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Group seeks answer to city hall questions

By KATHY JENNINGS
 staff writer

NOVI — The city council soon will be asked by the civic center planning committee to resolve the question of where city hall should be located.

Members of the citizens' committee planning a civic center said last week they cannot move forward unless the council resolves the uncertainty over the issue.

The group also expressed frustration that debate regarding the issue continues without formal contact with the planning committee.

"We have to come to terms with this issue," Chairperson Leslie Harding said. "The timing is becoming critical, and as far as I'm concerned, the whole issue has been washed out right at the moment. The last thing is up in the air. You can't interject an academic question like this, especially when it affects a large body of people, without causing people to change their minds. This has undermined our work and I disagree with it."

"Until now I've stayed quiet because I felt our direction was clear," Harding continued. "Now I can't hold back. A decision is going to have to be forthcoming immediately

if we are going to rebuild."

The citizens' committee has been planning a city hall/community center since September 1983 when it was directed to plan a civic center and develop recommendations for financing its construction.

The question of the proper location for the building came up soon after the group was named. The group asked the city council to determine where city hall will be located, and the council subsequently voted 6-1 to keep the city hall on the municipal site at Ten Mile and Taft Road.

The issue arose again this year when consultants planning the Town Center Area at Grand River and Novi Road recommended that the city hall be located in the Town Center. In light of that recommendation, council members agreed to study the proposal while indicating to the committee at the same time that its direction was unchanged.

Most recently the issue was discussed in a strategy session on implementing the Town Center, when several planners indicated support for locating city hall in the Town Center.

At last week's civic center committee meeting, Matt Quinn said the

committee needs to know if the council has changed its direction to the committee.

Quinn pointed out the committee will be conducting public meetings in February to get citizens' input on how to plan the civic center. He said the committee needs specific guidance before the public hearings or discussions will center on the location of the building instead of the facility itself.

"All I know is either we find out one way or the other or I'm not going to waste my time sitting around here," said Carol Reiser.

"We need to indicate to the council this kind of negative side talk is having an effect on the committee and what we are trying to do," Joseph Toth said. He also suggested the council should seek a legal opinion to determine if it has the authority to locate city hall in the Town Center since the issue has been previously voted upon.

Vice-Chairperson Joseph Vetkey maintained the committee should not become involved in the controversy, other than to ask that it be resolved. "There's a lot of politics being played

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Detroit's top planner opposed sewer plan

Did Detroit want the original Super Sewer project abandoned to stop development in the suburbs?

That is one of the key questions being asked in a lawsuit filed by the Plymouth and Canton townships, following a 1983 decision to split Super Sewer into north and south projects.

The decision was made by a governor's task force and eventually led to the loss of 75 percent federal funding for the north project — raising doubts whether it ever will be built.

The townships' lawsuit alleges, among other things, that Detroit officials, including Mayor Coleman Young, played a major role in the task force's decision. The litigation currently is before Wayne Circuit Court with hearings set to resume in late 1985. Besides Detroit, other defendants in the suit include the state, Wayne County and several downriver communities.

In a deposition taken during October and released recently, Detroit Planning Director Corinne Gilb discussed the impact of Super Sewer and Son of Super Sewer, or the North Huron Valley Wastewater system.

"Let me first say that my depart-

ment has no positions separate from those of the mayor," Gilb said. "The mayor makes the policy for the city. We advise and we inform, but we have no independent positions."

"My impression is that the city feels, and certainly I feel this way as an urban expert, that urban sprawl is not desirable; it leaves all sorts of social and fiscal and other kinds of pathologies in its wake," she said.

Gilb defined urban sprawl as development or growth activity "which has motivations or causes other than population pressure."

"It would be to the advantage of our society to stop urban sprawl."

Detroit's position on Super Sewer was that any plan which included both the north and south areas "was unnecessary, was fiscally unsound and was costly to society," she said.

Would it be to Detroit's fiscal advantage to stop growth in Western Wayne County?

"It would be of fiscal advantage to the state, to the people in the state, and Detroit is 19 percent of the state; so, yes in that respect."

"It is a cost benefit balance consideration and the costs are not only the direct costs of any project, but the corollary costs, the supportive costs that go with any project, but

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Sewer plans reviving

NOVI — A meeting to resurrect plans for a regional sewer system in western Wayne and Oakland counties, left City Manager Edward Kriewall with a "good feeling."

Kriewall admitted he was impressed with Richard Hinson, the recently-appointed leader of a plan to revive what is left of the so-called "Son of Super Sewer" project which was rejected by the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) earlier this year.

In his "get acquainted" meeting with local officials, Hinson said cooperation with Detroit is a major element in his proposal for what has been called "Grandson of Super Sewer."

Hinson, a state DNR employee who was recently attached to Wayne County specifically to address the sewer issue, told those attending the meeting that without

Detroit's cooperation there would be no revival of the project.

"I came away with a good feeling about (Hinson)... I think he has the ability to pull it together," Kriewall said. "We had reservations at first, but it looks like it was a good move to bring him on board."

Hinson presented some historical perspective regarding the project and why it was rejected, Kriewall said. The meeting was the first step in determining what communities will remain in the project.

"Basically, they were looking for a green light to go ahead," Kriewall said.

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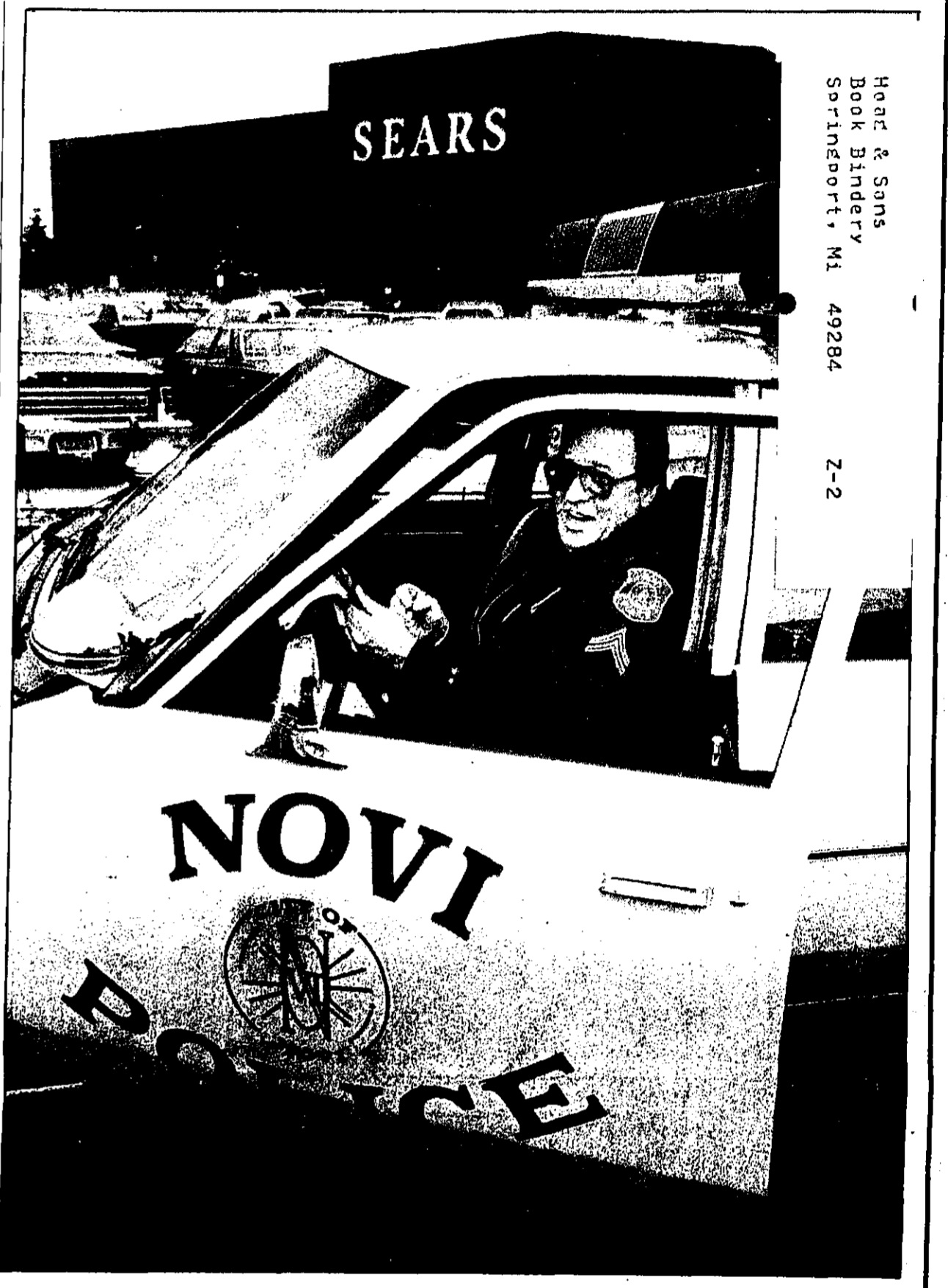
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Jack Grubb heads up Novi's shopping centers detail

Mall patrol

Police try to keep holiday shopping safe

By PHILIP JEROME
 managing editor

NOVI — Eleven months of the year you won't recognize Jack Grubb as he goes about his duties at Twelve Oaks Mall and the other shopping centers in Novi.

But the twelfth month Grubb is easily recognizable.

"From the day after Thanksgiving through Christmas Eve I wear my uniform," says Grubb, who is in reality Detective Jack Grubb, a 17-year veteran of the Novi Police Department.

"The holiday season is the busiest time of the year and we try to have as many people in uniform as possible."

"We go for high visibility," he adds. "Anyone who might be tempted to steal something will think twice about it if he sees a lot of uniforms walking around."

Any time of year, Grubb is more likely to be found at one of Novi's shopping centers than he is at police headquarters on Ten Mile. Grubb is

head of the city's shopping centers detail, which means that it's his fulltime job to monitor activities at Twelve Oaks, West Oaks, Novi-Ten, Novi Plaza, Roman Plaza and all the other shopping centers in Novi.

In fact, his office is located in the Security Department at Twelve Oaks. "I serve all the shopping centers in Novi, but 90 percent of my work is concentrated at Twelve Oaks and West Oaks," he explains. "Having my office at Twelve Oaks instead of police headquarters keeps me centrally located."

Grubb, who has headed up the shopping centers detail since May 1980, says he loves his work. "My job is basically follow-up and investigation of crimes that occur within the shopping centers," he explains.

"I very rarely get involved in apprehension of shoplifters; most of that work is done by the private security force. I get the cases after crimes have been committed to do the investigation and follow through with the courts."

"Primarily I get involved in investigating credit card fraud, employee embezzlement, check law violations and auto thefts. There's very little violent crime at our shopping centers."

Grubb speaks highly of the security force at Twelve Oaks. In fact, he speaks highly of the shopping center in general and claims it's one of the safest around.

Each of the four majors — J.L. Hudson, Sears, JCPenney and Lord & Taylor — has its own security force, plus there's an overall mall security force for the remainder of the tenants and the exterior areas.

"The first time somebody tried to snatch a purse out here," he recalls, "he turned around and ran right into the arms of an officer. It's important to let the word get out that this is a tough place for criminals to operate."

Grubb refutes the suggestion that there are a lot of auto thefts from

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Planners approve apartment complex

NOVI — Construction of a 377-unit apartment complex at the intersection of Nine Mile and Haggerty Road is scheduled to begin in February, according to Dennis L. Stokes, vice president of Realtek Industries.

The proposed development received preliminary site plan approval from the Novi Planning Board at its December 19 session.

Stokes reported that all 377 units will be luxury two-bedroom apartments of 1,136 square feet with two

full-baths. Rents will begin at \$625 per month.

"We'll break ground February 15 and the first units will be available for previewing by the end of June," said Stokes. He added that the construction time table calls for the development to be completed by July of 1986.

"We feel very comfortable about the market for apartments in this price range," said Stokes. "We think our primary market will be young

professional couples and older, more-established couples — the reentryists who no longer need or want the larger single-family home with all its extra space and upkeep."

"People in these categories need the type of space included in an apartment with this type of square footage, but they don't need the extra space found in many of the larger, single-family homes," he added.

Stokes said the biggest asset in the apartment complex is that each suite

will have its own private entrance. "There is no public corridor for any of the suites in this development," he said. "We think that's something quite unique in the field of rental units."

Other amenities include a clubhouse containing a Jacuzzi room, steam room, sauna, Nautilus/aerobics room and a locker room. The complex also will have a swimming

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For this Christmas crafter, the package is the present

By KATHY JENNINGS
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NOVI — Getting ready for Christmas begins in September in the Gurr household.

Four months before the holiday, Faye Gurr starts on the Christmas decorations which line the walls of the family's home on Clark Street.

Painted shoes overflowing with bulbs and ribbons, candles made from wrapping paper, spoons covered in shiny paper and a similarly decorated purse are among the wide variety of Christmas ornaments throughout the house.

Gurr firmly believes there is nothing that can't be turned into a Christmas decoration. She's created wreaths from bottle caps, centerpieces from broken toys and decorative boxes from Kentucky Fried Chicken buckets.

In fact, the Kentucky Fried Chicken buckets were one of her more successful experiments.

"I did the buckets in all different colors, and I lined them up on the stairs on a red towel. I don't think Colonel Sanders would have believed it if he had seen what I was able to do with those buckets ... My husband loves it because he just picks out a package and puts the present in. He never has to wrap a thing."

As can be imagined, storing these boxes year after year can become a problem. Half the Gurr attic is devoted to Christmas packages.

Decorating boxes is Gurr's specialty. With Elmer's Glue, stick-to-itself ribbon and wrapping paper, Gurr sets to work each fall on the boxes she will give to families and friends.

Some of her boxes have been used 20 years. Those, originally made for the youngest in the family, are castles that stand around the bottom of the Christmas tree.

Some family members, such as her brother and sister-in-law, get new boxes every year.

But Gurr's goal is to "build" a box that can be used over and over, and at the same time be "delightful to everyone's eyes."

Gurr explains she has always loved the beautiful packages of Christmas, but hated seeing the wrapping paper and ribbon go to waste as each package was unwrapped. So 20 years ago she started wrapping boxes that could be used repeatedly.

"My husband loves it because he just picks out a package and puts the present in. He never has to wrap a thing," she laughs.

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Faye Gurr shows off only a few of her Christmas decorations. (Novi News/STEVE FECHT)

With her three basic package building materials — glue, ribbon, and paper — Gurr often adds macaroni and spray paint. She says she's found bow and shell macaroni creates the more elegant decorations.

And she doesn't use materials which won't last, such as tissue paper, which turns after six years.

Over the years her packages have come in many forms. One year the decorations took on a three-dimensional effect by using string and cardstock covered with silver foil. The foil was coated with blue shoe polish and the excess polish wiped away, to give the foil a tarnished look.

Another year she made elaborate bows using ribbons from the previous Christmas that she had attached to a paper plate. With fresh ribbon tucked in among the old ribbon, the new bows were complete.

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Food for all

A lot of people in Novi, and especially the Novi Newcomers Club, want to make sure everyone has food for the holidays. Toward that end, the group, represented by members pictured above and their children, recently donated \$200 to the Novi Emergency Food Program.

The group also regularly assists with the distribution of food to Novi's needy, as well as with packing bags of food. Food program organizers say the community's generosity will help the food distribution continue through the holidays.

More expensive drain gets okay

NOVI — Improving drainage in Pioneer Meadows subdivision may cost \$100,000 more than originally expected, according to plans for the project drafted as part of the citywide drainage program.

Engineering Consultant Raymond Cousineau told the council the preliminary plans for the drainage project pegged the job at \$65,000. But since final, detailed engineering has been completed, it appears it will cost \$165,000 to do the job properly.

The original project would have provided only marginal benefit to the area and left standing water in most of the drainage ditches, Cousineau explained.

But Cousineau noted the problem is that "it will be difficult to squeeze \$100,000 out of the program."

Engineering Consultant Michael Kalinowski said final engineering shows the project should be built to the south, instead of sending some water to the north and some to the south. The project is more expensive because the new design calls for piping to be laid at a depth of 15 feet in some areas.

Mayor Robert Schmid accused JCK & Associates of originally designing the project improperly, but Cousineau maintained it was the difference between preliminary and final engineering which pointed out the need to go with the more expensive version of the project.

Council Member Martha Hoyer said she did not believe the council could in good faith approve the less expensive project since it had agreed to remove an island from Meadowbrook Lake that added \$145,000 to the cost of that dredging project.

"This subdivision has tried to help themselves more than once and they haven't been able to," Hoyer said. "I think we could save a lot of road maintenance if the subdivision had adequate drainage."

Karevich also supported the more expensive design. "These people have a water problem; they've had a water problem as long as I can remember. If we're going to address this we ought to do it correctly. If that means we can't reach the total goal of the citywide drainage program, the council may have to (find additional funds)."

Joseph Toth, chairperson of the now-disbanded citizens' stormwater drainage committee, told council the engineers' latest proposal was redesigned. "The stormwater management plan was to make sure you don't get flooded out. It's not a plan to make sure there's no standing water. It's not a plan to solve poor soil conditions and high water tables."

Toth also asked if the new design would create additional costs since areas to the south and east tie into the system. "This is an elaborate system for a small subdivision," he said.

The council subsequently voted 6-0 to approve the more expensive drainage system for Pioneer Meadows and asked city engineers to determine how the city could make up the \$100,000 it will spend on the project.

Board to consider advanced courses

NOVI — Novi High School students may find more opportunities to earn college credits next September without heading to the college campus.

The Novi Board of Education is expected to consider an administrative recommendation to implement additional Advanced Placement courses in the high school curriculum at its January 3 meeting.

An overview of the proposed plan which includes the addition of Advanced Placement courses in biology, chemistry, physics, calculus and computer science was given by the current English Literature course was presented to the board by High School Principal Robert Youngberg last Thursday.

The proposal represents another step in implementing recommendations outlined by the Novi Task Force for Excellence in Education last spring.

In presenting his recommendation, Youngberg told the board that Advanced Placement courses are designed for students who wish to earn college credit prior to completing their high school education.

He noted that Novi High School has been offering Advanced Placement English for the past six years with approximately 12-15 students enrolled per class.

He said students can earn from 1-5 credits for each class which not only gives them a head start on their college education but also can help students save considerable higher education costs.

Students wishing to enroll in the high school's advanced placement course must complete the prerequisites, a research paper and receive a teacher's recommendation.

Youngberg said the high school has put a maximum limit of 15 on its current Advanced Placement Enrollment to increase high school graduation requirements.

DeDecker said, adding that the restaurant has a unique look for McDonald's in both exterior and interior designs.

"Our staff will provide customers with the best fast-food service around," said DeDecker. "In addition, we'll deliver food quality and cleanliness because we care about our patrons."

The new McDonald's is located on the east side of Haggerty Road, opposite the Orchard Hill Place office park. A Hilton Hotel is under construction on the west side of Haggerty Road, while Meijer Thrifty Acres is being built south of Eight Mile in Northville Township.

McDonald's new has no one, but two restaurants in Novi. The newest McDonald's restaurant is now open for business on Haggerty Road at Eight Mile, near the I-75 interchange.

Steve DeDecker, owner/operator of the new McDonald's, said he's happy to be part of the City of Novi and hopes to generate a positive atmosphere for the growth of the city.

"The restaurant has brought at least 80-90 jobs to the community," he said. "We feel it's an important step in the business growth of Novi."

The new McDonald's has seating for over 100 customers and is the first in Michigan to be built with an atrium.

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Planners accept apartment plan

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ing pool, jogging trail and a tennis court as well as individual car ports. Residex is the development arm of Hisman Brothers, a firm that has been active in the Detroit area for 20 years, according to Stokes. The company has developed more than 5,000 units over the past 20 years, including the Chatham Hills Apartments on Grand River in Farmington Hills and the Waterview Village Apartments on Pontiac Trail in Novi. The company also has developed

the Park Place Apartments in Madison Heights, Riverside Village Apartments in Clinton Township, Embassy and Diplomat Towers in Southfield and the Village Square Apartments in Commerce Township. In requesting preliminary site plan approval at the December 12 planning board meeting, Stokes noted that the Hisman Brothers have owned the property on the northwest corner of Nine Mile and Haggerty Road for 10 years.

He also noted that the company had received site plan approval from the city in 1974 for a development with 464 units. "You can see we've lowered the density levels significantly," he said, emphasizing that the current plan calls for a total of 372 units.

In reviewing the proposed site plan, Engineering Consultant David Hendres questioned the fact that access to the complex is via Haggerty Road and Cranbrook Drive. "We thought it might be preferable to have access off Nine Mile instead of Cranbrook," he said.

Novi News Briefs

HEAVY WINDS AND RAIN should not be causing cable television service to go out, MetroVision representatives recently told the city council. City Engineering Consultant Raymond Cousineau explained the project cost was more than anticipated because the contractor could not recycle pavement as originally intended.

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"That's why some communities are willing to stay in. We've also heard the federal government is going to crack down on communities that had the opportunity to be involved in this kind of project."

Although many suburban officials were not enthusiastic about Hinshaw's message of cooperation, Kriewall told them the city had found Detroit willing to work with them.

Sewer head warns officials of necessity for cooperation

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Some communities will drop out of the project since federal funding will drop from 75 to 65 percent change of the EPA decision this fall to reject a funding request for the North Huron Valley/Rouge Valley Wastewater Disposal system.

with the Clean Water Act by 1988, Kriewall maintained.

"Federal funding for sewer projects will run out by 1988 and after that you have to fund it yourself," Kriewall said. "That's why some communities are willing to stay in. We've also heard the federal government is going to crack down on communities that had the opportunity to be involved in this kind of project."

But as some communities drop out, other communities will be encouraged to participate in the project, simply by the fact the federal government will require compliance

PAYMENT OF A \$35,000 cost over-run on the paving of streets in the Meadowbrook Glens subdivision has been approved by the Novi City Council. City Engineering Consultant Raymond Cousineau explained the project cost was more than anticipated because the contractor could not recycle pavement as originally intended.

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THE PURCHASE OF INSULATED COATS and short, insulated boots for the city's 51 paid-on-call (volunteer) fire fighters was approved by the Novi City Council recently.

The council agreed to spend \$6,960 for the coats and \$4,855 for the pants. The coats and pants are known as turn-out gear and will be purchased through the Oakland County Fire Chief's Association purchasing committee.

Machinery stolen from Wixom Road iron factory

Area Blotters

Novi Machinery and tools with an estimated value of \$6,710 were stolen from Corvo Iron Works at 26700 Wixom Road last week. The theft occurred sometime during the night of December 14-15.

Investigating officers reported finding no signs of forced entry, but the responsible parties cut away a section of fence surrounding the property and apparently made several trips with a wagon or cart to transport the stolen property from the building to a vehicle parked on Wixom Road.

Stolen property included a diesel-operated steam cleaner valued at \$2,500, a drill valued at \$1,750, five grinders valued at a total of \$800 and three cutting torches valued at a total of \$750. Also stolen were two impact wrenches, a toaster oven, a battery charger and a table saw as well as a small amount of change and candy.

A resident in the 2300 block of Cranbrook reported that vandals shot out the window in a doorway on Friday, December 14, at approximately 11:35 p.m.

The woman told police she was in the family room when she heard the glass breaking in the doorway. Police determined that the window was broken by a shot from a pellet gun. Damage was estimated at \$300.

Unknown individuals broke into the Rosewood Restaurant at 46077 Grand River and stole \$220 in cash. The incident occurred during the night of December 16-17.

Investigating officers said entry was gained by breaking a window in a door on the west side of the building. Once inside, the responsible parties pried open a drawer in the office and removed \$200 in cash. The suspects then removed an additional \$20 from a cash register in the dining area.

A private residence on Pickford was broken into by thieves during the night of December 16-17.

Two attempted auto thefts were logged by police December 17. Both attempts occurred the previous night.

In the first incident, a Manor Park Apartments resident reported that unknown individuals attempted unsuccessfully to steal his 1983 Pontiac while it was parked in front of his residence. Reports indicated that an unknown instrument was used to pop the lock on the passenger-side door. Once inside,

the responsible parties pried off the ignition cap and loosened the steering column collar, but were unable to get the car started and apparently abandoned the attempted theft.

In the second incident, a resident on Tallford reported that someone attempted unsuccessfully to steal his 1984 Pontiac while it was parked outside the condominium. Police said the thief apparently used a lock-out tool since no signs of forced entry were found. Police also noted that the ignition switch had been damaged.

Four chrome spoke wheel covers were stolen from a 1979 Oldsmobile owned by a Novi woman while it was parked near Sears' package pickup at Twelve Oaks Mall. The wheelcovers were valued at \$300.

The woman said she parked the car outside the mall on December 15 at 11 a.m. and found the wheel covers missing when she returned approximately an hour later.

A Milford woman reported the theft of a luggage bag from her automobile while she was having lunch at Kim's Gardens on Novi Road on December 14. The complainant told police she came out of the restaurant to discover that someone had smashed the window of her car while it was parked in the Blue Lot at Twelve Oaks. The damage occurred December 16 between 1:30 and 3 p.m.

Police said the scratches were made by a key or another sharp object.

A resident in the 2300 block of Cranbrook reported that vandals smashed the window of his car while it was parked in the Blue Lot at Twelve Oaks. The damage occurred December 16 between 1:30 and 3 p.m.

A spare tire and a pair of boots were stolen from the trunk of a 1978 Mercury Marquis while it was parked in the driveway of the owner's home in the 21000 block of Welch Drive. The theft occurred during the night of December 14-15.

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It has a frontage of 160 feet and a depth of 1,368 feet. The property is owned by "A" Associates, a Michigan company partnership. The rezoning request is from RA-1 Residential to M-1 Industrial. It is proposed that the property will be put to the use of construction of a 12,000 square foot industrial building.
If you have any questions, please feel free to call the City Clerk's office between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday.
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CITY OF WIXOM ORDINANCE NO. 34-A107
AN AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 34 TO CHANGE TAX PARCEL LOT 42 OF SUPERVISOR'S PLAT NO. 16 AT 49148 PONTIAC TRAIL FROM RA-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO B-1 LOCAL BUSINESS.
SECTION 1: That Ordinance No. 34, known as the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Wixom, be and the same is hereby amended as follows:
To rezone from RA-1 Single Family Residential to B-1 Local Business Lot 42 of Supervisor's Plat No. 16 (Between Chambers and Wixom Road on the north side of the street) frontage 66 feet and a depth of 212 feet.
SECTION 2: That all other parts of said ordinance remain in full force and effect.
SECTION 3: That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency ordinance and shall become effective immediately upon publication and posting. Made and passed by the Wixom City Council at their Regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, December 11, 1984.
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Grubba: 'Freeways and other main roads carrying 40,000 or more vehicles daily are top priority.'
Grubba said the general procedure is to salt until one inch of snow accumulates, then plow, often salting simultaneously. Salt is not used on unpaved roads, nor generally on subdivision streets. Salt use annually averages 50,000 tons.
Sand and slag are used as needed on hills, curves and intersections. In temperatures below 10 degrees, salt is relatively ineffective, and travel may be safer if it's not used, noted Grubba. Also, high winds often blow pavements relatively clean, and using salt would just make the snow stick.
Oakland has 2,500 miles of county roads and streets. The road commission also serves 251 miles of state highways under contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation.
Grubba described how the road commission establishes priorities for snow removal:
"First, we must keep traffic moving safely on heavily-traveled roads which have the greatest potential for serious accidents and provide outlets for traffic from city streets," he said.
"Freeways and other main roads carrying 40,000 or more vehicles daily are top priority. We attempt to have equipment on them at the start of bad conditions and to remain on them until we at least have clear wheel tracks."
"Residential subdivision streets are the last priority. As soon as possible, but sometimes not until a day or two after heavy storms, equipment is assigned to them. Often, only one lane is plowed until all subdivision streets in a district are opened."
Snow and ice control costs an average of \$3.8 million a year in Oakland County. That figure includes the costs of cleaning state highways under contract. Other costs are \$1.2 million for salt and materials, \$1.2 million for equipment, \$282,000 for regular time wages, \$287,000 for overtime, \$270,000 for fringe benefits and \$472,000 for overhead.

