry Richardson	Milford	Senior	Defender
Shaun Jordan	South Lyon	Senior	Defender
Jonathon Hernandez	South Lyon	Junior	Forward
Nick Younce	South Lyon	Senior	Goalkeeper

Honorable mention

Lakeland - Brandon Genson, Mike Rasch, Mike Klausing
Milford - Lance Jambeck, Shaun Katona, Kerry Kramer
Northville - Jon McClory, Dustin Kubas, Travis Bliss
Novi - Vince Slovan, Kevin Callender, Mike Crawford
South Lyon - Paul Bursick

HomeTown's Player of the Year — Joe Irimescu Novi

Irimescu earns top honor

Novi senior is HomeTown player of the year

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understood how good of a player he was and they voted him to the all-WLAA team. He and Bethell were two of just 12 players selected from the entire conference.

Erik Anderson
Northville senior

Another three-year Mustang, Anderson made the move from defense to the midfield this year. Last season he was a second-team all-area selection, and after scoring three goals and adding two assists, he makes the move up to the first team this season. He also won the highest senior grade point average award for his team (3.96).

Tim Haffey
South Lyon senior

Haffey was a four-year varsity player. For the final two of those seasons he was an All-KVC and all-district selection. He was a South Lyon co-captain.

"Tim was very dependable as our defensive sweeper," Lions coach Bill Stevanovic said. "He was the most talented and knowledgeable player on our team."

Pat Lombardo
Milford senior

Milford coach Dave Poniatowski said once Lombardo smooths out the rough edges of the game, not only could he be a good college player, but one with professional potential. Already, he excels at every aspect of the game.

"He can defend, he can attack," Poniatowski said, "he has speed, size, great skill, scoring ability, an outstanding attitude. He leads by example and makes everyone around him a better player."

A third-year varsity player, Lombardo led Milford with six assists.

Chris Ming
Milford senior

Milford's team MVP, Ming was a rock at the sweeper position.

"He was virtually impassable," Redskins coach Dave Poniatowski said. "His defensive positioning is second to none. His ability to read the opposition's attack is as good as I've ever seen. His speed, size and strength make him a dominant player."

Ming was a goal scorer from the back line, putting five in the net. He also tallied four assists.

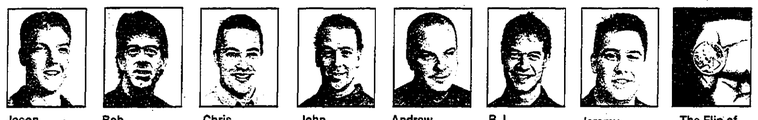
Mark Poniatowski
Milford senior

"This player has the most impressive shot that I have ever witnessed at the high school level, and in many cases, beyond," Milford coach Dave Poniatowski — Mark's brother — said. "He doesn't have great speed, size or strength. He makes up for that with heart and ability. When every team in the conference knows about a certain player's ability and attempts to stop that player but still fails, that's when you recognize you're working with something special."

Poniatowski was Milford's top goal scorer with seven, and for the second-straight season led the team in points, with 12.

Hot Picks

The second season of football picks has begun, and everyone will be trying to top the defending champion, Jason Schmitt. This year we've even given the coin a chance, so hopefully, everyone has at least a 50 percent chance of finishing out of last place...we hope!



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Alabama at Auburn	Alabama	Alabama	Auburn	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama	Auburn
Florida St. at Florida	Florida St.	Florida St.	Florida St.	Florida	Florida St.	Florida	Florida St.	Florida St.
Penn St. at Michigan State	Penn St.	Penn St.	MSU	MSU	Penn St.	Penn St.	MSU	MSU
New England at Miami	Miami	New England	New England	Miami	Miami	New England	New England	Miami
Buffalo at NY Jets	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	NY Jets
Detroit at Green Bay	Green Bay	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Green Bay	Detroit	Green Bay	Green Bay
NY Giants at Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	NY Giants	NY Giants
St. Louis at San Francisco	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis	San Francisco	St. Louis
Dallas at Arizona	Dallas	Arizona	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Arizona	Dallas	Arizona
Last Week	8-2	8-2	8-2	8-2	4-6	5-5	7-3	5-5
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Health Column

U-M doctors helping cancer survivors

Modern medicine has made amazing advances during recent decades, especially when it comes to fighting cancer. However, in an ironic twist, pediatric cancer survivors are faced with a unique set of problems because of these advances.

