

Board game crossword puzzle grid with letters B, Q, F, U, N, G, A, M, E, S, R, D, K, L.

BY DENNIS KEENON

Tired of trifling with trivia? Has too much Trivial Pursuit... What country owns the island of Corfu? The answer: Greece, of course.

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Novi Elementary stands at the center of a brewing controversy

Schools threaten to nix school sale

By MICHELE M. FECHT staff writer

NOVI - The Novi Board of Education Thursday night threatened to take the school district's Old Novi Elementary property off the market if the city attempts to fund proposed improvements in the Town Center under the Tax Increment Financing Act (TIFA).

Town Center project at a special meeting of the city council and planning board Monday night (see related story).

Schools, city to discuss funding

By KATHY JENNINGS staff writer

NOVI - Two very different views of tax increment financing came out at Monday's meeting to discuss the possibility of using the funding tool to pay for improvements in the Town Center.

School officials portrayed it as an unnecessary, possibly illegal, tool that would deprive the school district of funds at a time when they will be needed.

Superintendent Robert Piwko and School Board President Robert Schram also attended.

the council and planning board that TIFAs have been used in 42 communities across the state.

Sensitive lands protection eyed

By KATHY JENNINGS staff writer

NOVI - Saving the city's trees and ponds is the focus of a study now underway.

Adopting site plan review standards to protect the city's environmentally-sensitive wetlands and woodlands was one of three recommendations recently presented to the city council for consideration.

That recommendation and two others will be debated by the council at a later date. The three proposals were presented during a status report on a study of Novi's environmental lands undertaken by Lillian Dean at the city's request.

Dean is a private consultant, who was retained by the city to study environmentally-sensitive lands.

Enacting site plan review standards is one proposal. Site plan review standards would be applied whenever wetlands or woodlands are located on a proposed development site.

otherwise could not protect except through purchasing them.

As a final recommendation, Dean suggests the city enact a wetlands protection ordinance designed to preserve property needed as part of the city's storm water management plan - a drainage program undertaken in 1983 after receiving voter approval.

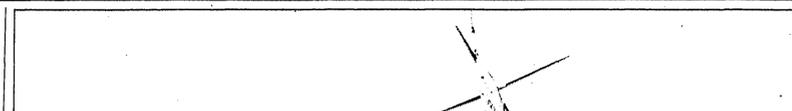
Dean said the funds for buying large wetland areas are not included in the program. With a wetland preservation ordinance developers would be required to obtain a permit before commencing work on wetlands or next to wetlands. These could be limited to large wetlands areas, exceeding two acres in size.

Dean told city officials she ordinarily does not approve of separate ordinances, such as a wetlands protection ordinance. But due to the important role wetlands play in the city's drainage system, she supports it in this case.

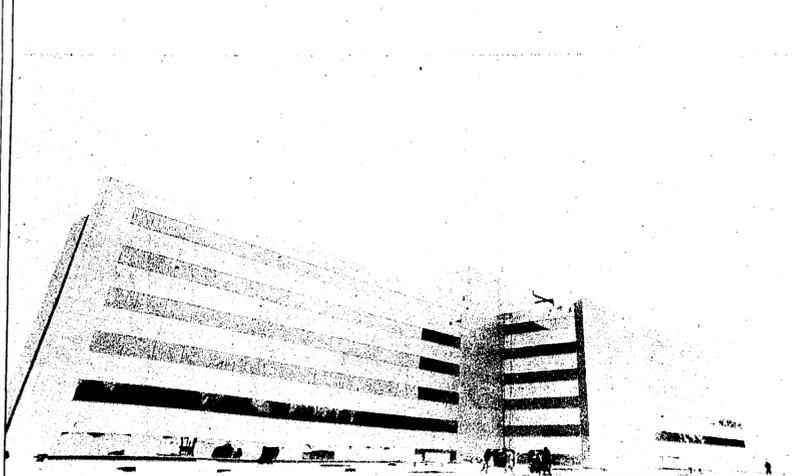
"I'm normally not an advocate of numerous, separate ordinances, and we wrestled with the question of a wetlands ordinance for some time. But with an ordinance you can give high visibility to the fact these areas are to be preserved and you can present a neat line around the problems that occur after development."

A separate woodlands protection ordinance is not being recommended by Dean. She said it would not be appropriate for Novi because "you can't draw a neat line around the important and the non-important woodlands."

Dean presented the proposals to the city council and planning board last week, saying she wants them to be aware of the work she and the "sensitive lands team" - a group of local citizens - has done to date. She also sought reactions to the proposals.



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Special delivery

Construction workers at the Novi Hilton used an industrial helicopter last Wednesday to airlift heating and cooling units to the hotel's ballroom level. Gary Seibert, general manager of the 240-

room Hilton on Haggerty Road at Eight Mile, said work is proceeding on schedule. The Novi Hilton is scheduled to open in June.

Periwinkle's: Something special

It didn't take long to figure out that dining at Periwinkle's, the new restaurant on Main Street in downtown Brighton, was going to be an enjoyable experience.



Diners enjoy ambiance at Periwinkle's in Brighton

An instructor in the culinary arts program at the Southwest Oakland Vocational Education Center in Walled Lake, Terzano has a penchant for showing up at exciting new dining places. He was, for example, at the opening of Raphael's, the superb restaurant at the Sheraton Oaks in Novi, and seems to have staked out some sort of claim to being an individual who is hired by ambitious owners to train the serving staff and generally make sure that service is of high quality.

Next to arrive is an interesting selection of breads, rolls and croissants - all baked in Periwinkle's kitchen and individually served from a wicker basket.

Both dishes were served with an abundance of interesting and unusual vegetables which added a distinctive flavor.

And more

AND MORE: "AROUND THE WORLD WITH SESAME STREET LIVE," Cobo Theatre, Detroit. The hit, best-selling album "The Sesame Street Gang" will be performed at the Cobo Theatre through February 17.

Pat Eden, a Conestoga Hills resident and charter president of County Girls' Garden branch of the W.N.C.A., finds her favorite things involve family, friends and gardening interests.



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Panel suggests millage strategy

NOVI - How do you convince voters to agree to raise their taxes to pay for a building like a civic center - a building housing city offices and a community center?

The citizens' committee making plans for a civic center put that question to the city's top politicians - the seven members of the city council - and their answers were varied.

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"To pass this issue you must focus on the administration building and not the community building. For a lot of residents the community building is a fringe," he advised against adding facilities such as a gymnasium or pool which could be viewed as a duplication of facilities provided by the schools. He also warned against proposing a building that is too large.

"You will be asked what is the best financial way to handle it. And you'll need figures - hard figures," Schmid said.

Council Member Edward Leinger encouraged the committee to contact groups who use the existing community center, because they are both active in the community and have an interest in the building. Those people should be used to help generate support for the issue, Leinger suggested.

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### Pancake paradise

Six-year-old Jeremy Rugh holds out his plate for a serving of "hot-off-the-griddle" flapjacks from Derek King of the King Pancake Company in Belleville, while Patricia Rankin and David Rankin,

another six-year-old, look on. The pancake dinner was sponsored by the Orchard Hills Elementary School PTA last Friday to help raise funds to purchase equipment for the school.

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## New DPW facility to open in spring

NOVI — Construction delays last summer have been overcome and work on the city's new Department of Public Works (DPW) building on Eleven Mile is proceeding on schedule, according to City Manager Edward Kriewall.

Construction workers have been especially productive in the past three weeks, Kriewall reported. "When I was there three weeks ago they were on the verge of putting the heating system in. Now that the heating is in they are really making significant progress toward completing the building," Kriewall said.

The building could be finished within 30 days if work continues at the current pace, Kriewall predicted. He said the DPW will not occupy the building until this spring when the parking lot is paved.

"They're moving right along. The gas and heating is in place. There were some problems during the extreme cold weather, but everything has been moving since they put in the heating. They're putting the finishing touches on inside."

Originally, the paving was to have been done last fall, but construction delays and a wet autumn prompted city officials to approve a delay in laying the pavement until spring.

Problems in receiving steel caused construction delays. Work resumed when the steel arrived, but wet weather made work on the site difficult at times.

"Meeting our original completion time was not critical," Kriewall said. "We pointed out to the council that the DPW would rather not move in the winter. The crews were spread thin as it is during the winter."

The building is now 90 percent complete, Kriewall said.

"When finished the building will be used to store DPW equipment. Equipment now is stored in several locations throughout the city. Much of it is stored outside. The city has used a pole barn on Grand River for the past 15 years, a building that city officials say the department outgrew six years ago.

The building also will store parks and recreation equipment and serve as an office for maintenance crew supervisors.

The \$1.4 million building is being financed in part by borrowing \$688,000 from the State of Michigan bond loan program. For the next five years the fund balance from the major street

work will be used to repay the loan. After that, approximately 90 percent of the municipal street fund will be used to pay off the debt.

## High school hosts Valentine Concert

NOVI — Novi residents will receive a Valentine from the Novi High School Music Department tomorrow (Thursday, February 14) when the band and choir join forces to present a special Valentine's Day Concert.

The concert will be held in Fuerst Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free, and there will be an afterglow of punch and cookies in the high school commons following the concert.

Tickets for the Maynard Ferguson concert on February 27 will be available during the afterglow. In addition to thanking the community for its support, the concert serves the added purpose of helping students prepare for upcoming band and choir festivals.

Participating in the Valentine's Day Concert will be the Concert Choir, Women's Chorus, Women's Ensemble, Triple Trio, Concert Band and Symphony Band.

Vocal groups are directed by Paula Joyner. Craig Strain is director of instrumental music.

