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THE PRESIDENT'S PLAQUE

Municipalities

Novi Public Library

The new Novi Public Library is situated on seven acres of land, formerly orchards, overlooking Fuerst Park. The building is approximately 60,000 square feet, with an additional 6,000 square feet of outdoor patio space. "The Librarian" sculpture stands near the road greeting visitors while children, in bronze, read at the door. Commemorative brick pavers are placed under the front canopy and on the patio. Landscaping for the 90% Michigan native species uses a ground water irrigation system. A variety of ornamental trees including dogwood, river birch, serviceberry, white fir, American basswood, Bradford pear, Japanese lilac, red maple and smoke tree surround the library. Novi residents are extremely pleased with the new library which opened in June 2010.

THE MICHIGAN PLAQUE

Individuals

Nicholas D. Williams

Novi

For his Eagle Scout project, Nicholas constructed a permanent walk through vine covered maze at Michigan State Tollgate Farms in Novi. It is located in the Children's Garden and is a 20 x 30 foot structure of wood, covered with cattle grating so that a variety of vines can grow and fill in the fence. Nicholas recruited volunteers, received donations and also checked with Miss Dig before beginning his project; he sank six inch round fence posts and attached cattle grating as the vine support. 2x6's support the top and bottom. PVC pipe halves cover the rough edges of the grating. Children enjoy the maze very much. Nick began pursuing his degree in engineering at the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy in July.