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Orchard Hill expansion encouraged

By KATHY JENNINGS
 novi editor

NOVI — The city council has kept alive the hopes of Orchard Hill Place developers that the office park at Eight Mile and Haggerty Road may be expanded by sending a rezoning request back to the planning board for study.

Council members stated almost unanimously that the type of development which has been occurred so far in Orchard Hill Place should be encouraged to expand, but added that they did not want to jeopardize the in-

tegrity of the master plan. As a result, council said further justification was needed to grant the 71-acre rezoning request.

Council members asked the planners to make an office study their top priority and deal with the Orchard Hill Place request as soon as possible, preferably by late April.

The plan before the council for consideration Monday incorporated a number of requests made by residents at a public hearing before the planning board: a greenbelt stretching the most of the length of the office park between the park and

the Whispering Meadows subdivision was expanded 50 feet and eight acres originally proposed for office-service was proposed for office. With those changes, the rezoning request was modified to 41 acres of office-service-commercial zoning (OSC), 23 acres office (OS-1) and seven acres of greenbelt. The property currently is zoned single-family and multiple-family residential.

Council members attempted to address the concerns of residents living adjacent to the office park by requesting more concessions from the developer.

Approximately 75 Whispering Meadows residents braved the snow Monday to express their opposition to expansion of the office park.

Residents said they do not believe the proposed landscaping will provide adequate screening between their homes and the office park. They also stated that five-story buildings are too high to be located next to a residential area. Increased traffic and high density lights from the development also concerned residents.

Residents further urged the council not to be swayed by the "negative at-

titude" of the planning board that portrayed the possible future of the property as developing with small tract houses if it is not rezoned.

Additional objections were raised by developers of Crosswinds West, a condominium development on Nine Mile which will abut the office park expansion. Bernard Gliberman told the council his company only buys property that is surrounding by residential development. He said it would not be fair for the city to destroy the privacy of condominium



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All-American kids

With the possible exception of hot dogs and apple pie, it's hard to think of anything more All-American than Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. Novi Middle School North students presented their musical production of the Mark Twain classic last week in conjunction with their study of American History. Ryan Baumgartel

(left) played Tom, while Mark Chirgwin was cast as Huck in the play which was presented for parents last Thursday. The play also starred Joanne Sill as Aunt Polly, Chris Marroni as Joe Harper, Adam Shulman as Injun Joe and Shannon Barnes as Becky Thatcher.

Teenagers killed in collision

NOVI — Two Highland Township teenage girls were killed Tuesday, March 6, when their car was hit head-on by an oncoming car on I-96, approximately one-half mile west of Novi Road.

Kimberly Schultz, 17, and Theresa Schultz, 16, were pronounced dead at the scene by a doctor from Botsford Hospital. Two other passengers in the car also were injured.

The sisters died when their automobile, a 1976 Pontiac Astar,

was struck by a car that allegedly swerved across the highway and over the grass median.

Witnesses reported the driver of the oncoming car, Arthur C. Hammerlind, 62, of Grand Rapids, slumped forward as if unconscious or asleep just before his car veered out of control.

Hammerlind, driving a 1983 American Eagle, was in a caravan of autos enroute to Grand Rapids after

attending an auto auction. The teenagers were on their way to Twelve Oaks Mall where they planned to see a movie.

Police theorize both vehicles were traveling at normal freeway speeds, but the investigation is ongoing.

Hammerlind was admitted to Botsford Hospital in fair condition. He was transferred to Beaumont Hospital where he is undergoing tests.

Millage renewal easily approved

NOVI — A small turnout of voters approved the renewal of 10½ mills for operation of the Novi Community Schools by more than a two-to-one margin last week.

Unofficial totals showed the renewal was approved by a margin of 540 to 253 (68-32 percent).

Superintendent Robert Pivko said the school administration and board were very pleased with the vote of confidence from the community.

"Approval of the millage renewal enables us to continue planning for the future with the knowledge that the finances are available to fund the educational program," said Pivko.

The 10½ mills renewed by voters last week represents approximately one-third (35 percent) of the district's operating revenues. As a result of the renewal, the operational millage rate for the school district has been restored to 33.03 mills.

Turnout was typically light. Some 793 of the district's approximately 10,000 registered voters showed up at the polls in the March 27 election — a voter turnout of approximately eight percent.

Turnout for this year's election was

somewhat lower than last year when voters approved the renewal of 13 mills for a three-year period. Some 887 voters cast ballots last year as opposed to the 793 who cast ballots last week.

Although the turnout was lower, the margin of success was higher. The 1983 renewal proposal was approved by a 58-44 percent margin; this year's proposal was approved by a 68-32 percent margin.

Pivko suggested that the light turnout may be attributed to the fact that the district was only seeking to renew millage that previously had been approved as opposed to seeking additional millage.

The 10½ mill/four-year proposal received approval in all three precincts. The vote in Precinct One (Middle School South) was 41-39; the vote in Precinct Two (Orchard Hills Elementary) was 225 to 134 and the vote in Precinct Three (Village Oaks Elementary) was 266 to 68.

The proposal was disapproved only on absentee ballots. Eight absentees voted for the millage and 14 voted against it.

Restaurant traffic prompts concerns

By KATHY JENNINGS
 novi editor

NOVI — No building permits will be issued for the Elias Brother's restaurant at Eight Mile and Haggerty Road until plans for a service drive for the Big Boy and a McDonald's restaurant proposed next door have been explored.

Elias Brother received final site plan approval from the planning department November 30, but the decision to halt the project came last week when planners were alerted to potential traffic problems in the area.

Planners have asked the Oakland County Roadway Commission (OCRC) to hold up issuance of a driveway permit and the Novi Building Department has been asked to withhold building permits.

Big Boy representatives will be asked to meet with city officials in hopes of working out a solution to the

driveway dilemma.

Construction of the building is not yet underway but plans for the restaurant meet all city requirements. The decision to withhold building permits came after planners learned the police department's traffic division had not reviewed Big Boy's plans.

The matter came to their attention when plans for a McDonald's restaurant north of the Big Boy, approximately 450 feet north of Eight Mile, were received. Both restaurants proposed two driveways. Police became alarmed at the possibility of four drives on Haggerty Road within close proximity to each other.

A service drive was suggested as a solution to the problem, but Planning Consultant Charles Cairns noted that in this particular case a service drive

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Bar gets citation for presenting male dancers

NOVI — For the time being, patrons will be the only ones dancing at the Pit Stop Lounge at 45701 Grand River.

Walter Nienaltowski, owner of the Pit Stop, was fined for violation of the Liquor Control Commission (LCC) rules in conjunction with the appearance of male strip-tease dancers during August.

Nienaltowski was charged with "allowing entertainment without a permit" on August 24.

No action has been taken against the dancers, a group known as the "Foxy Frenchmen."

Nienaltowski was charged with two identical counts for alleged incidents on July 27 and prior to July 27, but

those charges were dismissed.

In a hearing before the LCC on February 15, Nienaltowski agreed to admit to allowing the entertainers to appear August 24 in return for the other two counts being dropped. He was fined \$100.

Nienaltowski said Monday he believes the violation was in error and the LCC will drop the charge. "It was supposed to be dropped entirely. Within three days I expect to have it dismissed," Nienaltowski said. Otherwise he had no comment on the matter.

Police learned of the dancers' appearance from a local woman who had seen one of their shows. She alerted police that a second ap-

pearance was planned in August.

Two female police officers, one from Novi and one from the Michigan State Police, attended the August 27 performance of the male dancers.

After observing several the performance, the officers introduced themselves to the bar owner and advised him he was in violation of Liquor Control Commission rules prohibiting entertainment without a permit. The Pit Stop liquor license allows alcohol to be served and dancing by patrons, but does not permit dancing by entertainers.

Nienaltowski has since applied for an entertainment license, but Novi Police Captain Richard Faulkner said it is unlikely a license will be granted.

"We don't want this type of entertainment in Novi," Faulkner said.

Nienaltowski was found in violation of an LCC rule which prohibits "dancing, monologues, dialogues, motion pictures, still slides, closed circuit television and performing for public viewing" without an entertainment permit. Dancing by customers also is prohibited unless a dance permit has been issued.

The rule allows performances by an orchestra, piano, other type of musical instruments and singers, without a special permit.

To obtain a dance permit, entertainment permit or a dance/entertainment permit a bar owner must receive approvals from the

chief local law enforcement officer, the local legislative body (city council) and the LCC.

Locally, the Red Timbers and Sheraton Oaks have dance/entertainment permits.

Faulkner said that Nienaltowski's \$100 fine is not strict punishment, but will serve to establish that there has been a violation of LCC rules. If further violations occur, a stiffer fine will likely be imposed, Faulkner said. Subsequent violations could result in revocation of the liquor license.

The light judgement also reflects the fact that Nienaltowski has not previously violated LCC rules, Faulkner said.

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Workshops in cable offered

NOVI — Residents interested in becoming a part of the cablevision revolution are invited to attend workshops now being offered by the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission (SWOCC).

Registrations for two workshops during March are now being accepted. A basic studio workshop will be held March 19, 20 and April 2. The three-hour workshops begin at 1 and 7 p.m. A second workshop on portable equipment is slated for March 21, 28, and April 4 with classes starting at 1 and 7 p.m.

Lars Samouelian, SWOCC executive director, reported that 150 citizens "pursued their quest to learn how to produce a cable television show" by attending January workshops led by Kirk Smith and Kathy Friedrichs of Metrovision.



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Oh those blue eyes

Blue eyes have long been the subject of verse, song and drawing. Nicholas Kummer follows in that grand tradition, coloring the blue eyes on his Teddy Bear. Nicholas was a participant in the second week of Super Saturday programs sponsored by Novi Community Education Department.

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Novi planners set annual objectives

NOVI — A work plan for achieving a number of planning objectives has been approved by the Novi Planning Board. Acting at their March 7 meeting, the planners narrowed a list of 21 previously-identified objectives down to 10 and divided them into general planning areas: Town Center, rezoning, study, policy and committee.

In addition, the board established a timetable over the next five quarters for accomplishing the objectives. For example, in the second quarter of 1984 the planners are scheduled to undertake six rezoning matters and initiate studies of office potential, the Haggerty Road corridor and marginal access roads. In terms of policy matters, the planners will direct their attention to master plan amendments and the key hole ordinance.

Routine matters such as site plan reviews are not included in the quarterly schedule of objectives and will be dealt with as they arise.

Community Development Director John Hazelroth said any objective not achieved in the prescribed quarter will be carried over into the following quarter. New objectives may be added to the schedule in place of other objectives.

Objectives to be undertaken by the planners include selecting a Town Center planning consultant, reviewing the Town Center project and determin-

ing future planning needed for the Town Center. Policy matters include buffers between zoning districts, establishing a capital budget for the board, garage size and street widths. A study of offices also planned.

Planners set to agree generally work the work program outlined by Hazelroth, but Planner Joseph Brett asked how the board was to deal with planning in the Lake Area. Brett has maintained a study is needed to determine what can best be done to improve the area.

"What are we doing in the lake area?" Brett asked. "Are we considering the whole lake. And if we're determining land uses (by rezoning property) what is our basis for making these decisions? We need a study before we determine land uses. Are we going to do this in pieces before we look at the whole thing? We need a concept of what we want to go in there."

Planner Judy Johnson questioned Hazelroth's statement that proposed rezonings around the lake will not have great impact on the lake. He also asked Brett to further discuss with him a study of the Lake Area to determine what should be included in it.

Planner Joseph Johnson questioned what would become of the Orchard Hill Place rezoning request. Hazelroth indicated the matter now is to be dealt with by the city council.

Embezzlement claimed

NOVI — A local business woman told police she suspects an employee has embezzled approximately \$1,200 from her company in recent weeks.

The employer, Carol Jackson, told police her advertising representative for "The Merchandiser" is believed to have taken the money before resigning.

Jackson told police the representative for the direct-mail advertising magazine resigned February 12. That day he allegedly approached Jackson

handed her a letter of resignation, and requested \$381 he said the company owed him.

Jackson alleged that she had checked with customers who said the representative had asked them to make checks payable directly to him instead of the magazine.

Jackson told police she believes the alleged embezzlement has gone on for the past two-three weeks. She believes at least \$1,200 was stolen, according to reports.



The 25 French students invite the community to view their display in the Loon Lake Elementary School Library

Group likes travel, roomy school

WALLED LAKE — Wixom City Hall, Greenfield Village and the Renaissance Center are among the various places 25 French students in the Back to Back Exchange program have visited since arriving in Detroit February 28.

According to the students' counselor, Violette Meslier, each of the excursions has been an excellent experience for the fourth through sixth graders. But what have the students found different about American life?

"The two things they find most astonishing are the size of American cars and the size of the school. The school seems huge to them," Meslier noted.

The students have been spending two days a week in class at Loon Lake Elementary where Melier or the group's teacher, Christian Parat, conduct studies in French. One day a week the French students attend school with their American host brother or host sister.

The host families throughout the Walled Lake school district have quickly become attached to their French houseguests, Melier noted. Only two minor cases of homesickness have been reported and communication and instructor invite all residents of the Walled Lake school district to attend the 7:30 p.m. performance at Walled Lake Central High School on Friday, March 16. There will be no admission charge.

The community also is invited to view the children's display in the Loon Lake media center.

The Walled Lake school district is one of 40 districts in the nation offering the Back to Back exchange program. On April 30, it is Walled Lake fourth, fifth and sixth graders from throughout the district will travel to France for three weeks to live with the French students, study in their school and tour the Paris area.

Momberg resigns Wixom parks post

By LEANNE ROGERS news staff writer

WIXOM — Longtime Parks and Recreation Director John Momberg submitted his resignation last week after learning Mayor Gary Lentz had contacted at least one individual about taking over that position.

Lentz refused to comment on whether he had contacted Parks Commission Member Dennis Keeney about replacing Momberg. Keeney confirmed talking with Lentz about replacing Momberg, however.

"I didn't ask Mr. Momberg to resign, and I consider this matter closed," Lentz commented. Under the city charter Momberg is a department head serving on a part-time basis. Department heads serve at the pleasure of the mayor.

"When a member of the recreation commission is solicited without my knowledge to assume my position of responsibility, I can only assume that you lack confidence in my demonstrated ability to perform," said Momberg in his resignation letter. Momberg has served on the parks commission since 1975 and as director since 1979.

Lentz reportedly began seeking a replacement for Momberg after hearing comments recorded at a commission meeting which he thought were unfavorable to his administration.

The comments related to the use of city employees in handling city softball league matters. Lentz reportedly had directed two particular employees not to handle the softball related matters.

"I talked to the mayor and it became clear that he had not talked with John about it," Keeney said. "This was prior to John's resignation. John had asked me to replace him before, but with teaching and coaching, I don't have the time."

It was through Keeney, a teacher at Walled Lake Western High School, that Momberg learned of Lentz's efforts to replace him. Keeney also coaches boys cross country and track teams, of which Momberg's son is a member.

"I asked John's son about this and talked to John later that night," Keeney said. "When John resigned I guess the

Lentz: 'I didn't ask Mr. Momberg to resign, and I consider this matter closed.'

commission was pretty stunned." During Momberg's tenure as director the city developed Gilbert Willis Memorial Park. Momberg is largely credited with the successful development of that facility and other recreational programs in Wixom.

"Willis Park is one of the best parks in the county. It has beautiful cross country trails, tennis courts..." Keeney said. "It is well maintained and people from other areas are impressed with how nice it is. It is kind of a gem for the area and a lot of that is due to John's leadership."

