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Deal to settle wild and wooly parking dispute?



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

A tentative agreement could allow Woolly Bully's rock 'n' roll diner and the Highland Lakes Shopping Center to share parking accommodations at their Seven Mile Road location, but last-minute complications have arisen.

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

It took less than two weeks for Northville Township Police Chief Chip Snider to do what lawyers, judges and businessmen couldn't do in five months.

Or did it?
Last Friday, Snider managed to get the owners of Woolly Bully's and the Highland Lakes Shopping Center to verbally agree to a 90-day shared parking arrangement. But what the two adversaries agreed to last week is not what center owner Bill Autry submitted to Woolly Bully's owner Mark Roman for his signature this week.

The first business day after Snider struck a deal with the two businessmen, Autry failed to capture the essence of the deal in writing, Roman claimed.

Roman said he isn't going to sign the deal because it's more — a lot more — than what he bargained for with Snider.

Under the terms of the verbal agreement, Roman would lease 200 parking spaces at night and 70 spaces during the day in Autry's center parking lot for \$3,000 a month.

In exchange for the additional parking, Roman agreed to maintain and clean up the debris in Autry's lot and keep the chain link fence that divides the property lines in place.

Autry also agreed to install a gate in the northern portion of the fence to allow traffic to travel between the Woolly Bully's and Highland Lakes parking lots, Snider said.

"It really doesn't matter much to me . . . After 90 days, I'm hopeful that both parties will realize that the parking agreement is in their best interests and continue it."

CHIP SNIDER
Police Chief

The shopping center owner also agreed to not tow cars out of his parking lot as he has done since Roman's patrons have been parking in his lot.

But the written deal Autry is presenting strays largely from the original agreement the two cut with Snider last week. Roman said Autry has added several other conditions that were not mentioned in the Snider plan, two of which are that Roman must provide security for the center lot and that Autry has the right to terminate the agreement after 30 days.

"The best agreement I think I can get is a 30-day agreement, a month-

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Cable consultant urges board to seek rate control

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

Northville township residents may hold the authority to regulate basic cable television service rates if township trustees file the required application with the Federal Communications Commission in time.

Township trustees will find out tonight at a special board meeting what needs to be done to ensure that they gain control over soaring basic cable television rates.

Dennis Fassett, president of Cable Management Associates Inc. and the township's cable consultant from Belleville, is expected to be at tonight's meeting to encourage trustees to file the FCC request to certify the township to establish rate regulation.

Fassett said certification will be deemed

acceptable if after 30 days Omnicom, the local cable provider, doesn't challenge the request. Upon approval, the township would then be required to draft an ordinance on cable rate regulation within 120 days of the application approval.

He hinted that it might also be in the township's interests to hold public hearings on the issue.

Fassett said the federal Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992 restored municipalities' rights to set cable television rates. Provisions of the new act had not been ironed out until June of this year, leaving just three months before communities would have to file the FCC request to meet a Sept. 15 deadline.

"That act means that local communities could get back into regulating cable rates but

only the rates of the lowest basic services," Fassett said.

The act reverses a decision made in 1984 that allowed cable operators to determine rates. Fassett said the Cable and Communications Act of 1984 took the authority to regulate rates away from local officials and put the power to set rates into the hands of cable operators.

But that has all changed now with the new legislation and Fassett hopes the township takes advantage of the ruling and files for certification.

As the cable consultant under contract with the township, Fassett said most of the municipalities he works with intend to file their applications as a means of reducing soaring rates. While few cable television operators favor the measure, Fassett said it is

really the only way municipalities can regain control.

"Cable rates have increased dramatically and have gone well beyond the rate of inflation," he said. "Congress thinks cable representatives have taken advantage of the system and (with this measure) they have essentially restored the communities' rights to regulate cable fees."

Cable rates in Northville Township are the third highest in cost per channel among the 11 municipalities Fassett surveyed in Wayne County for the township's annual audit. The Performance and Compliance Audit is done annually just before municipalities renew their franchise agreements. A 45-minute summary of the audit will also be discussed at tonight's meeting, Fassett said.

