

# By the Way

With Nancy Dingeldey

The arts are featured this week in By the Way, highlighting a list of upcoming concerts, art shows, and those extra programs throughout the area that enrich our lives in any number of ways.

Programming in some fields will increase as the Christmas season draws nearer. Others are on-going. Both serve to illustrate that our rapidly growing area is being offered more and more opportunities to enjoy the arts during leisure time without going far afield.

## A Merry Winner

A member of the Dearborn Arts and Crafts Society, Walled Lake's Merry Derrick took a first place in the Fall Membership Show further emphasizing her abilities at the potters' wheel. The show was judged by William Bostic of the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Her work, as well as the works of other members of the society, are currently on display in the Ford Centennial Library in Dearborn.

Merry described her entry of four matched place settings of dinnerware as a challenging project.

Merry, along with fiber artist Julie Stowe, also of Walled Lake, has provided the impetus for an invitational show in Walled Lake on December 1 and 2.

The two local women have invited six other artists to join in a Christmas Art and Gift Sale to be held in the 19th Century Stonecrest Building on Pontiac Trail and Barnston.

Featured at the first show of its kind in Walled Lake will be fine handmade originals

of pewter and jewelry along with soft toys, oils and wooden toys.

Hours on Friday will be 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. with Saturday hours set at 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

## Choral Music

The 40 voice mixed choir of adults and youths of the Lakes Community Chorus are gearing up for their annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 3, at 7:30 p.m.

The classic frame Commerce Methodist Church, built in 1841, will be the warm, inviting site for the first of many Christmas concerts planned during the holiday season in the area.

Under the direction of George Scott with accompaniment provided by Charles Wilson, the chorus will present a traditional concert marked at closing by the singing of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" from the "Messiah." Members of the Walled Lake Central Neo-Renaissance group and Western High School's Westerners will join the chorus in the evening musicale.

The audience will also participate with carol singing led by Reverend Gary Imms, minister of the church and a member of the chorus. The public is cordially invited to the program which is free of charge.

The chorus will also appear in concert during holiday programming at the Twelve Oaks Mall.

## For Kids

The Touring Chamber Theatre from the campus of Oakland Community College delighted the children enrolled at Village

Oaks School in Novi recently.

Bringing live theatre as well as active audience participation to the children, the group offers stories based on familiar tales in a modern, up-to-date setting.

Directed by Wallace Smith, the touring little theatre is a creative learning experience enjoyed by nursery school tots as well as elementary school children.

At Village Oaks, kids and teachers alike participated as field mice and trees as the actors played out their stories.

## Applause from Novi

It was a crowd in the upper hundreds that attended a mid-November concert performed by the Livonia Youth Symphony at Novi's Fuent Auditorium.

Presented by the Novi Foundation for the Performing Arts, the young musicians performed works by Strauss, Moussorgsky, Wagner, Copland and Mozart during the concert. All were well received by the enthusiastic audience of concert-goers.

Dr. Gerald Kratz, Novi School superintendent welcomed the audience and introduced the orchestra conductors, including his old college roommate, Lester Ferkas.

On hand for the concert and tour of the high school facilities were Francesco DiBlasi, conductor of the Oakway Symphony Orchestra and Andrew Henderson, coordinator of the newly formed Northville Performing Artists Unlimited.

A return engagement of the young musicians has been scheduled for May 19.



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# Plans revealed for 343-lot subdivision

Plans for construction of a major new subdivision of single family residential homes have been presented to the Novi Planning Board.

Plans for the subdivision were revealed last week by Practical Home Builders, an Oak Park-based firm which has previously developed Olde Orchard and the Novi 26 Apartments on 10 Mile in Novi. Richard Lewiston of Practical Homes said the company has most recently been involved in single family development in Plymouth and Livonia.

The proposed Westmont Village Subdivision is to be located on a 120.85 acre parcel on the southwest corner of 10 Mile and Taft Roads. The development

is immediately opposite Novi High School on the south side of 10 Mile.

The property is to be developed under its existing R-4 (single family residential) zoning designation. The R-4 classification calls for minimum lot sizes of 10,000 square feet and minimum lot widths of 80 feet. It is the smallest single family residential zoning designation in the city's zoning ordinance.

The preliminary plans call for a total of 343 single family residential lots on the 120.85 acre parcel.

Excluded from the proposed subdivision plat is a 600 by 600 foot parcel immediately on the southwest corner of

10 Mile and Taft Roads. That parcel is presently zoned B-3 (general business district). No plans have yet been announced for development of the commercial parcel on the corner, however. Lewiston reported that the corner parcel is not owned by Practical Homes.

The proposed Westmont Village Subdivision is the first major subdivision proposed for construction west of Taft Road in the City of Novi.

A second major development of single family residential homes has been proposed by the Rosin and Rosin Development Company on the former Simmons Orchard property. The Rosin

and Rosin subdivision has already received site plan approval from the Novi Planning Board and the Novi City Council, although no timetable for construction has yet been announced.

Although Westmont Village represents just the second major subdivision in Novi west of Taft Road, single family residential development is generally beginning to move westward.

Impetus for the movement was provided by the extension of sewer and water lines to service the Novi High School and the proposed municipal complex at the southeast corner of 10 Mile and Taft Roads.

Previously, single family residential

development of major proportions was confined east of Novi Road.

Land balancing for several new subdivisions west of Novi Road are now underway, however. Subdivisions proposed for construction between Novi and Taft Roads include the Petros One and Petros Two subdivisions as well as the Jamestown Green Subdivision. All three of those proposed subdivisions are located between Ten Mile and Grand River Avenue.

Land balancing operations are also underway on the proposed Dunbarton Pines Subdivision to be located on the northeast corner of Nine Mile and Taft Roads.

Plans for the Westmont Village Subdivision were distributed to members of the planning board last week as an information item only.

The plat is scheduled to be considered for tentative preliminary plat approval at the first meeting of the planning board in January.

Lewiston reported that he hopes to begin construction in late spring if the proposed plat passes through the approval process on schedule. Lewiston also reported that he is presently considering a two-phase development plan with 180 lots to be developed in 1979 and the remaining 160 lots to be developed in 1980.

# Ward's project faces time delay

Although the rezoning for the proposed Montgomery Ward shopping center was approved by the Novi City Council on November 13, the timetable for development is still uncertain.

"We were very pleased to receive the rezoning, but we still have a great deal of work to do before we can develop a construction timetable," stated Michael Gershenson, executive vice-president of Ramco-Gershenson which will develop the complex.

The city council voted unanimously to rezone the 37-acre parcel on the west side of Novi Road across from the Twelve Oaks Mall from R-1-P (small farms residential) to an RC (regional center) classification at its November 13 meeting.

Ramco-Gershenson had originally requested that the parcel be rezoned to B-3 (general business district) classification, but agreed to change the request to RC in order to accommodate the city's hopes to establish the Planned Development (PD) Options in the regional center area.

Proposed for development on the site is a shopping center which encompasses a total of 245,000 square feet. The Montgomery Ward Store is expected to occupy some 135,000 square feet of the overall development. Also proposed on the site is a Service Merchandise Catalog Store, an auto service center of approximately 15,000 square feet, and 14-18 small retail stores.

The development has been described as a "sister center" to a mall being developed by Ramco-Gershenson across from the Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights.

Ward reported that no leases have yet been signed for the 14-18 small retail stores. He indicated, however, that Ramco-Gershenson is talking with the same tenants presently located in the Lakeside Mall development.

"They seem to like the concept of being located across the street from a regional shopping center and several have expressed an interest in our Novi project," he said.

Two major considerations have yet to be resolved before Ramco-Gershenson can draw up a timetable for development. The first involves the considerably more complex review procedures prescribed under Novi's newly-

enacted PD Options, while the second involves the construction budgets of the two major tenants on the site (Montgomery Ward and Service Merchandise).

Under the conventional site plan approval process, Ramco-Gershenson could come before city officials for site plan approval almost immediately.

Application for development under the PD-3 (commercial) Option requires a considerably more complex procedure in which the city must approve the site plans prior to granting permission to proceed with a PD-3 development.

Ward said he felt Ramco-Gershenson could meet the requirements of the PD Option approval process, but acknowledged that the increased documentation would take a while longer to complete.

City approval of the site plan and use of the PD-3 Option will also have a major bearing on the construction timetable.

Major companies such as Montgomery Ward have already prepared their 1979 construction budget. As the following calendar year approaches, corporate executives review the proposed construction budget to determine which projects can be reasonably expected to get underway that year.

Should the corporate executives decide that the proposed Novi project can not reasonably be expected to begin in 1979, they will transfer the construction funds to another location.

Ward reported that Service Merchandise will in all probability be ready to begin construction in 1979. The Montgomery Ward store is still something of a question mark, however.

Ward also stated that he has been in contact with Montgomery Ward officials and asked them not to remove funds for the Novi project from the 1979 budget.

He said that Montgomery Ward has to be assured that the Novi project will in fact begin in 1979. "We have a commitment of funds from them right now, but the 1979 construction budget has not yet been finalized," he stated.

"Once we lose that commitment, it would be 1980 before funds could again be allocated for the Novi project," Ward added that he is optimistic at this point, however.

# Police say bank heist was professional job

A night deposit box at the National Bank of Detroit branch on Eight Mile was broken into over the weekend in what police are calling an apparently professional job.

There has been no determination of the amount of money taken in the forced entry into the night deposit box since it is unknown how many persons used the box over the weekend, according to Detective Robert Starnes of the Novi police.

Customers who regularly use the deposit box will be contacted in order to find out how much was taken, Starnes said.

Police and bank officials were notified of the entry when a bank customer tried to use the box Monday evening and found his key stuck in the lock to the box, Starnes said.

The job appears to have been done by a professional since special gadgets would be necessary to pry open the lock and get through the "knives" on the box

which prevent customers from reaching into the box after making a deposit, Starnes said.

Another indication of professional work is the absence of exterior evidence the box had been tampered with other than the key used by those making large deposits would not work, Starnes said. Small deposits are made in an envelope deposit on the box.

"The operation took some experience and some time. The average person couldn't have done it. That's not an easy operation to get into," Starnes said.

He indicated the night depository is made by the Delbold Company and is considered one of the better deposit boxes made.

Bank officials admitted the night depository box had been tampered with, but had no further comment.

The incident is being investigated further by the Federal Bureau of Investigation with the assistance of the Novi Police Department.

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**City police receive assistance with traffic engineering studies**

The Novi Police Department will gradually be receiving assistance in local traffic studies and in preparing local traffic control orders from a new employee in the city's Department of Public Works.

George Ferraro, engineering coordinator of the DPW, was introduced to the city council Monday. The civil engineer currently is pursuing his masters degree in traffic engineering and transportation.

Following the meeting City Manager Ed Kriewall said the police department now is responsible for traffic studies and issuing orders regulating placement of traffic signs and signals, but that traffic engineering capacity is also being built into the DPW.

Ferraro will be phased into the work now conducted solely by the police department, Kriewall said. His assistance has become necessary because of the growth of the city and the increasing traffic, Kriewall indicated.

One of Ferraro's first responsibilities will be determining placement of about 1,400 traffic signs throughout the city over the next two years.

Novi has received two grants from the state office of highway planning for the purchase of new signs and equipment to install the signs.

A grant of about \$1,736 will cover the government's 70 percent share of the cost of the sign installation equipment as well as traffic testing equipment such as a radar gun and traffic counter, Ferraro said.

To install and purchase the signs the state contributed about \$43,000. The city

represented before the Novi Planning Board with preliminary sketches of the proposed first building in the complex and are expected to return for site plan approval in the near future.

Specifically, the developers will seek site plan approval for a three-story office building of 45,360 square feet on a 5.2 acre parcel near the northeast corner of the overall site.

Attached to the building will be a one-story banking facility of approximately 2,160 square feet with drive-thru capabilities.

The three-story office building will become regional headquarters for a major United States Corporation presently located in New York.

Orchard Hill Place representatives have not yet released the name of the tenant, however. A formal lease for the building has not yet been signed, but spokesmen for the developers have reported that the tenant would like to be able to occupy the building as soon as the fall of 1979.

The tenant will occupy approximately two-thirds of the facility (the first two floors), but the lease agreement is expected to include provisions for the tenant to occupy the entire building within five years.

Orchard Hill Place representatives have also indicated that plans are being drawn up for two additional buildings and that the timetable calls for construction of both facilities to begin within the next six months.

The second building on the site will be a virtual duplicate of the first major office building — a three-story facility of 45,360 square feet. The second building is slated for construction in January or February.

Construction of the third building — a major hotel — is tentatively scheduled to begin late in the spring of 1979. Representatives of the developer report that they are still negotiating with two or three major chains for development rights in Orchard Hill Place.

Orchard Hill Place representatives report that plans for the rest of the development have not yet been formalized. Preliminary plans called for the development to include:

- a recreation complex that could include a theater, bowling alley, and racquetball courts;
- 400,000 square feet of office space;
- a series of retail stores; and
- a major hotel.

"It's hard to say just exactly who we're going to be dealing with in the future," commented a spokesman. "Right now we're talking with a lot of different concerns."

He also indicated the fact Ferraro was studying traffic engineering was a factor in his hiring. Ferraro joined the Novi DPW on September 11.

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# Replaces Scott

## Cameron Rose appointed to council; eyes full term

Running for a full four-year term on the Walled Lake City Council next November would be "the logical thing to do," says 79-year-old Cameron Rose who was appointed to the council last week to fill a vacancy.

Rose won the council seat on a 4-1 vote November 21, beating out five other candidates for the job.

The new councilman, who has lived in the city on and off for 60 years, said he was surprised to be tapped for the vacancy, but added that several persons asked to apply for the opening that

was created October 6 with the resignation of James L. Scott.

A realtor by profession, Rose was a member of the city's first charter commission that drafted the 1954 incorporation document for Walled Lake. He now serves on the city's beautification committee, the revitalization steering committee, the charter review committee and as president of the Walled Lake Economic Development Corporation's (EDC) Board of Directors.

Rose said he plans to keep his seat on the EDC board as long as there's no conflict. State law allows up to three city officials to serve on the corporation's board. Assessor Bruce Reeves also is a member of the panel, although City Manager Peter Parker and Councilwoman Heather Hill were named as EDC directors to review the Walled Lake Commons' Kmart store project.

Asked if he would seek election to the council next year, he replied, "I imagine I will."

A member of the Walled Lake Rotary Club, the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce and the Walled Lake United Methodist Church, Rose said he has lived in the city for 60 years, including

the last 30 years.

His appointment to the council was proposed by Councilman Thomas Brookover and was seconded by Councilman Don Lee. Mayor Gaspare LaMarche and Mayor Pro Tem William Staman voted for Rose, too, while councilman Walter Lewandowski dissented. It is believed that Lewandowski would have preferred the appointment of Ladwin Weaver, a member of the city's plan commission.

In addition to Rose and Weaver, other applicants for the vacancy included Dorothy Dingman, an unsuccessful candidate for the council in the 1977 municipal election; James Latimer; Plan Commissioner Jerry W. Poston; and former Mayor William T. Roberts.

When the council vacancy came up on the agenda last week, LaMarche gave each of the candidates a chance to address the council and then asked for a vote on his nomination of Rose.

Staman and Lewandowski, however, asked for a secret ballot, but were informed by City Attorney Paul Bibeau that a recent Michigan attorney general's opinion held that appointments had to be voted on publicly under the state's open meetings act.

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## Trailer park zoning move tabled

A public hearing on a request to rezone 120 acres of land located in the southwest corner of Commerce Township from single-family residential to mobile home district was tabled Monday night by the township planning commission.

Ployd A. Cairns, agent for Commerce Properties, the owner of the land, was unable to attend the planners' meeting, according to Commission Chairperson Lynn Gouge, and he asked to have the request tabled until the January 15 session.

Approximately 40 residents who live near the proposed mobile home park showed up at Monday's meeting, but

Mrs. Gouge said the development firm should have an opportunity to present testimony to support the request before objections are heard.

The commission spent 40 minutes, though, answering questions from residents on the rezoning procedure, zoning ordinance requirements and state laws that apply to mobile home parks.

Many of the questions dealt with the development of the 80-acre Stratford Villa mobile home park, which is located immediately east of Commerce Properties' land. The firm's property is on the south side of Wixom Road, between Glenway and Charns roads.

Commissioner Robert McGee said it is his understanding that the firm plans to have preliminary drawings of its proposed development ready for the January meeting and added that all of the residents who attended Monday's session would receive a letter reminding them of the tabled hearing date.

Mrs. Gouge added that township Planning Consultant Steve Lechowicz indicated that he would not have been ready with a recommendation on the proposed rezoning in time for the November 27 meeting.

The planning commission, as an advisory body, may recommend approval or denial of the rezoning request. The Oakland County zoning committee also will review the request and make a recommendation to the township board, which has the final say in zoning matters.

A similar rezoning request for the same property was filed with the township several years ago, Lechowicz said last month. However, before a public hearing could be held, Terrence Brennan, an attorney and one of the property owners, filed suit in Oakland County Circuit Court, claiming that the petition would not receive a fair hearing by township officials.

The litigation has been dropped due to lack of progress, and Brennan died last year.

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**Arbitration date set on firemen complaints**  
An arbitration hearing tentatively has been set for January 17 on two grievances brought against the Commerce Township Firefighters' Association, Supervisor Robert Long said this week.

The American Arbitration Association (AAA) proposed two dates in January for the hearing, Long said, but the first date was unacceptable because it is during the annual Michigan Townships' Association convention.

James Clark, president of the firefighters' association, said yesterday that he had not had a chance to ask the union's attorney if he will be available for the January 17 session, but added that there probably wouldn't be any problem with that date.

The township board in May denied two grievances filed by the union. One complaint alleged that the swing-shift fireman, Todd Martin, who was hired in January, was assigned to work overtime ahead of other firefighters who qualified for the duty, while the second charge contended that Martin was not paid for overtime he worked in April.

After the board denied the grievances, the union filed a request with the AAA for arbitration. An October hearing date was postponed when both sides agreed to meet to try to resolve their differences. That meeting, however, was unsuccessful.

Clark has said that the main issue is the swing-shift employee's work schedule.

When the swing position was created in January, board members said the new fireman would fill in for other firefighters who were on vacation or extended sick leave and man station

Clark has said he will check with the union's attorney to see what action, if any, could be taken against the board since the grievance was withdrawn under the apparent understanding that Martin would be paid for September 20.

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Groundbreaking ceremonies for the Providence Hospital Ambulatory Care Center at 10 Mile and Haggerty Road in Novi will be held at 11:30 a.m., Thursday, November 30.  
The public is invited to attend these ceremonies marking the beginning of construction for the 25,000 square foot facility which will provide emergency and ambulatory care services for residents of western Oakland and northwestern Wayne County.  
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## Judge rejects resale fee

An Oakland County Circuit Court judge has ruled the so-called "resale fee" charged by at least one mobile home court is a violation of the Michigan Consumer Protection Law.

Judge Robert B. Webster made the ruling in a case filed by Attorney General Frank J. Kelley against the Country Cousin Mobile Village in Novi. Country Cousin is owned by Russell Buton.

The specific ruling by Judge Webster pertains to the practice of Country Cousin Mobile Village of charging a \$500 "resale fee" to allow the sale of a mobile home in the court without requiring that the unit be moved.

Kelley called that such a "resale fee" constituted an "entrance-exit" fee outlawed by both the Consumer Protection Act and the Mobile Home Commission Act.

Attorneys for the defendant argued that the Attorney General could not properly file suit under the Consumer Protection Law because the law's title did not reflect or indicate that it applied to the mobile home industry.

Judge Webster rejected this argument, however, agreeing with Kelley that the Consumer Protection Law prohibits all "unfair, unconscionable, or deceptive methods, acts or practices in the conduct of trade or commerce."

Kelley successfully argued that charging a so-called "resale fee" was prohibited because the seller did not receive any service or consideration for paying the fee and thus the "resale fee" is merely an "entrance-exit" fee which is specifically prohibited.



Citizen honored

Novi Youth Soccer League Director Chuck Buehner accepts a plaque of appreciation from Novi Parks and Recreation Director Barry Smink for his accomplishments with the fall soccer league in the city. As league director, Buehner was responsible for team scheduling, refereeing, coach coordination, and instruction.

"He did everything," said Smink. "He even gave up his salary so the kids could have shorts to go with their shirts. We need more people like him." Buehner also is the driving force behind the adult soccer league slated to begin next spring.

## 'Planners must adopt master plan'

The Novi Planning Board apparently will continue to be responsible for making and approving master plans for land use within the City of Novi.

The question of responsibility for preparing and adopting master plans was raised by Councilman Robert Schmidt who noted that the responsibility is presently vested in the appointed planning board.

Schmidt expressed concern that master plans do have legal bearing in court cases regarding zoning matters and suggested that adoption of a master plan might more properly be vested in

the elective members of the city council.

Fried told the council that Novi's city charter does not provide for a planning commission and that a planning commission and a master plan can only be created pursuant to the City and Village Planning Act of 1981.

The city attorney reported further that the City and Village Planning Act specifically states that "the commission shall make and adopt a master plan."

"It is clear from the foregoing provision that the planning commission (board) is the body that has the power to make and adopt a master plan," he added.

Fried reported that the November 20 council meeting, however, that he has arrived at the conclusion that the ordinance cannot be amended to give the authority to adopt a master plan to the

city council.

"You would minimize to follow the state statute if you provided for a planning board in your charter," he told the council. "It would be possible to amend the charter so as to create a planning board that would serve solely as an advisory body to the city council."

Fried said he would pursue the question by checking with officials at the Oakland County Planning Department.

In the meantime, however, there appears to be little support among the city council for amending the city charter to restrict the responsibilities of the planning board.

Noting the city's planning board ordinance does not prescribe for the removal of planning board members by the city council, Councilman Ronald Watson suggested that it may be the intent of the ordinance to make the planning board independent of the city council.

"I don't question the intent of our present planning board, but the question does concern me," commented the councilman.

"Under the present system there is a possibility that a planning board could adopt a master plan that might be in complete opposition to what the majority

of the elected members of the council want for the city."