In his resignation letter Momberg said the parks and recreation department is "a personal source of pride and accomplishment." But he noted it was apparent that continuing to serve as director "would not serve to further the overall primary recreational objectives."

Momberg made his resignation effective upon receipt and asked that it be placed on last night's (Tuesday, March 13) council agenda under new business.

"John has done an excellent job, and it will be hard to find someone as interested and as professional in their approach," Keeney said. "He has been very conscientious." Keeney speculated that Lentz wanted Momberg removed because he was outspoken and because he did not support Lentz during the recent election. "Since Mr. Momberg resigned this week, I obviously need to appoint someone," Lentz said. "I am looking for someone and anyone can apply. The position pays \$1,000 per year and provides a lot of opportunity to work with young people in Wixom."

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Council settles water rate hike

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING
walled lake editor

WALLED LAKE — Next month's water bills will reflect a 67 percent increase over the last quarter due to action by the city council last week.

However, the new rates are effective for the next two quarterly bills only. The increase enables the council to solve the water department's most immediate problem: an anticipated \$52,000 deficit by the end of the city's fiscal year in June. The deficit was created during 1983-84 budget planning when one mill (about \$20,000) was scratched from the water department as an alternative to raising taxes to meet other city expenses.

But the rate adjustments will not alleviate the water department's broader problems, including a shortage of funds for regular or emergency repair and maintenance.

Council Member Linda Ackley requested the new rates, which will hike the average residential water bill from \$16.75 to about \$28, only be effective for two billings.

"I think we have to be forced to act (on water department changes) in this budget," she said. When work on the 1984-85 city budget begins next month, the council will review the rates again, possibly for another increase.

In the interim, the following changes will be reflected on water customers' bills:

- The minimum gallons credit has been reduced from 10,000 gallons per quarter to 5,000 per quarter for the same \$8 minimum charge;
- The water usage charge for every 1,000 gallons over the minimum

gallons credit has been increased from 45 cents to 90 cents.

- Over 40,000 gallons, the usage charge increases to \$1 per 1,000 gallons;
- For new water customers, tap-in fees have been adjusted depending on the meter size, and a new, one-time System Benefit Fee has been added in the amount of \$450. The new fund is to be used for general system improvements, such as a new water tower or iron removal plant.

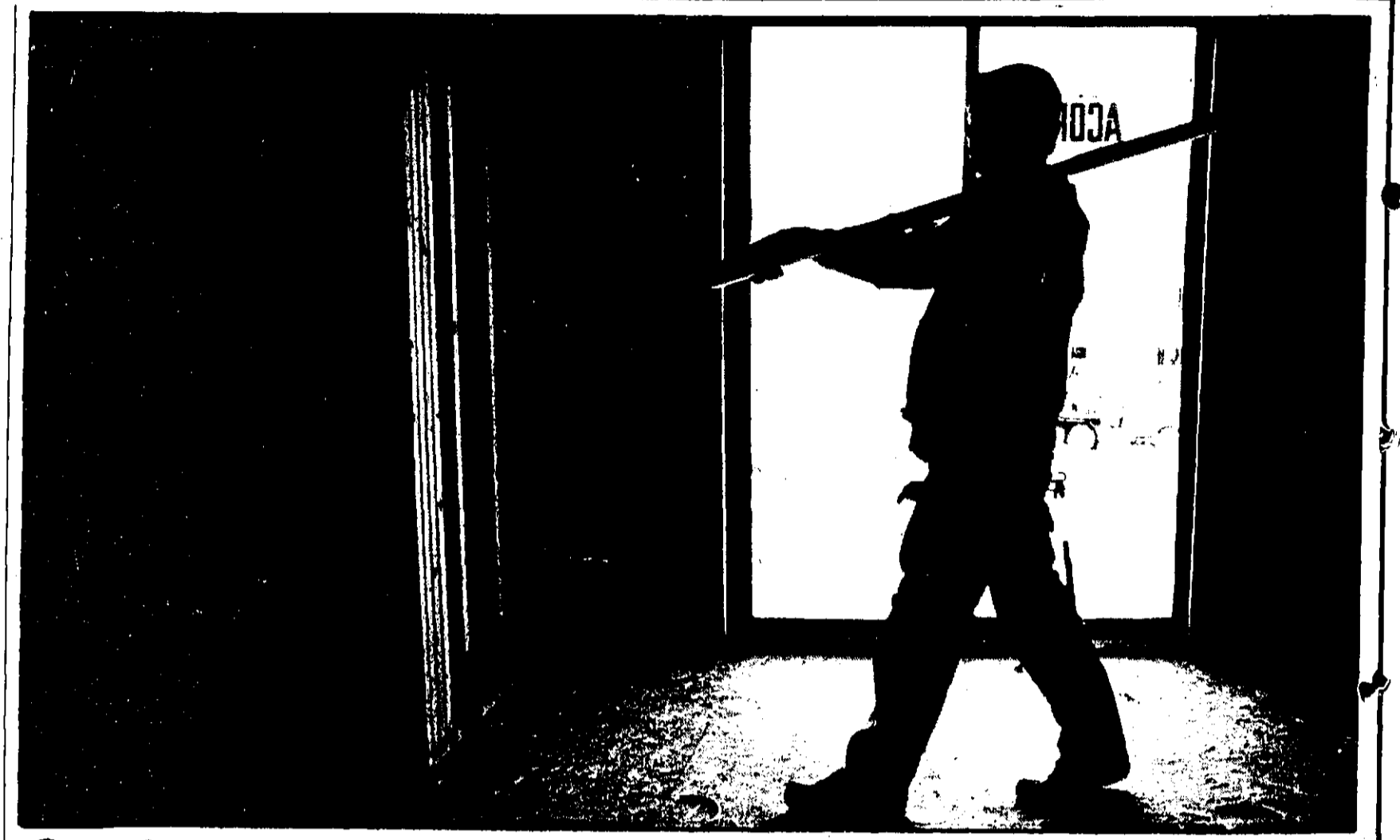
The average water usage for a residential customer is about 25,000 gallons per quarter. Formerly, the average bill included the \$8 minimum (for 10,000 gallons) plus \$6.75 for 15,000 gallons over the minimum, making the total charge for water \$14.75.

The new charge will be \$8 (for 5,000 gallons), plus \$18 for 20,000 gallons over the minimum, bringing the total charge for water to \$26.

As in the old billing, the new billing will include a \$2 fee for debt retirement. City Engineer Alex Moiseff previously proposed raising the debt retirement charge to \$3, but he recently reported the debt retirement fund "in better shape than we thought."

Moiseff also had proposed a \$12.50 service charge which would have generated funds for regular repair and maintenance of the water system at no cost to the city's general fund. But together with his other proposals, the additional charge would have doubled water bills.

In other action, the council approved an ordinance requiring residents in the Tri-A and Carole Acres subdivisions to begin paying the \$2 debt retirement charge.



Condos coming
Novi-Walled Lake News/STEVE FECHT

Occupancy of the first Shoreline West condominium at Pontiac Trail and West Road is targeted for May. Construction has continued throughout the winter on the three 25-unit buildings in the \$1.6 million project. The development is located on a 3 1/2-acre parcel on the Walled Lake waterfront.

Treasurer resigns; faults Lentz

By LEANNE ROGERS
news staff writer

WIXOM — The city is temporarily without a treasurer following the resignation of acting treasurer Richard "Tony" Lehmann last week.

Lehmann has been appointed deputy treasurer for the City of Madison Heights, a supervisory position with a \$27,000 salary. Lehmann reportedly had conflicts with Mayor Gary Lentz since he took office January 1.

"I don't want to sound like sour grapes. I do have another job. It basically boiled down to personality," commented Lehmann. "It is a terrible disservice to the city to have someone at city hall who doesn't know how to deal with people."

Lehmann charges that Lentz operated under a "closed door" policy and developed an attitude of "aloofness" in dealing with city workers.

"In two months the mayor's office door has never been open," Lehmann said. "That feeling goes to all the employees, and it leads to a lack of communication and cooperation."

Although the problems cited by Lehmann contributed to his decision to resign as acting treasurer, Lehmann said he had no hard feelings against Lentz.

"I'm pointing these things out because they need to be said. If Gary is going to be effective as mayor he



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TONY LEHMANN

Food distribution planned for Friday

WALLED LAKE — Food distribution at the fire hall will be on a new day and at a new time this week.

Boxes of food for the area's needy are scheduled to be passed out at the fire hall this Friday from 1-4 p.m.

"It's been quite congested," said distribution organizer Mary Kupovitz. "We took everything under consideration and decided to change the day to Friday," she added.

At the March 6 city council meeting, City Manager J. Michael Dorman, Police Chief Wilford Hook and Fire Chief Bill Frfar all agreed the distribution on the traditional Thursday distribution has been a problem.

"Granted, it's an inconvenience. But this isn't happening at other city halls," Dorman commented, noting that the city should be commended for its effort to help the needy.

Frfar added that the Thursday distribution day required the firemen to store food boxes in the fire hall Wednesday night. Auxiliary firemen would be involved in the distribution most of Thursday and help clean up the parking area after the distribution was completed.

"We owe the firemen's auxiliary a

Candle rekindles their hope

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING
walled lake editor

WALLED LAKE — A "Candle of Hope" is being circulated among area churches this month. It's light is a reminder of the prisoners of war (POWs) and the men reported missing in action (MIAs) whose whereabouts have never officially been determined.

Walled Lake resident Sherry Meadows has her own candle of hope. It burns inside her as she pursues a resolution to the POW-MIA issue through her involvement in the Michigan Prisoner of War Committee.

This month Meadows was one of three committee representatives who met with Jeanne Kirkpatrick, United States Ambassador to the United Nations, to explore the possibility of using the United Nations to help solve the POW-MIA dilemma.

"We were asking the United Nations to put pressure on Vietnam," Meadows said after her Washington trip. "(Kirkpatrick) gave us names of people to contact and suggested we go to Vietnam ourselves."

Continued public pressure, including that from individuals other than family members, might help persuade the Vietnamese government to begin accounting for the captured and missing servicemen, Kirkpatrick told the group.

A recent meeting between representatives of the United States and Vietnam also may produce some answers, Meadows noted. "We're real hopeful," she added.

The 41-year-old mother of four has been involved in the POW-MIA issue with other concerned family members and citizens since 1968. The POW committee of Michigan was organized in 1970 and has been active in trying to protect and further the interests, rights and welfare of

Petitions available for board election

WALLED LAKE — School Board Trustee Robert Cooper said recently he has no plans for seeking re-election in June, while Board President Mario Tozzi said he probably will run for a second four-year term.

Tozzi's and Cooper's terms expire in June. Nominating petitions for those seeking election to one of the two school board seats are available at the personnel office of Walled Lake Junior High, 615 North Pontiac Trail. The office is open between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

"There's an excellent possibility I will be running," Tozzi said. "As long as the people think I've done a decent job," Tozzi was elected to his first four-year term in 1980. His fellow board members selected him as president of the board for the 1983-84 school year.

Cooper will wrap up a 12-year stint on the board of trustees in June. He was first elected in 1972 and served three consecutive four-year terms.

After her defeat last June, former trustee Janet Callahan said she might seek re-election this year. But when contacted last month, Callahan said she probably will not try again for re-election this June.

Candidates for the board positions must be registered voters in the Walled Lake district. Nominating petitions must contain the signatures of at least 24 registered voters in the district.

The deadline for submitting petitions is April 9 at 4 p.m.

The annual Walled Lake Consolidated School District election will be held Monday, June 11.



Sherry Meadows with daughter, Karla

McDonald's site plan denied because of traffic concerns

By KATHY JENNINGS
novi editor

NOVI — Plans for a McDonald's Restaurant at Eight Mile and Haggerty Road were scuttled by the planning board March 7 over concerns about traffic problems at the already congested intersection.

At the same time, the planners cited traffic problems in authorizing a halt to construction of a previously approved Elias Brothers Big Boy Restaurant located just south of the proposed McDonald's.

McDonald's had requested preliminary site plan approval for a 3,800 square-foot restaurant with 116 seats and a drive-through service window. The restaurant would include an atrium, the first of its kind in this region, according to McDonald's officials.

But planners told McDonald's representatives they believe the company is trying to overbuild a site that cannot handle a use as intense as the one proposed. Planners noted the restaurant does not meet setback requirements in the side and rear yards.

Another reason for rejecting the plans came from police officials who said the restaurant would create a potential for a tremendous amount of traffic jams and a high volume of accidents.

Detective Ralph Fluhart, traffic officer for the Novi Police Department, detailed the number of proposed businesses in that area which would have access drives on Haggerty Road. He cited the Orchard Hill Place office complex, the Novi Hilton and a Meyer Thrifty Acres store proposed in the same general area. "Now we're looking at two restaurants, each of which has two drives on Haggerty. There's also the potential for additional develop-



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County plans to widen road

WALLED LAKE — The Pontiac Trail/Decker Road intersection, which has long been considered hazardous by local officials, may be widened in 1985.

The city council last week agreed to contribute 10 percent of the total cost for widening the intersection. The Oakland County Road Commission has received tentative approval for a Federal Hazard Elimination Safety grant to fund the remaining 90 percent of the project. According to Brent Bair of the county road commission, confirmation of the grant is expected in October.

City Manager J. Michael Dorman said the city's share would amount to about \$25,000. The Decker/Pontiac Trail intersection was considered for reconstruction 1978-79, he noted, but at that time the county requested approx-

imately \$60-70,000 from the city for the project.

The county now proposes widening each of the four legs of the intersection to three lanes. Traffic from all four directions would have an 100-foot left-turn lane.

Dorman said the proposed construction would allow more effective traffic flow through the intersection. By providing a center turn lane, the hazardous practice of passing on the road shoulder would be eliminated.

According to city police statistics, there were 12 accidents at the Decker/Pontiac Trail intersection last year, five involving injuries.

In October 1983, an 11-year-old girl was hit by a car as she crossed Pontiac Trail on her way to Decker Elementary School, which is just one block north of the intersection. The driver of the vehicle told police she did not see the crosswalk or the child in the roadway as she began to make her left turn from Decker onto Pontiac Trail. The child was not seriously injured.

"This intersection has been a subject (of concern) for a long time," said Dennis Pajot, spokesperson for the county road commission.

An October 1981 survey of traffic at the Pontiac Trail/Decker site reported an average of 13,701 vehicles pass through the intersection each day. The daily average for north/south traffic was 5,399 cars, peaking at 479 through the 6 a.m. rush hour.

The daily average of east/west traffic in 1981 was 8,341 vehicles, peaking at 793 vehicles during rush hour.

Drain work

Construction began last week on improvements for the Greenway Drain in Wolverine Lake Village. The project, funded by federal "Jobs Bill" money, is expected to alleviate flooding of Penny Lake Road and decrease sediment flowing into Wolverine Lake through the drain. The drain is being cleared for a new sedimentation basin and a larger culvert will be installed later this spring.

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The purpose of the group will be to provide input into matters that involve development and beautification of the village.

Astronaut to address Novi PAC

NOVI — Former astronaut and U.S. Senate candidate Jack Louma will be the featured speaker when the Novi Chamber of Commerce holds a breakfast meeting at Meadowbrook Country Club on Thursday, March 29, at 8 a.m.

The breakfast is co-sponsored by the Novi Chamber Political Action Committee (PAC) and the Novi Village PAC to raise funds to support political candidates.

Tickets are priced at \$20 apiece and can be ordered by calling the Novi Chamber at 349-3743. Deadline for reservations is Friday, March 23.

Born in Grand Rapids and raised in Ann Arbor, Louma, 46, entered the U.S. Marine Corps in 1959. He was assigned to the 2nd Marine Air Wing as an attack pilot at Iwakuni, Japan, and has logged 6,400 hours of flight time — 4,500 hours in jet aircraft and 240 hours in helicopter.

