

# Attorney hired to fight development suit

**By Jeff Counts**  
staff writer

West Bloomfield Township has hired an outside law firm to fight a suit that attempts to open a prime piece of undeveloped land at Maple and Farmington roads to intense development.

Developer Robert Sosnick filed the suit against the township in July seeking to open Section 34 to development of multiple units.

The township has a moratorium on multiple developments and is working on a zoning ordinance that would restrict their development. That ordinance would allow six units per

acre.

"We are supposed to respond to the suit by Aug. 31," said township Supervisor Dorothy McIntosh, but we may be asking for a delay.

She said the township hired Birmingham attorney Hanley Gurwin to handle the case because township attorney William Hampton had previously represented one of the parties involved in the suit. The township's other law firm is Brennan, Bibeau & Poehlman, Farmington Hills.

SECTION 34 has sparked controversy in the past. The state has had plans to extend Northwestern Highway through it, and Sosnick once had

plans to develop a hotel and offices on the parcel.

Northwestern Highway dead-ends at Section 34, which is a square mile bounded by Orchard Lake, 14 Mile, Farmington and Maple roads.

Sosnick filed two suits in Oakland County Circuit Court seeking damages in excess of \$10,000 from the township, claiming it has "deprived plaintiffs of all value of the land, thus had taken the land without just compensation to plaintiffs and without due process of law."

McIntosh said one suit is aimed at a 200-acre parcel and the other at a 60-acre section.

Sosnick has approached the township numerous times with plans to develop the parcel and has been told the township wants single-family homes and not apartments or other types of multiple units.

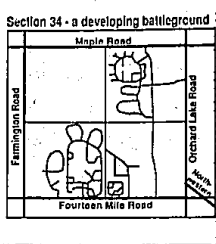
The suit contends the land can't be developed into single-family homes because of the township's wetlands and woodlands ordinances. The suit also says the "land's location is incompatible with the intent of a restrictive one-family residential district."

THE SUIT also mentioned the township's political situation and charged that the "township has succumbed to citizen pressure and has

totally abdicated its planning responsibilities to mob rule."

The suit says Organizations United to Save Our Township has "launched a systematic plan to harass and intimidate township officials whom it views as pro-development" as part of its strategy to stop development in the township. The suit notes that OUST started a recall drive against four township officials, charging them with allowing too much development.

When the suit was filed, Michael Schwartz, an OUST member, said the group was looking into intervening in the suit, but has since decided against it.



## obituaries

**MARY OLDROYD**

Mrs. Oldroyd, 62, of Novi died Aug. 25 in Boisford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Mrs. Oldroyd was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, Donald; son Bruce; a daughter, Mary Beth Salo; brother, Robert; and sister, Jean Zavitz.

Services were at the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Greer officiating. Burial was in Imlay Twp. Cemetery, Imlay City.

**MARILYN GROHOLSKI**

Mrs. Groholski, 64, of Farmington died Aug. 25 in Farmington Nursing Home.

Mrs. Groholski was a homemaker. Survivors include her sons, Dan and Dale; daughters, Debra Kwiecinski and De Lynn; and sister, Sally Shupert.

Services were at St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church, Farmington Hills. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were made by the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington.

**KATHERINE S. MAZUR**

Mrs. Mazur, 92, of Farmington Hills died Aug. 27.

Born in Poland, Mrs. Mazur was a homemaker.

Survivors include her daughters, Nancy Sanders, Irene and Helen; and four grandchildren.

Mass was celebrated at St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church, Farmington Hills, with her nephew, the Rev. Paul E. Sierocki, officiating and the Rev. Robert V. Monticello assisting. Burial was in Michigan Memorial Cemetery, Flint Rock.

**KYLE HARRIS**

Kyle Harris, 1 month old, died Aug. 27.

Survivors include his parents, Kurt and Amy Harris; brother Erik; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Harris and Mrs. Patricia Harris.

Services were at the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. James Wright officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

**LEO A. DAILEY**

Mr. Dailey, 76, of Farmington died Aug. 28 in Wm. Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak.

Born in Ohio, Mr. Dailey worked for Gleaner Ins. Co.