Long-term effects include problems with growth and development, complications from prior surgery, organ system abnormalities from drugs and radiation therapies, potential problems with fertility, and the small but real risk of the development of new cancers.

"It's really amazing because many of these patients have a complete lack of understanding of what drugs they received, what therapies they received, and in many instances, they don't even remember much of what they went through," said Dr. Valerie Cast, a pediatric oncologist with the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center and director of the Late Effects Clinic.

Cure rates for pediatric cancers have risen dramatically during the past 20 years. It's estimated that by next year, one in every 900 adults, age 16 to 44, will be a survivor of pediatric cancer. These survivors face unique challenges as they become adults and move through life. They need to know what they went through as children and how it may impact them now and what ongoing and future problems they should anticipate.

With this in mind, the U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center has created the Late Effects Clinic to help pediatric cancer survivors answer questions about their medical condition, their medical histories and assist them as they move through life. This is a new and evolving area of medical treatment. Many of these survivors would have died in an earlier generation, so there's a limited, but growing body of knowledge on what happens with pediatric cancer survivors 20 or so years after first treatment.

"When we talk about survival rates in pediatric malignancies, we now realize that diseases that were uniformly fatal 40 years ago are now curable up to 75 percent to 80 percent of the time depending on the malignancy," said Marcia Leonard, a registered nurse and coordinator with the U-M Late Effects Clinic. "We've learned, however, that survival comes at a price for a great deal of these children. There are organ systems that were adversely affected because they were growing and developing at the time of cancer therapy."

Many of the patients were infants or very young children when they were diagnosed and treated, and their parents did not keep detailed records, so their understanding of their disease is limited. Patients who come to the Late Effects Clinic receive a comprehensive review of what their disease is, what treatments they received as children, and how both may impact their life now and in the future.

"We all know that our understanding of these diseases and the side effects from therapy is continuing to evolve, so one of our major roles is to remove the misinformation and provide our patients with good solid medical information that allows them to appropriately define what their medical needs may be in the future," Castle said.

Castle said issues facing the survivor go far beyond just their medical treatments.

"It's their psychological well being, it's issues related to their insurability and their employer," said Castle. "We've had many instances where we've been able to intervene on behalf of the patient to reassure an employer that the patient is a good candidate. One of our major roles has to be an advocate for the patient and we take that role very seriously."

The Late Effects Clinic is held once a month and is primarily run by a physician, two nurse practitioners and a social worker. Leonard points out that the clinic staff receive valuable assistance from a large number of doctors in various subspecialties, such as cardiology, obstetrics and gynecology, radiation therapy, endocrinology and others throughout the health system.

"I think, first and foremost, we teach our patients to be advocates for their own health and to be good health care consumers," said Leonard. "These patients have many unique needs that they need to be aware of and they need to be aware that they are responsible for much of the follow-up care they're going to receive. It's very important for survivors to help educate the people who are going to take care of them."

University of Michigan Health System submitted this story.

UM-FACTS

Facts about pediatric cancer and survivorship:

- By 2000, one in every 900 adults, age 16 to 44, will be a survivor of pediatric cancer.
- Many cancers that were uniformly fatal 40 years ago are now curable up to 75 percent to 80 percent of the time depending on the malignancy.
- Long-term effects related to a patient's cancer and subsequent therapy include problems with growth and development, complications from prior surgery, organ system abnormalities from drugs and radiation therapies, potential problems with fertility and the development of second malignancies.

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Cancer Support Group

"Focus On Living," a self-help group for cancer patients and their families, meets the first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia.

Co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society, "Focus on Living" provides an opportunity to discuss concerns, obtain answers and gain support from others who share the same experiences.

Registration is not necessary, and there is no charge to attend.

For more information, call (313) 655-2922, or toll free 1-800-494-1650.

Diabetes Education

This comprehensive program includes self-monitoring of blood glucose, diet and meal planning, disease management with exercise, potential complications of the disease, and presentations by a pharmacist and a podiatrist.

This is a continuously revolving six-week program held on Monday evenings from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Providence Medical Office Center, Ten Mile and Haggerty roads. There is a $20 fee.

Call (248) 424-3903 to register.

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) 473-5600.0, 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.

Northville dominates all-area team

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above the rest, and her Western Lakes' title at the top singles spot showed her dominance throughout the season.