He became an astronaut with NASA in 1966, served as pilot of the Skylab III mission and was commander of the third flight of the space shuttle Columbia. During his 15 years with NASA he logged 1,629 hours in space.

Louma resigned from NASA in December 1983, returned to Michigan and announced his candidacy for the U.S. Senate post currently held by Carl Levin.

Louma has received numerous awards throughout his career and was inducted into the International Space Hall of Fame in 1982. He also has received distinguished service medals from NASA and the U.S. Department of Defense.

Merchants form group

COMMERCE — Business people and professionals from Commerce Village plan to become a more visible and more vocal group in the future.

A core of 10 individuals met last week to begin laying the groundwork for the Commerce Commercial Committee, according to spokesman Mario Tozzi.

The first official meeting for the group is scheduled April 4, but in the meantime, the group plans a membership drive.

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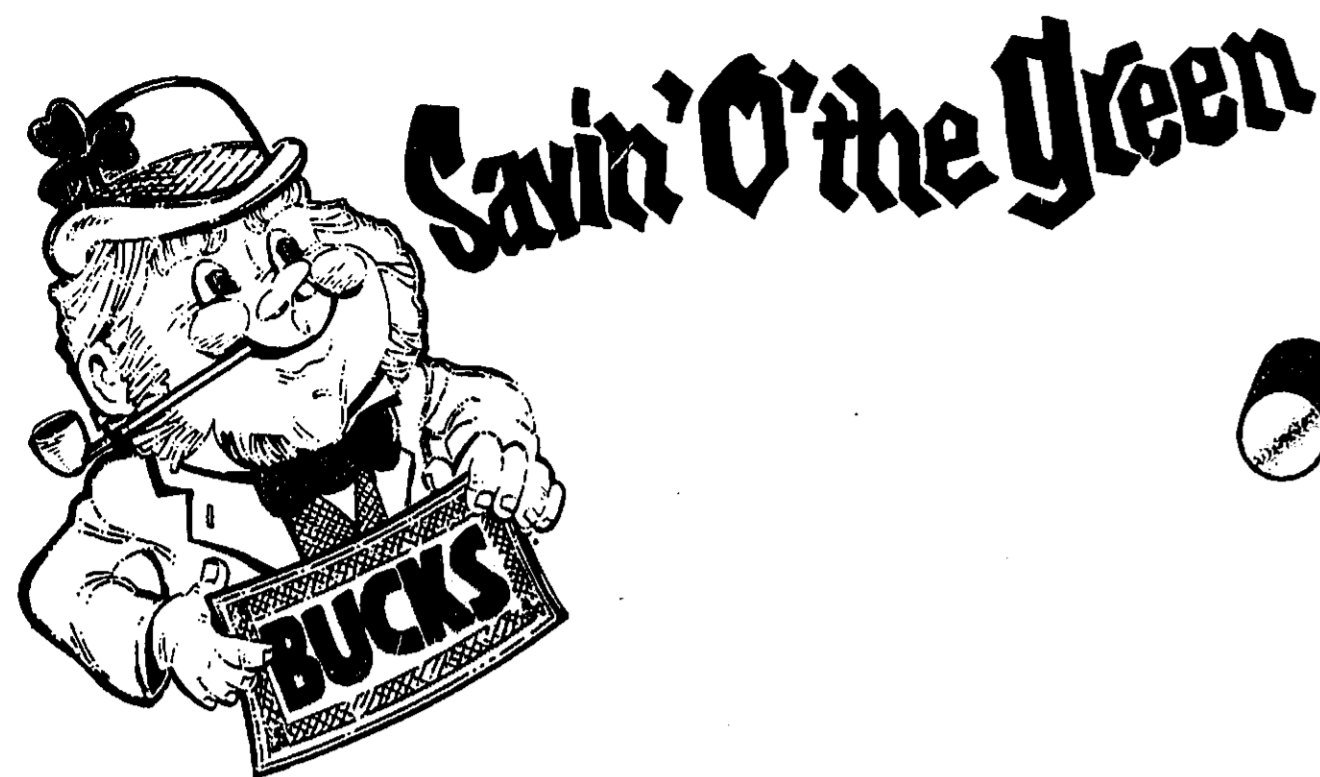
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Rezoning request returned to planners for study

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Residents by opposing an office park next door.

Orchard Hill Place Developer Joseph Gerak commented that residents' concerns about the proposed office park are exaggerated, but the developers have tried to respond to as many of their concerns as possible.

Gerak pointed out, however, that there comes a point of diminishing returns where it is no longer feasible to make further concessions.

"We have to recognize the residents' concerns, but we've never been in a community that has not received our type of project favorably. We don't know how to respond to it," he said.

He pointed out that the development has attempted to have a positive effect on the community. "We're making an investment in the community; we're not here to build and run. We're probably going to be here longer than many of the residents. We've invested almost \$40 million here and we're going to continue to pay taxes to support the community. What we're trying to do is not be negative. We're trying to create value, not lower it."

Gerak added that he did not understand objections to five-story buildings since none of them will be adjacent to the subdivision. In addition to the green belt, a two-story office zone will separate the subdivision and the taller buildings.

With approval of the expansion, Gerak estimated at least 600 jobs would be created. The development also would attract technical, office workers who will make the kind of

residents most communities wish to attract.

Gerak also unveiled a proposal for a six-building campus proposed by Digital Equipment Corporation. The company has asked to build in Novi, but without the rezoning it cannot be accommodated. Digital will not agree to the development unless the zoning is in place, Gerak said. The zoning also wants to begin construction immediately, so the buildings are in place by 1986, Gerak added.

"I think this is the kind of development you want in Novi," he said. Council members agreed the high-

tech, Fortune 500 companies recruited by Orchard Hill Place are the type of business the city wants to encourage. But before approving a 71-acre rezoning request, the council asked for additional concessions.

Mayor Robert Schmid suggested that through further compromise, both the city and the developer could reach an amicable agreement.

Council members asked the planners to review the proposed building heights with the possibility of limiting buildings to 40 feet. They further requested an examination of leaving the northern-most piece of the property, fronting Nine Mile, for multiple-family development.

The council also pointed out that the planners must study the rezoning so it can be related to the master plan, studying offices along the Haggerty corridor and other parts of the city.

The possibility of enacting an ordinance for an intermediate office district, allowing offices taller than the two stories allowed in OS-1, but shorter than the five stories allowed in OSC also was proposed.

By consensus, the council sent the matter back to the planning board for further review.

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Five injured, one arrested after two-car accident

Walled Lake A 30-year-old Walled Lake man was arrested for driving while under the influence of alcohol after a two-car accident that hospitalized one and injured four others at about 2 a.m. Friday, March 8.

According to police reports, Stephen Sams was westbound on Pontiac Trail about 300 feet east of the Decker Road intersection when he crossed the center line into the eastbound lane and collided head-on with a second vehicle. The second car was driven by 57-year-old Frank Kelly of Union Lake.

Kelly reportedly was hospitalized, while a passenger in his vehicle, Jane Kelly, 50, was treated and released.

Sams and two passengers in his car were taken to Henry Ford Hospital, West Bloomfield, where they were treated and released.

Sams was arrested for operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol. The accident is still under investigation.

Two portable heaters together worth over \$300 were stolen from an unlocked garage in the 1100 block of North Eddie Street last week.

The homeowner told police the heaters were last seen in the garage on Monday, March 5. The theft was discovered Saturday, March 10. Police report no suspects.

A Redford Township man reported the theft of his 1976 GMC truck from the red lot at Twelve Oaks on March 5. The vehicle was equipped with a snowplow blade.

A Novi resident reported that his 1977 Chevrolet van was stolen from its carport while it was parked overnight at the Westgate VI Apartments. The van was valued at \$4,000.

A T-top and stereo system valued at \$900 were stolen March 7 from a car parked in the 2000 block of Sunrise Boulevard. A T-top damaged during the theft was left behind.

An Ann Arbor man reported the car he was storing in a carport at the

Area Blotters

A home broken-into in December was hit a second time March 4. Police reported parts of coin and knife collections were taken from a home in the 3000 block of Rousseau in December. Last week a thief took the rest of the collections.

The thief apparently gained entry through a window and ransacked the bedrooms before leaving with the coin and knife collections.

Property valued at approximately \$440 were stolen March 2 from a car parked in the Big Boy parking lot at 26401 Novi Road. The owner, a Caro man, told police that stolen goods included a \$275 camera, a \$125 trench coat and a \$30 thermos bottle.

A \$300 BMX bicycle was stolen March 2 from the garage of a home in the 2000 block of Londonderry. The owner reported the bicycle was taken during school hours. The garage door was shut, but not locked, the owner told police.

A \$300 fiberglass hood was stolen from a car while it was parked at Twelve Oaks March 2. The owner said he parked the 1973 Chevrolet Camaro and returned two hours later to find the hood had been stolen.

Storm doors, storm windows and copper piping of undetermined value were stolen March 1 from a home in the 2000 block of Novi Road. The complainant told police she routinely checks the home and when she last examined it she

found the front door had been forced open. Eight storm windows and screens and two storm doors missing. A radio and construction helmets also were missing.

Wixom An estimated \$340 worth of construction equipment was stolen from an unlocked building under construction on Bruce Street.

Stolen property included an aluminum plank and an eight-foot stepladder.

Unknown individuals shot a hole in the rear window of a truck while it was parked in the owner's driveway in the 1300 block of Flamingo Street in the Birch Park subdivision.

The window of the 1982 Chevrolet truck who shot out sometime between 6 p.m. on March 6 and 6:30 a.m. the next day.

A combination radio/phonograph and a four-drawer mahogany dresser were stolen from a garage behind the Roaches Apartments sometime during the night of March 6-7.

Miscellaneous hand tools valued at \$100 were stolen from a storage locker at the Village Apartments on March 7. The complainant said unknown individuals had to remove the lock to gain access to the storage area.

Wolverine A homeowner in the 1000 block of Lakeview reported approximately one-half a tank of gas was siphoned from her car last week.

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Duff claims he was target of 'hit list'

WALLED LAKE - Arbitration hearings on the dismissal of former Community Education Director Robert Duff concluded in an eight-hour session Monday.

"They're really trying Jerry Beers. We really haven't heard anything about what Bob Duff did," said Duff's attorney, Harvey Wax, after the four-day hearing before Arbitrator William Hampton.

Duff was fired by the school board in November 1982 for alleged involvement in a computer software marketing business called JAB Computing. The business was established by former Community Education Regional Coordinator Gerald Beers, who was fired last spring for allegedly converting school district computer programs for his own profit. Beers is currently facing dismissal in a lawsuit filed in Oakland County Circuit Court last summer.

The computer software, which was designed to organize community education course registration and other department functions, was developed for the department in the spring and summer of 1981 by high school senior Brian Smith.

In arbitration hearings last week, school district attorney Dennis Pollard maintained Duff worked against the interests of the district by tolerating Beers' activities with regard to JAB and by entering into an active role in the effort to sell the district's computer programs to other school systems for personal profit.

When called by the district to testify last week, Duff denied having formalized a vendor's agreement between himself and JAB Computing. The agreement, signed by both Beers and Duff, was anonymously delivered to Pollard's law firm in September, Pollard said.

According to Wax, Duff admits he signed the agreement, but claims he later changed his mind and "just threw (the agreement) in his desk drawer. He doesn't know how (the document) got out." Wax said. "Just because (the agreement) was found - there's no evidence he was a vendor," the attorney maintained.

"It was never a valid (vendor's) agreement," Wax noted in his concluding statement Monday. "Mr. Duff never... conveyed his acceptance to Mr. Beers. And that was the end of it. He thought he threw it out. Apparently someone had gone through his desk."

Duff also disputed receiving a commission check from Beers for sale of one of the computer programs to the Cedar Springs School District. "The check was to reimburse him for taking people out to lunch," Wax said.

"On the face of the check, in Mr. Beers' handwriting, is the notation as to the purpose of the check: Commission Cedar Springs," Pollard maintained in his arguments. But Wax claimed Beers

wrote the notation for tax purposes. Wax said a representative of Cedar Springs school district testified last week that Duff had nothing to do with the computer program sale to that district.

Wax also addressed the issue of a supposed "hit list" developed by the school board and perhaps the superintendent's office. In his testimony, Duff maintained that Board President Mario Tozzi informed him last summer that Board Member Patricia Jackman was "out to get him." Wax said. "In addition, Duff testified that Board President Tozzi also told him that other school trustees were 'out to get' some administrators.

Sheldon last week denied the existence of such a list. Jackman and Tozzi were not called to testify.

Before entering the arbitration hearings, both the school district and Duff agreed the arbitrator's decision would be binding. Hampton is required to render a decision within 30 days after the arguments have concluded.

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As We See It

City must pursue water rate review

One month ago, Walled Lake City Council seemed determined to right past water department wrongs, make up anticipated shortfalls and stand the system on firm financial legs for the future. But the more council members thought about doubling residents' water bills, the more that determination faltered.

The council now has embarked on Plan B: a set of "interim" rate increases devised to pull the financially-sailing water department through the fiscal year, which ends in June. The increases unanimously accepted by the council last week will generate an additional \$52,000 over the next two quarterly billings. This new revenue will cover the deficit the council created last June when it removed from the water department a one mill tax which had been allocated for water system expenses in the past. That one mill was absorbed into the rest of the city budget last year, thereby avoiding a citywide tax increase but ensuring a water rate increase.

Council members, along with Mayor Gaspare LaMarca, have spoken in favor of gradual rate increases and gradual improvements in the structure of the water department. In the interest of lessening the shock to water customers, the council has decided to draw out over an as yet undetermined period of time the rehabilitation of the city's water system.

City shares award

When the concept of a citywide drainage program funded by a special millage was first proposed, there seemed little hope that it would be approved.

It was proposed at a time when increased millage and the resultant increase in taxes were unpopular propositions.

Yet, enough voters saw the need for a program to control Novi's floodwaters to approve it and the concept and provide to build and maintain the system. They voted to approve a 1.5 mill package which includes money to build and maintain regional retention basins as well as construction to correct specific flooding problems.

The plan behind the system was honored recently as the best entry for 1984 in a competition sponsored by the Consulting Engineers Council of Michigan. The city's engineering consultants, JCK and Associates, Inc., beat out 22 other entrants in the Engineering Excellence Competition.

Their achievement is especially impressive in light of the fact that other entrants included the engineering of a fusion test reactor and the solid waste management system for Oakland County.

In awarding top honors to JCK and Associates, Inc. Engineer's Council President Bob Wade explained the project was sensitive to the needs of the client, was socially and environmentally significant,

Fortunately, Council Member Linda Ackley has insisted there be a time limit on the interim rates. While the lesser increase will support the water system through June, the fact remains that there are still no available monies for maintenance and repair of the system. The city has a substantial investment in its water system. Allowing the system to go without needed maintenance year after year puts that investment in jeopardy.

Already, council members have discussed returning tax dollars to the water department. This appears to be a step backwards rather than forwards. Including millage for the water department will certainly lessen the need for rate increases, but the practice throws the system back into the situation of having smaller users subsidize larger users. What you pay for water should not be determined by the value of your property — which is what taxes are based on — but on the amount of water used.

Because the interim rates expire after the April to June quarter, the council is forced into reviewing the rates again in 1984-85 budget sessions beginning next month. Hopefully, that review will not just produce another short-term remedy to a problem that increases in magnitude each year. A definite plan for addressing the water department's funding needs is becoming critical.