Survivors include his wife, S. Mel-

ba; daughter, Gloria Denkhaus; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were Aug. 31 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Paul Bersehe and the Rev. Robert Bauer officiating. Burial was in White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

**MADELEINE I. ARTHUR**

Mrs. Arthur, 87, of Farmington died Aug. 30 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia.

Born in France, Mrs. Arthur was a homemaker.

Survivors include her son, Jack Day, and three grandchildren.

Services were Sept. 1 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Mass was celebrated at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, Northville, with the Rev. A. Frank Polle officiating. Burial was in Oakland Hills Cemetery, Novi.

**KENNETH M. VADER**

Mr. Vader, 70, of Farmington Hills died Aug. 30 in Boisford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Mr. Vader was a custodian for the

Farmington School System. He was a World War II Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Josephine; son, Norman; daughters, Diane Smith and Kathy Vader; brother, Gerald; three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Services were Sept. 2 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. James Wright officiating. Burial was in Ferguson Cemetery, Almont, Mich.

**EDWARD JOHN HOJNACKI**

Mr. Hojnacki, 77, of Detroit died Aug. 31.

Mr. Hojnacki was a retail salesman.

Survivors include his wife, Miriam; sons, Edward Jr., William, Thomas and Robert; daughters, Dolores Scriber and Barbara Anderson; brother of Lee Hayes; 22 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Services were Sept. 3 at St. John Lutheran Church, Redford, with the Rev. Rodney Buland officiating. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia. Arrangements were made by the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

**We've Moved To A Larger Location...**

# Piazza Dance Company

-Northville Plaza- **348-3720**

42297 W. 7 Mile • Northville •  
Teacher Certified To Teach by Dance Master of America

Still Enrolling...  
**Classes Begin Sept. 10**

- New York Style Jazz
- Tap
- Ballet • Pointe
- Hawaiian • Tahitian
- Rhythm (3½-5 Yr. Olds)
- Beginners To Advanced (3½-Adult)

**12 TOP AWARDS**  
1987-88 Dance Masters Of America State & Regional Competition

**2 Overall Winners & Awards For Best Choreography**

**COUPON - FREE 1st LESSON**  
With Payment Of 1st Month Tuition Offer Good For New Students Only

**New this Fall... GYMNASTICS CLASSES**

**BE ASSURED**  
You can guarantee any future funeral expenses are covered at today's prices. Ask about our required "Trust 100" Funeral Pre-Arrangement Plan." This, and other valuable information is in our helpful booklet "Pre-Arrangement Makes Sense."

**Trust 100 FREE**  
NO COST OR OBLIGATION  
USEFUL MONEY-SAVING FACTS!

(Phone us or mail in this coupon.)  
Yes, I'm interested in more details on pre-planning. Please send me your booklet "Pre-Arrangement Makes Sense."

**HARRY J. WILL**  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**FUNERAL HOMES, INC.**  
3 LOCATIONS—ALL NEAR FREEWAYS  
Redford — 25450 Plymouth Rd.  
Livonia — 37000 Six Mile Rd. 927-3870  
Detroit — 4412 Livonia Ave.

**Observer & Eccentric CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING**

644-1070 Oakland County  
591-0900 Wayne County  
852-3222 Rochester/Avon

# DISCOVER JOYCE NUSRALA'S Name Brand Shoes

SELECT A HANDBAG **FREE**

WITH EACH PURCHASE OF A JOYCE SHOE (Select Styles Only)

**\$36.99**

INCLUDING HANDBAG  
Total Value \$65 to \$80

**WE PUT FASHION IN A BOX AND A LID ON PRICES**

**LARGEST SHOW EVER!**

# ART AT THE OAKS

**ART & CRAFT FAIR WEST OAKS**

September 10-11  
10 AM to 5 PM Sun Noon to 5 PM  
Special prizes for high school prizes  
Special prizes for high school prizes  
Special prizes for high school prizes  
Special prizes for high school prizes  
Special prizes for high school prizes

**LOCATED IN WEST OAKS II PARKING LOT**  
Sponsored by: West Oaks II

Now West Oaks II Recreation  
Now Youth Assistance  
Now Community Education

**WEST OAKS**  
NOW ROAD TO A TWELVE MILE