She was a regional finalist and bowed out against Okemos at the state tournament. Mills beat Novi's Sarah Holt 6-2, 6-1 in Northville's 6-2 win over the Wildcats early in the season.

"She improved a lot from last season," her coach Uta Filkin said. "She was more powerful this year, that was the biggest difference. She's always had great ground strokes."

Kerry Woolfall
Northville junior

After having held down the No. 1 singles spot her sophomore year, Woolfall had few problems adjusting down to the second slot. The junior finished the season with a remarkable 24-4 record, which included a loss to Farmington by default. She was the WLAA champion and went on to win a regional title as well.

But Woolfall has always been at her best at the state meet. She won the state title at third singles as a freshman, and reached the state semifinals this year before losing to Portage Northern's Ashley Smith.

"Only her knee problems in the off-season kept her from playing No. 1 this year," her coach said. "She's a tremendous athlete."

Lauren West
Northville sophomore

A victim of a talented team, West could have played No. 1 singles on most others. She had a near flawless 25-2 record. Her only losses were to Birmingham Marian at the state tournament and against former teammate, Marta Walasek, who transferred to Ann Arbor Huron and won a state title in Division I.

"She was just outstanding for us," Filkin said. "We were hoping she'd go far in the state tournament, but she just had a bad day at states."

West was the WLAA champion and did not lose a game in three matches en route to capturing the regional title.

Carolyn Vermeulen
Novi sophomore

Like most fourth-singles players, Vermeulen's best asset was her competitive nature, her ability to give 110 percent every time she stepped out onto the court.

Because of that, Vermeulen finished the season with a 17-7 record at both third and fourth singles. The sophomore split her two matches with Lakeland's Jessica Hunt, defeating her in straight sets in their first meeting and falling in three sets in the conference finals.

She went on to reach the regional semifinals before bowing out to Ann Arbor Huron.

Nicole Lindholm
Northville senior
Joanna Lee
Northville junior

This duo was 21-3 when playing with each other in 1999. They lost just two games at the regional tournament, taking that title as they did at the WLAA tourney. Although they didn't play as a pair against Novi, Lindholm and Lauren Farris teamed up to top Novi's No. 1 team 6-2, 6-3 in their dual match.

"Joanna didn't want to play doubles at first, she wanted to play singles," Filkin said. "So it took her a little bit of time to get used to it."

The pair went on to reach the state quarterfinals before falling to Birmingham Seaholm 1-6, 5-7.

Sarah Poirer
Northville sophomore
Lauren Farris
Northville sophomore

Best friends in school and on the court, this Northville team posted a 22-3 record this year. Farris and Poirer played every match but one (Novi) together, winning the conference and regional titles with relative ease. Actually, it did take them three sets to defeat Harrison in the regional finals.

"They adjusted to each other and played well together," Filkin said. "They played the most three-set matches on the team, but they always told me, 'Don't worry coach, we have a plan.'"

Rachel Huang
Northville junior
Emily Stevenson
Northville junior

A prototypical doubles team — when one needed to be picked up, the other one was there for her. Stevenson and Huang picked up 22 wins in 1999, against just six defeats. A team that "hit it off very well," according to their coach, this pair won the WLAA title and went on to finish as regional runnerups to North Farmington.

They fought hard, but lost to Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central 5-7, 3-6 in the second round of the state tournament.

Emily Krywko
Northville junior
Jamie Lindholm
Northville freshman

Not too many teams were able to beat this duo in 1999. Krywko and Lindholm were 16-2 at fourth doubles and epitomized the depth of Northville's tennis program. They were Western Lakes' champions at the flight.

"Jamie has very nice volleys," Filkin said. "I can see her following in the footsteps of her sister (Nicole). And Emily can play singles if needed, but is a more productive doubles player."

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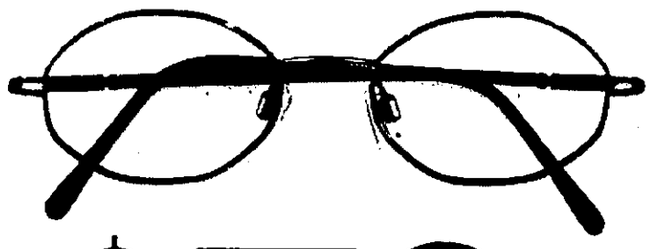

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