Moving in, maybe forever



Patricia Bowling

There's nothing worse than being called neurotic at the height of your excitement about something.

I admit to being very enthused last weekend: the arrival of new furniture. Getting new things is always enjoyable, but there's a unique thrill attached to getting something big and new — at least for those of us who very, very seldom buy big, new things.

For nearly two years, my clothes have been stacked in hall closets, with unseasonal things left packed in suitcases. In a small, two-room, two-closet apartment, that has made for some interesting storage arrangements.

The last time the closets — and clothes — were organized, was one month after we moved in, and one hour before my mother arrived for her first, and thus far only visit to Detroit. Items were stacked in a neat but intricate puzzle, assembled in such a way that required returning each shoe, college notebook and photo album in its exact former location to maintain the pattern. This organization satisfied my sense of order, drove my husband crazy and lasted about three hours after mom left Sunday evening. Since then, those two closets storing all our worldly possessions have been in total disarray, usually requiring the swing of a hip to get the sliding doors to meet.

Until last Saturday — the scheduled arrival day of the Bowling's first new furniture. At last, a chest and dresser in which to put things in their proper place. I got up at 7:30 a.m. to begin clearing as large a path as possible from the door into the bedroom. By 9 a.m. I was ready and waiting for the furniture truck to arrive.

By 1 p.m. I had completed all my usual Saturday chores, interrupting each task every five minutes for a run to the window to see if the truck had arrived in the previous five minutes. Three furniture trucks delivering to adjacent buildings each caused excited false alarms. My colleague and neighbor, Kathy, had arrived on the scene by this time and was making futile attempts to keep me occupied. I think we chatted superficially for an hour or so on whether man is inherently good or evil.

I shrieked and ran to meet it when the truck finally pulled up around 3 p.m. As the two gentlemen scouted the three flights

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of stairs and L-shaped turn they'd have to make with their last delivery of the day, a dispiriting shadow crept over my mood. The stairs were no problem, the one said with a scowl. It was the turn into the bedroom that he doubted he could make.

But they began bringing up drawers, making sarcastic remarks about the size of our apartment on each jaunt up the stairs. When all the pieces of our disassembled dresser and chest were stacked wall-to-wall, they glanced at the pass into the bedroom once more, making certain I saw their eyes roll.

The dresser came up with little difficulty and, when hoisted up on one end, was maneuvered simply into the empty room. I was obviously tickled at their feat. But the chest was another story.

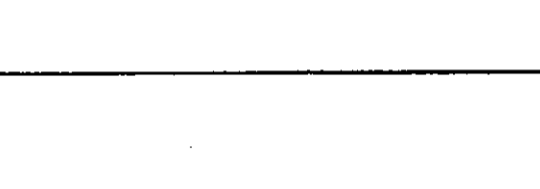
We listened to them groan and struggle up the stairs, waiting fearfully for the sound of that beautiful wood smacking into a cement stair. But the relief accompanying its arrival to the third floor without mishap was overshadowed by what appeared to be an impossible task. "Now for the hard part," said one of the movers. Wedged diagonally between two doorways, they inched the chest in one direction, then in the other, trying to keep their fingers from being smashed in between. The chest eventually cleared the doorway and they carried it in.

Meanwhile, it occurred to me that moving from this apartment may now be an impossibility unless we plan on leaving this latest acquisition. The thought was too sobering, so I promptly discarded it and began the delightful task of lining drawers and deciding what to put in each. Granted, not everyone would approach this activity with the joy and excitement I displayed, but my behavior was far from neurotic.

Nevertheless, that is how my husband described my scurrying from room to room for more than an hour... Until he noticed I might be placing some items in his bureau of drawers.

Framework

By STEVE FECHT



Philip Jerome

Nasty rumors mar integrity

A vicious rumor about my office hours is circulating around town that I want to be dispensed with once and for all — it is not true that I can be reached during the day by calling the Winner's Circle Bar.

I know who is responsible for the rumor... he knows who he is so I won't humiliate him by printing his name. But I know how the rumor got started — this unnamed individual came to see me last week, was told by the receptionist I was not in and then headed across the street to the Circle where by some odd stroke of fate he found me in front of the Super Pac-Man machine.

"I thought I'd find you here," he said.

"Blind luck," I responded, trying to dispel any insinuation that I can be found at the Circle when I'm not in my office.

"You're pretty good at that," he said. In as much as I had just passed 180,000 on route to a score of 224,000, I accepted his praise, not realizing they were loaded with innuendo.

"You must play quite a bit," he said.

"Oh, not that much anymore." I came back, scrambling to recover from the deceitful traps in his well-rehearsed interrogation.

"It's just that these video machines give me an opportunity to get in a little physical exercise during the day. It enables me to race back to my desk and be more productive, write better stories and generally get more accomplished."

I don't know whether he bought that explanation or not, but it's all I could come up with on the spur of the moment. Besides, I'm giving serious consideration to giving up my Super Pac-Man time at the Circle anyway.

A certain rowdy element has taken over the end of the bar where the video machines are located. I won't mention any names, but if you know Mac and Norman you know who I'm talking about. They're a pair of retired gentlemen who try to distract my attention by rating my column every week.

What makes their frivolous commentary all the more insidious is that they cloak their derision under the mantle of religion. Noting that last Wednesday was Ash Wednesday, Mac suggested that I should think about giving up my column for Lent.

Wixom's city treasurer resigns

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needs to change his attitude," Lehmann said. "Employees have to be shown they aren't just a piece of beef getting shuffled around."

After Lentz became mayor, Lehmann said he continued a practice of keeping the mayor as planning about city investments. He said the practice was a courtesy and not legally required.

"I showed this (information) to Gary and he questioned the rates. It is ludicrous to think he could say how the money should be invested," Lehmann said. "You can only get a

certain amount of interest for certain amounts of money for certain lengths of time. The more risk in an investment, the higher the yield."

Lehmann also criticized the manner in which deputy treasurer Lillian Walker was hired recently. Some council members questioned the hiring by Lentz, since under the city charter the treasurer appoints the deputy.

"I was told I had an appointment to interview Mrs. Walker. The mayor asked if she was qualified and obviously she was, having served as Highland Township treasurer,"

Lehmann said. "I wasn't asked whether she was right for the job or not."

Since Lehmann was acting treasurer, he said there should have been a delay in filling the deputy treasurer position. "It is ludicrous to hire someone new in such a sensitive position when the mayor was planning to replace the treasurer," Lehmann commented. "Now there is no one at the helm and the city is left in a very precarious position."

Lehmann said he was not being critical of Walker or her abilities. "Lillian is a wonderful woman and has done a wonderful job," he com-

mented. "I really hope this doesn't sound like sour grapes. I really enjoyed working for the city."

Lentz said he had hoped Lehmann would continue working for the city until his replacement was hired. "I am sure Lillian will carry on in the office," he added. "I am very happy for Tony. I think this position will be a great opportunity for him to learn and there's more opportunity for advancement."

Lehmann, a Huntington Woods resident, served as acting treasurer since Richard Holman resigned in August. Lehmann was employed by the city for over three years.

Restaurant halted to settle concerns

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could render the narrow parcels unusable. Cairns also noted that if plans infringe upon the community's health, safety and welfare they can be rejected, even if they otherwise meet ordinance requirements. "It's all part of your charge," Cairns said.

Engineering Consultant Raymond Cousineau told planners it may be possible to put the service drive in the Oakland County Road Commission right-of-way, which may create enough room for the drive and the restaurants. Cousineau asked planners to authorize a request to withhold issuance of a driveway permit.

"We're more concerned with the Big Boy site plan, so we'd like the planning board to call the road commission's permit department and request those permits be held up," Cousineau said. "They've indicated they will hold

the issuance of Big Boy's permit pending the outcome of the service drive element of the plans," said Cousineau.

"We need to notify the building department to withhold building permits and notify them of the delay until the matter is resolved," he added. "No matter what we do it will affect Big Boy."

Cousineau said after the meeting that withholding permits was "in keeping with the final site plan approval for Big Boy. It was conditioned upon resolution of the driveway problem."

The city granted final site plan approval for the Big Boy restaurant in November after the property owners were granted variances for parking and building setbacks.

When planners reviewed the plans they debated the merits of requiring one driveway, as recommended by the city planner.

Students to hold volleyball marathon

WALLED LAKE — Walled Lake Central students are asking the community to help them so that they can help others.

Central students will hold their eighth annual volleyball marathon this Friday and Saturday, beginning at 4 p.m. and running for 24 hours. The students have raised more than

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Easy does it

Board okays hard line on drugs

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING
walled lake editor

WALLED LAKE — Beginning April 1, secondary students found in possession of drugs or alleged drugs will be suspended from school for up to 10 days and may be recommended to the board of education for expulsion.

Presently, possession of drugs carries a lesser penalty — suspension up to five days.

The school board unanimously approved the stiffer penalty at its Monday, March 12 meeting. When the change becomes effective, possession of drugs or alleged drugs will carry the same penalty as trafficking drugs.

Article five of the secondary student conduct code currently calls for up to 10 days suspension for anyone caught trafficking or distributing drugs or alleged drugs. For a second offense, the code calls for suspension pending board consideration of the school's recommendation for expulsion.

Reeds: 'I would not be at all opposed ... to bringing in search dogs. Whatever means are necessary to assure we don't have drugs on our (high school) campuses.'

In addition, the code requires that parents and law enforcement agencies be notified immediately and suggest non-disciplinary counseling for the student.

The board's action Monday requires the same penalty for any student found in possession of drugs in his/her clothing, hands, locker, car or personal belongings. Formerly, a student caught possessing drugs could only be recommended for expulsion for a second offense.

The action passed with little discussion by the board, and no secondary administrators were in attendance to comment on the change.

Trustee Merlin Reeds described the new code as the "obvious next move in terms of beefing up (discipline) and giving administrators the tools they need to get rid of drugs from the buildings."

"I would not be at all opposed ... to bringing in search dogs," Reeds continued. "Whatever means are necessary to assure we don't have

drugs on our (high school) campuses," Reeds noted, he also would not object to having students' cars searched in the parking lots.

Enforcement of smoking areas also has become a problem, Trustee Robert Cooper noted later in the board's meeting. The student conduct code presently allows smoking in designated areas on school grounds outside the buildings for students 18 years or older. But Cooper suggested the possible elimination of these smoking areas should be the next measure considered by the board.

Discussion of increasing discipline and cracking down on enforcement of penalties for drug possession began last summer at a workshop between the school board and Superintendent Don Sheldon. Discussion resumed after an expulsion hearing in February when Reeds and Trustee Patricia Jackman requested discussion of the student conduct code to be placed on the March 12 agenda.

Local residents who will be vacating in the Orlando area and are interested in hearing the band play can catch performances at Sea World on Friday at noon and at Disney World on Saturday at 3 and 4 p.m.

The band is scheduled to return to Novi Tuesday, March 20.

Novi band departs for trip to Orlando

NOVI — Novi's award-winning high school marching band headed south. The Wildcat musicians are scheduled to leave tomorrow (Thursday) by charter bus to perform at Sea World and Disney World in Orlando, Florida.

With assistance from the Band Boosters, the band began a tradition several years ago of taking a major trip every two years. In 1980 the band competed in the Festival of Lights at Fort Myers, Florida, and in 1982 the band performed at the World's Fair in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Gene Heatcoat, publicity chairman for the Band Boosters, said Disney World was selected for this year's trip because it presents a unique opportunity for the band to perform before large crowds. Disney World routinely attracts more than 100,000 visitors per day.

Another factor in the decision to visit Disney World, said Heatcoat, is that band members will receive the educational benefit of touring the newly-opened Epcot Center — the Experiential Prototype Community of Tomorrow.

Some 188 band students are scheduled to take the trip and there will be one adult chaperone for every five students. Chaperones are the parents of students. They will ride the charter bus and be housed with students as well as being responsible for a group of students each day.

Band Director Craig Strain and Assistant Band Director Paula Joyner also will accompany the Novi contingent.

Obituaries

WILLARD BRENNECKE
Willard E. Brennecke, owner of Commerce Hardware from 1964-80, died February 26 at Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital.

Father Anthony Kosnik, a relative of the family, officiated at funeral services at St. Williams Catholic Church in Walled Lake on March 1.

The son of Walter and Martha (Stecker) Brennecke, he was born March 5, 1915, and was 68 at the time of his death.

A Commerce Township resident since 1957, Mr. Brennecke was a member of the Multi-Lakes Conservation Association. The United States Post Office was located in his Commerce Hardware store until 1980.

He is survived by his wife Justine and four children: William Brennecke of Wolverine Lake, Barbara Fuhst of Union Lake, Sue Ann Brennecke of Union Lake and Mrs. Gary (Valerie) Kosnik of Warren. One brother, Donald Brennecke of Florida, and five grandchildren also survive. He was preceded in death by a brother, Walter Brennecke.

Interment was at the Commerce Cemetery through Lynch & Sons (Richardson-Bird Chapel) Funeral Home in Walled Lake.

ROSE MARIE DOOLIN
Services for Rose Marie Doolin, a longtime area resident, were held March 14 at Casterline Funeral Home in Northville with the Reverend Eric Hammar officiating. Mrs. Doolin, a resident of the Walled Lake Villa apartments, died March 11 at home at age 71.

Mrs. Doolin was preceded in death by her husband Hamilton, who died the year they were married — 1961. Surviving are son Raymond Doolin of Salem and daughter Dorothy Kelm of Oak Park, eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Doolin was preceded in death by one daughter.

Born March 14, 1902 to Joseph and Veronica (Lutke) Angel, Mrs. Doolin was an employee of Eastlawn Convalescent Home and Sesslons Hospital. Burial was at Thayer Cemetery in Northville Township.

Section B

This Week in BUSINESS

Wednesday, March 14, 1984

Thursday • MILFORD DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETS At 8 a.m. in the Milford Civic Center. For more information, call Bruce Pothoff at 684-1515. • **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTANTS DETROIT CHAPTER MEETS** Speaker Mike Howe, manager of advertising for Volkswagen of America, on "The Marketing of Volkswagen in America: 1949 to Present." Dinner meetings start at 6:30 p.m. at the Hotel Pontchartrain, Detroit. Guests welcome. For reservations or more information, call Harold Ackerman, 225-1470.

Friday • STRATEGIES... THIRD ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN at Cobo Hall and Hotel Pontchartrain, Detroit. First day of two-day conference featuring 100 seminars on career topics. Also, 100 national and international companies sponsor exhibits, and representatives of employers and educational institutions will meet and talk with attendees about present and future job opportunities. March 16 speakers at Cobo include Mary Kay Ash, on "Strategy: Believe in Yourself!" from 9:10 a.m.; syndicated cartoonist and author Cathy Guisewille on "Food, Love, Mother, Career — The Four Basic Culi Groups" from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; Auto Club of Michigan vice president Clare Keller on "Do I Have the Right Stuff? Or Assessing Your Management Profile" from 3:45 p.m.; and "Computer Careers for Non-Programmers: Do You Have to Speak Computers?" by computer consultant Judy Holzman from 4:45 p.m. Contact Lisa Lapides, 567-2300 for more information.

Saturday • STRATEGIES CONFERENCE CONTINUES see Friday listing. Saturday speakers at Cobo Hall are Marie Thomas, television and film actress presenting "From That Girl to This Woman" from 9:10 a.m.; Marie Ragone, on "The Marketing of Volkswagen in America: 1949 to Present." Dinner meetings start at 6:30 p.m. at the Hotel Pontchartrain, Detroit. Guests welcome. For reservations or more information, call Harold Ackerman, 225-1470.