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As We See It

City-suburban rift must be resolved

Evidence of a heightening of tensions between the City of Detroit and the surrounding metropolitan area is all around us of late. Whether the issue is the location for sorely-needed new prisons, expansion of sewer capacity in western Wayne and Oakland counties or cost overruns of the downtown Detroit People Mover, the debate has been heated and parsed itself neatly into Detroit and suburban viewpoints.

Since the majority of Detroit's population is black and the majority of the suburban population white, this suggests to many that what we have here is a racial problem. Mayor Coleman Young of Detroit has never hesitated to label those who oppose his wishes "racist." In return, many a suburbanite has claimed Young is the racist and mere mention of his name in this area is likely to bring hoots of derision.

All this creates plenty of fodder for the journalists, lively dinner conversations and fine demonstrations of the art of political infighting. Call it a racial division, an urban-rural split, a regional class-war, or whatever other term you choose, however, and it amounts to the same thing.

Michigan, and particularly the southeastern region, is too often locked in unproductive gamesmanship for anyone's good. We face some important problems that demand swift resolution but our leaders — urban, suburban or rural — are too busy trying to "do it to them before they do it to us" to make any progress.

It is easy for those of us who live and work outside Detroit to blame the division on Young and his supporters. His inflammatory rhetoric grabs the headlines and raises tempers while his influence in Lansing prompts many an action that suburbanites resent. No one attempting a rational analysis of this split between Detroit and its suburbs could dismiss Young and his political style as a major cause.

But that tempting explanation many of us succumb to is incomplete. Worse, it means we resign ourselves to continued bickering for as long as Young remains in power, which promises to be a long time.

When the man assigned to solve this area's sewer problems urged suburban leaders recently to cooperate with the City of Detroit, he was doing more than trying to revive a sewer plan. He was laying it on the line: we either work with Detroit to solve the problems we share, or the problems don't get solved.

Unfortunately, the messenger is suspect. Richard Hinson, the DNR employee temporarily attached to Wayne County for the purpose of drafting a new sewer plan, is a member of a Democratic administration in Lansing which many suburban leaders perceive as an outpost of Young's empire. What we need is a suburban leader with the backbone and the insight

to act as a catalyst to change the way we deal with Detroit.

The stakes are too high to go on as we have. The state needs more prisons now, but we've been stalled on choosing locations because Young has been reluctant to designate a site in his city and outside leaders have insisted on a Detroit site as a precondition to any others. This gets us nowhere while violent criminals are cut loose on society. Let Detroit avoid prison siting, so long as other developed areas are entitled to the same avoidance. There are communities practically begging the state to locate prisons there while we toss bricks between Detroit and suburbs over who should go first.

Similarly, western Wayne and Oakland counties need sewer improvements. Young's administration is on record opposing development here — new construction in Detroit is called progress, but in the suburbs it's called urban sprawl. Sewers are seen as an aid to development. Ergo, sewers here are not to be allowed. That's a tough nut to crack; Detroit must be shown that development of the metropolitan area creates jobs for all and that those denied the right to choose a suburban residence are likely as not to leave the state rather than move to a city they don't want to live in. Young must be shown that blocking growth anywhere in this area blocks it everywhere.

That won't happen if suburban leaders sit back and await some vague form of assurance from Detroit before tackling the sewer improvement plan. We ought to be actively pursuing Detroit's cooperation on regional growth, not foolishly resisting one of our own major needs out of reluctance to deal with a difficult chore.

Southeastern Michigan is going to thrive or decay as a whole — tempting as it may be to those wounded by Young's outbursts to throw up our hands and abandon this city and go on with our own pursuits, it won't work.

A bustling Northville or booming Novi may last some time without a healthy Detroit. Detroit may make gains at the expense of its suburbs. But without some union of efforts, neither side in this fruitless pursuit is going to reach its potential.

We are not so idealistic as to suggest that the fighting can be halted overnight. There are legitimate differences in the needs of Detroit and of the suburban area — differences that insure a degree of tension even in the best of times. We heartily support a system of healthy and spirited debate. But what we have is not a debate; we are not speaking with each other, but at each other. Too often, against each other.

We could wait an eternity for Detroit to make the first step toward a more rational policy; or we can adopt one ourselves and get on with the job.

Your letters welcome

This newspaper welcomes Letters to the Editor. We ask, however, that they be issue oriented, confined to 500 words and that they contain the signature, address and telephone number of the writer. Names will be withheld on request, but a brief explanation of why the request is being made should accompany the letter. Deadline for submission is 3:30 p.m. Monday. We reserve the right to edit letters for brevity, clarity and libel.

Happy holidays ...



The Northville Record/Novi News staff wishes you and yours the best of the holiday season. Staff members gather in front of Christmas tree at First Presbyterian Church of Northville. Front row (left to right) are Gary Kelber, Jean Day, Phil Jerome and Suzanne Dimitroff. Back row are Steve Fecht, Molly Manley, Kevin Wilson, Marilyn Petersen, Michele Fecht, Sue McClain, Judy Stewart, Kathy Jennings and B.J. Martin. Sandy Mitchell was unable to attend.

Shopping late has its hazards



Philip Jerome

It was late Saturday afternoon and I was running around like crazy trying to finish my Christmas shopping.

"I need something for my wife," I told a clerk wearing a pink sweater in a woman's apparel shop.

"Typical man," she sneered. "Wait till the last minute to do your Christmas shopping. Why don't you men plan ahead like we women do?"

I was tempted to tell her that we men are so busy running the world that we do our Christmas shopping when time permits. But I didn't. I don't think she would have believed me and besides I didn't feel like arguing.

But that has nothing to do with this column, which is really about this unique gift I found in Plymouth. It was a toy, sort of. It had a little escalator-like staircase, four or five little penguins and a long, winding ramp.

When you wound it up, the penguins would climb the escalator to the top, then slide down the ramp to the bottom and start all over.

Some guy with a beard was fascinated by it. And kept winding it up time and time again.

"What does it do?" I asked.

"Nothing," he replied. "They just go up the escalator and then slide back down. The penguin can never catch up with the penguin in front of it. Only 17 bucks."

Or maybe it's the appeal of its basic lack of utility. It doesn't do anything. It just goes around and is fun to watch, but doesn't have any purpose whatsoever. That's kind of refreshing, isn't it?

"It looks to me like something ripe for social commentary," I said. "Where's Andy Rooney when we really need him?"

"Yeah," the man agreed. "Something about the futility of the human rat race. Man, as symbolized by the penguins, climbing up escalators and sliding down the ramp only to start all over again. Or maybe it's the appeal of its basic lack of utility. It doesn't do anything. It just goes around and is fun to watch, but doesn't have any purpose whatsoever. That's kind of refreshing, isn't it?"

That's what I like about Christmas shopping. It's so philosophical.

"Hey, listen," I told him. "If you still need something for your wife, there's a terrific little woman's shop around the corner. Just talk to the clerk in the pink sweater."

Board refuses bus stop change

By MICHELE M. FECHT
Staff writer

NOVI — Despite attempts to keep district-wide bus runs consistent, the Novi Board of Education turned down a recommendation Thursday to consolidate three bus stops in the Novi Heights subdivision.

The recommendation to consolidate bus stops at Clark and Eleven Mile was turned down by the board in a 4-3 vote after lengthy debate.

The Clark Street recommendation, made by a three-member transportation safety committee, was initiated after the board turned down an earlier request from Joseph Drive residents to have a school bus enter their subdivision to pick up kindergartners.

The board denied the Joseph Drive request, citing unsafe conditions caused by buses backing up in the subdivision with full capacity.

The committee based its Clark Street recommendation on the same concerns and noted that the bus has to back up around a corner on Clark because it is a dead-end street.

The committee further stated in its recommendation that middle school and high school students currently are picked up at Clark and Eleven Mile and

that the half-mile walk from the furthest house in the area to the proposed bus stop is a comparable distance to what other children in the district walk to their respective bus stops.

When asked by Board Secretary Robert Schram what prompted the study of the Clark Street situation, Trustee Gilbert Henderson said he felt the "need to remind people that I'm the responsible party."

Henderson, a resident of Novi Heights subdivision, requested that the administration reconvene the transportation safety committee after learning that his subdivision was the only area left in the district where buses back up.

"I feel my subdivision ought to be treated like the others," Henderson said. "It ought to be analyzed."

Novi Heights residents at Thursday's meeting protested the committee's recommendation and noted that no accidents have occurred as a result of buses backing up in the subdivision.

Residents also brought to the board a police report regarding a reckless driving incident which occurred at the corner of Clark and Eleven Mile — the bus stop location recommended by the committee.

The administration countered that protest by noting the reckless driving incident was reported by students and was the first ever cited by police at the

Clark Road/Elaven Mile intersection. Board President Robert Schram emphasized the board was attempting to establish a policy to alleviate buses from backing up in subdivisions. "We wanted to be as equal as possible," he noted. "We're not singling out any one subdivision."

Despite attempts to bring consistency to the district's busing policy, board members could not agree on whether the present Clark Street situation posed a safety hazard to students.

"I'm all for trying to be consistent," said Ron Milam, one of the four trustees denying the recommendation.

The issue reached the board table after parents protested that students picked up within the subdivision were being dropped off on Ten Mile.

"I'm going to break with consistency," he added. "I feel it's a safe situation and I don't know if we can improve on it."

While the board's decision seemed to satisfy Novi Heights residents, homeowners from Joseph Drive attending the meeting voiced concern over the board's inconsistency.

Tom Kennedy, a resident of Brenda Lane, said the board "should look at the minutes" of its September 20 meeting (where the board denied the Joseph Drive request).

He noted the concerns voiced by Clark Street parents are the "same

arguments that Joseph residents proposed."

"You're not agreeing with those recommendations," he said. "It's not consistent."

Trustee Joan Daley suggested the board "keep an eye" on the Novi Heights situation in light of its close vote on the issue.

In addition to the Novi Heights decision, the board also unanimously approved the transportation safety committee's recommendation to continue to drop Novi Middle School North students off at the entrance of the Orchard Ridge Estates subdivision on Ten Mile.

The issue reached the board table after parents protested that students picked up within the subdivision were being dropped off on Ten Mile.

Assistant Superintendent William Barr told the board that one bus driver misunderstood directions and was letting children off in the subdivision instead of at the entrance — which is the policy.

When administrators corrected the routing and children were dropped off on Ten Mile after school, parents protested the change and possible unsafe conditions, Barr said.

It was noted that the bus is able to pull completely off Ten Mile onto an apron in order to drop off students in a safe manner.

Suit claims politics stopped up sewer

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also the costs of the social goods, the infrastructure that gets abandoned as a result of the growth, which gets no longer utilized, which constitutes waste of facilities," she said.

"I am against waste, very strongly against waste," she said.

According to Gilb, it costs society \$42 for every dollar spent on major projects designed to provide infrastructure for undeveloped areas — the ratio she uses when discussing Super Sewer. She said she wasn't certain of the condition of western Wayne County's infrastructure.

"It is the policy of the city to curtail growth when that growth has the results that I just described. If the growth does not have the results, I think the city wouldn't be so concerned," Gilb said.

Detroit has 15 square miles of vacant land," she said. Gilb said she prefers to see that area filled before an unbuild area develops.

Thus, does Detroit hold a "zero-growth" position toward western Wayne County?

"I won't say that absolutely. It would be preferable that the unbuild population remain in built-up areas," she said.

"In general it is our position that we, society, the State of Michigan, should make the most of what it has already got."

Does that mean that Mayor Young is against growth in the western suburbs?

"I believe that the mayor, with all his heart and soul, serves the people of the City of Detroit. Anything that would hurt their interest, he would be against," she said.

Gilb said she considers any project resulting in a population loss for Detroit as something the mayor opposes. Gilb said she was aware of the mayor's position and used it as her starting point in dealing with Super Sewer.

Under what authority does Detroit say whether other communities, recognized under state law with their own planning powers, can develop?

"It is the same sort of consideration that makes me worry about unborn children. There is such a thing as a higher good."

Does that mean people shouldn't be able to live where they want?

"That's right, not wherever they want. There should be social guidelines to some degree," said Gilb, who called herself "a considerable expert on world development."

Based on her beliefs and impressions of the Super Sewer project, Gilb wrote a letter in June, 1983 to Marge Mairney, just before Super Sewer was split into separate north and south projects.

Malarmey "represents the city and Lansing for whatever the mayor directs her to do," Gilb said.

"The purpose was to alert her to a series of events and actions which might result in the city's interest not being adequately represented," she said.

The letter, saying Super Sewer would result in lost dollars for the Detroit sewerage system, was authorized by Young, she said.

The letter suggests Detroit's interest in Super Sewer be reaffirmed and offers assistance from Detroit if the political pressure interferes with review of the project.

Gilb said she relied on the Detroit Water and Sewer Department for a statement in the letter that Super Sewer would result in excess treatment capacity at the Detroit treatment plant.

She said her statement was based on a general belief that "there needs to be repair, but that the costs of such repair would be less than the costs of

new construction, all costs taken into account."

One of the problems with the current system is that raw human waste is discharged into rivers, Gilb was asked what her department's policy is on such pollution.

"Our thoughts about it most certainly would be that we should not do that," she said.

If the Super Sewer split would increase such pollution, would that change her recommendation on splitting it?

"Yes, I would say there should be better treatment of that water before it hits the river," she said. One of the reasons the EPA rejected the north project (which would serve Novi, Wilson and Commerce Township among other communities) earlier this year was a belief by EPA officials that it might increase pollution in the waterways.

Gilb was asked which was the more serious problem — urban sprawl or pollution?

"Pollution is technically correctable," she said. "Sprawl produces human and fiscal results which are irreparable."

Caution is urged near road plows

Pulsating amber lights atop snowplowing equipment on state highways are put there for an important reason: to warn drivers to use caution when driving near them.

Those huge orange machines don't move as fast as most traffic and often extend farther across lanes than other vehicles.

Last winter, motorists ran into snowplows operated by Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) drivers 14 times — and MDOT directly maintains highways in only 21 counties. County road commissions do the work under contract in the remaining 62 counties.

Most of the collisions resulted from drivers striking snowplows in the rear or side, indicating they were following too closely or passing improperly.

To help motorists avoid accidents involving snowplows, MDOT offers the following tips:

• When following a snowplow truck,

stay far enough behind to avoid having snow from its plows reduce your vision to the point that you won't be able to see well and be able to stop in case of an emergency.

• When approaching a plow on a two-lane highway, allow extra room at the centerline for the snowplow blade.

• When passing a snowplow truck, proceed only when your vision ahead is clear. On two-lane highways, watch especially for snowplows operating in the left lane. They may be moving much slower than traffic and be obscured by blowing snow.

• Any time you drive past a plow, be alert for wing plow blades which may be in operation on either side of the plow.

• Our maintenance workers have a tough and dangerous job keeping the roads safe through the winter," said State Transportation Director James Phiz. "Please help them by taking extra care while driving."

'Light Up' contest brightens houses

WALLED LAKE — If you're looking for something to do over the holiday break, the Walled Lake Fire Fighters Association suggests you drive around the city and enjoy the Christmas lights.

Ray Overall, president of the association, has announced the winners of the first annual "Light Up the City" home decoration contest.

First place went to a home at 165 South Pontiac Trail. Overall said approximately half the calls received by the fire fighters nominated the residence, which, he added, was decorated as nicely on the inside as it was the outside. Although declining to name the owners of the home, Overall noted that the winners received a \$100 bond, and a \$50 donation was made in their name by the association to the Ann Arbor Burns Center.

Overall also listed the addresses of 11 runners-up. Honorable mention

recognition was given to residences at 331 West Walled Lake Drive, 395 West Walled Lake Drive, 1147 Asher Court, 1178 Quinl, 1802 Weir, 1401 Shaw, 209 Wellboro, 212 South Commerce, 591 Gamma, 427 Leon and 905 East Lake Drive.

Overall suggested that Walled Lake families might enjoy driving around the city and looking at the different residences cited by the fire fighters association.

"It was a really good project," reported Overall. "We received a lot of response, and a lot of people told us they're going to try harder next year."

"People seemed to like the idea," he continued. "I think we're getting people to take a little more pride in their city. They seem to want to make their homes look as nice as possible for the holidays."

Church hosts service

NOVI — A Watch Night service will be held at the First Baptist Church of Novi on New Year's Eve. The church is located at 45301 West Eleven Mile at the corner of Taft Road.

Pastor Richard S. Burgess reported that activities will begin at 7 p.m. with games for the family in the school gymnasium. The game time will be followed by a buffet luncheon prior to a devotional time and communion in the church sanctuary.

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Jaycees during their annual "Breakfast with Santa" program recently were something special as she wolfed them down in good order.

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Answer requested

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on this right now. I don't think the committee should over-react to it, but we do need a status report. Since we are aware of the controversy, it would be beneficial to have direction so we can proceed."

Parks and Recreation Director Thomas O'Branovic, a non-voting member of the committee, said he believes the committee's communication to the council should emphasize the need for an expeditious decision. "The longer we wait the more impossible it becomes to put together what we have to put together. And the longer it takes to decide what we're trying to sell," he said.

"The committee can't ignore everything that's going on," O'Branovic continued. "That's why expediency is necessary. We don't want to work on a committee that doesn't have a positive direction." Velkey maintained the work the group has done to date is valuable even if the direction to the committee should change.

"Wherever the building may be, we have compiled a lot of information and background for the city hall and community center that can be used," Harding agreed. O'Branovic suggested the group should take a stand on the issue, but Velkey disagreed. "Let them act as the politicians," Velkey said. "Let

the political body make a political decision."

Harding questioned whether simply asking the council to resolve the issue would be adequate. "My main concern is the process. Our direction now seems to have a split focus. As far as the committee is concerned, we need to ask whether the council wants us to proceed or if they have some other direction. When we know that, we can choose to continue working or to disband."

Kay Schmidt suggested that sending such a message to the council would sound like an ultimatum. Other committee members agreed they did not want to take that kind of position.

"The last thing this committee needs to be is a group that says either do it our way or we won't do it," Velkey said. Tom said that giving an ultimatum would create negative controversy on the project. "But we can tell the council we can't effectively proceed until this controversy is resolved," he said.

"If the council changes its direction to the committee, it becomes a personal decision that everyone here has to make," Quinn said.

The group agreed that Harding should send a letter to council, informing it of the work the committee has done to date and asking that the location of the civic center be determined so the group can proceed with its work.

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Twelve Oaks. "We have better than 7,000 spaces and each space turns over three to four times per day, so that gives you some idea of the number of cars that come in and out of here," he notes. "Year-to-date we've had only 32 auto thefts and some of those turned out to be false reports."

"One man reported that his car was stolen from the parking lot an hour after our road patrol had found it trenched on a back road. Our investigation revealed that neither he nor his car had been near the shopping center until he came in to report his car stolen."

"We called the guy's insurance company and suggested they stop payment."

"The part of the job Grubb finds most enjoyable is also the most

challenging — investigation of credit card fraud.

"About three weeks ago we cracked a case we'd been working on a couple of years," he reports. "We'd been looking for a young lady who was wallpapering everyone with bad checks. She did a great job of it, too. She managed to get a false birth certificate and then got a driver's license under the assumed identity. Once she had all that, she was able to set up some checking accounts at several banks."

"She was living high under an alias for two years. But we eventually got her. A lot of work went into cracking that case."

"There's always a unique twist or variation on these credit card scams," he adds. "If some of these people would put their minds to honest work, they would be millionaires instead of living in

prison."

Grubb has had a reputation of being a "tough cop" since he started with the Novi P.D. back in 1968. It's a reputation he enjoys. "Yeah, I'm tough. But I'm also fair," he says. "I treat people like they treat me. I treat me like a human being and you'll be treated the same way. But give me a bad time and you'll find out I don't tolerate any abuse."

Grubb says he's mellowed somewhat over the years, but one area in which he gives no quarter is illegal parking in handicapped zones.

"That's my pet peeve," he admits. "If you park in a handicapped spot, there'd be better to be a handicapped sticker on your car or you're going to get ticketed."

"We've got better than 7,000 parking spaces at Twelve Oaks and only about 70 of them are for the handicapped

"I get a lot of feedback about ticketing cars for parking in those parking spaces. A lot of people will cheer me when they see me writing a ticket. They took the time to find one of those 7,000 spaces for people without handicaps, even though it may have taken them a little longer on busy days and they may have to walk a little farther."

"But people who get ticketed don't like it at all," he continues. "I think they'd rather be cited for drunk driving than get a ticket for parking in a handicapped zone."

"I don't think most of them do it on purpose; they just aren't thinking. They'll put up a fuss and say they only parked there to run inside for a minute and pick something up."

"I tell them they should be grateful they've got two good legs so they can run inside. That usually shuts them up pretty fast."

Lenaghan reported that the fire department also was called to extinguish a fire at Twelve Oaks Mall on Thursday, December 20, at approximately 3:46 p.m.

Fire fighters were called to the mall to battle an electrical fire in the ceiling at Hermann's Sporting Goods on the second level of Twelve Oaks.

"Mail security was able to shut off the electricity to that section of the building, and that helped tremendously," said Lenaghan. "We had things under control in about 30 minutes after we got there."

"There was some smoke in the store and in the mall, but they were able to resume operations in about 30 minutes."

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OVI OUT ASSISTANCE

Bill Knapp is new NYA caseworker

Novi News/STEVE FECHT

Knapp offers aid for local teens

By B.J. MARTIN
news staff writer

NOVI — You may think Novi's the type of community where kids don't get into much trouble. And you may think Novi youth is immune to the sort of social and economic pressures faced by those in less affluent communities.

Bill Knapp, the new administrator of Novi Youth Assistance, cautions that image of suburban serenity is a "misconception."

"People think that above a certain level of wealth, there aren't problems like depression and abuse," says Knapp. "The income may be different, but it's the same result."

That's where Novi Youth Assistance (NYA) comes in. Formed in 1974, the organization is funded and supported by Oakland County Juvenile Court, Novi Community Schools and the City of Novi.

Knapp and Secretary Joan Morris operate the agency from a pair of offices adjoining the Novi Parks and Recreation Building. The work of the two paid staffers is complemented by a network of volunteers from the community and trained social service specialists, also on a volunteer basis.

Knapp explains his role in the agency this way: "We provide two types of services — primary and secondary. Primary refers to problem prevention. Our volunteers run programs designed to get to the cause of problems (and improve conditions that could lead to trouble).

"Secondary" is casework counseling on an individual basis. That's what I do, along with being a catalyst to keeping the program going."

Knapp: "... it's important to take the time and care enough to discipline your children. Many parents say they don't want to discipline. But if you're a kid it gets kind of scary not having any rules to follow."

Knapp currently counsels 15 young people between the ages of six and 18 on a regular basis. "That number has been growing, though," he notes. "I expect that to continue."

In counseling sessions, Knapp says he tries to establish a relationship of trust with the individual. "You have to use different strategies for different kids," he says. "Every person has his own style."

Knapp honed his style at Michigan State University, where he received a bachelor's degree in psychology and criminal justice. He then acquired a master's degree in counseling at Oakland Community College and took his first full-time job at Children's Village in Pontiac.

Children's Village is something of a "trial by fire" institution for a young social worker. It's a repository of some of the area's most difficult cases of youth antisocial behavior. "It was a good time to leave, for me," Knapp says of his experience there.

It also prepared him amply for facing the problems of young people in Novi. "A lot of our kids come from divorced families. In cases like those, both parents are often working and a kid has

"Especially on our first meeting, I try to downplay the professional side, the therapy side of what I do. I try to start off on the right foot by trying to reach them on a friendly kind of basis. A lot of kids seem to expect me to be a lot older; have a long, white beard and listen to them talk about their dreams."

Knapp doesn't much resemble that image. A clean-cut, 25-year-old, he doesn't even keep a couch in his office. He is also not, repeat not, related to Bill Knapp, the restaurateur, so don't expect any free meals.

Knapp now lives in Waterford Township but is considering a move to the area. He reports being delighted with his new responsibilities and surroundings since taking over the Novi Youth Assistance post November 7.

"I like Novi," he explains. "It's a nice community — all the people I've met are very supportive of what we do."

Interested in donating your time to benefit Novi youth? Volunteers are needed for many programs administered by Novi Youth Assistance, including:

• **General Citizen's Committee**, the governing body for Novi Youth Assistance.

• **People Who Care**, a committee to educate parents, young people and community members about alcohol and drug abuse.

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Village Oaks urges boys to join Cub Scout pack

Boys who attend Village Oaks Elementary School and would like to become Cub Scouts are encouraged to learn more about the numerous opportunities available to them.

The Village Oaks Cub Scout Troop has been reorganized with the assistance of Gordon Wilcox, institutional representative of the Boy Scouts of America. John Piggott, the new cubmaster, is assisted by Rick Serra and Ralph Compagnone. Mariyam Wait is camp chairman.

Sharon Serra is den mother for den one and Bonnie Degen is den mother for den two. More dens will be organized as more boys sign up. Call Bonnie Degen at 478-5680 for more information about the Village Oaks Cub Scouts.

Efforts also are underway to form a Webelos group for former Cubs or boys in the fifth grade. Call Degen for details.

Upcoming events include the Olympics in January, the Blue and Gold Banquet in February and the Pinewood Derby in March.

NOVI ROTARY: JoAnn McCrary and Pat Marmon co-chaired a successful Santa Holiday Shop for students. Other holiday activities in December by the Charlie Brown Players, a group of ninth and tenth graders from Novi High School.

Students have collected canned goods for the Novi Emergency Food Program to distribute to needy families in time for Christmas. They are continuing to collect labels from Charmin paper products, Swanson products and Franco-American products to purchase equipment for the Media Center. Residents are urged to assist by dropping their labels off at the school.

The next PT meeting will be held Monday, January 7, at 9 a.m. Pat Mar-

Novi Highlights

Novi will take over as treasurer, replacing Debbie Timmerman who is moving from the community.

NOVI MEADOWS: Santa Claus and McGruff, the crime fighting dog, were special guests at a Christmas party for families at the Novi Meadows Mobile Home Park last week.

Children brought decorations to decorate the clubhouse and had their pictures taken with Santa. There was also a craft sale, featuring items made by residents of the park.

Other recent activities included a Neighborhood Watch program at the home of Thomas and Irene Fitzgerald. The Fitzgeralds have an outstanding display of a Christmas village at their home. The park is sponsoring a "most festive home" contest which will be judged during the holidays.

NOVI ROTARY: Some 190 people attended the annual Rotary Raffle drawing at the Farmington Hunt and Game Club recently. Proceeds will be used to fund two \$1,000 scholarships for local students. Special thanks to the Harrowoods, Bullens and Canups for making the program a success.