Featured at the concert will be the Concert Choir performing a Korean song entitled "Ahrirang" and "I'll Say It Anyway" by Creton. The Women's Chorus will perform "Sam Was a Man" by Persichetti and "Shoehoe" by Starr.

The Women's Ensemble will perform "Come Ye Now" by Marenzio, and the Triple Trio will sing, "I Have Decided To Be an Old Maid."

The Concert Band will offer "Festive March," "Westwood Portrait" and "Festival Day." Performed by the Symphony Band will be "New Comrades March" by Teike, "The Last Spring" by Grieg and "Do Not Go Gentle into That Good Night," a work by Elliott Del Borgo based on the Dylan Thomas poem.



### Future Gretzkys?

Just ask Red Wings Coach Nick Polano, it takes all kinds to make a successful hockey team. You need scorers, checkers and skaters, but it's doubtful that you need stick-riders. Five-year-old Angie Du-Quet (left) seems to be doing exactly that during one of the Pili-



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polo games sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department at Village Oaks Elementary School. But you can't fault the results as teammate Ryan Keen, 7, exults after popping one into the nets during a recent after-school game.

## Cable firm claims service better

NOVI — MetroVision Cable Company has made a "100 percent" improvement in its response to customer service calls and complaints.

That's the gist of a report to be made to the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission (SWOCC) by Executive Director Lark Samouelian. MetroVision is the cable television company franchised to serve Novi, Farmington and Farmington Hills.

"The biggest improvement has been since the rate increase," said Samouelian in reference to MetroVision's February rate increase. When considering MetroVision's request for an increase, SWOCC officials indicated their continuing concern with the company's service performance.

haison between SWOCC and MetroVision, said she has noticed an improvement in the company's response to customer complaints and service calls.

"We have less than one percent of concerns which are not taken care of — and that's pretty good," she said. "The major complaint from subscribers has been the company's phone system," said Samouelian. Although MetroVision has improved its phone system, many residents still complain about not getting through or getting busy signals.

"Many people are telling us that they can't get through. I have to challenge that now," said Samouelian. Subscribers shouldn't hang up when they get a busy signal, she said. But Samouelian, who serves as MetroVision's an answering system,

much like the airlines, which allows the caller to be put on hold while operators are answering the calls on a first-come/first-served basis.

MetroVision also has added personnel as well as an administrative procedure for keeping track of complaints, Samouelian reported.

When MetroVision receives a service call, a crew member is sent out within 48 hours, according to MetroVision General Manager Bob McCann. "That doesn't necessarily mean a service problem will be solved in two days because it depends on what the problem is," said McCann.

When subscribers call the SWOCC office in Farmington City Hall instead of MetroVision, a complaint procedure is implemented, Samouelian said. A complaint form is filled out when SWOCC gets a call, she continued. Either Samouelian or Assistant Judy Kral then informs MetroVision of the complaint.

At the MetroVision end, the department head who receives the call fills out another form acknowledging receipt of the complaint and instructions to the company's staff.

MetroVision officials call the SWOCC office when the complaint has been resolved, Samouelian said. "The feedback from MetroVision is new," she said. "That way they know their staff is fulfilling their responsibilities."

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## Officials set picnic shelter fees

NOVI — Organizations planning picnics at Lakeshore Park this summer should start making plans as soon as possible if they want to use the new picnic shelter.

Novi residents and service organizations have until April 1 to reserve the picnic shelter. Local individuals and groups have first choice at dates when the shelter is available. The shelter, a 280-square foot pavilion constructed by the Novi Lions Club, will be rented on a first-come/first-served basis after April 1.

Groups of up to 240 people can use the shelter. The picnic shelter will be rented to groups of 50 people or more

and either the entire shelter or half of it can be reserved.

About 12 picnic tables will be available. Electrical outlets also are provided.

A group can rent the full pavilion for \$25 a day. Half the shelter can be rented for \$15 a day. Non-residents will pay \$50 for the full shelter and \$25 for half the shelter.

Recreation Commission at its January meeting.

"We wanted to avoid the problems of communities like Troy experienced," explained O'Bravovic. "They didn't have a reservation policy so they had people camping out overnight in the park so they could use the shelter the next day."

The picnic shelter must be reserved in person at the Parks and Recreation office on Sixth Gate. For more information call 349-1976.

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## School bus route to include Joseph

By MICHELE M. FECHT staff writer

Though Joseph Drive residents lost many battles to reinstate busing within their subdivision during the last six months, the handful of persistent parents appear to have won the war — at least until the end of the current school year.

The Novi Board of Education agreed Thursday to reinstate busing down Joseph Drive for the remainder of the school year following another appeal from residents in that subdivision.

The board agreed to have kindergarten through fourth grade students picked up on Joseph Drive and dropped off on Grand River for the past 15 years, a decision which will affect two kindergarten classes.

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meeting told board members that Assistant Superintendent William Barr already had reinstated busing within the subdivision following complaints from the Novi Police Department.

Barr told board members he received a call last week from Sergeant John Johnson of the Novi Police Department regarding the present bus stop situation at Grand River and Joseph Drive.

Barr told board members that police were concerned about the bus picking up students on Grand River because it was holding up traffic.

Sergeant Johnson said last Friday the department was contacted by one of the parents on Joseph Drive in regard to the dangers posed by cars passing the stopped school bus on Grand River.

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## Empire customers safe from late fee

NOVI — Mortgage-lender Empire of America this week paid winter property tax bills out of its customers' escrow accounts, calming any fears that a late payment penalty may be assessed.

Northville Township Deputy Treasurer Syd Hazzel and Novi Assistant Treasurer Evelyn J. Natzel reported that the company paid the tax bills Monday morning. The City of Northville treasurer's office earlier reported the bills had been paid January 8. The official due date for winter tax bills is February 14, though an extension to February 22, City tax payment deadline is February 28 (except for senior citizens, who have until March 31).

"(Empire of America) hand-delivered the checks just 15 minutes before the deadline," Hazzel said. She said she had called the company last week and

was told "they thought they had mailed all of them the Friday before."

Although the due dates are not until February, it is customary for lenders to make the payments from escrow accounts by December 31 so that homeowners can claim the property tax as a deduction on federal income tax returns.

The Buffalo-based mortgage company failed to make the payments on time due to complications arising from a new computer installation, Empire of America officials stated.

Last week the company announced it would offer interest-free loans to those customers who lost the deduction for this year. The payments made this week will be deductible on next year's federal income tax returns. Payments can still be claimed on the Michigan property tax exemption, since the December 31 payment deadline does not apply to state income tax returns.

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# Fessler rips group home policy

LANSING — Calling Michigan's mental health community placement program a "crisis now reaching epidemic proportions," State Senator Richard Fessler (R-West Bloomfield) has expressed concern that Governor James Blanchard did not address in his State of the State message the crisis of the program — the lack of community involvement.

"Governor Blanchard mentioned in passing the need to step up our efforts for the mentally disabled, but he totally ignored the needs of the communities," said Fessler. "He has managed to ignore the hue and cry of the citizens about the many negative effects of the adult foster care concept as it currently is established."

"He was silent on the need to involve

communities in the integration of the mentally disabled," Fessler added.

Fessler said a solution to the problem is long overdue from the governor's office. "The people in my district have been pleading for attention to this matter for two years now," he said. "And yet, their concerns have been overruled, and their involvement ruled out by law."

"Through by-passing local zoning codes and putting such an important community-based program totally into the hands of the state, the governor and Department of Mental Health are setting this program up to fail," Fessler charged.

Fessler said the number of mental patients in state institutions has dropped from 30,320 in the peak year of 1960

to 6,500 today.

"That's a drop in institutionalized patients of almost 79 percent," he noted. "And with all these people out in the communities, we are tying the community's hands in dealing with them. It's no wonder that just about every resident in the state besides the governor and assorted bureaucrats realize we have a real crisis on our hands."

Fessler said he sent a letter to Governor Blanchard on January 9, asking him to deal with the issue in his State of the State message. Fessler also asked the governor to look at the distribution of such foster care facilities which have proliferated inequitably in the Oakland County area.

"We have a state law which ignores local deed restrictions when we

establish these businesses with absent landlords and underaged, undertrained supervisors to care for mentally impaired adults," he said. "Twenty-seven such facilities already are operating in small White Lake Township, and the state wants to establish yet another home."

"In my district, the people continually express three top concerns — jobs, income tax rollback and community placement crisis," Fessler continued.

"The Reagan recovery is providing new jobs while the governor takes credit for them, the state legislature may yet pass a tax rollback over the governor's protests, and Blanchard continues to ignore Michigan's mental health community placement crisis."

# Millage discussed

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associated with this building and you have to get the positives out of it," Hoyer argued. The community center might be considered a "fringe."

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them on the ballot issue; that's the only way to sell it," Karevich said.

She also objected to the mayor's comments that the community center might be considered a "fringe."

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# School officials, city dispute property

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developed," the resolution stated.

The school board also took issue with Section 3 of the act which states that "if the governing body of the municipality determines that it is in the best interests of the public to halt a decline in property values... the governing body of that municipality may declare by resolution its intention to create and provide for the operation of an authority."

In its resolution, the school board noted that the area has not experienced a decline in property values and "recent options granted by the Novi Community School District and private citizens deter-

mined the value of the area in question to be in excess of \$150,000 an acre."

Schram called the city's consideration of TIF financing "a gross misuse of what the Legislature intended."

Schram further said he "would be the first to jump on the bandwagon to file a lawsuit against the City of Novi if they do it."

Piwko pointed out that the Tax Increment Financing Act was written in 1980 as a means of revitalizing Michigan's economy and encouraging businesses to continue operating in the state.