"The audit measures the compliance with

the terms of the franchise agreement," Fassett said.

He said Omnicom has met all the terms of the franchise agreement which was drafted up with the township in 1979.

Even though the executive summary he provided to township trustees to accompany his annual report indicates that the terms of the franchise agreement have been met, he says the township's system could use an update.

"The Omnicom system's cable network technology configuration has been substantially surpassed through the present application of AM fiber optics," he writes in his summary. "This new technology now being utilized within the cable industry is consid-

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District opens doors for new school year

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer

The buildings are ready. The staff is set.

It's time to get going. A new year is under way for students in the Northville Public School District.

"The hiatus is over with," Northville school Superintendent Leonard Reznierski declared Tuesday. "The buildings are anxiously awaiting students and staff . . ."

Actually, the staff reported to work Monday and Tuesday, both in-service days, while the annual welcome back orientation was held yesterday morning at the high school.

Students report for a half-day of school today (morning classes only

for kindergarten) while the first full day of classes begins tomorrow.

There is no school on Monday, Labor Day. School will resume at its regular time on Tuesday.

High School students begin classes at 7:30 a.m. and are dismissed at 2:05 p.m. Meads Mill and Cooke middle school students start school at 8:15 a.m. and are dismissed at 2:45 p.m. Amerman, Moraine, Silver Springs and Winchester elementary schools start at 9 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m.

Students attending the Bryant Center need to report from 8:45 a.m. to 2:05 p.m. while Old Village students attend classes from 9:15 a.m. to 2:35 p.m.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Allen Terrace resident Clayton Myers points to one of several cars that were vandalized in the senior complex overnight Aug. 26/27.

Vandals terrorize seniors' parking lot

By STEVE KELLMAN
Staff Writer

Thousands of dollars in damage was done to dozens of cars parked at Allen Terrace and other city locations last weekend, and one irate resident is offering a reward to find those responsible.

According to city police reports, vandals attacked at least 23 cars parked in Allen Terrace's lot between 10:30 p.m. Aug. 26 and 9:30 a.m. Aug. 27.

All had emblems including hood ornaments and trunk lock covers torn off them, and several sustained hundreds of dollars worth of damage when the vandals scratched up their paint with sharp instruments.

One car had an obscenity scratched into its trunk and two had swastikas carved into their surfaces.

Preliminary estimates placed the value of the stolen items at \$860 and estimated the cost of damages at \$1,035, though final damage costs are likely to be much higher.

An Allen Terrace resident whose car was vandalized told police she heard a scratching noise sometime between 4:30-5 a.m. that Saturday, but did not think to report it at the time.

Four cars parked at Northville Green Apartments, 755 Randolph St., also were attacked that night, as was a car parked in front of a 715 Randolph St. apartment.

In similar cases two weeks ago, hood ornaments were stolen off Lincolns on Williamsburg Court and

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LABOR DAY EARLY DEADLINES

Monday Buyers Directory; Pinckney, Hartland, Fowlerville Shopping Guides; Pinckney, Hartland, Fowlerville Buyers Directory; and Wednesday Buyers Directory deadlines will be Thursday, September 2, at 3:30 p.m.

Monday Green Sheet and Wednesday Green Sheet deadlines will be September 3, at 3:30 p.m.

Community Calendar

Got an event you want people to know about? We'll be glad to include it in the "Community Calendar." Just submit it to the newspaper office, 104 W. Main St., by mail or in person; or fax items to 359-1060. The deadline is 4 p.m. Monday for that Thursday's calendar or 4 p.m. Thursday for the following Monday's.

TODAY, SEPTEMBER 2

SCHOOL'S OPEN: Northville Schools open for a half-day of classes (and a.m. kindergarten). Friday, Sept. 3, will be the first full day of classes.

FARMERS MARKET: The Northville Farmers Market runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the northwest corner of Center Street and Seven Mile Road. A variety of plants and fresh produce will be available.

TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 9 a.m. at the Northville Area Senior Citizens Center, 215 W. Cady. For more information call 420-0569.