Tuesday • WHITMORE LAKE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS At 8 a.m. in the Lakeshore Restaurant in Whitmore Lake. Contact Mark Cooper at 434-8392 for more information. • **NOVI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS** At 8 a.m. at the Red Timbers Restaurant in Novi. Contact 349-3743 for more information. • **SOUTH LYON CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION MEETS** At 8 a.m. in the House of Flavors, 104 North Lafayette, South Lyon. Call John Mackill at 437-9964 for more information.

Wednesday • SOUTH LYON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS General membership meeting at 1 p.m. in an area restaurant. Contact secretary Margaret Frank at 437-3237 for more information.

Thursday • NORTHVILLE COMMUNITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD MEETS At 8 a.m. in the chamber building, 195 South Main, Northville. Contact Director Kay Keagan at 349-7460 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily for more information.

Do you know of a business organization, professional or trade association whose activities should be included in this calendar? Contact Kevin Wilson, business editor, at (313) 349-1700 or write to 104 West Main, Northville, MI 48167-1594. Information, including time, date, place and a phone number to contact for further information, must be received by noon the Friday preceding publication.

GREEN SHEET

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Rail service at end of the line

By CINDY HOOGASIAN

As of today, there is no rail service connecting Wixom and South Lyon. Grand Trunk Western Railroad (GTW) has abandoned the line, claiming it was unprofitable to operate. Left behind are the shippers the railroad served and the communities that had planned future development around its route.

The railroad now seeks to discontinue service from Wixom eastward to Sylvan Lake and possibly as far as Macomb County, as well.

Businesses and industries are shipping less by rail and increasing their reliance on trucks as primary carriers of interstate commerce. Those are the major factors in GTW's requests to abandon trackage in Oakland County, according to a railroad spokesman.

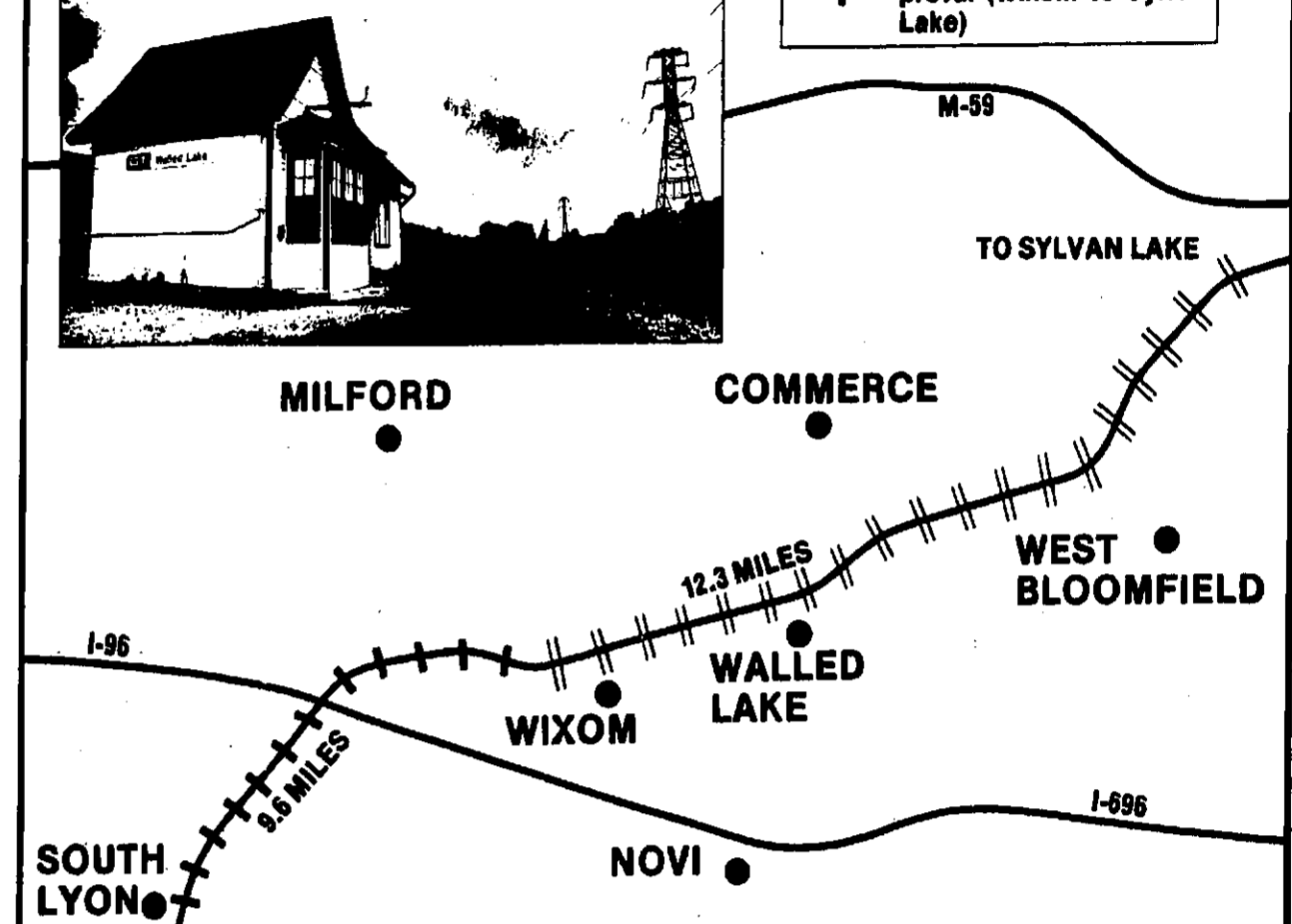
GTW won the abandonment of the 9.6-mile section of track linking Wixom and South Lyon effective today, according to a federal Interstate Commerce Commission order.

Pending before the ICC is a request to abandon another 12.3 miles of GTW track between Sylvan Lake and Wixom. A decision on that request is expected April 12, according to GTW's attorney John Danielson.

In addition, GTW is conducting a study of its rail line from Pontiac east to Richmond in Macomb County to determine whether that 38-mile section is unprofitable, said GTW Vice President George Stern.

The 38-mile segment, which serves Romeo's Ford Tractor plant, Auburn Heights' Leticia Corporation and Rochester's James River paper mill, may well be GTW's next abandonment request, Stern indicated. He said abandonment proceedings would be initiated if the study determines that the line is unprofitable. The study is to be finished at the end of March, Stern said.

Where Grand Trunk railroad lines may be abandoned



Fewer and fewer carloads of goods were handled by the Sylvan Lake-Wixom line between 1980 and 1982. The high of 965 carloads in 1980 declined dramatically to 389 in 1981 and plummeted to 175 in 1982, Stern said.

Fewer loads of lumber and toys moved out of Walled Lake account for the greatest portion of the boxcar losses, he indicated. Stern said that in 1980, GTW took 457 carloads of toys and 403 carloads of lumber from that area. By 1980, that had dropped to just 28 toy loads and 99 lumber loads.

White GTW's position is that it cannot make a profit on the Sylvan Lake-Wixom line, Stern said. Franklin businessman Larry Coe thinks otherwise.

Coe and GTW have entered into a contract allowing Coe Railroad to purchase 5.7-miles of GTW trackage between Wixom and Walled Lake for the purpose of a short-line railroad, Stern said. A Coe Railroad spokesperson confirmed last week that a contract has been reached and plans are proceeding to pick up where GTW leaves off. Coe has previously stated that all business between Wixom and Walled Lake which now rely on GTW for rail transport will be served by his short-line railroad.

Gay Toys, Haggerty Lumber and Markey are among the prospective customers of the independently-owned rail service.

"In filing with the ICC, we indicated that all current customers will be served by Coe Railroad, which will connect with the Chesle (C&O) in Wixom," Stern said. "In addition, both the City of Orchard Lake Village and the Charter Township of West Bloomfield have filed statements with the ICC saying they would like to purchase the railroad right-of-way as by-passes for Pontiac Trail and Orchard Lake Road."

"I think (the abandonment request) probably will not be investigated because of being able to serve the current customers through Coe and because of the ultimate public purpose served (road development)," Stern said.

Stern is confident GTW will not be hindered in its abandonment attempt, but other influential agencies have filed protests against the request.

Among the protests already filed are those by the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), Gay Toys and the Charter Township of Commerce. The MDOT protest hinges on a dispute regarding the numbers used by GTW in filing its application for abandonment.

"The numbers used do not adequately represent the current information," said Bill Bailey, administrator of the MDOT's Modal Planning Division. "They don't provide an accurate picture. There is a possibility that additional traffic that is or may be available on the line could result in the ICC not granting approval."

Commerce Township Supervisor Robert Long said the township board is against the proposed abandonment because most of its industrial land is located along the GTW tracks.

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There the ship was ready to head for Britain, but the captain balked at taking on such ill-fated cargo. After much arguing, the captain relented.

The three-day voyage was not a lucky one and finally ended on a desolate British shore with Patrick and the crew wandering for weeks in search of food and shelter.

In his fervor, Patrick prayed and suddenly a herd of wild pigs crossed the path of the disheartened, starving man.

Patrick struggled with this calling, some biographers say, because he feared his lack of formal education during his slave years would thwart his efforts in Ireland.

Patrick is said to have founded 300 churches and baptized more than 120,000 people after he returned to Ireland.

Patrick wrote two books, "Confessions," an account of his spiritual development, and "Letter to Coroticus," which berated a British warlord for killing some Irishmen.

He retired to Saul and died there in either 461 or 492, depending on which book you read. The large discrepancy in dates has led some to believe St. Patrick actually was two people.

Here, the biographers differ. Some say Patrick was made bishop of Ireland by Pope Celestine I after the death of the country's first bishop, Palladius. Others say Patrick was sent to Ireland to help Palladius and simply took the old man's job. Here follows the most interesting version.

Again, Patrick was beset with a vision in his sleep. A man walked toward him and handed him a letter. Atop the letter was neatly scrawled, "The Voice of the Irish" and it pleaded with Patrick to return as a missionary and save the pagan souls of Ireland's sons and daughters.



Business Briefs



GARACIAS MAGCALAS DONALD FLIS

TWO LOCAL MEN — Degradacia A. Magcalas of Novi and Donald W. Flis of Northville — have been elected vice presidents of First Federal of Michigan.

Magcalas is assistant manager of the Accounting Department. A native of the Philippines, he is a graduate of Emporia (Kansas) State University and Wayne State University.

Prior to joining First Federal in 1982, Magcalas was controller of the United Northwestern Realty Association and a senior auditor with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Company.

Flis has been named regional branch manager of First Federal's Farmington Hills region in addition to being elected a vice president.

Flis previously was an assistant vice president and mortgage manager at First Federal's Farmington Hills office.

JAMES C. ROSE AND ROBERT L. WALKER were recently elected to seats on the Board of Directors, Dental Dental Plan of Michigan, Rose, a Northville resident and vice president of the Plastics Group for Key International in Southfield, has been on the board since 1981 and has also served on its Consumer Advisory Committee. He was re-elected to a three-year term.

Walker, of Novi, has been elected secretary of the board. Walker is administrative assistant to the vice president, GM division, International Union, UAW. He also is past president of GM Local 725. Walker, who was elected to a one-year term, has been on Delta's board for seven years and previously served as member-at-large of the executive committee.

DOUGLAS TUEBERT AND HAROLD HYLAND have qualified for membership in Lutheran Brotherhood's 1983 Top Club. This achievement is the highest sales honor of the national fraternal insurance society.

Membership in Top Club was attained by less than 3 percent of the society's field force. Both earned membership on the basis of combined amount of life and health insurance, annuities and mutual funds placed with Lutherans in his area.

Both Tuebert of Northville and Hyland of Novi are district representatives associated with Lutheran Brotherhood's Karl Mueller Agency in Rochester.

THE HEIRLOOM SHOP in Novi will host a "trunk showcase" featuring 10 of the top English smokers from across the United States this Thursday and Friday, March 15-16. The showcase will be open both days from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Call 349-7048 for more information and reservations.

A member of the National Smokers Association, Smith opened the Heirloom Shop upon moving to the area and being unable to find a source of smoking supplies. The shop provides a large supply of smoking supplies, and Smith teaches classes in English smoking. She also teaches through the Northville Community Education Department.

OAKLAND LIVINGSTON LEGAL AID will present information on some common legal problems at a series of informal workshops beginning March 15 and on consecutive Thursdays through April 12. The workshops are from 2-4 p.m. in the Oakland Livingston Legal Aid offices, 10 West Huron, Suite 307, Pontiac. Those planning to attend should call 332-9175.

Workshop topics are: March 15, "Who has a right to your child" by Cathy Greenberg; March 22, "What to do when you get a note to quit" by David Hill; March 29, "What to do when the bill collector calls" by James DiMeglio; April 5, "How to get your security deposit back" by Lonnie Peace, and April 12, "What's going to happen to your stuff when you die?" by DiMeglio.

GTW seeks to end Oakland service

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"We used the GTW railroad as the basis for our studies," Long said. "There are 100 industries in the industrial district, which give over 3,000 persons direct employment. We estimate it generates 6,000 jobs directly. The absence of service will have an adverse effect on the industries and the families deriving their income from those industries."

Long said Commerce has 652 acres of industrially-zoned land along the GTW tracks. "It contains some of the largest industries in southwestern Oakland County," Long said, "including Williams International, which is our largest industry."

Commerce Township would be served by the Railroad, Long said, but he expressed reservations about long-term service.

"I have no objection as long as we get the service," Long said, "but the possibility of a small railroad going out of business does concern me."

Another resource available to the involved communities, Vice Chairman Richard Fessler, chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee.

"We're going to give this a pretty strong effort," said Rick Simonson, Fessler's administrative aide. "The sense we're getting is that Grand Trunk decided to approach this in such a way as to get the least resistance, with the ultimate objective of shutting everything down from Pontiac to South Lyon."

"I understand that it will be vigorously fought," he said. "We have assigned a staff person to this project exclusively. Senator Fessler is the new chair of the Senate Transportation Committee. We will pull all the stops (to block the abandonment)."

Simonson supported the idea of a short-line railroad to serve affected communities if the abandonment proceeds. "In that way, they can continue rail service and possibly affect the business climate instead of negatively affect it," Simonson remarked.

The development of industrial

The negative impact comes with loss of potential use... Industries which rely on railroads will not look at those areas without railroads when considering locations.

— Debbie Schutt
Assistant County Planner

disasters planned along the GTW corridor in Oakland County may be hampered by the railroad's abandonment requests. While the issue has not been discussed by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, Vice Chairman Lillian Moffitt is concerned about the economic impact of the abandonment.

"It is found to have an adverse effect on the existing businesses and the potential for businesses to exist there," Moffitt said. "Many communities have developed their master plans,

designating the railroad areas for industrial development. They will have lost a major selling point, the mode of transportation." Moffitt said it is hard to determine what the economic impact of the loss of rail service will be, especially since the railroad has taken a piece-meal approach.

Another concern of Moffitt's is in developing a better way to alert individual communities and the county to abandonment requests. She would also like to involve the state Commerce Department, MDOT and the

Oakland County Road Commission long ago identified the Orchard Lake-Pontiac Trail area of West Bloomfield and Orchard Lake Villages as needing improvement, Schutt said. The abandonment request provides a convenient solution to the treacherous configuration of those roadways, she noted.

Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments in discussions of each rail abandonment request.

Debbie Schutt, an assistant planner in the Oakland County Planning Division, agreed that municipalities in which land has been planned for industrial development based on railroad availability will likely be hurt by such abandonments.

"With the South Lyon to Wixom line, the damage to the existing business will be marginal," Schutt said. "There are not a lot of customers in that area. The negative impact comes with the loss of potential use in the future. Industries which do rely on railroads will not look at those areas without railroads when they are considering locations, or relocating. It's hard to gauge the impact."