Such financing has been regarded as a means of deferring short-term

tax revenues for long-term benefits derived from an increased tax base as well as residential growth as families move into revitalized areas.

Last August, the Novi Board of Education granted an option to purchase the Old Novi Elementary site, located on the east side of Novi Road near the I-96 interchange, to the Weatherford-Walker Development Company, a Farmington Hills based firm. The property had been on the market for seven years.

Approval of the option was considered by city officials to be among the most significant events in efforts to develop the Town Center project because the school site is the anchor for the entire northeast quadrant of

the Grand River/Novi Road intersection.

Piwko pointed out to school board members that the option on the school site stipulates that the school district will not seek tax abatement for any phase of the development.

"The reason Weatherford-Walker agreed (to the stipulation) was because it was an extremely desirable piece of property," Piwko noted. "They said they did not need any kind of tax abatement."

Piwko also recognized that because of the property's value to the Town Center project, "the city could work its TIF financing around the 11-acres."

# Wixom Library slates program about France

WIXOM — A special program for participants in the Walled Lake Schools' "Back-to-Back" foreign exchange program will be held at the Wixom Public Library this Saturday (February 16) at 10 a.m.

Walled Lake students who are traveling as exchange students to France in April are invited to come to the library for a morning of movies. Also invited are families who will be hosting French exchange students in their homes.

The films "Je Parle Français," "Paris of Francois" and "France — New Horizons" will be shown to reinforce the French language for students and to give them an idea of what it is like to live in France.

Students from 11 Walled Lake elementary schools are participating in the "Back-to-Back" exchange program this year. It is the second year the program has been offered. Elementary Education Director Hugh Davies is in charge of the cultural exchange.

For more information about Saturday's film program call the Wixom library at 624-2512.

Some \$2,200 worth of clothing was reported stolen from the Eddie Bauer store at Twelve Oaks Mall in two separate incidents on February 2.

In the first incident, the assistant store manager reported that unknown individuals carted off three women's purple nylon running suits from display racks sometime between 10 a.m. and 5:55 p.m. Each suit was valued at \$300.

Later the same day, the assistant manager notified police that four down-filled winter coats with fur-lined parkas had been stolen from display racks between 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Each of the coats was valued at \$400.

# Heist nets \$24,200 in equipment

Novi Thieves made off with an estimated \$24,200 worth of equipment from Suburban Rent-It at 4475 Grand River during the night of February 6.

Stolen property included a 1985 GMC maroon van valued at \$15,000, a four-cylinder gas compressor valued at \$8,500 and a portable engine lift valued at \$700.

The theft was discovered by police on a routine patrol. While approaching the Grand River/Haggerty Road intersection, officers observed a 1984 Chevrolet pickup truck trying to pull a cement mixer to the side of the road. The driver of the truck told police he heard the cement mixer in the middle of the intersection and was trying to move it off the road to prevent an accident.

After observing a Suburban Rent-It tag on the cement mixer, police proceeded to the business where they found the lock on the gate had been cut and fresh tire tracks entering and exiting the storage yard.

Officers summoned the company's manager who subsequently confirmed that the van had been entered forcibly and noted that several other pieces of equipment had been towed away in addition to the cement mixer.

Piwko said the cement mixer had been badly damaged as it was towed away and theorized that the responsible parties abandoned it in the middle of the intersection.

# Area Blotters

A 1981 Chrysler owned by a Walled Lake man was stolen from the Lakewood Market on Novi Road on February 1. The car was later recovered by Walled Lake police.

The man said he left the car running while he dashed in the store to make a purchase and found it missing when he returned minutes later.

The car was recovered later that night by Walled Lake police, who said the vehicle was used for four subjects. The driver of the stolen auto was stopped and arrested on "drunk driving" charges, according to reports.

A set of Wilson golf clubs and \$1,400 worth of Mary Kay Cosmetics were stolen from a 1981 Ford van while it was parked outside the owner's residence in the Beachwalk Apartments. The theft occurred during the night of January 28-29.

The complainant said the van had been left unlocked. The golf clubs were valued at \$200.

An estimated \$470 worth of merchandise was stolen from a Maudlin Drive residence during a break-in that occurred February 1 between 3 and 5:30 p.m.

Stolen property included a Toro electric snowblower valued at \$70 and various Tecmec stereo equipment valued at \$400.

Police said the responsible parties gained access through a bathroom window. Once inside, they searched the master bedroom before taking the stereo equipment from a front room. The snowblower was stolen from a utility room at the rear of the house.

Police found the rear door of the house standing open and observed two sets of footprints in the snow.

A radar detector was stolen from a 1983 Buick stationwagon owned by a Milford woman while it was parked in the Blue Lot at Twelve Oaks Mall on February 1.

The woman said she entered the mall at 11 a.m. and returned at 3:40 p.m. to discover the driver's side window broken open and the radar detector missing. Stolen property was valued at \$245, while damage to the vehicle was pegged at \$100.

Unknown individuals tried unsuccessfully to steal a 1979 Chevrolet pickup truck while it was parked outside the owner's residence on Timberlane. The incident occurred during the night of February 2-3.

The responsible parties attempted to steal the vehicle by breaking the ignition lock, but were unable to get it started and abandoned the effort.

# Obituaries

WILGUS COMBS

Wilgus Combs of Novi, an area resident for the past 50 years, passed away February 9 at Mt. Carmel Hospital in Detroit.

Pastor William Gross will officiate at a funeral service today (Wednesday, February 14) at Lynch & Sons (Richardson-Bird Chapel) in Walled Lake at 1 p.m.

The son of Johny and Allie (Bach) Combs, he was born in Key, Kentucky, on September 1, 1919, and was 65 at the time of his death.

Mr. Combs worked as a factory worker for the Chrysler Corporation for 27 years before he retired in 1976.

He served with the U.S. Army during World War II and participated in the European, African and Middle Eastern theaters. He earned three Bronze Battle Stars, one Overseas Service Bar, a Good Conduct Medal, a Purple Heart and the Medal of Honor during his military service.

He was a member of Wixom VFW Post 3952 on Loom Lake Road and the American Legion Post in Northville.

Mrs. Kirby died January 25 at Botsford Hospital. Born in Ohio on September 21, 1945, she was 39.

A Walled Lake resident for 16 years, Mrs. Kirby was employed as a data processor by the Ex-Cell-O Corporation.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert. Survivors include three sisters: Mrs. William (Shirley) Helke of Waterford and Phillip J. of Walled Lake. Also surviving are three brothers: Conley of Kentucky, Cleveland of Walled Lake and Harris Bryant of Milford. Sixteen grandchildren and three great grandchildren also survive.

Mr. Combs was preceded in death by a sister, Sylvia Lambertson.

JEANNE E. KIRBY

Funeral service for Jeanne E. Kirby of Walled Lake was held January 28 at Lynch & Sons (Richardson-Bird Chapel) in Walled Lake. Pastor Victor H. Messerling of Hope Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills officiated.

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This Hearing will be held at 7:30 P.M., EST, on Thursday, February 28, 1985, at the Novi Public Library, 45245 West Ten Mile Road.

The Public is cordially invited to attend.

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# City, school argue over funding

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The development will have quality or quantity that it otherwise would not have and that it is to the long-term benefit of the public at large. It is a "but for" situation. But for the city's involvement we would not have this kind of development."

Planning and community development coordinator James Wahl explained a TIFA used in a community where he previously worked greatly improved the quality of the development that occurred. Before implementing a TIFA, a Wendy's, a laundromat and a quick-stop market were proposed. After a TIFA was put in place the community attracted a \$10 million hotel and conference center, Wahl said.

Council members also pointed out there are many amenities they would like to see in the Town Center, such as special sidewalks, lighting and landscaping that the developer might not be able to afford to provide if a city-sponsored funding tool were not used.

Niemann said TIFA funds could not be used strictly for such things as "cobblestone streets or fountains" as some council members suggested, but should be viewed from another perspective. "Have you considered whether you'll get another kind of

developer if he doesn't have the cost of building streets and water mains?"

The city can get a higher quality development because use of the TIFA puts it in a position to negotiate with the developer, Niemann explained. The type of development that occurs depends on the outcome of those negotiations.

Niemann said the city must consult with other taxing jurisdictions, such as the school district, before it implements a TIFA, but it need not be bound by their objection to the proposal. "The city retains all rights, it's as simple as that."

But he noted the share of school district funds which go toward paying off the debt incurred by constructing public improvements in the TIFA district can be negotiated and there is no requirement to use school district funds. "There are a thousand different ways to slice the pie."

After the financing tool was explained by the city's bond counsel, Piwko told the city council and planning board that the resolution passed by the school board at Thursday's board meeting was "premature."

The resolution stated the elementary school property on Novi Road would be pulled off the market if a TIFA were put in place. (See related story.)

Piwko explained school officials were under the impression the city had more information than they and we've learned that some council members are not as solidly in support of this as we thought. We were concerned because it seems like you've got a consultant who is forcing this down your throat, saying you have to do this or the Town Center won't develop. Our resolution is really aimed at the consultant's recommendation."

Schram went on to say that when the resolution was passed the board felt it had little recourse since TIFA legislation gives school districts no authority to stop the city from using the funding tool.

After the meeting, Piwko explained the resolution was not an attempt to be vindictive, Schram agreed: "We wanted the city to know the school district is concerned enough about this to make a very strong statement. We're not just mildly concerned about the use of TIFA."

Other portions of the city have attracted good development without resorting to this kind of funding tool, and Piwko maintained the same would happen in the Town Center. "We were encouraged by the viewpoint of the council," Schram said.