NEW LIFE BIBLE STUDY: A neighborhood non-denominational Bible study offers two different classes this year, "Discovering New Life" and New Testament studies. Classes run from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Northville on Eight Mile at Taft. Baby-sitting provided. Newcomers welcome any time. For more information call Sybil at 349-0006 or Pam at 349-8899.

SENIOR PINOCCHLE: Area seniors are invited to play pinocchle today from 12:30-4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, located at 215 W. Cady St. in the Scout Building.

MILL RACE EMBROIDERERS: The Mill Race chapter of the Embroiders Guild of America meets at 7:30 p.m. in the second floor banquet room of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, 113 S. Center St. For more information contact President Cheryl Green at 525-1511.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: A non-denominational Bible Study Group will meet at 8 a.m. at the Northville Crossing Restaurant, located on Northville Road south of Seven Mile. For more information call Clayton Graham at 349-5515.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES: The Northville Arts Commission's Summer Clock Concerts continue at 7:30 p.m. with a performance by the Silver Strings Dulcimer Society at the downtown bandshell. Admission is free.

OES: The Orient Chapter, No. 77, Order of the Eastern Star, meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

U.S. AIR FORCE JAZZ ENSEMBLE: The highly acclaimed United States Air Force "Night Flight" Jazz Ensemble will perform in the gazebo in downtown Northville between 3-4:30 p.m. These 20 active-duty Air Force musicians, under the direction of Senior Master Sgt. Tony N. Whack, consistently demonstrate the Air Force Band of Flight's commitment to musical excellence by combining the best in traditional and contemporary jazz styles to produce a uniquely exciting program. The Air Force Band of Flight has received four Air Force Outstanding Unit awards and numerous civilian citations in recognition of its outstanding service.

The Northville Chamber of Commerce invites all to bring their chairs and enjoy this Labor Day weekend concert.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

SINGLE PLACE SUNDAY MORNING GATHERING: Single Place will meet from 10-10:45 a.m. in the library lounge at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St. The gathering is open to single adults, regardless of church affiliation, for fellowship and learning. For more information, call 349-0911.

RAISING KIDS ALONE: This support group for single parents meets at 11 a.m. in room 10 of the First United Methodist Church of Northville. Public welcome. The facilitator is Carol Haveranek, M.A., educator and psychologist.

SINGLE PLACE BRUNCH: Single Place will meet at 12:30 p.m. for brunch at Main Centre Grille, 146 S. Center St., Northville. The group is organized for the purpose of providing friendship, caring and sharing for all single adults. Everyone is welcome; just come in and ask for Single Place.

MILL RACE OPEN: Mill Race Historical Village, on Griswold above Main, will be open from 2 to 5 p.m. with trained docents offering tours.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING: Family Home Care Inc., in conjunction with Northville Pharmacy, offers free blood pressure screening from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the pharmacy, 134 E. Main.

SENIOR PINOCCHLE: Area seniors are invited to play pinocchle today and Thursday from 12:30-4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, located at 215 W. Cady St. in the Scout Building.

SENIOR BRIDGE GROUP: Area seniors are invited to play bridge today and Wednesday from 12:15-3:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, located at 215 W. Cady St. in the Scout Building.

KIWANIS: Northville Kiwanis meets at 8:30 p.m. at VFW Post 4012, 438 S. Main St.

MOTOR CITY SPEAK EASY TOASTMASTERS CLUB: The Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters Club of Northville meets from 7 to 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile. For more information call Barbara Wold at 464-4199. Visitors are welcome.

NORTHVILLE MASONIC ORGANIZATION: Northville Masons meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

NORTHVILLE CITY COUNCIL: Northville City Council meets at 8 p.m. at City Hall, 215 W. Main.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

NYA ADVISORY COUNCIL: The Northville Youth Assistance Advisory Council meets at 8:30 a.m. in Cooke Middle School, Room 2.

SENIOR VOLLEYBALL: Area seniors are invited to play volleyball and other indoor sports at 9:30 a.m. at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main St. For more information call the center at 349-0203 or Karl Peters at 349-4140.

NORTHVILLE ROTARY: The Northville Rotary Club meets at noon in the Bell Fellowship Hall at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. Today's program is "How to Make the Right Decision" with Guy Balok of the Northville Fire Department.