"It's not a large concern, but it is a possibility," added Schmidt.

Fried noted that the concerns expressed by Schmidt were legitimate and suggested that the City of Detroit is currently wrestling with the same questions. "The Common Council in Detroit is concerned that they've lost all control over their planning board," stated Fried.

The city attorney went on to state that Novi is obligated to follow the provisions of the state statute unless it provides for the creation of a planning board in the city charter.

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# City decides to stay in county block grant plan

Walled Lake's City Council apparently has decided that a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.

That, in essence, was the rationale behind the council's decision at a special meeting Monday to remain in the Oakland County Community Block Grant program as opposed to submitting an application as an independent unit of government for funding through the Small Cities Discretionary Program.

Walled Lake is one of 45 communities which currently participate in the county's Community Block Grant Program. As a member of the county program, the city is virtually assured of receiving

somewhere between \$20,000 and \$30,000 in federal funds next year.

Mayor Gaspare LaMarca suggested several months ago, however, that the city could be eligible to receive a substantially greater amount of money by striking out on its own and submitting an application for funding through the Small Cities Discretionary Program.

City Manager Peter Parker told the council Monday that the city could be eligible to receive a grant up to \$12,700 by submitting an application for the Small Cities Discretionary Program.

Parker added, however, that applying for the Small Cities Discretionary

Program was strictly a gamble.

"The chances of Walled Lake receiving increased dollars is greater under the Small Cities program than under the County Block Grant program," explained the city manager. "But the chances of receiving no funding is also greater under Small Cities. It's a gamble to go with Small Cities."

Federal regulations prohibit units of government from participating in the county's Block Grant Program and applying for Small Cities funding.

The council ultimately decided that it was wiser to remain with the county and be virtually assured of receiving a minimum of \$20,000 as opposed to going

it alone with Small Cities and run the risk of receiving no money whatsoever.

In addition, Parker explained that the city would incur additional administrative costs if it decided to prepare its own application for funding through Small Cities. Cost of preparing the application could run as high as \$10,000, according to Parker.

The council identified several areas in which it would like to use the additional monies available if Small Cities grant application were to be approved. Those projects included the purchase of additional firefighting equipment, construction of a water tower, and solution of drainage problems around the Tri-A Subdivision.

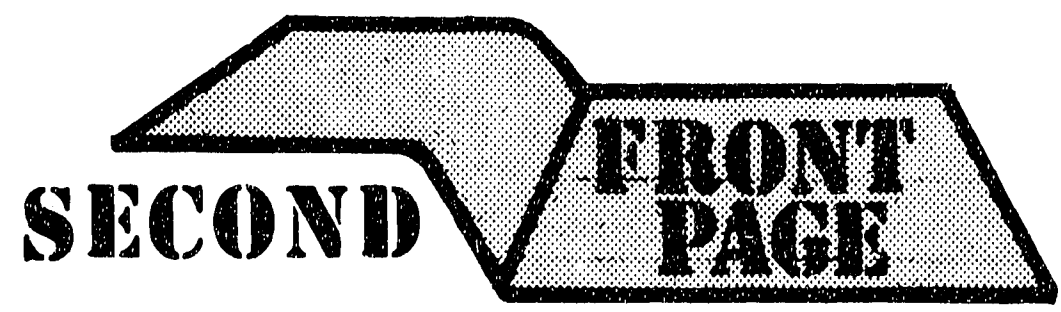
Kilroy told the council that there is a strong emphasis on housing rehabilitation in both the Block Grant and Small Cities programs which are funded from the same federal pot in the Department

of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

He told the council that he did not feel funding for firefighting apparatus or a water tower would be approved unless it was conclusively demonstrated that they would primarily benefit low and moderate income families.

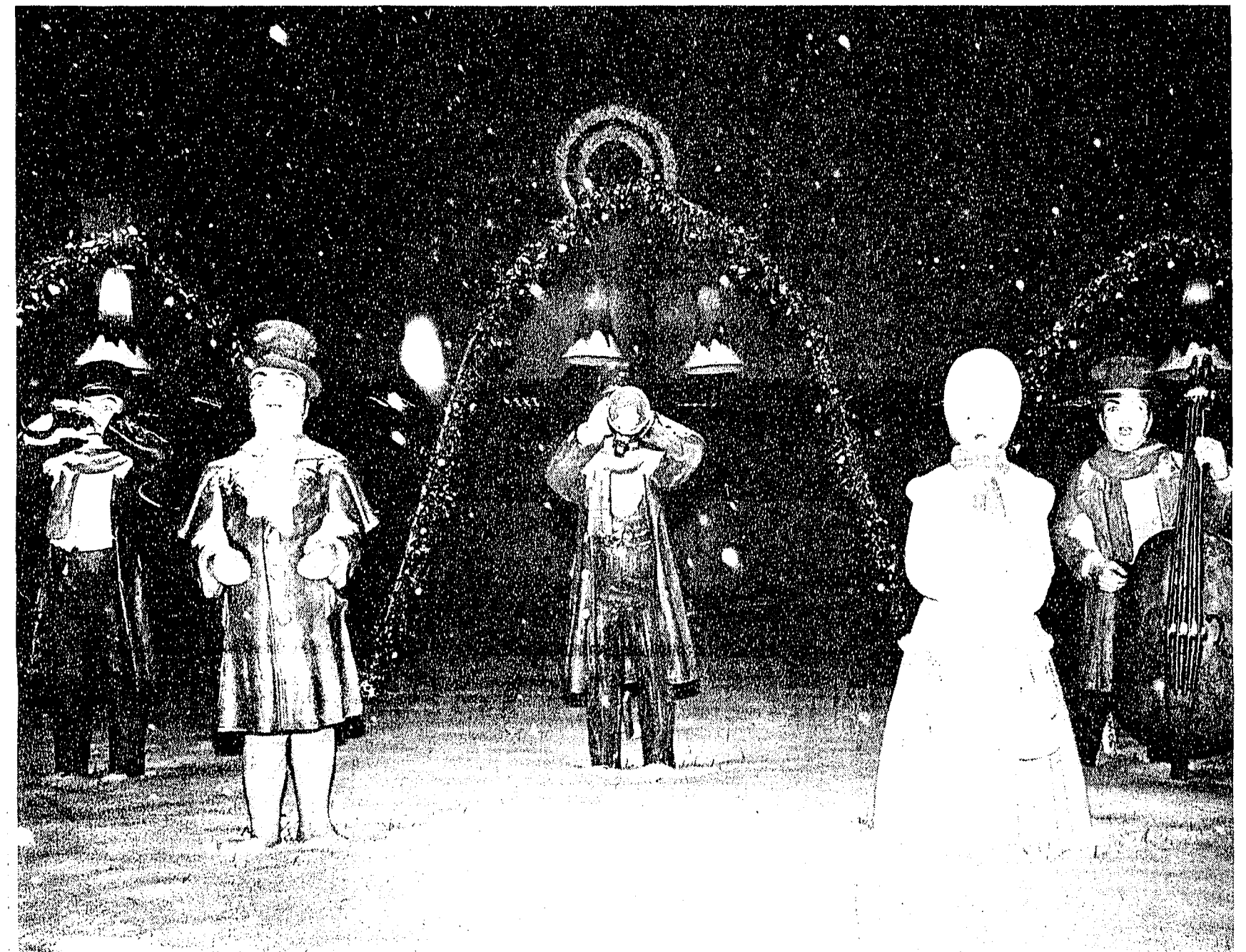
Kilroy indicated that he felt there was virtually no chance of receiving funding for a fire engine that would service the six-story Walled Lake Villa Apartments. He said he felt the city would have difficulty justifying an application.

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### City, village to share cost of drain basin

The Walled Lake City Council has conditionally agreed to pay one-sixth of the cost of a proposed retention basin that will treat water from the Greenaway Drain before it runs into Wolverine Lake.

The agreement, approved last Tuesday by the council, was requested by Wolverine Lake Village officials after the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), which is reviewing an application from the village for a \$300,000 federal grant to improve Wolverine Lake, said that any lasting solution to weed problems in the lake would have to address nutrient source conditions.

Under the council's resolution, Walled Lake officials stated their intent to contribute up to \$16,666 for the construction of the retention facilities, subject to adoption of a village ordinance restricting the use of certain fertilizers on lawns. EPA approval of the grant application and agreement on who will pay the costs of maintaining the basin.

Wolverine Lake Council President John McLellan said Walled Lake's action was a victory for the village and added that the resolution was an acknowledgement on the city's part of its responsibility to clean-up the controversial drain.

The village council is expected to discuss the lake restoration project and Walled Lake's resolution at a special meeting scheduled for 8 p.m. tonight, McLellan said.

He added that village officials now plan to contact Commerce Township officials to see if the township would be willing to pay part of the cost of the retention facilities since the Greenaway starts in Commerce, southeast of West Maple and Decker roads and flows through Walled Lake to the southeast corner of the Wolverine Lake.

As of yesterday morning, however, McLellan had not contacted Commerce officials. The village president said that Commerce should be interested in the drain clean-up, not only because the Greenaway starts in the township, but also because Wolverine Lake flows downstream into South Commerce Lake.

However, a Commerce Lake homeowners' association has asked the EPA to determine what impacts, if any, the Wolverine Lake project may have on their lake in terms of flooding, silting and nutrient loading during the winter drawdown and freeze phase of the proposed restoration.

The EPA did not address the Commerce residents' concerns in an October 26 letter to the village which stated that the lake project "has not been selected for an award at this time."

Wayne Gorski, of the EPA's regional office, told the Walled Lake council last week that the village's grant application has not been denied, but is in a "holding pattern" until the drainage problem is resolved.

Walled Lake's resolution of intent would satisfy the EPA's concerns, Gorski said.

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### Snow brings out carolers

The first heavy snow of the season this weekend swept down and around these "carolers" in front of the Wixom City Hall on Pontiac Trail. The figures are placed in front of city hall by city officials each year to help residents get into the holiday spirit. Cold temperatures and drifting snow swirled through the

Lakes Area, adding a special touch to the rapidly-approaching holidays. Walled Lake will kick off its season festivities with a traditional Christmas tree lighting ceremony next Tuesday at 7 p.m. (Staff photo by Jane Hale)

### Library, fire, city facilities

## Council seeks plans for expansion

Plans for proposed expansions of the Walled Lake city hall and library and the construction of a new fire station will be prepared following city council action last week.

Building Inspector Earl Glaspie said he would approach Detroit area architectural schools to see if the plans could be listed as a class project to save the city the cost of the drawings.

Glaspie presented a rough sketch of the construction projects and

guesstimate costs to the council.

The 20-by-50-foot city hall addition would cost an estimated \$14,949, Glaspie said, while the 58-by-45 expansion of the library probably will run about \$25,516. The proposed 50-by-110 fire hall, which would be built on city property behind the municipal building, carried an estimated cost of \$43,326, he added.

All of the prices are 15 percent higher than estimates received by Glaspie

earlier this year when the council first discussed the projects. The inspector added that the building costs probably would climb another 10 percent in the next six months.

The plans were based on projection for 10 years' use of the facilities, Glaspie said, adding that he talked to city department heads in order to come up with proposals that would meet their needs.

City library officials have for some

time requested an addition to the existing facility, which is located in city hall, or construction of a new building to meet the need for more room, while Glaspie said the city hall portion of the structure should be enlarged to provide "more elbow room."

Fire officials have asked for larger quarters to house new trucks that have been requested, although the council has not made a decision on whether to buy the equipment.

If the new fire hall is built, Glaspie said, the police department would be able to use the two vehicle bays now located in the city hall complex.

Although the council directed the inspector to get detailed drawings of the plans, no decision was made on whether the projects actually would be approved for construction or how the facilities would be financed.

Earlier this year, the city asked Oakland County officials to review plans for the city hall-library expansion for possible inclusion on a list of projects that would qualify for federal funds, but the county officials determined that the plans were low-priority items.

The city's library board has saved some \$50,000 in recent years to pay for an addition or new building, Board Member Pat Hoppe told the council earlier this month. Last week, she said the board would be willing to help pay for the renovation, but noted that the library panel was the only one that had

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### Revitalization panel names committees

Walled Lake's revitalization steering committee met last Wednesday to elect officers and appoint sub-committees.

Named as president of the panel was Ray Pung, a State Farm insurance agent based in Walled Lake, while Mayor Gaspare LaMarca and Ed Carey, of the Carey Company and a member of the city's Economic Development Corporation, were selected as vice-presidents. City Manager Peter Parker was chosen as the committee's executive director, Pung said.

Appointments also were made to seven sub-committees — funding, traffic study, road study, utilities, theme, clean-up, and publicity and communications.

Charles Riffenburg was named chairperson of the clean-up panel, Pung said, while Dr. James Leary, associate superintendent of instruction and curriculum for the Walled Lake Schools, was appointed to head the theme group.

Other sub-committee chairpersons will be named at a later date, he added.

"The traffic study group will look into smaller immediate traffic problems," according to Pung, while the road study sub-committee will review long-range projects such as the extension of West Maple Road.

Joseph P. Ford, a regional represen-

tative of the Detroit Edison Company, pledged his firm's full cooperation to working with the revitalization committee, Pung said. Ford will serve on the utilities panel.

Mayor LaMarca has said one of his goals is to eliminate utility poles in the city as part of the effort to beautify Walled Lake's business district and downtown area.

The mayor added that he would like to see the revitalization committee work on one project at a time to encourage travelers to stop in the city.

An "Old West" theme for the city's downtown area was discussed by the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce several years ago as part of the market survey of Walled Lake that was completed by Community Planning and Management, the city's planning consultants. The mayor said he felt the lake and the city's recreation and relaxation potential should be emphasized in the theme.

County officials also have been asked to make materials available to the city on revitalization efforts in other communities, LaMarca has said.

Pung said the committee still is looking for a recording secretary and a corresponding secretary.

The revitalization panel has scheduled another meeting for December 13 at a time and place to be announced later.

### EIS released

## Super sewer hearings scheduled for January 4

Public hearings on the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the super sewer project have been scheduled for January 4 in the Romulus City Hall, according to Doug Ehorn, a project officer with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regional office in Chicago.

The impact statement was expected to be released last week by the EPA, but, as of Monday, local officials had not received copies of the report.

In addition to the two hearings on the EIS, scheduled for 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on January 4, Ehorn said a public comment period on the report will run from December 1 through January 15.

Following the hearings and comment period, the federal agency will decide whether to proceed with the interceptor sewer and wastewater treatment plant.

The EPA has said that the impact statement recommends approval of the so-called decentralization alternative.

Under that plan, communities from Canton Township south and east to Brownstown Township would be served

by a new interceptor sewer and treatment plant located in the south of Huron River, while southern Novi, Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth and Plymouth Township would continue to be served by the Middle Rouge interceptor system and Detroit treatment plant.

Northern Novi, Commerce and Walled Lake — Wolverine Lake Village and White Lake have opted not to participate in the program — would be served by an expanded Walled Lake-Novl treatment plant, under the EPA's recommended alternative.

Originally, all of the communities from Brownstown to White Lake were slated to be included in the super sewer project, and Washington County, until two years ago, also was designed into the proposed facilities. However, when political squabbling over control of super sewer surfaced in Wayne County, Washington pulled out and won EPA approval for expanded treatment plants.

Earlier this year, EPA officials said that, because the Oakland County com-

munities are environmentally sensitive, they would take a closer look at the super sewer plans.

Local officials, however, have expressed concerns about the decentralization alternative.

Commerce Supervisor Robert Long has said that his township should be included in the super sewer project area in order to reserve sewer capacity in case pollution problems are cited on lakes, rivers or streams.

He also has questioned whether the Oakland County communities can be treated at a larger Walled Lake-Novl plant since the effluent would exceed guidelines set by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) and would be discharged into the Rouge River system. Long has speculated that the Rouge Basin Coalition probably would oppose any plan that provided for discharge of effluent from the Huron River watershed into the Rouge system.

Novl officials have noted that development in the northern half of the

city has reached the point that super sewer is needed to meet future demands.

And, the Wayne County Board of Public Works staff has said that the premises used by the EPA to justify the decentralization alternative are unsound.

Some of the premises on which the EPA based its recommendation for the decentralized plan, according to the public works staff, include:

— The Carter Administration has a program for assisting central city urban areas that could be interpreted as a program to restrict development of suburban areas;

— restricting sewer service will inhibit development;

— local and county officials purposely inflated population projections in order to take advantage of federal grants by constructing over-size facilities;

— substantial areas of the study area can be served by on-site wastewater disposal systems such as septic tanks; and

— the Detroit treatment plant was

designed with excessive capacity which should be fully utilized before any wastewater is diverted to other systems.

Two environmental groups — the Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) and the East Michigan Environmental Action Council (EMEAC) — have come out in favor of the decentralized sewer plan.

John Spurr of EMEAC has said that the original super sewer proposal could lead to "unreasonable over-sewering of areas where it's not required, based on unrealistic population projections," and added that his group is concerned about the possible impacts of super sewer on Lake Erie.

Plans called for treated effluent from super sewer to be discharged into Lake Erie.

Treatment costs would be high and, because of the size of the system, it is questionable whether the plant could adequately treat the wastewater, Spurr added.

The MUCC has taken a position that, while the Huron River valley has a pollution problem that should be cleaned up, the decentralized alternative is the only plan that "adequately protects the environment and satisfies the objectives of the (federal clean water act)," according to Thomas L. Washington, the organization's executive director.

### Interior aides visit M-275 area

Local representatives of the U.S. Department of the Interior will make a field inspection of western Oakland County today and tomorrow as part of their review of the alternatives to the cancelled M-275 freeway, according to Mike Flajole, coordinator of the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation's M-275 study team.

The federal agency staff met with Flajole 23 days ago to review an analysis of the alternatives for a north-south state trunkline road. The field inspection was scheduled at that time so the Interior officials could take a first-hand look at the area, the study team coordinator said.

Former State Highway Commission Chairperson Peter B. Fletcher, who resigned November 7, suggested in August that the Interior Department and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) should be asked to review the alternatives to determine the possible environmental impacts and federal funding.

Stanley Doremus, an Interior Department assistant secretary who has since stepped down, blasted the original M-275 freeway plans two years ago, noting that the controversial bypass route to I-75 would have destroyed the state-owned Dodge Park Unit Five and a black spruce bog in Commerce Township.

The state highway department has since acquired a replacement piece of land for the park and a Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) task force concluded that the black spruce bog, which was drained and is now under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for dredging or fill operations, had been impacted by power lines.

The FHWA had approved the advance acquisition of property along the freeway right-of-way.

Several alternatives for a trunkline facility still are under study by the state highway commission, including a parkway that would follow Hagerty Road from I-96 to about Pontiac Trail where it would veer northwesterly over the original M-275 alignment to M-59 in White Lake; a scenic drive proposed by the Citizens in Opposition to M-275 that would follow the Hagerty-Union Lake-Williams Lake roads corridor from 12 Mile Road to M-59 with a connecting boulevard along 14 Mile from Northwestern Highway to Hagerty; the original freeway proposal; and the so-called "do nothing" or "no build" approach.

Meanwhile, Flajole said his study team also is working on a proposal offered by Highway Commissioner Weston Vivian for a trunkline road east of Orchard Lake Road and "getting things ready for review with the Interior Department."

With the passage of state Proposal M in the November 7 election and Fletcher's resignation, Flajole said he expects the review process to slow down.

Proposal M was designed to set aside a certain amount of state transportation funds for mass transit, but it also changed the four-member highway panel to a six-member transportation commission.

Fletcher's resignation, coupled with approval of "M," means that three new commissioners will be added to the panel next month or early next year.

Governor Milliken's press secretary, Al Sandner, recently said that he expects all three appointments to be made around the date — December 22 — when Proposal M takes effect.

Tom Shawver, highway department public information director, added the three current commissioners — Vivian, Hannes Meyers and Carl Pellonpa — probably will have to be re-

appointed to the panel when the constitutional amendment takes effect.

The commission meets once more December 20, before the change is made.

Meyers is expected to be named as chairperson to replace Fletcher.

Some transportation observers have speculated recently that Milliken may remove John P. Woodford as director of the highway department since Proposal M gives the governor the power to appoint — and remove — the department director. Previously, that power was vested in the commission.

Milliken has asked all of his department heads for their resignations as he embarks on his third term as governor, and sources say he intends to accept some of the resignations.

The commission did not discuss the M-275 alternatives at last Wednesday's meeting, Shawver added.

### Council tables action on raise for Parker

A move to grant an eight percent raise to Walled Lake City Manager Peter Parker was tabled last week by the city council.

Councilman Don Lee proposed the raise, which would have been retroactive to July 1 when the current fiscal year, to \$19,800, but now earns \$2,000 less a year than Police Chief Willford Hawk and only \$650 more than Inspector Earl Glaspie, the lowest paid department head.

The eight percent pay hike would put the manager's salary at \$21,348.

Parker told the council in August that he expects to be the city's top paid employee under an understanding he allegedly had with former Mayor William T. Roberts.

The manager has said he accepted the Walled Lake post with Roberts' assurances that he would be the highest paid city employee and added that some council members, when he was hired, expressed surprise that his predecessor, Joe Menghini, was not the top paid staffer.

In addition to his salary, the manager receives a monthly car allowance of \$150.

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## First 'raise' since 1972

## Novi attorney seeks increase in fees

A request for an increase in the fees paid to the city attorney for legal services is scheduled to be discussed by the Novi City Council at its December 13 meeting.

Specifically, City Attorney David Fried has asked that his fees be raised from \$40 to \$45 per hour for routine matters and that he receive an hourly fee of \$65 for other duties such as "appeals to or litigation in the federal courts, circuit courts, state appellate courts, work requiring extensive hearings before quasi-judicial or administrative tribunals; and for condemnation proceedings or other matters outside the normal scope" of his duties.

In requesting consideration of a rate in-

crease, Fried told the council that he has intended to discuss the matter with them for the past several years.

"Each time I intended to bring the matter up to the council, it seemed as though the city was in some kind of an economic problem such as union negotiations, a need for funds for some particular project, or some other earth-shaking problem," commented Fried.