Rotarians held their annual Christmas dinner for seniors recently at Novi Middle School under the direction of Beverly Manor residents Sam Swanson and Carol presented a mini-concert, and lunch was served by Inter-act members and the staffs from Beverly Manor and the Whitehall Convalescent Home. A special treat were the ice sculptures made by Sheraton

Oak chefs. The entire program was videotaped, and Charles Foote took over 50 pictures and presented them to guests.

ATHLETIC BOOSTERS: Athletic Director John Osborne and winter sports coaches attended the Novi Athletic Boosters' Coaches Night meeting and reported their expectations for the upcoming season.

The boosters are planning to purchase an \$1,800 scoreboard for the high school swim team. They also are planning to hold their popular millionaire's party in the spring.

GIRL SCOUTS: Laura Eheart, Tracey Lee, Bonnie VanDyke, Claudine Delarza, Krista Timson and Cathy Rogerson from Cadette Troop 846 attended Outdoor Leadership Training at Camp Narwin recently and returned from the Metro Area. The girls will be available to help other troops who go camping.

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Weddings



MR. AND MRS. LEONARD SCHNEIDER

Elaine Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen H. Green of Union Lake, exchanged marriage vows with Leonard M. Schneider of Florida in a double-ring ceremony November 24 in St. Theresa's Church in Tarrytown, New York.

The Reverend Father Christopher Daly officiated at the 3 p.m. candlelight Mass.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Schneider of Strongsville, Ohio.

For the ceremony the bride wore a Victorian-style gown with white lace bodice over a full, satin skirt. Beading embroidered the bodice which was styled with a lace ruffie edging the illusion yoke. A floral headpiece held her illusion veil.

The bridegroom wore a tuxedo with a red rose, orchid and spring boutonniere.

Linda Kilson of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, attended the bride's wedding.

After a wedding trip to Washington, D.C., and St. Simon's Island, Georgia, the newlyweds are making their home in Fort Lauderdale.

Michelle Hall and Kelly Woerner had 36 G.P.A.s.

Earning GPAs of 3.5 were Devin Caster, Aaron Emmons, Arthur Gluzman, Donna Godfrey, Brian Gross, Lana Haney, Shaun Mackay, Tamara Menard, Jennifer Nelson, Mark O'Meli, Laura Samuel, Matthew Sarelek, Kerry Sawyer, Monica Singh, Amy Smith, Sheari Suarez, Cindy Vandeven and Donald Vowles.

Students with GPAs of 3.4 were Lora Bava, John Engott, Billy Farmer, Michelle Fast, Aaron

Middle school reports honor roll

NOVI - A total of 211 Novi Middle School South students have been named to the honor roll for the second marking period.

The middle school names two honor rolls. Students on the high honor roll must have no grade less than A minus and citizenship grades of "2" or better. Students on the regular honor roll must have attained all grades of B-minus or above. Citizenship grades are not part of the regular honor roll.

Here are the Novi Middle School South students named to the honor roll for the second marking period:

SEVENTH GRADE: Twenty-two seventh graders were named to the high honor roll: Kristin Bent, Tammi Brandon, Cherie Brown, Jennifer Chin, Shana Cox, Angelina D'Agostino, Manami Endo, Sarah Graham, Jennifer Galand, Matthew Gdowski, Karen Goldsmith, Lisa Heath, Caryn Howard, Amy Johnson, Heather Kurtz, Matthew Latham, Daniel Lyngholm, Julie Marin, Lisa McAllister, Leslie Reinke, Gwen Rowlands and Thomas White.

Named to the regular honor roll were Stephanie Amelio, Jennifer Asher, Bridget Barnes, Robert Bates, David Bercham, Brooke Brewer, Shelley Blanche, Adrienne Bolton, Jennifer Borg, Tracey Brown, Nicole Clancy, Mark Clary, Steven Cohen, Brian Crowley, Lisa DeLaRosa, Claudine Delazer, Kevin Dobson, Scott Donaldson, John Dudley, Jennifer Durham and Christie Dutile.

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EIGHTH GRADE: Sixteen eighth graders were named to the high honor roll: Kathryn Beator, Sandra Bragg, Noelle Brown, Lori Colclough, Bethany Ditzel, Angela Gordnier, Julie Greywall, Jennifer Headlee, Pam Hus, Seung Won Hwang, Kendra Kewak, Scott Phelan, Corey Pursey, Jennifer Salibury, Sukjinder Sandhu and Cathy Thomas.

Named to the regular honor roll were Kelly Ackerly, Pegg Balagosa, Bryan Anderson, Melissa Barnes, Rajesh Bazaz, Scott Beck, Sarah Benedit, Stacey Benore, Kimberly Black, Jeffrey Bleiler, Matthew Berg, Sherry Pejakovich, Kristen Penndrake, Nicole Brett, Kelly Burkowski, Pamela Butler, Kenneth Chasse, Brandon Clark, Doug Cody, Jonathan Cohen, Melissa Cooper, Edward Coy, Sybil Cummins, Jennifer Depallo, Julie Dufelt, Linda Ede, Donald Ellis and Cindy Gersten.

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Walled Lake announces top students

WALLED LAKE - Walled Lake Junior High School Principal Roy Danley has announced the honor roll for the first marking period of the first semester.

EIGHTH GRADE: Earning grade point averages (GPAs) of 4.0 were Patricia Blackburn, Jill Dunn, Christopher Jurag, Darlene Keavis, Julie Markey, Heather McHugh and Jennifer Shivel.

Earning GPAs of 3.85 were Donna Bruckner, Bridget Burke, Julie Craig, Alison Cyrill, Nancy Figrurski, Donna Heber, Jeffrey Hudson, Kimberly Kallenbach, Mark Koosis, Jason Locke, Stephanie Paschal, Kristie Paul, Margaret Smolek, Sue Verardi and Matthew Wagner.

Kristiana Wright had a GPA of 3.83.

Earning GPAs of 3.7 were Lisa Amati, Aaron Ball, Mary Chuhnan, Shauna Cohen, Christopher Combs, Andrea Duncan, Marc Elinen, Roger LaPointe, Angela Nelson, Amy Nimmo, Jeffrey Ortwein, Dale Sandeen, Jeffrey Turner and Paul Windel.

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Gregory, Kristie Harrison, Erica Holzer, Lisa Hoover, Jonelle Jerome and Wendy Lovrench.

Tamera Cohorst and Angela Webb had GPAs of 3.3.

Earning GPAs of 3.2 were Patricia Beagle, Denece Bondy, Lisa Brewer, Alise Bukkonen, Eric Chapin, Michelle Crawford, Brandene Dahl, Lance Giloual, Gregory Hannan, Jason Head, Chris Holman, Jennifer Knust, Amy Locke, Kelly Porta, Shelly Sell, Christina Shady, Amy Susa, Erik Trickett, Michael Wagner, Jodie Wagoner and Kristina Wright had a GPA of 3.83.

Earning GPAs of 3.1 were Amy Caldwell, Kristie Chura, Rebecca Caldeen, Joshua David, Jennifer Fletcher, Judith Golden, Jennifer Hammill, Vanessa Hoffman, Donna Johnson, Tracy Jones, Scott Magnan, Cathryn Matthews, Kimberly Mott, Kelly Nelson, Carrie Sasser, Shaone Scannell, Ashley Scott, Matthew Spletzer, Robert Stamper, Eric Stopp, Jennifer Sutton, Kim Teidler, Dawn Tinker, Angela Watkins and Kathrine Zrembski.

Students with GPAs of 3.0 were Tracy Booker, Lana Cosho, Shannon Dewar, Tracy Fife, Michael Filer, Brian Gawne, Reinalyn Gross, Christopher Harvey, Martin Hess, Leah Houz, Tracy Hoy, Jennie Insley, Brent Liddy, Melinda Madam, James Millican, Dennis Schils, Daniel Sherman, James Stewart, Roger Swoveland, Steven Thase, Kathleen Thompson, Leeanne Vitale, Valerie Walsh and Kevin White.

SEVENTH GRADE: Students with GPAs of 4.0 were Timothy Cremen, Jennifer Dulac, Samuel Smith

Flu shots available

PONTIAC - Influenza (flu) season will be here soon, and Oakland County residents are urged to take the often-preventable disease seriously.

Adults should take all necessary steps to protect themselves and their family members. Vaccination (flu shots) remains the most commonly used method of preventing influenza.

The Oakland County Health Division continues to offer "flu" shots at its offices in Southfield and Pontiac. Because the elderly are prone to develop pneumonia along with the flu, it is recommended that they receive flu shots as soon as possible, preferably in the fall.

This year's vaccine protects against three viral strains: A/Chile, A/Philippines and B/SUSS. Shots cost \$2, but no one will be turned away because of inability to pay.

Flu is a viral infection of the nose, throat and lungs. It spreads quickly from one person to another, particularly in crowded places. Sneezes and coughs should be covered with tissue.

If flu strikes a family member, those tending the patient should be sure to wash their hands, and tissues should be disposed of in a paper bag that is replaced frequently. Serving food and beverages in paper and plastic disposable plates and cups, used only once by one person and then discarded, can help reduce the risk of cross-infection.

Influenza infection produces such symptoms as fever, chills, headache, dry cough and aches in the back, legs and arms. Bed rest and the patient is important in the treatment of flu along with keeping warm and drinking plenty of fluids. If symptoms persist and illness is severe, consult your family physician.

Watch out for Reye's

LANSING - Flu season is approaching and the Michigan Department of Public Health Disease Control Center has issued a reminder of the warning signs of Reye's Syndrome.

Reye's Syndrome is an unusual complication of a viral infection that usually follows respiratory influenza or chicken pox. Symptoms of respiratory flu usually include fever, headache, muscle aches, coughing, runny nose or sore throat.

Reye's Syndrome occurs almost exclusively in children under 18 years of age. The first symptoms commonly occur when the child is beginning to recover from a viral illness, usually three to seven days after the illness began. But infants or very young children seem to be more likely to develop Reye's without an apparent preceding illness.

Symptoms include:

- Vomiting. Protracted, continuous vomiting is often the first sign.
- Behavior changes. The child may become combative or want to be left alone, may become annoyed when spoken to, or may become excessively drowsy.
- Disorientation. The child may become confused and not recognize other family members.
- Coma. The child may not respond or respond sluggishly.

If a child demonstrates any of these symptoms, the MDH urges parents to contact a doctor or go to a hospital emergency room as soon as possible. Early treatment increases the chances of survival.

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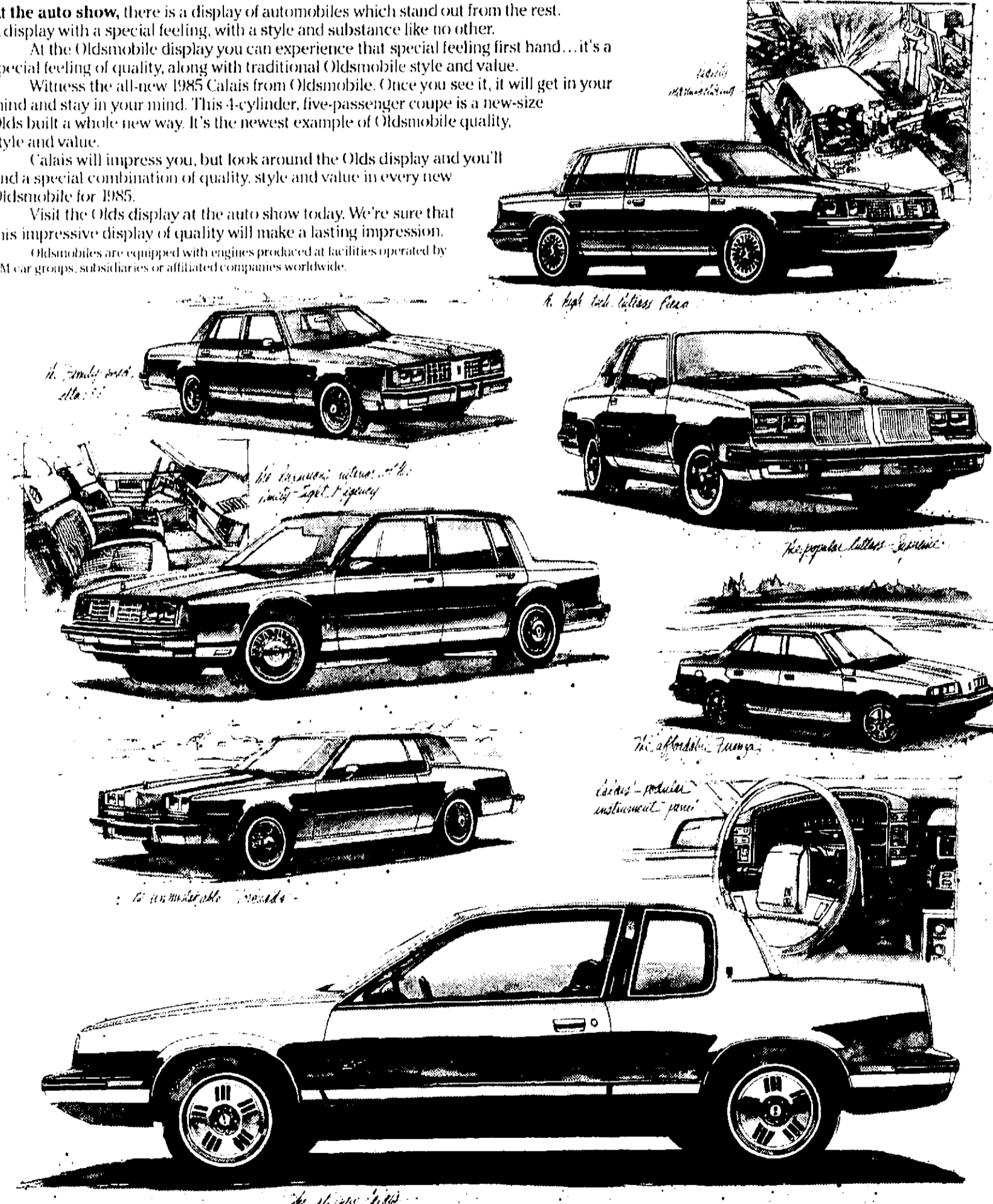
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Wildcat spikers falter, drop opening matches

NOVI — Maybe the numbers are the jinx. Novi fell to North Farmington 15-5, 15-4 and to Farmington by identical scores to open the Wildcats' 1984-85 volleyball season.

Oddly, the December 11 loss to North Farmington was by the same score as last year's encounter with the Raiders — no backsets, but no progress, either.

Novi stayed close to the well-stocked Raiders until the midway mark of the first game, trailing just 7-5 at one point. But then the Raiders reeled off eight straight points without breaking serve.

"Their server was hitting some real rockets," said Novi Coach Gina Gervasi. "We were moving to the ball well and trying hard, but we just couldn't get a point out of it."

In the second game, the loss of momentum worsened, as Novi drop-

ped the first 10 points of the contest. "We just fell apart," Gervasi said. "We looked like two different teams. Late in the second game we started to play a little better, but by then it was too late."

Aided by some good serves by classmate Mindy Park, senior hitter Annie MacKinnon turned in a strong performance. "Annie had a very good game at the net," Gervasi noted. "She had a lot of well placed dinks and really got us into our points."

Jamie Tomasi, Gervasi added, played an important role in the team's debut battle. "We used her on the front row as a setter and she did a good job as far as keeping the team together. She gave us some control in terms of mental attitude."

Missed serves were again a problem in Novi's December 17 loss to Farmington. After a decent start, the

Wildcats and Falcons were tied at 3-3. But then Farmington began to gain momentum.

"It seemed a lot closer than that score would indicate," Gervasi pointed out. "There were a lot of side-outs, a lot of long volleys."

Tomasi continued to improve as a setter, and MacKinnon and Park played strong games, covering a lot of the court. "These three I was really happy with," said Gervasi.

Team defense and skills at returning serve will get some needed drillwork over the winter break. Aside from a scrimmage January 5, the varsity will not play again until January 10, when the Wildcats host Kensington Valley Conference opponent Milford.

"Having a couple of scrimmages will help. Hopefully we'll get a lot of game time in," Gervasi said.



Mindy Park (11) and the Novi spikers came up short against Farmington. (Novi News/STEVE FECHT)

Springfield Christian downs Eagles in cage tournament

NOVI — Novi Christian basketball coach R.S. Burgess called his team "David" to his hosts "Goliath," after last week's action in the Springfield Christian Invitational Tournament.

While a slingshot-equipped David and Goliath might be a good matchup on a basketball court, Springfield Christian, a school with more than five times as many students as Novi Christian, topped the Eagles 70-57 in

the tourney's first round, December 17.

The Eagles trailed by just one basket after three quarters, but Springfield reeled off a 23-12 fourth-quarter scoring edge to hand Novi Christian its second loss.

The Eagles finished third in the tournament by registering a 63-46 victory over old rival Taylor Center Baptist in the consolation game. The Eagle starters built up a 35-18 halftime lead and Burgess allowed his reserves to finish off the contest.

Novi Christian guard Tony Leech scored 17 points and center Mike Carroll added 15 in the consolation game. Scott Sorby added 11 points and 14 rebounds for the Eagles. The first-year varsity forward now has scored 41 points in his last three games.

Leech was named to the All-Tournament first-team, while Carroll was a second-team selection. Temple Christian won the tourney championship, hanging onto the ball for a 114 victory over Springfield Christian in the championship game.

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Vincent, Maresh lead Novi grapplers in tourney

NOVI — Led by senior matmen Mike Vincent and Ed Maresh, Novi grapplers to a third-place finish at the 16-team Garden City Invitational Saturday.

Gibraltar Carlson's 125 points led the field at the tourney, while Plymouth Canton accumulated 144½ points top ahead Novi for second place. The Wildcats were third with 145 points and finished ahead of two strong teams, New Boston Huron with 141 and Garden City with 108.

"It was a nice Christmas present, especially after the two dual meet losses (earlier in the week)," said Novi Coach Tom Fritz.

Fritz's squad has had its troubles in dual meet action thus far this season. After knocking off Oak Park on December 18, the Wildcats plunged to 1-4 for the season with losses to Redford Catholic Central on Thursday and Ypsilanti on Friday.

"We've got a tougher schedule this season," Fritz explained. "Between all those KVC schools and these Big Class A schools, it's tough going."

Vincent and Maresh claimed championships in their respective weight classes at Saturday's tournament. Vincent whipped Carlson's Dave Smith 16-2 in the 132-pound final, Vincent's 10th straight win. Maresh ground out one decision and three pins, the last a victory over Bill Drebold of Riverview at 3-17 of the 165-pound final.

Charlie Brown was Novi's next highest finisher, placing second at 138 pounds with a 12-4 loss in the final.

Freshman Scott Brown turned in a superior effort, pinning two opponents and registering a superior decision before dropping Ann Arbor's Mike Hoch at 2:21

of the 98-pound final. "Scott did a real nice job for us," Fritz noted. "He's got a real good take-down technique," and he's going to do big things for us."

Also taking birds with pins in the consolation finals were Mike Paquette at 105 pounds and Dave Weber at 167. Weber registered four pins and nearly upset the tournament champion, falling by a 3-2 score.

Bruce Patera took sixth at heavyweight with one match win, and Mike Bobishich contributed one match win by decimating 198-pounder Jim Smith of Dearborn Divine Child.

The Wildcats easily bombed Oak Park 32-14 the previous Tuesday. Scott Brown (98), Paquette (105), Luciano Mejia (112), Vincent (132), Kurt Schuster (145) and Brian Waack (167) all pinned their opponents, while Ron Fritz won a 1-3 decision at 155 pounds.

Nick Weaver at 119 and Brian Keback at 126 won automatic pins for Oak Park "voids." Maresh lost his first match of the season, wrestling at 198 pounds against state qualifier Thomas Anderson and falling on a pin at 1:28.

Catholic Central, a state champion in 1983, looked like a prime contender this year, as they registered a 58-12 victory over the Novi matmen. The Wildcats were forced to void at 105 and 167 — but even pins at those weights couldn't have pulled Novi even with tough C.C.

Vincent pinned Mike Wilczewski at 3:30 for six points at 132 pounds. Maresh went up one weight class to pin Judd Snyder at 3:45. And that was all of Novi's scoring.

Charlie Brown came close, leading Gino Tokarz 6-5 before getting caught in a reverse cradle and being pinned at 3:25. But only Scott Brown, Weaver and

155-pounder Scott Borg were able to stay off their backs for losses by decision.

Ypsilanti lashed Novi 42-20 one night later. Charlie Brown pinned Mike Anderson two seconds before the end of the second period, and Maresh pinned John Vincent nine seconds before the end of the second period.

"I'd like to help promote local rivalries," he added. "I think it's a good thing to have. It answers questions about wrestlers who live near each other, but never have a chance to wrestle each other."

Rounding out the field at the Novi Invitational will be Livonia Stevenson, Redford Thurston, Livonia Bentley, New Boston Huron, Farmington, Clarenceville and Southgate Aquinas. Novi's next dual meet will be January 10 at powerful KVC rival Milford.

Rec Briefs

SENIOR SKIING: Senior citizens won't be left out in the cold this winter. They can participate in cross-country ski clinics at the Glen Oaks Golf Course in Farmington Hills on Tuesday, January 8.

Hosted by the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Department in conjunction with Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation, the clinics will include a movie, lecture on equipment, dress and technique, and a ski lesson/tour. Sessions will be offered from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. Cost is \$3 per person. Glen Oaks Golf Course is located on Thirteen Mile between Orchard Lake and Middlebelt roads in Farmington Hills. Call 859-4946 for more information.

BIRD COUNT: The annual New Year's Bird Count will be held at Kensington Metropark on Saturday, January 5, at 8 a.m.

All interested birders may assist with the park-wide bird census, giving as much or as little time as they wish.

Persons should dress warmly and bring binoculars and a lunch. The Farm Center food bar also will be open.

Advance registration is appreciated. For information/registration call the Kensington Nature Center at 1-800-552-6772. A vehicle entry permit is required.

SKI PATROL: With colder temperatures on the horizon, cross-country skiers are preparing for ski touring.

For those who want to make the most of the ski season, the Independence Oaks County Park Nordic Ski Patrol is offering the opportunity to ski while helping park visitors.

The volunteer Nordic Ski Patrol helps in checking and maintaining the trails at Independence Oaks and offers assistance or first aid to skiers. Candidates must have first aid certification.

Jim Melchoe, director of the Nordic Ski Patrol, said trainees and junior members 15-18 year olds are encouraged to join. While trainees do not administer first aid, Melchoe said they will have a first-hand opportunity to see how the patrol operates.

The 830-acre park provides more than 16 kilometers of cross-country ski trails. Rental equipment is available.

For more information on the Nordic Ski Patrol call 625-4077.



Novi's Tully Gillick drives for '2' against Brighton. (Novi News/STEVE FECHT)

Wildcat five roars past Clarenceville

NOVI — Maybe it was the cold weather — it took Novi's offense the first quarter to get started.

But once it did, the Wildcat cagers shifted into overdrive to cruise past Clarenceville 64-44 and level their record to 1-1 after the season.

Whatever the Trojans threw at Novi, the Wildcats had an answer.

A full-court press? Point guard Steve Cody broke it single-handedly, racking up 10 assists as well as 10 points.

A tight zone defense? Long-range gunner Terry Haren came off the bench and canned five of six shots, finishing the game with 12 points.

Senior center Tully Gillick had one of his most impressive nights ever, scoring 24 points and hitting all of his last 10 shots from the floor. Brother Brett Gillick hauled in eight rebounds.

Then in the second quarter, the kids seemed to come to life.

They came alive well enough to hit 27 of 54 from the floor for the night — the team's second straight game of 50-percent-or-better field goal shooting. Novi was also a respectable 10 of 18 from the free throw line.

Following winter break, the Wildcats will try to extend their two-game win streak at home against Redford Union on Friday, January 4.

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‘Making stitches’
proves profitable
for local women

By SUE LOWE

Embroidery is an ancient art. Examples of this type of needlework have been found in the tombs of pharaohs. In early England, it embellished the uniforms of soldiers and kings. In the hands of upper class ladies of 19th century society, it became an art form.

In its long history, embroidery always was known as hand work. It required long hours of patient effort and took its toll on the artisans' eyesight. Today, intricate and beautiful designs of embroidery can be done with a computerized machine.

Joan Stobart and her daughter, Nancy Stobart-Bennett, have opened a store called Stobart's Embroidery and More at 309 Union Lake Road (corner of Faunsworth and Union Lake Roads) in Union Lake. The store advertises all types of embroidery designs on fabrics created by computerized machine.

The process is not exactly instant embroidery, but if one compares the two enterprising business women with the men who once decorated the vestments of priests and worked long, hard hours in cloisters, it is certainly instant by Papal definition.

At Embroidery and More, Stobart and Stobart-Bennett continue the tradition of decorating the uniforms of the gladiators. Only today's gladiators bowl or play adult league baseball or go forth to play a golf ball. The women decorate bowling and golf shirts, baseball uniforms and equipment bags, plus many other items with team symbols, team names and players' names.

The stitches are similar, the effect is the same, but the amount of work involved is very different. Work that once took hours has been reduced to minutes.

It has not always been so simple for Stobart. Before she found her computerized sewing machine, she embroidered bowling shirts with another needlework machine worked by hand. The apparatus was similar to a regular Singer Sewing machine except that the designs were produced by working a lever under the cabinet.

Stobart's husband Bill manages Giewek's Trophies Incorporated, a sporting goods store that caters to bowlers. When the store encountered difficulties getting bowling shirts personalized, Stobart offered to embroider

the names on each shirt. She found herself unbelievably busy during the bowling season each year and unemployed at other times.

Recently she attended a sporting goods show and saw the computerized embroidery machine at work. She knew she needed that machine and her husband agreed.

In the beginning she worked in her home, but when the work load increased and her daughter offered to become a partner, the women began to formalize a business. Stobart's Embroidery and More was born.

Their tiny shop carries several types of sports shirts suitable for monogramming or decorating with embroidery. They also carry sports jackets, purses, duffie bags, athletic-type bags, backpacks and other items. Soon they will have monogrammed sweaters.

The machine can decorate these items in six kinds of type in all sizes. It can set the type on a straight line, on an angle or an arc. It can also sew a design right into the fabric.

The women accept designs and send them away to have a computer tape made. When the tape arrives, the machine can embroider any number of the designs in a fraction of the time once used. In this way, a whole team can have uniforms decorated with their own symbols.

Naturally, machines can break down, and computerized embroidery machines are no exception. The Stobart computer broke a cable not long ago and the two women were frantic.

The machine is unique by definition and repairmen are not readily available locally — they must be flown in from Chicago. To avoid a monstrous repair bill, Stobart called the company long distance and had them send the new part plus instructions on installation.

She then took the entire machine apart and laid the parts out in order. Then, with help from her dad, she replaced the cable and reassembled the machine. It was a little more complicated than it sounds and there were several more long distance phone calls, but the machine is back in running order and Stobart is a lot wiser.

Stobart's Embroidery and More plans to open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Nancy Stobart-Bennett and Joan Stobart demonstrate computerized embroidery machine. Photo by JOHN GALLOWAY

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Retailers predict good year

Nearly 75 percent of Michigan retailers responding to a recent survey said they expect 1985 sales volume to exceed that of the past year.

The survey, conducted by the Michigan Retailers Association (MRA), found that a 12-14 percent increase in holiday sales is expected over last year.

Of 348 survey respondents, 70.1 percent said that 1984 was an overall better sales year than 1983, said Larry L. Meyer, president and chief executive officer of MRA.