KING'S DAUGHTERS AND SONS: The King's Daughters and Sons, Mizpah Circle, meets at noon for a spread and business meeting. The program is to be announced. The meeting is at the First United Methodist Church, Eight Mile at Taft.

MIDWEST RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY: The Midwest Radio Control Society meets from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main. A youth program is also available. For more information, stop by a meeting.

VFW: Veterans of Foreign Wars Northville Post 4012 meets at 8 p.m. at the post home, 438 S. Main St.

CITY PLANNERS: The Northville City Planning Commission meets at 8 p.m. at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St.

EAGLES AUXILIARY: The auxiliary of Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 2504 meets at 8 p.m. at 113 S. Center St.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

KIWANIS-EARLY BIRDS: The Kiwanis Club of Northville-Early Birds meets at 7 a.m. at the Northville Senior Citizens Center, 215 W. Cady.

YOUTH SERVICE FORUM: The Northville Youth Service Forum meets at 9 a.m. at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main.

WEIGHT WATCHERS: Weight Watchers meet at 9:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main. Doors open 45 minutes before scheduled meeting time. For more information call 1-800-487-4777.

SENIOR BRIDGE GROUP: Area seniors are invited to play bridge today from 12:15-3:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, located at 215 W. Cady St. in the Scout Building.

CIVIL AIR PATROL: Civil Air Patrol, Mustang Cadet Squadron, meets at 7 p.m. at the Northville VFW Post 4012, located at 438 S. Main St. Everyone over the age of 13 is encouraged to view the activities.

SINGLE PLACE: Single Place meets at 7:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main. Donation \$4. For more information call 349-0911.

RECREATION COMMISSION: The Northville Recreation Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. at Northville Township Hall. Call 349-0203 for location.


THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

CHAMBER BOARD MEETS: The Northville Community Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets at 7:30 a.m. at the chamber building, 195 S. Main.

MUSIC BOOSTERS MEETING: The Northville Music Boosters will hold a general membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room at NHS. Upcoming fundraising activities will be discussed.


FARMERS MARKET: The Northville Farmers Market runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the northwest corner of Center Street and Seven Mile Road. A variety of plants and fresh produce will be available.

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News Briefs

CORRECTION: The caption on a photograph on page 5 of the Aug. 30 edition misidentified the drummer shown in that picture. He should have been identified as Glenn MacQueen.

FESTIVAL SIGN-UP TIME: The 5th annual Northville Victorian Festival is scheduled for Sept. 17-19 and non-profit clubs and organizations are again being given the opportunity to operate their own booths.

Registration forms and information are available by contacting Sue Anker, 349-8425, or Sarah Minor, 348-8568.

PHOTOGRAPHER NEEDED: The Northville Community Chamber of Commerce is in need of a competent photographer to volunteer to take pictures of the Victorian Festival, Sept. 17-19. The chamber will pay film and processing costs. Call 349-7640 to volunteer.

JOIN THE PARADE: Those interested in participating in the Victorian Festival parade Friday evening, Sept. 17, are invited to call 348-5022 to reserve a place in the parade line-up. In keeping with the period, no motorized vehicles will be permitted.

STORYTIME AT LIBRARY: Northville Public Library's Preschool Storytime registration begins Thursday, Sept. 9. Children 3½ to 5 years old and not yet in kindergarten may enroll for one of two series of three Wednesday programs. The Sept. 22-Oct. 6 session will meet at 1 p.m. and the Oct. 13-27 session will meet at 11:30 a.m. Children should arrive 10 minutes early and parents must remain in the library during the ¼ hour program. To register, visit the library or call 349-3020.

MOTHERS CLUB: Northville Mothers' Club is organizing for this season's Ladies' Marathon Bridge. There are openings in the day groups and the beginnings of an additional evening group. Please call Linda Clark at 349-6945 for more information. The proceeds from the event benefit Northville school children.

NHS band will play Montreux

Northville High School's jazz ensemble has been invited to perform at the Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival for the third year in a row.