"As a result, I failed to present my request to the council. If I continue to wait until the city has a surplus in the budget, I'm afraid that I'll never submit this request. I can no longer delay in matters outside the normal scope" of his duties.

Fried was retained by

the city as its attorney in September 1972 at a rate of \$40 per hour for all litigation. Prior to becoming city attorney, he had been retained as special counsel to the city in regard to certain litigation and was compensated at a rate of \$65 per hour for the work.

"As you all know, the city's work has increased quite substantially since September 1972," noted Fried in his letter to the council.

"In order for me to give the city competent legal service, I must be able to pay the city's attorney for the work he does for me. It is no secret that costs and wages have increased quite substantially since 1972. My records indicate that costs have increased in

excess of 50 percent since September of 1972."

Fried suggested that his request for \$45 per hour for routine services and \$65 per hour for special services be in compliance with the present city charter.

A fee of \$65 per hour would be commensurate to the hourly fee presently paid by the city to special counsel which is consulted upon occasion.

Although the request for consideration of a change in the fee structure was slated for discussion at the November 20 council meeting, the subject was tabled at the request of Fried and Finance Director Les Gibson.

Gibson acknowledged that Fried was correct in

believing that his rates may never be adjusted if he waits until the city has a surplus in its budget.

He asked, however, that consideration of the request be tabled until the auditors have completed their work on the 1977-78 records in order to enable the city to get a "reasonable handle" on the status of its budget.

"Granted the attorney's fees should not be contingent upon the city's ability to pay, but the budget process is a matter of establishing priorities and if the fund balance is not adequate, the council may have to out in other areas to realign the adopted budget," noted Gibson.

Gibson also told the council that the firm of Lampert and Fried had

received some \$50,000 in legal fees during the 1976-77 fiscal year and some \$68,000 in legal fees during the 1977-78 fiscal year.

The city has paid out some \$23,000 through the first four months of the present fiscal year, according to figures revealed by Gibson, who added that the charges would be annualized at an amount of approximately \$85,000 if the first four months are typical.

Gibson added, however, that the data is presented without an in-depth review and should be considered only as general information.

Time has not permitted a review of the supporting information which will identify major special work such as the time re-

quired for the annexation of the city.

Fried asked that the question be tabled last week in order to permit city officials to review the work of the auditors.

"The question involves a substantial sum of money and in all fairness the council should have adequate time to consider the request," he stated.

Councilman James Shaw noted that Fried had no rate adjustment since 1972 and asked that the matter be returned to the table for consideration in December.

The council will also consider the possibility of utilizing legal services on a retainer basis or the possibility of retaining an in-house attorney at that session.

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## Bibeau says

## EDC can't finance multiples

Multiple residential projects may not be financed by the Walled Lake Economic Development Corporation (EDC), City Attorneys Paul Bibeau and Richard Poehlman said last week in an opinion prepared for the city council.

Although no one has applied for revenue bonds to finance a multiple residential development, the council is considering the creation of public economic development corporations was designed to "alleviate and prevent conditions of unemployment, to assist and retain local industries and commercial enterprises; to strengthen and revitalize the economy; and to encourage and assist in the housing project at fair market value to persons who are 50 years of age or older."

"Although the act does specifically provide for an eligible project as under the original law, the attorneys said, "it

referred to in the act is not a multiple commercial residential project that would be the substance of a project plan, but rather an incidental portion of an industrial or other commercial enterprise."

"As the act contemplates the possible condemnation of residential property, it therefore provides for relocation of persons and replacement of the housing lost through condemnation," they added.

A recently approved amendment to the state law, according to the attorneys, provides for EDC financing of "a housing project constructed for the purpose of renting units in the housing project at fair market value to persons who are 50 years of age or older."

If multiple residential units had been intended as an eligible project under the original law, the attorneys said, "it

would not have been necessary to add the so-called 'senior citizen' provisions in the amendment."

The city attorneys consulted the Walled Lake EDC's bond counsel who reinforced the opinion that "a commercial multiple residential development, other than the 'senior citizen' development and replacement housing, would not qualify for financing under the economic development corporation act."

According to Ron Lada, an economic development specialist with the Michigan Department of Commerce's Office of Economic Expansion, "no one has ever tried to finance a multiple residential project through an EDC."

"We don't have a real firm answer," Lada added, "but generally our position has been that replacement housing and eligible senior citizen

housing are the only ones that would qualify."

Walled Lake's EDC was established after Stuart Frankel, a partner in Walled Lake Commons, brought the concept to the council's attention last spring.

So far, Walled Lake Commons' project plan for a new Kmart store to be located at Pontiac Trail and West Maple Road is the only EDC application that has been received by the city.

The council and the EDC Board of Directors have approved the proposed project plan. The only formal action still required to finalize the project is EDC approval of a bond resolution and closing documents for the lease agreement.

Under the EDC law, revenue bonds may be issued to finance the construction or of industrial and commercial facilities to improve the community's economic base.

serious consideration to establishment of an amortization period.

He added, however, that it would be extremely difficult to tell someone that their sign had to come down if it has been legally erected in compliance with the former ordinance prior to the adoption of a new ordinance.

Kilroy went on to say that he felt the city would have considerably more success in removing non-conforming signs as new development takes place, and indicated that he would prefer to follow a less restrictive approach.

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## Officials learn proper traffic controls

Citizens often have complaints about and propose solutions for traffic problems on residential streets and it is up to the city council to make educated decisions on the proper method of handling the situation.

Novi City Council members received a lesson Monday on the appropriate times for installing traffic signs and signals from the Oakland County Traffic Improvement Association (TIA).

The council members were urged to encourage citizens to bring traffic problems before the city, because "residents are

the most vigilant form of surveillance the city has," said Dr. Tappan Datta, TIA traffic consultant.

However, he said the residents often propose solutions that might be legitimate, but are not always appropriate. He warned that the city should avoid posting unnecessary speed limits or traffic signs and signals.

Datta said that residents often request more police patrols, lower speed limits and traffic signals. But solutions proposed by residents may actually have no effect on their

particular traffic problem, Datta said.

He told the council to study each traffic problem brought before it to determine the actual cause of the accidents or tieups.

In an earlier presentation by TIA Managing Director Bruce Madsen it was indicated that in any accident there may be a number of contributing factors. If these factors are evaluated and a pattern is found at a high accident area, hazards can be eliminated to make driving safer there, Madsen explained.

Datta gave the council

guidelines for installing traffic control devices. Posted speed limits should be based on studies to determine the speed of approximately 85 percent of the drivers during a test period.

It has been shown that drivers will ignore posted speed limits and drive the speed they believe is safe, Datta said. A test of at least 100 cars driving at off-peak traffic hours should be conducted to establish the proper speed limit, Datta said.

Stop signs should be installed in areas where driving is hazardous under normal driving conditions, where a residential street crosses a major through street and on streets approaching an intersection with signals, he said.

Stop signs also can be installed at intersections where the driver has an obstructed view of on-

coming traffic and in areas where it is found that accidents can be corrected with a sign, according to Datta.

He said stop signs should not be installed to control speed because this will only transfer a speeding problem from one section of the street to another.

If traffic volume exceeds 500 vehicles per hour on a major street or 200 vehicles per hour on a local street during an eight-hour period it could be appropriate to install a four-way stop, Datta said.

Traffic signals may be warranted in areas where traffic backs up at an intersection, Datta said. He indicated signals also could be used to break up continuous traffic.

Signals can be used to create an overall traffic system, he said. Traffic problems in a specific area, when examined

with a total local traffic pattern in mind, can show where signals are needed, Datta said.

Large volumes of pedestrian traffic and school crossings may call for traffic signals, he continued. A combination of these conditions also may warrant a signal.

Signals can be set to change when traffic approaches, by pre-timing or through computerization, the traffic consultant explained. The proper method of setting the signal can be determined through studies of the traffic volume, accident data and the characteristics of the intersection.

Datta cautioned that "unwarranted stop signs are bad but unwarranted signals are disastrous."

In Novi many traffic problems can be avoided if the council reviews

developers' plans for roads to assure they will fit into the overall traffic pattern of the city, Datta said.

Street plans must be reviewed to determine that proper access has been provided to all land parcels, through traffic is minimized and speeding will be discouraged.

The presentation by TIA was given at the request of the Novi Police Department as an informational session to increase council members' awareness of the procedures used to determine necessary installation of traffic control devices.

TIA conducts similar presentations for elected officials across the country as part of an awareness program funded by the federal government.

## Walled Lake approves plan consultant pact

An agreement to retain Community Planning and Management of Utica as Walled Lake's planning consultants was unanimously approved last week by the city council.

Under the contract, the consultants will receive a monthly retainer of \$300 and fees collected by the city for various plat, site plan and rezoning request reviews. Time spent on city business in excess of the regular services will be billed at a rate of \$55 an hour.

Ted J. Kilroy, vice-president of the firm, will continue to represent Com-

munity Planning and Management in all dealings with the city.

The pact is the same as contracts approved by the council for planning services with the firm in the last three years, according to City Manager Peter Parker.

The agreement calls for the consultants to attend 12 regularly scheduled plan commission meetings, draft amendments to the zoning ordinance, provide up to 12 written reviews and recommendations to the city on planning and zoning matters, and offer other assistance and coordination in planning, zoning and development matters.

## City stays with county

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of funds for a fire truck to service a fire-protection building.

Kilroy stated further, however, that there might be a chance of obtaining a grant for solving the drainage problems in TIA since the 1970 census, which is used in distributing the grant monies, indicates a substantial percentage of low and moderate income families in that subdivision.

Kilroy also advised the council that federal officials take a hard look at the racial minorities in areas which apply for funding.

"The only identifiable minorities in this area are the Indians," he stated. "It's one of the most important criteria in the program and if you don't have minorities, you're going to have trouble getting a grant."

John Madole, manager of the coun-

ty's Block Grant program, advised the council that there would be "strings attached" if the city were to apply and receive a grant through the Small Cities Program. He noted that the HUD program in Detroit has been computerized and that the number of inspectors in the Detroit offices has been doubled.

"They audit you very carefully to make certain that you're following the guidelines established in the program," reported Madole. "If they decide that you haven't met the criteria, they will require you to pay back the money with interest out of the city coffers."

Councilman Thomas Bookover submitted the motion to remain in the city's Community Block Grant program. The motion was supported by Councilman Don Lee and unanimously endorsed (6-0) by the council. Councilman William Staman left the meeting before the vote was taken.

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## At Twelve Oaks Mall

## Undercover cop nails suspect

Undercover police officer has led to the arrest of a Novi High School Co-op student on charges of larceny from a building.

The charges have been lodged against Barbara Fiddes, 18, of Novi who was arrested before Judge Gerald McNally in the 52nd District Court in Clarkston last Friday.

The suspect was released on \$1,000 personal bond.

Credited with playing a key role in the arrest was Candace Pyle, the newest of the two female officers in the Novi Police Department.

It was decided to employ Pyle as an undercover agent after police received information from an informant that the suspect (Ms. Fiddes) was in possession of an estimated \$800 worth of jewelry

which had been allegedly stolen from Alvin's in Twelve Oaks Mall.

Ms. Fiddes was employed in the shipping and receiving department of the store as a co-op student, according to police reports.

Novi police officials subsequently made arrangements for Officer Pyle to be hired by Alvin's and work in an undercover capacity in the shipping and receiving department with the suspect.

On November 22 Officer Pyle reportedly observed the suspect take approximately \$250 worth of jewelry from the store as she left for a break.

Officer Pyle, working in conjunction with the Novi Surveillance Team, notified officers outside the store who subsequently arrested Ms. Fiddes on

charges of larceny from a building. She reportedly had the \$250 worth of merchandise taken from Alvin's in her possession at the time of the arrest, according to police.

Police subsequently obtained permission to search several area residences where additional merchandise allegedly stolen from the store by the suspect was believed to be located.

As a result of those searches, police reported that they recovered an additional \$750 worth of merchandise which allegedly was stolen from the store by Ms. Fiddes.

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## Novi Schools won't pursue proposed transfer of land

Novi's Board of Education has decided not to pursue the transfer of a 4.2 acre parcel of land near the Twelve Oaks Mall from the Walled Lake to the Novi School District.

The property is located at the east end of the parcel on which the regional shopping center is located. The existing boundary between the Novi and the Walled Lake School Districts is the half-section line midway between Novi and Meadowbrook roads.

The affected area of 4.2 acres lies east of the half-section line, but within the ring road around the mall.

Superintendent Dr. Gerald Kratz told the board last week that the transfer had been requested by James E. Howard, a supervisor in Oakland County's Department of Management and Budget Equalization Division.

"The request was initiated by the county, not by the Novi School District," stated Dr. Kratz. "There are considerable problems in appraising, assessing and describing parcels in split school districts and the Equalization Department felt it would simplify the operation if the parcel could be transferred to the Novi School District."

There is presently no development on the 4.2 acre parcel which is comprised of two curved-shaped land areas. The irregular shape of the parcels and poor soil conditions (peat bogs) make it doubtful that development would ever occur on the property.

Novi Assessor John Merrifield has reported that the property is currently assessed at approximately \$1,000 per acre.

In presenting the question to the board last week, Dr. Kratz noted that the Walled Lake School Board had opposed the transfer at its November 13 session.

The question before the board, explained the Novi superintendent, is whether it wants to pursue the transfer by filing a resolution with the Oakland Schools.

"If you decided to pursue the transfer, we would have to file the resolution and then compile data for a hearing before the five members of the Oakland School Board," he explained.

"Frankly, I'm not sure it's worth the trouble," he added.

Board President Ruth Waldenmayer suggested that filing a resolution for the transfer of land "might be worth a try as long as we appear to have the county on our side."

But other board members recommended that the matter be dropped.

Trustee Ray Murphy noted that the Novi Schools would only get about \$80 per year in additional revenue if the property were transferred.

"It's probably already cost us that much," he said.

Trustee Sharon Pelchat said she did not feel that Novi should fight for the land if Walled Lake was opposed to the transfer.

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## Walled Lake blood drive set

The first of two semi-annual blood drives conducted in the Walled Lake School District will be held on Monday, December 4, at the Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church on South Commerce Road near Oakley Park.

Hours for the community-wide drive are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Now in its tenth year, the Walled Lake blood drive will be conducted by the Southeast

Michigan Red Cross. Blood collected during the drive is made available to the families of all donors who live or work in the Walled Lake area.

Although nearly all group insurance plans cover the hospital's administration fee for blood, insurance will not cover the fees charged for blood that is not in the hospital's possession.

Eligible blood donors include anyone in good health between the ages of 17 and 66. Those under 18 are required to have parental consent.

Blood donations from students and staff members of Walled Lake Central High School will be taken from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hours for general public donations are suggested between 2 p.m.

and 8 p.m. Appointments for specific time periods will be accepted by calling 363-6731.

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## Council seeks plans for expansion

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been asked to contribute funds for the city projects.

Meanwhile, council members next month are expected to decide whether the library board should receive some \$1,600 in state single business tax (SBT) revenues.

City attorneys Paul Bibeau and Richard Poehlman last week gave the council a legal opinion which stated that there is no requirement for the city to share the business tax revenues with the library, but added that they could "find no prohibition which would restrict the city council from appropriating such an amount in its budget to the library."

In past years, the library has received a share of the SBT monies as reimbursement for the loss of personal property inventory taxes which were abolished when the new business tax took effect in 1975.

Library board members have presented the council with copies of letters from the state treasurer, a budget analyst in the Michigan Department of Management and Budget and the depu-

ty system director of the Wayne-Oakland Library Federation that indicated that libraries are entitled to a share of the new business tax. The bi-county library federation official said the library was eligible for the funds because it is a taxing authority.

The city attorneys, however, say that "constitution has no basis in law. Local units of government derive their powers of taxation from the legislature, and their power to impose taxes cannot be exercised except in pursuance of expressed statutory authority."

"Proper construction of the language relating to the tax imposed by the city and allocated to the library fund leads inevitably to the conclusion that such tax is levied not by the library, but by the city as an entire general tax," the attorneys added.

Noting that state law provides for reimbursement to local units of government of a portion of the SBT revenues to be used for the elimination of the inventory property tax, the attorneys said the act "did not change the rate of tax upon property in the city of Walled Lake for the purpose of the library, but it did reduce the base for such tax."

The Walled Lake library was created under a law that requires the city to do three things — establish a library fund, levy a tax not to exceed one mill to provide monies for the support and maintenance of the library, and generate the tax funds by assessing the millage on taxable property in the same manner that other general taxes are raised — the attorneys said.

"The city has and continues to perform each of the duties," Bibeau and Poehlman stated. "The fact that the state legislature has reduced the amount of taxable property in the city is something that is totally outside of the control of the city of Walled Lake."

The legal opinion is basically the same as two previous opinions provided to the council by the attorneys on the library issue.

Council members, however, may decide to amend the library's budget to provide the \$1,600 in SBT revenues.

In other action last week, the council — agreed to participate in the county's tri-party program for traffic improvements to the tune of \$1,333, or one-

third of the cost, for a self-activating pedestrian signal at Pontiac Trail and West Maple Road and a bigger traffic signal at Decker Road and Pontiac Trail. The city's traffic consultants, Goodell-Grivas, Incorporated, recommended approval of the pedestrian signal.

— authorized the payment of \$1,384 as its share of the cost of a police communications system that originally was approved three years ago. Federal funds paid for most of the cost, and the city will cover its share from the contingency account.

— approved a maintenance service contract with the Layne-Northern Company for well pump number two in the Carle Acres Subdivision at a cost of \$5,698. Public Works Superintendent John Nail said the work would be preventative maintenance and added that \$6,000 had been budgeted for the project; and

— purchased a tape recording system to "read" city water meters. Nail said the current equipment has malfunctioned in the past and added that the Neptune Water Meter Company of Alabama is the only firm that manufactures a recorder that meets the city's needs.

The city won't have to pay for the recorder until next July, Nail said, noting that the delay will give his department a chance to make sure the equipment works properly. If the payment has to be made before then, City Manager Peter Parker said the money could be found in the water department budget.

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## Commerce meets on center

Representatives of the bonding company that issued performance bonds for the construction of the Commerce Township community center have postponed a meeting with township officials to settle claims on the unfinished structure, according to Supervisor Robert Long.

A meeting between township officials and a representative of the firm — International Fidelity of New Jersey — originally was scheduled for November 27, but Long said the bonding company has asked to delay the session until December 5.

The supervisor said Commerce officials have little choice but to wait for the new meeting date.

Architects for the township have estimated that it will cost some \$98,000 to complete the 3,000-sq.-foot community center which is located in the 36-acre Richardson Park at Oakley Park and Newton roads.

The New Jersey firm last year issued performance bonds for the facility to Lakewood Construction Company, the general contractor, that apparently has gone out of business.

Township officials noted a number of problems with the project and apparent violations of the construction contract in July. After attempts to contact the contractor failed, the township board fired Lakewood and authorized its attorney to work with the bonding company to complete the project.

Long has said it will take several weeks after the bond claim is settled for work on the \$152,000 center to be completed. Subcontractors who had been hired by Lakewood have agreed to finish their work on the structure, Long said, and a new contractor has been hired to replace the original general contractor.

Plans called for the community center to be completed in April of this year and that date later was pushed back to June.

In addition to not paying subcontractors and building supply companies, the contractor allegedly did not pay a gas bill, authorized ceiling work that was not called for in the plans and failed to contract township officials to resolve the problems.

The community center, which is being built with federal community development act funds, will be used primarily by senior citizens during the day, including serving as the site for the Oakland-Livestrong Human Services Agency, and by other community groups at night.

## Residents apply for council seat

Two Wolverine Lake residents have applied for appointment to the vacancy on the village council, Administrator Bill O'Brien said Monday.

Gerry Markowski, chairperson of the village's Zoning Board of Appeals, and Robert Woodrow, an auxiliary police officer, have submitted applications for the vacancy created earlier this month by the death of Councilman L. Dean Ratliff.

Council members have said they will appoint a replacement to Ratliff at the December 13 meeting. Under the village charter, the council has 60 days from the date of the vacancy (November 2) to fill the post.

The appointee will serve on the council until next April when the term expires. At that time, council seats held by John McEllean, John Coxeter and Jim Hall also will be up for grabs.

The top three vote-getters will win four-year terms on the council, while the fourth-place finisher will serve for two years.

Ratliff, who died November 2 after a lengthy battle against cancer, had been appointed to the council in June 1977 to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of F. Robert Kaiser. He had served a two-year term on the council from 1969-71.

## Songfest slated at Village Oaks

Parents, students, and teachers at Novi's Village Oaks Elementary School will hold their sixth annual "songfest" this Thursday (November 30) at 7:15 p.m.

The songfest will be held in the parking lot outside the elementary school. Participants will be warmed by some 100 bales of hay which have been donated by the Richard Sigler family.

Dr. Patrick Best, director of Special Services for the Novi School District,

will lead the singing.

The evening will conclude with candle lighting ceremonies and refreshments in the gymnasium. Hot chocolate will be provided by VOICE, while several parent volunteers will bake cookies for the post-songfest nourishment.

Parents, students, and teachers from Village Oaks and everyone else in the community are invited to join in the annual event.

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville will receive sealed bids for the Fleet Insurance Policy until 10:00 A.M. on Friday, December 15, 1978 at the Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St., Northville, Michigan 48167.

Specifications are available at the office of the City Clerk.

The City Council reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and to waive any irregularities.

Joan G. McAllister  
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Minimum size requirements for equipment are as follows:

(1) Rubber-tired bucket loaders — minimum size to be Cat. 850B 3/4 cyd bucket or equivalent.

(2) Graders — minimum size Cat. 12 or equivalent. Preferably mounted with V-plow.

(3) Bulldozers — minimum size to be Cat. D-6 or equivalent.