Meyer said the primary reasons retailers cited for sales growth were Michigan's economic recovery — especially in tourism and the auto industry — better inventories, better quality merchandise and improved consumer confidence.

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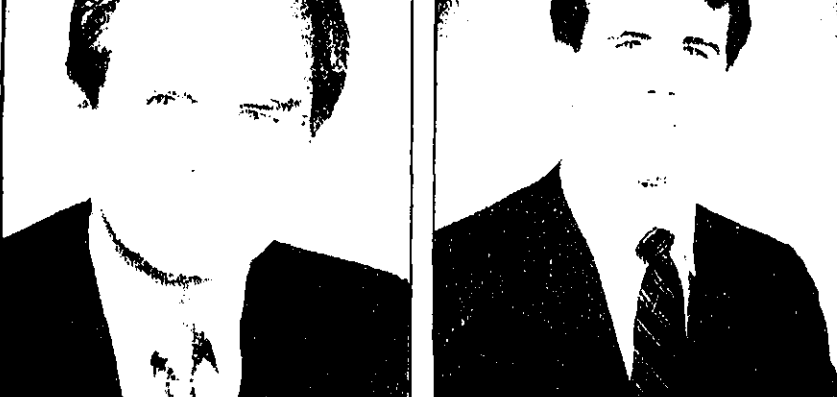
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PAUL R. SCHWEITZER, president of Schweitzer Real Estate-Better Homes and Gardens, and Anthony C. Rizzo, president of Rizzo Realty Inc., have announced the formation of a new corporation under the name of Schweitzer Real Estate-Better Homes and Gardens.

Rizzo, associate broker, and the existing sales staff have combined resources with Schweitzer Real Estate-Better Homes and Gardens to provide a comprehensive real estate service. With the addition of the Northville office, formerly Rizzo Realty at 505 North Center Street, Schweitzer Real Estate-Better Homes and Gardens now offers 10 offices in the metropolitan Detroit area.

Associates who transferred to Schweitzer Real Estate-Better Homes and Gardens are Margie Davis, Kenneth Clum, Vana Beguin, Fred Schmidt, Norma Hartzel, Douglas Helmick, Sandy Smith, Joseph Howard, Edith Fonde and Hazel.



JAMES J. BROWN



ROBERT K. LOCKWOOD

JAMES J. BROWN of Northville has been elected second vice president by the board of directors of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. The announcement was made by Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John G. McElwee. The election is effective January 7, 1985.

Brown will head the company's Ford group office in Dearborn, where he currently serves as general director.

A native of Chicago and a 1963 graduate of the University of Illinois, Brown joined John Hancock in 1970 and became senior sales executive with group operations in 1983. He is a member of the International Claim Association.

Brown and his wife, Carolyn, have two children, Michael and Meghan.

ROBERT K. LOCKWOOD II of Northville has been named trust officer for Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit. He formerly was office-in-charge of the bank's Ann Arbor-Sheridan branch in Plymouth.

Lockwood joined the bank in 1979 as an administrative assistant and was promoted to branch officer in 1984. He earned his BA degree from Michigan State University.



John Bloss (left) and Doug Boor stand in front of the towering northern spruce tree that Boor donated to the Northville School District to mark the merger of Mountaintop Tree Company and Green Ridge Tree Service.

Local tree firms announce merger

A week before the Northville Public Schools recessed for the Christmas holiday, Meads Mill Junior High received a gift of a towering northern spruce tree.

The tree planted in front of the school December 13 might be said to symbolize the merger of two Northville-area companies.

Mountaintop Tree Company, currently headquartered in a log cabin on old Baseline Road in Northville, is merging its operation and assets with those of Green Ridge Tree Service, 7528 Chubb Road, effective January 1.

Doug Boor, Mountaintop Tree Company owner, donated the moving of the tree which was done by Blacy Tree Transport Company of Ypsilanti. The tree itself was a gift from Don Boreur, who succeeded John Miller as owner of Green Ridge Tree Service, one of the area's longtime tree and landscape businesses. The tree was moved from Boreur's home on Ridge Road.

The men announce that the merged company will be headed by Rick Cassidy of Westland, who has purchased a majority interest in the business. The tree itself was a gift from Don Boreur, who succeeded John Miller as owner of Green Ridge Tree Service, one of the area's longtime tree and landscape businesses. The tree was moved from Boreur's home on Ridge Road.

"We feel that this is a more efficient operation," Boor explained, noting that he will continue with the Mountaintop operation at its present location until June when the tree care and maintenance work will be moved to the Green Ridge location. Boreur will be continuing with the Green Ridge Tree Service operation.

"The combination will offer more efficient service, well educated personnel and increased equipment capacity," stated Boor.

Cassidy, the new president, currently is enrolled at the University of Michigan studying for his MBA degree.

Boor, who majored in forestry, was graduated from the University of Michigan in 1979.

Boor pointed out that other employees, who are well qualified with good experience, will continue with the merged firm. Bill Potter will be in charge of crew operations. Patrick Siebel, who holds a BS degree in forestry from Michigan State University, will be responsible for spray operations.

Lois Merriman and Suzanne Siebel, who also holds a BS degree in forestry from MSU and is a diagnostic specialist, will handle the office.

Mountaintop Tree Company will continue to offer expert tree care, spraying and diagnosis of insect and disease problems as well as stump removal and crane rental. Boor explained that principal operations now will be at the Chubb Road location, he added.

The tree was one of two given to the Northville School District. The other, a maple tree, has been planted at the Old Village School on Main Street.

The district was purchasing several trees from Boor when the company made the added living Christmas gift. Boor added that care and maintenance will be provided for two years by Mountaintop as part of the present.

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A WINNER! - Santa had a special surprise for Dina Burghardt, 9, of Northville when she visited Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn. Santa said he found out that she has been an exceptionally good girl all year long and presented her with an early Christmas present, her own Cabbage Patch Kid, a brown eyed brunette girl named Rikki Mini. It all was part of a special event at the center where boys and girls visiting Santa register to win a covered "kid." Two winners "who have been especially good" are picked each week until Christmas by Santa to adopt a Cabbage Patch Kid. Santa reports this still is the number one item asked for by children. "Dina always has so much to say," said her mother, "but she was really speechless at this."

FELICIA IOLI of Northville has joined Hyatt Legal Services as managing attorney of the firm's Dearborn office at 2346 Michigan Avenue. She brings over 10 years' general practice experience to Hyatt Legal Services. She earned undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Detroit in 1970 and 1973, respectively. The firm has 146 offices, employing more than 400 attorneys in 20 states and the District of Columbia. There are 10 Hyatt Legal Services offices in the Detroit region.

Time to line up year-end tax deductions

The Deficit Reduction Act of 1984 with its hundreds of minor adjustments to tax law could mean your tax bill will rise sharply unless you take steps to prevent that from happening. You have until the end of the year to make your tax moves.

The Michigan Association of CPAs says there are some new twists this year to year-end tax planning, new rules on deadlines for individual retirement accounts (IRAs), and on deducting for those non-itemized charitable contributions. IRAs, which have become America's favorite way of sheltering income from taxation, are still attractive. One change removes a popular feature: taxpayers no longer may delay making IRA contributions.

Under last year's IRS regulations, a taxpayer could file Form 4882 by April 15 for an automatic four-month extension. The taxpayer then had extra time to make the maximum \$2,000 IRA contribution. But now, an IRA contribution made after your 1984 tax filing deadline must be deducted from your 1985 return. Smart taxpayers plan now to have their IRA contributions ready. Self-employed persons who qualify for Keogh accounts, another retirement plan, must also take money-saving steps for 1984 returns. The maximum that can be placed in a Keogh was boosted to 25 percent of income. The maximum contribution is \$30,000. Although you can contribute to an existing Keogh until the tax filing deadline with extra contributions allowable, new Keogh accounts must be opened before January 1. Taxpayers who do not itemize will be pleased to see the new short form; it permits a larger deduction for contributions to their favorite charity in 1984. Last year, someone who did not itemize deductions was entitled to a maximum deduction of \$25 if they donated \$100 to a charitable organization. Twenty-three million returns listed that deduction. This year, those not itemizing may take up to \$75 deduction if they donate \$300 to charity before January 1. Keep in mind, however, that in 1985 charitable deductions that are not itemized will be even more valuable. Then, half of a charitable contribution can be deducted with no dollar limit on its size. Medical expense deductions will change slightly and if you qualify for that deduction, money-saving steps should be taken before year-end. Medical expenses can be deducted only if they exceed five percent of adjusted gross income. For example, if you report an adjusted gross income of \$20,000, you can deduct medical expenses that are above \$1,000. That's not new. What is new is that you can now include the cost of un reimbursed prescription drugs and insulin when you file.

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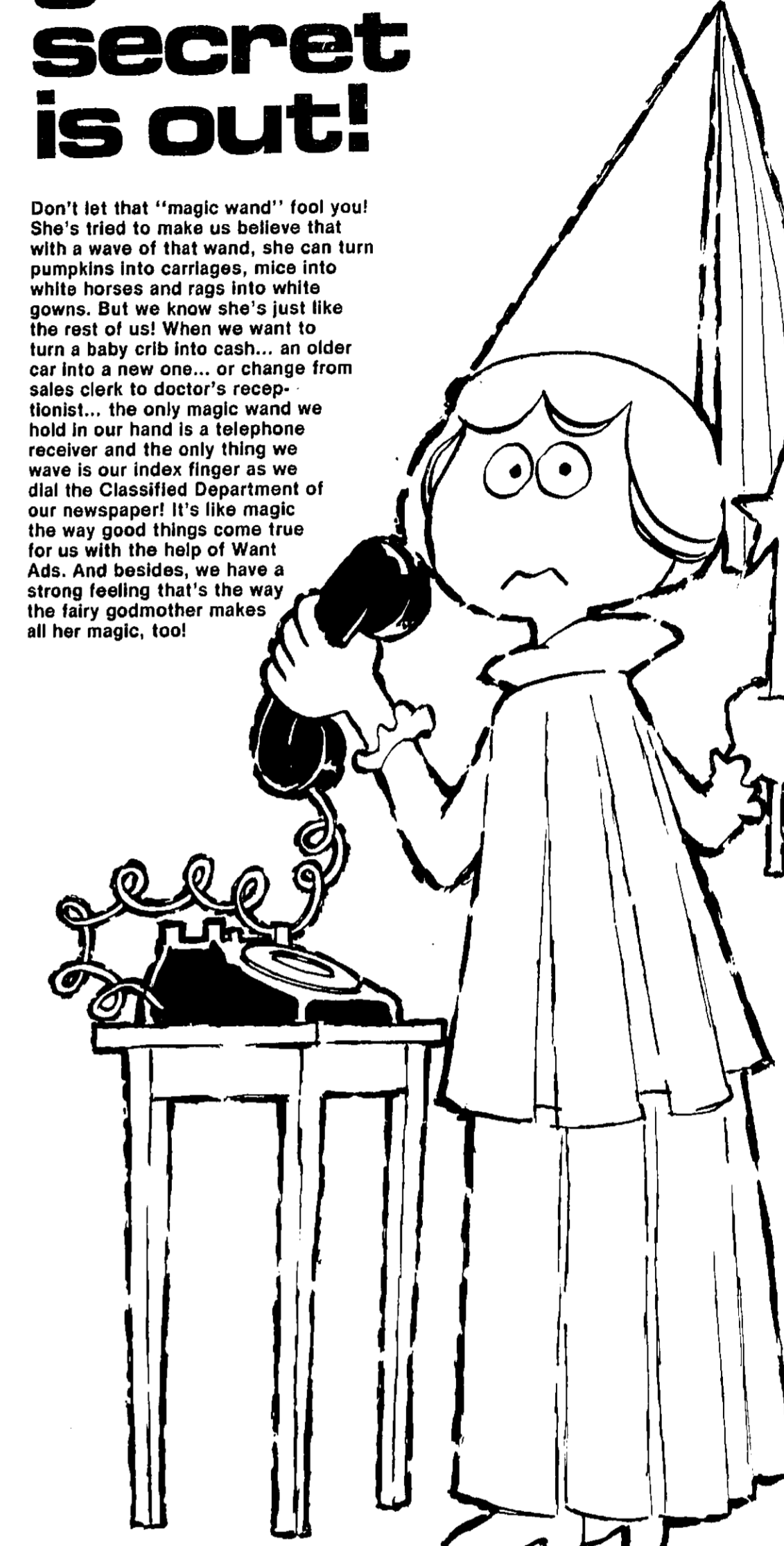
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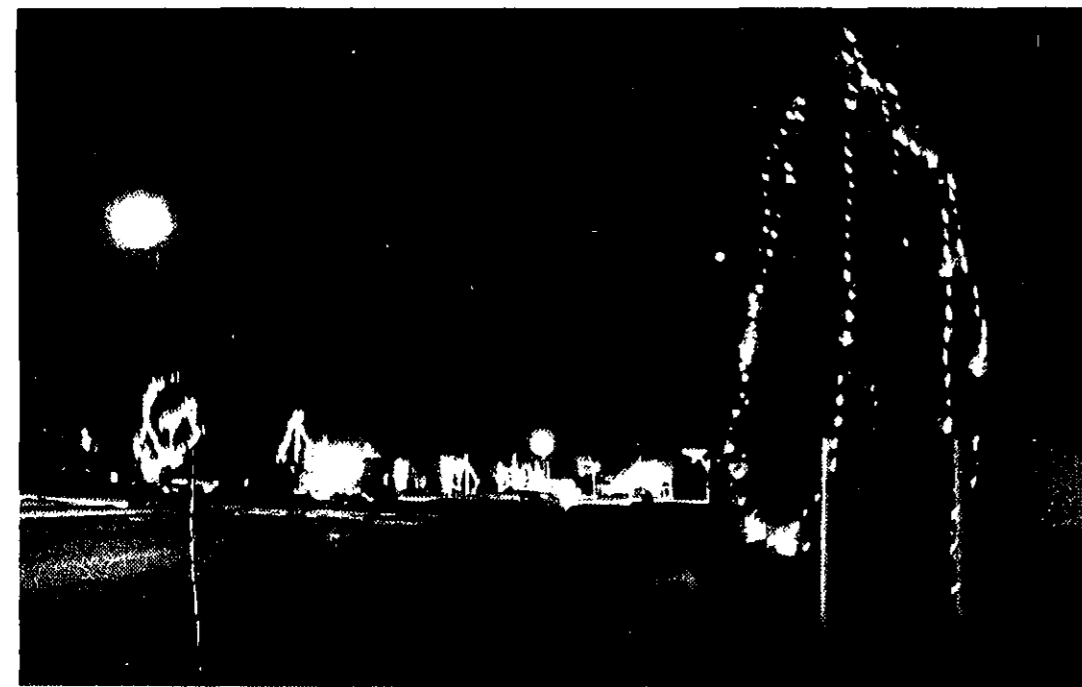
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LOCATION

- Of centralmost geographical location, the City of Walled Lake is located 40 minutes (26 miles) from downtown Detroit; 1 1/2 hours (65 miles) from Lansing, the State Capital; 45 minutes from Metropolitan Airport; 40 miles from Ann Arbor; and only 40 minutes from Flint.
- Michigan toll-free expressways 1-800-196 and 1-275 provide the world's largest interchange within a five minute drive from the City.
- Located within a radius of eight miles resides approximately 161,519 persons deriving indirect services from Walled Lake in the form of Walled Lake Schools Administrative Offices, State of Michigan Department of Social Services Offices, Walled Lake U.S. Post Office, 52nd District Court, nine churches representing most denominations, and 254 Merchants and Businesses offering a full complement of goods and services.

CHARACTER

- Involved Citizens provide a stable base for growth and provision of community services.
- The historical and present rural characteristics are a strong influence on the character of the community.
- The biggest asset of the City is Walled Lake itself, and its natural beauty and dynamic government make this one of the most desirable communities for Residential, Recreational, Commercial and Industrial growth.

INDUSTRY

- Industrial growth has paralleled residential growth with National and International firms located in the Walled Lake area: Excelco, Gow Toys, Doctors, S & H Fabricating, Pioneer Precision, Davis Iron Works, Williams International Key International Manufacturing.
- Walled Lake Economic Development Corporation welcomes and respects confidential inquiries.

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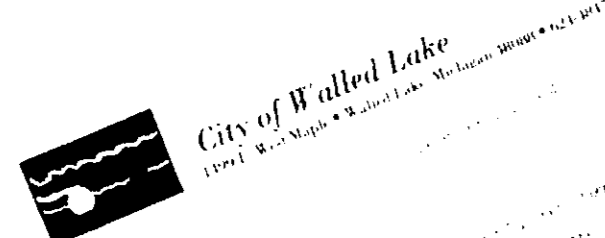
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- Private Ambulance Service is also available. Emergency run from Maple Road and Pontiac Trail ranges from two to 20 minutes with six area hospitals available.

LIBRARY

The newly expanded and remodeled Walled Lake City Library serves patrons not only in the City of Walled Lake, but also, by contract, serves Commerce Township and as a member of the Wayne Oakland Library Federation (WOLF) has reciprocity with several area communities. The library contains approximately 28,000 volumes. However, by its membership with WOLF, library patrons through an inter-library loan policy, have access to several member libraries: Detroit Public Library, and the library of Wayne State University. Walled Lake City Library's own collection are books for early juvenile readers, juvenile and adult fiction and non-fiction, reference and large print books. Other library materials for loan include adult and juvenile tapes, a wide variety of periodicals, foreign language tapes, college catalogs, juvenile puzzles, a photocopier, and area topographical maps. Through the library's affiliation with WOLF patrons have access to Sam's photo-facts, free film rental service to organizations, and copies of forthcoming and recent legislation. Senior citizens are served not only by Walled Lake City Library collections housed at the Richardson Community Center and the Walled Lake Villa but by special arrangement a homebound service. Extra library activities include workshops for adults, children's programs and a monthly children's film program. A children's pre-school story hour is also offered.

RECREATION

- Five parks incorporating 15 acres.
- Walled Lake Recreation programs for Senior Citizens and others.



Pride in our past... Faith in our future

SUGAR BOWL: When Michigan played Auburn in the 50th annual Sugar Bowl, Governor James Blanchard wanted to send a gift so he commissioned Sheraton Oaks to prepare a giant (40-by-36 inch) replica of the Sugar Bowl trophy. Using more than 100 pounds of Michigan sugar, Sheraton Oaks Pastry Chef Michael Baugh created the sugar-coated trophy and accompanied it to New Orleans where it was unveiled at a New Year's Eve Party.

GOING, GOING ... The D & C Department Store, a fixture in Walled Lake for nearly 30 years, closed its doors February 1 after being unable to re-negotiate another lease in the Maple Plaza.

"It was the best darn store in 50 miles," protested one regular shopper, sifting through "Going out of business" sale bargains.

STRAIGHT TALK: Former New Jersey cop and drug crusader David Toma brought his message to Novi High School students in January, thanks to the efforts of the People Who Care Committee and contributions from various service groups.

His message: "If you do drugs and drink you're eventually going to kill yourself. If you stay clean, you'll survive."

ON THIN ICE: Novi Police Chief Lee BeGole found himself on thin ice in February — literally. While enforcing a newly-enacted Ice Shanty Ordinance, BeGole hit a soft spot approximately 100 yards off shore and went through. Novi's chief law enforcement officer was rescued immediately, wet from head to toe... but unharmed.

AND THE WINNER IS ... Joseph Toth received the 1983 Distinguished Service Award (DSA) from the Novi Jaycees in February for his years of service on

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Roberts: Musical

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numerous city and school committees. Outstanding Citizen awards were presented to Linda Crawford, Cindy Dove, Patricia Koneda and Joella Shulman. Kenneth Meier was named outstanding police officer. Douglas Chisholm was cited as outstanding firefighter and Melissa Haltom was named outstanding youth.

FRENCH CONNECTION: Twenty-six Walled Lake students had a chance to live and study through a "Back to Back" exchange program sponsored by the Walled Lake Schools. Twenty-six French students arrived in Walled Lake in February, and the 26 Walled Lake students traveled to Paris in May.

WEST POINTER: Eric Schuster, a 1984 Novi High School graduate, was appointed to the United States Military Academy at West Point. He became a cadet when classes started in July.

HONORED: Wendell Allen of the Walled Lake Action Committee of the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce was honored for his efforts in organizing Winterfest '84, a two-day festival on Walled Lake that drew an estimated 7,000 people to the community.

COVER GIRL: Wolverine Lake's Shannon Lang, 16, was named "Winter Cover Girl," "Miss Radiance" and "Debutant Model" at Lidia Productions' beauty and talent competition in March. She also was head majorette for the Walled Lake Western marching band in the fall.

SUPER SPELLER: KRISTA WEBORG, an eighth grader at Walled Lake Junior High School, correctly spelled "quizzically" to win the regional spelling bee championship.



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BUT NOT FORGOTTEN: Two of Novi's leading citizens passed away during 1984. Florence Harris died April 12 at the age of 75 and John Richter died October 9 at the age of 82.

Owner of the Rosewood Diner for more than 30 years, Mrs. Harris had been an organizing member of the Novi Chamber of Commerce and Novi Historical Society. Mr. Richter, a lifelong Novi resident, was revered for his knowledge about the city's history.

LOCAL LUMINARIES: The Commerce Township Sesquicentennial Committee decided to honor three "Citizens of the Year" in conjunction with its celebration of the township's 150th birthday.

Co-recipients of the "Citizen of the Year" award were **Lionel Eastly** and **Mary Weborg**. **Wayne Yeokum**, owner of the Bubble 'n Squeak Tavern, was named "Businessman of the Year."

SPECIAL PERSON: During World War II, she built jet bombers in Willow Run. But from 1956-84 she helped build the minds of learning disabled children in the Novi Schools.

Ruth Rickard, special education teacher at Orchard Hills Elementary School, was named "Teacher of the Year" by the Oakland County Educators of the Learning Disabled. She received the award in May, one month before retiring in June.

"FISHER OF MEN:" Making the Biblical admonition her life's purpose, Walled Lake's **Mary Kupovits** was one of 10 citizens throughout the state to receive the **Volunteer Leadership Award** from Governor James Blanchard during Michigan Week.

Best known for her work with the Walled Lake Fish program, Kupovits typically credited everyone but herself for the organization's service to the area's needy families.

DOUGH BOYS: When Novi needed a special birthday cake for its sesquicentennial cake, they knew where to go — to **Sheraton Oaks Executive Chef Remy Berdy**.

Using 100 pounds of flour, 1,000 eggs and 75 pounds of butter, the Sheraton Oaks culinary team delivered a seven-foot birthday cake that fed 1,000 to 1,500 residents who attended the city's 150th birthday party.

I SCREAM, U SCREAM... National recognition was afforded the **Guernsey Dairy** in Novi when **People Magazine** named its butter pecan ice cream one of the five best special flavors in the United States.

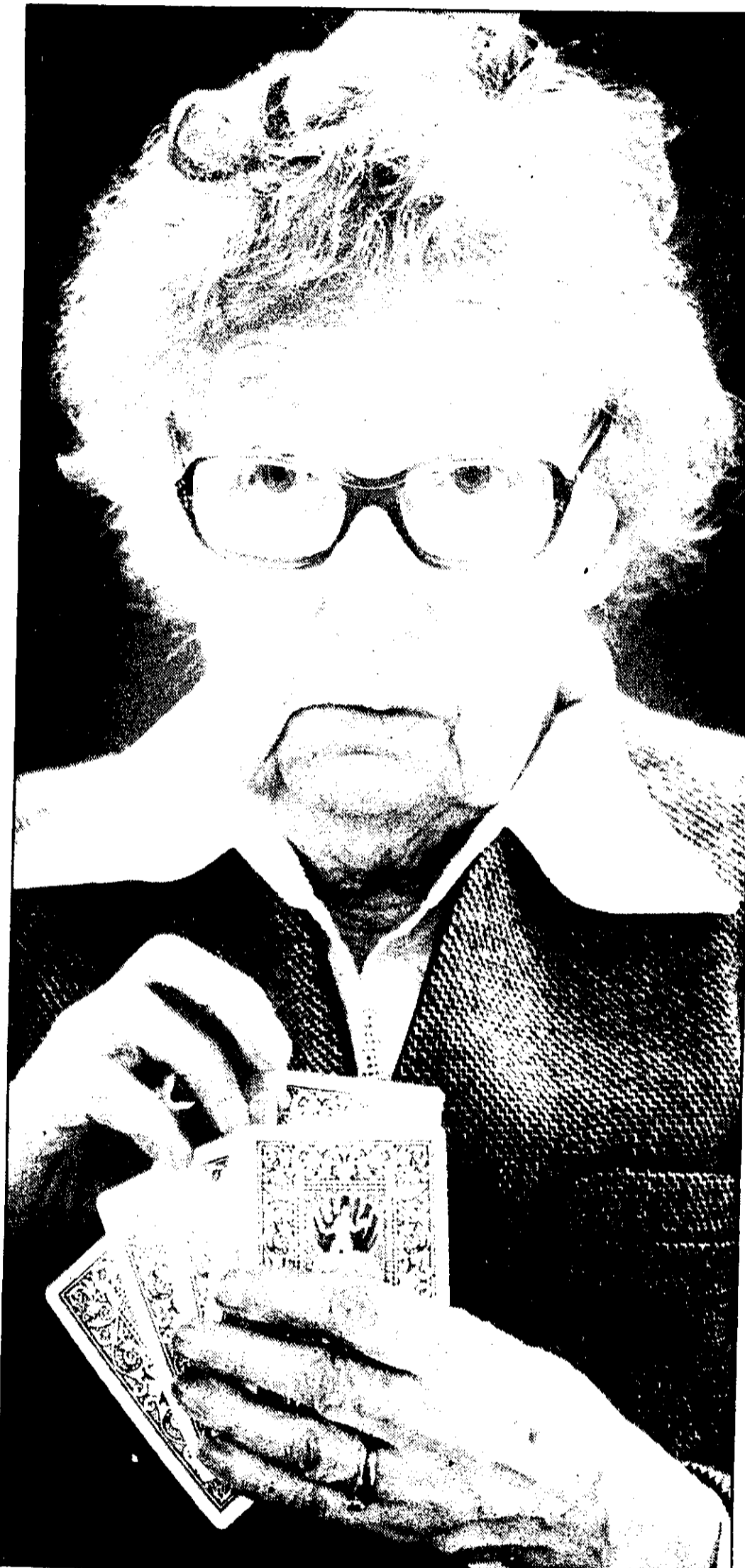
Guernsey's **Marty McGuire** explained that he uses the same recipe his father developed more than 40 years ago.

VALS AND SALS: Local high schools announced their valedictorians and salutatorians prior to June commencement exercises.

At Novi, **Kevin O'Connell**, **Heather Spafford** and **Linda Chasse** shared valedictory honors, while **Eric Schuster** was class salutatorian. At Western, **Donna Hageman** and **Melissa Meichlor** were valedictorians; **Annette Cary** was salutatorian. And at Central, **Kirsten Carlson** and **Margaret Linder** were valedictorians; **Nathan Amos** was salutatorian.

THANKFUL: That's what **Paul Killick** said he was after receiving his Novi High School diploma in a wheelchair. While swimming in the ocean in Florida during April, Killick dove into a wave, hit the bottom and broke his neck. The accident left him paralyzed from mid-chest down.

With the help of a tutor, he was able to finish his studies and earn his diploma.



Carlsson: Poker face



Schneider: Top shot

He said he was thankful for all the support he had received from family, friends and teachers.