Band members will be entertaining the crowds on the river front at the Pylon Stage from 2:25 to 3:10 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 5. Admission is free.

School bill not as painful as feared

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Suburban school districts won't be as badly hurt by the new \$3.5 billion state school aid bill as they feared.

The Michigan Legislature Tuesday adopted a money bill that contains fewer "Robin Hood" items than an earlier Senate-passed version.

"It's like taking two poison tablets instead of 10," said Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, who opposed the measure because of harm to the Southfield, Farmington and Novi school districts. "It still makes you woozy, but you're not dead."

"It increases the local costs of Social Security that historically were paid by the state. But it's not as much as they could have lost," Faxon said.

"On balance," said Rick Simonson, legislative agent for Oakland Intermediate School District, "what I'm hearing is that our schools prefer this to some of the alternatives."

"Probably the best bill we're gonna get," agreed Gerald Dunn, lobbyist for 10 Wayne and Oakland county districts. "It's decent for the in-formula districts (those eligible for state aid) and respectable for the out-of-formulas (such as Northville). Retirement wasn't touched."

"I'm going up north this evening,"

said Rep. Maxine Berman, D-Southfield. "I always vote no on it anyway. The retirement part is OK. I'm surprised the in-formula districts are going along with it."

The compromise version emerged at 6 p.m. Tuesday from a Senate-House conference committee and was passed that evening by a 20 to 17 Senate vote (one excused absence). The House tally was not available at presstime. Faxon was the lone member of the conference committee to oppose it.

Here are key elements of the bill for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1:

● **Retirement** — The state will continue to pick up 95 percent of the cost of pensions for school district employees instead of shifting those costs to local districts. Retirement costs will be up \$100 million. Since the total available money will be up only \$40 million, operating money actually will drop \$60 million.

● **FICA, for Federal Insurance Contributions Act (Social Security and Medicare)**, which the state paid entirely in past years — Lansing will shift 25 percent of the cost to poorer districts (those with less than \$125,000 in property values per pupil); give nothing to the richest districts (those with \$250,000 per pupil); and grant something between zero and 75 percent for those in be-

tween. "This takes away FICA from all the richest districts," said Oakland's Simonson.

● **"Recapture,"** the practice of voting categorical aid (for such programs as special ed and bilingual instruction) and then taking away the money from richer districts — It will rise 20 percent to \$87 million next year from the current \$72 million.

● **Adult education** — It will be funded at 80 percent of past levels. This was good news to lobbyist Dunn, who feared even harsher cuts.

● **Tax base sharing** — It's repealed. Districts which had paid into an escrow account will get back their money, plus interest, Faxon noted with satisfaction. The tax base sharing law required richer districts, mainly in the suburbs, to share half their commercial and industrial property tax growth with poorer districts. No dollars ever were shared, however, because the law was challenged in the courts.

Gov. John Engler is expected to sign the school aid measure.

Area Senators voting yes on House Bill 4464 were Fred Dillingham, R-Fowlerville; Robert Geake, R-Northville; and David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield.

Senators voting no were Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, and Lana Pollack, D-Ann Arbor. Despite

the indications of local legislators, the final tally was not a partisan vote. Legislators broke party ranks in many areas of the state.

The House roll call vote was not available at presstime.

The final version was closer to the House-passed version than to what emerged from the Senate and what Gov. Engler wanted.

Engler wanted to remove all FICA and retirement funding, put the money into general state aid, and let the 562 school districts decide how to spend it. That approach would have cut millions from suburban out-of-formula districts that get no state aid.

Some of the annual furor over cutting suburban school money was dissipated this year because of the Legislature's July decision to eliminate local school property taxes as a source of 65 percent of local school money. It means that Lansing next year will have almost total control of school funding. The tug-of-war between rich and poor districts over business property taxes is likely to be gone.

Statewide, the new aid bill raises state spending on public elementary and secondary schools by 0.5 percent. With 0.5 percent fewer pupils anticipated, the bill amounts to a 1 percent per pupil increase.

Northville is 'cautiously optimistic'

By MICHELLE HARRISON
Staff Writer

Cautiously optimistic is how one would describe Northville school Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski's mood Wednesday morning.