State rail network shrinks

Michigan's network of railroads is rapidly thinning out, in part because of deregulation that allows carriers to shed unprofitable routes more easily and partially due to increased competition from the trucking industry, experts said.

MDOT's Railroad Transportation Planner J. H. Becker said Grand Trunk Western (GTW) is the major carrier now having abandonment requests filed. In addition to the 9.6 miles of track already abandoned this year, GTW has pending the 12.3-mile portion from Wixom to Sylvan Lake and another 50 miles of track in the Pigeon-Liminy City area, Becker said. GTW is also attempting to shed trackage in the Upper Peninsula, he said.

"Before the ICC for the state of Michigan at this time, there are requests for abandonment of 143 miles of railroad, not including the 50 miles in the Imlay area," Becker said. "There are 322 miles of tracks which carriers have indicated to the ICC will be abandoned in the next three years. There are 81 miles under study which may be subject to abandonment."

Becker said 1983 was a moderate year for railroad abandonments, with 83 miles of track abandoned. In 1982, 432 miles of railroad track were abandoned in Michigan, he said. There are approximately 5,150 route miles of railroad track left in the state.

"The system is really slimming down throughout the state," Becker said. "Since the Staggers Act in 1980 (which deregulated railroads), it's easier for railroads to get abandonment certificates from the ICC due to more relaxed standards. They must show either an operating loss or they must show that they are not getting a 22 percent rate of return on their investment."

"The ICC has no public hearings anymore. Everything is done by verified statement. Before deregulation of the railroad industry, abandonments could be blocked if there was enough organized protest. Now it is much more of a routine operation of exchange of protests. We have not had any real success at blocking abandonments for the past several years."

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Wildcat five falls to Thurston in district tourney

The MHSAA Class B district tournament at Oak Park proved a little too much for Novi, a team experiencing an also-ran season in an also-ran basketball league like the Kensington Valley Conference.

Head coach Thurston (14-6) made short work of the Wildcats, posting a 64-51 victory in the opening round last Tuesday. Novi was never closer than nine points the entire second half.

Minus its injured 67" center Ron Starinsky, Thurston was nervous going into the game. But Eagle guards Scott Filipiak and Raffi Kostegian combined for 39 points to keep Novi a bay.

Ron Flutur, coach of the Wildcat cagers, blamed the loss on "a combina-

tion of our shooting and defense." The Wildcats got 72 shots from the floor — a pretty good total, but managed to convert only 23. Thurston put together 18-12 and 17-10 scoring advantages in the first two quarters, then played Novi to a standstill in the second half.

Thurston's tight zone in the final two quarters may have been the key. The middle was too congested to give Novi's 6'4" senior center Dave Fisher room to operate. And Flutur could find nobody to consistently hit the long-range shots to soften up the zone.

More performances like that of junior forward Tully Gillick might have saved the day for Novi. Gillick had his best night ever, scoring 20 points and haul-

Flutur: 'We couldn't stop them. They were a pretty good ball club.'

ing down 14 rebounds. "He got at least six of his baskets on just sheer gutsy offensive rebounding," Flutur said. "Tully really came through. He really worked for all his points."

But Fisher, Novi's leading scorer this season with a 12.4 points-per-game average, could only post six against Thurston. Ken McKay and Steve Cody scored nine and eight points respectively.

"We couldn't stop them. They were a pretty good ball club," Flutur added. Thurston went on in the playoffs to fall to Detroit Renaissance in the semifinals. In turn, Renaissance lost to tournament host Oak Park, the state's top ranked Class B team. For Novi, the loss capped a 7-14 season.

"I figured all along it would be a rebuilding year," said Flutur. "We never quite reached our potential, although it looked like we might in a couple games against Hartland, the first South Lyon game and the second Lakeland game. We just never put it together in a consistent manner this season."

On the season, Fisher led the Wildcats in three categories besides

scoring. He averaged 7.4 rebounds per game, posted 38 blocked shots and his 45.2 percent shooting average was tops among Novi regulars.

Cody, a junior, was Novi's second leading scorer with 9.6 points per game, and classmate Gillick came next with 5.9.

While there's a big difference between junior varsity competition and varsity, the Wildcats should have a respectable nucleus for next season with Gillick, Cody and several players from last year's 12-9 JV team.

"Whether they'll be ready is hard to say," Flutur said. "It's going to take them a lot of emotional growing up for us to be a good team next year."

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Future's uncertain for Novi mat coach

By B.J. MARTIN
news sports writer

People like to keep public school budgets pretty tight — for obvious reasons. Taxpayers can think of plenty of ways to spend money other than on taxes.

Unfortunately, since tax funds tend to go to people, when the funds dry up, the people are left out in the cold. And at Novi High School, like other schools beset with a post-baby boom enrollment decline, the pressure is also felt.

There are lots of people who hope Tom Fritz won't be one of the victims of Novi Schools' budget. Fritz is best known to local sports fans as coach of the fine Wildcat wrestling team, a job he inherited with the departure of Russ Gardner last year.

Fritz was hired last year after his position was trimmed by New Boston School District. At New Boston Huron, his wrestling teams won two Class B state championships.

This season, Novi posted a 17-4 dual meet record and placed two wrestlers at the state championships. At one point in the season, Novi was ranked among the state's top 10 teams.

More importantly, 38 of the 43 wrestlers who turned up at the beginning of the season to wrestle for Fritz stayed on with the program. A lot of those wrestlers are young, and Fritz frankly set his sights on a state championship for Novi within the next few years.

Reports from students and co-workers alike make it clear that Fritz is extremely popular with Novi students for his classroom skills as well. But all first-year teachers are subject to at least one year of probation before the Novi School Board grants them or denies them tenure. And Fritz is no exception.

"I've been very impressed with Tom's work both in the classroom and the wrestling team," said Novi Athletic Director John Osborne. "He's been able to keep our program going at a high level if not improve it. There's no question that the success of the team has largely been due to him."

At times Fritz was critical of his team, but never when it was underserved — and the net effect was an equilibrium of respect between himself and his wrestlers. He set high expectations for his team, and the squad kept up with them all but once — in the KVC league meet.

At the beginning of the wrestling season, Fritz modestly remarked, "I don't want to read about Tom Fritz this and Tom Fritz that. It's the boys we're interested in talking about." It was a characteristic remark, but as far as reflecting his importance to Novi's program, maybe not completely accurate.

"I'd like to stay," Fritz said recently. "We've got a good hard-working bunch of kids here and they're very coachable. I'd hate to back out of a program that's got such a good future."

According to Novi High School Principal Robert Youngberg, Fritz will undergo an evaluation directed by the Board of Education, which will decide on whether he is to be awarded tenure.

Fritz decision, he added, would likely come in April or May.

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Novi's matmen enjoyed a stellar season under Coach Tom Fritz

Gymnasts fall short

Wendy Reimer, Maria Hughes and Melissa Schenck represented Walled Lake Western's gymnastics team at the MHSAA Class A Regionals at Troy Athenas last weekend.

And even though none of the Warrior regional qualifiers managed to advance to the state tourney, Coach Denise Kin was pleased. "It was still a good meet and a good experience for the girls," she said.

Reimer, Western's surprising freshman, competed on the balance beam, floor exercise and uneven bars. Her best effort was on beam where she scored 8.05. She also scored 7.6 on floor and 7.05 on bars.

Hughes, a sophomore, scored 7.85 on the beam and 7.6 on the floor, while Schenck, a junior, tallied 7.45 on the beam.

The top eight gymnasts in each event advanced to the state tourney this weekend. Kin did not have final standings for her gymnasts, but added that the top scorers averaged in the high eight and low nine range.

"It was a good year for Western gymnastics," she said. "The girls improved progressively all through the year. Next year she should do very well."

Western also competed in the Western Lakes Activities Association (WLA) meet on March 3, finishing seventh out of eight teams with a score of 107.5. Walled Lake Central was eighth with a 107.24. North Farmington won the WLA championship with a score of 131.7.

Novi eyes adult loop

The Novi Parks and Recreation Department will offer a soccer program for adults this spring and summer.

All adults who live in and around Novi and are interested in participating on a team are urged by Parks and Rec officials to attend an organizational meeting tomorrow (Thursday) at 6:30 p.m. in the Novi Middle School North library.

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Warrior spike team yields district title

"They really fought back this year," said Coach Fritz Tallian after his Walled Lake Western volleyball team was eliminated from district competition a week ago Saturday.

The Warriors finished the season with an 11-8 record, a vast improvement over last year's 2-15 mark.

"I'm pleased with the season," Tallian said. "These kids had to learn a whole new offense which is a difficult thing to do. They really tried. They were very good learners."

The Warriors were eliminated from state competition by Walled Lake Central in the second round of the district tournament at Lakeland. The Vikings won the match 15-15, 15-6 and 15-12.

"We played a super first game but then our old nemesis, passing, came

Emert lauds heart of Central cagers

By DIC DOUMANIAN
news sports writer

For the fourth time in the last five years, the Walled Lake Central basketball team fought its way into the MHSAA Class A district tournament finals.

"We fought back in the last game with Central to an 11-11 tie but they had the momentum," Tallian said. "The VanPutten sisters (Kris and Beth) also played super defensive and serving games in that first game."

Earlier in the day, Western defeated Holly in two games 15-1 and 15-6.

Wendy Spencer led the Warriors as she posted 11 straight service points in the first game.

Western's final regular season match with Plymouth Canton was cancelled due to snow last week.

Emert lauds heart of Central cagers

"I'm really proud of these kids," continued Emert. "They never gave up this season, and they went through a lot of adversity. I can't ask for anything more. These kids will rebound from this loss."

To qualify for the district finals, the Vikings had to win a pair of games.

First Central defeated Milford Lakeland 55-43. Tom Cummings led the Vikings with 17 points and 14 rebounds. Clark Bock and Scott Norris each added 10 points to the victory. Central helped itself by connecting on eight of nine free throws in the final minute of play.

Next up for the Vikings was Milford. Central breezed to a 66-45 victory. Bock finished with 19 points and 10 rebounds, while Cummings scored 16 points and hauled down 11 rebounds. Tom Menard contributed 12 points and 11 assists.

The Vikings finished the season with a 15-8 mark, their best record in 10 years.

Bobcats claim honors

Novi Bobcat swimmers copped a slew of honors in the Birmingham-Bloomfield Swim Club "B" Meet at Lahser High School last weekend.

Mike Speerschnider led the way, winning a total of nine awards. Competing in the eight-and-under division, Speerschnider finished first in the 100 freestyle, 25 backstroke and 50 freestyle. He registered second place finishes in the 25 butterfly, 100 individual medley, 50 backstroke and 50 butterfly.

The young tank prospect rounded out his big day by finishing third in the 50 breaststroke and fifth in the 50 freestyle.

Drew Sopha, another eight-and-under competitor, copped three awards — third in the 50 fly and fifth in both the 50 back and 100 individual medley.

Derek Speerschnider also had a big day, finishing fourth in both the 50 fly and 100 individual medley, fifth in the 100 fly and sixth in the 200 freestyle.

Two Bobcats wracked up points in the 11-12 year-old division. Scott Pfeiffer

Bobcats claim honors

finished third in the 50 fly and sixth in the 50 breaststroke, while Josh Matta took second in the 100 fly, third in the 200 individual medley, fourth in the 50 breast and fifth in the 50 fly.

David Suchyla added points in the 13-18 year-old division by earning places in both the 100 breast and 400 individual medley, while Beth Surwiecek competed in the open division and earned points in the 100 breaststroke.

The Bobcats also scored in three relays. The boys 10-and-under team of Mike Speerschnider, Derek Speerschnider, Drew Sopha and Jamie May won the 200 freestyle relay. In the girls' open 400 medley relay, the Bobcat quartet of Michelle Patall, Carol Bekkala, Beth Surwiecek and Nancy May stroked out a second place finish.

Rounding out the Bobcat scoring was the boys' open 400 freestyle relay team of Jamie May, David Suchyla, Josh Matta and Scott Pfeiffer which registered a fourth place finish.

Tankers end season

Walled Lake Western wrapped up its first swimming season in four years by competing in the two-day Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) meet recently.

The Warriors' top finish came in the 200 medley relay where Stacy Burdick, Paul Deroche, Jeff Artlip and Chad Doughty made it into the finals. The foursome distanced eighth with a 2:01.7, their best time this season.

Plymouth Salem won the WLAA championship. Western finished the meet with eight points.

Western's outstanding diver this year, Dave Tester, finished 18th overall.

"Dave was our best chance in diving," said Western Coach Bill Klettkie, "but he failed to make one of the dives he needed."

Western failed to win any dual meets during the 1983-84 campaign, but ended the season on a positive note by swimming to a tie against Clarenceville.

According to Klettkie, however, the future looks promising for the revitalized Warriors. "We're starting a junior high swim program for seventh, eighth and ninth grade Walled Lake students. That will help our program in the long run," he said.

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Outstanding musicians

Eight outstanding musicians from Walled Lake Western were selected to perform with the Eastern Michigan University Honors Orchestra and Band earlier this year. Performing with the group were (front row, left to right) Jeanne Thomas (cello), Chantelle Page (violin), Angie Franell (clarinet), Jennie Edmonds (trumpet) and (back row, left to right) Sue Clifton (string bass), Chris Moersch (viola) and Colleen Jacobson (string bass). Scott Beale (violin) also was named to the group but was unavailable for this picture. Students were picked for the select group from schools across the state on the basis of auditions. Franell won an additional honor, being named one of the top four performers in the honors group.

Library to screen special showings of 'Heartland' film

NOVI — Two special screenings of the award-winning film "Heartland" will be held at the Novi Public Library tomorrow (Thursday) at 1 p.m. and again at 7 p.m.

The program is sponsored by the library in recognition of Women's National History Week. The film is 26 minutes long and appropriate for children as well as adults.

"Heartland" is based on the true story of a Wyoming pioneer woman, Elmore Randall, who went with her seven-year-old daughter to Burnfork, Wyoming, in 1910 to work as a housekeeper for Clyde Stewart, a homesteader. Later they married.

The film traces their struggle with and against the harsh climate of the land and also depicts the quiet development of their relationship from a loveless marriage to a respectful partnership.

For more information call the library at 349-0720.

The script was drawn from interviews with the Stewart children and letters written by Elmore Randall Stewart from her homestead cabin.

The Christian Century says "Heartland" celebrates the "perseverance, dignity and strength of a pioneer family."

The film has won numerous awards. It was co-winner of the "Best Independent Film" award at the United States Film Festival and co-winner of the Grand Prix "Golden Bear" award at the Berlin International Film Festival. Additionally, it was a special presentation of the American Film Institute in Washington, D.C. and winner of the Western Heritage Award from the Cowboy Hall of Fame.

Math team named at middle school

NOVI — Novi Middle School South has announced the school in upcoming mathematics competitions. Math team members were selected on the basis of their performances in preliminaries held at the school in mid-February.

Lynn Serenson is faculty advisor for the math teams.

Six seventh and six eighth graders will represent the school at the Liv Oak League Math Competition in May. Members of the eighth grade team are Robert Mitzel, Nancy May, Mizuho Endo, Kris Masonville, Vikas Tuteja, Seung-won Hwang, Ken Chasse, Mark Girard, Scott Silvarman and Linda Edk.

Members of the seventh grade team are Robert Mitzel, Nancy May, Mizuho Endo, Kris Masonville, Vikas Tuteja, Seung-won Hwang, Ken Chasse, Mark Girard, Scott Silvarman and Linda Edk.