MISS TEENAGER: **Andrea Bowes** captured the title of **Miss Michigan Teenager** the night before she graduated from Novi High School on June 10.

She said she was "in shock" when announced as the winner of the state pageant and competed in August for the national title in Florida.

GALA BIRTHDAY: Novi's **Frank Selle** knows how to celebrate birthdays. On the occasion of his 99th natal day, he was the special guest of the Novi Jaycees at Gala Days and rode the ferris wheel, merry-go-round and took a helicopter ride.

For his 100th birthday, Selle is angling for a ride on the Space Shuttle.

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN: **John Marshall**, vice president of the Goodard-Talmay Insurance Agency in Walled Lake, was named "Outstanding Chamber Citizen of the Year" by the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce in June.

BOAT PARADE: **Jerry Dalka** and **Lois Herman** claimed first place honors in Wolverine Lake Village's annual July 4 boat parade. Dalka's depiction of "Ye Olde North Church" won honors in the pontoon division, while Herman's tribute to the Detroit Tigers, "Bless You Boys," was tops in the small crafts category.

ANOTHER VIEWPOINT: Upset about nuclear protests outside Williams International in Walled Lake, **Harry Patterson** and **Paul LeBlanc** of the Walled Lake-Wixom VFW Post picketed the picketers in August.

Patterson called it a counter-demonstration. "Peace demonstrators crop up in every generation," he said. "They don't do the country any good; they never prevented a war."

BOAT BUSTERS: **Tom and Judy Williams** of Novi were victimized by a gang of unruly "boat busters" in August. Returning to their home in the Whispering Meadows subdivision late one night, they discovered a 25-foot Hobie Cat catamaran sailboat floating in their swimming pool.

The couple immediately blamed the prank on neighbors and vowed revenge.

RECORD BREAKER: Walled Lake Police Officer **Paul Schneider**, not only won a national championship, he also established a new record at the International Police Olympics in Phoenix, Arizona, in August.

The muscular 225-pound cop claimed top honors in the shot put with a toss of 52-8, breaking the old record of 52-2. Athletes from 10 different nations competed in the event, according to Schneider, who twice finished second in the Big Ten Track and Field Championships while attending Michigan State University.

SUPER SENIOR: Helping others on a one-to-one basis is the quality which helped **Adelia Hagle**, 65, be named Walled Lake Community Education's Senior Citizen of the Year.

"If someone is hospitalized, she'll not only visit them, she'll find out when they are to be released and be there with a ride home," explained Senior Citizen Coordinator **Lynn Barry** about the 1984 award winner.

CERTIFIED: Wolverine Lake Village Treasurer **Fran Barber** joined the ranks of only 151 municipal employees in the United States to earn the Certified Municipal Finance Administrator creden-

tial. Barber has been village treasurer for the past 17 years.

CENTURY CLUB: **Julia Bayett**, a resident at the Beverly Manor Convalescent Home in Novi, joined the "Century Club." Mrs. Bayett, born in Yugoslavia on September 2, 1884, celebrated her 100th birthday with ice cream and cake.

MEMORIAL FUND: Captain **Barry Michael Thompson**, a 1973 Walled Lake Western graduate, was killed June 1 while piloting a Marine Super Stallion jet helicopter which crashed during maneuvers off the coast of southern California. A memorial scholarship, established in his honor, will be presented annually to a Walled Lake Western graduate.

GETTING HIGH: **Patty Smith**, a teacher at Walled Lake Elementary School, likes to get high by flying her hot air balloon. An accomplished balloonist, she twice has finished first among female competitors in the U.S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships in Iowa.

HUDSON'S KITTENS: Somebody abandoned two kittens in the Twelve Oaks Mall parking lot, but **J.L. Hudson's** employees discovered the forlorn felines living on a heavily landscaped traffic island outside package pick-up and cared for them until good homes were found for both.

GOLD WINGS: Not all motorcycle clubs are bad, according to members of the **Gold Wings Road Riders Association**, a motorcycle "gang" centered in Novi's Village Oaks subdivision.

"We just like to ride our motorcycles,"



Not bad at all

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Bowes: Miss

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explained **Tom and Ginny Mowbray**. Gold Wings do admit to engaging in such activities as family picnics and working for charitable causes, however.

ORANGE THUMBS: Who says man can't live off the soil. The **David Kott** family of Novi earned the admiration of their Village Oaks neighbors for raising pumpkins, including an 87-pounder, out-

side their home. The Kotts are shooting for a 100-pounder next year.

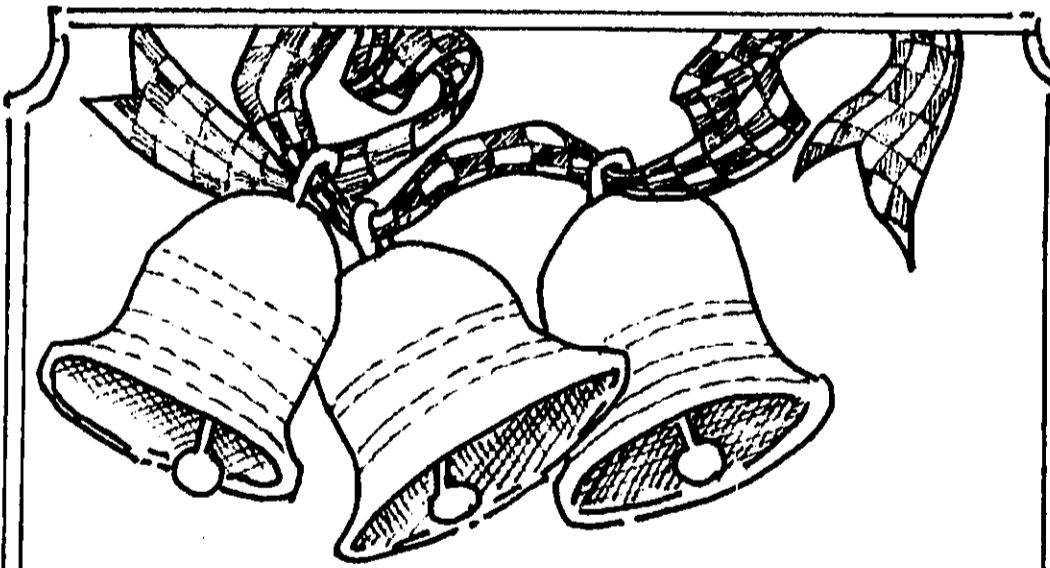
MUSICAL VET: When he isn't caring for animals at the Walled Lake Veterinary Hospital, **Dr. David Roberts** likes to write musical comedy. His latest effort, "A Touch of the Tansy," was produced by the Franklin Village Players in October.

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As the City of Novi looks back on 1984, it will probably give the year mixed reviews.

There will be four stars for accomplishments made in bringing the Town Center closer to reality and three stars for progress on other planning fronts, but no stars for the controversy generated by some of those plans. Reviewers will agree the Dog-of-the-Year award goes to the demise of the regional sewer project known as Son of Supersewer.

Early in the year the city council turned in an award-winning performance by agreeing to adopt an ordinance regulating the commercial area surrounding Grand River and Novi Road, known as the Town Center. The ordinance was designed to be flexible enough to allow development and at the same time prohibit development which is incompatible with plans for the area.

The Town Center zoning was approved, resigned property owners listened quietly. Although the zoning district had drawn much opposition when first proposed, there were few negative comments when it was adopted and some property owners who had not been included in the district even asked to have their property rezoned.

Planning for the Town Center continued when the city hired Zuchelli, Hunter and Associates (ZHA) in May to study the area.

ZHA told the city that hotel, office and retail development will be most likely to develop in the Town Center in the next five years. The Town Center concept presented to the city included plans for each quadrant in the intersection, but focused on the northeast quadrant, where ZHA expected development to occur soonest.

Calling for development that is "clearly suburban," the plan included a plaza through the middle of the development,

leading to a common area. A hotel would be located at one end of the common area, restaurants would be on one side and offices on the opposite side of the common area. An off-price retail mall, two or three shopping centers and a residential development were all part of the concept presented by ZHA.

The planning consultants also told the city that one of six ways to foster development in the Town Center was by locating city hall there. As the city had planned to put city hall on Ten Mile for the past 11 years, the recommendation stirred up a controversy that was not resolved by mid-December. The Novi Library Board took the council to task for considering the ZHA proposal, but members of the planning board supported investigating the idea further.

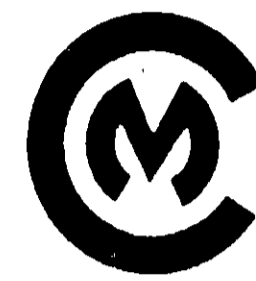
Although the ZHA Town Center concept met initial approval, at year's end the council was raising concerns over certain aspects of the plan. Objections were raised about the amount of proposed parking, the perceived lack of pedestrian orientation, a strip of fast-food restaurants on Novi Road and a general lack of innovation in the plan.

In a related matter, Harley, Ellington, Pierce, Yee and Associates were appointed architects for the civic center building in June. They agreed to design the building for \$15,000.

One of the year's four-star events was a decision to amend the master plan and rezone 71 acres of property at Eight Mile and Haggerty Road for the expansion of Orchard Hill Place office park. Without the rezoning, single-family homes would have been developed on the property.

The rezoning was approved on the condition that deed restrictions between the office park development and adjacent subdivision would be signed.

At Eight Mile and Haggerty Road, buildings started popping from the



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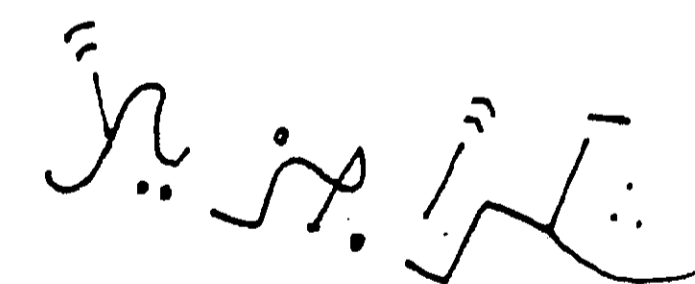
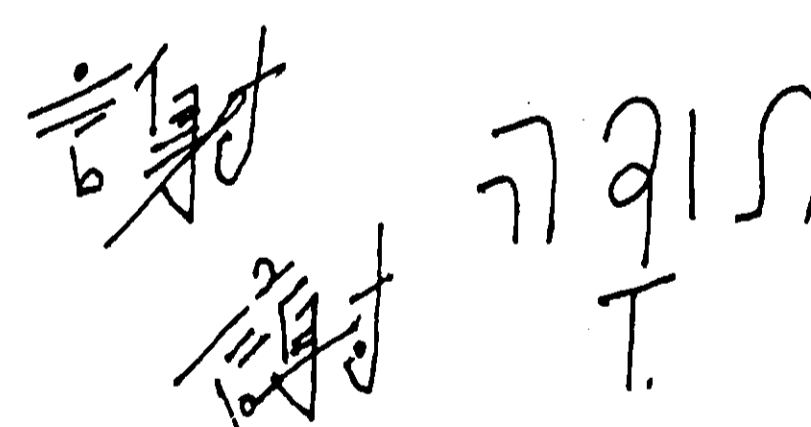
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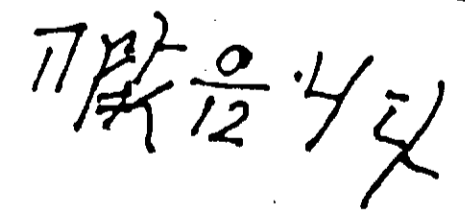
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ground. When the seventh floor was built, the Hilton Hotel had its topping-off party. And the neighboring Elias Brothers and McDonald's restaurants went up — but not without a fight. Work on the Elias Brothers was halted after planners were alerted to a potential traffic problem created by four driveways within 450 feet of Eight Mile. A traffic study was conducted and a plan developed allowing both restaurants to build.

In another of the year's planning achievements, the council and planning board approved a new alignment for East Lake Drive and South Lake Drive. The new road alignment surrounds 12.5 acres of city-owned property that has 900 feet of frontage on Walled Lake. The road alignment was the culmination of more than two years work by the city as it attempted to take heavy traffic from East Lake Drive and reroute it to Decker Road. In August, Oakland County gave the city jurisdiction of East Lake Drive.

Throughout the year a citizen's committee planned the use of the 12.5 acres on the lake. Two conceptual plans proposed by the Oakland County Planning Division, a maritime village and a lodge, met with the committee's favor. Both plans included a hotel, restaurant, small shops, board walk and boat slips. At year's end, the committee was presenting those plans to developers to determine if they were economically feasible. The group expected to firm up its plans in early 1985.

Progress toward realization of a convention center came when the Federal Highway Authority approved redesign of an on-ramp to the I-96 expressway. The ramp is seen as critical to the development of Section 15, propos-



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ed expansion of Sheraton Oaks and construction of the convention center. It also would improve traffic to Twelve Oaks and West Oaks.

Sewer capacity problems which the city thought were neatly tied-up came undone in September when the Environmental Protection Agency rejected a grant application for the \$120



25 years

million regional sewer project known as Son of Super Sewer.

The city decided to sue the EPA, charging that Novi's right to plan and develop were being violated. The lawsuit said the EPA acted arbitrarily when it refused to approve the grant application. When Wayne County filed its own lawsuit against the federal agency, Novi dropped its claim.

At year's end the city was studying various ways to provide sewer service to future development.

As a result of the uncertainty regarding the city's ability to send more sewage downstream, the city's planning focus changed. The position of community development director was restructuring to planning coordinator, shifting the focus from seeking development to selective recruitment and overseeing plans as they are presented.

In one of the "mixed-reviews" events of the year, the Department of Public

Works maintenance building went from the planning stages to near completion. But getting to that stage wasn't easy. The city expected to pay \$1.4 million for the building, but bids came in \$250,000 over budget. When contingencies were added, the anticipated overrun rose to nearly \$300,000. By cutting approximately \$130,000 worth of items from the project, the city was able to bring the cost back in line.

Reviewers of 1984 will give a thumbs-up to the declaration that the annexation of Novi Township is finished. The 13-year-old annexation case ended when Ingham County Circuit Court upheld a 1982 decision by the Michigan Boundary Commission ordering annexation. The end of the suit, brought by resident William B. Chase, means status quo for the seven parcels of Novi Township that have been treated as portions of the city since 1979.

A \$5 million budget, up \$430,000 from the previous year, was approved by the council in May. Before approving the budget, the city council pared \$73,000 from the proposed spending plan. When adopted, the budget called for collection of \$2.5 million in property taxes.

A group of citizen's looking ahead to the future formed the Novi Land Conservancy during 1984. The private, non-profit corporation was established to inform property owners of tax incentives and advantages available to people who donate land to the conservancy.

Concern over the way Novi will look in the future also prompted adoption of two ordinances in 1984. The council approved a plan requiring builders to use materials from a list of exterior building materials. The list contains different building materials for different zoning districts. It also differentiates between major and minor materials — minor materials are used as accents.

The second ordinance dealt with the screening of dumpsters. Notices were sent to 205 dumpster-owners informing them they could be found in violation of the city's trash collection ordinance if dumpsters were not screened. The notice drew howls of opposition from dumpster-owners, and the council agreed to look at it a second time. Ultimately, the regulations were not eased, but the council agreed to allow an appeal board to grant relief in cases where dumpster screens are part of an overall development.

For the first time the city decided to charge non-residents for using Lakeshore Park. Residents were admitted free, but non-residents were charged \$2.

During 1984, voters amended the city charter to eliminate local primary elections except in cases where the number of candidates is less than three times the number of positions to be filled. By a vote of 630 to 466, some 1,395 of the city's 15,079 registered voters approved the charter amendment. Future elections are now subject to a court challenge, since the attorney general's office says the new charter language violates state election law.

One of six major drainage projects, approved as part of the citywide drainage program, was for the most part completed with the dredging of Meadowbrook Lake to a depth of 12 feet. The project was expected to exceed the \$1 million bid price, but still come in under the \$1.4 million budget. Council members increased the cost of the project by deciding to remove an island from Meadowbrook Lake at a cost of \$140,000.

The master plan, which is the basis of the citywide drainage program, was highly decorated during 1984, receiving a first place award in the Michigan Municipal League Competition, the Michigan Society of Planners and top honors in the statewide competition of the Consultant Engineering Council of Michigan.

CITY OF NOVI



The City of Novi is enjoying a sustained period of growth and development. While we feel very fortunate to be in this position, we are also committed to ensuring that this development is consistent with our goal of building a quality community.

Building a quality community requires its own recipe, and like any recipe it depends on certain key ingredients.

The following examples are but a few illustrations of what we feel it takes to build a quality community.

THE TEAM CONCEPT

For the City of Novi, the Team concept is more than a "buzzword" or a motto, it is a way of life. It is a commitment to open up the process of government, and to involve all the elements of our community in the decision making process. The Novi Special, a restored race car serves as a symbol of this philosophy.



CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

One of Novi's greatest resources is its multitude of dedicated and hard working residents. These individuals donate long hours to a variety of boards and committees, which play an active role in the City of Novi.



The Civic Center Planning Committee is but one example. This group will have spent over two years planning for this new facility, by November 1985, when it is scheduled to be before the voters.

IMAGINATION

When the City of Novi began the project of realigning the Novi Road, South Lake Drive, East Lake Drive intersection a few years ago, it only intended to realign the configurations of these roads. However, when the opportunity presented itself we had the vision to see the future potential for this property and the Lakeshore Planning Committee was born.



This group, combining area residents, City officials and staff members, has in cooperation with the Oakland County Planning Department developed a number of conceptual plans.

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

Novi enjoys a large number of highly active Civic Clubs, who are involved in a variety of community service projects. The Novi Jaycees who sponsor the City's Gala Days are but one example.



The construction of the Lake Shore Park picnic shelter, by the Lions Club, in cooperation with Novi Parks & Recreation, is another example of the work of our Civic Clubs.

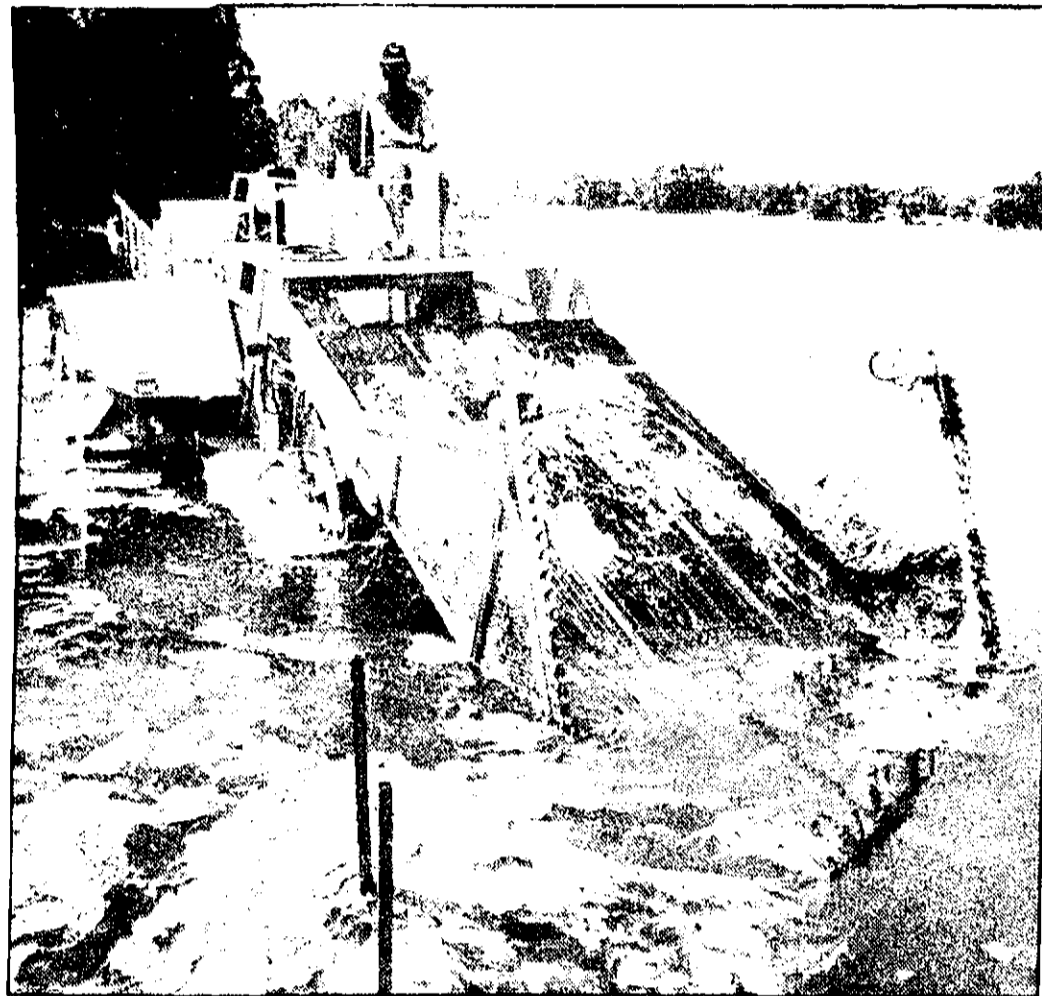
COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

This is the determination to set our sights high that is evident in the work of Novi officials, staff members, citizens, the business community, and our City consultants. Perhaps the single best example of this commitment in action is the City's Stormwater Management Master Plan.

This ambitious program was developed by a large citizens committee, City staff members, and JCK, our consulting engineers.



It has been widely recognized for its innovative approach to the problem of stormwater, and the flooding which it can cause. It was accorded recognition from the Michigan Municipal League as the winner of their Municipal Achievement competition. This program was the product of long hours of careful study, coupled with the determination to find a solution which would also maximize the City's natural resources, and avoid the high cost of traditional stormwater systems.



Weed harvest

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Wolverine Lake

Lake issues dominated the news in Wolverine Lake Village in 1984.

When Village Administrator John Berthold announced his goals in January, he noted the lake would remain the center of attention in the new year. Goals for 1984 included updating weed harvester equipment and providing better information to village residents on lake matters.

One lake improvement project not planned in the 1984 goals was a fishkill to weed out the overpopulation of small panfish crowding Wolverine Lake. The project was forwarded by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in March as a means of improving the population of larger game fish in the lake.

DNR fish biologist Ron Spittler presented the fishkill plan to the village council in April. The council initially supported the project, but weather conditions twice delayed the chemical application. When May rolled around and the project still had not been completed, the council voted to postpone the plan until next year.

The DNR disagreed with the council's judgement, however, and applied the chemical finrol to the lake on June 4. Village officials were forced to hurry a cleanup effort among lakefront residents as thousands of dead fish began washing up on lakefront property.

In the end the state-funded project was deemed a success by DNR officials, but the episode created more ill will between the DNR and village officials, who have been at odds for several years over issues such as lake hours and winter drawdowns.

Lake weeds were a major problem for lake-users in 1984. More than 50 residents attended a July meeting of the weed harvester committee to complain about the condition of the lake. As a result, the council agreed to operate the weed harvester from sunup to sundown, seven days a week. In addition, over \$6,000 was spent to raise the lake water level 4 1/2 inches, giving Wolverine Lake one of the highest elevations in the area during an extremely dry summer.

The council also conducted a survey among village residents asking what action, if any, they wanted the village to take to address the lake weed problem. But the results of the survey, reported to the council in September, were labeled "totally unacceptable." The majority of residents responding to the survey recommended full chemical treatment of the lake.

Council Member John Coxeter noted an algae bloom was created the last time chemicals were used on the lake weeds.

If the village continued chemical treatment, he said, instead the lake would become a swamp, he said, instead, the harvester committee recommended purchasing a new harvester or contracting out for additional weed harvesting services.

The village's Clara Miller Park gained almost as much attention as the lake in 1984. An extensive park plan was approved in January calling for more than \$50,000 in improvements. The first phase, a \$7,000 fitness trail, was being installed by year's end. Future year's projects, according to the master plan, will include a parking area, additional play equipment and a bicycle path.

The village budget received little scrutiny this year. In one budget study session, the council skimmed \$2,000 off the proposed \$738,208 spending plan, thereby reducing last year's 11-mill tax rate to 10.948.

The reduction was made possible by an increase in the village's assessed valuation this year, as well as an increase in state revenues.

While council decreased the millage, it debated increasing council pay. Council members earned \$1 each for their service to the village in 1984. But they proposed upping that reimbursement to \$5 per meeting in 1985 and future years. Members of other village boards and commissions were included in the pay proposal, which was to be placed before village voters in April 1985.

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Commerce Township

1984 was the year Commerce Township celebrated its sesquicentennial, and the year was filled with community activities marking the township's 150th birthday.

Sesquicentennial festivities were kicked off in February with a formal ball at Baypointe Country Club. Other sesquicentennial events included a Community Breakfast in May, a Nature Fun Run and Historic Homes Tour in June and a Dinner Theatre in September. A highlight of the sesquicentennial events was the dedication of Mill Race Park as a state historic site on September 22.

On the political scene, incumbent township board members handily defeated the largest number of challengers they have faced in recent years. Supervisor Robert Long, unchallenged for nearly a decade, faced opponents in the primary and general elections.

Former Walled Lake School Board Member Mario Tozzi was Long's opponent during the August primary election. After easily defeating Tozzi, Long faced Democrat Robert Kratage in the general election.

Kratage, a self-described developer, had initially become involved with residents opposed to the construction of Huron Valley Hospital. In conjunction with that, Kratage filed petitions to recall Long in February. He dropped the recall when his plans to run against Long were announced.

During the course of the campaign, Kratage made news with a "Care Bears" platform. Kratage was soundly defeated at the polls.

Voters defeated two millage proposals placed on the primary ballot. The first called for .72 of a mill for three years to develop and maintain township parks. The second proposal called for .6 of a mill to purchase additional parkland. That millage would have generated \$364,000 over two years to purchase 105 acres from the Huron Clinton Metropolitan Authority.

Members of the Lakes Area Environmental Action Group continued their nearly two-year fight against the Huron Valley Hospital as ground was broken on the project in November. The 153-bed facility, located on Sleeth Road at Benstein, is now affiliated with HGH Health systems. The hospital backers have been engaged in fighting state and federal agencies for more than a decade to get Huron Valley Hospital built.

Residents have filed a lawsuit in Oakland County Circuit Court to halt construction. The residents charge the hospital sewage treatment plant will contaminate the aquifer which provides drinking water in the area. In addition to the lawsuit, residents have joined the Oakland County Health Division in petitioning for an administrative hearing on the state-issued discharge permit.

Township officials finalized plans to sponsor a local adult foster care home. A non-profit corporation, Commerce Community Homes, was formed in an attempt to provide local input on the establishment of foster care homes and their operations.

The non-profit corporation has a citizen advisory committee and will hire an administrator to run the homes. Talks are under way with Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church about operating

the first foster care home.

In a move aimed at assisting local business and industries, the township formed a Downtown Development District (DDA). The first project of the DDA has been establishing a municipal water system. The system would allow expansion of some businesses through sprinkler systems. Other businesses are expected to realize savings on insurance premiums with sprinklers and fire hydrants.

To establish the water system, the township finalized the purchase of a 3.2 million gallon water tank from Detroit Edison on Haggerty Road. The DDA would repay the township for the purchase through tax increment financing. The water would be available in the area



Mill: Dedicated

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west of Haggerty Road between Fourteen Mile and Richardson Road.