All interested parties must include their chargeable rate on a per hour basis for the services of operators and equipment. Over time rates will not be accepted. Interested parties must be willing to accept assignments anywhere within Oakland County, depending upon the severity of the need. The Board will not incur any expense in transporting equipment and operators to and from the assigned work areas. Comprehensive general liability insurance coverage and comprehensive automobile liability coverage are provided naming the Board of County Road Commissioners as the certificate holder in the minimum amounts of:

(1) Bodily Injury — \$250,000 per person, \$500,000 per occurrence

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(3) Single Limit Policy — \$500,000

All contractors selected will provide identification for the Board as to any and all claims which arise as a result of their performance of snow removal services. All contractors selected will be expected to execute written agreements incorporating the above, accompanied by a performance bond. Responsible Companies or individuals capable of providing the services requested, should forward the necessary information no later than November 30, 1978. Send this information to:

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As We See It

Greenaway talks need restraint

Last week's negotiations toward a "peace agreement" between Walled Lake and Wolverine Lake Village on a funding formula to improve the Greenaway Drain sounded like a local version of the aftermath of the Camp David summit, Dr. John Snell, the village's lake project consultant, said at one point during the heated debate.

Snell may have been trying to inject some humor into the emotional meeting, but his analysis is not far off the mark.

Walled Lake's resolution of intent to contribute one-sixth of the cost, up to \$16,666, as its share of the estimated \$100,000 retention basin that will treat the Greenaway Drain is an agreement to agree. Before the city actually authorizes any expenditure of funds for drain improvements, the village council must adopt a fertilizer control ordinance, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) must approve Wolverine Lake's application for a 50 percent federal grant to help fund the lake restoration project, and the city and village must resolve the issue of who will pay the annual \$5,000-\$10,000 maintenance costs for the proposed retention facilities.

If all of the pieces fall into place, village officials hope that the EPA will be satisfied with its efforts to control nutrient source conditions that contribute to water quality and weed problems in the lake. And, if that happens, the federal grant could be approved in time to allow work on the restoration program to begin next fall, according to village officials.

There are still, however, road blocks to a "lasting peace" between the city and village. The main hurdle appears to be agreement on whether Walled Lake should pay for a portion of the annual maintenance of the retention facilities. City officials were reluctant to make that commitment last week, noting that the maintenance costs in the long run could amount to more than the initial contribution for the construction of retention facilities.

A tangent to that issue is the interpretation the officials have assigned to last week's resolution of intent.

Village Council President John McLellan says that Walled Lake's commitment to the retention project is an acknowledgement on the city's part that it is responsible for improving the Greenaway.

Walled Lake Councilman Thomas Brookover, on the other hand, feels the city has no obligation to participate in the drain improvement, but the council made the commitment, in part, because the village's complaints about the Greenaway have become a "pain in the neck over real and imagined differences."

It is clear that representatives of the city and the village still have a long way to go before the Greenaway issue is finally resolved.

We have in the past supported the proposed lake restoration project. We still believe that the restoration program is a laudable goal to improve the village's most important asset — Wolverine Lake.

We only hope that the new round of negotiations between the city and the village will be more restrained and less stormy than the heated debates that marked two recent meetings of the Greenaway Drain committee and last week's Walled Lake council meeting.

Although we harbor no objections to multiple family housing, we believe that the city — any city — is better served with single family residential development.

It is interesting to note that another proposal has been set forth for a mobile home park in the same general area as the proposed Foster Farm development.

Quite frankly, we find it less than a happy situation that the plan commission could conceivably be reviewing proposals for multiple family residential development and a mobile home park as available acreage for residential development is running out.

If a mistake has been made, it was probably made at the time the property was master planned and rezoned for multiple family housing. In all fairness to the individuals who approved the master plan and rezoning, however, it should be noted that it is not bad planning to locate multiple family housing as a buffer between the commercial development proposed along Pontiac Trail and the existing single family residential development in Wolverine Lake Village to the north.

Although the hands of Walled Lake officials may be tied by the legal considerations, officials from other communities would be wise to take note of the situation and plan accordingly.

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Speaking for Myself



LYN MURAWSKI

YES

The first vision that comes to my mind when someone mentions television's blatant sexism is the Mary Hartman woman: mortified by imperfect laundry, decimated by gray hair and totally terrorized by odors in her home.

And then I see, hard on Mary's heels the Career Woman — obviously with no commitments of any kind, she leaps gracefully from her taxi, flashing her silken legs, carrying assorted feminine hygiene products to save her from romantic disaster, beaming her polished dental majesty at three male models who fight to open the door... you get the picture.

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I don't think so. Although I can easily understand how the question might arise. Many commercials do use traditional role-types to advertise their products. All you have to do is watch a spot on floor detergent, window spray or paper towels. It's a housewife, right?

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First snowfall

Letters welcome

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Ray's Say

By David Ray

Remember the days when kids used to pick up stray pop bottles and return them to the corner grocer for the two-cent or nickel deposit?

Two or three empty bottles could be exchanged for a candy bar.

When Michigan's bottle law takes effect Sunday, two or three empty beer or soft drink containers still can be exchanged for a candy bar — even though the price of a Hershey's bar went up to 25 cents on Monday — but, if the beverage and container industries have their way, those good old days could remain a fond memory.

The beverage and container industries, as you may have noticed in their advertising, are asking consumers to return cans and bottles to the store in their original cartons. Cans cannot be crushed, they say, and one Detroit area soft drink bottler reportedly wants twist-off caps twisted back on the empties in order to qualify for a deposit refund.

These "rules" are poppycock, says Thomas L. Washington, executive director of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) which two years ago led the successful petition drive and referendum campaign for voter approval of the state bottle bill.

"The bill itself is rather self explanatory," says Washington, adding that the new law requires carbonated and malt beverages to be sold in returnable containers. Most bottles will carry a deposit of five cents apiece, while cans require a 10-cent deposit.

As long as a retailer carries a certain brand of beer or beer, he or she must accept the returnable container whether or not the beverage was purchased in the store, he added.

However, there is nothing in the law that deals with the number or condition of returnable containers, Washington said. "They're trying to lead people to believe through a \$1-million ad campaign it's in the law."

Some problems already have arisen, the MUCC director said, including questions on whether the deposit should start with the manufacturer or the distributor, how to encourage consumers to return cans and bottles in their original condition and cartons, and how the empties should be returned to the manufacturer. Washington contends, however, that those are problems that will have to be solved by the manufacturers and distributors.

"It's pretty difficult to be sympathetic to someone who fought you for 10 years (over the adoption of the bottle bill), spent \$3-million in one of the most outrageous campaigns ever conducted in the state of Michigan and then waited so long to start to implement it," he said.

Some states that have enacted similar bottle bills have given manufacturers six months to the year to replace one-way bottles and cans with returnable containers, Washington noted, while Michigan's law is about to take effect 25 months after state voters approved the measure in the November 1976 general election.

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Novi Schools name nutrition head

The appointment of Rita Traynor to the position of Director of the Nutrition Education Program was approved by the Novi Board of Education at its November 16 meeting.

In addition, the school board also approved the appointment of Yvonne Stephens to the position of Program Facilitator and authorized the use of Maria Sarivalas Kolas as nutrition consultant at a fee not to exceed \$100 per day.

Implementation of the Nutrition Education Program was made possible through a grant totaling \$42,885 from the United States Department of Agriculture.

Receipt of the grant represented something of a coup for the Novi School District, according to Superintendent Dr. Gerald Kratz who reported that only about \$200,000 was doled out to schools in Michigan.

The grant application was prepared by Food Services Director Yvonne Stephens and Teacher Rita Traynor who were appointed to carry out the program by the board of education at last week's meeting.

Dr. Kratz had previously explained that the whole idea behind the Nutrition Education Program is "to tell what's good about food."

More specifically, the primary purpose of the program as submitted by the Novi Community School District is defined by the objectives it hopes to accomplish:

—to develop a K-12 integrated program of nutrition education which emphasizes through the cognitive process the affective areas of health, nutrition values, decision making, and the development of long-range positive attitudes toward nutrition habits in everyday life experiences, and

—to develop the awareness and knowledge of all district food personnel, teachers, parents, and administrators of good health nutrition values based on scientifically valid information in the development of positive attitudes, behaviors toward food decisions, and individual nutrition selectivity, in their particular influential role with young people through their involvement in an in-service program.

The Nutrition Education Program as conceived

Novi firefighters earn praise

To the Editor:

My husband and I wish to thank the Novi Fire Department for the excellent service in response to our call last month. We greatly appreciate your consideration and the measures taken to prevent any additional damage. Many thanks for a job well done.

Sincerely,  
The Beckers

"burden to society" may be changed to "contributors to society."

I hope people utilize the service to fully justify its existence.

Thomas Reilly  
Walled Lake

To the Editor:

In reply to the article of November 15 concerning the removal of trees in the Lake Pine Subdivision: The trees have been verified by Cranbrook Staff Botanist James Wells to be the endangered American Chestnut.

Ms. Taylor of DNR Wildlife Division states that no damages will be brought against the developers, but that she will be contacting them in the near future.

Valuable trees? Money value — no. But as a rare part of our lake environment and as an indicator of our priorities and values — yes.

Ann Ford  
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Jack Hoffman's Column

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The Baptist Church, which has since moved to a new location at 11 Mile and Taft roads, stood immediately south of the old township hall. The Baptists' first building was constructed on the site and dedicated on February 3, 1847, and it was replaced the same year as the original township hall was built — in 1876.

Both church and town hall served the community admirably until the fire of 1913.

The blaze, triggered by lightning that struck the church steeple on Monday, July 14,

destroyed both the church and the next door town hall, and for awhile, threatened the house near the corner (the house still stands).

A large gang of employees of the nearby railroad, who were encamped in the vicinity, formed themselves into a fire brigade in a futile effort to save the buildings. They did manage, however, to carry out all of the church furniture, "including even the windows," and the chairs and desks in the township hall.

The house was saved, thanks to a change in the wind's direction, and feverish work in placing water-soaked burlap bags on the roof.

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During last week's meeting, Walled Lake Councilman Thomas Brookover said the city should work with the village to resolve the Greenaway problem, but he added that he didn't feel the city had an obligation to commit funds for the drain improvement.

Walled Lake's commitment to the project, he said, should be made because Wolverine Lake officials' complaints had become a "pain in the neck over real and imagined differences."

The Greenaway Drain committee, which was created last year by the city and village councils meeting and the often heated discussions appeared to end in a stalemate an hour before the Walled Lake council was scheduled to meet.

However, Mayor Gaspare LaMarca and Brookover, who had attended the three-hour committee session before the council meeting, proposed the city's one-sixth contribution.

Village officials thanked LaMarca and Brookover for their suggestion and congratulated the Walled Lake council on its spirit of cooperation, but the agreement then appeared to be headed for another snag when McLellan indicated that the city also should share in the estimated \$5,000-\$10,000 annual maintenance cost for the retention basin.

Brookover engaged Dr. John Snell, the village's lake project engineering consultant, in a heated debate that prompted Snell and Village Administrator Bill O'Brien to start to walk out of the meeting.

McLellan charged that the council resolution was "too stringent," and suggested that the village may ask for environmental impact statements on the proposed Kmart and Foster farm developments in the city, which would drain into the Greenaway, if the Walled Lake officials imposed the conditions on the resolution of intent.

LaMarca called a brief recess to cool off the emotional debate.

During the recess, Brookover caucused with village officials and emerged to announce that the resolution of intent for the one-sixth funding was acceptable to the village.

Village officials have estimated that the proposed retention basin would cost about \$100,000. Half of the cost can be added to the lake grant application, McLellan said, leaving some \$50,000 that would have to be raised at the local level.

Walled Lake has agreed to cover one-third of the local share. McLellan added that the Oakland County Drain Commissioner's office has indicated that it will not participate in the project.

Once Commerce decides whether to participate, the village council will determine whether to proceed with the retention plans, he added.

McLellan said he hopes the developer of the 460-apartment complex proposed for the Foster farm will agree to allow the retention facilities to be built on his 55-acre site. The developer's site plan shows three proposed retention ponds on the site, including one near the Greenaway on the northern boundary of the lot.

Plans for the retention facility can be resolved in the next month or so, McLellan said he is optimistic that the lake project grant can be approved by the EPA in time to begin final engineering next spring and actual work next August.

The \$600,000 lake restoration program calls for winter drawdown and freeze, removal of tree stumps and eight to 12 inches of muck from selected areas of the lake and an aeration program. The EPA also has raised questions on the proposed aeration.

A village-wide special assessment district has been created by the council to raise the 50-percent local matching funds for the project.

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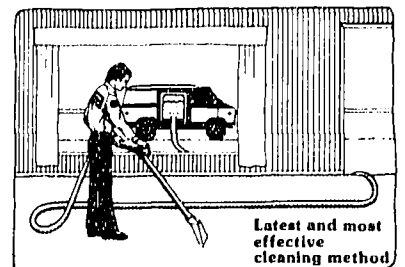
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# OBITUARIES

## FRED H. GOTTS

Fred H. Gotts, 836 North Center, a Northville resident for 70 years and retired carpenter who had built many Northville-Nowi area homes, died November 22 at the age of 74.

He died at Westland Convalescent Center after a year's illness. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church in Northville where Mr. Gotts was a member. The Reverend Guenther C. Bransler, pastor, and the Reverend Larry Gotts of Bronx, New York, Mr. Gotts' son, officiated, with interment following in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

Mr. Gotts was born May 12, 1904, in Willis, Michigan, to Charles R. and Sarah (Cox) Gotts and married Helen L. Waterman October 23, 1926.

In addition to his wife and son he leaves a sister, Mrs. Earl (Edna) Gray of Plymouth.

## LOUISE B. KLADES

Mrs. Louise B. Klades, 513 Rouge, a practical nurse who formerly worked at Eastlawn Sanatorium in Northville, died November 22 at the age of 80 at Ann Arbor Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Friday at Ross B. Northrop and Son Funeral Home in Northville with the Reverend William C. Lindholm of Holy Cross Lutheran Church officiating. Interment was in Bethlehem Cemetery in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Klades was born April 16, 1898, in New York to August Carl and Minnie (Strausburg) Schoenberg.

She leaves her husband, Ludwig; daughters, Mrs. Altha I. Braun of Baldwin and Mrs. Phyllis Wagner of Brighton; sisters, Berthe Ehrenberg of South Lyon and Martha Carter of Pontiac; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Maurice L. Higgenmaster, who died in 1965.

## BERT D. METCALF

Funeral services for Bert D. Metcalf, 69, of Plymouth were held at 11 a.m. Monday at Casterline Funeral Home, incorporated, in Northville with the Reverend Robert Shade of Shepherd of the Lakes Evangelical Lutheran Church of Walled Lake officiating.

Interment was in Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit. Mr. Metcalf died November 22 at Ford Hospital in Detroit after an illness of several years.

## HAZEL I. PARMALÉE

Miss Hazel I. Parmalee, a retired school teacher and Northville resident for 63 years, died November 20 at Beverly Manor Convalescent Home in Novi after an illness of several years.

Miss Parmalee, who was 81, was born January 7, 1897, in Nankin Township to Edward Lee and Laura Adell (Hanchett) Parmalee.

She taught in Northville and Plymouth at Clarkweather and Allen schools retiring with 45 years of service that began in 1917.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Friday at Casterline Funeral Home, incorporated, in Northville with the Reverend Guenther C. Bransler of the First United Methodist Church officiating.

## LORRAINE F. PAYNE

Funeral service for Miss Lorraine F. Payne, 65, of Dearborn was held at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Ross B. Northrop and Son Funeral Home in Northville with the Reverend Edward A. Libby officiating. Interment was in Grand Lawn Cemetery.

Miss Payne, a member of Covenant Baptist Church, was an executive secretary with General Motors Corporation. She died November 23 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

She was born July 30, 1913, in Michigan to Clayton and Pearl (Zumwalt) Payne.

She leaves two sisters, Mrs. James (Lucille) Hughes of Gary, Indiana, and Mrs. Lawrence (Thelma) Monnier of Plymouth, many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews.

## WILLIAM WOODGATE

Funeral services for William C. Woodgate of Walled Lake were conducted by Reverend Lloyd Brasure of the First United Presbyterian Church of Northville at the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Chapel in Novi Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Woodgate, co-owner of Thread Grinding Service in Farmington, died Thursday at Botsford Hospital, Farmington. Born May 13, 1933 in Michigan to Thomas and Mary (Newcomb) Woodgate, he was 45.

Survivors include his wife Sarah, his parents, and daughters Mrs. Douglas (Deborah) Sims, Mrs. Denny (Susan) Watkins, Beverly, and Kathy.

Also surviving are brothers John, Jim, Thomas and David; and sisters, Mrs. Jean White, Mrs. Margaret Clement, Mrs. Thelma Wilson, Mrs. Helen Chapman, Mrs. Bernice Dale and Connie Woodgate; and one grandchild.

Interment was in Donaldson, Michigan, on Monday. The family requested memorial contributions be directed to the Heart Fund.

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# Sports . . . in The News

44-43

## Western bumped in heartbreaker

Walled Lake Western's hopes for a berth in the Class A district finals came to bitter end Monday night in a heart-breaking 44-43 loss to Waterford Mott in the tournament's opening game.

Behind 13 first-half points from senior captain Connie Murphy the Warriors were able to stay in total command of the first half, leading 26-13 at the buzzer.

But it was the second half with Murphy on the bench that ignited a charged-up Mott squad to chip away at the Western lead and eventually win the game.

In the emotion-filled contest the Warriors had Mott at their mercy in the first half and looked like a favorite to advance all the way to the district finals. Only the second half against the Corsairs and a victory over hapless North Farmington stood in their way.

But with a 32-22 third quarter lead, four-plugged Warrior leader Murphy picked up her fourth foul and was yanked from the game.

Instantly Mott went into a full court press, commanded both the offensive and defensive boards, and cut the Western lead to 33-32 at the end of the quarter. Only a Cheryl Reiter free throw kept the Warrior's heads above water.

In the fourth quarter the Corsairs went to senior captain hotshot Linda

Travis and she responded with a bucket that put Mott ahead for the first time all evening. She continued to pop from the outside and traded baskets with Western's Cathy Babon, Reiter, and Sharon Wilson as the lead see-sawed back and forth.

But with a 40-39 Mott lead and 3:57 left in the game, Western's Connie Murphy fouled out. Still, a Wilson rebound basket gave the locals a 41-40 lead, but then it was Travis again, putting Mott back on top.

Wilson tied it at 42-41 with a free throw, but a drive through the lane by Mott senior captain Lori Neal in the game's final minute proved to be the winning basket. A Sue Deming free throw cut the gap to one, but a Cathy Babon shot with three seconds to go bounced off the rim.

Connie Murphy, Cathy Babon, and Sue Deming completed their varsity careers with the heartbreaking loss. Murphy ended with 15 points on the night, while Babon scored nine. Sophomores Kris Mellema and Sharon Wilson added eight and seven points respectively.

Waterford Mott advances to the district semi-final game Thursday night against North Farmington. The winner of that game will play the winner of the Walled Lake Central-West Bloomfield game for the tournament title Saturday night.