Early Tuesday evening, a Senate-House conference committee

reached a compromise on provisions in the state School Aid Act. The act passed later that evening by a 20 to 17 Senate vote. The House tally was not available at presstime.

Rezmierski had anxiously awaited the move.

The superintendent said he was reserving judgement until he either saw checks flowing to the district from the state or had notification that the district wouldn't have to write out any checks itself.

"As soon as I get a hard copy (of the act) — there needs to be some interpretation of what it really means," Rezmierski said, deferring comment on the new bill. "It may sound lofty but sometimes what you see printed on paper may not be what you get."

Rezmierski said he's happy, however, that the Legislature has finally made a decision on the state aid act, which sets the formula for monies given to in-formula schools.

Although Northville is an out-of-

formula district, the state aid act does provide the school with categorical funding for items such as transportation, special education, gifted programs, retirement and FICA (Federal Insurance Contributions Act).

Although Northville officials had feared the district would have to foot the bill for retirement and FICA costs, it appears the price tag won't be as high as previously figured.

Under the new bill, the state will continue to pick up 95 percent of the cost of pensions for school district employees. However, since retirement costs will be up \$100 million and the total available money will be up only \$40 million, operating money actually will drop \$60 million.

As far as FICA is concerned, Northville will be responsible for picking up some of the costs for Social Security and Medicare. It is not known how much Northville's share will be, but it will be more than the 25 percent payment that will be asked of poorer districts (those with less than \$125,000

in property values per pupil).

"It sounds positive," Rezmierski said. "We're certainly pleased with the issue that a conclusion, like it or not, has been made. Now we can get onto the bigger issue of . . . Senate Bill 1."

Senate Bill 1, signed by Gov. John Engler in mid-August, eliminates property taxes as a source of school funding. The Legislature has not yet found a way to replace the \$6 billion-plus figure the bill takes away from the schools effective July 1994.

No matter what effect the state School Aid Act has on Northville, the board of education will at least be able to make decisions it has had to put off due to funding questions — namely the pay-for-participation program.

"We'll be able to at least get on line with the board to target that discussion," Rezmierski said.

The board is expected to make a recommendation on pay-to-play at its Sept. 13 meeting.

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Your relationship with your obstetrician/gynecologist is one of the most important ones you'll ever have. Good communication with your doctor is the key to making your pregnancy and the birth of your baby one of the most special times of your life.

You want a doctor sensitive to your beliefs, yet professional enough to make medical decisions quickly and responsibly. At Meadowbrook Obstetrics and Gynecology, Dr. Steven J. Friedman believes in giving careful consideration to your needs and desires while doing everything possible to ensure a smooth, safe pregnancy and delivery.

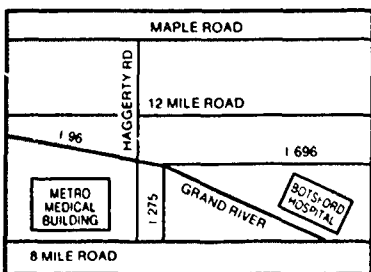
He encourages discussion of any prenatal and birthing concerns ranging from cravings and varicose veins to amniocentesis and epidurals. He pays close attention not only to your body and the baby growing inside, but also to your thoughts, feelings and questions too.

Dr. Friedman will communicate various birthing and prenatal options, ensuring that everyone — doctor, patient and family — has all the information necessary to make educated decisions at this momentous time in your life.

Why not get the latest relationship in your life — the one with your new baby — off to a great start? Select an obstetrician/gynecologist who cares about communicating with you.

For an appointment, call:

Dr. Steven J. Friedman
Meadowbrook Obstetrics and Gynecology
(313) 380-9890
Metro Medical Building
40000 W. Eight Mile
(just west of Haggerty)
Northville, Michigan



Providing a full array of women's health care services including laser and laparoscopic surgery, Meadowbrook Obstetrics and Gynecology is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Dr. Friedman, a graduate of the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine Old Westbury, N.Y., completed his internship and residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital, Highland Park, and Bi County Community Hospital, Warren.

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