The township will have a new 600-unit mobile home park under a consent judgment approved by the board in January. The agreement resolved litigation with Champion Mobile Homes.

The new mobile home park will be located immediately west of the existing Stratford Villa Mobile Home Park on the south side of Wixom Road. The judgment requires a 200-foot buffer on all sides of the park except south which is the Wixom boundary.

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Was it an exciting year in Wixom? Do zebras have stripes? Do bears sleep in the woods? Do panthers prowls the outskirts of suburban communities?

It was the year in which a new mayor took office, a controversial new mayor who promised sweeping changes in government. And the ensuing battles between the new administrator and the incumbent council rocked the city for months.

It was the year in which — believe it or not — an elusive black panther roaming the city's less populated areas created headlines for much of the summer.

And it was the year in which a controversial proposal to expand Wixom's **Vernon Spencer Memorial Airport** finally died and disappeared.

To understand what happened in Wixom in 1984 you have to go back to the city's general election in November of 1983. When three-term incumbent **Lillian Spencer** decided not to seek re-election in 1983, **Wayne Glessner** and **Gary Lentz** filed to replace her. Glessner, an incumbent councilman and avid supporter of airport expansion plans, represented a continuation of current goals and policies. Lentz, an "outsider," campaigned hard on a platform of change, opposing the airport. Mayoral Assistant **Stephen Bonczek** and just about everything else represented by the Spencer regime.

Lentz won the 1983 election and the stage was set for 1984.

One of Spencer's final acts was to fire longtime Clerk **June Buck** for swearing in Lentz prior to January 1 against her wishes. And one of Lentz's first official acts was to reinstate the clerk. Fired by Spencer on December 15, Buck was back in her accustomed spot in the clerk's office on January 3, in effect receiving a three-week vacation over the holidays.

The **Spencer-Buck-Lentz triangle** was just one of numerous confrontations between the new mayor and the city council during the first four months of the year.

Bonczek, who had served as Spencer's mayoral assistant since 1978, didn't need an interpreter to realize his days in Wixom were numbered with Lentz as mayor and announced his resignation January 3.

Bonczek left to accept the position of administrator/finance director with the City of Southgate, but the controversial relationship between Bonczek and the new mayor did not end there as Lentz vowed to recover a portion of the \$5,902 in severance pay received by Bonczek upon his departure.

More controversy ensued when Lentz's supporters initiated a recall campaign against longtime Councilman **Gunnar Mettala**. Lentz had accused Mettala of slandering him during the heated 1983 election campaign, and Jennifer Stamper picked up on the allegation by filing a recall petition against the veteran council member, charging him with conflict of interest and misuse of office in conjunction with a September 1983 vote in favor of tax abatement for the Korex Company, where his wife had been a bookkeeper.

Lentz began filling city offices with his own people in February. **Lillian Walker** was named deputy treasurer early in the month and **Keith Salo** was named mayoral assistant, replacing Bonczek, later in the month. Salo, 42, had been employed in the City of Detroit's finance department for 16 years before taking the Wixom job. Lentz was assisted in finding a successor for Bonczek by a three-member committee consisting of DPW Head **Robert Trombley**, Councilman **Dennis Andrews** and former Mayor **Val Vangieson**.

More controversy ensued when **Michigan State Police** were called in to investigate the Wixom Police Department after a local female resident received an **obscene letter**, which was signed



Panther busters

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by "Steve" and bore Bonczek's home telephone number. State police were summoned to investigate the suggestion that the letter had been mailed by a Wixom policeman in an attempt to defame the former mayoral assistant.

More controversy ensued in March when **John Momborg**, longtime head of the Parks and Recreation Commission, resigned after learning Lentz had contacted at least one individual about taking over his position. In a show of support for Momborg, the nine members of the commission subsequently resigned.

in protest of what they called "underhanded dealings" by Lentz.

Another resignation was announced in March when City Treasurer **Richard Lehmann** stepped down to become deputy treasurer for the City of Madison Heights. Lehmann also blasted Lentz on his departure, saying it was a "terrible disservice to the city to have someone at city hall who doesn't know how to deal with people."

Lentz subsequently named **Kevin Brady** to fill the vacancy created by Lehmann's resignation.

The three months of controversy and acrimony between Lentz and the council finally began to ebb in April. Lentz, himself, moved to end the feuding by asking his supporters to end their recall campaign against Mettala. Another controversy was cleared up when Michigan State Police concluded there was no evidence to suggest that a member of the police department had mailed obscene letters in an effort to defame Bonczek.

Lentz named nine citizens to the parks and recreation commission, and the city gradually began to return to a state of normalcy.

A two-year impasse in negotiations with the **Wixom Police Officers Association** was resolved in May with ratification of a new three-year contract calling for six percent salary increases for city patrol officers. The contract, reached in part through binding arbitration, was made retroactive to July 1, 1982.

Also in May, the council approved a \$1.96 million budget for 1984-85. The



Working out

budget was balanced through an allocation of \$166,950 from the fund equity account.

Wixom continued to make headlines during the summer. But the news was of a decidedly different variety. Just when the roaring created by the new mayor began to die down, a different type of roaring occurred.

Would you believe a **black panther** was spotted in Wixom? Well, that's what happened. The first sighting was reported in June by a 12-year-old boy living off Theodore Street near Wixom Elementary School. And numerous other sightings were logged by police throughout the year.

The panther was believed either to have been set free or have escaped from a private owner. Initially, police believed the panther to be the same animal that had been spotted in Manchester, 50 miles to the southwest, earlier in the year. But that theory was abandoned when prints of the Wixom panther were found in the rear yard of Wixom Police Chief **Philip Leonard**.

Casts of the prints were taken to a

Union Lake veterinarian specializing in large cats, who confirmed that they had been made by a large cat, probably weighing 150 pounds, according to police. Prints of the Manchester panther were decidedly smaller, leading police to believe that two panthers were on the loose in Michigan.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife officials were summoned to assist in capturing the animal and the city ultimately retained a company named **Clark's Critter Control** to trap the animal. But the trapping campaign was unsuccessful, and the animal remained at large at year's end.

Things remained relatively quiet in Wixom for the duration of 1984 with one notable exception. After three years of study, proposed plans for expanding **Spencer Memorial Airport** were pronounced "dead" early in November. Haggerty and Kowal, owners of the airport, reported that they had purchased the airfield for instructional purposes and had no plans to expand it. And an issue which had stirred headlines for the past three years was laid to rest.

It was quite a year in Wixom, alright. Ironically, the year which came in like a lion and included a prowling panther went out like a lamb.



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Year in Review '84

Walled Lake officials began 1984 with high hopes of the city being accepted into the state's **Main Street Program**, which offered planning assistance for downtown improvements. **Mayor Gaspare LaMarca** even called the city's application for the program one of the greatest accomplishments of 1983.

But City Manager **J. Michael Dornan** announced in March the city just barely missed selection for the program. Walled Lake was ranked ninth out of 90 communities that submitted applications. The 11-member Main Street committee appointed in January to study specific goals for the downtown was kept in place, but remained inactive until the end of the year when discussions of forming a **downtown development authority (DDA)** were renewed.

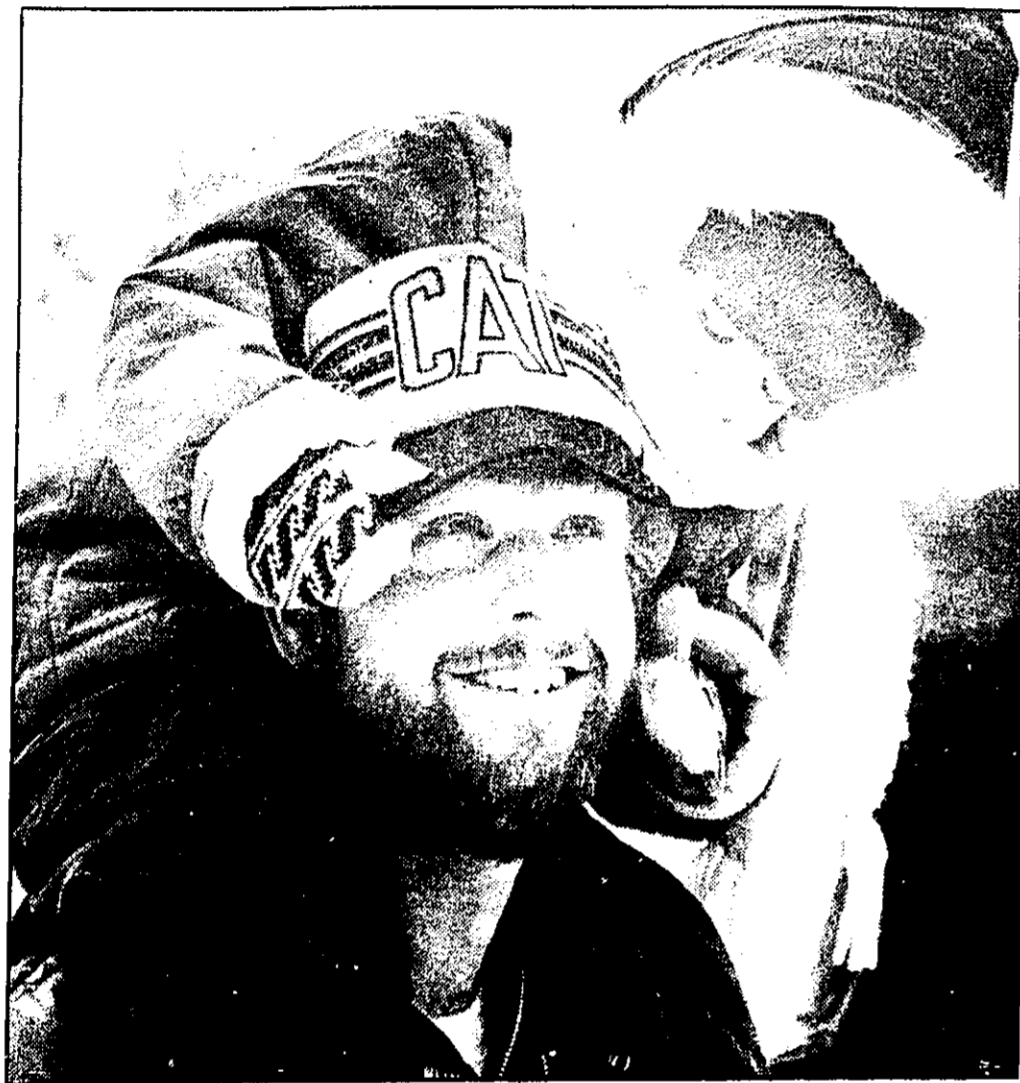
A newcomer to the Walled Lake business district was instrumental in reviving the DDA discussions. **Ginger Scobie**, owner of the **Popping Gourmet Company** on East Walled Lake Drive, spent much of the year trying to generate enthusiasm among fellow business people. She proposed promoting the lakelakefront downtown as the "**Heritage District**" of Walled Lake. When other business owners failed to jump on the bandwagon, Scobie turned her attention to the DDA proposal.

Scobie also was one of several business owners who became disgruntled over enforcement of the city's sign ordinance this year. The ordinance was tightened two years ago, sharply reducing the maximum amount of signage allowed for some businesses.

By the end of the year officials were considering re-evaluating the sign restrictions. But in the meantime they were defending the ordinance in a lawsuit against the owner of a local restaurant who refused to comply with the minimum sign requirements. While the city battled some

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Greens: Watching

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businesses over signs, it battled another over **outdoor liquor sales**. In January Copper Mug owner **Joseph (Al) Karner** was granted a hearing before the Michigan Liquor Control Commission's (LCC) appeal board on his request for outdoor liquor sales.

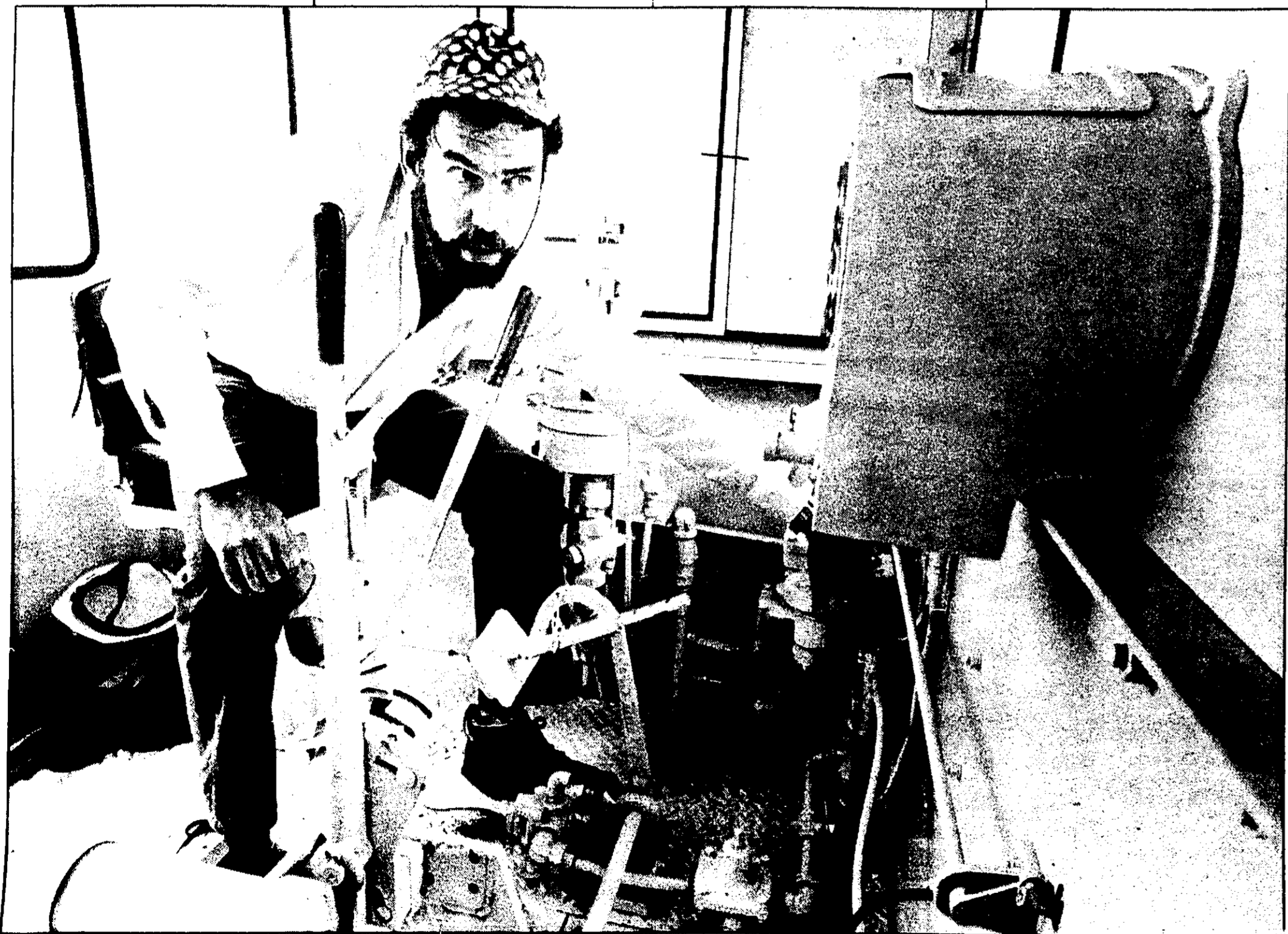
Karner's request to sell and serve liquor at four picnic tables outside his Maple Road bar was denied by the LCC at the end of last year. But after the appeal hearing in February, the LCC reversed its original order and granted the outdoor sales license. The city spent the rest of the year fighting to reverse the order again, but succeeded only in getting limited hours on the outdoor sales.

Other battles in 1984 included the one against **city park vandals**, who destroyed everything from fitness trail signs to porta-johns. When asked for additional police patrol in the park, Police Chief **Wilford Hook** said it wasn't a priority. So parks commission members took the matter into their own hands, meeting with residents of the area in October to discuss ways of curbing the destruction of city property. They proposed additional lighting and speed bumps on paved roads to deter high speed racing through the park.

Dornan suggested the council would see proposals this year for improving the situation at the park, but by mid-December none were forthcoming.

Perhaps the most prolonged battle was the one over **labor contracts**. In February Department of Public Works employees — who have been without a contract for three years — boycotted the city's "Appreciation Dinner" carrying signs reading: "We want a raise, not a feast."

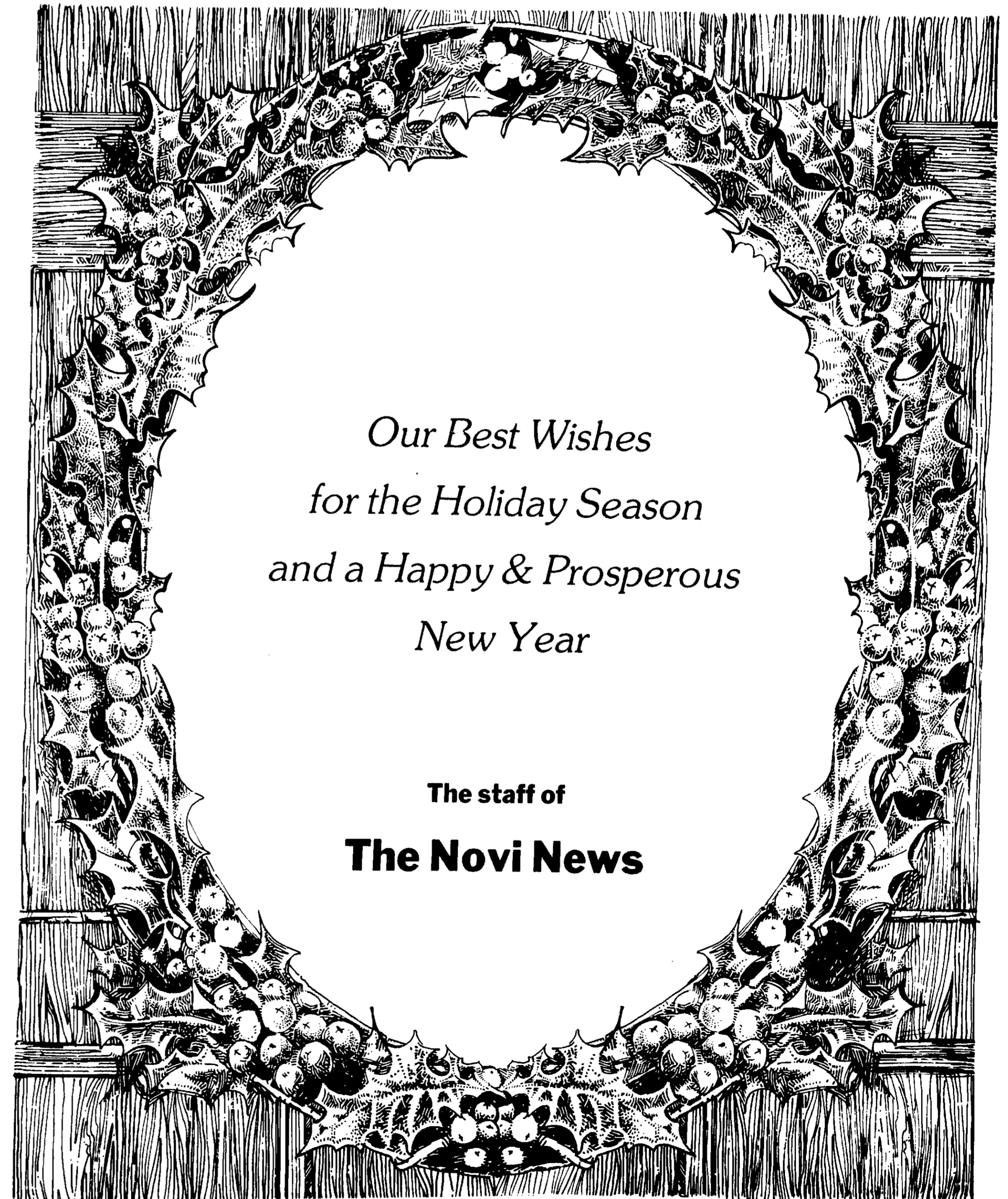
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practice suit against the city later in the year. When it was dismissed by a circuit court judge in August, all four workers on duty left work "ill" at noon.

The city's police and firefighters — who were without a contract for over a year — finally settled a three-year agreement in August. But the command officers, dispatchers, DPW and clerk's office personnel remained without contracts through mid-December. The dispatchers, like the DPW workers, had been negotiating nearly three years.

Like contract negotiations, renovation of the police department dragged on through 1984. By year's end the project, which was begun in April, still had not been completed. In mid-year the unfinished facilities contributed to the brief escape of a convicted felon being temporarily housed at the city jail.

The city council displayed its budget-cutting prowess again this year, approving a \$3 million city budget in May that called for the same tax rate as last year. One of the most significant results of 1984 budget sessions was the combining of the city manager and city treasurer positions.

Although taxes stayed the same, water rates were increased this year. After a three month debate, the council approved a 50 percent water rate hike in March. The rate adjustment was praised in the 1983-84 city audit for having improved the condition of the water fund. The auditors suggested the council consider a similar rate hike to bail out the city's sewer fund in 1985.

Steps forward in 1984 included the passing of a joint resolution with the City of Novi in June calling for construction of the third and last treatment tank at the Walled Lake sewage treatment plant. Although the cities requested expedient action on the project, at year's end an engineer still had not been assigned.



School skull

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One project that was completed in 1984 was the Fawn Lake Mobile Home Park. By December the Pontiac Trail develop-

ment was ahead of the developer's schedule in attracting residents. The most positive event for the City of

Walled Lake this year was the arrival of Coe Rail. Owner/operator Larry Coe not only maintained rail service to local business and industry, he also generated a new pride in the city among residents and a new interest in the city among non-residents. His historical train rides attracted some 3,000 people the first weekend of operation.

But as Coe came into the city, others were leaving. The most nostalgic event of the year was the closing of the D&C Department Store. The D&C was one of the first stores in Maple Plaza when it was built more than 30 years ago.

On the political scene, 1984 will probably be remembered as a big year for Republicans — on the local level as well as the national level.

But for politicians the year started out in confusion. A state redistricting plan approved at the end of 1983 would have moved Novi out of the 60th District of the State House of Representatives, represented by Willis Bullard (R-Highland), and split the city in two. The northern part of the city would have been in the 69th District, the southern portion in the 36th District.

But by the end of June, area politicians and election officials were scrambling in reaction to the Michigan Supreme Court's 7-0 determination that the apportionment plan was unconstitutional. The decision came just weeks before the August 7 primary election and the filing deadline for state legislative seats was extended as a result.

In the 24th District Democratic primary Marvin Surowitz defeated and went on to face political newcomer. But the race really was decided when incumbent (R-Commerce) lost the primary election to Honigman (R-West Bloomfield).

The race was a hostile one with Honigman charging that McGee acted improperly while serving as a state legislator. Honigman claimed as the race unfolded that he found dissatisfaction with McGee that fueled his campaign. Apparently, that dissatisfaction, along with a healthy chunk of money, (Honigman heavily outspent his opponent), was enough to unseat McGee. Districtwide, McGee was defeated 2,962 to 3,291.

Incumbents in Commerce Township races faced opposition for the first time in years but still managed to carry the day. Supervisor Robert Long returned to office easily. In the primary, Long outpolled challenger by a margin of 1,390 to 622. Robert Kratage was unopposed for the Democratic nomination for supervisor in the township primary.

Township Treasurer Patrick Dohany was unopposed in both the primary and general elections, and the race for township clerk was decided among three Republican hopefuls in the primary when incumbent Debra Gray received 1,012 votes to beat out challengers Nancy Sparks and Becky Harkey, who received 634 and 284 votes, respectively.

The race for four seats on the township board also was decided in the August primary. Eight Republican candidates filed for the township board, but when primary ballots were totaled the four incumbents — Richard Higginbotham, Bruce Enfield, Warren Williams and Edward Holmes — had been returned to office.

In other primary races, incumbent William Caddell retained the Republican nomination for the 25th District Oakland County Commissioner's seat with an easy victory over Stephen Rosman.

In Novi, the nature of local elections changed in August when voters decided to reduce the number of local primaries. In a tight turnout, voters decided to amend city charter provisions regarding primary elections. Voters decided primaries will be held only when there are three times as many candidates as offices to be filled.

The primary in Novi was otherwise uneventful. There were no local races on the ballot and the Republican and Democratic candidates for U.S. Congress, State House of Representatives, and Oakland County Commission were unopposed.

During the general election there appeared to be signs that the GOP influence in Novi is increasing. Novi voters returned all their elected representatives to office by significant margins. Congressman William Broomfield (R-18th District) State Representative Willis Bullard Jr. (R-60th District) and Oakland County Commissioner John Calandro (R-

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Politics



Long: Big win



Caddell: No sweat

24th District) were all easy winners. For the fourteenth time, voters returned Broomfield to office, giving him a win over Vivian Smargon. Bullard whipped Glenn Betts. And Calandro outpolled phantom challenger William Brinker.

Republican incumbent 25th District Oakland County Commissioner G. William Caddell received 6,295 votes to beat Democratic challenger Michael Hughes 2,558 votes.

In the Commerce Township's supervisor race, Long walked away with an easy victory. Challenger Kratage took just 26 percent of the vote and did not carry a single precinct.

In the big story of the presidential election year, voters nationwide gave incumbent Ronald Reagan a landslide victory. Novi voters also supported Reagan in a big way, giving him 8,484 votes to Walter Mondale's 2,741.

The story was the same in Walled Lake where Reagan captured about 72 percent of the vote. In Walled Lake's two precincts, 536 votes were cast for Walter Mondale and 1,284 were cast for Reagan. In Commerce Township Reagan received 75 percent of the votes cast.

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Novi Schools

Pick one word to describe the Novi Community School District in 1984 and it probably is "excellence."

It's not necessarily that school officials claim to have attained excellence, but that they have established "excellence" as a goal to be attained in the years ahead.

The most significant event of the year was the presentation of the report from the "Novi Task Force on Excellence in Education" in May.

The 31-member task force, co-chaired by Joel Colliau and Kathleen Chiasson, worked six months, examining all aspects of the school district, before submitting its report and recommendations for attaining excellence in education.

Submitted at a special meeting in May, the 24-page document contained recommendations for making the Novi Community Schools "the premier public K-12 school district, not just in Oakland County, but in Michigan and the United States."

The task force's report was submitted at a time when increased attention was being focused on the quality of education throughout the United States as a result of a Presidential Report entitled "A Nation at Risk," which warned that educational standards have fallen significantly in recent years.

Novi officials noted with some pride that their own task force had been established before release of the Presidential Report and that many of the recommendations in "A Nation at Risk"

for improving education already had been accomplished.

Perhaps the most important of the task force's recommendations was the proposal to increase the high school graduation credit requirement from 19 to 21 with 15½ of those credits being required courses of study.

Moving quickly, the school board accepted the suggestion and raised the graduation requirement to 21 for 1984's incoming freshman class. Meanwhile, the high school staff was investigating the suggestion as to which of those 15½ credits should be requirements.

Other recommendations made by the task force also were under study as the year came to an end.