In the national competition, eighth grade winners were Nancy May, Robert Mitzel and Kris Masonville, while seventh grade winners were Ken Chasse, Paul Sandhu and Seung-won Hwang.

Representing the school at the Detroit Country Day Competition will be Nancy May and Mizuho Endo in the eighth grade and Paul Sandhu and Mark Girard in the seventh grade.

Serenson also announced the winners of state and national math competitions.

In the state competition, eighth grade winners were Vikas Tuteja, Mizuho Endo, Robert Mitzel, Kris Masonville, Julie Donaldson and Tom Wigley. Seventh grade winners were Paul Sandhu, Seung-won Hwang, Mark Girard, Scott Silvarman and Ken Chasse.

In the national competition, eighth grade winners were Nancy May, Robert Mitzel and Kris Masonville, while seventh grade winners were Ken Chasse, Paul Sandhu and Seung-won Hwang.

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Wixom Elementary to hold preschool sessions

The Wixom Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization will offer a pre-school story hour for children who will be attending Wixom Elementary kindergarten next fall.

Parents are invited to enroll their child in a Monday or Thursday session. The story hours will run from 10:10-10:55 a.m. beginning March 26. Registration deadline is March 19.

For more information or to register call Diane Senk at 624-7051.

WALLED LAKE LIBRARY: The Walled Lake City Library will take entries for the National Library Week slogan contest this Saturday. Entries must be original and no more than one sentence in length. First prize is \$25.

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VILLAGE TRIP: Wolverine Lake Village and Commerce Township are sponsoring a family trip to Bobo Island on June 23.

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Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital needs a volunteer sales lady who is neat and clean and can work with the public to sell gift items from a patient cart.

DENTAL CLINIC: Dental clinics sponsored by the Oakland County Health Division are offering evening hours to increase the availability of dental service.

INFANT CAR SEATS: Botsford General Hospital is offering an Infant and Toddler Car Seat Loan and Education Program to help protect children at minimal cost.

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Students selected for honor roll

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Channel 56 names local chairperson
NOVI - Joyce Quinn of Novi has been named Novi Area Chairman for the 10th annual Channel 56 auction, which airs April 6-7 on WTVS-TV.
"We're going to have to work very hard this year to ensure a successful auction and we're going to need a lot of help," said Quinn.
"Right now I'm looking for more volunteers from the Novi area to help canvass area businesses for auction items. Auction representatives will learn valuable business and communications skills and can make good business contacts through this volunteer work."
"Once we have enough volunteers, I'll be coordinating the effort to encourage donations from area merchants," she added.
Merchandise donated for the auction should be brand new and valued at \$50 or more. Almost any type of item can be donated, including appliances, sports equipment, toys, jewelry and furniture. To donate or volunteer call Auction Central at 673-7200.
Quinn, a homemaker with three children, is active in the Novi Jaycees. Women love sports, especially bowling and tennis. She also enjoys various crafts and likes to read in her spare time. This is her second year as an auction volunteer.

Commerce seeking nominees

Parks & Rec seeking spring sport registrations

With spring right around the corner, the Novi Parks and Recreation Department is busy scheduling upcoming events. This Friday is the deadline for returning teams to register for adult softball leagues. After the deadline, new teams will be added on a first come/first served basis.

Registrations also are being accepted for baseball, t-ball, golf lessons and tennis lessons. An informational meeting for an adult soccer program will be held in Parks and Rec offices tomorrow (Thursday) at 6:30 p.m. For information on other Parks and Rec programs check the spring brochure which has been mailed to all residents.

Team sponsors are needed for youth softball, t-ball and soccer teams. Local businesses or organizations willing to sponsor a team are asked to call 349-1976. Also needed are coaches for youth softball and soccer teams.

The Novi Officials Association needs softball umpires and soccer referees. You must be 16-years-old to apply.

There's still room on the bus for the trips to the Ice Capades on March 25 and the Shrine Circus on March 31. Call 349-1976 for information or reservations.

NOVI CHAMBER: State Representative Gerald Law will be the speaker when the Novi Chamber of Commerce meets at the Red Timbers March 20. The meeting will begin at 11:15 a.m. because Law must return to Lansing for the afternoon session of the legislature. Law will be Novi's state representative after re-districting goes into effect.

U.S. Senate candidate and former astronaut Jack Loumsa will be the speaker when the Chamber's Political Action Committee hosts an 8 a.m. breakfast at Meadowbrook Country Club on March 29. Tickets are available

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by calling the chamber at 349-3743.

Novi companies are encouraged to enter the Product of the Year contest sponsored by the State Chamber in conjunction with Michigan Week. Call Lydia Moses at 349-3743 for details.

A membership mixer will be held April 11 at the Saratoga Trunk from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Newest chamber members are Carol Mason of Carol Mason Realty, Attorney Howard Heyman, Patent and Trademark Attorney Stephen Kretzman and Anatol Styka of Expo Business Machines. All Novi businessmen are encouraged to call the chamber for information about the advantages of membership.

NOVI BPW: Therese Cody and Judith Schwartz of the Clinton Valley Boy Scout Council will talk about new concepts in Scouting when the Novi Business and Professional Women (BPW) meet at the Red Timbers tomorrow (Thursday). Cocktails begin at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the program at 7:15 p.m. Call Jan Preslar at 349-6990 or 349-3730 for reservations.

The nominating committee will present a slate of officers at the meeting with further nominations accepted from the floor. Elections will be held in April.

The BPW's annual fashion show and luncheon party will be held April 11 at the Red Timbers. Redwood & Ross for Women and Corey's Jewelry will provide the fashions. Tickets cost \$5 and include refreshments and prizes. Call 478-2888 for ticket information.

NOVI LIONESSES: Women interested in joining the Novi Lioness Club are invited to attend the March 19 meeting at Jo Ann Bailey's home. Call 349-3494 for information.

President Carol Ann Donnelly asks residents to help collect Toddlers Overnight Pampers, Strawberry Jello and Safflower Soap which will be delivered to the Penickton School for the Blind and the Welcome Senior Citizen Home for the Blind. Call 349-2325 if you can help.

The annual spring fashion show will be held May 1 at Holy Family Church and will include bunco, prizes, salad bar and dessert. Fashions will be provided by Fashion Cents at the Muriwood shopping center and Women's World at Twelve Oaks.

Advance tickets are priced at \$6, \$5 for seniors. Tickets at the door will cost \$7. The event will also feature two raffles. Prizes will include a porcelain reproduction of an antique doll and a handmade Cabbage Patch Doll.

Members willing to work at the fashion show should call Donnelly at 349-2325.

PERSONALS: Michelle Gaia was named "Miss Photogenic" and finished second in the ballet contest at the Showstoppers Talent Competition in Battle Creek. The daughter of Dorothy Gaia of Chateau Estates and an honor student at Walled Lake Western, she has studied ballet for 10 years at the Buscher Dance School in Farmington. Michelle will compete in the nationals this summer in Washington, D.C.

Novi Police Officer Bill Charles has completed a course at the University of Southern California's Delinquency Control Institute.

Berniece Frederick presided over the March meeting of the Detroit Association of Retired School Personnel. She invites all former Detroit Public School employees to attend the April meeting at Westminster Church.

Georgia Larson will be married to Reverend Kearney Kirby, associate pastor of the Novi Methodist Church, in April 29 ceremonies at the Nardin Park Methodist Church in Farmington Hills. Officiating will be Reverend Richard Griffith and Reverend William Ritter, Ms. Larson's son-in-law.

Barbara Kay Denney and Ann Gross were honored Sunday at a wedding shower at the Meadowbrook Christian Church. Hostesses were Helen Dillworth and Glenda Distler. Gross will be married March 23 and Denney will be married March 31.

PIN POINTERS: Barb Chappel won the mystery game. High bidders were Linda Skvarce (197), Colleen Smith (192 in 526 series), Jan Sheehan (183), Judy Curcio (180 in 501 series), Dyanna Martin (180) and Mary Scott (504 series).

Lollipops	70	34
Bowling Bags	68	36
Eager Beavers	65	39
Hi Los	48½	55½
Ball Busters	44½	59½
New Kids	43½	60½
M&M	40½	63½
Family Affair	36	68

BUSHNELL CHURCH: The Bushnell Congregational Church will hold dedication services for its new church on Meadowbrook Road on April 12 at 2

p.m. Anyone with questions about the church may call 348-7757.

The Women's Group will meet tonight (Wednesday) at 7 p.m. to make plans for its May 5 auction and bake sale. Anyone with craft items, antiques or "altic treasures" to donate can bring them to the church or call Mollie Dalley or Debbie Timmerman.

The women are continuing to sponsor a drop box at the Mill Race Village Church in Northville for donations for the Novi Emergency Food Program.

The Co-Weds are planning a trip to see "Shenandoah," a Civil War satire, at the Henry Ford Museum theater.

MEADOWBROOK CHURCH: The Meadowbrook Christian Church invites residents to its Lenten series which begins tonight (Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m. The series includes basic Christian Lenten scripture entitled "Kneel at the Cross" and continues through Holy Sunday.

Reverend Austin Denney will teach a special class this Sunday for anyone interested in joining the church. Also this Sunday, a traditional St. Patrick's Day dinner will follow the morning worship service.

More information about the church is available at 348-3933.

AMERICAN LEGION: The Legion and Auxiliary are seeking individuals to sponsor high school students at Boys and Girls State in Lansing this summer (June 13-19). Boys State Chairman Ken Bell said it costs \$175 to sponsor a student at the week-long convention at Michigan State University. Call 476-5684 for more details.

The auxiliary meets the second Tuesday of the month at the Grand River VFW Post at 8 p.m. Interested women are invited to attend and learn more about membership.

BEVERLY MANOR: George Ahern, 81, was named "Resident of the Month" for March at Beverly Manor. His portrait will be placed in the lobby and presented to his family at the end of the month.

The Community Council will meet March 15 to make plans for National Nursing Home Week. The council includes staff, families, residents and citizens from the community. For more information call 477-2000.

Activity Director John Christensen notes that residents are participating in many activities, including a "What's Cooking" class and the "By Invitation Only" club which takes residents out to lunch at area restaurants.

New programs for residents include manicures by volunteers Kathy and Lisa every Monday and "Movies and Popcorn" on weekends. Mike Meyer will lead a sing-along in a special program entitled "Luck of the Irish" on March 16 at 2:30 p.m.

AARP: The American Association of Retired People (AARP) invites everyone over 55-years-old in Novi, Walled Lake, Wixom and Farmington to attend their meeting this Friday at 1 p.m. in the Farmington Hills Library on Twelve Mile.

Tour Director Madonna Campbell will present a program about her recent trip to China and present details about a July 13 trip to the Chesaning showboat.

AARP continues to sponsor free income tax clinics at the Farmington Hills Senior Citizen Center on Eleven Mile.

Novi Highlights is written by Jeanne Clarke. To submit an item for Highlights call her at 624-0173.

Wixom announces spring programs

WIXOM - The Wixom Public Library is welcoming spring in a big way by hosting a three-part series of sports programs for the entire family during March.

The series gets underway this Saturday when a member of the Detroit Express soccer team will present an informal talk on "Life as a Professional Soccer Player." The program will be presented in the library at 2 p.m.

Mike Leahy, a Wixom resident and owner of "The Old Ball Park" in Livonia, will discuss baseball card collecting in the second program on Wednesday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m. Rounding out the evening will be prizes,

free baseball cards and a display of baseball memorabilia from Leahy's personal collection.

The series will conclude on Saturday, March 24, when Kim McKinley of the "Village Spa" in Wixom will present a program about fitness and conduct a light aerobics demonstration. McKinley is a Walled Lake Western graduate and coaches girls' track and cross-country teams in the local school district.

The programs are free and open to the public, but registration is required. For more information or to register call the library at 624-2512.

Novi library slates senior tax seminar

NOVI - A tax clinic for people 60-years-old and older will be held at the Novi Public Library next Monday, March 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The clinic is sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP).

The AARP tax experts have undergone Internal Revenue Service training sessions which emphasize the tax needs of senior citizens. Roy Thompson, an AARP member and tax clinic participant, emphasized that individuals should bring copies of last year's tax forms and other relevant papers, including W-2 forms and dividend records.

Thompson said individual privacy will be maintained as questions about

taxes will be handled on an individual basis. If necessary, AARP volunteers will completely fill out tax forms for senior citizens.

Participants are asked to call Brenda Burrell at the library at 349-0720 to set up appointments for the Monday session so the clinic can be staffed according to demand.

People with tax questions are invited to use the library's collection of tax-related materials that includes the Federal Tax Guide, IRS publications and state and local taxes. Many tax assistance books are available for loan. In addition, most federal, state and City of Detroit tax forms are available at the library.

Weddings

Bridgette Marie Byberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Byberg of Novi, exchanged marriage vows February 16 with Mark S. Purington at her parents' home in Warrington, Florida.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Purington of Woburn, Massachusetts.

A reception immediately followed the ceremony.

The bride is a 1980 Novi High School graduate and was employed at TG&Y in Novi. She currently is employed by Wendy's in Warrington, Florida.

The bridegroom is a Woburn High School graduate and is a Machinist Mate Third Class in the U.S. Navy. He is stationed aboard the U.S.S. Lexington in Pensacola, Florida.