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• flashiest T-shirt

• funniest T-shirt, and ugliest T-shirt.

# Churches link up for service series

NOVI — A series of Lenten programs entitled "Soup, Song and Service" are being planned by members of the Spirit of Christ Lutheran Church in Novi and Hope Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills.

Ash Wednesday services will be held at both churches on February 20 at 7:30 p.m. and will include the traditional ceremony of the Imposition of Ashes and the celebration of Eucharist.

The two congregations then will combine the following five Wednesdays for a simple soup supper at 6:30 p.m., a hymn sung at 7 p.m. and a brief devotional vesper at 7:15 p.m. The programs will be held at Hope Lutheran Church on February 27, March 6 and March 13, while the final two services will be held at Spirit of Christ Lutheran Church on March 20 and 27.

The theme for the entire season will be the popularity of the Trivial Pursuit games and will focus on "Trivial or Truth?" The pastor's message each week will deal with several trivia questions taken from the Gospel writers' accounts of the arrest, trial and ultimate execution of Jesus Christ.

Questions will include: "How did Jesus say people will know His disciples?" "What did Jesus say is the difference between 'flesh' and 'spirit'?" and "What two spices are specifically mentioned at the burial of Jesus?"

The community is invited to attend any or all of the Lenten programs. If transportation is needed, call the church office at 533-7170.

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# Section B

Wednesday, February 13, 1985

## Business Briefs



BILL FISCHBEIN



GREGORY DOBSON

THE NOVI HILTON has announced the appointment of Bill Fischbein to the position of sales manager.

A native of Minneapolis, Fischbein joined Hilton in 1984 as a Hilton Personnel Development Program sales trainee in Chicago. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin in Madison where he received his bachelor's degree in chemistry and sociology with emphasis in business and management theory. He currently resides in West Bloomfield.

The Novi Hilton is scheduled to open in June 1985 and will feature 237 guestrooms and suites, a fine dining restaurant, coffee shop, entertainment lounge and lobby bar, as well as indoor pool with sundeck, whirlpool, sauna and exercise room. Conference facilities include a 9,000 square foot ballroom, 100-seat amphitheater and nine smaller conference rooms.

GREGORY DOBSON, an Associate of Albert Kahn Associates (AKA), Architects and Engineers, has been named manager of field services, succeeding Alfred A. Agli who retired in December. The announcement was made by AKA President Daniel Shahan.

Dobson resides with his wife Gwen and their three children on Christina Lane in Novi.

A registered architect, Dobson studied architecture at Lawrence Institute of Technology and the University of Cincinnati. He joined AKA's Field Services Department in 1973 and has been assigned to many of the firm's largest projects in recent years. Those projects include a transaxle plant for the Ford Motor Company in Batavia, Ohio; a production and distribution facility for Max Factor & Company in Oxford, North Carolina; and corporate offices for Avon Products, Inc., in Rye, New York.

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## Bogus franchise deals fleece public

Promoters of bogus business opportunities and franchise deals fleece the investing public of more than \$90 million per year, according to the latest edition of Investor Alert, a quarterly publication of the North American Securities Administrators Association (NASAA) and the Council of Better Business Bureaus (CBBB).

Says The Alert: "These scams run from a few hundred dollars for an overpriced, 'start-up' inventory of industrial-strength cleanser to a \$12,000 'equity investment' in a money-losing car wash chain."

The Alert highlights classic business opportunity and franchise frauds, and also provides the warning signs to watch for in considering any such investment.

HIGH-PRESSURE sales tactics. Shady promoters will demand a quick decision, not allowing an investor to investigate profit claims or consult with a lawyer or accountant. Don't be impressed by ads in national or local publications; they often don't carefully screen the ads they run.

PROMISES OF sky-high profits. No honest promoter can guarantee a client a return on his investment, much less astronomical profits of 100 percent or more. A legitimate operator will

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— Thomas Aschraft, Detroit BBB President

qualify his success stories, providing percentage of participants who have earned the big money. Just 11 percent of direct salesmen made over \$100 a week in 1983, according to a recent Harris Poll.

CLAIMS OF minimal risk. There is no such thing as a completely safe franchise or business opportunity deal, no matter how good the product or service involved. Assurances that "you can't go wrong" should be considered a near-certain indicator that an investor is being conned. Statistics show that the toughest years for a direct salesman or franchise holder are the first two.

UNJUSTIFIED START-UP fees. Examine the value of the inventory, training courses and sales kits that a promoter is insisting that you purchase. Is he asking for more than the fair market value of these start-up items? If you are more, a legitimate operator will

look at a sales job, why should there be a high, initial entry fee? EVASIVE ANSWERS, failure to disclose. If the promoter is not directly responding to your questions or refuses to provide details, don't go any further. Remember that your chance to succeed would depend on the parent company's full cooperation and assistance. What does the promoter have to hide?

The NASAA/CBBB publication also includes a detailed check list which investors should consult before putting Michigan. Attention: Investor Alert; 150 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48226.

forget the cardinal rules — ask questions and get everything in writing," said Thomas Aschraft, Detroit BBB president. "There is good money to be made in legitimate business opportunities and franchises, but there are also a lot of wolves amongst the sheep."

A NASAA/CBBB survey conducted for Investor Alert uncovered recent business opportunity and franchise fraud problems in 24 states.

The Investor Alert is a quarterly program jointly sponsored by NASAA and the CBBB to expose investment frauds to the public and provide useful information on how to avoid the often sophisticated and unlawful schemes that prey on investors.

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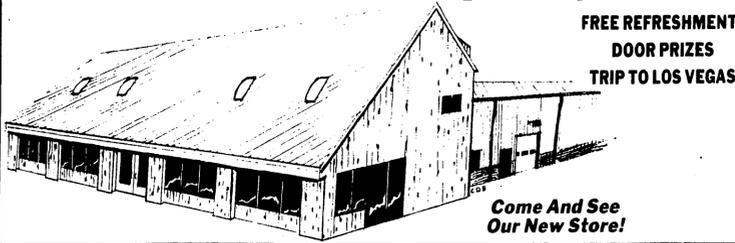
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Wednesday FEBRUARY 13 1985

The Year of the Ox is approaching. The Lunar New Year, China's most colorful and important festival, will arrive February 20 and bring a week of feasting both in China and here.

The Chinese New Year is celebrated in traditional homes in China and the United States. According to legend, families honor the Kitchen God by preparing a rich feast.

Raymond and Nancy Choi, a young Novi couple, are continuing the tradition brought to this country by their families who came from mainland China. For the upcoming festival, they will be preparing traditional seafood, chicken and beef dishes for both their friends and patrons of the China Fair restaurant in Northville Township.

Raymond Choi is part owner and chef of the family-owned restaurant in Northville Plaza Mall, 4231 West Seven Mile. Nancy Choi is manager.

"We prepare special dishes and send New Year cards like you send Christmas cards — ours, all say something lucky," says Nancy Choi, explaining that the recipients are wished good health and good fortune in the New Year. For all unmarried children in a family, she adds, there are special "New Year" envelopes with a money gift tucked inside.

Date of the observance, she says, depends on the farmers' almanac. In a tradition handed down from early ancestors, the Chinese zodiac is based on a 12-year cycle, each year being represented by an animal.

"The Chinese New Year can be as early as January 21 or as late as February 21."

"In China, businessmen close their accounts on the 16th day of the 12th month and thank the gods for a prosperous year. Customers pay their debts in order to start the new year with a clean slate."

On the 24th day of the 12th month, traditional households honor the Kitchen God. Legend says he returns to heaven at the end of each year to report on the family — so a rich feast is prepared in order that he will give a good report.

Under the Communist government, the Chinese New Year was rechristened the Spring Festival as part of a new set of secular activities. Food, however, plays an important part in all Chinese festivals.

Last week Raymond Choi and the China Fair staff prepared a half dozen special dishes in advance of the New Year for Photographer Steve Fecht to photograph and for staff members who volunteered to sample.

"The Oriental New Year treat, according to Nancy Choi, should begin with a seafood soup. Chef Choi's combined scallops, shrimp, lobster and mushrooms with watercress."

"Pot-sticker with hot sauce, an appetizer, followed. These are tasty dumplings stuffed with pork. Each main dish would be sufficient for a meal."

"Crispy chicken, whole, is marinated overnight and then roasted in a stand-up oven. As is the traditional custom, the chicken head is left on until the dish is served."

"Shredded beef tenderloin is combined with stir fry vegetables and pineapple and placed in a pineapple scooped out to become the serving dish."

"Sweet and sour fish, whole, is a yellow pickled, deep fried with a light batter with sweet and sour sauce and placed on a bed of shredded vegetables. Marachino cherries are used for eyes. The head and tail then are removed as the fish is served with rice."

"Jumbo shrimp with broccoli is served on a bed of rice. The shrimp is marinated and stir-fried with Chinese broccoli, carrots, mushrooms, onions, pea pods, pineapple, green peppers and baby corn."

Each dish prepared by Chef Choi was a visual as well as a culinary treat. A whole Spanish onion was cut into a flower form with yelk's tipper in red dye to festoon the appetizer plate. Scallops, too, were carried in to flowers with red tips.

Platters were garnished with paper-thin half slices of cucumber or oranges and cherries.

A tomato was cut into goldfish shapes for the soup. Carrots were cut into tiny butterflies for garnish. Nancy Choi explains that there are special cutters to create these touches.

Traditionally, tea is served with the meal, finished off by almond cookies made fresh at the restaurant.