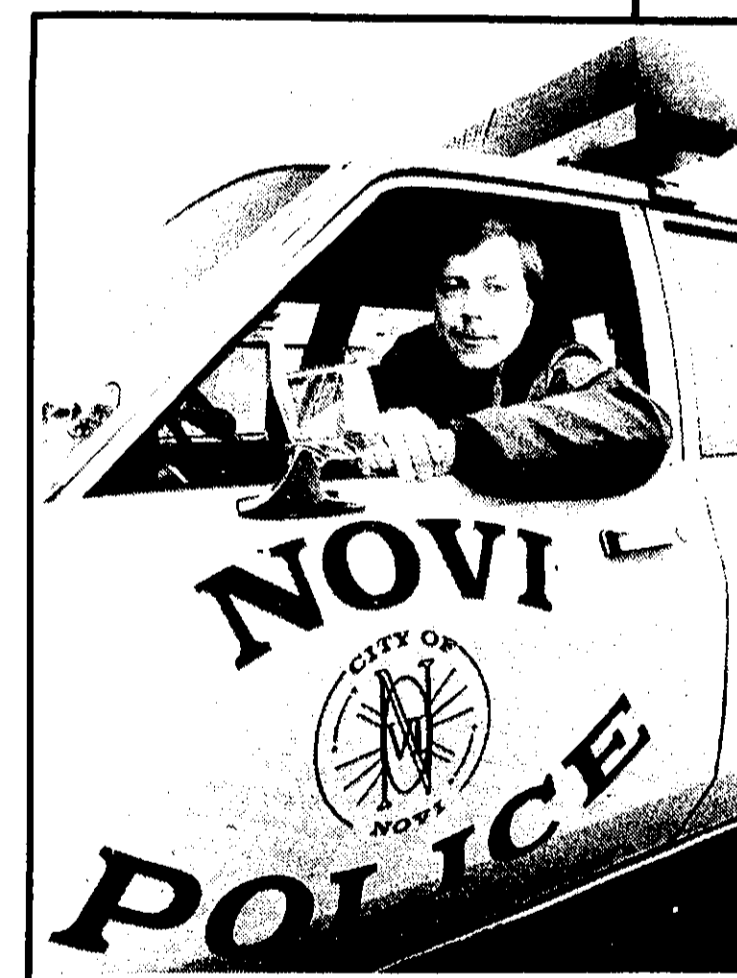
Despite the emphasis on attaining excellence in the years ahead, there was ample evidence that the Novi Schools already are doing a highly respectable job of providing education when the results of the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) were announced in November.

Novi's fourth, seventh and tenth graders had scored high on the 1983 MEAP tests, but officials were delighted when the 1984 results came in even higher. In fact, 1984 MEAP results were the highest in the district's history.

Fourth graders scored 87.3 percent in mathematics and 94.7 in reading; seventh graders scored 90.9 percent in math and 96.5 in reading; and tenth graders scored 88.9 percent in

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mathematics and 93.7 percent in reading. The 1984 MEAP results marked the first time in history that Novi students had scored in the 90th percentile in five of the six categories measured in the statewide testing program.

As might be expected in a school district which has some of the highest MEAP results in the state and establishes a goal of being the premier district in the nation, things generally ran smoothly throughout the year.

There were a few customary complaints about bus routes, but the closest thing to a controversy occurred in May when a group of parents from the Orchard Hills Elementary School claimed that their building, the oldest in the district, was not well maintained. The criticism came weeks before an administration report on building maintenance, and improvements made at Orchard Hills during the summer were applauded by parents in September.

The public demonstrated its continued support for the school district by approving a 10½-mill/four-year renewal proposal in March by more than a two-to-one margin in March. Superintendent Robert Piwko noted that the administration and board were pleased with the "vote of confidence," adding that it would permit continued planning for the future.

In other financial news, the school board voted in June to approve a \$11.617 million general fund budget for the 1984-85 school year, an increase of \$1.13 million over estimated 1983-84 expenditures of \$10.49 million. Concurrently, the board adopted a resolution which raised the millage rate 1.98 mills from 29.99 for 1983-84 to 31.98 for 1984-85.

The budget included administrative salary increases averaging 9.7 percent. The board defended the increase on the basis that it has a strong administrative

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Peek-a-boo

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team and that teachers received a 9-10 percent pay hike.

Superintendent Piwko, whose salary was raised from \$63,708 to \$88,804, making him the eighth highest paid superintendent in Oakland County, received an outstanding evaluation from the board. On a scale of 1-5, Piwko was graded 5 (outstanding) or 4 (good) on 50 of the 51 items included in his annual evaluation. His overall evaluation — 4.7.

As usual, June was a busy month with both high school graduation and board elections. The 233 seniors who comprised the largest graduating class in history received their diplomas in June 10 commencement exercises. Kevin O'Connell, Heather Spafford and Linda Chasse shared valedictory honors, while Eric Schuster was class salutatorian. Assistant Superintendent William Barr delivered the commencement address and awarded a diploma to his son, Timothy.

In the board election, incumbents Ron Milam and Norman Miller were challenged by William O'Brien, a retired teacher and former city council member. Milam and Miller won re-election to four-year terms.

Robert Schram was elected board president for 1984-85 at the annual organizational meeting in July.

Enrollment in the Novi Schools also continued to grow in 1984. Official Fourth Friday figures in September revealed that K-12 enrollment had reached an all-time high. Specifically, the figures showed a total of 3,204 students in Novi schools — an increase of 71 students over 1983 and 18 students more than the previous high of 3,186 in 1980.

As the year wound to a close, school officials were still hard at work evaluating and implementing recommendations from the task force for excellence in education, convinced that the goal of becoming the "nation's premier public school district" was indeed obtainable.



Dahlmann welcomed

GALLOWAY

Some saw 1984 as a rebuilding year for Walled Lake Schools. Others saw it as marking the end of an era.

After a tumultuous 1983 marred by a \$1.4 million budget shortfall, long, arduous contract negotiations, a layoff and a desperate millage campaign, 1984 began with new hope. The successful millage not only restored funding for the educational program, it restored a spirit of unity within the district.

But while the district as a whole enjoyed a new sense of community, the relationship between Superintendent Don Sheldon and the Board of Education was marked by continued strife. At year end, Sheldon had six months left to his contract. The board promised action to extend or non-renew the contract in January, but 1984 ended in uncertainty.

Sheldon's status with the district clearly was the central issue for Walled Lake Schools in 1984. His annual evaluation in June contained contradictory signs from the board: high marks for performance coupled with three anonymous recommendations for non-renewal of contract.

When two new board members, Daniel McMullen and Ronald Sesvold, were seated in July, Sheldon had the possibility of a majority vote in his favor. He immediately requested a two-year extension of his contract, which would have secured his position in the district through June 30, 1987.

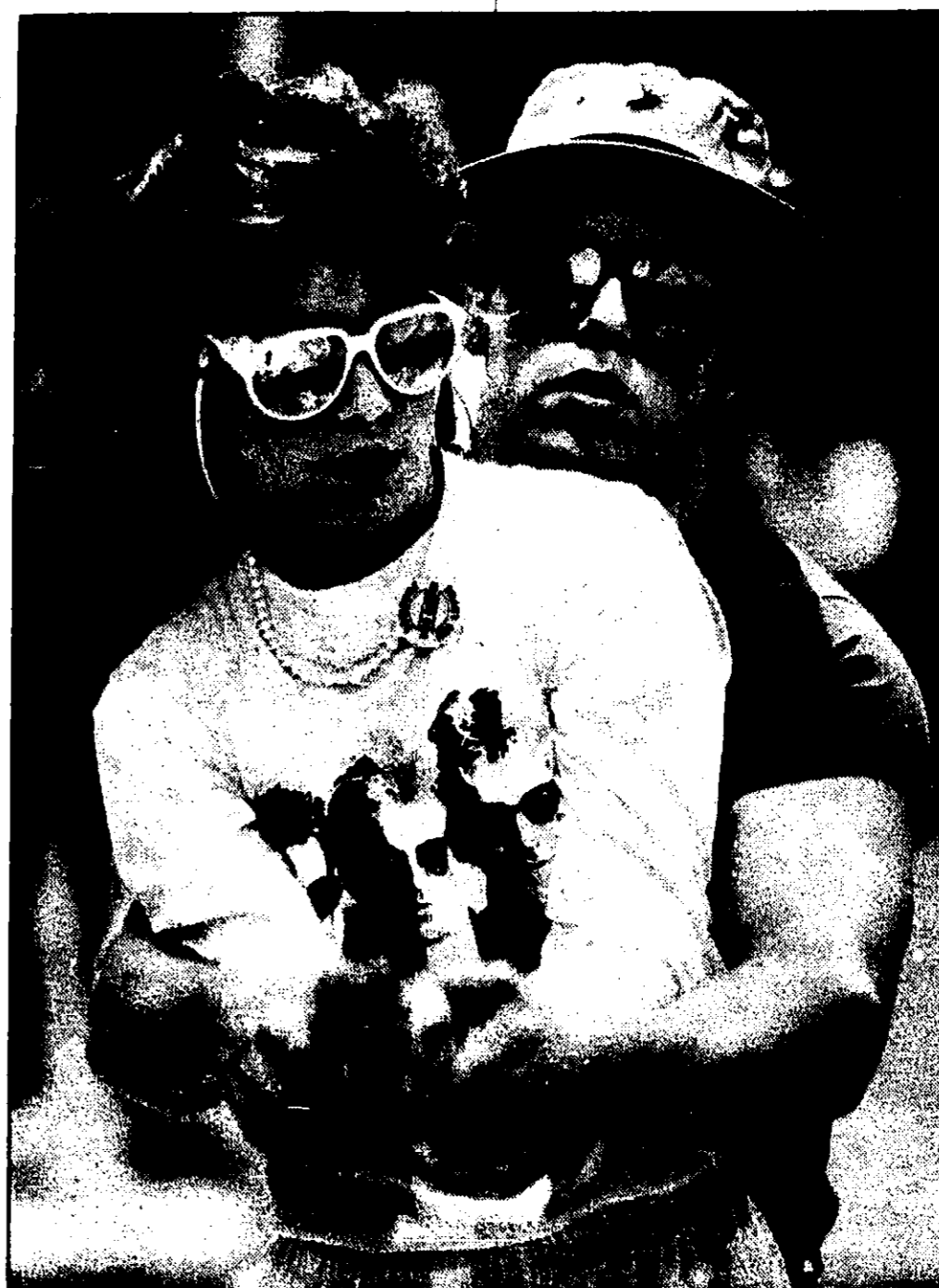
But the request put new board members in a quandary. Coming only weeks after their election, they said they were unprepared to consider the matter and it was pulled from the agenda. Later the board agreed on the January deadline for a decision on Sheldon's contract.

Board concern over Sheldon's performance first surfaced last year during his 1983 performance evaluation. Sheldon's management style drew criticism then, and again this year at a board/administrative workshop in October.

The session was designed to improve communication between the school board and administrators. But the board used the opportunity to reiterate its dissatisfaction with Sheldon's management of administrative staff. Communication problems are caused by the superintendent's pitting of board members against administrators at public meetings, the board claimed. Sheldon needs to be more accountable

1984

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and accept ultimate responsibility for the actions of his middle management, they concluded.

Although Sheldon's future with the district seemed tenuous, in October the board approved an increase in his salary, making special note that the increase was not intended to reflect any judgment on his performance. Rather, the adjustment was an effort to bring the superintendent's salary in line with others in comparable school districts.

Along with the salary increase, the board amended Sheldon's contract to add a provision for termination compensation.

Although the discussion of Sheldon's future with the district is central to the recapping of 1984, it was discussion that took place largely in closed sessions and weekend workshops. More visible to the public was the considerable attention paid to budgeting the new millage revenue.

1984 began in Walled Lake Schools with approval of a revised school budget reflecting about \$3.4 million in new tax revenue. The additional funds were generated by the five mill tax increase approved by district voters at the close of 1983.

The revised 1983-84 budget brought back nearly 80 staff members who had been laid off in November to erase the budget shortfall. In addition, the new spending plan included \$42,000 for elementary textbooks and \$20,000 for secondary textbooks. It was the first purchase of new secondary textbooks in two years.

Other immediate products of the successful millage included an in-house suspension program at a cost of \$18,000, a 2½ percent pay increase for administrators and \$16,000 for secondary libraries.

The boost in library funding came in the nick of time for Western and Central high schools, which began their extensive North Central Association (NCA) accreditation review in May. NCA officials warned the district in February the high schools would lose accreditation this year if library funding was not improved.

By May the school board was looking at budgets again, this time at a two-year plan for the 1984-85 and 1985-86 school



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years. In addition to textbooks, buses and building repairs, the 1984-85 budget included \$250,000 for capital outlay.

Budget restraints had limited capital outlay budgets over the past three years to a total of about \$30,000. With their new allocations, building principals seized the opportunity to replace classroom desks and chairs, cafeteria furniture, tape recorders, film projectors, carpeting and curtains. Others requested video cassette recorders, copiers and computers. The school board scrutinized the requests for months, finally granting approval to the "wish list" in September.

The board ended the year in December still talking budgets. The issue was twice-year taxation and whether it could produce additional revenue for upcoming budgets.

But not all board action in 1984 involved

budgets. The school board renewed discussion and study of the middle school concept this year. Secondary Education Director **Carl Pacacha** reported to the board in October that it would be feasible to convert junior highs to middle schools in 1987-88.

The board okayed a stiffer penalty for possession of drugs in school this year. The student conduct code was amended to make suspension up to 10 days mandatory for any student found in possession of drugs. Formerly drug possession carried the lesser penalty of suspension up to five days.

The board also took steps to strengthen the tie between the business/industrial community and the school district in 1984. A joint program between Williams International, Walled Lake Schools Vocational Department and the Southwest Oakland Vocational Education Center (SWOVEC) was approved in October. The program is

designed to help Williams employees upgrade themselves by obtaining additional job skills at SWOVEC.

In mid-August the school board approved a new preschool program designed to serve children in families of low to middle income. In addition, transitional first grades were approved for all elementary buildings.

While the school board discussed these programs and budgets, Walled Lake School District students continued to demonstrate outstanding per-

formance and achievement.

Western High School had the Class A State Baseball Champions, district and regional girls basketball champions, state champion forensics team, blue ribbon National Scholastic Art Competition winners, and an award winning symphonic band, concert choir and ensemble group. Central High School had winners in the Detroit Free Press writing contest, top ranked students in the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition, and a regional champion golf team.

A new math competency requirement for sophomores paid off this year when the 10th graders improved their math scores on the Michigan Education Assessment Program (MEAP) tests. Last year 68.8 percent of the sophomores passed the MEAP math test; this year the percentage jumped to 76.5 percent. All MEAP scores improved in 1984 except for seventh grade math which dropped about five percent from last year.

For some elementary students the year was highlighted with the arrival of 26 French exchange students in February as participants in the Back to Back exchange program. The children stayed with host families throughout the district. In April 16 district children completed the exchange by spending three weeks in France.

Finally, 1984 included more than its share of personnel changes. Assistant Superintendent for Business **Russell Wright** resigned in April and was replaced in August by **Patrick Donahue**. Acting Community Education Director **Jerry Sutton** resigned in August after sustaining the program through a difficult transitional period. He was replaced with a full time director, **David Dursum**, in July.

Athletic Director **Thomas Evans** retired in June after 33 years in the Walled Lake district. He was replaced in August by **John Fundukian**. Finally, after remaining vacant for nearly a year, the position of secondary education director was filled in September by Dr. **Carl Pacacha**.



Hinz: Twin grads

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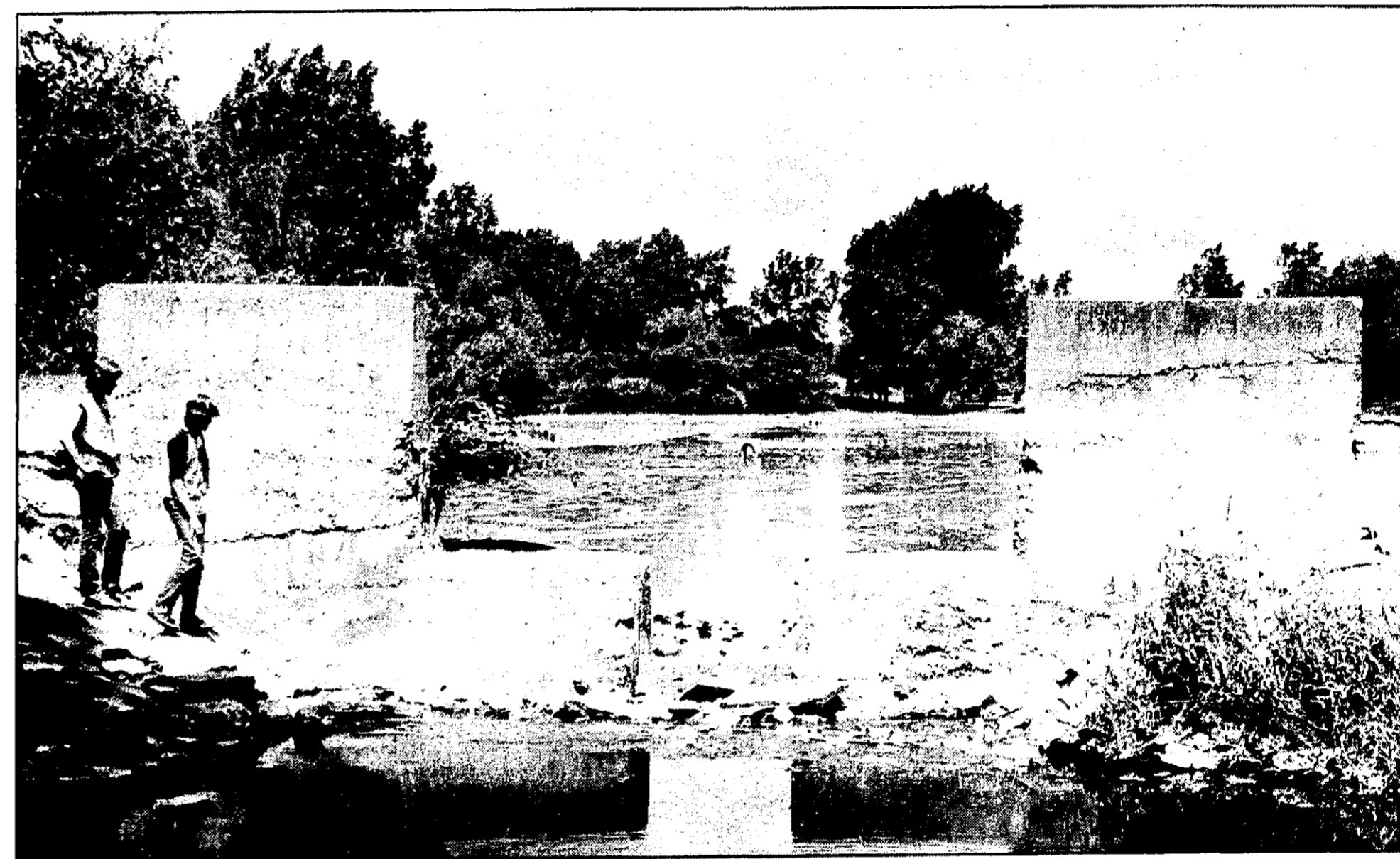
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CONVICTED: In February a jury found White Lake Township resident **Michael Forbes** guilty of assaulting an 11-year-old Dublin Elementary School girl. A twice-convicted sexual offender, Forbes was appealing the 52nd District Court conviction at year's end. Forbes' attorney claimed the township ordinance under which the 31-year-old was arrested is unconstitutional.

Forbes was on three years probation when he was convicted on the misdemeanor assault charge in February. The conviction led the Circuit Court Judge Robert Templin to reconsider the probationary sentence. As a result, Forbes was resentenced to 10-50 years in prison.

THE PITS: Patrons were the only ones dancing at the Pit Stop Lounge, 45701 Grand River after the owner was fined for violation of the Liquor Control Commission rules prohibiting entertainment without a permit. Walter Nienalowski was fined after male striptease dancers appeared at the bar.

ARRESTED: Police obtained warrants for the arrest of Gerard Bernauer, a member of the Foxy Frenchman dance troupe, in connection with the alleged rape of an Ypsilanti woman. The incident allegedly occurred in Novi after the woman met Bernauer at a bar.

FELON ESCAPES: A man convicted of murder and armed robbery escaped from the Walled Lake city jail in August. The felon was apprehended less than five minutes later. The man escaped from an attorney-client room in the jail, which was still undergoing renovation at the time of the incident.

Workmen were occupied in the holding cells, making it necessary to house the prisoner in the attorney-client room. He climbed through an interior window that had not yet been fitted with glass, then walked out a back door that had been propped open by the workmen.

SETTLED: The City of Novi and the Novi Police Officer's Association reached an agreement on a three-year contract at the end of February. The pact provided a \$1,600 salary increase for each of the three years of the agreement. The plan also included a long-term disability plan and a new promotion procedure. The number of sick days were reduced, and officers also officers made concessions in holiday pay.

BOMBED: Homes in Novi's Village Oaks subdivision shook when two bombs, placed in the frame of a car, exploded. The explosion, which occurred in the 40000 block of Village Oaks Drive, shook homes several blocks away and started a fire that engulfed two cars in flames and damaged two others. All four vehicles were parked in the drive of the home when the blast occurred.

DRUNK DRIVERS: The City of Walled Lake cracked down on drunk drivers this year, chalking up more than triple the number of arrests this spring over last spring. In March 1983, there were only seven arrests for driving under the influence of alcohol. In March 1984, there were 25 arrests. By targeting specific times and areas of the city, the increase in drunk driving arrests continued throughout the year.

ROBBED: An armed robber made off with \$1,650 in March when he hit Domino's Pizza, 41728 Ten Mile. The pizza parlor was hit in the early morning hours while two drivers were out on deliveries and another employee was alone in the store.

FATALITIES: Two Highland Township teenagers were killed in March when



Forbes: Guilty

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their car was hit head-on in a collision on I-96, approximately one-half mile west of Novi Road. Kimberly Schultz, 17, and Theresa Schultz, 16, were pronounced dead at the scene. They were killed when a car swerved across the highway, crossed over the grass median and collided with their car.

A 38-year-old Novi woman was killed in May when the motorcycle she was riding collided with a trailer that had broken away from a truck. Joyce Bedworth, 30055 Montmorency, died when her motorcycle exploded upon impact and burst into flames.

A 22-year-old Farmington Hills man was killed in a two-car collision in November on the newly-reopened section of Beck Road. Christopher Bahler was northbound on Beck Road when the car he was driving crossed the center line and struck an oncoming car. The realigned section of Beck Road had only recently been opened to traffic when the accident occurred.

CONVICTED: A former Novi High School teacher, Richard O. Trudeau, was found guilty in April of two counts leveled against him in connection with a fire at the Novi School's Administration building in 1983. Trudeau was convicted of breaking and entering with intent to commit arson and one count of burning real property.

RUNAWAY: A Novi police officer sprained his back when he stopped a runaway automobile, circling in reverse on the highway. The car was making 360-degree reverse turns in the westbound

middle of the lake after falling through ice, but were unable to find out more information regarding the car's history.

ASSAULTED: A 33-year-old Dearborn woman was found chained to a tree in a secluded part of western Novi after she was allegedly kidnapped, robbed and raped. Her alleged assailant, Larry L. Ewing, was arrested and charged with two counts of armed robbery, kidnapping, criminal sexual assault and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

CAUGHT: Former city council member Louis Campbell was bound over to stand trial in October after being at large since April 1979. He was lodged in Oakland County Jail and bond was set at \$210,000. Campbell was charged with two counts of statutory rape, two counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct and one count of second degree criminal sexual conduct. He was taken into custody by a Louisiana State Trooper while attempting to renew his driver's license. He waived extradition and was brought to Michigan to stand trial.

HIRED: Novi police officer Al Rasmussen became the department's first juvenile officer in four years. He was hired to follow up cases involving juveniles initiated by the road patrol. His job also involves working with teens and parents, as well as referrals from Novi Youth Assistance and the schools.

STRUCK: Nine deer were killed by automobiles on Novi streets during the fall, which officers explained is the mating season for deer. The deer death toll climbed following a rash of collisions. Three of the deer were killed on Halloween.

FATAL ACCIDENTS: An 11-year-old Walled Lake boy was killed in August when his dirt bike collided head-on with another bike on a Milford Township path. Daniel Scott Fields was killed instantly when his forehead struck a bolt on the other child's bike as they collided.

BURNED: Two men were seriously burned July 4 when they shot bottle rockets through the sunroof of a van they were driving on Lashbrook. Donald Beschoner of Novi and Paul Richmond of Milford were injured when a bottle rocket they fired either failed to go out the sun roof or came back in after being fired. The rocket hit a container of gun powder and caused a hot "flash burn," police reported.

FIRE: One home was demolished and a second damaged in the August fire at 2012 West Lake Drive. Police said arson was suspected in the blaze. Reportedly, the resident tried to put out the fire, causing a delay in contacting the fire department. The first home was engulfed in flames when fire fighters arrived. Three Corvettes, two jeeps, a Chevrolet Caprice and a motorcycle also were damaged.

MUDMOBILE: Contractors dredging out Meadowbrook Lake in Novi, found a 1966 model Ford Station wagon that apparently had been at the bottom of the lake for 17 years. The car, dragged from the lake by Loyer Construction Company, was filled with 4½ tons of mud. Police speculate the car ended up in the

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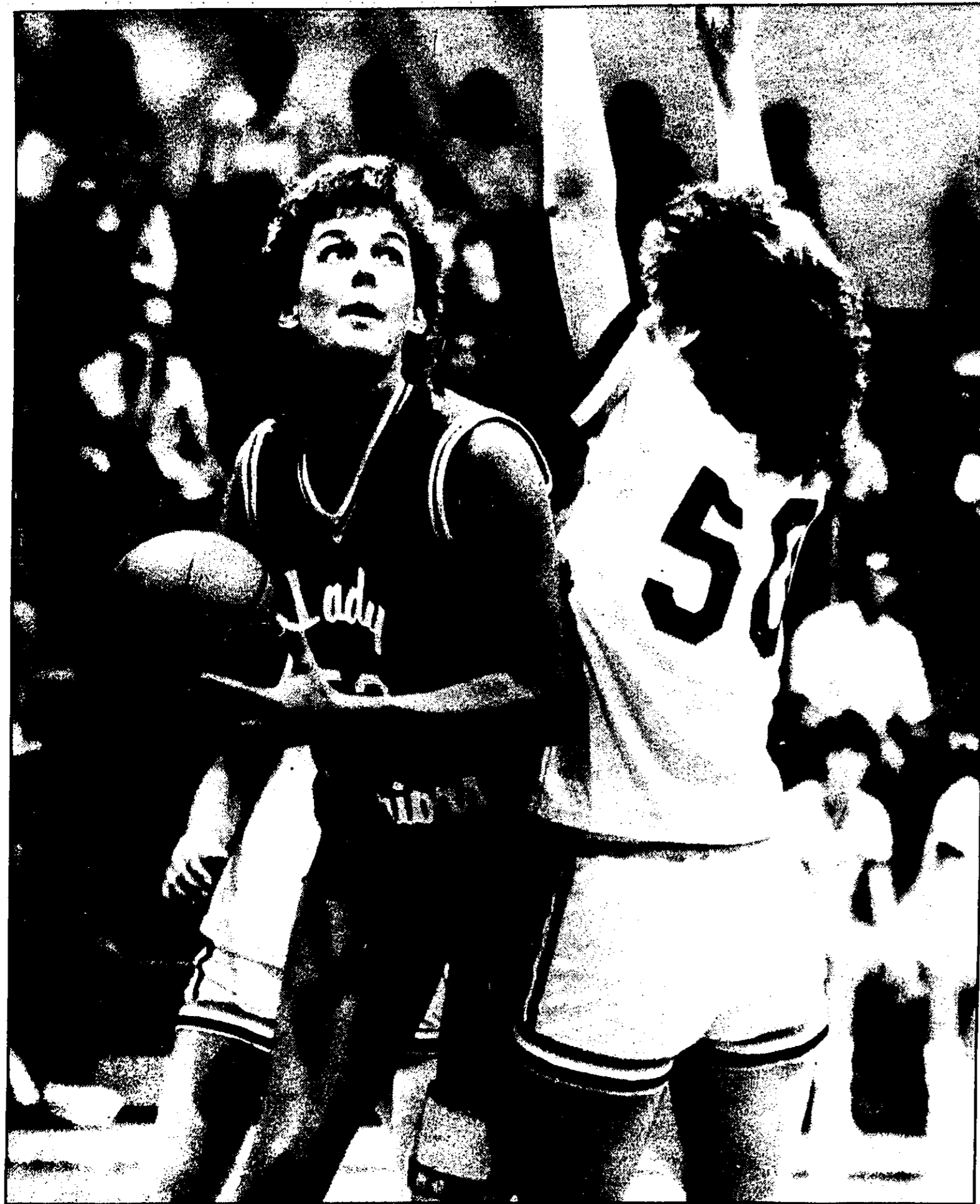
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Hall: All State

Talk about girls' sports in 1984 and you're talking first and foremost about basketball.