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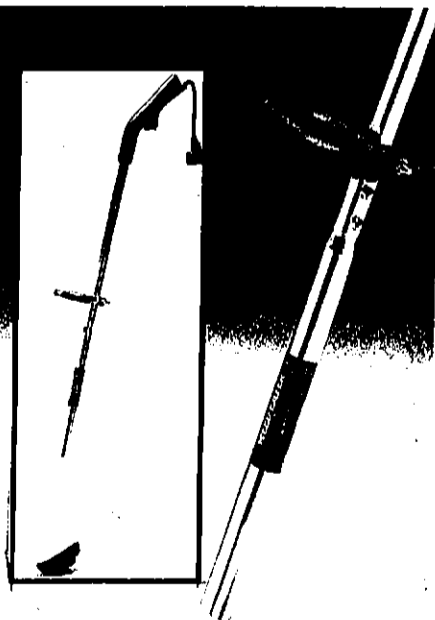
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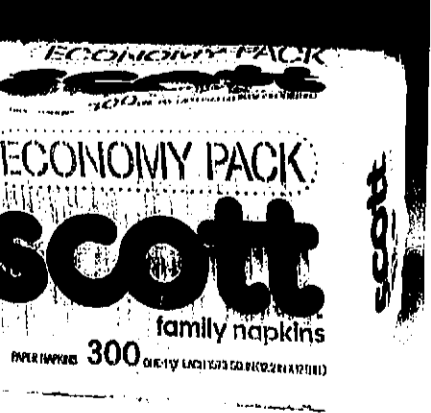
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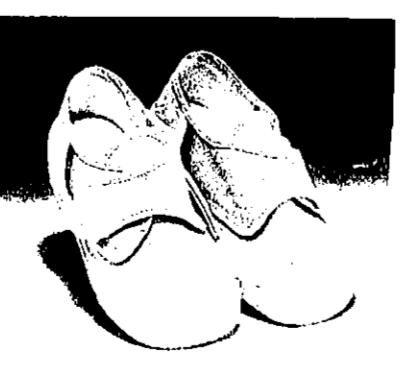
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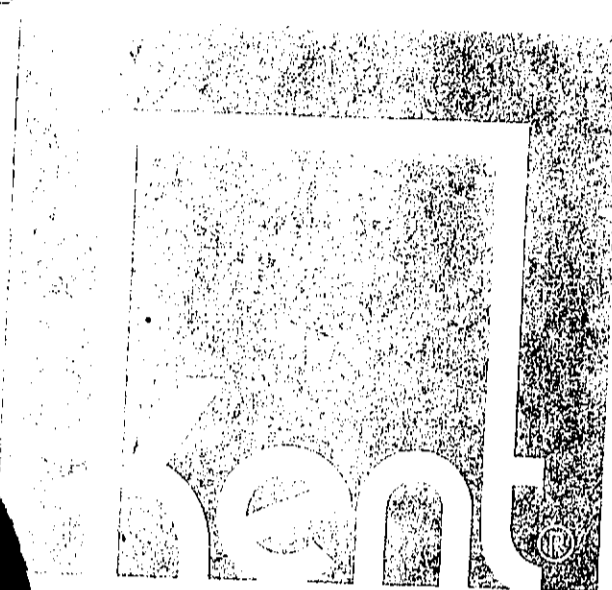
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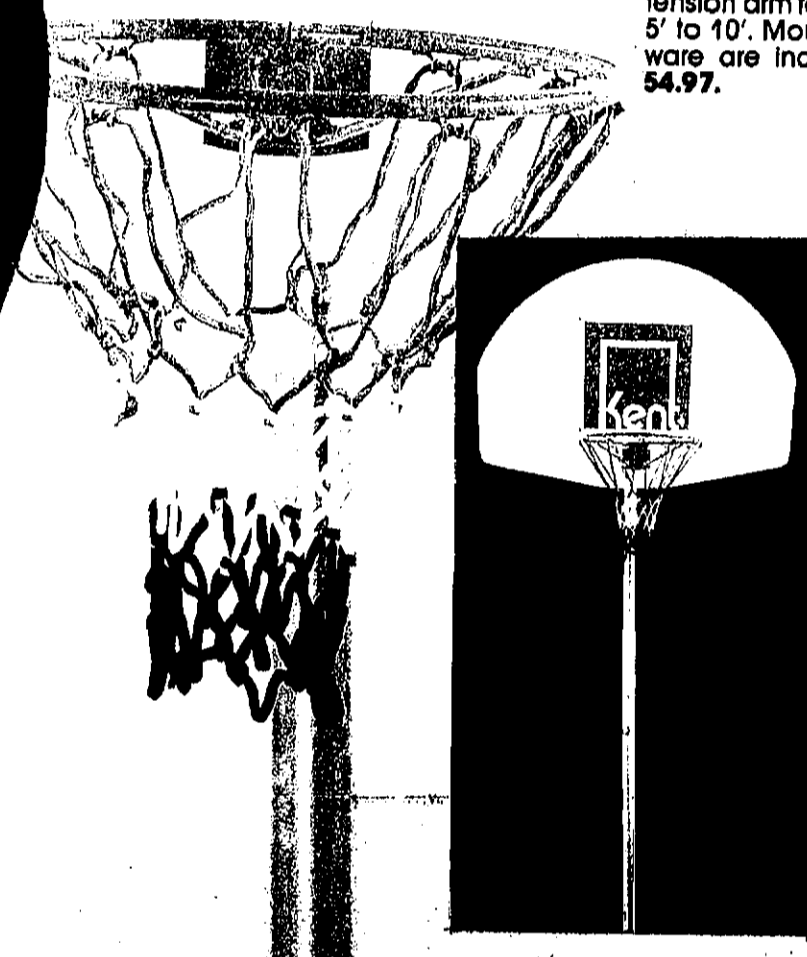
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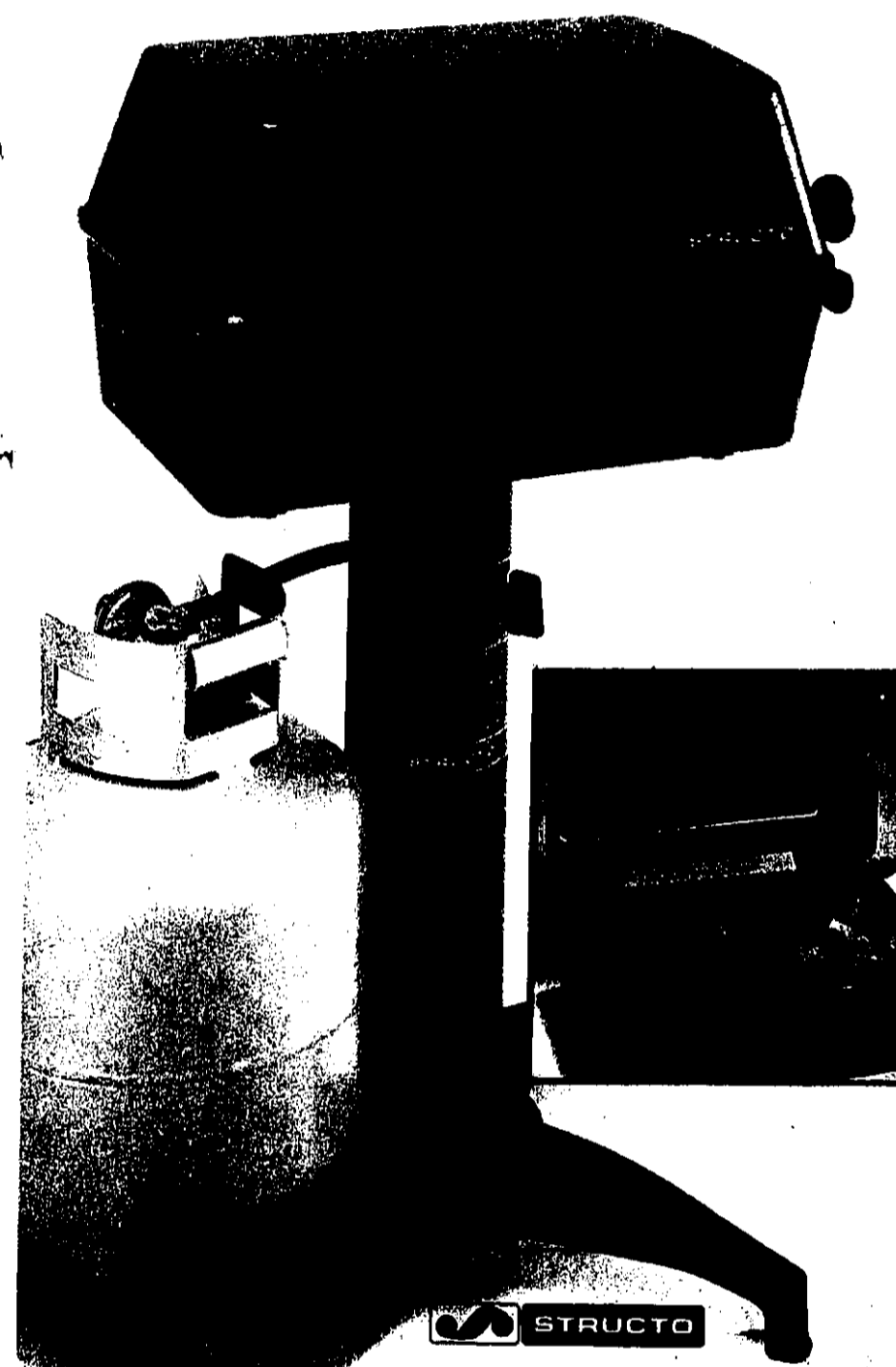
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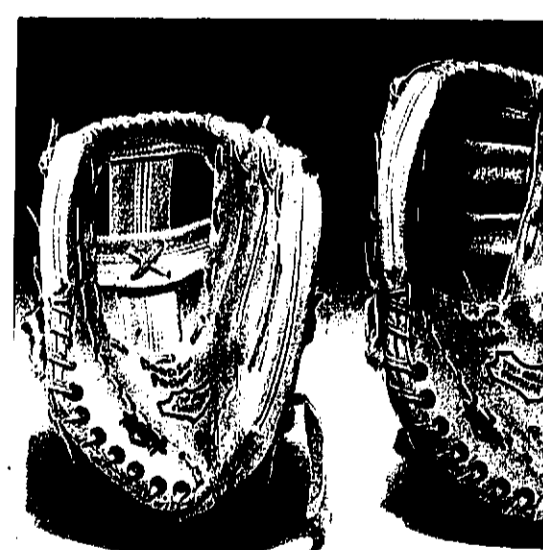
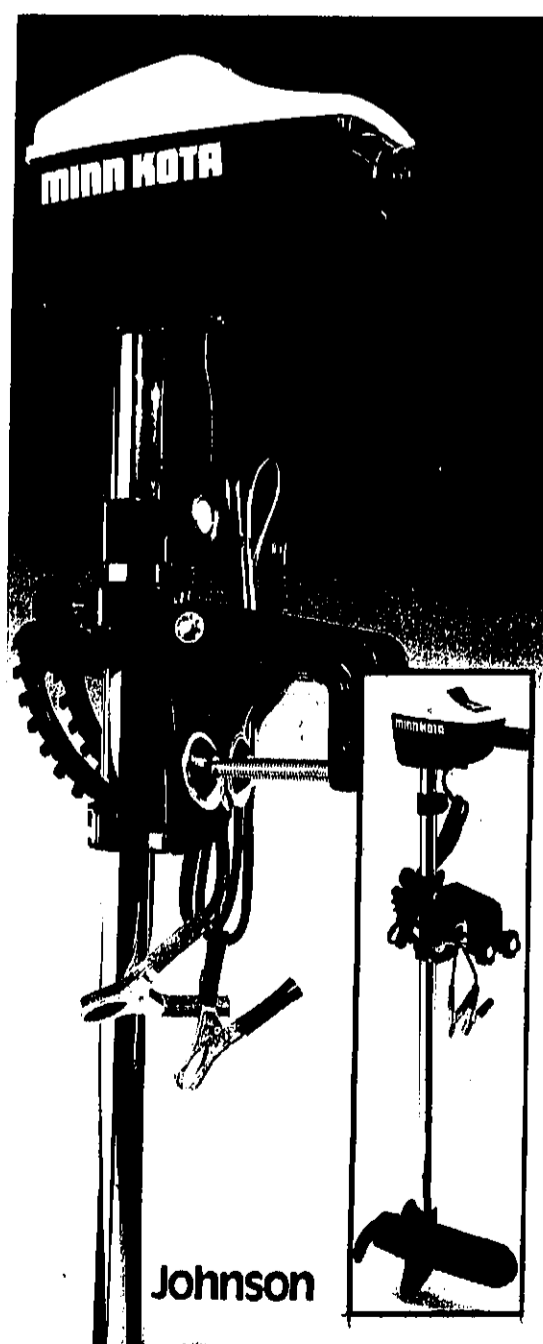
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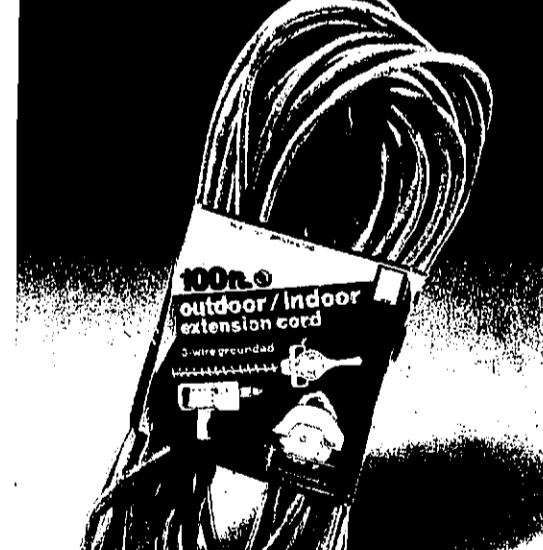
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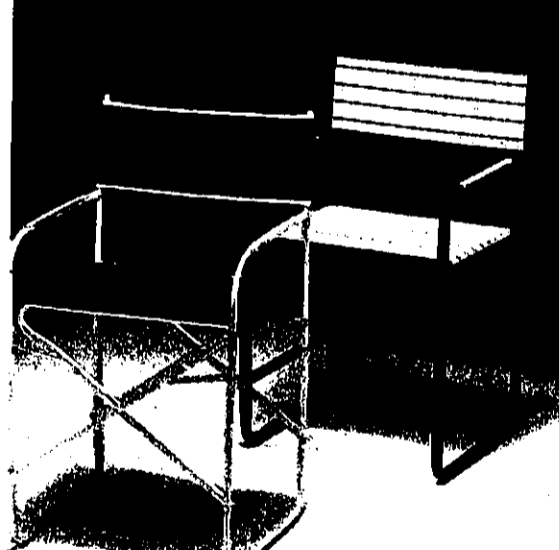
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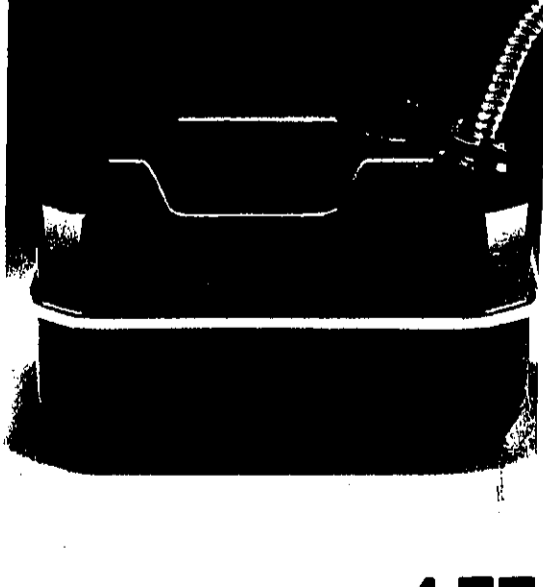
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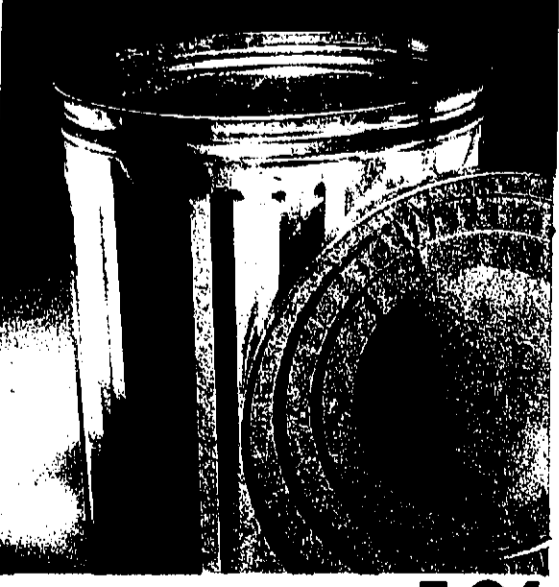
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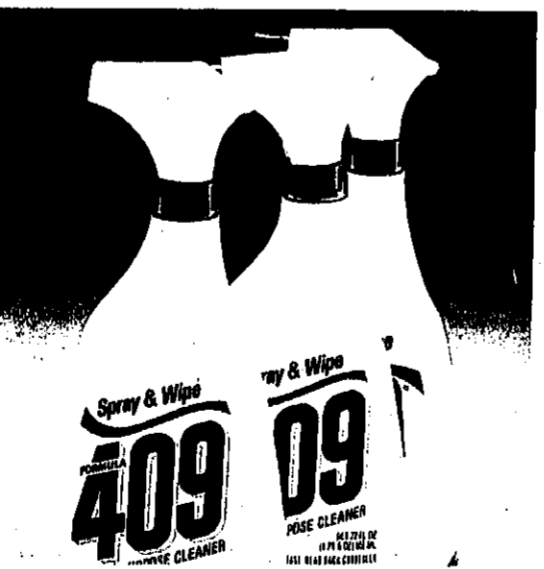
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