Marcy, who was born in mainland China, left with her mother and sisters when she was eight years old, going first to Hong Kong. The family came to Detroit in 1974.

Marcy met her husband here. He had come from mainland China with his family in 1971, settling first in Seattle.

"We met in Detroit through family and friends," explains Nancy.

It is Raymond Choi's family that is in the restaurant business, operating China Fair restaurants in Traverse City and Port Charlotte, Florida, and another called Ten Yen, on Wayne Road in Livonia. San Choi, who originally opened the China Fair in Northville in 1978, now operates the Florida restaurant.

"We give each other help when we need it," says Nancy of the family operation.

During the Chinese New Year celebration — from February 20 through the 28th — the Chois will be offering special dishes daily. Other area Oriental restaurants also will have similar feasts.

Appreciators of Chinese food will depart with their "fortune" fold in crisp cookies.

This one left a reporter missing: "Birds are often engaged by their feet, men by their tongues."

Other Chinese zodiac years:

The Tiger: 1902, 1914, 1926, 1938, 1950, 1962, 1974, 1986.  
The Rabbit: 1903, 1915, 1927, 1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987.  
The Dragon: 1904, 1916, 1928, 1940, 1952, 1964, 1976, 1988.  
The Serpent: 1905, 1917, 1929, 1941, 1953, 1965, 1977, 1989.  
The Horse: 1906, 1918, 1930, 1942, 1954, 1966, 1978.  
The Ram: 1907, 1919, 1931, 1943, 1955, 1967, 1979, 1991.  
The Monkey: 1908, 1920, 1932, 1944, 1956, 1968, 1980, 1992.  
The Rooster: 1909, 1921, 1933, 1945, 1957, 1969, 1981, 1993.  
The Dog: 1910, 1922, 1934, 1946, 1958, 1970, 1982, 1994.  
The Pig: 1911, 1923, 1935, 1947, 1959, 1971, 1983, 1995.  
The Rat: 1912, 1924, 1936, 1948, 1960, 1972, 1984.

Text by Jean Day/Photos by Steve Fecht/Art by Jeffrey Lapinski

**China Feasts**

Chef Raymond Choi of China Fair Restaurant shares with readers his recipe for marinated beef tenderloin which he serves as a festive main dish in a carved out pineapple with foliage intact.

**SWEET AND SOUR FISH**

Celery, Carrots, Green pepper, Onion, One Pineapple, Salt, Soy Sauce

Cut celery, carrots, green pepper and onions into strips and pineapple pieces scooped from pineapple into small pieces. Heat cooking oil in fry pan and stir fry beef strips until done. Remove into separate dish. Stir fry vegetables and pineapple until tender. Return beef to pan, mix with vegetables and serve hot in pineapple. Serve over rice.

**POT-STICKER**

Tenderloin, cut in narrow strips  
1 egg, beaten  
1 tablespoon cornstarch

Marinate strips of tenderloin for two hours in mixture of soy sauce, beaten egg, cornstarch and salt to taste.

**CHIEF RAYMOND CHOI OVERSEES LEAST PREPARATION**

# Daddy/daughter program slated

The Walled Lake Community Education Department will host a "Daddy-Daughter Date Night" at Clifford H. Smart Junior High School this Friday (February 15) from 7-9 p.m.

Punch and cookies will be served, and a professional photographer will be present to take pictures. The price is \$4 for each father and daughter; \$4.50 for fathers who bring more than one daughter.

Registrations are being accepted at community education offices in Room 5 of Walled Lake Junior High School, Call 624-0202 for more information.

**WALLED LAKE LIBRARY:** The Walled Lake Library will hold a preschool open house at the library on Monday, February 25, at 7 p.m.

Several area schools and day care centers will have representatives available for questions about policy, tuition, etc. For more information call the library at 624-3772.

The library is looking for the names of individuals physically unable to visit the library. Anyone who knows a person who could benefit from a Homebound Service is asked to call the library at 624-3772.

**WIXOM LIBRARY:** "Magic Carpet" story time for Wixom preschoolers are being held at the Wixom Public Library.

Classes for 2 1/2-year olds (with an adult) are held Tuesday mornings,

## Community Notes

White sessions for 4-5 year olds are held Wednesday afternoons. Registration is required. To sign up or for more information call the library at 624-2512.

Straight talk about IRA's, a series of bi-weekly seminars conducted by IDS/American Express, will be held at the Wixom Municipal Building. Sessions will be held at 7 p.m. on February 20, March 6, March 20 and April 3. For more information or to register call the library at 624-2512.

**MAPLE ELEMENTARY:** Walled Lake's Maple Elementary School is inviting students who will enter kindergarten in September 1985 to participate in a preschool orientation.

A parent orientation meeting will be held February 19, at 7 p.m. The preschool program will begin in March and run 10 weeks.

Any child living in the Maple attendance area who will be five years old prior to December 1, 1985, is eligible to attend. Parents with children entering school for the first time in the fall of 1985 may call Maple Elementary at 624-6225 for more information.

**RICHARDSON CENTER:** Seniors 60 years of age or older are invited to sign up for the hot meal program offered by the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency at the center Monday through Friday at noon.

The following special events have been scheduled at the Richardson Center during February. Free blood pressure screenings will be held February 17 from 10 a.m. to noon. Pictures for senior identification cards will be taken February 21 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Assistance with income tax preparation is available by appointment only on February 5 and 19. Call

**TWIN BEACH:** Twin Beach Elementary School in West Bloomfield will hold a family snow sculpture contest on Sunday, February 17, from noon to 5 p.m. The alternate date is Sunday, February 24.

All Twin Beach students and their families are invited to participate.

**REUNION:** The Farmington High School Class of '65 will hold its 20th reunion on July 13. Interested classmates may call Joyce Cornwell at 474-9724 or Mike Maatla at 349-8316 for more information.

**OPEN DOOR:** The Open Door of Union Lake can use sales people in their outreach center, which serves those in need of food and clothing. Volunteers are needed three or four hours per week. Call 642-7722 for more information.

**WALLED LAKE SENIORS:** The Walled Lake Senior Citizens have three groups meeting the second and fourth Mondays each month. The North Lakes group meets at the Dublin Community Center, 685 Union Lake Road; the South Lakes group meets at the Wixom Community Building, 49250 Pontiac Trail; and the West Lakes group meets at Shepherd of the Lakes Church, 2965 South Church Road.

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## Engagements

**BERT BORAI & LAURIE GOVAN**  
Her fiancée is a graduate of Metacorn High School of Fairview Village, Pennsylvania, and of Pennsylvania State University where he received his BS degree in business management in 1982. He is a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and is employed as regional sales representative for Skill Power Toys in Anaheim. A spring wedding is being planned at Mercy Center in Farmington Hills.

**Mr. and Mrs. Will Govan Jr. of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter Laurie Ann to Bert Borai, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Borai of Auburn, Pennsylvania.**

The bride-elect currently is living and working in Anaheim, California. A 1981 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School, she is employed as a computer data operator at Disneyland.

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## Engagements

**BERT BORAI & LAURIE GOVAN**  
Her fiancée is a graduate of Metacorn High School of Fairview Village, Pennsylvania, and of Pennsylvania State University where he received his BS degree in business management in 1982. He is a member of Sigma Nu fraternity and is employed as regional sales representative for Skill Power Toys in Anaheim. A spring wedding is being planned at Mercy Center in Farmington Hills.

**Mr. and Mrs. Will Govan Jr. of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter Laurie Ann to Bert Borai, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Borai of Auburn, Pennsylvania.**

The bride-elect currently is living and working in Anaheim, California. A 1981 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School, she is employed as a computer data operator at Disneyland.

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## Community Ed plans 'Super Saturday' programs

**Novi Highlights**  
by JEANNE CLARKE  
news special writer

This Friday (February 15) is the last day to register for the Novi Community Education Department's Super Saturday programs.

Super Saturdays are designed for preschoolers through eighth graders and will be presented at Novi High School on March 2, 9, 16 and 23. Included is open swim for parents and their children.

The Community Education Department still has openings in its computer classes. Registrations now are being accepted for the second sessions of Word Processing and Computers I and II. Openings also are available in such classes as Pre-retirement Seminar and How to Prepare an Income Tax Return.

Youngsters may be interested in two magic programs entitled Hoops Poles and Arabadabra which will be offered in March. Other available classes include Cooking in Many Lands and Make Your Own Bulletin Board.

All CPR courses are filled and there will be no openings until April, although there is still room in an Infant CPR class to be held at Providence Hospital's Novi Center on February 28.

A class on Home Security and Neighborhood Watch will be presented tonight (Wednesday, February 13) by Officer William Charles of the Novi Police Department from 7:30 to 10 p.m. The location of the class has been transferred to Middle School South to accommodate the large number of registrants. The class will provide valuable information for both apartment dwellers and owners of single family homes.

More information on all classes is available by calling the Community Education Department at 348-1200.

**YOUTH ASSISTANCE:** Novi Youth Assistance (NYA) has scheduled its annual bowlathon for May 18. Chairman Joyce Hellenja has line up several guest emcees including Gary Gubberly and Chef Keith Farnie from Raphael's.

NYA hopes to raise some \$6,000 from the bowlathon again this year. Proceeds will be used for such projects as the teen center and camp scholarships.

Kay Babich and Lisa Foote of the Family Education Committee are completing the Drug and Alcohol Series at Novi High School and then will concentrate on programs for parents interested in STEP (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting). The STEP program is slated to begin March 5 and run for nine weeks. Ed Kramer will direct the STEP program for parents of children under 18 years old. While Kay Babich will lead the STEP Teen program for parents of children 11 and older. Call 349-1976 for more information about either program.