Oh, local athletes of the female variety did all kinds of wonderful things during the year, but it was basketball where they really excelled as both Walled Lake Western and Novi enjoyed outstanding seasons.

With all five starters returning to the team that went to the Class A semi-finals in 1983, big things were expected at Walled Lake Western. Unfortunately, nobody figured injuries would plague Coach Tom Stienier's squad to the extent they did.

Val Hall, Western's 6-3 All-State center, missed the first part of the season with a knee injury. It wasn't long after Hall's return that Nancy Leach, who teamed with Sue Baglow to form a formidable backcourt tandem, was rendered inactive with another knee injury. And Leach had no soon limped back into action at the end of the season when doctors discovered that Hall was suffering from monoconiosis.

But despite those injuries, the Warriors enjoyed an outstanding season, winning the Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) championship and a second consecutive district championship before being knocked out of the MHSAA tournament by Swartz Creek in the regional finals. Their record — an impressive 20-5.

There were a slew of post-season

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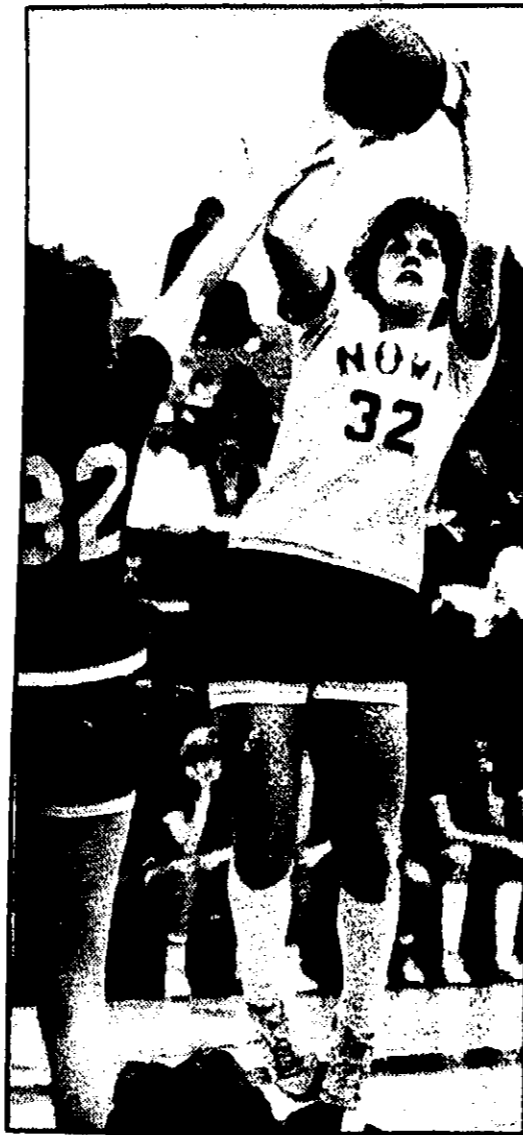
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honors. Hall received All-American recognition, while Baglow was an All-Area selection. And that didn't do justice to Leach, Carol Croll, Sheri Davis and Barbara Watts, all of whom also were deserving of recognition.

It was also a stellar season for the Novi cagers, who finished second in the Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) with an 11-3 record. For the season, the Wildcats were 18-4.

The Wildcats were led by Sue Rasinske, a 5-10 forward/center who capped a brilliant prep career by averaging 28 points and 13.2 rebounds per game. Rasinske was the only unanimous selection on the All-KVC team. No wonder, she led the conference in scoring three consecutive years. Sheri Lawton was named to the All-KVC second team with averages of 10.6 points and 11 rebounds per game.

Walled Lake Central was the only area



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paign, giving Western high hopes for a strong season.

In the spring, a young girl's fancy apparently turns to track as local athletes continued to score successes on the cinders. Novi's program continued to improve under Coach Chris Ceresa despite the misleading appearances of a 1-7 record in the KVC and 2-8 overall. The Wildcats claimed six medals in the regionals as Sheri Lawton took fourth in the high jump, Beth Tabaka was fourth in the 100 meter hurdles, and the 3200 meter relay team of Mindy Park, Kerry Northrup, Leslie Helling and Becky Prost set a school record of 10:38.0.

Coach Sharon Young's Warrior thinclads had another typically fine year, winning the WLAA's Western Division championship with a 4-0 record and winning four WLAA championships. Individuals champions were Michelle Jablonsky in the 100 and Becky Kemp in the shot put. The 400 meter relay team of Amy Yeager, Jablonsky, Beth VanPutten and Cherie Welch and the 800 meter relay team of Jablonsky, Paula Jenks, VanPutten and Welch also won WLAA championships, while establishing new conference records.

Six Warriors qualified for the state meet — Pam Roselle in the high jump, Lisa Edwards in the discus and the 400 meter relay team of Jablonsky, Yeager, VanPutten and Welch. Edwards fared best at state, finishing sixth in the discus with a throw of 110-4.

Central's Patti Makkonen also qualified for state by jumping 5-1 to finish third in the regionals in the high jump.

On the softball diamond, Western led the way with records of 9-4 in the WLAA and 11-8 overall. The Warriors finished first in the WLAA's Western Division and third overall. Central got off to a 6-0 start in softball before ending the season with an 8-12 record, while the Novi nine was 3-7 in the KVC and 6-13 overall.

Novi's spikers put together a 9-12 season and reached the finals of the district tournament as Melissa Haltom was named to the All-Area first team and the All-KVC second team.

The Viking ski team put together a 5-4 record. Sherry Strohs set the pace, finishing fourth in the slalom and fifth in the giant slalom in the divisionals.

Three Warrior gymnasts — Wendy Reimer, Maria Hughes and Melissa Schenck — qualified for the regionals in Troy. All three will return for the '85 cam-



Rasinske: Top Cat

September. Under Coach Jim Hansen, the Wildcat netters finished second behind powerful Brighton in the KVC. Judy Piotrowich and Beth Cote won a KVC championship at second doubles, while Kelly Case at second singles and the tandem of Jill Bakish and Lisa Davio at third doubles stroked their way to second place finishes.

Coach Frank Jasieniecki's Viking netters enjoyed their best season in six years, putting together an 8-4 record and finishing fourth in the WLAA. Lakes Division champions were Michelle Kaznecki at third singles and the team of Rene Urbas and Erin Cherfoli at second doubles. Kaznecki went on to win the WLAA championship at third singles. Sophomore Karen Brown paced the Vikings at first singles, compiling a 10-2 record on the season.

Novi, Western and Central all had state-qualifiers in cross-country. The Wildcat harriers continued to improve under Coach Norm Norgren, finishing fourth in the talent-laden KVC and fourth in the regionals. Kristine Huotari led the Wildcats much of the season and finished fourth in the KVC meet. Huotari was less than 100 percent for the regionals, but Novi still qualified two girls for state as senior Mindy Park and freshman Kelli Rolles made the cut in the regionals. It was the third consecutive year that Park had qualified for the state meet.

Western's harriers started fast and finished the season tied for first place in the WLAA's Western Division. Sophomore Laurie Floto qualified for state for the second consecutive year by finishing 17th in the regionals.

Coach Kim McKinley's Viking harriers had a 1-6 record, but they only had six runners — half of whom were injured half the time. The good news was the presence of three "super sophomores" — Lisa Chalmers, Sarah VanGordon and Michelle McDonald, who led the Vikings to a sixth place finish in the WLAA Meet



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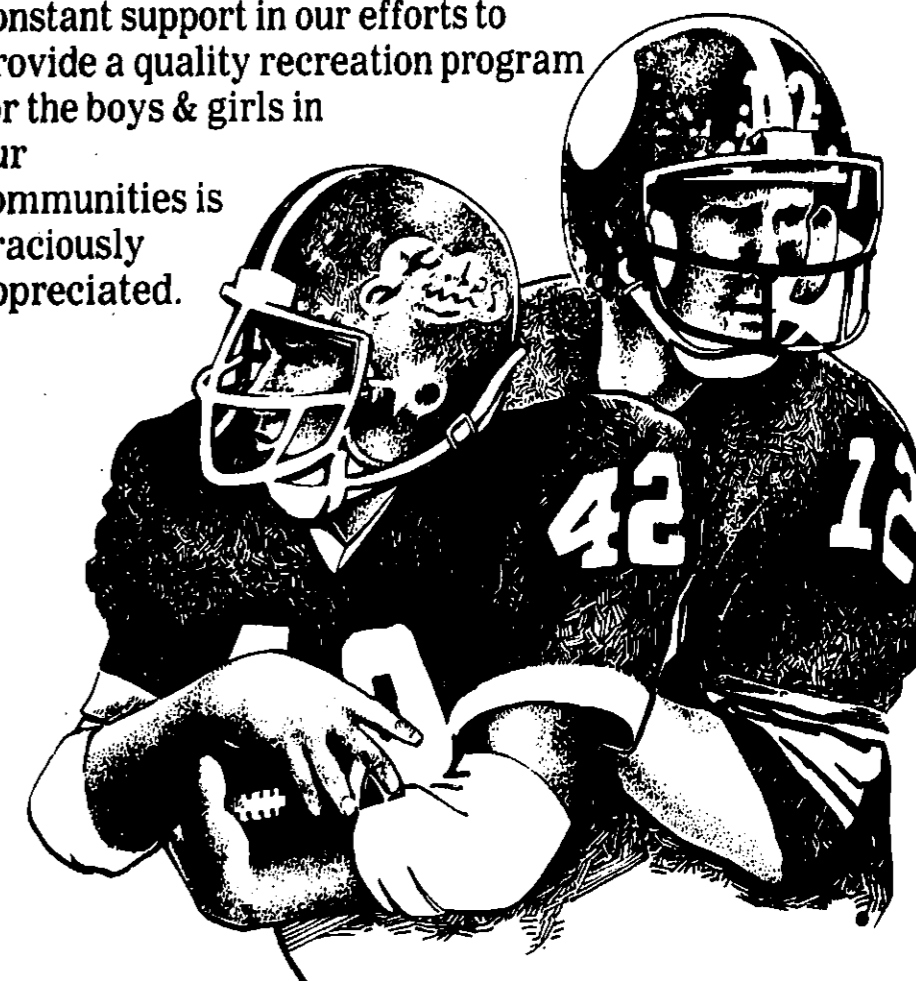
by taking third, seventh and ninth respectively. The Vikings did even better in the regionals, finishing fourth in the team standings as VanGordon qualified for the state meet.

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Maresh: Champ

The story of the year? In boys' sports? For 1984? Are you kidding?

The story of the year was Walled Lake Western's MHSAA Class A state baseball championship. Local high school teams recorded other successes during 1984, but none was bigger than the Warriors' drive to the state championship.

The Warriors served notice of sort in the first game of the season when Dan Gabriele fired a no-hitter at Millford as the Warriors won 16-0. But after that it was a pretty mediocre season as Coach Chuck Apap brought his young squad along slowly.

In fact, Western had records of 6-7 in the Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) and 9-11 overall when the regular season came to a close — hardly the stuff of a potential state champion.

But then came the play-offs. The Warriors started off by winning their first-ever district championship and before the tournament was over had won seven straight games to claim the state title.

Pitted against top-ranked Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher, possessors of a 35-4 record, in the title game, the Warriors banged out a 9-8 victory to win the championship. With the score knotted 8-8 after seven innings, Mike Gabriele singled home Dan Alther with the go-ahead run and Dan Gabriele closed the door in the bottom of the seventh to preserve the victory.

Dan Gabriele, a fire-balling junior right-hander, won six of the seven Warrior victories in the tournament and earned a save in the other to be named to the All-State first team. Already high on the list of professional scouts, Gabriele finished the season with an 11-2 record, 160 strikeouts and an ERA of 1.31.

Top hitters on the state championship team were Mike Gabriele (.387), Dave O'Kragly (.382), Gino Rea (.369) and Dan Gabriele (.329). Shortstop Mike Bulgarelli and outfielder Bob Billingham were other key players on the Western team.

Western's state championship in baseball followed an interesting basketball season. Novi had a lackluster 7-14 record and Coach Ron Flutur retired at the end of the season. But Central went 15-8 for its best record in 10 years and Western had its first winning season in history, finishing with a 12-11 record that also included the school's first-ever district championship.

Under new coach Walt Boehm, the Warriors showed marked improvement throughout the season before capping their remarkable resurgence by defeating Central for the district cham-



Gabriele: Fireball

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ampionship. Remarkable resurgence? You bet. Western rebounded from a 2-21 record in 1983 to 12-11 in '84.

Local cagers on the All-Area team were Clark Bock, Tom Cummings and Tom Menard from Central; Mike Cullen from Western and Dave Fisher from Novi.

Another highlight of the '84 cage season was the state championship registered by Novi Christian School. The Eagles later went on to win the International Christian Athletic Association championship in Arizona in the spring.

Another new coach — Novi mat mentor Tom Fritz — made an auspicious debut in 1984, leading the Wildcat grapplers to an impressive season. Rated among the top 10 Class B teams in the state at one point during the season, Novi finished with a 17-4 record. Ed Maresh won a Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) championship at 198 pounds. And three Wildcat grapplers qualified for state — Tim Ford (46-8) at 132, Steve McBride (39-9) at 167 and Maresh (43-10) at 198. Ford capped an outstanding prep career by finishing fourth at state.

Western also enjoyed success in wrestling, winning the WLAA's Western Division title with an 8-0 record (11-1-1 overall). Bob Rich at 132, Matt Turner at 155 and Chris Thompson at heavyweight won WLAA championships. And Rich and Turner went on to qualify for state, where Rich finished sixth. Rich finished the year with a 43-5 state to set a new school record for wins in a season.



Novi: Disappointing

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Western's drive to the state baseball championship highlighted the spring sports scene, but there were other big stories as well.

Paul Mootte established a new school record for the Novi track team, clearing 6-7 in the high jump to win a KVC championship. As a team, the Wildcats finishing fourth in the KVC under coach Bob Smith.

Another standout on the cinders was Western distance ace Kyle Chura who capped an outstanding career by winning both the mile (4:28.7) and two-mile (9:36.6) at the WLAA Meet. Coach Dennis Keeney's Warriors finished fifth in the WLAA and had final records of 4-2 in the WLAA and 4-3 overall.

Neither Novi nor Central enjoyed Western's success on the diamond, Novi finished with records of 4-10 in the KVC and 12-19 overall, while Central had a 9-10 slate. Longtime Wildcat coach Bob Weinburger joined Flutur in announcing his retirement at the end of the season.

Still, local ballplayers reaped their share of post-season honors. Outfielder Bob Huotari and infielder Bill Ritchie, both of Novi, won All-KVC recognition. Western's Dan Gabriele headed the All-Area team, and Huotari was a second team selection along with catcher Dave Lobert and shortstop Mark Mamayak, both of Central.

Another retirement came at the end of the 1983-84 campaign when Tom Evans, athletic director for the Walled Lake

School District for the past 31½ years, decided to step down. He was replaced by John Fundukian before the start of school in September.

The 1984 football season was disappointing for all three area high schools. Central fared the best with a 4-5 record, while Western went 2-7 and Novi was 1-8. Winning All-Area honors at the end of the season were wide receiver Jim Sinclair and defensive linemen Ed Maresh and Kjell Johnson of Novi; running back Mike Craig from Western; and wide receiver Jeff Henry, linebacker Mike Van Sicken and place kicker Jim Ziola from Central.

Western enjoyed success in both golf and cross-country. Sparked by Brent Kish, Coach Leo Folsom's Warrior golfers finished third in the regional to become the first golf team in Western history to qualify for the state meet. Kish was medalist in the regionals with a round of 71 and went on to finish fourth in the state with a round of 76. Kish also won the WLAA championship with a score of 72.

Western also won its third straight WLAA Western Division championship in cross-country with a dual meet record of 6-0. Western finished third in the WLAA Meet, as Steve Creech, John Kody and John Thompson won All-WLAA honors.

Central's cross-country team was only 4-3 in dual meets, but came on strong to finish second in the WLAA meet behind Jeff Madsen, who later qualified for the State Meet. It was the first winning cross-country season at Central in six years.

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1. Super Sewer

A sewer that may hold the fate of the region's development was the top story of the year. The Environmental Protection Agency rejected the application for the \$120 million regional sewer and sent money earmarked for the first phase of the project to other communities. The sewer grabbed the headlines as Novi sued the EPA over its decision.

2. Robert Schmid/City Hall

As part of a larger discussion over development of a downtown at Grand River and Novi Road, Mayor Robert Schmid resurrected the issue of where to construct a proposed city hall. The controversy flared throughout much of the fall and was unresolved in mid-December.

3. Don Sheldon

Relations between Walled Lake Superintendent Don Sheldon and the school board were marked by strife throughout the year. The situation was confused during his evaluation when he received high marks, but three board members anonymously recommended non-renewal of his contract. Although his position with the district remained tenuous, Sheldon was given a salary increase.

4. The Wixom Panther

An black feline eluded Wixom police, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife division and Clark's Critter Control through much of the year. The panther was first sighted by a 12-year-old boy in June and there were numerous other sightings

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Calandro: Worker



Schmid: New hall

5. Gary Lentz

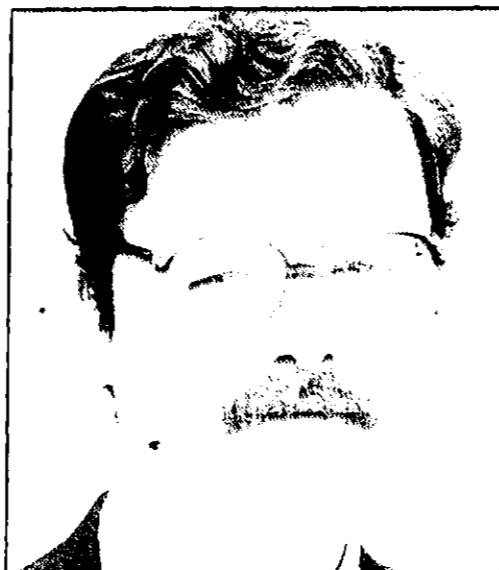
As the new mayor of Wixom look of office, the transition was anything but smooth. There was more than one confrontation between Mayor Gary Lentz and the city council in the aftermath of his campaign promising changes. Mayoral Assistant Stephen Bonczek resigned and Lentz quickly began filling offices with his own people.



Leonard: Tracks

6. Robert Piwko

The Superintendent of the Novi Schools led the district toward its goal of excellence, and there were signs the goal was being met. The Michigan Education Assessment Program scores were the highest ever for the Novi Schools with students scoring in the 90th percentile in five of six areas measured. Piwko also became one of the 10 highest paid school administrators in Oakland County, when the school board agreed to pay him \$65,619.



Lentz: New mayor

7. Larry Coe

In one of the year's most positive stories for Walled Lake, Larry Coe stoked up the engines for Coe Rail. The railway serves local businesses and industry, but also generated new pride among residents and new interest in the city among non-residents. Coe's first historic train ride drew 3,000 people.

8. David Honigman/Robert McGee

Political newcomer David Honigman won an upset victory over incumbent Robert McGee to win the 24th District House of Representatives seat. Honigman ousted the incumbent by a margin of 3,391 to 2,962.

9. State champions

After a mediocre season, the Walled Lake Western baseball team came alive in the playoffs and posted seven straight wins to claim the MHSAA Class A State Championship. All-State hurler Dan Gabriele set the pace for Coach Chuck Appa's team, winning six of the seven playoff games and earning a save in the other.

10. John Calandro

Working behind the scenes, 24th District Oakland County Commissioner John Calandro was instrumental in many of the events that made headlines in 1984. Calandro had a hand in continued pursuit of approval for construction of a highway ramp at I-96 and Novi Road, removal of an island in Meadowbrook Lake and obtaining Oakland County Road Commission approval to release jurisdiction of East Lake Drive.



CONTINUING THE COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE BY MOVING FORWARD TOWARD THE FUTURE THROUGH THE 1984-85 GOALS:

1. Develop a more intense volunteer program in all the Novi Community Schools, emphasizing the importance of community assistance.
2. Extend the systematic uses of the Instructional Based Management and Assessment program throughout the K-12 curriculum areas, particularly language arts and mathematics.
3. Expand the functions and the utilization of computer assisted instruction in the classroom.
4. Coordinate the implementation of district computer management record keeping, reporting, etc.
5. Develop and implement the Community Education C.A.R.E. (Children's Activities in a Responsible Environment) Program at the three elementary schools and middle school north.
6. Implement recommendations of the Novi Task Force on Excellence in Education presented to the Board in May 1984.



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December 1984 Membership Roll

Aladdin Aluminum Products
 Andy's Country Boy Fruit
 Market Incorporated
 Arkin Distributing Company
 Art Van Furniture
 Automatic Valve Corporation
 Chief Lee BeGole—Novi Police
 Gary Bennett Insurance
 Bennetts Travel Agency
 Beverly Home Care of Novi
 Beverly Manor
 Billings and Associates, Incorporated
 Dianne Bish—Novi Public Library
 Garry I. Borin, Attorney
 Brown Jig Grinding
 Brown's Drugs
 Budgeting Systems Incorporated
 Cadillac Asphalt Paving Company
 Central Alarm Signal, Incorporated
 Nancy J. Chambers,
 Certified Public Accountant
 Comerica Bank—Metro West
 Community Advertising, Incorporated
 Construction, Testing and
 Inspection Incorporated
 Cousins Bowling and Trophy
 Sales of Novi
 Darling Manufactured Homes, Incorporated
 Delwal Corporation
 Detroit Concrete Products
 Di-Coat Corporation
 Digital Equipment Corporation
 Dikar Tool Company
 Duty Drawback Service, Incorporated
 Efficient Energy Enterprises
 Enamalum Corporation
 Engine Supply of Novi, Incorporated
 E's Carpet Care and Repair
 Energy Research, Incorporated
 Erwin Farms
 Evans Mechanical Contractors
 Expo Business Machines Company
 Marty Feldman Chevrolet, Incorporated
 Firebaugh & Reynolds Roofing Company
 First Federal Savings and
 Loan Association
 William L. Fischel, Attorney
 Ben Flannery
 Betsy Foote
 Foote-Gravely Tractor Incorporated
 Formco Business Systems,
 Incorporated
 GF Enterprises, Incorporated
 General Filters, Incorporated
 Glen Oaks Apartments
 Glynn Travel
 The Goat Farm Tavern
 Grinnell Fire Protection Systems
 Company, Incorporated
 Groundwater Technology
 Guardian Industries

Gwendolyn's Ltd.
 Harold's Frame Shop Incorporated
 Hayes Sand and Gravel Company
 Heatcheck Energy Products
 Heath Electric
 Howard S. Heyman, Attorney
 Highland Hills Estates
 Hoffmann Filter Corporation
 Holland, Newton and Associates
 J.L. Hudson Company
 Hudson, Muma and Agins
 Insurance Agency
 Hydro-Chem Laboratories,
 Incorporated
 I.D.S. Financial Planning
 Images
 Imperial Construction Company,
 Incorporated
 Jackson Landscape and Florist
 Kelord Collision
 Gary Kelber—Novi News
 Kelly Services, Incorporated
 Edward Kriewall—City of Novi
 Kims Gardens
 LaFleur Florist
 Laurel Steel, Incorporated
 Lawn Equipment Corporation
 Leading Automation
 Lerner-Linden
 James E. Linn, Attorney
 Little Horn Book Day School, Ltd.
 Lyon Sand and Gravel
 Sanford Mandell, Certified
 Public Accountant
 Manufacturers Bank of Novi
 Marbelite Corporation
 Marcus Glass Company
 Carol Mason Realty
 McSweeney Electric, Incorporated
 Metrovision of Oakland County
 Michigan Bell
 Michigan National Bank—West Oakland
 Michigan Tractor
 Mohawk Liqueur Corporation
 MRM, Incorporated
 Multi-Elmac Company
 Ronald Nabozny, Attorney
 National Bank of Detroit
 New Hudson Fence Company
 Newton Furniture, Incorporated
 Northwest Industries
 Novi Ambulance
 Novi Bowl and Recreation Center
 Novi Building/Country Cousin
 Novi Building Supply Company
 Novi Education Association,
 MEA-NEA
 Novi Manufacturing Company
 Novi Medical Center
 Novi Pallet Company, Incorporated
 Novi Standard Station

Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens
 Orchard Hill Place
 Paramed, Incorporated
 J.C. Penney Company
 Picker International
 Dr. Robert Piwko—Novi
 Community Schools
 Portec Incorporated, Paragon
 Railcar Operation
 Providence Hospital
 Quick Print Concepts, Incorporated
 Red Timbers Inn, Incorporated
 Rick's Service Center, Incorporated
 Rymal Symes
 St. Claire Advertising,
 Incorporated
 Saratoga Trunk
 Sardo Construction Corporation
 Sears at Twelve Oaks
 Security Bank of Oakland County
 Selected Service Products,
 Incorporated
 Service Merchandise
 Max Sheldon Realty Company
 Sheraton Oaks Motor Inn
 Staman Insurance Agency
 Standard Federal Savings
 and Loan
 Stankevich Grading and Company
 Star Pak Solar Systems
 Steelcrete Company
 Stevens Industries, Incorporated
 Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home
 K.A. Tappan and Associates Ltd.
 Thielenhaus Microlinsh
 Corporation
 Twelve Oaks Mall
 Uniflow Corporation
 United Paint and
 Decorating Center
 United States Coffee Corporation
 U.S. Berkel, Incorporated
 Vintage Wine Shoppe
 V.I.P. Tire and Automotive,
 Incorporated
 Ward and Associates
 Weiss Pollution Control
 Corporation
 Weltronic Company
 Wilkins Parts and Equipment
 Wit-o-matic, Incorporated
 Dan Wood Plumbing and Heating
 Woodland Medical Center
 X-Maton Tool Company

HONORARY MEMBERS

Willis Bullard Jr.—State Representative
 John Calandro—County Commissioner
 Jack Faxon—State Senator
 Robert Schmid—Mayor of Novi

From all of us to all of you ...

Here's hoping you'll have a warm wonderful
 Holiday season and a prosperous 1985!