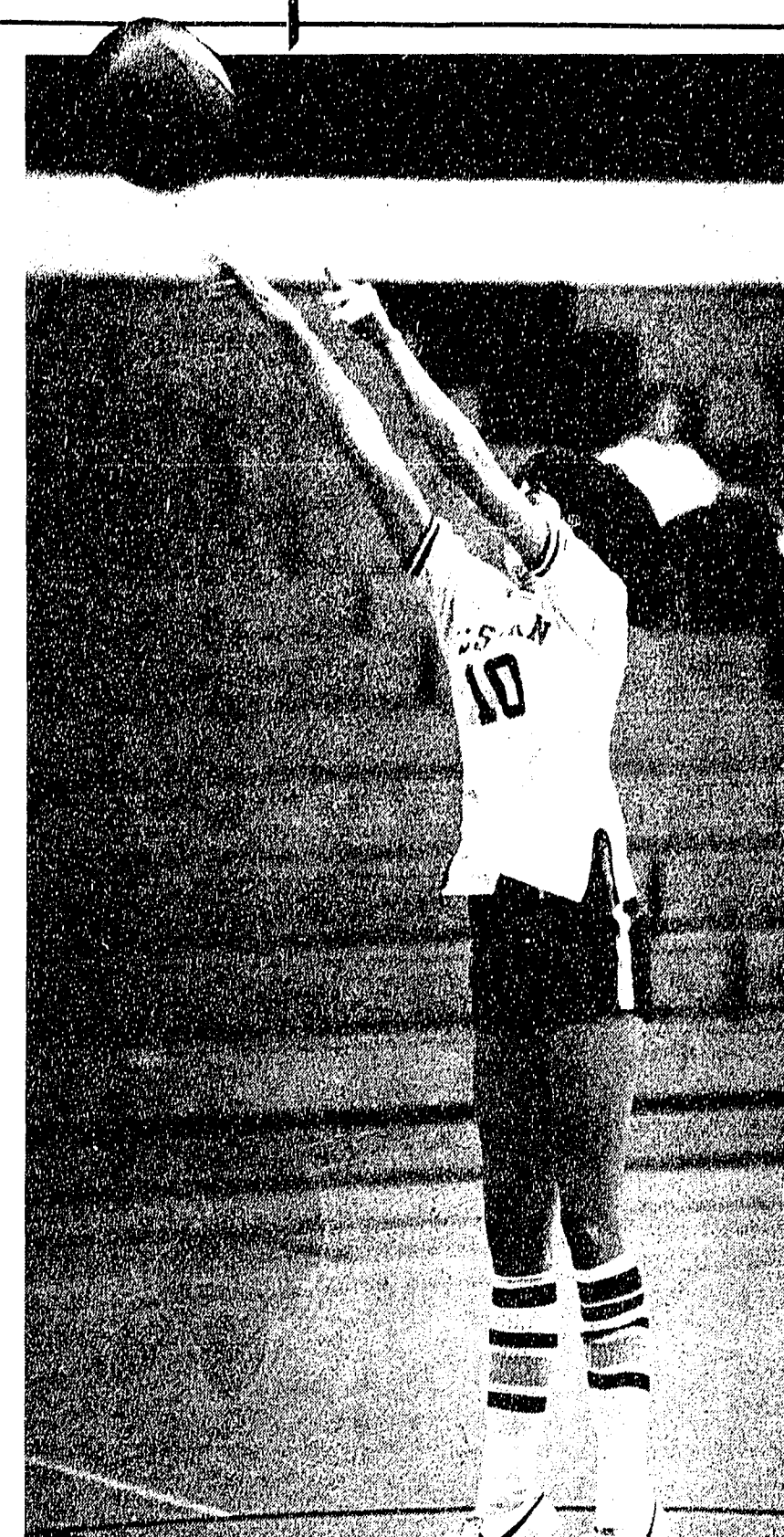
## Thursday's games

7 pm - WL Central vs. West Bloomfield

8:30 pm - Mott vs. North Farmington



Kris Mellema goes for a layup



Connie Murphy was hot in the first half

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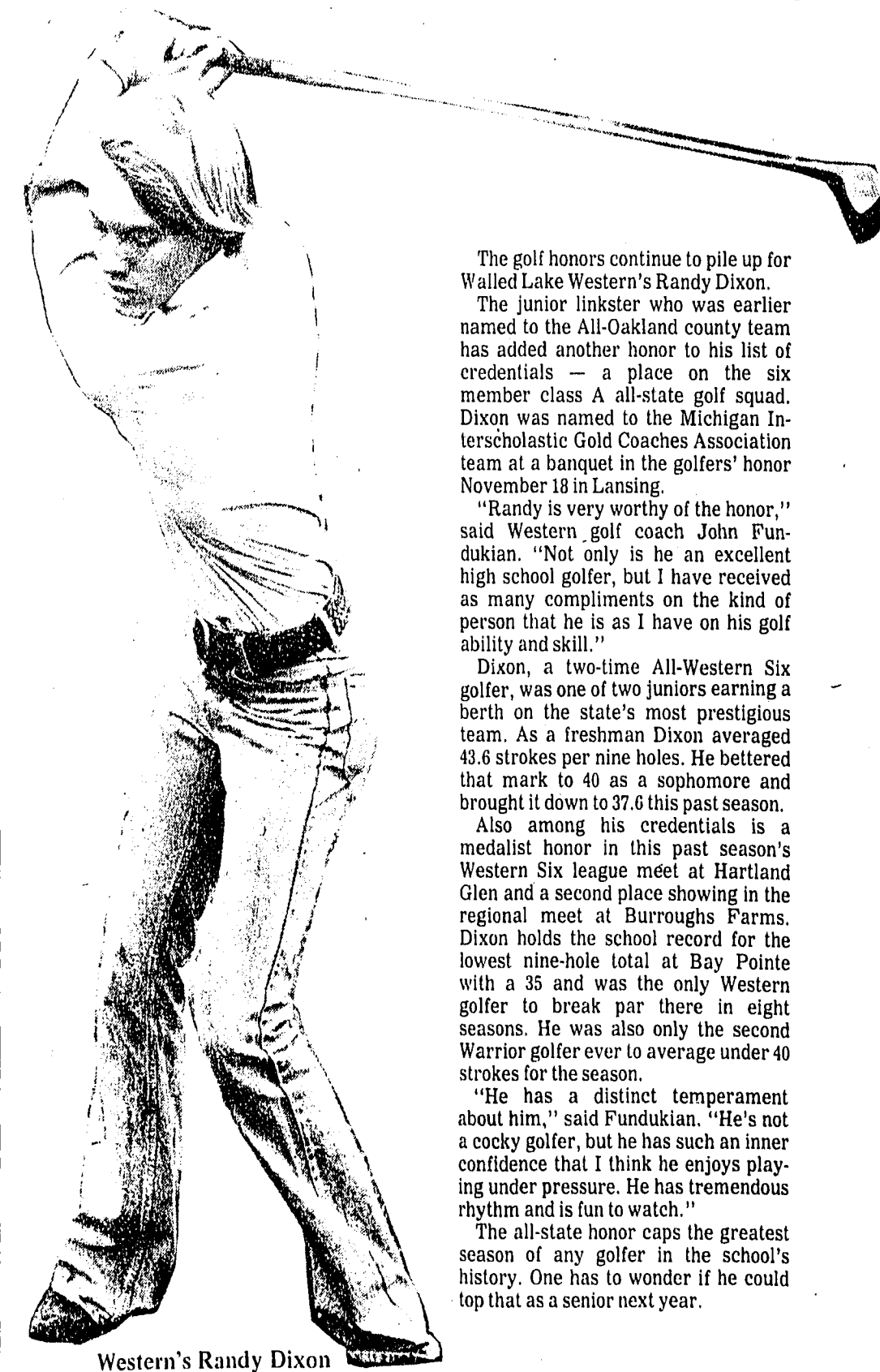
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## Randy Dixon honored as one of the best



Western's Randy Dixon

The golf honors continue to pile up for Walled Lake Western's Randy Dixon. The junior linkster who was earlier named to the All-Oakland county team has added another honor to his list of credentials — a place on the six member class A all-state golf squad.

Dixon was named to the Michigan Interscholastic Gold Coaches Association team at a banquet in the golfers' honor November 18 in Lansing.

"Randy is very worthy of the honor," said Western golf coach John Fundukian. "Not only is he an excellent high school golfer, but I have received as many compliments on the kind of person that he is as I have on his golf ability and skill."

Dixon, a two-time All-Western Six golfer, was one of two juniors earning a berth on the state's most prestigious team. As a freshman Dixon averaged 49.6 strokes per nine holes. He bettered that mark to 46 as a sophomore and brought it down to 37.6 this past season.

Also among his credentials is a medalist honor in this past season's Western Six league meet at Hartland Glen and a second place showing in the regional meet at Burroughs Farms. Dixon holds the school record for the lowest nine-hole total at Bay Pointe with a 35 and was the only Western golfer to break par there in eight seasons. He was also only the second Warrior golfer ever to average under 40 strokes for the season.

"He has a distinct temperament about him," said Fundukian. "He's not a cocky golfer, but he has such an inner confidence that I think he enjoys playing under pressure. He has tremendous rhythm and is fun to watch."

The all-state honor caps the greatest season of any golfer in the school's history. One has to wonder if he could top that as a senior next year.

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## Welcome returnees

Compared with its 1977 wrestling squad, Novi is sorely lacking in depth this season. Three Wildcat grapplers who do have plenty of varsity experience, though, are seniors Eugene Yzquierdo (left), R. J. Bayne (center) and Jim Longhurst, pictured above. The trio combined for a remarkable 92-39 match record last year, helping the Wildcats to their best wrestling season ever. Yzquierdo, a 118-pounder, was 20-16 in '77 while Bayne, a 178-pounder, was 29-12 and Longhurst, a 98-pounder, was 35-11. In addition, both Yzquierdo and Longhurst were state qualifiers.

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## Novi wrestlers geared for '79 mat season

Only three regular starters are returning from last year's wrestling team at Novi High, and just 24 have come out for this year's.

That, in a nutshell, is the problem facing veteran coach Russ Gardner as he begins his seventh year at the Wildcat helm.

In other words, things aren't exactly rosy.

While last year's squad may well have been Gardner's best, the absence of a junior high program in the local district is apparently beginning to catch up with the Wildcats, preventing them from getting big wins and, consequently, from filling each weight class. Last year Novi was the 12th-ranked Class B team in the state and the Southeast Conference runner-up behind Saline.

But this year's poor turnout, Gardner figures, will hurt the high school squad immensely in dual meets.

"Tournament-wise we should be okay," he says. "We probably have seven or eight kids who could place in just about every tournament."

"But we don't have anybody to wrestle in four weight classes. That means we give up 24 points every time we have a dual meet, and that's going to kill us."

The 24 wrestlers out for this year's team, he adds, is "the lowest number I've had in my 12 years coaching here."

Two of them, however, are returning state qualifiers. Seniors Jim Longhurst and Eugene Yzquierdo, who'll grapple at 98 and 119 pounds respectively, give the Wildcats some much-needed strength in the lower weight levels.

Longhurst had a 35-11 match record last year and placed second in the Southeast Conference meet and third at the regionals while Yzquierdo went 28-16 overall and finished fourth in the regionals.

At the 105 and 112 classes, though, Novi is sorely lacking in experience. Freshman Don Sasena and sophomore Joe Currie are currently vying for the 105 slot, but Gardner claims he doesn't have anyone at 112.

The Wildcats' only other strong area appears to be the upper middle weight levels. Vying for the 155 slot are seniors Dave Ford and Steve Patara, a transfer from Iowa, while sophomore Marc Brinker, who went undefeated in dual

Novi wrestling schedule

Nov. 30 - Detroit Catholic Central, New Boston Huron  
Dec. 2 - at Detroit Country Day  
Dec. 7 - Chelsea  
Dec. 9 - at Monroe tourney  
Dec. 12 - at Livonia Churchill quad  
Dec. 14 - Saline  
Dec. 16 - Novi Invitational  
Jan. 6 - at Riverview tourney  
Jan. 11 - at Brighton  
Jan. 18 - at Hartland tourney  
Jan. 20 - at Ypsi Lincoln  
Jan. 25 - at Milan  
Jan. 27 - at Rochester Adams tourney  
Feb. 1 - at South Lyon  
Feb. 3 - at Northville quad  
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## Wildcats to join new conference in fall of '79

By BRIAN DEMING

It would seem a little early to get excited about next fall except for the fact that next season marks the beginning of the Kensington Valley Conference joining together Brighton, Hartland, Pinckney, Howell, South Lyon, and Novi in one athletic league.

These teams are now represented in four different conferences and some have rarely, if ever, met in athletic competition so what will happen next season is rather unpredictable. But here's an idea, based on this season's performances and returning athletes, of what fans can expect next fall:

### FOOTBALL

1. South Lyon - The Lions were Southeast Conference champions this season and qualified for the state playoffs. Even though they lose a lot from this 8-1 team and their junior varsity did not have a particularly good year, South Lyon should still be the team to beat.

2. Howell - The Highlanders, like the Lions, were league champions (co-champs with DeWitt in the Capital City) and were 8-1. They will be losing the best talent on the team although they will be bringing up a fine junior varsity that suffered only one loss this season. In terms of numbers of students, Howell will be the biggest school in the new conference which will probably give the Highlanders an edge at least in depth. However, Howell will find the competition much tougher than what they've been used to.

3. Hartland - The Eagles, again like the Lions and Highlanders, were league champs (of the Five-County Five). Their record, however, was 6-3, including a sound defeat to the hands of South Lyon. They will be bringing up a good junior varsity but will be losing much of their offense as well as Coach Steve Schyck.

4. Pinckney - Fourth place seems like an underestimate for a 6-3 team that will be helped out next year by a junior varsity that rolled over every opponent. But the Pirates, second in the Igham County League this year, will have the same problem as Howell. They have been playing much smaller and weaker competition. The fact that Brighton manhandled them so easily this season shows the Pirates will have plenty to learn in the new conference.

5. Novi - The Wildcats were 3-6 but they lost five games by a touchdown or less, including a loss by one point to South Lyon. But they will be losing much of what talent they had.

6. Brighton - The Bulldogs were 3-6 and will be graduating some quality players. They should still be tough and may be a surprise.

### CROSS COUNTRY

1. Brighton - The defending state champions will be losing five of their top seven runners. But the Bulldogs have loads of talent in reserve and should have no trouble setting the pace in the new league.

2. Howell - The Highlanders had a good season, qualified for the state meet, and will lose only two from the top seven.

3. Novi - Had their best season ever last year but still finished second in the SEC (behind Brighton). Have two top-notch runners but lack depth.

4. Hartland - Were third in their conference and third in Livingston County meet (behind Brighton and Howell). The Eagles have one strong runner and reasonable depth.

5. Pinckney - The Pirates had a losing season and, although seem to possess a fairly strong bunch of freshmen, may not show a lot of improvement next year.

6. South Lyon - The Lions were not strong this year and show little indication of being much improved next year.

### GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY

Brighton and South Lyon are the only two schools with teams and the Bulldogs, third in the state this year, should be the strongest although the Lions have a couple of outstanding runners.

### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

1. Brighton - The Bulldogs will probably be SEC champs this season and although they lose four of five starters, will retain leading scorer Peg Harte and lots of talent from the bench and the junior varsity team.

2. Howell - The Eagles should also be league champs this year and will lose only two starters. Their only loss this year has been to Brighton.

3. Novi - Up until this season the Wildcats had won five straight SEC titles. Recently Novi has not been quite so good, playing barely above 500. But with a winning Tradition, Coach Chris Hamilton should come up with a tough team.

4. South Lyon - The Lions have been consistently strong, and were second in the SEC last year.

5. Pinckney - Have lost only three so far this year. Could be a sleeper.

6. Brighton - The Highlanders have improved this year but still have a long ways to go.

### GOLF

1. Brighton - The Bulldogs were SEC champs and second in Livingston County (behind Pinckney). Should even be better.

2. Pinckney - The Pirates tied for their conference championship and were best in Livingston County. They lose a lot of talent but will still be strong.

3. Hartland - The Eagles were third in Livingston County but only lose one golfer. Could be a threat in this sport.

4. Novi - The Wildcats were second in SEC but do not return many of their top golfers.

5. Howell - The Highlanders have been weak over the last several years but are getting better.

6. South Lyon - The Lions were not strong this year and probably will be so next year.

### GIRLS' TENNIS

1. Hartland - The Eagles were state finalists this year and should still be strong next year.

2. Brighton - The Bulldogs will welcome back most of their players from a fairly tough team.

3. Howell - The Highlanders, tough in singles, weak in doubles, finished about 500. Should be better next fall.

4. S. L. - Pinckney, South Lyon, and Novi have no girls' tennis team. Pinckney will have one next fall but the Pirates cannot be expected to be very strong. It is not known if the Lions or Wildcats plan to field a team.

### GIRLS' SWIMMING

Right now no school has a team but Novi and Brighton should start one by next fall. It's anybody's guess who might be better.

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Novi's Anne Robinson shoots over a Dexter opponent

## Five mistakes wins it

For the second week in a row, contestants had real difficulty in picking winners in the football contest sponsored by this newspaper and cooperating merchants.

No one missed fewer than five games in the last contest of the season.

But Wolverine fans should be delighted. Not one contestant picked Ohio State to win Saturday.

On the other hand, not a single contestant figured Traverse City would knock off North Farmington in the state Class A championship game.

When judges completed their analysis of the results, Chris Mercier of 21792 Cumberland Drive was the first place winner with five mistakes.

He beat out Doug Ayers, who won second place with the only other entry containing five mistakes, by virtue of his closer guess of the Michigan-Ohio State score. Ayers lives at 518 Morgan Circle, Northville.

Mercier guessed Michigan would win the big game, which gave the Wolverines a share of the Big Ten championship and a trip to the Rose Bowl, by a score of 14-13. (Michigan won, 14-3. Ayers had Michigan winning, 28-21.)

Third place was shared by three contestants, Robert L. Brown of Ann Arbor, Philip Tweedie of 43550 Six Mile Road, and Todd Bartling of 5877 Portis. They, too, were declared winners because of their guessed scores of the Michigan-Ohio State game. All three had missed six games as had five other contestants.

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Other contestants who missed six games but who finished out of the money were Mike Stinson, Bruce Martin, Alan Griffith, Dumont Hixson and Russell Bell.

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## Ladycats nipped again

November isn't a month the Ladycats will particularly care to remember when they think back on their 1978 girls' basketball season.

It was a month that saw them lose five of their last six regular season games and finish below .500 for the first time in the team's six-year history. Even more frustrating, four of those losses were by four points or less.

It all came to a fitting end last Tuesday when the Ladycats, winding up their first SEC non-championship year ever, dropped a tough 34-32 game to Dexter in their regular season finale.

Leading by as many as seven points early in the fourth quarter, Novi ended up battling back from a three-point deficit to tie things up with 16 seconds remaining, only to lose the game on a Dexter basket nine seconds later.

"I don't know what happened," Coach Chris Hamilton said afterwards, noting that her club held an 18-9 halftime advantage after struggling out to a 6-4 lead in the first quarter.

Novi still led, 27-20, with six minutes left in the game before starting to collapse. Dexter roared back to take a 32-29 lead with just 24 seconds left, but Anne Robinson kept the Ladycats' hopes alive by converting a pressure-packed three-point play eight seconds later.

Dexter stormed right back down court, though, and scored the winning bucket on an off-balance shot by Tammy Love with seven seconds remaining.

The loss, which dropped Novi's final overall regular season mark to 7-11 and left them 6-8 in the SEC, overshadowed an outstanding performance by Robinson. The senior center scored 17 points, sinking all five of her free throw attempts and shooting 71 percent (5 of 7) from the floor during the first half. She also had 11 rebounds.



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The Sneakers' Marcia Atwell sends a reverse spike over the net as teammate Pam Cabaniss looks on. The Sneakers are one of the top teams in the Walled Lake Community Education fall women's volleyball league.

## Players needed for Novi cage league

Players are needed for a men's basketball league being sponsored by Novi Parks and Recreation this winter. The league is open to anyone aged 18 and over, but team rosters are limited to 25 percent non-residents. At least 75 percent of each team's players must either live or work in the city of Novi. The fees are \$10 for residents and \$15 for non-residents.

Practices begin the week of December 4 for all youngsters who'll be playing in Novi's youth basketball league this winter. The league is open to youngsters in the fourth through sixth grades. Prac-

tices will take place at Village Oaks on Mondays and Wednesdays, at Novi Woods on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and at Orchard Hills on Thursdays and Fridays.

Division A (fourth grade) practices will be held between 3:15 and 4:30 p.m. at those locations while Division B (fifth and sixth grade) practices will be held between 4:30 and 6 p.m.

Players interested in joining the league can register by stopping at the Novi Parks and Recreation offices, located at 26350 Novi Road. The fee is \$12 per player. For further details call 349-1976.

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## Prepare for West Bloomfield

### Viking eagers relax against Northville, 61-30

The Walled Lake Central girls' basketball team took it easy in preparation for the defense of its district basketball crown this week by coasting to a 61-30 victory over hapless Northville in both clubs' regular season finale.

Utilizing his full squad, Coach Ken Butler's squad easily outscored Northville in the first three quarters to roll up their 13th win against five losses in regular season play. The Vikings now take on a hot West Bloomfield squad in their district tournament opener at Walled Lake Western tomorrow night.

But it was the Northville Mustangs who occupied the minds of the Central girls last Thursday, at least until the opening tipoff. After that it wasn't

much of a contest. The Vikings rolled to a 20-6 first quarter lead and were never challenged.

"They don't have a lot of talent," said Butler of the Mustang club, "but their coaches do an excellent job of working with what they do have. They put a box-and-one defense around Patti (Limb) and they were the first team to ever try it against us. We were able to get around it, but I'm glad they did it to us."

Not only did the Vikings overcome that initial defense to toss up an amazing 77 shots, but they controlled the game both offensively and defensively at both ends of the court. Central expanded its 20-6 lead to 34-14 and 51-18 before posting the final 61-30 margin.

Once again it was senior sharpshooter Patti Limb leading the way for the Vikings. Limb tossed in 24 points and hauled down 10 rebounds despite playing just a little over half the contest.

Other Vikings contributing to win over the Mustangs included Kelly Kucera with 11 points and 11 rebounds; Julie Kunze with 11 rebounds; and Krista Graham with eight points.

"I substituted rather freely in playing to give everybody plenty of playing time," said Butler. "We've got our work cut out for us in post season play and we've counted an awful lot on our starters. It worked out well for us to rest the starters and see what our second five could do. We've got to get by West Bloomfield and we've got to have a sound performance from more than just our first five."

The Vikings will meet the Lakers in tomorrow night's 7 p.m. game at Walled Lake Western. Currently a 15-5 ball club, the West Bloomfield unit is described by Butler as big and young.

"We've got our work cut out for us," said the coach.

"If Central is to successfully defend its district cage title this winter, West Bloomfield will be its toughest opposition. Should the Vikings beat West Bloomfield, the club will play in the district championship game Saturday at 7 p.m.

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## Wildcats improved; could challenge in SEC

Times were when basketball games against Novi were laugher for most schools in the Southeast Conference.

They aren't laughing anymore. Coming off its best season in its 12-year history, the local squad is a genuine contender for this year's SEC title.

While their 7-7 league record wasn't exactly outstanding, the Wildcats proved they could play with the best of 'em last year — often playing on even or better-than-even terms with powers like Saline and Milan and winning five of their last seven regular season games.

Climaxing the season, they won the school's first state tournament basketball title ever by knocking off Oak Park and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook for the Class B district crown.

So what's that have to do with this year's team?

Probably plenty, since six regulars —

including the entire starting lineup — is back from the 1977-78 contingent. And considering last year's strong finish — well, there's reason for optimism at Novi High this winter.

How much optimism? "If we play with intensity, we'll be right up there with the best of them, in our conference anyway," Coach Ron Flutur figures.

But intensity, he cautions, is the key word. And so far that's the one ingredient he hasn't seen enough of in this year's team.

"I'd say our biggest weaknesses right now are overall team quickness and a lack of intensity," the sixth-year mentor says. "We're just a bunch of nice guys. Nobody's really mean, and if you're going to be a winner you have to get a little mean, a little hungry."

Still, he feels his team has time to develop that trait. And with the returning talent the Wildcats have, it could be

an interesting year.

Among the regulars coming back for Novi are Dave Pisha, Dwayne Ridenour, Louie Balogh, Phil McCarty, Jeff Lavery and Bob McAllister. All six are seniors, and all six had more than enough playing time last season to know what varsity competition is all about.

Pisha, a 6-4 forward and center, led the '77 club in practically every statistical category on his way to first-team berths on both the All-SEC and All-Area squads. He averaged 15 points and 17 rebounds per game and also led the Wildcats in steals, blocked shots and assists. His 313 rebounds during the regular season was a school record.

Pisha, however, has been hurtling lately and may not be on the floor when the Wildcats open their season this Friday at Chelsea.

Ridenour, a 6-5 forward and center, was last year's second-leading re-

bouncer and fourth-leading scorer and one of 14 players named to the All-SEC honorable mention list. Balogh, a 6-0 forward who was second to Pisha in scoring last year, was a second-team All-SEC choice.

Another senior who may be in the running for one of the starting forward slots is Chris Giorgio, a newcomer to the varsity club. At guard Flutur will be going with McCarty and Lavery again, while McAllister should be a strong man off the bench.