NYA is seeking nominees for its Outstanding Youth Award, which will be presented at the Jaycees' DSA breakfast on March 24. Nomination forms are available at NYA offices on Sixgate or by calling 349-1976.

**CUB PACK 54:** Novi Cub Scout Pack 54 will hold its Blue and Gold Banquet on February 14. Fried chicken will be provided, but families are asked to bring salads and vegetables. The program will include a uniform inspection, awards presentation and a karate demonstration by the Novi Lions Club last year. Make reservations prior to April 1. Applications for the shelter from non-residents will be considered after that date. Call 349-1976 for more information about fees or to reserve the shelter.

**FAITH PRESBYTERIAN:** February is a busy month at Faith Presbyterian Church. Boy Scout Sunday was celebrated February 3 and Criminal Justice Sunday was celebrated February 10. There will be a pulpit exchange with the Orchard Lake Presbyterian Church this Sunday, Ash Wednesday is February 20 and the first Sunday in Lent is February 24.

The church is holding Wednesday worship services at Beverly Manor during February. Volunteers are needed to take residents to and from the church and help with hymns. A pianist also is needed.

The Men's Club will hold a Men's Breakfast on Saturday, February 23, at 8:30 a.m. The Senior High Group will toboggan and have a hot dog roast at Kensington on February 23. High school juniors and seniors are invited to an open house at Alma College on Tuesday, February 19.

The church is working on a pictorial directory. Pictures will be taken February 25, 26 and 27. Call the church

**Novi student receives West Point nomination**  
NOVI - Christopher Pachana, a senior at Novi High School, has been nominated for appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point by Congressman William S. Broomfield (R-18th District).

All nominees are selected on a competitive basis as a result of SAT/ACT scores, scholastic record, extracurricular activities, leadership potential and the recommendations of high school counselors.

Under the competitive appointment system used by Broomfield, final appointments to the academy will be made by the academy's selection board. Appointments will be announced before May 1.

In 1985, Pachana is one of 10 nominees competing for one vacancy allotted to the 18th Congressional District for the military academy.

Broomfield urges youths interested in attending one of the service academies next year to contact him before November 188 at 2306 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

**TAX TIPS**  
LEE E. HOLLAND, C.P.A.

**AVERAGING YOUR INCOME**  
Averaging your income is still a big advantage under current tax laws, but there are tighter restrictions than formerly. For instance, you can average your income if you earn \$3,000 more than 140 percent of your average income for the past three years. This tax advantage is particularly attractive if your income jumps in a given tax year or if your income has been rising rapidly.

To use the income average advantage you must have provided at least half of your own support during the base period years. Also, you cannot include as income premature distributions from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) or Keogh self-employment retirement plan. Amounts from these

**NOTICE CITY OF NOVI 1984 TAXES**  
ON FEBRUARY 15, 1985, A 4% PENALTY WILL BE ADDED TO ALL UNPAID 1984 DECEMBER TAXES FOR Personal and Real Properties located in the City of Novi. Payments must be physically received by the Treasurer's Office on or before February 14, 1985.

After February 28, 1985, taxes are payable to the Oakland County Treasurer with additional late charges.

DOG LICENSES  
Dog license fees will be increased to \$15.00 on March 1, 1985.

Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.  
Monday through Friday - Closed Saturdays  
CLOSED: Monday, February 18, 1985

Evelyn I. Natzel  
Assistant Treasurer

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## Report of Condition

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Consolidating Domestic Subsidiaries  
of the  
**Michigan National Bank - West Metro**

of Livonia in the state of Michigan, at the close of business on December 31, 1984 published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161. Charter number 15344 Comptroller of the Currency 7 District.

**ASSETS**  
Thousands of Dollars

Cash and balances due from depository institutions \$ 9,886,000  
Interest-bearing balances 21,011,000  
Securities 52,301,000  
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell in domestic offices of the bank and of its Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and in IBFs 30,400,000  
Loans and lease financing receivables: 209,068,000  
Loans and leases, net of unearned income 1,737,000  
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve NONE  
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve 207,331,000  
Assets held in trading accounts NONE  
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases) 4,484,000  
Other real estate owned 1,940,000  
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies NONE  
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding NONE  
Intangible assets NONE  
Other assets 4,025,000  
Total assets 331,378,000

**LIABILITIES**

Deposits: 287,163,000  
In domestic offices 53,169,000  
Noninterest-bearing 233,994,000  
Interest-bearing NONE  
In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs NONE  
Noninterest-bearing NONE  
Interest-bearing NONE  
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase in domestic offices of the bank and of its Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and in IBFs 2,450,000  
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury 3,097,000  
Other borrowed money 2,764,000  
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases 1,953,000  
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding NONE  
Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits 1,700,000  
Other liabilities 6,158,000  
Total liabilities 310,286,000  
Limited-life preferred stock NONE

**EQUITY CAPITAL**

Perpetual preferred stock NONE  
Common stock 2,880,000  
Surplus 2,880,000  
Undivided profits and capital reserves 15,332,000  
Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments NONE  
Total equity capital 21,092,000  
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital 331,378,000

**1, Donald A. Zeolis, Accounting Officer of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.**

*Donald A. Zeolis*  
January 28, 1985

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformity with the instructions and is true and correct.

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## Eagle cagers notch victory

NOVI — Mike Carroll scored 19 points and pulled down 22 rebounds to lead Novi Christian to a 54-50 victory over West Highland Christian last Friday.

Novi Christian trailed through most of last Friday's game, but turned a last-minute flurry into a win. Sophomore forward Scott Sorby scored on a drive to knot the score at 50 with 1:04 remaining.

"Scott was playing in his first game since suffering a broken hand January 4," said Coach Richard Burgess. "Not bad for a little Eagle with a broken hand," he added, noting Sorby's 5-5 size.

Although Sorby's right hand was heavily taped and padded, it was red-hot in the second half, when he hit four of six from the floor to finish the game with 10 points. He added six rebounds, five assists and two steals.

It was the fourth straight victory for the Eagles, who disposed of Pontiac Greater Life Academy 59-33 on Monday and Inkster Christian 48-46 on Wednesday.

Tony Leech, forced to sit out Friday's game because of illness, totaled 37 points, 24 rebounds, 12 assists and four steals in those two victories, to lift his season scoring average to 16.3 points per game. Carroll totaled 30 points and in the two wins.

Novi 11-5 and riding a hot streak by winning eight of their last 10 games, the Novi Christian Eagles will take on Oxford Christian this week.

## Acrophobics take playoffs

NOVI — The "Little Big Men" won the regular-season championship in the Men's 3-on-3 Basketball League sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

But the "Acrophobics" came back and defeated the league champs in the playoffs to win the post-season tournament.

After defeating the Orchard Ridge Boys and the Mustangs in the opening rounds of the tournament, the taller Acrophobics won the Little Big Men who posted a 15-9 victory to qualify for the finals and send the Acrophobics into the loser's bracket.

But the Acrophobics earned one more shot at the Little Big Men by winning a 15-15 verdict over "The Farm" in the consolation finals.

Given a second chance at the Little Big Men, the Acrophobics made the most of it. They won the first game 15-7 to give each team a single loss and set the stage for the climactic championship. The Acrophobics demonstrated that the first victory was no fluke by taking the second game 15-10 to win the tournament championship.

Members of the Acrophobics team are Mike Sumner, John Boland, Todd Eis and John Pantalone. Members of the Little Big Men are Jack McAleer, John Matthews, Tom Harper, Tom McAllen and Gar Franz.



Novi's Ed Maresh defeats Eric Truhn for KVC 185-pound title

## Maresh wins title to spark Wildcats at KVC mat meet

NOVI — For the second straight year, Ed Maresh gunned down every challenger to win an individual championship at the Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) wrestling tournament.

But Novi's outstanding senior grappler wasn't able to lead the Wildcat posse within shooting range of the three-way showdown for a league title.

When the smoke cleared at Saturday's tourney, Howell was clutching the overall KVC championship trophy. The Highlanders were runners-up to Lakeland at the tournament, but their 6-0 regular-season record and head-to-head dual-meet win over Lakeland earlier in the season landed them the overall KVC title.

Lakeland's 158 1/2 tournament points just edged Howell's 154 and Brighton's 151.

Trailing Brighton were Milford (133 1/2), Hartland (108), Novi (55 1/2) and South Lyon (18).

"I'm a little disappointed," Novi Coach Tom Fritz sighed. "But it was an excellent meet from a spectator's standpoint. There was some excellent wrestling going on out there."

Aside from Maresh's crown, Novi's only points came on third-place finishes by seniors Mike Vincent and Dave Weber, plus fourths from 98-pound freshman Scott Brown and senior 112-pounder Nick Weaver.

Missing in action was Novi's rock-steady 138-pounder "Downtown" Charly Brown, who was battling a fever.

"He wanted to wrestle sooo badly," Fritz said. "But he was just hurt by the day before. I had to ask him, 'Charlie, what's more important, the state or the league?'"

"He had to agree, he's got to be ready for this week's district," Fritz continued. "It's a really tough break for Charlie, because I really think he could have taken a first for us."

But even if "Downtown" (28-8 this season) had pinned all his opponents Saturday, he couldn't have moved Novi up in the team standings.

"The most he could have scored was 25 points, and that still would have left us short of Hartland," Fritz noted.

Because Novi was well behind the

HOME AT LAST:  
Brighton tops Novi  
five at end of road trip/5C

COULDN'T LAST:  
Wildcat tankers  
finally suffer defeat/5C

AT LONG LAST:  
Novi spikers break  
into victory column/5C

HOT BROOMS:  
Curling gains fans  
at West Bloomfield club/6C

## Rec Briefs

**BOWLING TOURNEY:** Novi Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a Parent/Child Bowling Tournament in conjunction with Novi Bowl this Saturday (February 17) at noon. The tournament fee is \$10 per team and there will be separate age divisions. Participants can register either at Novi Bowl or at Parks & Rec offices. Call 349-1976 or 349-9120 for more information.

**SPRING SOCCER:** Novi Parks and Recreation is taking registrations for the 1985 spring youth soccer program. Boys and girls from 5 to 16 years old may sign up. Games will be played Tuesday and Thursday evening and Saturday morning. The registration fee of \$13 includes a shirt, shorts and socks for every player. Registration deadline is this Friday, February 15.

**FITNESS FUN:** The Community Activities Building on Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills is available for fitness fun in 1985. Available for community use are an Olympic-sized pool, gym, Nautilus weight room, and racquetball and tennis courts. The building is open Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Orchard Ridge campus is located at Orchard Lake Road and I-696 in Farmington Hills. For more information call 471-7716.

**SKI CLINICS:** Donna Nawrot will teach the fundamentals of cross-country skiing in one easy lesson through a program offered by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

The clinic will be held at Maybury State Park in Northville on Wednesday, February 13, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The fee is \$5. There's an additional charge of \$2 if you need to rent equipment.

State park passes are required to enter Maybury State Park. Cost of the passes is not included in the clinic fees. For more information call the Novi Parks and Recreation Department at 349-1976.

**SPORTS CAMPS:** The Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department and Oakland Community College are co-sponsoring their second annual Instructional Sports Camp Program. Offered on a one-week basis throughout the spring and summer, camps are designed to meet the needs of individuals 11-years-old and older.

## Brighton upends Wildcat cagers

NOVI — Someone forgot to put up the "Beware of Dogs" sign last week. Brighton avenged an embarrassing early-season loss at Novi by thumping the Wildcats 64-52 in the Bulldogs' back yard Tuesday of last week.

"True to the 'cals-and-dogs' billing, the game was 'pretty wild,'" said Novi Coach John Cicchelli.

### Cicchelli: 'It's been a pretty tough road trip. Brutal, to say the least.'

How wild? Brighton scored 49 of its points in the first and fourth quarters, yet was held to just two in the third. After a first-quarter blowout in which Brighton hit 11 of its first 12 shots from the floor — almost all from the outside — the Wildcats slowly climbed back into the game in the second half.

With five minutes left in the game, Novi's Phi Slamma Jamma pledge, Cody and Brett Gillick each scored 10 points for the Wildcats, with Brett Gillick snaring six rebounds. Joe Miskovich scored nine points.

Unanswered hoops and forced Novi to commit deliberate fouls to regain possession of the ball. Novi got the ball back, all right — but not on rebounds. In the last four minutes, Brighton sank 20 of 21 free throws, finishing the night by converting 26 of 31 from the charity stripe.

Wasted in the loss was Gillick's 17-point, 14-rebound performance. Steve Cody and Brett Gillick each scored 10 points for the Wildcats, with Brett Gillick snaring six rebounds. Joe Miskovich scored nine points.

Steve Abramski and Mike Arsenault combined for 36 points to lead Brighton. The loss dinged Novi's Kensington Valley Conference season mark to 4-3, three games behind unbeaten Howell.

Last Friday, Novi ended its longest road trip of the season with a non-conference 95-55 loss to Dearborn Edsel Ford.

"We were just overmatched," Cicchelli said. "They were tough inside and outside. The kid who scored 25 points for them (Steve Hunt), we just couldn't stop."

The Wildcats have played six of their last seven games away. Prior to last night's game against league-leading Howell (played after press deadline), they hadn't played on their home court since hosting Hartland January 25. Perhaps not coincidentally, that was also the last time the Wildcats won.

"It's been a pretty tough road trip. Brutal, to say the least," Cicchelli agreed.

Novi (7-7 overall) travels to 4-10 Milford on Friday and returns home Tuesday to face Lakeland.

## Novi swim squad finally tastes defeat

NOVI — It was a nice flight. But Livonia Franklin and Brighton swimmers brought SpaceShip Novi back down to earth last week, handing the Wildcat tankers their first and second losses of the season.

Franklin defeated Novi 100-72 on Tuesday to snap Novi's season-long string of six straight dual meet victories.

"We didn't perform as a team the way we were capable of doing," said Novi Coach Larry Teahan. "We had some good swims, but we lost most of the close races."

Two of the Wildcats' top swimmers, Steve Warthman and Dan Hoops, were sidelined by illness for the meet. Warthman was back in the pool Thursday, and Hoops is expected to return to action this week.

"We knew we'd have to be at full strength to beat Franklin," Teahan said. "I think the kids knew it, too. It hurt us psychologically not to have Dan and Steve there."

Novi had only three first-place finishes against the Patriots, two of them by Jeff Cohen. Cohen stroked to first in the 200 individual medley (2:14.9)

and the 500 freestyle (5:28.4), while Derek Nelson's 24.9 topped the field in the 50 freestyle.

Brian Paul, who qualified for the MHSAA Class A Diving Regionals last week, took second against Franklin, accumulating 197.95 points. Dave Strange finished third with 145.35 points.

In the 4x50 medley relay, Rich Sarlund, Chris Garascia, Todd Marker and Mike Kotyk combined for a second-place time of 1:54.1, one of Novi's best performances at the meet.

Eric Sarlund posted two strong finishes despite a bout with a severe cold. Sarlund took second in the 200 free in 1:51.8 and third in the 100 free in 54.9.

## Wildcat of the Week



MINDY PARK

Nobody said rebuilding a solid volleyball program would be easy, and on this year's losing Wildcat squad, it's been doubly difficult for those who won't benefit from this year's experience to contribute to a winning team.

Not that Mindy Park, our Novi News Wildcat of the Week, is the type to complain. "She's been our most consistent player," Coach Gina Gervasi says of the senior. "That's the word I'd have to use. She's consistent serving, she's consistent hitting... she strikes a good balance between being competitive and keeping our spirit up when we're losing. As hard as it is to play and lose, she never gives up."

The co-captain-had several of her best games last week, including a pair of wins over Clarenceville in the Dearborn Heights Tournament Saturday, and a well-played three-game loss to Redford Thurston earlier in the week. Park converted 12 of 15 spikes and four of six dinks.

Novi — For the first time all season, Novi's volleyball team put together two consecutive winning games.

"We played our best against Crestwood Saturday," she said. "We had two good chances to beat them. Even though we lost, I thought we played very well."

The Wildcats took the tough tourney hosts to game point twice. Novi led 15-14, then 16-15. But each time Crestwood came back, and eventually landed an 18-16 victory.

"We had two missed serves at game point," Gervasi said ruefully.

The loss dropped Novi down to the tourney's single-elimination bracket, where the Wildcats faced a powerful Birmingham Marian squad. Marian clobbered Novi 15-4, 15-4 to put the Wildcats aboard the next bus home.

## Wildcat spikers nail down first victory

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## WALLED AND SHAWOOD LAKES LEVEL CONTROL NOTICE OF LETTING OF LAKE LEVEL CONTROL CONTRACT

Notice is hereby given that the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, will, on Thursday, the 28th day of February, 1985, at the City Offices, 45225 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48050, receive sealed bids until 2:00 P.M. (local time) at which time bids will be opened and publicly announced for the construction of a certain project known and designated as the "Walled And Shawood Lakes Level Control" to be located and established in the City of Novi in said County.

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Any person desiring to bid on the above mentioned work will be required to deposit with the City of Novi a certified check or cashier's check or a satisfactory bid bond in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the proposal, as a guarantee that he will enter into contract and furnish the required bonds as prescribed by law.

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# Winter conditioning program aids Novi athletes

NOVI — Leave it to Bob Smith to keep Novi High School's spring sports teams busy in the winter.

The track and cross-country coach is continuing to expand his annual pre-season conditioning program. Initially, his "500 Mile Club" was geared specifically for distance runners. But now, it's been expanded to include a wide variety of strength and skill workouts for various ability levels and sports — even baseball.

"The idea is to be prepared when spring comes and to have a scheduled program to build up for it," says Smith.

Each participant receives a folder containing information on how to train for the sport. "For example," he notes, "a baseball player is basically a thrower. He needs arm strength and upper body strength, like a discus thrower. So he is put on coordination-training drills, weights and oxygen-debt activities."

While simply running takes up much of the tracksters' workouts, there are programs and new equipment to supplement mileage training in other ways as well.

"Running is half of it," Smith says. "For runners, there's a weighted jump rope and resistance belts for sprinters. We run in the swimming pool — if there's anything wrong with your running form, it shows up in water."

For field event athletes, there's new equipment provided by the Novi Athletic Boosters Club: an indoor shot, watching technique on videotape, an in-

disc and a cord device for training pole vaulters' upper body strength.

While Michigan High School Athletic Association's spring prohibit coaches from working directly with more than three athletes on skills, in a way the restriction benefits both Smith and his athletes.

"A lot of my best coaching is done in the off-season," he explains. "What's good is that I can teach them techniques without distraction to the point where they can help me coach in the spring. When we've got a team with 50-60 kids on it, there's no way each of them can get personalized instruction from me."

"We need student coaches in track," he says. "This way, I can say, 'Go over there and work with those kids on their three-step approach' and they'll know what I mean."

Right now there are about 15 participants on line for the program, but Smith anticipates the number will gradually increase to 40 or 50 as spring approaches.