Other players returning from last year's varsity contingent include junior Craig Iseli, Jeff Clark and Bill Bishop. Rounding out the squad are seniors Jim Gelardi, a transfer from South Lyon, and Magnus Andersson and junior Price Fritz.

"I think one of our strong points this year will be our outside shooting," Flutur observes, pointing out that McCarty, Balogh and Giorgio are par-

ticularly accurate from outside the key. "We also have some big board people (Pisha and Ridenour in particular) and should get a lot of rebounds."

For the most part they seem very coachable, he says.

So what's his overall outlook? "I'm kind of optimistic," he acknowledges, "provided we can get that missing element, and that's intensity. But we still have a lot of work to do."

"On paper we're tough, but we still have to see how we are in the heart department."

They'll get their first chance this Friday when they travel to Chelsea for an 8 p.m. contest. Flutur, whose club went 12-11 overall last year, figures the Dreadnaughts are one of three other teams who'll be contending for this year's SEC title.



## Returning Novi lettermen

Leading the way for the Novi Wildcats this season will be (clockwise from top center): Dwayne Ridenour, Louie

Balogh, Craig Iseli, Jeff Lavery, Phil McCarty and Bob McAllister. Not pictured is Dave Pisha.

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# Warrior wrestlers shoot for Western Six crown

Although Walled Lake Western wrestling coach Carl McBride hasn't established his final lineup yet, he's thinking positive about the Warrior chances of winning the Western Six mat crown this season.

"We haven't had our ranking matches yet," said McBride, "but we've got enough to challenge for the league title. Harrison won't be the last two years so I would imagine that it would be the team to beat, but we'll be right up there."

Whether or not the Warrior wrestlers make a successful bid for the conference championship will depend heavily on the performance of the

team's underclassmen, as the Western season boasts only five seniors this year. But if those five seniors can cover the same ground as McBride's four seniors of last season the trophy could indeed wind up in the Warrior case at season's end.

Gone from the 1977-78 squad which wrestled its way to the Western Six runner-up spot last season are Ed McCormick (121), Rod Hadash (167), Randy Brown (178), and Al Green (185). And there is no doubt in the mind of McBride that this year's troop will sorely miss them.

"We're really going to miss those guys," said McBride of his four

graduates. "They practically carried us last year and we looked to our seniors for leadership. We're really going to miss them."

Two of the former Warriors, Rod Hadash and Randy Brown, competed in the state meet last season. Hadash went to the meet as the regional champion, while Brown finished second in the regional and set the school record for most wins in a season.

Ed McCormick was the team's only graduating league champion and Al Green was a formidable heavyweight.

"We're going to miss those guys, but we've got a good balanced team and I would say we're in good shape from 98

pounds all the way through the heavyweight class," says McBride.

And what better way to start off a lineup than with a defending league champion? That's Andy Wurst, at 98 pounds and coming on strong. Andy is a junior this year and will probably hold his 98-pound position against sophomore transfer student Joe Cohen.

At the 165 spot it'll be a battle between senior Kevin Vandersys and junior Ken Napier. Both Vandersys and Napier show such strong potential that McBride will probably have the loser compete with the candidates for the 112 position.

A couple of sophomores will

challenge for the 112 spot with the Napier-Vandersys loser, Pete Allott and Nick Glagola will most likely square off, with the edge probably going to Glagola who earned his varsity letter as a freshman last season.

McBride has just one word to describe his 119-pound competitors, tough. And each of the three leading candidates could also make a bid for the 126-pound spot as well. Juniors Jim Atwell and Mike Nuhn will tangle with sophomore Scott Pritchard for the varsity berth. While there will only be one winner, the remaining two wrestlers will move up to challenge juniors Dave Wozniak and John McCormick at 126.

John McCormick could also move up to the 132 weight class and challenge his brother Mark, but McBride doesn't see anybody else giving his Western Six runner-up any trouble. Mark McCormick is a junior and one of the team's co-captains this season who might jump ahead to the 138 pound class.

Should Mark McCormick relinquish his 132-pound class position, he'll have plenty of company at 138. Junior Tom Pedorka, senior transfer Mike Crawford and sophomore Matt Rose will be among the contenders. Any one of the three could win the position.

At 145 McBride had a sure bet in senior Nick Glagola, but Glagola suffered a broken ankle in a softball injury and will sit out at least part of the season. As a result, three tough sophomores will go after the 145 spot.

Carlo Castiglione, Bob Richardson, and Matt Sviatok will all go after the position that McBride feels is up in the air at present.

Senior Willy Libby should maintain his stranglehold on the 155 spot. One of the seniors McBride will be counting on, the ex-foot-ball running back could get his only competition from Carlo Castiglione if Castiglione makes the move up.

The next three weight classes, 165, 178, and 191, are fairly well nailed down according to the Warrior coach. At 165 it will be sophomore Angelo Buttozzoni who saw some varsity experience last year, but was a standout on the jayvee squad. At 178 it'll be senior Duane Hardy, the Western Six runner-up at 145 who worked all year at developing himself into a bigger, stronger competitor. And at 191 it will be another senior, co-captain Keith Colgan. Colgan was another league runner-up who has his eyes set on a championship this season.

Filling in at the heavyweight spot will be an unlikely choice from an unlikely selection. McBride's biggest wrestlers this season are two freshmen. That's right, two freshmen. And he can assure you that either will be able to handle the big guys on the mat this winter. Richardson and Bud Wescott will go at it this week in a ranking match. Wescott tips the scales at an even 200, but Richardson is 205 pounds heavier.



Leading Warrior matmen

Manning the mats for the Warriors this season are (clockwise from top center): Keith Colgan, Duane Hardy, Andy Wurst, Mark McCormick, and Willy

Libby. The Warriors hope to challenge Farmington Harrison for the wrestling crown this season.

## Beavers lose

The Walled Lake Beavers' recent visit to the Pontiac Silverdome was less than successful on the field as the local squads dropped all three football games to the Lakeland Lakers.

Even the previously undefeated Beaver freshmen fell to the Lakers, a team they had knocked off earlier this season, 6-0. The junior varsity and varsity lost by scores of 13-0 and 14-6.

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Aargh!



Novi's Tracy Sobkow battles for this rebound in a somewhat unorthodox manner. It's unknown who came up with the loose ball, but Dexter came up with the game, 34-32.



Face off!

Alan Webb of the Red Wings faces off with Charles Barlet of the Wildcats in a Walled Lake Community Education elementary floor hockey game. It looks like Webb won this match up, but the Wildcats won the game, 4-1.

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## Wildcat of the Week

ANNIE ROBINSON

Had there been five Annie Robinsons on the court for Novi last Tuesday night, Dexter would have never had a chance. The Ladycats' tall senior center had one of her top games of the season, shooting over 70 percent from the floor in the first half and ending up with 17 points in all, but it went for naught as Dexter came from behind to win, 34-32. Robinson's biggest basket came with 16 seconds left in the game. With her team trailing by three (32-29), she hit a jumper from 15 feet away, drew a foul, then calmly converted the free throw for a three-point play that almost sent the game into overtime.

## Icers win twice

A frustrating double overtime loss to Ecorse cost Northville-Novis' Midget AA hockey squad a shot at the championship of a Thanksgiving tournament in Allen Park last weekend.

The local youths built up an early 3-0 bulge against Ecorse in a first-round contest Friday, but suffered a third-period letdown and wound up losing, 5-4, in the second overtime. They rebounded for a 5-2 victory over Allen Park in a consolation game Saturday, though, giving them a third-place finish in the four-team tournament.

Friday's loss overshadowed sparkling performances by Northville-Novis' Mike Shingler, Doug Horst and Bill Knauer.

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## Area Police Blotters

## Students suffer minor injuries in school bus mishap

## In Wixom

Slippery roads produced by the first snowfall of the season is listed as the cause of the collision between a Walled Lake School bus and a car on Loon Lake Road Monday.

Raymond Harris, 61, of Wixom, apparently lost control of his car after coming out of an S-curve on Loon Lake Road crashing into the oncoming school bus, according to police.

The bus, loaded with 30 kindergarten youngsters, was on its afternoon pick-up route. Bus driver Anna Marie Martens was shaken following the accident which damaged the left front end of the bus and rendered it out of commission. Two five-year-old children, Heaven Jackson and Mark Hendon, received minor injuries.

Harris, suffering greater injuries, was transported to Botsford Hospital by ambulance where he was treated and later released.

dresser drawers removed and thrown on the floor. Items were also removed from the closets and scattered about the rooms.

Damage estimates reached \$400 in a malicious destruction of property incident at the Village Apartments November 19.

Plates, lamps and a glass-topped table were smashed during the incident. Pictures reportedly were torn from the walls and thrown on the floor. A Thanksgiving turkey dinner stored in the refrigerator also received the wrath of the intruder. It was hacked to pieces. In addition, a garbage bag was smashed against a wall causing its contents to scatter.

A 1978 pick-up truck was reported stolen from the employees' parking lot at the Ford Motor company last week. The four wheel drive vehicle was outfitted with a front mount rig for a snowplow blade.

## In Novi

Novi recorded its 19th traffic fatality of 1978 when a Detroit woman was killed in a two-car accident on Ten Mile west of Taft Road at 10:40 a.m. Monday.

Killed in the accident was Martha Dunn of Detroit. She was a passenger in a car driven by her daughter-in-law, Vivian Dunn of South Lyon.

The accident occurred when the wheels of the eastbound Dunn vehicle went off the southside of the road. Police reported that the driver of the vehicle overcompensated in attempting to get the car back on the pavement and the vehicle subsequently slid out of control into the westbound lane where it was struck broadside by an on-coming truck.

The driver of the Dunn vehicle was treated for injuries at Botsford Hospital and released. The driver of the truck was uninjured in the accident, police reported.

Police also stated that no charges will be brought against the driver of the truck.

There have been 15 fatal accidents in which a car or truck has been killed so far this year in Novi. Novi recorded four traffic fatalities in 1977.

Police have recovered a crystal figurine valued at \$400 believed to have been stolen from the Charles Warren Jewelry Store at Twelve Oaks Mall and made an arrest in conjunction with the alleged theft.

The arrest was made after the Walled Lake Police Department received a report of shoplifting from the Hawaii Party Store in Walled Lake, according to police.

Police stated that the store manager reported the theft of a \$49 bottle of champagne and provided a description

of the vehicle the alleged thief was believed to have entered after leaving the store.

Walled Lake Police subsequently spotted a car which matched the description given by the store manager. The bottle of champagne was discovered during the search of the vehicle, according to reports, and police arrested Cheryl Laree Woodard, 27, of Novi on charges of larceny from a building.

She was arraigned on the charge in the 52nd District Court in Walled Lake and released on \$5,000 personal bond. Examination has been set for December 11.

In the process of searching the vehicle, police reportedly also discovered the crystal figurine with the Charles Warren label still attached.

Subsequent investigation revealed

that such a figurine had been reported missing from the Charles Warren store at Twelve Oaks. Police subsequently arrested Charles Wayne Messer, 18, of Union Lake on charges of receiving and concealing stolen property over \$100. Messer was arraigned on the charges in the 52nd District Court and released on \$5,000 personal bond.

A television set valued at \$300 was reported stolen from an 11 Mile residence during a breaking and entering November 16.

The complainant told police that he returned home and immediately observed the front door opened. Closer investigation revealed that the door jamb had been splintered.

The responsible parties apparently entered the bedroom and ransacked a dresser and small treasure chest before

leaving with the television set, according to reports.

An estimated \$375 worth of equipment was stolen from the Westgate VI clubhouse last week.

The complainant told police that the responsible parties made off with a compressor, a torch, and oxygen and acetylene tanks which had been stored in a maintenance room of the clubhouse.

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## Vandalism outbreak has schools reeling

By JOHN BECKETT

Vandalism. To school officials, it's a dirty word. And for good reason.

Once a term usually applied to an occasional broken window, school vandalism in recent years has become more — much more — and as the incidence of vandalism has increased, so have the accompanying headaches for school officials.

In fact, vandalism in the schools has become such a headache that, earlier this month, Governor William Milliken appointed a Statewide Task Force on School Vandalism and Violence.

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Colburn's suggested solution was to attempt pilot programs in one or two districts and then closely evaluate them and their effectiveness.

Such a possible solution may be attempted by the statewide task force, perhaps in both the areas of vandalism and violence.

Unfortunately, many school districts and not just large metropolitan areas — cannot wait for such attempts and subsequent analyses.

Violence in the classroom does not yet seem to be a widespread problem in suburban school districts. But vandalism is.

Two local incidents show how vandalism has taken turns for the worse in out-county areas.

Slightly over one year ago, Whitmore Lake High School's press box was destroyed by fire just one week before the football team's homecoming game.

The press box, built by the Whitmore Lake Dads' Club, was totally destroyed, as was the public address system.

Damage was even done to the school's track and concession stand.

Whitmore Lake's homecoming game went on as scheduled and the press facility eventually was rebuilt. But the person or persons responsible for destroying the facility never were apprehended.

On September 8 of this year, Hartland High School's football team started its new season off on the right foot by beating the Bath Bees.

Just a few hours later, in the early morning hours of September 9, fire swept through the press box at Hartland High's athletic complex, completely gutting the building, destroying electrical scoring and announcing equipment, and damaging the structural steel supports of some of the bleacher seats below.

Also damaged was a car and the nearby concession stand.

The flames totally destroyed Hartland's press box, which was constructed by the high school's building trades class. The blaze delayed Hartland's homecoming football game one week but the facility was reconstructed by the building class and Hartland had a press box again by the end of the football season.

But as was the case at Whitmore Lake, the people responsible for the Hartland fire were not apprehended.

Admittedly, such incidents are not typical school vandalism episodes. But even smaller incidents occur with surprising frequency — and many, if not most, such happenings, inevitably cost the affected schools dollars.

Thomas Goulding, Hartland's director of business and operations, is familiar with school vandalism. Formerly business manager for the Northville schools, Goulding says vandalism costs eventually show up

somewhere, whether they be in the form of direct school costs or additional insurance expenses.

"Of course, insurance premiums are going to go up each year regardless with the value of a school's property increasing," Goulding explains. "But what also can happen is that an insurance company might ask a district to increase its deductible, or they could be reluctant to continue to insure the district."

Either way, Goulding notes, a school district is going to get hit with increased costs as the result of a significant increase in vandalism.

The Hartland schools have been extremely hard-hit by vandalism in recent months, with the press box fire highlighting what is becoming a bigger and bigger headache for school officials in the small Livingston County community.

In the wake of that fire, the Hartland Board of Education asked Goulding to assess the district's vandalism problem. His findings were startling.

Goulding reported to the board that Hartland had been hit by nearly \$16,000 in vandalism costs already this year, with the press box fire leading the way with a damage total of approximately \$10,000.

According to Goulding, \$15,878 worth of damage was done to Hartland schools from March through October of this year. Included in that total were 25 separate incidents of vandalism, including the breaking of 20 windows.

On one day in September, over \$1,500 worth of damage was done to Hartland school facilities.

And the Hartland schools, while experiencing an unusual outbreak of vandalism this year, still are not all that atypical.

Other area school districts experience vandalism, too.

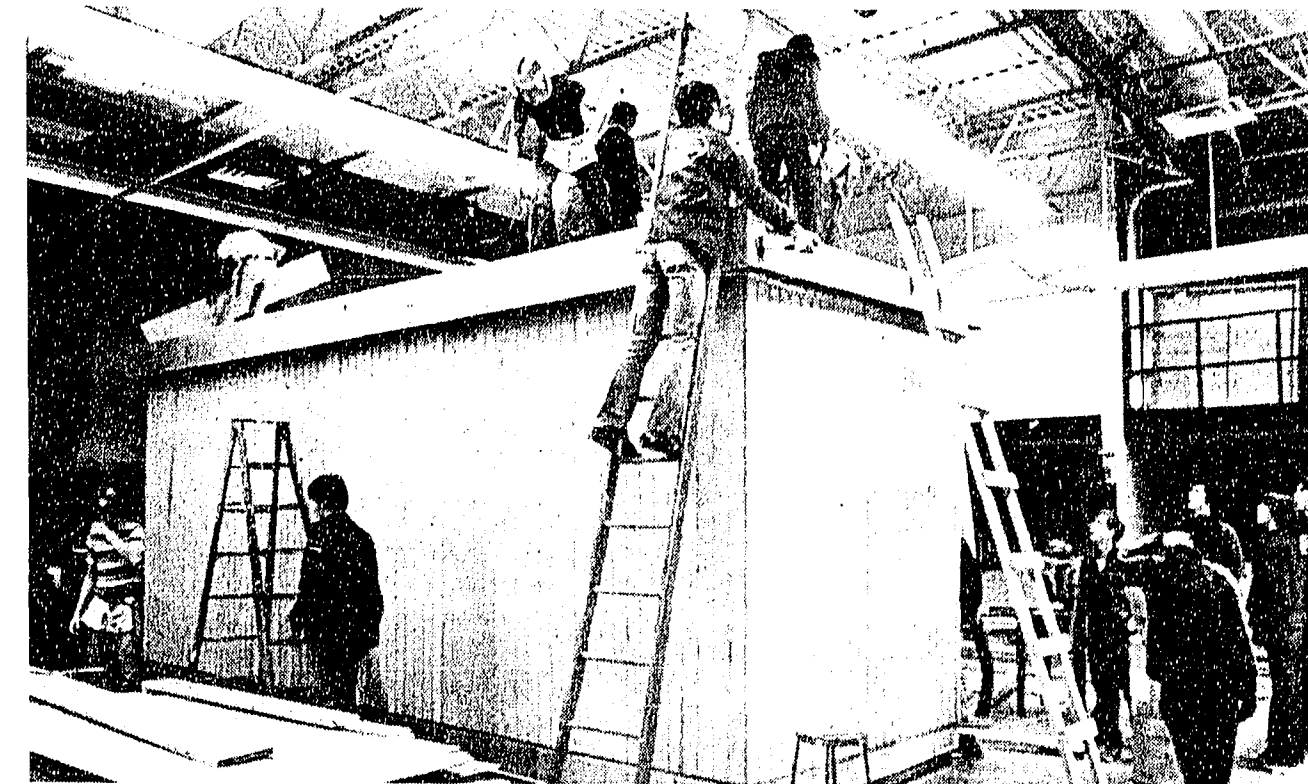
In South Lyon, for instance, episodes occurring during the past two years have included break-ins at the school board office and at the high school's greenhouse, where vandals once spread fertilizer throughout the facility.

Shortly before the end of last school year, someone lit a series of fires in Brighton High School.

During the 1976-77 school year, Northville High students got an unexpected day off when fire broke out in the principal's office. A few days later, fire broke out in a junior high restroom.

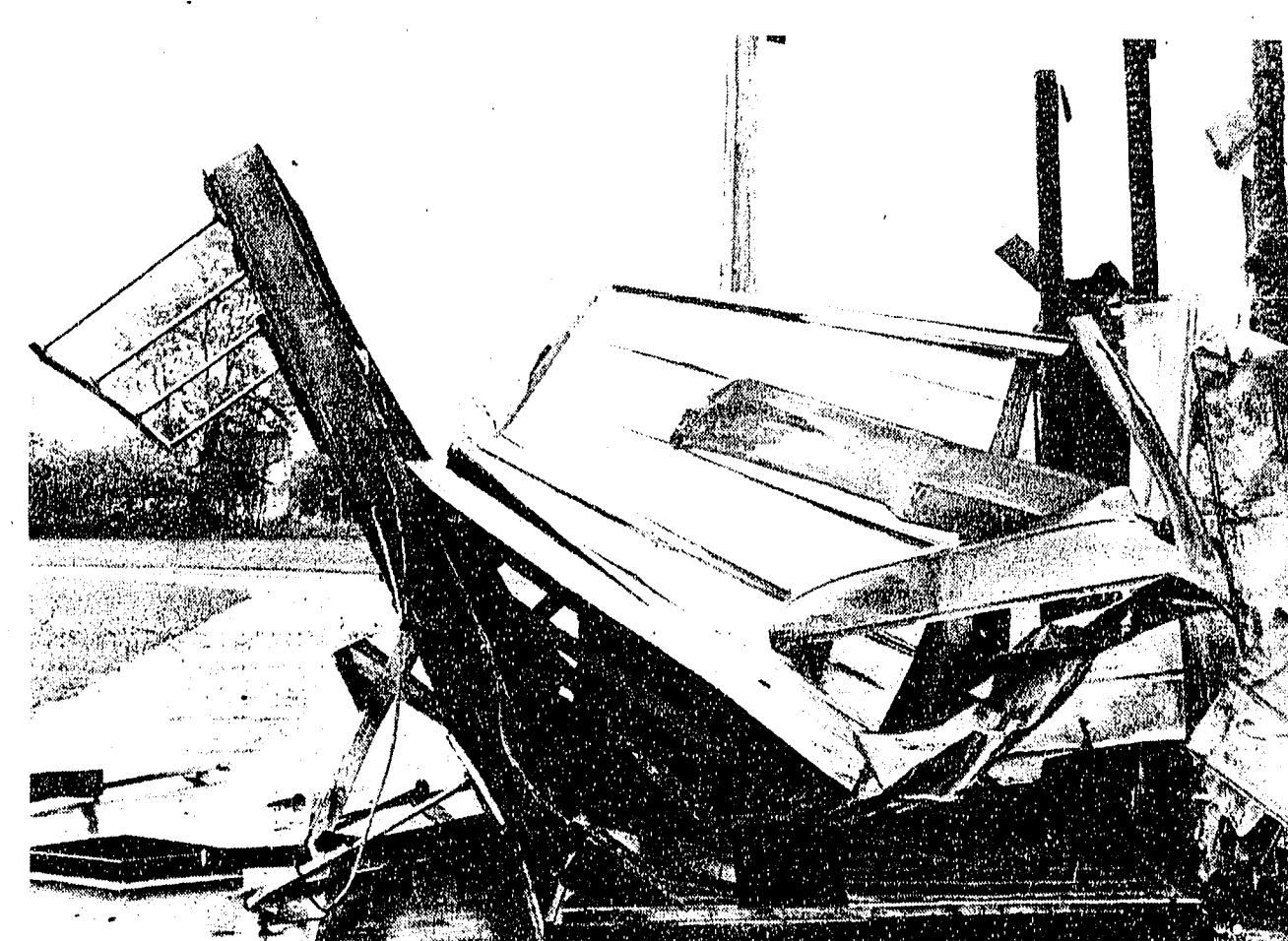
Shortly before the start of the same school year, someone broke windows at Northville High and also scrawled obscenities on the high school walls. In

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PRESS BOX BLAZES—Both Hartland and Whitmore Lake High Schools have had press boxes destroyed by fire. And in neither case were the perpetrators caught. Hartland's

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
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## Another big year predicted

## Skiing popularity triggers plan to control crowds

A plan to limit the number of weekend skiers at one major Michigan lodge this winter is the first step toward controlling crowds at state ski areas, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

"The last three seasons have brought unprecedented 15-20 percent yearly increases in weekend skiers at each Michigan resort," stated Joseph Ratke, Auto Club touring manager. "Predictions of another record year have forced West Michigan's Sugar Loaf to raise weekend lift fees \$3 this season."

Saturday and Sunday lift passes at that lodge west of Traverse City have been increased to \$15 daily in a move lodge operators hope will result in shorter line times and better quality skiing on less-crowded slopes.

To encourage weekday use, Sugar Loaf will keep lift fees at last year's \$8 daily rate and offer special packages also available through other lodges which include free skiing and lodging for children.

Ratke noted that Sugar Loaf is following the lead of some popular eastern and western U.S. ski areas, which control weekend and holiday crowds with higher lift fees or limits on life ticket sales.

No other state lodge contacted by Auto Club plans to limit weekend skiing this season.

Even though three of last season's ski areas are not opening this December and no new lodges have been built, this is the third straight winter 58 lodges are listed on Auto Club's ski guide.

Timberline, near Traverse City, and Tyrolean Hills, near Gaylord, were not open last winter but plan to operate this season. Middleville Ski area, near Middleville, opened in mid-season last winter and will continue operation this season.

Adventure Mt., near Greenland, in the western Upper Peninsula, will not re-open this year. City-owned Mt. McSaba, near Charlevoix, is undergoing remodeling and could re-open sometime this season. Mt. Mancelona was closed last season, and its new owners could not be reached to deter-

mine when it will open this winter.

Skiers will pay an average \$7.30 for daytime weekend lift fees this season. Lowest fee in the state this year is \$1 at Petoskey's city-run Winter Sports Park. The most expensive skiing, available is at Sugar Loaf.

"Skiers will find lodges unique in each region of the state," Ratke pointed out. With lift tickets ranging from \$1 to \$15 daily on weekends, West Michigan's 24 lodges offer the state's widest variety of prices and services. Southwest areas cater to day-users, while northern resorts have amenities such as heated swimming pools, deluxe at-slope condominiums plus lodge rooms and dining rooms overlooking the slopes.

The Upper Peninsula's 14 ski lodges are similar in variety to West Michigan's. Its areas run the gamut from local hills used by high schools and colleges to complete luxury resorts with the state's highest vertical drops. Life tickets range from \$2 to \$12 on weekends.

East Michigan's slopes are ideal for individuals and families seeking skiing without the high-priced extras of luxury resorts. Two of the 12 areas feature group dormitories and a third has chalet and motel lodging, with lift tickets priced from \$2.50 to \$9.

Southeast Michigan's eight areas probably are the most heavily skied in the state. Each offers near-home fun no more than an hour by expressway from major population centers. They offer what's billed as the state's best snowmaking system, enabling the region to boast usually the state's earliest opening dates. For the last two seasons, Mt. Brighton's snowmaking capability enabled it to open the ski season in mid-November before northern Michigan resorts had snow.

Operators at more than half the state's ski areas have used their windfall profits to make significant improvements, in the form of new lifts, runs and structures. Lodges with improvements, listed by region, are:

West Michigan — NUB'S NOB, Harbor Springs, a new four-place chairlift and beginner and intermediate runs, a

remodeled lodge with cafeteria space upped 50 percent and a "brown-bagger" area, parking and ski rental stocks doubled with snowmaking capacity tripled.

HILTON SHANTY CREEK, Bellaire, night skiing on four runs, a new rental shop, beginner and intermediate runs, five miles of cross-country trails and 25 percent more snowmaking capacity.

SUGAR LOAF, Cedar, 16 condominiums, 500 sets of rental skis and \$100,000 worth of grooming and snowmaking equipment. ROYAL VALLEY, Buchanan, cafeteria space upped 10 percent, a quick service food counter, renovated rental area and widened chairlift ramps.

CANNONSBURG, removed three rope tows, added three runs, weekend lounge entertainment and half-price weekday skiing for persons over 65.

CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN, Thompsonville, re-contoured three runs, remodeled lodge and lifts open on weekends at 8 a.m. WINTERSKÖL, Lakeview, two miles of cross-country trails.

MISSAUKKEE MT., Lake City, a 650-foot advanced run. SCHUSS MT., Mancelona, an 80-bed group dorm plus 15 miles of cross-country trails.

BOYNE HIGHLANDS, Harbor Springs, cafeteria seating upped 130 percent to 3,500. TRAVERSE CITY HOLIDAY, rope tows on two runs.

Southeast Michigan — MT. GRAM-PIAN, a year-around dining room and lounge, tripled lighting for night skiing, two 1,200-foot intermediate runs, rental stocks upped 25 percent.

MT. BRIGHTON, a second triple chairlift, an enlarged ski shop and snowmaking capacity increased five times. MT. HOLLY, a 1,500-foot intermediate run and four-place chairlift and rental building size doubled.

ALPINE VALLEY, Milford, two rope tows on beginner runs and a third to expert area, a 1,400-foot intermediate run and 33 percent more parking.

TEEPLE HILL, Pontiac, a 650-foot intermediate-advanced run. IRISH HILLS, Onsted, added a bar and hopes to run its double chairlift for the first time in two years.



## The Joy of You and the Flower

I saw a flower the other day  
it reminded me of you  
it stood straight and tall  
it was filled with beauty  
The beauty is what reminded me of you  
It was not the color or the looks  
it was what it represents,  
the flower blooms with great satisfaction,  
the same satisfaction you find in life.  
The flower brings joy to all who see it  
Just like the joy you bring to me every time I see you!!!

I see that flower no longer  
But I will see you no longer too  
But I can remember the joy you brought me  
— the same joy I saw in the flower  
The flower may bloom again and bring me joy  
But I won't replace the beautiful  
joy I found when I met you  
But I will just have to be content  
in remembering the joy — and be content knowing I will never see you and feel that joy again.

So I say "Bye and I Love You, and the happiness you once brought me."

Sheila McDonnell

## Tribute to St. Clair Hamlin

This is more of a tribute than a poem,  
For a special man who stands alone.  
As a giant of a man among men,  
I shall try to convey my thoughts as I pick up my pen.

We call him "St." and that's what he is.  
So I'll continue on with this.  
He helped me through joys, sorrows, and tears,  
Not just me, but the whole town for years.

Remember "Hamlin's Market" back in 1942?  
A shy gawky kid came up to you  
One, wanting a job to make a little money  
Oh yes, remember the day I dropped that jar of honey.

You truly are a special man,  
Who taught so many of us how to plan.  
Always to be helpful, generous, and kind,  
You're "One in a Million", and very hard to find.

Going back to May, 1945  
Two men and a gal started new lives.  
Opening the locker we loved so much  
Were St., Oney and good old Dutch.

For as you walked down the street,  
You always had a happy greeting for everyone  
you'd meet.  
And always whistling a happy tune,  
We'd keep track of you morning, night, and noon.

Oh what happy days we would spend  
Till that day in '58 "It all came to an end."  
For you see "Our Boss" decided to retire and go,  
Without shame from our eyes, tears began to flow.

St. I know not only I,  
But many can think back if only they will try  
Of the help you gave them to get a start  
For what you did came from down deep in your heart.

September 14th, you and Tress have been married for 60 years of joy and fun,  
And sure of your love of your grandchildren, two daughters and a son.  
If God gave us permission to pick a father,  
Do you know what? You'd have another daughter — me!

Onay Burden

## September Song

September, a time to end the songs of summer—  
A time to recount: to weigh our gain or loss;  
A time to prepare for autumn's brief but ruddy glow,  
And before we know it, to fight the winter's dross.

We huddle ourselves against forbidding, rugged days  
and nights,  
As though the gentle times of summer would not come again.  
All this, as we pass through September's gates  
and hear them close  
in the chilled, invading rain.

Charles E. Hutton

## Lifting Lilt

The red barn has been captured  
In a circle dance of mums;  
It seems to stand some straighter  
As if tuned to their small drums.

F. A. Hanson

## Blue Gill Stew

Cruising for a bruising  
with his buddies all nearby  
Mixing with the sunfish  
as they both see eye to eye

They scamper near the shoreline  
amongst the minnow and sandwavers  
Sometimes venturing into deepwater  
within the weedbed caves

But they always remain near surface  
clinging close to their air held roof  
For deepness for the blue gills  
means a hearty soundproof roof

Yes these are the well known panfish  
we wise fishermen rave about  
Cause they're easier to catch and pantry  
than the foxy little trout

Kathleen Bell

Douglas Bouza

## Equation's Loneliness

## The Model T

I've driven a car exceedingly far  
I know of no world without automobiles  
On prairies and Pampas I've lived in a car  
To me a car is a home built on wheels.

I've driven a car where the rough places are  
Where life can't be lived without automobiles  
Where the oxwagons trek, where the deer stretch their neck  
Where the joss houses stand I've rolled through on wheels

So, to me a car is a thing that goes far  
Unhindered by poish shyness  
Not a groomed ornament but a friend that will stand  
At my side till the end, be it leisure or stress.

What I want in a car is nothing else more  
Than four wheels and a motor to spin  
A chassis to hold the wheels in their place  
A body to keep the rain off my face  
A muffler to lower the roar to a din.

Put guts in that car, the strength to perform  
To last where the trials are run  
Don't load it with trimmings and gingerbread chrome  
It's got to go places — NAIROBI to NOME  
Like the FORD MODEL-T would have done.

Paul C Bruhl

## Whisky

One is enough  
Two is just fine  
Three fills the belly  
Four is decline.

Douglas A. Bouza

## Inflation

The balloon of inflation  
Is hard to contain.  
Our efforts to halt it  
Are somewhat in vain  
Will it slowly get bigger  
And burst under strain?

Isabelle Spooner

## Taut Twitch

Two times the cost of one  
Straight talking gets the job done  
Great interest is displayed on the fringe  
Two times the flip of a cringe

Sam Pace

## Who Wins

Gray skies surround me,  
Black clouds sear in  
Thinking of you and I,  
Who in the end will win.

The moment you leave is here,  
Down comes the pouring rain.  
Let me look on you once more,  
As the thunder speaks my pain.

So swiftly you leave me,  
My heart dies with the wind  
Night comes offering sweet peace,  
So comes the end... you win?

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Wednesday, November 29, 1978—BRIGHTON ARGUS—SOUTH LYON HERALD—NORTHVILLE RECORD—WALLED LAKE-NOVI NEWS—11-C

STEWART C. KISSINGER, AIA, 528 Reed, Northville, has been made an Associate in Albert Kahn Associates, Inc., Architects and Engineers. It is announced by Daniel Shahan, president of the firm.

Kissinger, who is a graduate of the University of Michigan's School of Architecture (1965), is currently pursuing his master's degree in Urban Planning at Wayne State University. He has been a member of the Kahn firm since 1977.

His 13 years of professional experience include previous employment with Schramm, Pempelfort & Partner Architekten B.D.A., Hamburg, Germany. A registered architect, he is a member of the American Institute of Architects (Detroit Chapter) and the Michigan Society of Architects.

Kissinger recently was appointed as member of the Northville (city) Planning Commission for a three-year term.

M & B CONTRACTING Corp. of Novi was the lowest of seven bidders, at \$10.8 million, for construction of two 15-span bridges and related work as part of the interchange at Interstate 696 Freeway and Mound Road in Warren, the Department of State Highways and Transportation announced.

THE COOKIE MONSTER is coming to town. Here to plug his show, the Ice Follies at Olympia Stadium from the 28th through December 3, the furry creature made a guest appearance at Twelve Oaks Mall on Sunday, November 24 from noon to 3 p.m.

The Cookie Monster's appearance at the Novi regional center was sponsored by JCPenney and Polaroid.

BOB SELLERS PONTIAC, INC., the Detroit area's newest and most unique automobile dealership, is now open for business. Bob Sellers Pontiac has moved to 3900 Grand River in Farmington Hills. The newly completed facility lies on nearly eight acres of land at Grand River and Ten Mile, just east of Haggerty. It was formerly located at 2250 Grand River in Detroit.

The unique design of noted dealership architect August Bini incorporates an unusual brick soffit treatment which enhances the beauty of the showroom while at the same time conforms to rigid energy saving standards of limited glass exposure.

Bob Sellers, 49, comes from a well-known automotive background. His father, Dean Sellers, has been an automobile dealer in Detroit since 1948.



HOWELL'S WOODSMAN TREE SERVICE is now equipped with a 60-foot "high ranger" which can help with service in tree trimming, removals and barn painting — all specialties of Woodsman. Operators of the tree service are Claude and Nile Remsing, of 5383 Fausett



BILL'S PARTY STORE is a new open for business in the Welch Center at the Corner of Welch Road and Pontiac Trail in Commerce Township.

The store is owned and operated by Bill and Mirja Hoeft, two local residents, who are assisted by daughters Candy, 18, and Susie, 15, to make it a true family-run business. Candy is a graduate of Farmington Harrison High School, while Susie is a freshman at Walled Lake Western High School.

The store offers one-stop shopping for all party needs, including imported beers and wines.

Featured is a deli service with a wide assortment of meats and cheese, potato salad and cole slaw, and cheesecakes for dessert. Made-to-order sandwiches can be prepared on the spot.

Also featured is a party tray service. Bill and Mirja Hoeft will prepare party trays for any sized crowd which are perfect for the holidays or any time of the year.

In addition, all other party needs can be supplied at Bill's Party Store which has everything from paper plates, cups, and plastic utensils to chips, chip dips, and pretzels to hand-packed ice cream.

The store is located at 2141 Pontiac Trail.

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ROAD, Howell. Claude Remsing is a Hartland native who began his tree business last spring. Woodsman Tree Service may be reached by phone at 546-3897 or 546-4596.

problems is cost. And if costs arising from such problems continue to escalate, someone — perhaps the governor's task force — will be forced to come up with some solutions.

As David Benenati, a Hartland School board member observed:

"When costs become truly significant, we might have to address this formally. For that kind of money, we could buy some portable classrooms or a lot of textbooks."

## Vandalism outbreak has schools reeling

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In addition, a number of letters were removed from the school's identifying sign, leaving the words "Novi High School" in place of the Northville logo.

While Northville hasn't had an uncommon amount of vandalism, the school district has sustained enough damage that it no longer carries insurance on glass, having found it more economical to replace broken windows rather than to insure them.

Of course, school districts aren't taking the vandalism problem lying down. There are ways to cut down on vandalism costs and school districts are utilizing a variety of plans in their battle with the vandals.

Hartland High School, for instance, is equipped with an elaborate "silent alarm" system which alerts police without alerting those who have broken

into the building. A few years ago, the system led to the apprehension of persons who had broken into the building while they were still on the premises.

The Brighton schools utilize a reward system and many schools set up reward funds which provide an incentive to students to keep their schools tidy; if at the end of the year there is money in such a fund, it is turned over to student council.

"I know of some school districts which actually have security personnel to patrol buildings to guard against things like this," notes William Mayes, Hartland's director of instructional services. "We're not at that point yet, and I hope we won't get there, but if vandalism continues to increase each year, we may have to do something more."

As is true in so many areas, the bottom line of the vandalism and violence

## Park topic: honey bees

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is "free", but advanced registration is required. Vehicle entry permits are required (Annual: regular — \$5, senior citizen — \$1 or Daily — \$1).

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Pacesetter recently announced that income for the third quarter of 1978 was \$1,879,000, a 25 percent increase over the same period a year ago. Year-to-date income was \$5,116,000, twenty-four percent over the first nine months of 1977.

Total net loans and deposits also hit new highs, having increased 20 percent and 11 percent respectively, over September 30, 1977, levels.

These increases are based on a restatement of the 1977 nine-month totals and ending balances to include the loans, deposits, and net income of The Brighton State Bank, First National Bank of Cassopolis, and First National Bank of Southwestern Michigan, Niles, who all joined Pacesetter this year.

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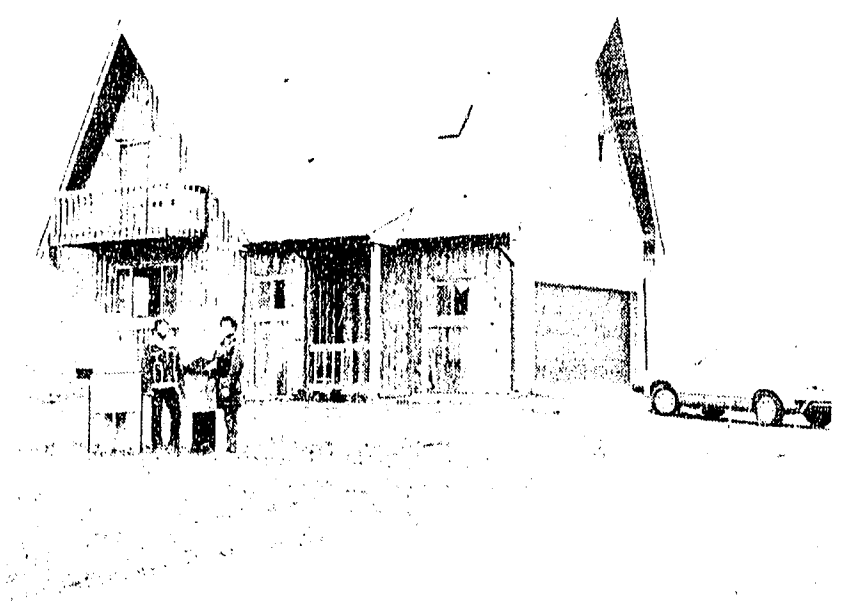
**OWNERS** and operators of Skiventure — William Halvangelis, Douglas Maddex and Ray Meyer — have opened their new equipment store, MWC Sports in the Northville Plaza shopping center on Seven Mile Road in Northville Township.

This is the same trio that has been operating the Maybury State Park and Leslie Ski concessions for the past several years under the name Skiventure.

They'll be operating the rental concessions again this winter — in addition to their new store in the Plaza, which features sale of ski and related equipment and supplies as well as providing skiing instructions.

Their Skiventure concessions will be operated at Maybury State Park, located on Eight Mile Road east of the City of Northville, the Leslie Golf Course in Ann Arbor's Barton Hills Area, and at the Highland State Recreation area 12 miles west of Pontiac.

The owners and their staff have been certified by the C.S.I.A. as ski instructors. Having dealt in ski rentals over the past several years, they are experienced and knowledgeable about all kinds of ski equipment and its uses.



Weskonson Builders Mike Melford (right) and Bill Gourley (center) with Detroit Edison representatives Jack Snedeker (left) and Henry Worden in front of the EEE Award home

**BUILDERS MIKE MELFORD** and Bill Gourley of the Weskonson Company of Northville have received Detroit Edison's Energy Efficiency Excellence (EEE) award in recognition of their commitment to energy efficiency standards in residential home building.

At a luncheon at Waters Inn in Ann Arbor last week, Robert L. Veenstra, director of customer and marketing services for Edison's Ann Arbor Division presented the Weskonson Company with an EEE plaque which can be displayed as evidence that their home meets maximum energy efficiency standards in insulation, heating equipment, lighting, wiring, and energy efficient appliances.

Weskonson's award winning home, located at 8645 Toma Road near Pinckney, has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. John Gourley.

To qualify for the EEE award, a home must meet or surpass the following standards:

A central heating and cooling system using an energy-efficient electric heat pump which meets design and installation criteria established by the electric utility industry.

Maximum insulation, including R-17-rated materials in exterior walls, R-44-rated materials in the attic, and fully insulated basement walls with an R-13 value.

Wood sash and insulating glass or single glass with full storm must be used for all prime windows. If aluminum sash is used, a thermal break is required.

Exterior doors must have a foam core and be magnetically sealed. Refrigerators and freezers, if provided by the builder, must be energy-efficient models.

Water heaters must be of the energy saving type and located as close as possible to the principal point of use.

Interior lighting must conform to the residential lighting standards of the Illuminating Engineering Society, with regard to a lighting power budget.

Materials, equipment, design and construction of all electrical devices and wiring must comply with all local and national codes.

**DONALD P. BUNKA, JR.** of Brighton, has been named by the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company to its President's Club, a corporate honor earned in national competition by those first-year agents achieving outstanding records of performance in both sales and service.

The announcement was made by the company's senior vice president for marketing, John D. Graham, who, together with President Frank K. Tarbox and other corporate officials, met with new club members during a recent three-days educational conference at the company's national home office in Philadelphia.

Bunka is affiliated with the A. Richard Ash Agency at 200 Woodland Pass in East Lansing.

Penn Mutual has a field force of 1900 agents serving more than 900,000 policy owners in all 50 states. The firm ranks among the nation's top 20 insurance companies with over \$3 billion in assets and more than \$12 billion of insurance in force.



**WHEN BOBBY THOMSON** walked into the new branch of Detroit Federal Savings & Loan last week, he didn't figure on becoming a special customer. But that's exactly what he was — the first customer, issued the first savings account by the branch office newly opened in the shopping center in Northville Township. The center is located just east of the C&O Railroad near Little Caesars pizza treat. The young man is the son of Donald Thomson, Northville's newly elected supervisor.

**KAREN ELIZABETH BUSH** of Brighton received a Central Michigan University Alumni Recognition award for public service and achievement from CMU President Emeritus J. Foust. The award, one of two presented by CMU's National Alumni Association during 1978 homecoming festivities, annually honors CMU alumni who have



**JOHN K. HARRIS** of Brighton recently was sworn in as a new attorney by Livingston County Circuit Court Judge Bert M. Hensick. A 1978 graduate of Wayne State University Law School, Harris will practice with the Brighton law firm of Lavan and Harty. He resides at 816 Robertson, Brighton.

distinguished themselves in their professions.