"We set 20 goals at the beginning for participants," Smith says. "At the top of the list were things like 'fun and companionship,' and way down at the bottom of the list were things like dropping times or doing such-and-such a workout."

"But as we get closer and closer to spring, we gradually move those lower-level, personal-record goals up on the list so that their competitiveness is really in place for the season."



Novi's Linda Schneider (kneeling) is an advocate of curling.

## Curling picks up following at West Bloomfield facility

By B.J. MARTIN  
staff writer

NOVI — If some wandering extraterrestrial from an advanced civilization ever beamed down to Earth and materialized at a curling match, he'd probably decide our planet was ripe for an easy takeover.

The Novi Community Education Department currently is offering for the first time a mittens-on class in the arcane skills of the old Scottish game, says one of the stangest-looking activities mankind has yet devised.

The Scots are renowned for their bizarre ideas of fun and games, of course. They gave us post throwing, hurling (an unbelievably savage cross between field hockey and lacrosse), golf and, of course, curling.

Maybe you've seen a curling match while flipping channels past Canadian TV broadcasts. Some guy with a broom in one hand and something resembling a brake drum with a handle in his other hand, sends the latter object skidding down a narrow stretch of ice toward a bulls-eye-shaped target.

While the rock, as they call it, glides along, two sweater-clad individuals frantically broom the ice in front of it while someone off-camera yells unintelligibly.

Sound like fun? Course instructor Linda Schneider of Novi thinks it is. "It's a very laid-back kind of sport," she says. "It's not dangerous, it isn't real physical — you're not hitting people."

"It's a team sport, yet you're kind of competing against yourself. You want to improve your skill."

Schneider is teaching participants the basics of curling in a five-week session at the Detroit Curling Club on Drake

Road in West Bloomfield. "We're teaching them rules, how to deliver the rock, how to sweep and a little strategy — not a lot. It takes some time to learn."

"We'll also watch matches, see a couple of films on the sport and play a few games," she adds.

Schneider has been trained as an instructor by Curl Canada, an instruction certification agency. She and her husband, Dallas Schneider, are long-standing members of the Detroit Curling Club.

She grew interested in the sport through her husband. "He's been curling for 15 years, and I've been doing it for 10," she says. Very well, too, Mrs. Schneider might add. The couple once competed together at the national mixed curling finals in Colorado. "We didn't get too far," she laughs.

This March, the DCC will host the national mixed *bonspiel* (invitation) for the first time. It's an appropriate time, since the club is celebrating its centennial this year.

Before it moved its home base to West Bloomfield in 1979, it had been based at Ford and Forest streets in Detroit for nearly 80 years. Its present facility, converted from a roomy indoor riding stable, features a cozy dining room and bar which overlook the ice.

"It's very much a family kind of atmosphere," Schneider says. "We have people from age 10 to 80 in the club. It's not unusual on a Friday night to see a kid playing with his grandparents, everybody enjoying themselves together."

"We get members from the whole metro area. It's very nice because members have contacts and friends from all over. We're kind of a melting pot."

For more information about the Detroit Curling Club, call 661-2890.

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The TEAMS: Each team has four players. The skip calls directions to his teammates from near the tee by showing them where he wants the stone placed. The vice of each team takes turns "throwing" a stone by sliding it towards the other end. The stone must be released by the thrower before he crosses the hog line nearest his end. The stone must cross the far hog line or

it is removed from play. The lead and second sweep the ice before the stone according to the orders of their skip. Sweeping increases the distance the stone will travel and also affects the spin, or curl placed on it. Usually the skip throws the last two stones for his team. The last stone thrown is known as the hammer.

SCORING: If a stone touches or lies within the largest circle surrounding the tee, it may be counted as a point if there is no opponent's stone closer to the tee.

## Rules of the game are easy

Curling is the national sport of Scotland, where it has been played for more than 300 years. It enjoys a popular following in Canada, and a small-but-steady, cult-like circle of devotees in the U.S. Here is a brief guide to how it is played:

THE ICE: Two goals are imprinted in the ice with their center points 38 yards apart. Concentric circles surround the center point, called the tee. Between each tee and the middle line, a line called the hog line is placed.

THE STONE: Each team has eight stones, squat, circular and made of granite, with a concave bottom and an iron ring on top for gripping it. They weigh nearly 40 pounds each.

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by Charles H. Williams, C.P.A.

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Pattern Style	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW
Width & Height	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW
47 x 48 1 Way	129.00 <b>45<sup>15</sup></b>	140.00 <b>45<sup>50</sup></b>	129.00 <b>41<sup>75</sup></b>	140.00 <b>49<sup>00</sup></b>	205.00 <b>82<sup>00</sup></b>
84 x 84 1 Way	259.00 <b>90<sup>63</sup></b>	287.00 <b>93<sup>28</sup></b>	259.00 <b>84<sup>18</sup></b>	287.00 <b>100<sup>45</sup></b>	531.00 <b>212<sup>40</sup></b>
97 x 84 1 Way	292.00 <b>102<sup>20</sup></b>	326.00 <b>107<sup>95</sup></b>	292.00 <b>94<sup>90</sup></b>	326.00 <b>114<sup>10</sup></b>	605.00 <b>242<sup>00</sup></b>
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Discount	50% + 25%	50% + 25%	75%	50% + 25%	50% + 25%	75%
Fabric Style	Tweed	Rustic	Cedar	Printweave	Colony	Granite
Width & Height	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW
47 x 48 1 Way	152.00 <b>57<sup>00</sup></b>	152.00 <b>57<sup>00</sup></b>	152.00 <b>38<sup>00</sup></b>	152.00 <b>57<sup>00</sup></b>	152.00 <b>57<sup>00</sup></b>	152.00 <b>38<sup>00</sup></b>
84 x 84 1 Way	360.00 <b>135<sup>00</sup></b>	360.00 <b>135<sup>00</sup></b>	360.00 <b>90<sup>00</sup></b>	360.00 <b>135<sup>00</sup></b>	360.00 <b>135<sup>00</sup></b>	360.00 <b>90<sup>00</sup></b>
97 x 84 1 Way	409.00 <b>153<sup>38</sup></b>	409.00 <b>153<sup>38</sup></b>	409.00 <b>102<sup>25</sup></b>	409.00 <b>153<sup>38</sup></b>	409.00 <b>153<sup>38</sup></b>	409.00 <b>102<sup>25</sup></b>
109 x 84 1 Way	465.00 <b>174<sup>38</sup></b>	465.00 <b>174<sup>38</sup></b>	465.00 <b>116<sup>25</sup></b>	465.00 <b>174<sup>38</sup></b>	465.00 <b>174<sup>38</sup></b>	465.00 <b>116<sup>25</sup></b>
87 x 84 2 Way	373.00 <b>139<sup>88</sup></b>	373.00 <b>139<sup>88</sup></b>	373.00 <b>93<sup>25</sup></b>	373.00 <b>139<sup>88</sup></b>	373.00 <b>139<sup>88</sup></b>	373.00 <b>93<sup>25</sup></b>
100 x 84 2 Way	422.00 <b>158<sup>25</sup></b>	422.00 <b>158<sup>25</sup></b>	422.00 <b>105<sup>50</sup></b>	422.00 <b>158<sup>25</sup></b>	422.00 <b>158<sup>25</sup></b>	422.00 <b>105<sup>50</sup></b>
119 x 84 2 Way	495.00 <b>185<sup>63</sup></b>	495.00 <b>185<sup>63</sup></b>	495.00 <b>123<sup>75</sup></b>	495.00 <b>185<sup>63</sup></b>	495.00 <b>185<sup>63</sup></b>	495.00 <b>123<sup>75</sup></b>

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Pattern Style	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW
Width & Height	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW	Reg. NOW
47 x 48 1 Way	129.00 <b>45<sup>15</sup></b>	140.00 <b>45<sup>50</sup></b>	129.00 <b>41<sup>75</sup></b>	140.00 <b>49<sup>00</sup></b>	205.00 <b>82<sup>00</sup></b>
84 x 84 1 Way	259.00 <b>90<sup>63</sup></b>	287.00 <b>93<sup>28</sup></b>	259.00 <b>84<sup>18</sup></b>	287.00 <b>100<sup>45</sup></b>	531.00 <b>212<sup>40</sup></b>
97 x 84 1 Way	292.00 <b>102<sup>20</sup></b>	326.00 <b>107<sup>95</sup></b>	292.00 <b>94<sup>90</sup></b>	326.00 <b>114<sup>10</sup></b>	605.00 <b>242<sup>00</sup></b>
109 x 84 1 Way	333.00 <b>116<sup>55</sup></b>	370.00 <b>120<sup>25</sup></b>	333.00 <b>108<sup>25</sup></b>	370.00 <b>129<sup>50</sup></b>	685.00 <b>274<sup>00</sup></b>
87 x 84 2 Way	297.00 <b>103<sup>95</sup></b>	297.00 <b>96<sup>53</sup></b>	297.00 <b>96<sup>53</sup></b>	297.00 <b>103<sup>95</sup></b>	549.00 <b>219<sup>60</sup></b>
100 x 84 2 Way	267.00 <b>93<sup>45</sup></b>	336.00 <b>109<sup>20</sup></b>	267.00 <b>86<sup>78</sup></b>	336.00 <b>117<sup>40</sup></b>	624.00 <b>249<sup>60</sup></b>
119 x 84 2 Way	353.00 <b>123<sup>95</sup></b>	392.00 <b>127<sup>40</sup></b>	353.00 <b>114<sup>75</sup></b>	392.00 <b>137<sup>20</sup></b>	736.00 <b>294<sup>60</sup></b>

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