Ms. Bush is an associate selected accounts manager for Burroughs' Detroit commercial branch. She is a 1958 graduate of Rochester High School and the class of 1962 CMU.

Ms. Bush began her career as a teacher. Before changing fields in 1977, when she became a marketing-trainee with Burroughs, she taught high school in Warren, elementary schools in Avondale and Howell, and was an assistant instructor at Michigan State University. She received her master's degree from Michigan State in 1966.

Since her days as a CMU salutarian and a four-year member of the a cappella choir, Bush has remained active in dramatic and studio productions, appearing on the BBC in England and singing the national anthem each year on Fan Day at Tiger Stadium.

She has also been active as a 4-H leader, choir director, and shows horses.



Karen Elizabeth Bush of Brighton receives award

**ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS** of Consumers Power Company are sharing in a \$6 million savings in fuel costs thanks largely to efforts by the utility to revise a federal government regulation.

The bulk of the savings, which began last July and will continue through June 1979, are being passed on to users of electricity under the company's fuel cost adjustment clause.

The revised regulation involves the federal government's oil "entitlements" program. The Economic Regulatory Administration (ERA) of the Department of Energy, which administers the program, recently amended its rules to allow Michigan industries to be eligible for entitlement during the 12 month period.

"We're extremely pleased that we were successful in being able to lower our fuel costs and pass these savings on to our customers," said Russell C. Youngdahl, the utility's executive vice president for energy supply. "In these days of inflation and ever-increasing costs of operation, achieving any kind of reduction in expenses is a significant victory."

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## Modern Living

## Novi Jaycettes reveal tasty treats with new cookbook

A bright-yellow cover adorned with a whimsical turtle announces the new 186-recipe cookbook compiled by the members and friends of the Novi Jaycee Auxiliary.

Featured in the cookbook are recipes from Helen Milliken, wife of Michigan Governor William Milliken.

A project of Past President Pam Balagna, the cookbook is now on sale from members of the Auxiliary at a price of \$2.75 per copy. The book will also be available at the Jaycettes' 'Elves' Workshop this Sunday (December 3) at the Novi Community Building.

The complete title of the cookbook is "Tillie's Tidbits: A Treatise of Tenuous Temptations Transcending Tradition."

Within its covers are dozens of recipes for main meals, appetizers, desserts, candies, and party punches. All the recipes have been taste-tested and most are family favorites.

A fund-raising effort of the auxiliary, the cookbook is a first edition for the group of young women. The name was chosen from Mrs. Balagna's presidential logo-the turtle. The motto for her year of leadership was "you won't make progress unless you stick your neck out."

Included in the spiral-bound book are handy hints on the use of seasonings, cooking suggestions, large portion servings, and an index of the recipes contained in the book.

Some of the recipes calling for diced chicken may be the perfect answer on how to beat the "what to do with left-over turkey blues" sometimes prevalent after Thanksgiving. By substituting turkey, this crunchy rendition may just beat those blues.

Chicken (or Turkey) Crunch

1/2 cup chicken broth or milk

3 cups diced cooked chicken or turkey (1 7/8 oz.) can tuna, drained and flaked  
1 cup diced celery  
1 (8 oz.) can chow mein noodles  
1/2 cup toasted almonds  
2 (10 oz.) cans condensed cream of mushroom soup  
1/4 cup minced onion  
1 (5 oz.) can water chestnuts, sliced thin

Blend broth into soup in two-quart casserole; mix in remaining ingredients except almonds. Bake at 325 degrees for 40 minutes. Just before serving, sprinkle with almonds. Serves eight.

Helen Milliken suggests that chicken or turkey may be substituted for ham in a favorite casserole dish called Ham Strata. Or, you may wish to combine the meat and fowl for a lively combination.

Ham Strata

6 slices bread  
2 cups cooked diced ham  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1/2 cup chopped celery  
1/2 cup chopped green pepper  
1/2 cup mayonnaise  
1 cup milk  
2 eggs  
1 can condensed mushroom soup  
1 cup grated cheese  
Salt and pepper to taste

Break bread into bite size pieces. Combine ham, onion, celery and green pepper. Alternate layers of above mixture and pieces of bread in buttered casserole. Combine eggs (beaten well) and mayonnaise with milk and pour over casserole. Refrigerate several hours or overnight before baking. Before baking, spread soup, plus some buttered bread cubes over mixture. Bake uncovered for one hour at 350 degrees. Remove, sprinkle top with

cheese, and return to oven until cheese is melted.

Mushroom Cheese Puffs, which can be made in advance and frozen, may be the answer to spur-of-the-moment holiday entertaining. They are suggested by Mary Ellen Lane.

Mushroom Cheese Puffs

1/4 pound margarine (1 stick)  
1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese  
1 small can (4 oz.) mushrooms, chopped  
2 teaspoons fresh or instant minced onion  
1 egg yolk  
1 package English muffins

Soften margarine and cream cheese to room temperature. Mix all ingredients well and spread on muffin halves; cut each half into eight pie-shaped wedges. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes. To freeze, cut in wedges, place on cookie sheet, wrap and store. When desired, bake, while frozen, at 350 degrees for about 20 minutes.

Dozens of additional recipes, all equally taste-tempting, are contained in Tillie's book. Auxiliary member Anne Marszalek has a supply of the cookbooks on hand and may be contacted at 348-3918.



Pam Balagna and Anne Marszalek whip up a recipe from the cookbook

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## Tree lighting ceremonies planned for Walled Lake

Hundreds of multi-colored lights will brighten the night skies when Walled Lake Mayor Gaspare LaMarca pulls the switch in the city's traditional Christmas tree lighting ceremonies next Tuesday (December 5) at 7 p.m.

The annual tree lighting ceremonies traditionally marks the beginning of the holiday season in the Lake Area. The ceremonies will be held at Walled Lake City Hall on West Maple Road.

Theme of this year's festivities is "Christmas is Giving." Area residents are invited to bring a can of food, a toy, or a pair of mittens which will be given to someone less fortunate. Donations can be placed in a large decorated container next to the creche.

The Reverend Richard Peters of the Crossroads United Presbyterian Church will give the invocation, while students from Walled Lake Junior High School will fill the night air with Christmas carols.

Santa will also make his first visit to the city this year and will be on hand to talk with the youngsters.

In addition, the Walled Lake Parks and Recreation Commission will unveil two new animals which will be added to the creche scene this year.

Refreshments donated by local merchants will be served in the Fire Hall at the completion of the ceremonies.

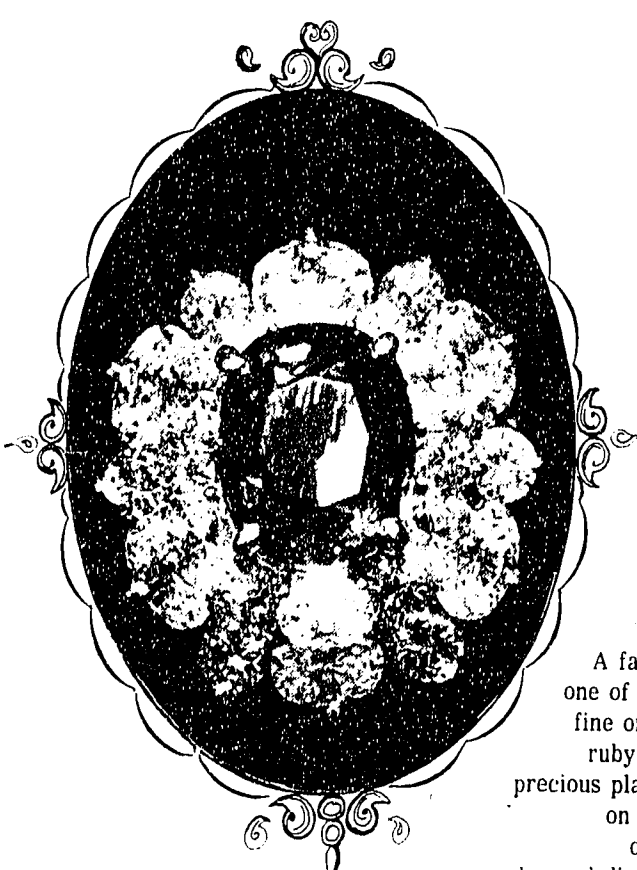
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## Novi Minstrels

Young Novi Middle School minstrels Jack Martip, Brett Baier, Brian Hanley and John Pierce take to the Novi High School stage tonight (Wednesday) in a full-blown musical production featuring three separate bands, costumes, choreography and an audience sing-a-long. The program, beginning at 7:30 p.m., will spotlight the Junior, Cadet and Concert bands along with

the fifth and sixth grade vocal classes. "Let's Sing the Old Songs" will feature the sixth grade youngsters in a medley of old familiar tunes geared to audience participation. It will be marked with top hats, straw hats, dance steps and Uncle Sam colors as the kids belt out "You're a Grand Old Flag," and "Won't You Come Home Bill Bailey."

## At Walled Lake Western

# Travelogue series visits Hawaii

Interested in taking a trip to Hawaii? Then plan to attend the second in the series of travelogues sponsored by the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce this Sunday (December 3) in the E. V. Ayres Auditorium at Walled Lake Western High School at 1 p.m.

Steve Gonsler, who has traveled extensively throughout the United States and in several foreign countries, will present a program entitled "Invitation to Hawaii."

He has captured on film and tape the pulsating vitality of people at work and play as well as the awe-inspiring beauty of nature in her every mood. He brings his films and narratives to the lecture platform along with a youthful enthusiasm which provide an uplifting glimpse of the world he has come to know in his world-wide quest for knowledge and adventure.

Tickets for "Invitation to Hawaii" are available at the door for \$2.50 per person. Season tickets for the entire Travel and Adventure series are still available from members of the chamber. Season tickets for individuals are priced at \$10, while season tickets for entire families may be purchased for \$25. Additional ticket information is available in the chamber offices at 624-2826 or from Betty Stipeck at 363-1547.

Gonsler grew up in the Midwest and holds a Master of Arts Degree in Education from Ball State (Indiana)

University. He taught in public schools for 10 years before entering the film lecture field.

Hawaii is a perennial favorite among travelers and the wide-screen adventure will begin with a departure from a busy mainland jetport.

The first touchdown is on the garden island of Kauai to see Spouting Horn — a sort of ever-erupting "Old Faithful" of the islands. The travelogue will move on to a cruise down the languid Wailua River to visit the Fern Grotto where many Hawaiian weddings are performed.

Much Hawaiian history revolves around Oahu's Iolani Palace, but today state government is conducted in a new volcano-shaped structure. These old and new capitol buildings offer a great contrast of architectural style.

Waikiki Beach is always a place for family fun, but there are also many other beaches which offer water sports. Pageantry in flowers is a great theme on Lei Day (May 1) and the Kamehameha Day Parade on June 11.

Pearl Harbor is one of the world's great natural ship harbors and those who attend the travelogue will board a cruise boat for a complete tour. Sugar cane and pineapple harvests can be seen from the harbor, and aquatic animals splash and show off aerial leaps at Sea Life Park.

In Kapolani Park, the ever-popular Kodak Hula Show recreates the ancient

Hawaiian skills of story-telling.

All in all, area residents who are confined to the chilly Michigan winters will be able to "get away from it all" for at least a couple of hours by accepting "Invitation to Hawaii" from the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce this Sunday at 1 p.m.

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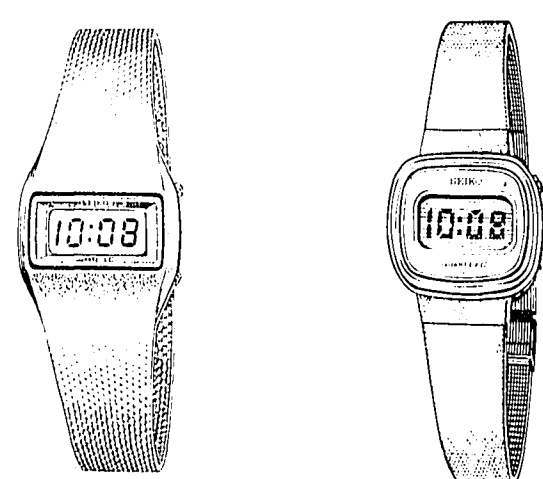
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## Soroptimists plan citizenship award

Members of the Farmington-Novi International Soroptimist Club will visit Novi High School this week to introduce students to their 1979 Youth Citizenship Awards program.

Application forms will be provided to all seniors interested in the program. The program carries a \$150 cash award for first place. The second place finisher receives \$100, while the third place finisher receives a \$50 prize.

Kris Fritz was the recipient of last year's award at Novi High School.

The contest involves the students' activities in the community, the school, and the home. The questionnaire also covers the fields of the responsibility of youth to the community, the nation, and the world.

Winners of the local competition may progress through Soroptimist district competition to a five-state regional competition. The program ultimately involves competition in which the top prize is \$1,500.

There will be three judges who will rate each applicant at the local level. They will announce the results in January.

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## Elves' workshop

Kyle and Michael Jones get a sneak preview direct from Santa of some of the handmade items offered to all Novi youngsters at the Elves' Workshop this Sunday. A "for kids only" Christmas shopping mart, the yearly event will be held at the Novi Community Building beginning at 1 p.m. Many "elves" from the Novi Jaycee Auxiliary have been working for months preparing handmade Christmas gifts suitable for any member of the family. Over 1500 articles priced to fit the small-sized

purses will be offered by members of the auxiliary who will be on hand to help the pint-sized shoppers. While the kids shop, parents who are not allowed within the confines of the workshop will be treated to coffee by the auxiliary and given the opportunity to browse through Mrs. Santa's Bake Shoppe with its supply of colorful treats. The "Elves' Workshop," a popular annual event, will be open as long as gifts last or until 4 p.m. Shoppers are urged to arrive early for the best selection.

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## Kids can lunch with Santa

A "Lunch with Santa and Sleigh Ride" program will be featured during four days in December at the Farm House Inn Restaurant of Kensington Children's Farm in Kensington Metropark.

The "Lunch with Santa and Sleigh Ride" program will be offered on two consecutive weekends in December. The first program is

stated for Saturday,

December 9, at noon.

The Farm is closed for the winter season effective November 30.

Contact the Farm House Inn Restaurant for details and reservations about the "Lunch with Santa and Sleigh Ride" program at 685-9105.

## Local women pledge sororities

Two local women have recently pledged to local chapters of national sororities at the University of Michigan.

Laguna Drive in Walled Lake has pledged to Gamma Phi Beta, while Nancy Krug of 390 Anniston in Union Lake has pledged to Alpha Gamma Delta.

A total of 373 University of Michigan women students have pledged to local chapters of 16 national sororities.

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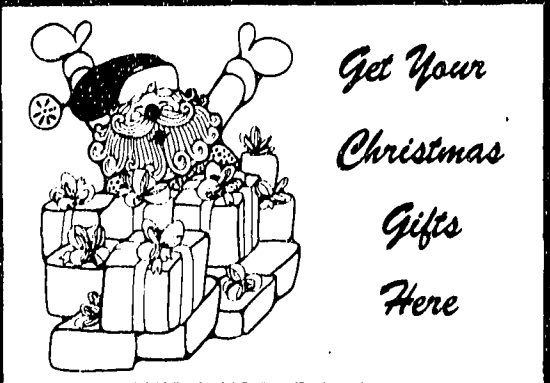


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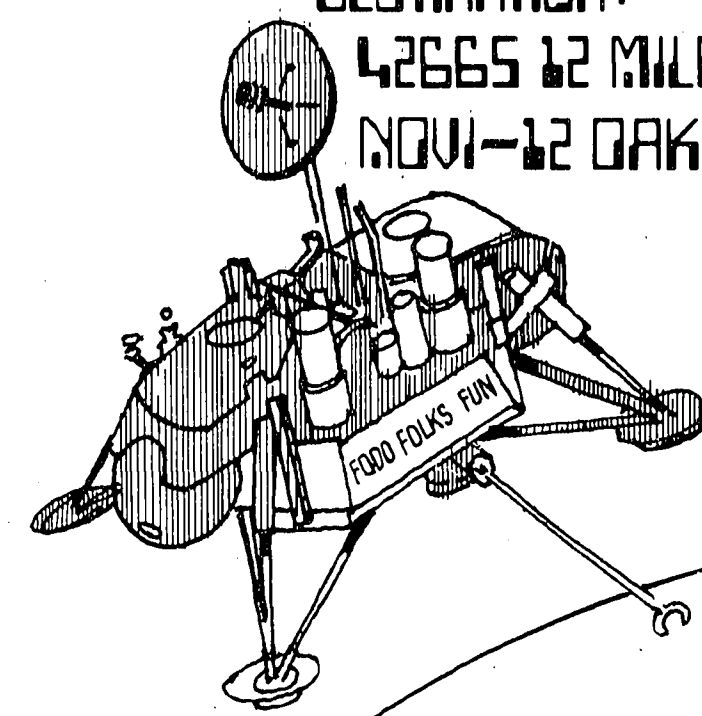
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Inter-Lakes Chapter Sweet Adelines, 7:30 p.m., Union Lake Elementary School  
Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m., Puerst Auditorium

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Used Book Sale, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Walled Lake Public Library  
Senior Citizen Food Co-op, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Novi OLHSA Center  
Parents Without Partners, 7:30 p.m., The Chalet, Grand River Avenue, Farmington  
Overeaters Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Walled Lake United Methodist Church  
Novi Rotary Club, noon, Novi United Methodist Church  
Walled Lake Library Board, 8 p.m., Walled Lake Library  
Walled Lake Elementary School PTG Program, "Child Abuse and Neglect," 8 p.m., Walled Lake Elementary School  
Novi Business and Professional Women, 6 p.m., The Greenery, Hudson's Twelve Oaks Mall

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

Invitational Christmas Art and Gift Sale, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Stonecrest Building, Walled Lake  
Walled Lake Senior Citizens Drop-in Center, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Shepherd of the Lakes Church  
VFW Post 1519, 8 p.m., Post Home, 39935 Grand River, Novi  
Walled Lake Beavers Banquet, 7-10 p.m., Smart Junior High School

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

Novi Boy Scout Troop 54 Rummage Sale, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Novi Community Building  
Invitational Christmas Art and Gift Sale, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Stonecrest Building, Walled Lake  
Christmas Arts and Crafts Gift Shoppe, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Village Oaks Clubhouse, Novi  
Stratford Villa Holiday Handcraft Sale, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Stratford Villa Mobile Park Clubhouse, North Wixom Road

## Providence to open new 'birthing center'

Orientation classes for the new Family Birthing Center at Providence Hospital are now being held for prospective parents interested in making their childbirth experiences more naturalized and personalized than is possible in a traditional hospital.

The Family Birthing Center, scheduled to open in January, is a new concept in childbirth which offers a safe alternative to home deliveries.

"It will provide as home-like a birthing experience as possible in the safe confines near a medical facility," according to Dr. Henry Maicki, project director and educational director of the hospital's department of obstetrics and gynecology.

Located in a renovated area of the Fisher Center which adjoins the hospital, the new facility will contain apartment-like units with family room and birthing room where the mother and family remain throughout the entire labor and delivery process. Rooms will be furnished with a queen-size bed, comfortable chairs, sofa, draperies, a kitchen unit, television, stereo, plants and paintings for a home-like atmosphere.

The need for the Family Birthing Center grows out of the demand for health care which takes into account individual patient needs, increased patient rights, and joint decision-making processes between the patient and the health care providers, according to Dr. Maicki.

"There are an increasing number of families who view childbirth as a very unique and personal event which should intimately involve family members and close friends," he stated.

"In the past, many families had to choose between an intimate birthing experience in their homes or hospitalization which involves separation from family and friends, and sometimes even the newborn child.

"The Family Birthing Center concept is a safe alternative provided for 'low risk' parents," added Dr. Maicki. At present, there are no other birthing centers in Michigan and very few

Methodist Women Christmas Bazaar, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Walled Lake United Methodist Church, 313 Northport  
Children's Film Program, 10:30 a.m., Novi Public Library

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

Elves' Workshop, 1 p.m., Novi Community Building, Novi Road near Grand River  
Lakes Community Chorus Christmas Concert, 7:30 p.m., Commerce Methodist Church  
"How Should We Then Live?", 7 p.m., Walled Lake Baptist Church  
Stratford Villa Holiday Handcraft Sale, 1-5 p.m., Stratford Villa Mobile Park Clubhouse, North Wixom Road  
First Sunday Breakfasts, 8 a.m. to noon, Commerce Masonic Temple  
Christmas at Pine Grove, 1-4 p.m., 405 Oakland Avenue, Pontiac

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

Wixom Historical Society Program "More Trains in Wixom," 7:30 p.m., Wixom City Hall  
The "Big Event" - Sell, Swap and Trade Night, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Decker Elementary School, Walled Lake  
Wixom Planning Commission, 8 p.m., Wixom City Hall  
East Lake Senior Citizens, 11 a.m., Twin Beach School  
Novi City Council, 8 p.m., School Administration Offices  
Walled Lake Rotary Club, 6:30 p.m., Walled Lake United Methodist Church  
Novi Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m., Orchard Hills Elementary School, Novi

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

Traditional Tree Lighting Ceremonies, 7 p.m., Walled Lake City Hall, West Maple Road  
Novi Jaycees, 7:30 p.m., Farmington Holiday Inn  
Walled Lake Jaycees, 8 p.m., Laneson's  
Walled Lake Auxiliary "Eaglettes," 8 p.m., Walled Lake Eagles Clubhouse  
Walled Lake City Council, 8 p.m., Walled Lake City Hall  
Novi Community Band, 7-9 p.m., Novi High School Band Room  
Choralaires Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m., Novi Middle School  
Farmington Hills Sweet Adelines, 7:30 p.m., University Hills Church  
Novi Weight Watchers, 7 p.m., Living Lord Lutheran Church, Novi

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

LWV Christmas Tea, 12:30 p.m., Northville City Hall

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